TIP SHEET MELBOURNE - 26th February 2021

R1 - BALLINA 13:05 AUD \$22,000 DOUSE FIRE PROTECTION (BM58)		
3	RIOLI	Beaten 1.5 lengths when second at Murwillumbah on January 31 before being comfortably held at Coffs Harbour last time at big odds. Can't see him figuring in the finish.
2	LUCAP	Kept coming last time over 1250m at this track to finish eighth and will appreciate the extra ground here. Looks well placed here and can do much better this time.
5	MY COUSIN STEVE	Returns here after a four months break and does have very good record when resuming from a spell. Finished last campaign with finding fourth. Rates highly and looks one of the leading chances.
6	INSTABEATS	Doesn't win often and last win was nearly two years ago. Latest when a 3.5 lengths sixth over 1000m at this track. Rates well and is among the chances.
4	RULE BREAKER	Displayed sharp improvement when breaking through for his maiden win last start at Casino. Has a wide gate to overcome but can make it back to back wins.

R2 - BALLINA | 13:40 | AUD \$22,000 | XXXX GOLD MDN PLATE

12	KITTYKITTYBANGBANG	Three start maiden yet to finish in the placings, last start finishing seventh over 1350m at Doomben. Rates well on best form and is among the better hopes.
11	HOT NEWS	Was safely held on debut when fifth and beaten 2.5 lengths at Eagle Farm. Open to further improvement. Can measure up this time.
8	POET'S GIRL	Pushed forward last time and was in front turning before being swamped and holding second over 1310m at Lismore. Drawn for a good run on the speed and best form puts her right in this.
4	ATOMIC FEATHER	Just pipped a head at this track over 1000m last start. Improver. Top Hope.
2	NO HARM DONE	Just missed out on the placings last start when fifth at Gold Coast over 1100m. Drops to country grade after his latest run in tougher company. Should be fighting out the finish.

R3 - BALLINA | 14:15 | AUD \$22,000 | TAB (BM66)

5	VIKING RAID	Doesn't win often and last win was well over a year ago. Latest when a 1.75 lengths second over 1310m at Lismore. Has the ability and can run a forward race.
9	TWELVE APOSTLES	Lightly raced gelding and tracking well. Last time recorded a 2 length second over 1200m at lpswich. Rates highly in this and expected to go close.
1	EL PHOENIX	Good effort when second at Gold Coast over 1400m last start. Has strong claims in this race based on latest outing. Apprentice to ride. One of the main contenders.
7	SHE'S RUBICOOL	Performed well during first up run when third at Gold Coast on February 13 over 1200m. Winning chance.
8	UNIMPEDED	Consistently outside the placings of late, latest was fourth beaten by 3.5 lengths over 1200m at Gold Coast. Drawn wide in this field but still a good chance.

R4 - CANTERBURY | 15:15 | AUD \$50,000 | PAUL LAHOOD FUNERAL SERV. MDN

1	FORBES	Resumes here after a four months spell and a 800m Goulburn barrier trial where he won. Form last campaign was excellent and a forward showing is to be expected.
3	MAZU	Unraced 2yo colt who has trialled twice. Was impressive when winning trial on February 16 at Randwick over 1050m. Can improve on trial form and break though for debut win.
7	EMERALD BAY	Returned from a spell last start when runner up beaten one length at Gosford on February 13 over 1000m. Rates as being one of the main contenders.
8	CAMINO REAL	Resumed over 1000m and missed the placings when a 3.5 lengths fourth at Gosford. Fitter again and rates a strong winning chance to break through.
10	JAL LEI	Daughter of Sebring from the mare Lesley's Choice making debut. Fitter for a trial placing leading into this and can measure up at first outing.

R5 - CANTERBURY 15:45 AUD \$50,000 TAB (BM64)		
4 JENGA	Made an ideal start to her career, scoring a debut win at Warwick Farm. Sets the standard here.	
5 HINCHBEAST	Poor winning strike rate overall with just one win from 10 starts, latest was second over 1200m at this track. Rates well enough in this field and expected to be in the finish.	
3 INVESTOR	Followed up a win at this track with a close third last start at this track only beaten 1.5 lengths. In the mix here.	
2 PATROLLING	Hasn't raced since finishing in the placings over 1250m at this track and is fitter for recent trials, placing at the latest at Hawkesbury. Has a great record fresh with one wins from one runs and should feature in the finish.	
6 LONG WEEKEND	Resumes today after scoring his maiden win three back in his debut campaign. Looks an each way chance.	

R6 - CANTERBURY | 16:15 | AUD \$50,000 | IRON JACK (BM64)

3	MACLEAY	Just the one win to his name but looks to possess plenty of talent. Went well last start at his home track running third over 1550m. Looks like an improving type and expect a bold showing.
1	MIGHTYBEEL	Fitter for two runs back, the latest when 4.5 lengths win over 1550m at this track. Good record overall and rates highly in this.
2	DUTY	Dual acceptor. Racing well in its 10 career starts. Last start posted a one length win over 1800m at Hawkesbury. Has the ability and expected to run well.
4	VAN GOGH	Lightly raced gelding and tracking well. Last time recorded a 0.8 lengths victory over 1600m at Goulburn. Rates highly in this and expected to go close.
6	YIYI	Running well recently including a last start third by 0.8 lengths over 1870m at Newcastle. Rates well and can break through if finds best.

R7 - CANTERBURY 16:45 AUD \$50,000 THE AGENCY REAL ESTATE (BM72)		
6	BORN A WARRIOR	Two runs back this time in have been solid. Ready to improve now. Strong chance.
1	EXCELTIC	Nicely rated gelding who ran a close third last start at Warwick Farm when beaten a long neck after starting at \$13. Right in this.
8	BUDHWAR	Third-up and placed third-up previously. Resuming laid out near turn; 3rd of 11 at Gosford. Fitter and has a hope.
9	GRENADO	Scored maiden win over 1250m two back at this track then missed last time at Randwick Kensington when eighth. Rates to contest and can sneak into the finish.
5	PHEMONOE	Returns here after finishing seventh over 1400m at Randwick Kensington before a four months break. Credentials when resuming are strong and definitely worth including in the multiples.

R8 - CANTERBURY 17:15 AUD \$50,000 M&G SEAFOOD (BM72)		
1 SELICA	Has been close up in recent runs including a last start third over 1600m at Flemington when only 0.9 lengths from the winner. Rates highly in this and is worth another try.	
2 MAJOR ARTIE	Handy gelding who has already racked up three wins. Form sound, the latest when a head win over 1550m at this track. Racing well and expected to measure up.	
4 FILL OF FUN	Finished a close third at Randwick Kensington over 1800m in most recent effort. Will take beating.	
7 MARS	Fitter for recent racing and looks close to a win after finishing third over 1550m at Randwick Kensington last time. Racing well and should prove hard to beat again.	
11 UNDOUBTED	Five-year-old gelding who has won in easier grade but is yet to salute in the city from 5 runs. Place looks best chance in this.	

R9 - CANTERBURY 17:45 AUD \$80,000 KIA C'BURY SPRINT FINAL-BM78		
11 N	ЛАЈМАН	Resumes here after a four months spell and a 900m Rosehill barrier trial where she placed in a barrier trial. Form last campaign was excellent and expect a forward showing here. Leading contender first up.
2 P	PERIGORD	Nicely rated gelding. Scored a close win last start at this track winning by a nose starting at \$10. Right in this.
1 A	ALL CYLINDERS	Just missed out when beaten a nose second at Grafton over 1000m as favourite in most recent effort. Will take catching.
4 ⊦	HE'S A HOTSHOT	Brought up fifth career win two back but missed the frame last time when fourth over 1250m at this track. Thereabouts last time and rates well.
3 E	BROKEN ARROWS	Was solid when resuming at this track. Had excuses for his fifth beaten 2.5 lengths on a soft track. A threat in this line up.

R10 - CANTERBURY | 18:15 | AUD \$50,000 | PFD FOOD SERVICES (BM72)

2	SAFFIANO	Last start seventh at Randwick Kensington when in the market on a soft track and is stepping to 1550m for the first time today. Cannot be ruled out after that latest run – can bounce back.
1	ABOVE AND BEYOND	Went down by a head to finish second at this track over 1550m in most recent effort. Main contender.
7	GLAMOUR FOX	Likes the distance and goes well with multiple placings. Winning hope if she builds on that encouraging effort last start.
3	KNOWITALL JACK	Returned to form placing third last time out when well supported at this track over 1550m. Expected to give a great sight up on the pace despite a wide draw.
6	FOXBOROUGH	Improved twice over to place third at this track last time out over 1550m. Looks suited to contest the main picks. Has claims.