

**Race 8 - LION QUALITY PRODUCTS WGL CUP**Watchdog Selections:

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LUCA NEVEELK**\$2.20****Stats:** 32 Starts. 25-1-3**Prizemoney:** \$210365**Fast Times:** SLE 24.74, GEL 25.41, BAL 25.06**Trainer:** G Kleeven (Denison) -**Group Race Honours:**

G2 Geelong Cup - Winner, G2 Ballarat Cup - Winner, G2 Silver Bullet - 3rd

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The Watchdog says: Freakish chaser that possesses impressive early speed which helped him win both the Group 2 Geelong and Ballarat Cups respectively. Returning to the track after being scratched from the recent Cranbourne Cup, due to kennel cough, he showed great determination to hold off the gallant Big Ticket. Sure to have derived benefit from that run and capable of going quicker in the early stages, he is the one to beat from the ideal draw.

JUBILEA BALE**\$16.00****Stats:** 42 Starts. 14-7-4**Prizemoney:** \$33101**Fast Times:** MEA 29.98, SAN 29.57, WGL 25.79**Trainer:** J Hunt (Lara) -**Group Race Honours:**

First Group Final

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The Watchdog says: Showing her customary smart early pace, she had been racing in consistent form without winning at Sandown Park prior to her heat. Overcoming her tricky draw quickly, she pounced straight on the early lead in her heat. A late challenge was issued by Xtreme Knocka but she did a great job to hold on. Excelling from inside draws and with the ability to challenge for the lead, she is not the worst here and is worth including in multiples.

CAUSTIC BALE**\$3.40****Stats:** 18 Starts. 8-2-2**Prizemoney:** \$16440**Fast Times:** GEL 25.25, BAL 25.04, WGL 25.58**Trainer:** S Collins (Lara) -**Group Race Honours:**

First Group Final

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The Watchdog says: Put the writing on the wall that he would be competitive in this series when recording best of the night figures in his recent win here. Ideally drawn in his heat, he took a few strides to reach top speed, which he is renowned to do, before setting up a race winning break on the fast-finishing Sisco Rage. He will need a touch of luck in the initial stages but is every chance to find the rails early and settle behind the leaders. A definite contender.

RIDE THE RAILS**\$4.20****Stats:** 53 Starts. 20-14-7**Prizemoney:** \$125830**Fast Times:** WBL 25.07, SAN 29.23, MEA 34.20**Trainer:** K Bravo (Lovely Banks) -**Group Race Honours:**

G1 Hobart Thousand - 2nd, G1 Silver Chief - Finalist

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The Watchdog says: As his record indicates, this consistent chaser rarely runs a bad race, having been placed in 41 of his 53 starts. Not renowned as a middle distance performer, he impressed in his recent 600m wins at The Meadows. The drop in distance posed no problems as he led all the way in his dominant heat win, recorded the quickest time in the process. While the draw has not been kind to him, his current form indicates he is going as good as ever.

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BIG TICKET**\$12.00**

Trainer: S Clarke (Tooradin) -

Group Race Honours:

G1 Hobart Thousand - Finalist

Stats: 16 Starts. 9-3-1**Prizemoney:** \$31090**Fast Times:** SHP 25.15, GEL 25.75, WGL 25.69

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The Watchdog says: Created a big impression on debut at Shepparton last year winning in the red-hot time of 25.25. Still only lightly raced, he did a great job to qualify for the Group One Hobart Thousand in December, where he ran fourth. He lost no admirers when narrowly beaten in his heat, going head to head with Luca Neveelk for the majority of the race. He possesses a great turn of foot and given room to move early he will make his presence felt.

SISCO RAGE**\$16.00**

Trainer: J Galea (Lara) -

Group Race Honours:

G1 Maturity - Finalist, G3 The Lizrene - Finalist

Stats: 72 Starts. 20-11-13**Prizemoney:** \$116155**Fast Times:** SAN 29.26, BAL 37.60, MEA 34.39

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The Watchdog says: Renowned for his middle distance achievements, this versatile chaser has been racing in great form of late. As expected dropping in distance for his heat, he gave the leaders an early last start. Showing smart mid-race speed, he ran home strongly to be placed behind Caustic Bale. Likely to be in the second half of the field once again in this final, he will be relying on lots of luck, but if things fall his way look for him to be charging home.

NARRALEE**\$21.00**

Trainer: S Creighton (Giffard West) -

Group Race Honours:

First Group Final

Stats: 12 Starts. 7-1-1**Prizemoney:** \$13225**Fast Times:** SLE 24.89, BAL 25.30, SAN 29.64

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The Watchdog says: Promising sprinter who has shown plenty of ability throughout her short career. Capable of producing slick early sectionals, she came out running in her heat, crossing over from a wide draw to quickly find the rails. She did a great job to hold-off the challenge of Group 2 Laurels winner Lamia Bale, who had every chance to catch her. Facing her toughest test, she will need to do everything right, and weather she can cross this field and lead again remains to be seen.

RONRAY SPIRIT**\$12.00**

Trainer: T Reid (Yuroke) -

Group Race Honours:

First Group Final

Stats: 16 Starts. 10-0-2**Prizemoney:** \$14645**Fast Times:** GEL 25.68, BAL 24.94, WGL 25.67

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The Watchdog says: Building up an impressive record, he made a name for himself recording some great wins on the provincial tracks in N.S.W. Since coming to Victoria, he has been a revelation, including sizzling around Ballarat in a brilliant 24.94. Firing out of the boxes in his heat, he opened up a sizeable mid-race break and, although tiring late, he did enough to hold on. He is every chance to get a clear run here with Narralee drawn inside him looking to find the rails early.

ALEX'S ENTITY**\$26.00**

Trainer: K Greenough (Pearcedale)

Stats: 16 Starts. 9-2-2**Prizemoney:** \$33965

The Watchdog says: Far from disgraced in his heat placing when running home strongly, this promising chaser has a bright future ahead. Will need plenty of luck in the initial stages if he gains a run and place hopes do appear best.

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DROOPYS BENTLEY**\$26.00**

Trainer: T O'donovan (Devon Meadows)

Stats: 13 Starts. 6-3-1**Prizemoney:** \$18460

The Watchdog says: As evident in his recent win at The Meadows, this lightly raced chaser has plenty of ability. Can be a bit hot-or-miss at box rise though and will need to do everything right to feature here.

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The Watchdog

Hard to look past freakish front-running sprinter LUCA NEVEELK (1), who is a proven big-race performer. He will give them something to catch if he leads. CAUSTIC BALE (3) can muster great speed. With luck early he will be in the finish.

Suggested Bet: Trifecta 1,3/1,3,4/1,3,4,5,8 (\$10 for 83.33%)