

Saturday May 10, 2025

Seoul Race 3: Class 5 (1200M) Handicap / KRW 45 Million

(1) ECLIPSE LUCKY got his maiden win at start number two in February with a front-running effort at this distance. He led in his first try at this class on March 23rd at 1300M ultimately finishing a fair 4th and with that experience under his belt combined with the slight drop back in trip, he is the one to beat here. (4) SONGAM SKY was a winner at this class two outings back and then ran 3rd on April 19th at 1300M. She is another who likes to be on pace, and if she can get to the lead, she will be a danger again. (5) NAEGILUI YEOJEONG won at class and distance in January before parting company with his rider coming out of the gate in February, earning himself a starting test and barrier trial. He returned to the races with a fair 5th on April 12th and assuming he gets round, will be in the finish. (8) SERGEANT LIGHT and (2) YES ANGEL other place chances.

Selections	(1) Eclipse Lucky (4) Songam Sky (5) Naegilui Yeojeong (8) Sergeant Light
Next Best	2, 6
Fast Start	1, 2, 4, 5

Seoul Race 4: Class 5 (1400M) Handicap / KRW 45 Million

(5) UPPERHAND had been working towards a maiden win and it arrived at the sixth time of asking on what was her first try at both this class and this distance on April 13th. She comes up 2kg in weight but given the aptitude she showed for the 1400M, she has to be favoured to prevail again. (4) FREE TIME won on debut and has registered a 6th and a 5th in two tries at this class. She comes into a much better gate this time, the slight step up in trip can suit, and she can be a danger. (3) WONDERFUL SPIRIT was the beaten favourite behind Upperhand in that April 13th race, showing handy, but ultimately finishing 4th. An apprentice claiming 2kg keeps her weight low and she should be there or thereabouts again. (10) EXCELLENT MATTA, 2nd to Upperhand last time out, along with (11) WANGCHOEGO, who has placed at this class and to who Moon Se-young stays loyal, are others to consider.

Selections	(5) Upperhand (4) Free Time (3) Wonderful Spirit (10) Excellent Matta
Next Best	11, 9
Fast Start	4, 5, 9, 10

Seoul Race 5: Class 4 (1400M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

(11) SMILING PRINCE took a couple of goes to figure things out, but has run 2nd in both his latest two, most recently at this distance on April 19th. He has the challenge of the widest gate, but the son of Smiling Tiger has shown plenty of speed from the gate and with a long way to the corner, he can get to the front and go one better. (2) BICHUICA is a veteran Korean bred who came from well off the pace to beat a few of these on his way to a smart 2nd at big odds on April 5th. He comes up 1.5kg in weight but draws well and this is the kind of race he can find the money in. (8) TAEKHAN was 4th in that race. His win came over this distance and he can be in the mix again here. (6) HEART K and (5) HIGH RUNNER are the others in the hunt.

Selections	(11) Smiling Prince (2) Bichuica (8) Taekhan (6) Heart K
Next Best	5, 4
Fast Start	1, 7, 8, 11

Seoul Race 6: Class 4 (1600M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

(8) BAZOOKA BOY tackled this distance for the first time on April 12th and led for much of the way, ultimately ending in 2nd place, beating three of today's rivals in the process. He has the challenge of the widest gate this time but unusually for a mile, there isn't a full field, and this time he can go all the way. (3) GIPPEUM HAMSEONG was 3rd in that race, finishing in that place for the third consecutive race. For him too it was a first try at a mile and from a great draw, he shapes as the main danger and may well be sent off as the betting favourite. (2) BROWN GOLD tries the mile for the first time but comes in off a 2nd place at this class over 1700M and looks a threat again. (1) THANK YOU DAECHAEON and (5) ORAEDAHAMKKE are other place chances.

Selections	(8) Bazooka Boy (3) Gippeum Hamseong (2) Brown Gold (1) Thank You Daecheon
Next Best	5, 7
Fast Start	3, 4, 7, 8

Seoul Race 7: Class 4 (1700M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

(1) DRAGON GATE is yet to score in five but has thrived in his latest two at 1800M, running 2nd and 3rd at this class. From the inside gate, Johan can pick his spot and in this company, he should be making his breakthrough. (8) JISAN FORCE is a winner of two of his last three, most recently at 1800M in March. He has been back to trial since then and while up in class and not getting much in the way of a weight break, he can measure up. (7) WONDERFUL SWEET is up in class and in distance following a solid score at 1400M on April 6th. Runa Maia rode her for the first time that day and he stays on here and there is no reason why the 1700M can't suit. (4) CHUKBAEREUL DEULEORA and (2) THE GIANT are others in the frame.

Selections	(1) Dragon Gate (8) Jisan Force (7) Wonderful Sweet (4) Chukbaereul Deuleora
Next Best	2, 3
Fast Start	1, 3, 7, 9

Seoul Race 8: Class 3 (1800M) Handicap / KRW 75 Million

Competitive race. We'll take a chance on (5) WORLD BLAME, although he does love a place – eight of them, – rather than a win, – one of them. That win did come at this distance though and he is fairly weighted after a 3rd place at this class and distance last time out. Today can be his day. If he does find one too quick, and he might, then it could be (7) BELOTERO. She won back-to-back races over 1700M at class 4 level before running 3rd in a strong Trophy race at this distance last month, coming from well off the pace. She enters very nicely weighted and looks sure to be a danger. (11) NEW DOLKONG has to deal with the widest gate, but he enters off two consecutive 4th places over this class and distance and both his wins have come at 1800M. (8) ULTRA THUNDER and (2) K N LIGHT are others to consider.

Selections	(5) World Blame (7) Belotero (11) New Dolkong (8) Ultra Thunder
Next Best	2, 9
Fast Start	1, 2, 3, 10

Seoul Race 9: Class 3 (1200M) Handicap / KRW 75 Million

(10) EXCELLENT TAN enters in excellent form with back-to-back wins in January and March at class 4 level followed by a 2nd place on his first try at class 3 at 1400M on April 6th. He likes to lead so the wide draw is a concern, but 1200M is his go – all his wins have come at the distance – and he is a big chance here. Speaking of 1200M being someone's go, he is back! The viral sensation (6) LALA K returns a full forty-seven weeks after the final leg of a fruitless attempt at the unsuitable trips of the Triple Crown last year. He is back at the distance he made his name with a ridiculous come from behind effort as a juvenile in the Rookie Stakes and he looked well when 2nd – well back behind Okcheon Sniper – in a trial last month and at two from three at the 1200M, he can't be ruled out. (2) GEUMSE enters off a 2nd place at class and distance last time. (3) RAON TAP PLAY and (8) GEUMA FIERY others to keep safe.

Selections	(10) Excellent Tan (6) Lala K (2) Geumse (3) Raon Tap Play
Next Best	8, 4
Fast Start	1, 3, 9, 11

Seoul Race 10: Class 1 (1200M) Handicap / KRW 110 Million

Class 1 but with a rating cap of 90. (1) YEONGGWANGUI WORLD had a miserable time from a wide draw in the SBS Sports Sprint last month, but it should go without saying that this is a far easier assignment. Two starts back he was a very narrow 2nd in a super time to Super Finish at class 1 and this is his to lose. (8) SARYEONI FIRST has been trying to find his forte, but he is one for one at the distance and looks a shrewd entry here. (7) DAESARI too comes back to a distance at which he has won at twice and he looked very sharp winning a trial in a quick time last week. So long as he didn't leave his race there, he is a chance here. (5) EOSEOLMAREULHAE and (3) VICEROY, both coming back into shallower waters, are others to consider.

Selections	(1) Yeonggwangui World (8) Saryeoni First (7) Daesari (5) Eoseolmareulhae
Next Best	3, 2
Fast Start	1, 4, 5, 7