

Meeting 4-Otaki Races at Otaki(Thursday 26 Dec)

Left-handed track, 1800m - 400m straight.

R1 MCMILLAN EQUINE FEEDS MAIDEN MDN \$25000 1600m Starts 12:45pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg1, QAD Leg1, FFWin 401, FFPlc 1401									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	3333X	Almalane (4) Peter Didham	Toni Davies (3) 58.5 (R54)	C(0) Dst(1-0-0)	Spelled after some good runs on the synthetic. Two trials. Each way hope.				
2	23X6	Northeasterly (12) James/Wellwood	Lily Sutherland (1) 58.5 (R52)	C(0) Dst(1-0-1)	Ran home well when resuming at Te Aroha. Extra distance ideal here.				
3	55X43	Gee Force (6) Howie Mathews	58.5 (R51)	C(1-0-0) Dst(0)	Tidy fourth here before game third at Wellington. Another up in distance.				
4	7X487	Just Ben (1) Gary Vile	58.5 (R49)	C(19-0-6) Dst(3-0-1)	Has battled away in three runs back this time in. Jumps up to the mile here.				
5	36408	El Tajin (13) Ilone Kelly	58.5 (R48)	C(0) Dst(3-0-0)	Dropped back in the distance and blew the start at Wellington. Place hope.				
6	6577	Dapper Dan (7) Mike Breslin	58.5 (R45)	C(1-0-0) Dst(1-0-0)	Has run four races to date. Trialled since last run. Place chance in this.				
7	3X226	Lets All Boogie (2) Bryce Newman	56.5 (R54)	C(3-0-2) Dst(2-0-1)	Runner up twice before good sixth at Wellington. Extra distance the key.				
8	98802	Predecessor (9) Josh Shaw	Kavish Chowdhoooy 56.5 (R52)	C(1-0-1) Dst(0)	Best run to date when runner up here last time out. Drops back in distance.				
9	06X3	Itoje (14) Ilone Kelly	56.5 (R51)	C(2-0-0) Dst(3-0-1)	Bold run for third when resuming at Wellington. Wide draw no help. Chance.				
10	64X00	Goddess (8) Lucy Tanner	56.5 (R48)	C(1-0-0) Dst(0)	Has struggled in two runs back and steps up in distance for this. Looks held				
11	8X	Chelsea Rose (16) Lisa Latta	56.5 (R45)	C(0) Dst(0)	Did little in two runs last campaign. Placed in most recent trail of two.				
12	80	Star Time (10) Gary Vile	56.5 (R45)	C(2-0-0) Dst(1-0-0)	Has done little in two runs to date and needs to improve to figure.				
13	5	Thrilling (5) Lisa Latta	55 (R47)	C(0) Dst(1-0-0)	Was a close up fifth when making debut at Tauherenikau. Not the worst.				
14	87	Golden Lining (11) Lisa Latta	55 (R45)	C(0) Dst(1-0-0)	Battled on debut. Was better when close up for seventh at Tauherenikau.				
E1 E2	15 16	523X8 434X	Sol De Otono (15) Guy Lowry & Leah Zydenbos Tu Tangata (3) David Jensen	56.5 (R52) 58.5 (R51)	C(0) Dst(1-0-0) C(0) Dst(0)	Fair run when resuming Wellington. Extra distance ideal. Dont treat lightly. Ran three good races last campaign. Off the scene for a while. Has trialled.			

Expert Picks.... 2-Northeasterly

7-Lets All Boogie

15-Sol De Otono

R2 AR PAINTERS HANDICAP Rating 75 Benchmark* \$40000 2100m Starts 1:20pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg2, QAD Leg2, TRB Leg1, FFPlc 1402, FFWin 402									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	X7660	Trav (8) Raymond Connors	59.5 (R74)	C(2-1-0) Dst(3-1-0)	Tidy sixth Whanganui Cup. Battled in strong field Wellington. Major player.				
2	X9656	Inmyshadow (4) Ashley Meadows	59 (R73)	C(5-0-1) Dst(10-1-1)	Fought well for fifth here. Stuck on well at Wellington. Each way hope.				
3	41142	Our Daymo (7) Raymond Connors	57.5 (R70)	C(1-0-0) Dst(1-0-0)	Good run for fourth here. Relegated from win at Wellington. Warrants respect				
4	72812	Yellow Jersey (9) Jo Rathbone	Lily Sutherland (1) 57.5 (R70)	C(0) Dst(1-0-1)	Back in the winners circle at Whanganui. Game second at Wellington. Big hope				
5	X6671	The Prophet (1) Cody Cole	56.5 (R68)	C(1-0-0) Dst(1-1-0)	Impressive when scoring in first run over ground at Wellington. Can repeat.				
6	43431	Utopian Wine (6) Bill Thurlow	55.5 (R70)	C(0) Dst(0)	Closeup when resuming at Woodville for third. Very easy winner Wellington.				
7	31X01	Am I Blue (5) Ilone Kelly	54 (R67)	C(3-1-1) Dst(2-1-1)	Needed resuming run. Won well at Wellington. Up a rating band & in distance.				
8	09900	Divine Spirit (3) Brendon McDermott	54 (R57)	C(7-0-1) Dst(6-0-0)	Form has tailed right off and hard to see things changing here.				
9	75690	Lazy (2) Paul Peake	54 (R45)	C(2-0-0) Dst(3-0-0)	Maiden runner who has been struggling and looks held here.				

Expert Picks.... 6-Utopian Wine

5-The Prophet

1-Trav

R3 RIVERSTONE CAFE THREE YEAR OLD MAIDEN MDN 3YO \$25000 1400m Starts 1:55pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg1, QAD Leg3, TRB Leg2, FFPlc 1403, FFWin 403									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	52	Damiano (7) Lisa Latta	57.5 (R52)	C(0) Dst(1-0-1)	Good fifth on debut. Fought well for second Tauherenikau. Can go one better.				
2	223	Only The Lonely (1) Bryce Newman	55.5 (R58)	C(0) Dst(3-0-3)	Has run three good placings. Back to a maiden here. Warrants respect.				
3	83	Belle Tribute (3) Allan Sharrock	55.5 (R51)	C(0) Dst(1-0-1)	Disappointed on debut. Better when third at Taranaki. Each way hope.				
4	5535	By Her Rules (6) Walker/Bergerson	55.5 (R51)	C(0) Dst(0)	Ran home well for third Te Aroha. Fair fifth last time. Steps up in distance				
5	7X085	Kapalua (5) Hollie Wynyard	55.5 (R47)	C(1-0-0) Dst(1-0-0)	Was better when fifth here last week. Steps up in distance. Not the worst.				
6		Eizus (8) Allan Sharrock	55.5 (R45)	C(0) Dst(0)	Making debut and no disclosed from. Watch the tote here.				
7		Monologue (2) Alexander Fieldes	Lily Sutherland (1) 55.5 (R45)	C(0) Dst(0)	Having first start and has had one trial to prepare.				
8	7	Rogue Romance (4) Lisa Latta	55.5 (R45)	C(0) Dst(1-0-0)	Place din a trial before doing little in debut run. Handy draw helps chances				

Expert Picks.... 2-Only The Lonely

1-Damiano

3-Belle Tribute

R4 VETS ON RIVERBANK MAIDEN MDN \$25000 1200m Starts 2:31pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg2, QAD Leg4, TRB Leg3, FFWin 404, FFPlc 1404									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	334X9	Jamaica Bay (7) Kevin & Stephen Gray	58.5 (R52)	C(0) Dst(2-0-1)	Caught wide when resuming at Tauherenikau. Up in distance. Expect better.				
2	3	Riomosa (3) Geoffrey Haigh	Amber Riddell (3) 58.5 (R51)	C(0) Dst(1-0-1)	Ran home well for third in debut at Woodville. Drawn well. Each way hope.				
3	3X	Truce (5) Allan Sharrock	58.5 (R51)	C(1-0-1) Dst(1-0-1)	Fought well for third on debut here in June. Spelled. Has trialled. Include.				
4	4X8X	Tolstoy (2) Ilone Kelly	58.5 (R49)	C(0) Dst(1-0-0)	Has run two fair races to date. Fresh up. Handy draw. Not the worst.				
5		Bannen (4) Cody Cole	58.5 (R47)	C(0) Dst(0)	Having first start and has had three trials for two wins & a placing.				
6		Cut Loose (8) David Haworth	Kate Hercock 58.5 (R47)	C(0) Dst(0)	Making debut and has had three trials for three wins. Major player.				
7	9X506	Aveta (6) Buddy Lammas	Toni Davies (3) 56.5 (R46)	C(3-0-0) Dst(2-0-0)	Has battled away in three runs to date and place chances look best hope.				
8		Snowflake (9) Guy Lowry & Leah Zydenbos	56.5 (R45)	C(0) Dst(0)	On debut and ha shad two trials to prepare.				
9		Shacktime (1) Allan Sharrock	55 (R45)	C(0) Dst(0)	Having first start and the tote will be the best guide too chances.				

Expert Picks.... 6-Cut Loose

5-Bannen

3-Truce

R5 HARCOURTS OTAKI HANDICAP Rating 65 Benchmark* \$40000 1200m Starts 3:06pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg1, QAD Leg1, FFWin 405, FFPlc 1405									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	19X40	Ardroe (5) Lisa Latta	60 (R65)	C(2-2-0) Dst(7-2-1)	Close up resuming for fourth. Caught wide Wellington. Back a rating band.				
2	332X1	Sumosaurus (11) Gemma McKay	Kate Hercock 59 (R63)	C(0) Dst(2-1-1)	Resumed with a top win at Woodville. Capable of taking next step up.				
3	634X5	Discovery Bay (1) Kevin & Stephen Gray	58.5 (R62)	C(2-0-2) Dst(4-0-2)	Was okay when fifth fresh up at Wellington. One draw helps. Each way hope.				
4	07366	Gohugo (8) Guy Lowry & Leah Zydenbos	Marc Lerner 58.5 (R62)	C(4-0-3) Dst(4-0-3)	Has been running good races lately. Run down late last time. Keep safe.				
5	2X8X5	Maracatu (9) Walker/Bergerson	58 (R64)	C(0) Dst(3-0-1)	Fair fifth when resuming at Waikato. Against the older horses here. Chance.				
6	1	Borninastorm (10) Allan Sharrock	57.5 (R64)	C(0) Dst(1-1-0)	Trial winner who was an easy winner at Taranaki. Draw no help. Big hope.				
7	25X73	Kai Moana (2) Cody Cole	57.5 (R64)	C(1-0-0) Dst(1-1-2)	Close up when third fresh up at Taranaki. Drawn well. Any rain helps chances				
8	53047	Clickety Click (7) Kevin & Stephen Gray	57 (R63)	C(12-2-2) Dst(26-3-5)	Disappointed at Woodville last time. Course & distance winner. Expect better				
9	15	Testing (3) Roydon Bergerson	Lily Sutherland (1) 57 (R63)	C(0) Dst(0)	Easy winner on debut at Tauherenikau. Fair fifth Wellington. Consider.				
10	2518X	Steal My Thunder (4) Bill Thurlow	Mereana Hudson 56.5 (R62)	C(0) Dst(4-0-1)	Fresh up. Has had two trials to prepare. Drawn well. May find short of best,				
11	20687	Covermeinsunshine (6) Suzy Gordon	55 (R59)	C(1-0-0) Dst(9-0-1)	Has been thereabouts in recent runs. Needs a good track. Not the worst.				

Expert Picks.... 1-Ardroe

6-Borninastorm

9-Testing

Meeting 4-Otaki Races at Otaki(Thursday 26 Dec)

Left-handed track, 1800m - 400m straight.

R6 NEW WORLD OTAKI HANDICAP OPN HCP \$50000 1600m Starts 3:43pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg2, QAD Leg2, TRB Leg1, FFWin 406, FFPlc 1406									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	X1556	Times Ticking (11) Dean MacGregor	Jim Chung (2) 62 (R99)	C(1-1-0) Dst(14-3-1)	Top run at Riccarton for fifth. Back in distance & okay at Wellington. Rates				
2	65945	He's A Doozy (6) Lisa Latta	59.5 (R94)	C(3-1-0) Dst(21-8-2)	Better when fourth Riccarton. Fought well for fifth at Wellington. Include.				
3	50X55	Tavattack (1) Allan Sharrock	58 (R91)	C(7-2-2) Dst(6-1-2)	Had chance in two runs for fifth. Up in distance. Course & distance winner.				
4	34272	Chase (8) Stephen Nickalls	Jonathan Riddell 57.5 (R90)	C(14-2-5) Dst(37-5-16)	Tidy run at Tauranga. Fought well for second here. Course & distance winner.				
5	52122	Beavertown Boy (9) Adrian Bull	Lily Sutherland (1) 56.5 (R88)	C(2-2-0) Dst(2-0-0)	Freshened since game second in NZ Cup. Placed recent trial. Unbeaten here.				
6	233X1	Field Of Gold (5) Bill Thurlow	Kate Hercocock 54.5 (R84)	C(1-0-1) Dst(10-0-4)	Resumed with top win at Wellington. Up in distance & class. Keep safe.				
7	43X0X	Elegant Lady (3) Walker/Bergerson	Lisa Allpress 54 (R83)	C(1-0-0) Dst(6-0-4)	Had one run in the spring then freshened. Trialled twice. Place hope.				
8	6X637	Kick On (4) Kevin Myers	54 (R83)	C(5-0-3) Dst(27-5-9)	Good effort for third here. Battled on Saturday. On the quick back up.				
9	52816	Chantilly Lace (2) Chrissy Bambry	54 (R78)	C(2-0-1) Dst(7-1-1)	Back in the winners circle at Whanganui. Okay when sixth Wellington. Chance.				
10	8400X	Sword In Stone (7) Kevin & Stephen Gray	54 (R76)	C(0) Dst(5-1-1)	Back from racing in Hong Kong. Winner at this distance. Has trialled twice.				
11	53121	Sevenayes (10) Mike Breslin	54 (R74)	C(1-1-0) Dst(1-1-0)	Won two of last three & rises up to open class. Draw no help. Not the worst.				

Expert Picks.... 3-Tavattack

1-Times Ticking

2-He's A Doozy

R7 CAVALLO FARM & CHRIS RUTTEN BLOODSTOCK HANDICAP Rating 75 Benchmark* \$40000 1400m Starts 4:17pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg1, QAD Leg3, TRB Leg2, FFWin 407, FFPlc 1407									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	23864	Boomtown Boy (5) Adrian Bull	Mereana Hudson 60 (R75)	C(3-0-1) Dst(2-0-1)	Freshened since good runs over a middle distance. Trialled. Place chance.				
2	53121	Sevenayes (4) Mike Breslin	59.5 (R74)	C(1-1-0) Dst(4-1-2)	Won two of last three. Stays in same rating band. Back in distance. Chance.				
3	26X11	The Scunner (8) Ashley Meadows	59 (R73)	C(1-1-0) Dst(3-2-1)	Impressed winning two in a row. Gave exhibition gallop here last week. Rates				
4	3X027	Duneagle (2) Suzy Gordon	58.5 (R72)	C(3-0-1) Dst(15-1-5)	Better when runner up at Whanganui. Fair run Wellington. Up in distance.				
5	4590X	Hard Too Think (11) Kevin & Stephen Gray	57.5 (R70)	C(0) Dst(5-1-2)	Back from racing in Singapore. Won & placed recent trial. Likes distance.				
6	40X22	Bedtime Story (3) Guy Lowry & Leah Zydenbos	Lily Sutherland (1) 57 (R73)	C(1-1-0) Dst(1-0-0)	Has run two top races for second this time in. Can go one better in this.				
7	2X11	Old Bill Bone (9) Cody Cole	56.5 (R68)	C(2-2-0) Dst(1-1-0)	Has won two races this time in on this track. Up a rating band. Consider.				
8	X8130	Popsagoosey (6) Lisa Latta	56.5 (R68)	C(3-0-0) Dst(8-0-2)	Impressive win Wellington. Game third Whanganui. Forgive last run. For odds.				
9	6710X	Khanshe (7) Fraser Auret	56 (R71)	C(2-1-0) Dst(2-1-0)	Fresh up. Placed in recent trial. Black type winner as a 3YO. Dont dismiss.				
10	421X4	Bridal Train (1) Allan Sharrock	55.5 (R70)	C(2-0-2) Dst(4-0-2)	Fair run when resuming here for fourth. Blinkers go on. Dont treat lightly.				
11	21194	Belles Fate (10) Robbie Patterson	54.5 (R68)	C(0) Dst(1-1-0)	Disappointed at Matamata. Freshened. Game fourth at Wellington. Keep safe				

Expert Picks.... 6-Bedtime Story

10-Bridal Train

3-The Scunner

R8 THE TELE OTAKI HANDICAP Rating 65 Benchmark* \$40000 2300m Starts 4:52pm

WIN, PLC, FT4, QLA, TFA, DBL Leg2, QAD Leg4, TRB Leg3, FFPlc 1408, FFWin 408									
Tote	Form	Name, barrier, trainer	Jockey (allowance) kg (R rtg)	Course, Dist					
1	26129	Comedy (1) Harvey Wilson	60 (R65)	C(3-0-1) Dst(0)	Won well at Wellington. Game second at Whanganui. Forgive last run. Rates.				
2	X7636	Walkinthepark (8) Gary Vile	59 (R63)	C(7-0-0) Dst(0)	Fought well for third at Whanganui. Had chance at Wellington when sixth.				
3	X9504	Zackery (4) Matthew Eales	59 (R63)	C(5-0-1) Dst(0)	Disappointed here. Better when running home well for fourth. Each way hope.				
4	5X754	Rischio (10) Austin Brown	57.5 (R64)	C(8-1-2) Dst(1-1-0)	Has battled away in three runs back. Course& distance winner. Chance.				
5	7X232	Danjuro (11) Peter Didham	Kavish Chowdhooory 57.5 (R60)	C(1-0-1) Dst(0)	Placed in all three runs this time in. Step up in distance suits. Include.				
6	86626	Masso (3) Sylvia Kay	Amber Riddell (3) 57.5 (R60)	C(18-0-7) Dst(1-0-0)	Better when runner up at Wellington. Fair sixth last time. Can figure here.				
7	0X737	Our Milly Bee (7) Walker/Bergerson	57 (R63)	C(0) Dst(0)	Ran home well for third at Rotorua. Okay when seventh at Waikato. Consider.				
8	44310	Lady's Secret (12) Gary Vile	56.5 (R62)	C(4-0-1) Dst(0)	Gained deserved maiden win at Whanganui. No luck at Wellington. Go again.				
9	57190	My Alibi (5) Matthew Eales	56 (R61)	C(0) Dst(0)	Won maiden at Wellington. Has battled in next two runs. Any rain helps.				
10	X0408	Latest Model (2) Gary Vile	55.5 (R60)	C(2-0-1) Dst(0)	Made up some ground in first run over ground. Dont treat lightly here.				
11	6X705	Roulade (9) Chris Bothwell	Elle Sole (3) 55.5 (R60)	C(3-0-1) Dst(0)	Was better when running fifth at Wellington. Capable of upsetting in this.				
12	60436	Lovehelen (6) Lisa Latta	54 (R56)	C(3-1-0) Dst(0)	Better when third at Woodville. Well beaten sixth at Tauherenikau. Place.				

Expert Picks.... 1-Comedy

5-Danjuro

7-Our Milly Bee