



PRIME DISPATCH

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Black And Tan winning aided by a superb ride by Sam Clenton
Trained by Kris Lees

Black And Tan returned to the winner's circle on Friday aided by a superb ride from Samantha Clenton. It is great to see Sam back riding winners. She is a high-class rider and it is a tribute to her tenacity and courage that she has returned to the saddle. Her ride on Black And Tan was a 10 out of 10 performance. She had established herself as a metropolitan class rider when she had her fall in 2016. I wish her all the best and judging by her outstanding ride on Black And Tan it won't be long before she is regularly riding in the metropolitan area. Black And Tan will now step back up to metropolitan grade with her next run likely to be at Randwick on 26 June.

We have had quite good rain across many parts of Victoria, SA and Tasmania with Sydney likely to get drenched over the next 24 hours. The rain doesn't appear to be heading west of the Great Divide in NSW but at least we are starting to see some wet weather. Keep an eye on the track conditions. The form will be all over the place with many horses never having run on the types of wet tracks we will race on in the coming weeks. Sandown for example will be heavy today and a real slog for horses trying to get through it. Moe was a heavy 10 on Monday with the Warrnambool meeting scheduled for yesterday moved to Casterton due to the state of the track.

ON THE TRACK

Hopefully we can add another winner or two to our list this week. Our runners over the next few days are likely to be:

- 5 June – Casa De Lago at Sandown,
- 6 June – Rubisaki at Seymour,
- 8 June – Invincible Al at Flemington, Reneged at Randwick, Golden Script and Zelsignoret at Swan Hill,
- 9 June – Husson Eagle at Swan Hill, and
- 10 June – Bottoms Up Babe and Not Surprising at Randwick.



Samantha Clenton on Terra Amata at Canterbury 24/10/14

If you follow Australian sport you will have plenty to entertain you over the next week. The big story is Ash Barty who is striving to become the first Australian woman to win the French Open since Margaret Court's win in 1973. Ash is a great advertisement for our country. Good luck to her.

Tonight, we see the first of the State Of Origin clashes between NSW and Queensland. It is shaping as a cracker and the first series Queensland will be without one of the big four. I'm in the Queensland corner but it will be a close game.

Saturday is Queensland's big day with nine 'black type' races to be decided including three Group One contests. I hope the day goes well. The industry in Queensland has had more than its share of issues over the past few years. It needs some fresh air and an injection of optimism. At least the integrity issues surrounding Ben Currie seem to be coming to an end. This saga hasn't done the industry any good. It will be interesting to see when the Aquinta Eight appeals are heard in Melbourne. A Queensland trainer disqualified as part of this investigation is still training in Brisbane!

The Australian Cricket Team has started its World Cup campaign off in solid style. It looks like being a great tournament. I think Australia should be favourite with the English side looking under the odds. The West Indies game is an important one for Australia. They need to win it.

The big stakes increase announced by Racing NSW for the Spring Carnival are a big bonus for the industry in that state. As owners we should always welcome this type of announcement although I am strongly of the opinion the Carnivals in each state should be protected. This will only happen when the state jurisdictions sit down and plan the national racing programme.

SECOND SEASON SIRES

With just two months of the 2018/19 Season remaining we have some interesting results being delivered with the Sire's Lists. I closely watch the First and Second Season Sire's tables to try and establish any trends that may be occurring.

I tend to give more credence to the Winners List rather than the Stakes Earned list. One horse can really distort the Stakes Earned List. This is how the Second Season List looks:

Runners	Winners	Wins	%	Stakes Money 2019	Service fee
<u>Zoustar (by Northern Meteor)</u>					
116	61 (6)	99 (10)	52.6%	\$6,908,805	\$154,000
<u>Spirit of Boom (by Sequalo)</u>					
116	51 (4)	74 (5)	44%	\$4,729,365	\$40,000
<u>Epaulette (by Commands)</u>					
87	46 (5)	65 (7)	52.9%	\$2,935,571	\$27,500
<u>Sizzling (by Snitzel)</u>					
90	36 (1)	49 (1)	40%	\$2,194,387	\$11,000
<u>Unencumbered (by Testa Rossa)</u>					
69	35 (1)	54 (1)	50.7%	\$2,160,587	Not standing
<u>Shamus Award (by Snitzel)</u>					
71	33 (2)	60 (2)	46.5%	\$2,209,080	\$11,000
<u>Dundeel (by High Chaparral)</u>					
69	32 (4)	53 (7)	46.4%	\$3,933,795	\$66,000
<u>The Factor (by War Front)</u>					
56	27 (1)	39 (1)	48.2%	\$987,596	Not Standing
<u>Camelot (by Montjeu)</u>					
39	23 (1)	29 (1)	59%	\$885,805	Not standing
<u>Fiorente (by Monsun)</u>					
72	22 (4)	32 (4)	30.6%	\$2,365,975	\$27,500