

Sunday September 25, 2022

Busan Race 2: Class 5 (1200M) Handicap / KRW 40 Million

Fillies only here and it's hard to go past (7) DOCTOR OSCAR. An emphatic winner at class 6 level over 1000M in July, she then ran an on-pace 3rd on her first try at this class and distance on August 28th. She comes up just 1.5kg on that and should be leading from gate to wire. (9) TWO OF US was a good winner over this distance in June and while she could only manage 6th of eleven when favourite for her first try at this class over 1300M at the end of July, the margins weren't huge, and she is worth another chance to get closer today. (1) AGAIN TOUCH returns to action for the first time since January but she comes into contention by virtue of having made all to win a trial in a good time just last week. So long as she didn't leave her race there, she has a real chance of a bold showing. (3) BAEK GU and the up in class following a maiden win (5) LOUD COLOR are others to take into account.

Selections	(7) Doctor Oscar (9) Two Of Us (1) Again Touch (3) Baek Gu
Next Best	5, 10
Fast Start	1, 4, 5, 7

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It might have taken nineteen goes for him to get his maiden win but (6) GO GO STAR enters with her recent form looking very good. She made all at class and distance in that race two starts back and followed up with a solid 4th on her latest on August 13th. She remains nicely in at the weights, draws well and has a faster time for the distance than any of her rivals. (9) P N S LOOK was a good winner on debut over 1000M in July but only beat a couple home on her first go at this class and distance on August 28th. She should have benefitted for the experience and can go better today. (5) NEW STAR YEONGCHEON races for the first time since June, which in turn was his first appearance since February. He draws well to be on pace and has claims here. (11) INVICTUS and (10) RAON THE PEARL among others to consider.

Selections	(6) Go Go Star (9) P N S Look (5) New Star Yeongcheon (11) Invictus
Next Best	10, 7
Fast Start	4, 5, 9, 11

Busan Race 3: Class 5 (1400M) Handicap / KRW 40 Million

(11) GREAT CAPTAIN has four top-three finishes from six starts so far and while he races for the first time since a runner-up finish at this class over 1400M in June, he looked very well when winning a trial on September 3rd. He is up 4kg on his last start, but he has winning chances here. (12) NOBLE COWBOY won at this distance at class 6 level and comes in off two positive showings for 4th places. He is capable of settling back and running on so the wide draw shouldn't be a problem. (6) SMARTY DOLPUNG will be on pace. He beat a few of these when 2nd at class and distance two starts back and can be in this a long way too. The up in class (7) TOTAL ECLIPSE, a good winner at this distance at the end of August, and (8) QUEEN'S DAERO, who beat Smarty Dolpung last time out, are among plenty of others with place hopes.

Selections	(11) Great Captain (12) Noble Cowboy (6) Smarty Dolpung (7) Total Eclipse
Next Best	8, 3
Fast Start	3, 5, 6, 7

Seoul Race 6: Class 5 (1300M) Handicap / KRW 40 Million

In her past few outings, (6) GREENBACK has been working back toward another win and it could come here. She has been consistently running good times over 1200M and steps up slightly in trip with solid claims to get the job done today. (7) NAOL SNIPER is the main danger He comes up in class and distance following a maiden win over 1000M at start number three on August 28th when he made all. He comes down slightly in the weights and should be on or close to the pace again. (2) B.J. STORM ran an improved 4th in a fast race at class and distance on August 14th, leading for much of the way and he can go well again for the persistently in form Riccardi stable. (11) STAR CRAZY and (12) RAON THE WEEKEND others in the frame.

Selections	(6) Greenback (7) Naol Sniper (2) B.J. Storm (11) Star Crazy
Next Best	12, 4
Fast Start	7, 8, 11, 12

Busan Race 4: Class 4 (1600M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

(8) MAHAMERU comes up in class following a victory over this distance on August 28th when she quickly found the lead, despite drawing gate twelve, and didn't look back, winning by as many as she pleased. That was her second win in her last three starts meaning she is rapidly up in class, but she should measure up in this company and can win again. (4) UNJU BULPAE ran fairly for a midfield finish last start on his first effort at this class. He is nicely weighted and drawn here and

can be a danger. (7) YONGGARI was a good winner over 1400M at class 4 level on August 6th but struggled a little last time out from a wide draw. Under today's handicap conditions he comes down in the weights, draws a bit better and can get much closer. (11) EUNSEONG YEONGUNG and (12) STAR CATCH are others who should be competitive.

Selections	(8) Mahameru (4) Unju Bulpae (7) Yonggari (11) Eunseong Yeongung
Next Best	12, 6
Fast Start	1, 2, 5, 11

Seoul Race 7: Class 5 (1600M) Allowance / KRW 40 Million

(9) LUNAR SILVER was considered good enough to have a tilt at the final leg of the filly Triple Crown, where she finished 6th of ten. Since returning to shallower waters, she has a 2nd and a 4th from two attempts, both over 1700M and both times finishing ahead of at least one of today's rivals. The one concern is the draw as it is very hard for horses drawn wide to get a decent position on the short run to the first corner but she has plenty of early speed so she may be the one to break the pattern. (7) KING HONOR draws a little a bit better. He is up in class after an all the way score over 1400M and the additional furlong shouldn't pose a problem. (5) BLUE INDY comes back in trip after a good 4th from gate 10 over 1700M. He can be competitive here too. (3) TRIPLE JOY and (1) BLUE CHARM others in the hunt.

Selections	(9) Lunar Silver (7) King Honor (5) Blue Indy (3) Triple Joy
Next Best	1, 2
Fast Start	2, 4, 7, 9

Busan Race 5: Class 4 (1800M) Allowance / KRW 60 Million

Competitive race. (1) YASAENGHWA was a beaten favourite last start on September 2nd when leading into the final furlong but ultimately running 4th over a mile on her first try at this class. She has won at the mile before and steps up to this distance for the first time well weighted and well-drawn to be very competitive. The main danger is (7) HANEUL JEONSA. He has won his latest two with the most recent having been at this class over a mile on August 19th. He comes up 4kg in the weights because of that and is also trying two-turns for the first time, but he can settle back and run on, and he has solid claims. (6) GREAT DANCE was a front-running class and distance winner at odds of 10/1 on August 28th and while he has his fair share of weight, warrants respect here too. (5) ACE JACKPOT, who beat Yasaenghwa in that September 2nd race, and (3) WONDERFUL WORLD, the latter another last start class and distance winner are others who can enter the calculations.

Selections	(1) Yasaenghwa (7) Haneul Jeonsa (6) Great Dance (5) Ace Jackpot
Next Best	3, 8
Fast Start	1, 2, 4, 6

Seoul Race 8: Class 3 (1400M) Handicap / KRW 75 Million

(1) WILD SOCKS won three races in a row in June and July at 1200M and 1400M to get rapidly promoted to this class, before running a strong 4th in the MJC Trophy on International weekend three weeks ago at 1200M. He carries a nice light weight here, draws well and is the one they need to beat. There are plenty of other prolific winners. (6) RAON THE JET has won four of six and comes up in class having made all the running over 1200M last time out. He comes up in trip today but has had a couple of months off and can measure up here. So too (3) YELLOW CAT, whose last start win was also back in July but in her case was over today's distance when settling handy and proving too strong. (11) GLOBAL YEONGUNG ran 2nd to Wild Socks back at the end of July but joins him up in class. He comes down a full 6kg in the weights and won't mind the wide draw as he likes to settle back and run on. He is not without a chance. Prolific placer (8) SINUI ADEUL is another who can compete for the minors.

Selections	(1) Wild Socks (6) Raon The Jet (3) Yellow Cat (11) Global Yeongung
Next Best	8, 10
Fast Start	3, 6, 8, 12

Busan Race 6: Class 1 (1400M) Allowance / KRW 110 Million

Can (8) HIT YEGAM return to form? He bested Winner's Man in two legs of the Triple Crown last year but hasn't quite been able to kick on as a four-year-old. That's not to say his results have been bad as he has been running in top class company. This isn't easy either, but he looks nicely in here and he can go to the front and try to lead all the way. (3) MACH TITAN will be aiming to do the same thing. He beat a fair few of these when winning at class and distance in a super time back in June before racking up back-to-back runner-up finishes around two turns. He carries 5kg more than in that June victory but draws well and may start favourite. (2) YES PERFECT comes in off the back of two very quick wins over 1200M. He comes up in the weights and 1400M may not be as much in his favour, but he can be competitive again. (9) SSONSAL, runner-up to Mach Titan last time, and (1) BARBARIAN, who draws a much better gate than in his latest two defeats, others in the frame.

Selections	(8) Hit Yegam (3) Mach Titan (2) Yes Perfect (9) Ssonsal
Next Best	1, 10
Fast Start	3, 4, 8, 9

Seoul Race 9: Class 4 (1300M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

A small field but a very competitive one. We'll take a chance on (8) ICE STAR who comes back to this trip for the first time since winning at it at class 5 level back in May. He has since run well for 2nd over 1400M and 5th of nine at 1700M and with an apprentice engaged, comes down a full 4kg in the weights here. He doesn't need to lead so drawn outside shouldn't be an issue and this could be his day. (3) DAEMUL was an also-ran in the Korean Derby but comes up class following a good win over 1200M on August 20th when handy throughout. He has won at the distance before and is well weighted and well-drawn. Up rapidly in class is (7) CHOEGO BLACK following back-to-back wins when settling back and running on. This is tougher but he can be competitive. Better drawn than last time is (1) COLJOY, and he along with (5) HWA SSI BYEOK are other contenders. Very few without a chance here.

Selections	(8) Ice Star (3) Daemul (7) Choego Black (1) Coljoy
Next Best	5, 2
Fast Start	1, 2, 6, 8

Seoul Race 10: Class 4 (1800M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

(2) SARYEONI FIRST comes in having won over class and distance when handy throughout on August 21st. He had previously shown his versatility and his quality by overcoming wide draws to run on for very good 7th and 4th placed finishes in the Korean Derby and Minister's Cup. He does give weight away here, but he can win again. (4) ORAE HAMKKEHAJA comes up in class after an all the way score over 1700M on August 27th. Like Saryeoni First, he looks destined for a higher level than this and he can be competitive. (11) VIKING HEART beat Orae Hamkkehaja when they came home 1st and 3rd over 1700M at class 5 level at the end of July. He races for the first time since and can also measure up, especially under the light weight. (7) BIG YAK has finally found some form and could maintain his run with another money finish. (3) CONCORDE SPURT another in the hunt.

Selections	(2) Saryeoni First (4) Orae Hamkkehaja (11) Viking Heart (7) Big Yak
Next Best	3, 1
Fast Start	3, 4, 5, 7

Seoul Race 11: Class 2 (1800M) Allowance / KRW 90 Million

It's time for (1) COMPLETE VALUE to return to the winner's circle. A perfect five from five last term saw him to the Champion Juvenile title but he is yet to open his account as a three-year-old, placing 2nd in the Cup Mile, 6th in the Derby and 3rd in the Minister's Cup. This isn't easy but he should have the beating of this average class 2 field. (7) JANGSAN POISON is up in class following a good win over this distance on August 28th when handy to the lead throughout. He is ultra-consistent and looks class 1 bound sooner rather than later. (11) HIDDEN SOCKS ran out a good winner at this class over a mile on August 27th. An apprentice aboard today means he carries the same weight, and his style means he doesn't need to lead. (8) BEST TAP and (4) NORTHERN TIME others in the frame.

Selections	(1) Complete Value (7) Jangsan Poison (11) Hidden Socks (8) Best Tap
Next Best	4, 2
Fast Start	1, 7, 8, 9