Race Speed Profile

Royal Randwick: Australian Turf Club - 23/08/2014

ace No: *1*   **Distance:** *1400*   **Condition:** ALL

Early Settling Speed

Horse	Speed
BURBERO	15.68
ROCK STURDY	15.64
M IN THE MONEY	16.38
WHISPEROSSA	15.34
ANY DAY WILL DO	16.21
FOREIGN PRINCE	16.57
YOU'LL NEVER	15.60
VER BACK DOWN	15.42

Middle Section

Horse	Speed
BURBERO	17.08
ROCK STURDY	16.74
M IN THE MONEY	17.05
WHISPEROSSA	17.39
ANY DAY WILL DO	17.14
FOREIGN PRINCE	17.44
YOU'LL NEVER	17.19
VER BACK DOWN	17.48

Late Closing Speed

Horse	Speed
BURBERO	16.66
ROCK STURDY	17.06
M IN THE MONEY	16.86
WHISPEROSSA	17.29
ANY DAY WILL DO	16.95
FOREIGN PRINCE	17.29
YOU'LL NEVER	17.44
VER BACK DOWN	17.07

Race Comments:

TRACK CONDITIONS / BIAS: Rail true and the wet track will see it hard for leaders. This is due to the general nature of a tough Randwick track plus those chasing are most likely to hit the fast lane in the middle of the track. Even if the leaders do get out there, they have had to crab across to it with those coming from behind normally straight lining with full momentum. Hard fence will be a no go zone but we envisage them all steering clear of it which can provide the opportunity to cut up underneath on the bend and still get out to the lane if you have the right rider

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 1400m: 16.85 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Foreign Prince with Jeff Lloyd on will try and lead from the inside with Any Day Will Do and I'm In The Money next

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Length below benchmark to benchmark early with pressure increasing to two above mid

BEST ZONE AT 800m: Bordering sweet spot, probably right on three to four lens off ideal

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: LOW

MOST ADVANTAGED: Foreign Prince if handles wet, You'll Never and I'm In The Money

LEAST ADVANTAGED: Any Day Will Do, Never Back Down

FOREIGN PRINCE: Nothing to say either way in the wet and whilst it looks a hard day for leaders and this race shape isn't ideal for them, it is also one he can absorb easily if he gets through the wet. On pure data, his is the best, but when we make our assessment we have to factor in obviously the challenge of his position, Jeff Lloyd riding and the one month between runs which is also not great for a heavy track. Is third-up though and this is his A1 distance. Bit of a conundrum
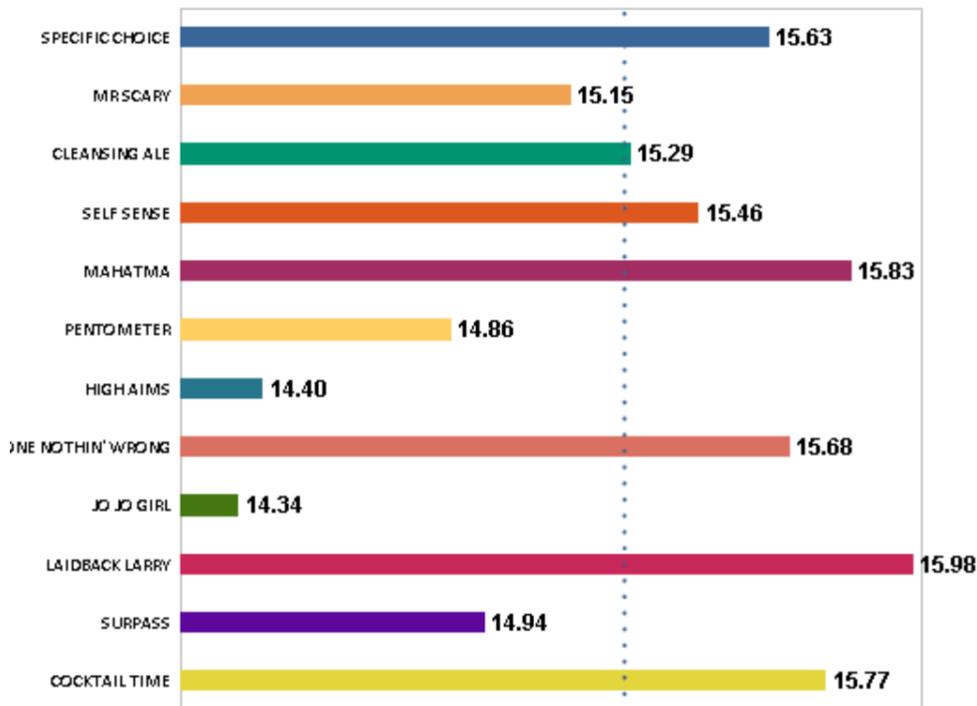
I'M IN THE MONEY: Has the best wet track figures in the race with Burbero second on that score. Probably too close to the pace for what he brings only being second-up with a trial. But that was off only a 60 day break so maybe there is enough residual fitness to help him. Probably needs less pressure than we forecast, and that's not beyond the realms in the first race on the heavy with the riders taking hold, but regardless, his wet track number gives him a hope

YOU'LL NEVER: Looked a bit on the way out but has finished off as well as he has all prep last start. Gets back to his absolutely ideal 1400m trip and has the third best data on the wet. Would be in love with him if he had an outside draw but is rock-hard fit and we are certain that will be an advantage today. Hard not to include at a nice enough price
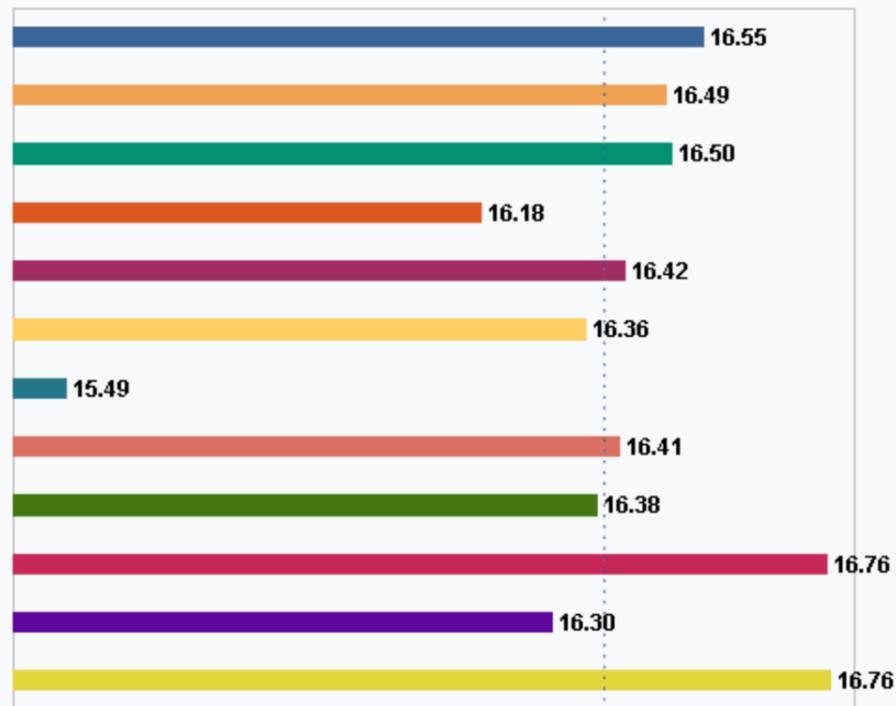
ROCK STURDY: Needs more ground as evidenced by the hole in his mid data, but that could be a help under today's conditions. Has performed well on the wet before and that keeps him right in the mix. Just one of the many factors pushing and pulling us in this race and making it hard to form a clear opinion
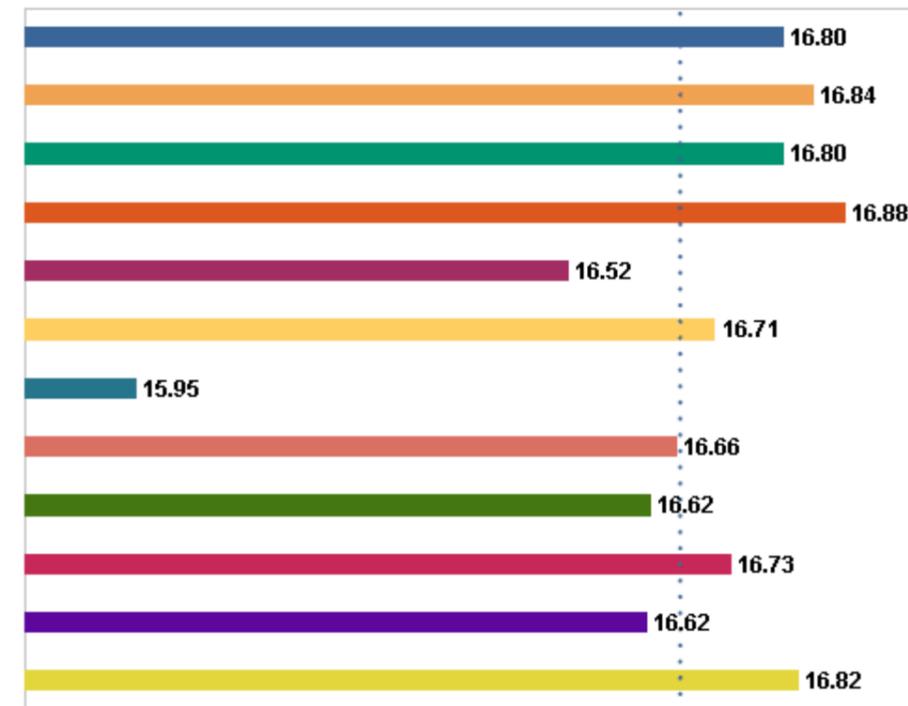
DAILY SECTIONALS

ace No: **2**   Distance: **2000**   Condition: **ALL**

Early Settling Speed

Horse	Speed
SPECIFIC CHOICE	15.63
MR SCARY	15.15
CLEANSING ALE	15.29
SELF SENSE	15.46
MAHATMA	15.83
PENTOMETER	14.86
HIGH AIMS	14.40
ONE NOTHIN' WRONG	15.68
JO JO GIRL	14.34
LAIDBACK LARRY	15.98
SURPASS	14.94
COCKTAIL TIME	15.77

Middle Section

Horse	Speed
SPECIFIC CHOICE	16.55
MR SCARY	16.49
CLEANSING ALE	16.50
SELF SENSE	16.18
MAHATMA	16.42
PENTOMETER	16.36
HIGH AIMS	15.49
ONE NOTHIN' WRONG	16.41
JO JO GIRL	16.38
LAIDBACK LARRY	16.76
SURPASS	16.30
COCKTAIL TIME	16.76

Late Closing Speed

Horse	Speed
SPECIFIC CHOICE	16.80
MR SCARY	16.84
CLEANSING ALE	16.80
SELF SENSE	16.88
MAHATMA	16.52
PENTOMETER	16.71
HIGH AIMS	15.95
ONE NOTHIN' WRONG	16.66
JO JO GIRL	16.62
LAIDBACK LARRY	16.73
SURPASS	16.62
COCKTAIL TIME	16.82

Race Comments:

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 2000m: 15.40 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Laidback Larry to take it up with Done Nothin' Wrong, Self Sense and Mahatma

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Minimum three lens above and could be six or more

BEST ZONE AT 800m: Sweet Spot, 4-6 lens off the lead with saving ground a plus

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: LOW

MOST ADVANTAGED: Cocktail Time and Surpass

LEAST ADVANTAGED: Jo Jo Girl, High Aims

LAIDBACK LARRY: On a dry track we would be saying an even money chance, on the wet, he could turn out to be a 50-1 chance but we are not really sure either way. His wet form doesn't have enough to it to make a real judgment on but it certainly hasn't suggested a liking for it yet and what he has done on it simply isn't there. He should be fit, fourth up here for Gai, but he has also had the 21 days between runs which looked a good gap to have as his last start win did have a feel of a gut-buster. So he should be over that and ready to roll, but does that provide him with the best set-up to race tough in the front on a tough and wet Randwick rail true? Him being here does make things tough to work out here
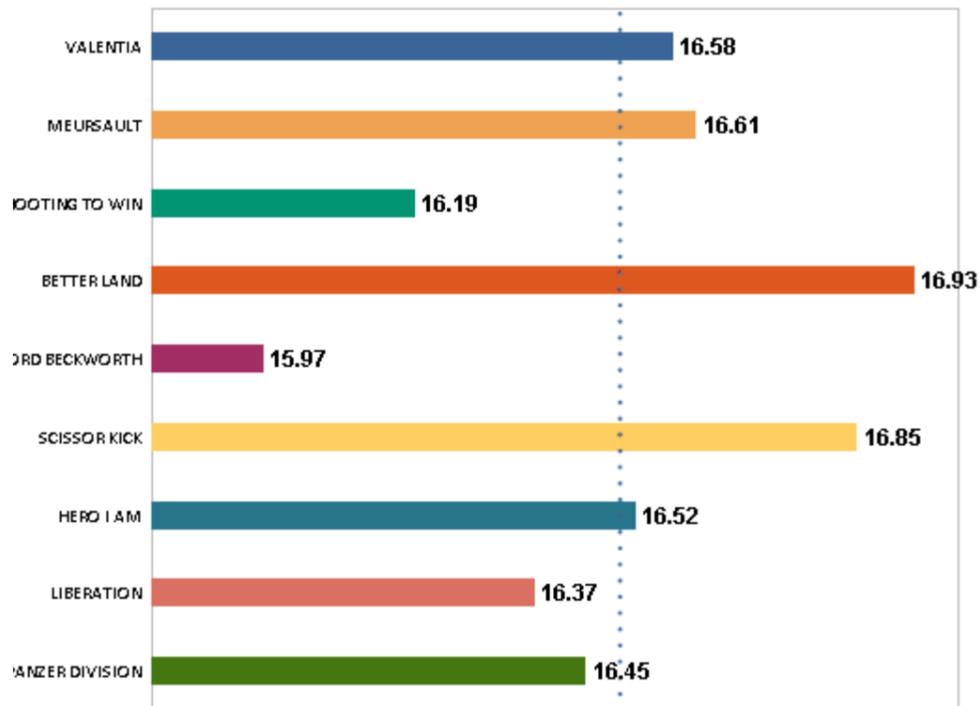
COCKTAIL TIME: Looks to get in the right spot if he can settle rising to 2000m with the added bonus of saving ground. Is one of the better performers in the race on the wet and whilst this is his first look at 2000m, hits it off five runs in the mile range and comes from a hard run race that should knock any freshness that was left in his legs out of them. That would be a worry if he was to face a slowly run race but that is unlikely here. He is peaking and is right to come to 2000m, but the worry is hitting a 2000m race that we expect to be a pretty thorough examination

SURPASS: Prolific wet-tracker who can cope with pace, is climbing up the data tree and looks spot on for a tough 2000m being fourth up following a 2000m run. Is knocking right on the door but we would prefer a senior rider
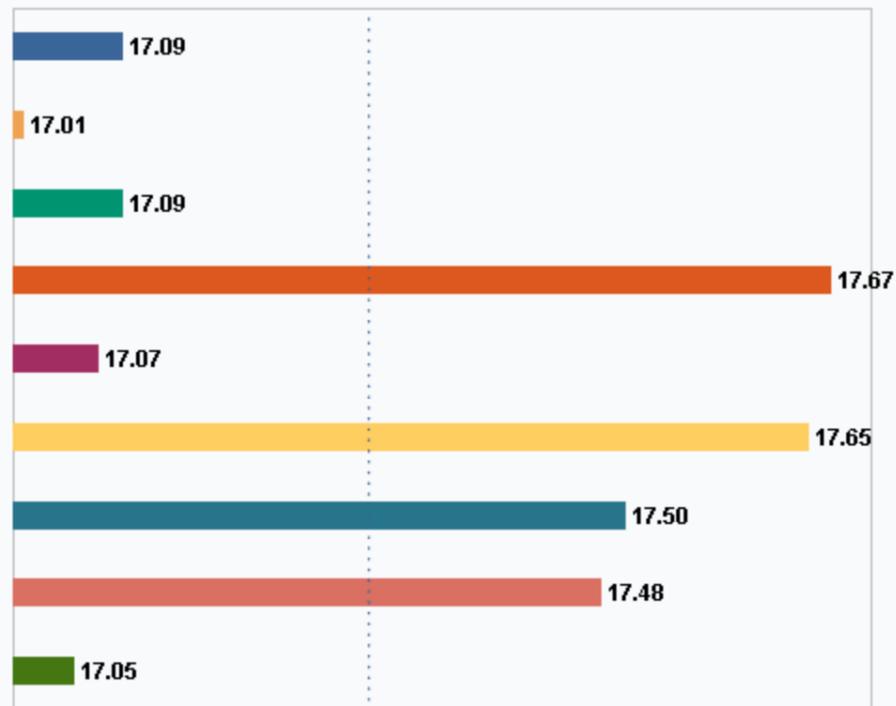
MR SCARY: Touted as a noted wet-tracker, but our data doesn't share that view. His runs on the wet have returned low grade numbers and we have him superior on the dry. He profiles strongly on pure data but we feel the wet is actually more a con than a pro and don't think the wide draw will help his cause too much as if he doesn't get in, that will make it very difficult for him, or any runner in this race
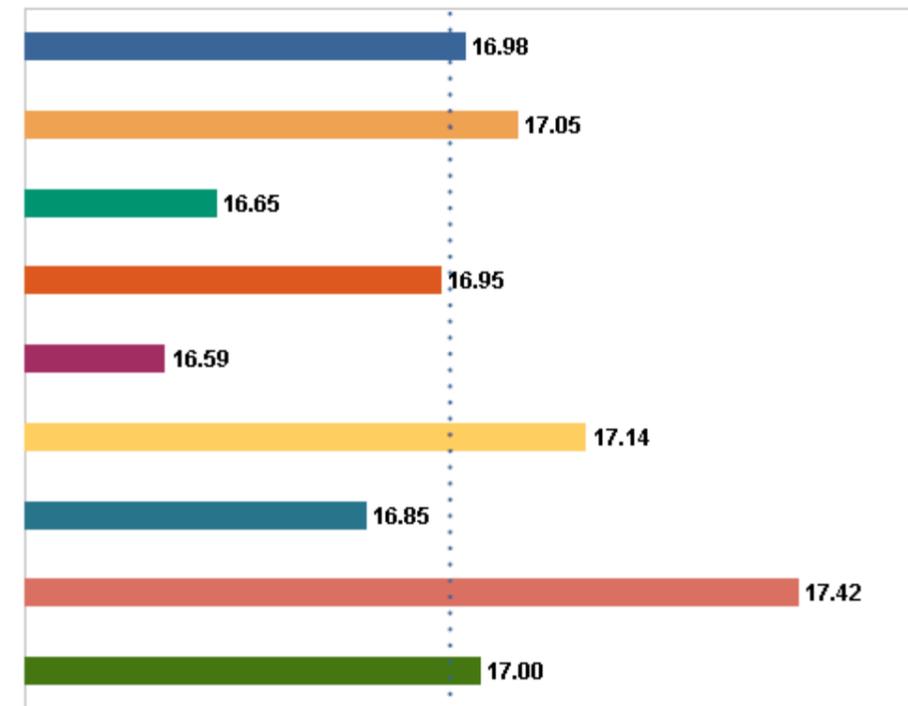
DAILY SECTIONALS

ace No: **3**   Distance: **1300**   Condition: ALL

Early Settling Speed

Horse	Speed
VALENTIA	16.58
MEURSAULT	16.61
OOTING TO WIN	16.19
BETTER LAND	16.93
ORD BECKWORTH	15.97
SCISSOR KICK	16.85
HERO I AM	16.52
LIBERATION	16.37
ANZER DIVISION	16.45

Middle Section

Horse	Speed
VALENTIA	17.09
MEURSAULT	17.01
OOTING TO WIN	17.09
BETTER LAND	17.67
ORD BECKWORTH	17.07
SCISSOR KICK	17.65
HERO I AM	17.50
LIBERATION	17.48
ANZER DIVISION	17.05

Late Closing Speed

Horse	Speed
VALENTIA	16.98
MEURSAULT	17.05
OOTING TO WIN	16.65
BETTER LAND	16.95
ORD BECKWORTH	16.59
SCISSOR KICK	17.14
HERO I AM	16.85
LIBERATION	17.42
ANZER DIVISION	17.00

Race Comments:

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 1300m: 16.50 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Not going to lock in Liberation as the definite leader, he can be is best if he sits. Obviously in the mix for the top though with Scissor Kick, Panzer Division and Meursault

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Two to three lens above

BEST ZONE AT 800m: Sweet Spot, 4-6 lens off the lead

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: HIGH and best way to explain is our betting plan. We intend backing Liberation and Hero I Am, saving Better Land and hoping Scissor Kick just misses

MOST ADVANTAGED: Liberation if not leading, Hero I Am, Scissor Kick and Better LAnd

LEAST ADVANTAGED: Valentia, Meursault, Shooting To Win, Lord Beckworth

LIBERATION: Wish it wasn't wet as we would be steaming into this on the dry. As it stands, we have nothing conclusive either way. What we do have though, is a fit and firing Gai Waterhouse trained horse at home, ready to peak. If wet is not best for him, these factors can help overcome it. Forget about the protest last time, the simple fact of the matter is that he wasn't well handled by Tommy Berry before running out and really that was the least of the issues. He went too fast early, anchor dropped mid and stayed on the fence and should have been way too far in front to worry about running out. Returned close to the best 2YO data of the season when he resumed and wouldn't have been too far off that if he wasn't held back by a less than great ride last time. Would prefer him to take a sit and if he does and isn't useless in the wet is a sensational price
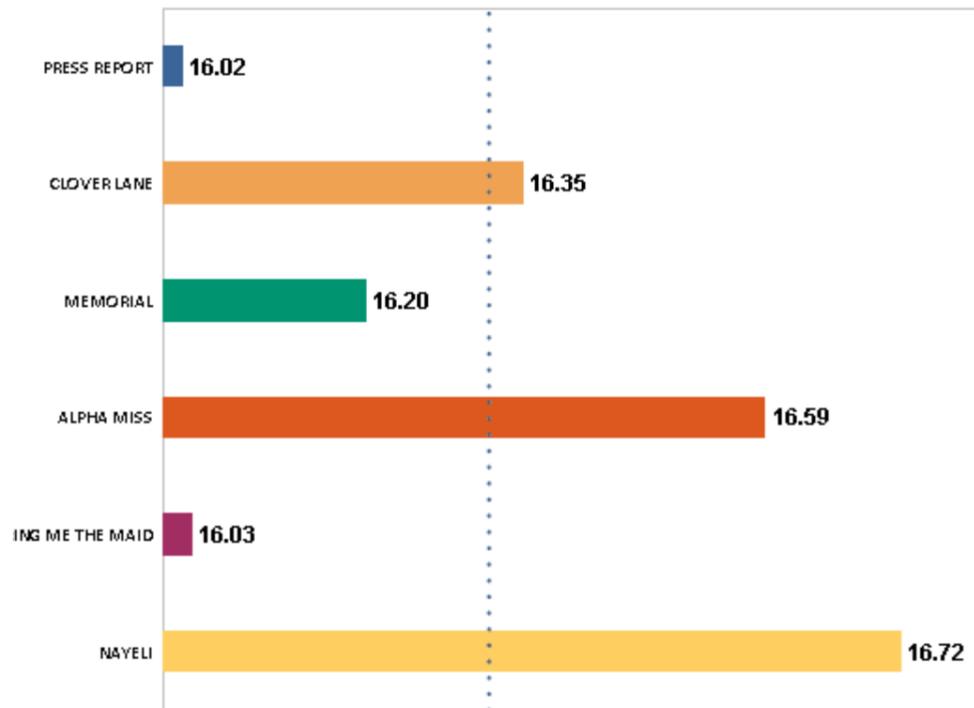
HERO I AM: Speaking of sensational prices!! Out of the lead-up, he was hard on the fence in the worst ground and didn't really get a crack at them and was only just behind them. Has a big SP to get around, but it is an easy one to forgive being his first run for Waller. Out of the four in the most advantaged column looks the most likely to handle the wet and he looks to get the perfect trail and should find the lane in the straight.

BETTER LAND: Was a monster run first-up and was entitled to drop out, contesting a too fast pace, three wide first-up at only his second race start. Wet could work for him and expect him to be more off pace today and can easily find the perfect spot. Hard to argue his position at the top of the market
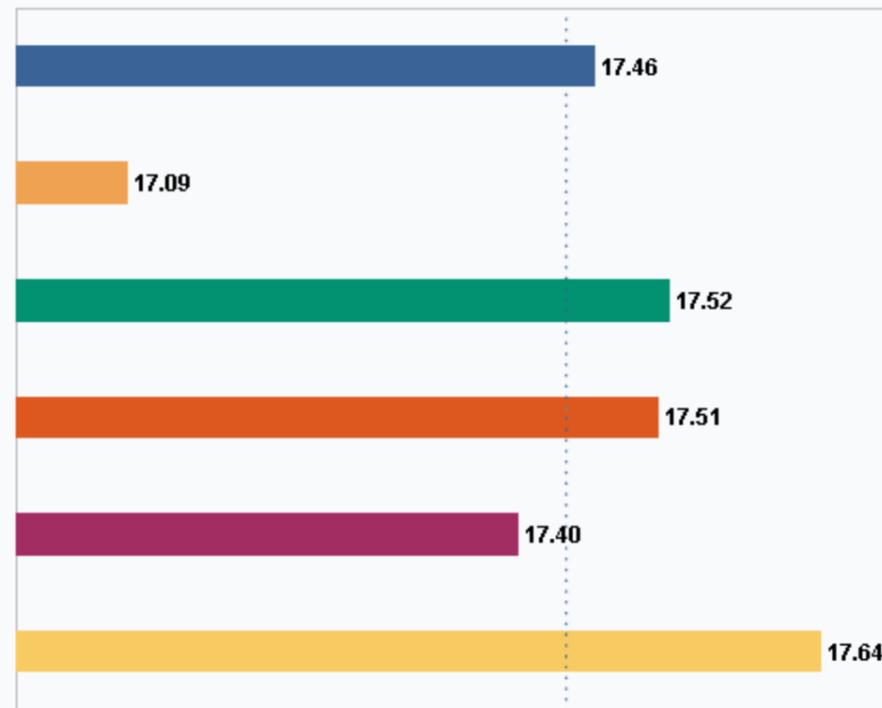
SCISSOR KICK: Has talent and did the job for us last start, but he did get the edge there with a run under his belt and a nice run in transit, albeit one he didn't look too comfortable having. Can still improve, especially with better race manners as he is still a bit all over the place. He does seem the least likely out of our top four to handle the wet, but again, not absolutely conclusive proof to hang him on that just yet
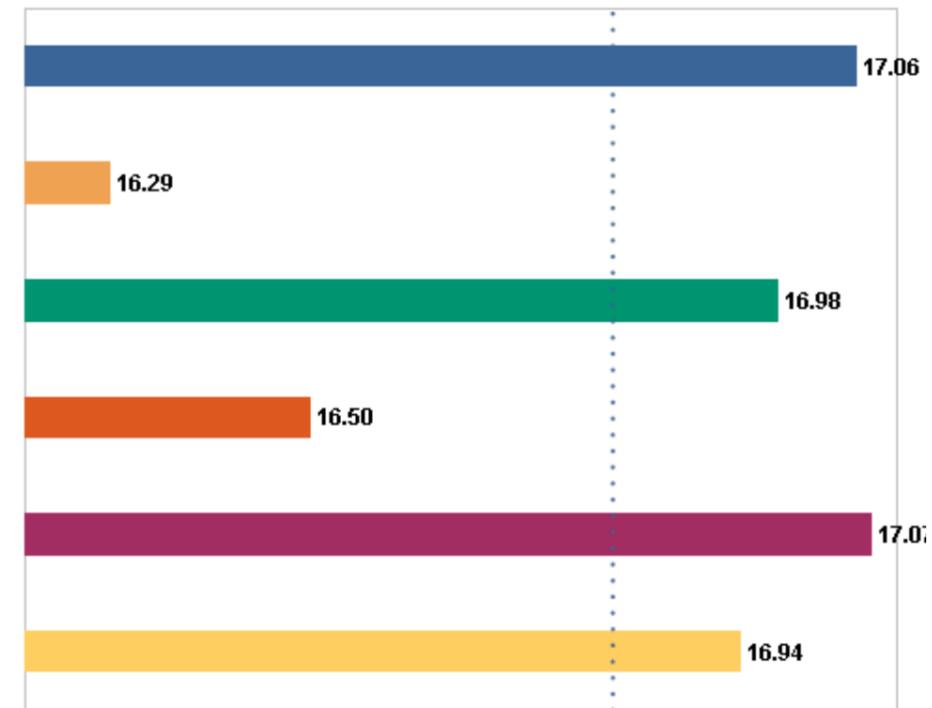
ace No: **4**   Distance: **1200**   Condition: ALL

Early Settling Speed

Horse	Speed
PRESS REPORT	16.02
CLOVER LANE	16.35
MEMORIAL	16.20
ALPHA MISS	16.59
ING ME THE MAID	16.03
NAYELI	16.72

Middle Section

Horse	Speed
PRESS REPORT	17.46
CLOVER LANE	17.09
MEMORIAL	17.52
ALPHA MISS	17.51
ING ME THE MAID	17.40
NAYELI	17.64

Late Closing Speed

Horse	Speed
PRESS REPORT	17.06
CLOVER LANE	16.29
MEMORIAL	16.98
ALPHA MISS	16.50
ING ME THE MAID	17.0?
NAYELI	16.94

Race Comments:

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 1200m: 16.85 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Nayeli looks to kick up and hold from the inside, Alpha Miss and Clover Lee there in the mix

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Benchmark to one above, could be a touch faster; depends on whether they cross Nayelli or she holds

BEST ZONE AT 800m: Stalking lead looking A1

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: MODERATE

MOST ADVANTAGED: Press Report, Memorial and Bring Me The Maid

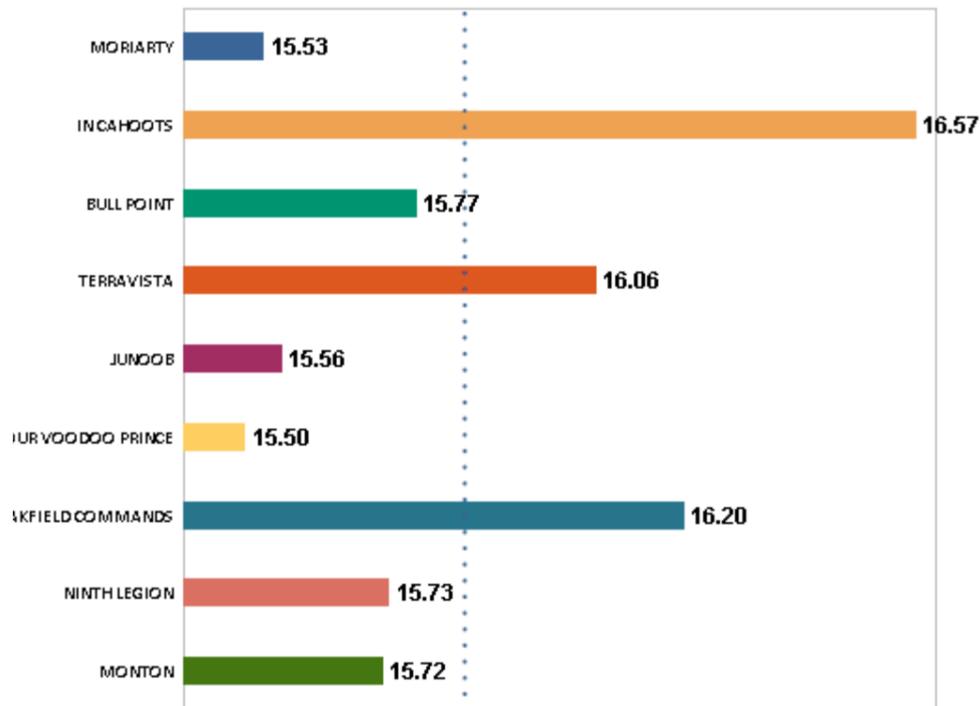**LEAST ADVANTAGED:** Alpha Miss and Clover Lane

PRESS REPORT: What you see is what you get and it isn't overly flash, but even when Earthquake was in this race, we felt it was only going to take a plus two or even less performance to take the prize. She can get to about that, and looks to get in the right spot and almost has to end up in the right lane in the straight, even with an out of sorts Glyn on board. Fitness is her friend here and worth thought at OK odds

BRING ME THE MAID: Obvious favourite and deservedly so. Still is first-up over 1200m and we are not sure about her on the wet; her form reads well on it with a win and placing on the heavy, but there are parts to her data that raise a couple of questions. That by no means the answer will be no with, just a couple of unanswered questions we need before we label her good in the wet. A big tick here is that she is out of the early hustle and bustle and should get a lovely drop on them, as long as she gets off the inside. Worth noting, this is the start of her second prep so that usually means 'elevation time' and the scratchings have helped her get closer to the leaders
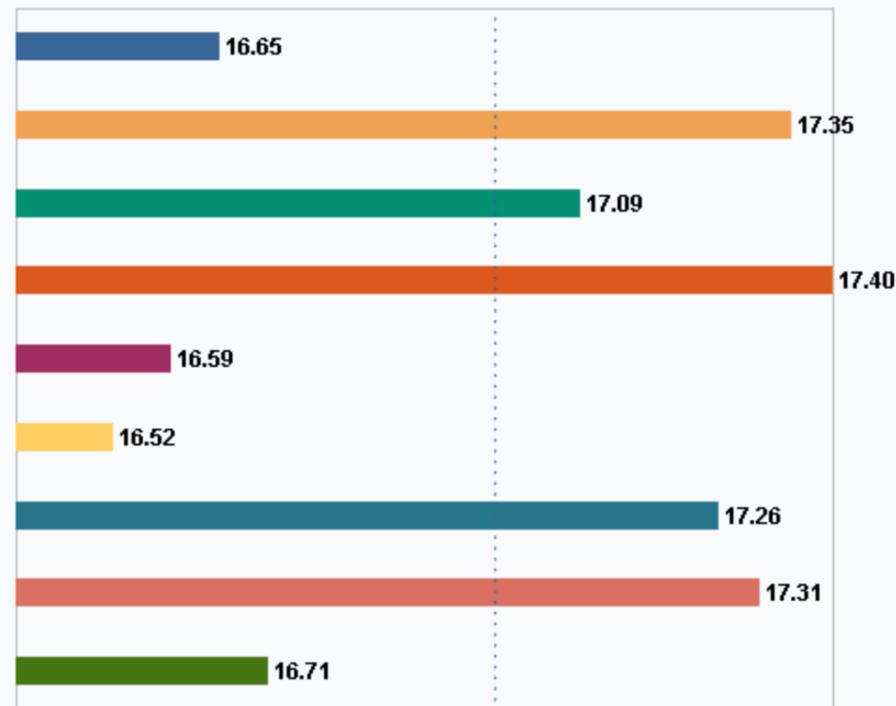
MEMORIAL: Comes off a decent trial and has got through the wet fairly before. Looks to slot into the right spot and has the all-round data that looks appealing with the smaller field also an assistance to her. Not much between her and Bring Me The Maid, really comes down to how they present so keep an eye out for mounting yard mail
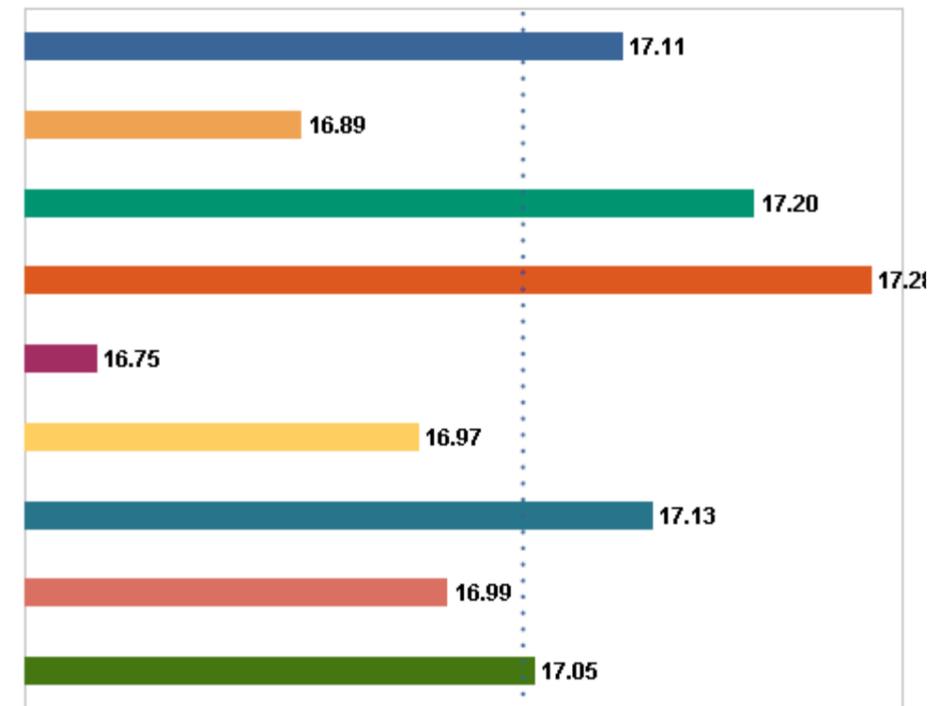
DAILY SECTIONALS

ace No: *5*   **Distance:** *1200*   **Condition:** ALL

Early Settling Speed

Horse	Speed
MORIARTY	15.53
IN CAHOOTS	16.57
BULL POINT	15.77
TERRAVISTA	16.06
JUNOOB	15.56
UR VOODOO PRINCE	15.50
AKFIELD COMMANDS	16.20
NINTH LEGION	15.73
MONTON	15.72

Middle Section

Horse	Speed
MORIARTY	16.65
IN CAHOOTS	17.35
BULL POINT	17.09
TERRAVISTA	17.40
JUNOOB	16.59
UR VOODOO PRINCE	16.52
AKFIELD COMMANDS	17.26
NINTH LEGION	17.31
MONTON	16.71

Late Closing Speed

Horse	Speed
MORIARTY	17.11
IN CAHOOTS	16.89
BULL POINT	17.20
TERRAVISTA	17.28
JUNOOB	16.75
UR VOODOO PRINCE	16.97
AKFIELD COMMANDS	17.13
NINTH LEGION	16.99
MONTON	17.05

Race Comments:

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 1200m: 16.85 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Oakfield Commands looks to lead as slow as he can with Terravista and In Cahoots next

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Two to three lens below benchmark

BEST ZONE AT 800m: Stalking the lead

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: HIGH; keen on Terravista to overcome the wet but if you wanted to play tight you could squeeze a save on the other two

MOST ADVANTAGED: Terravista, Oakfield Commands, Bull Point

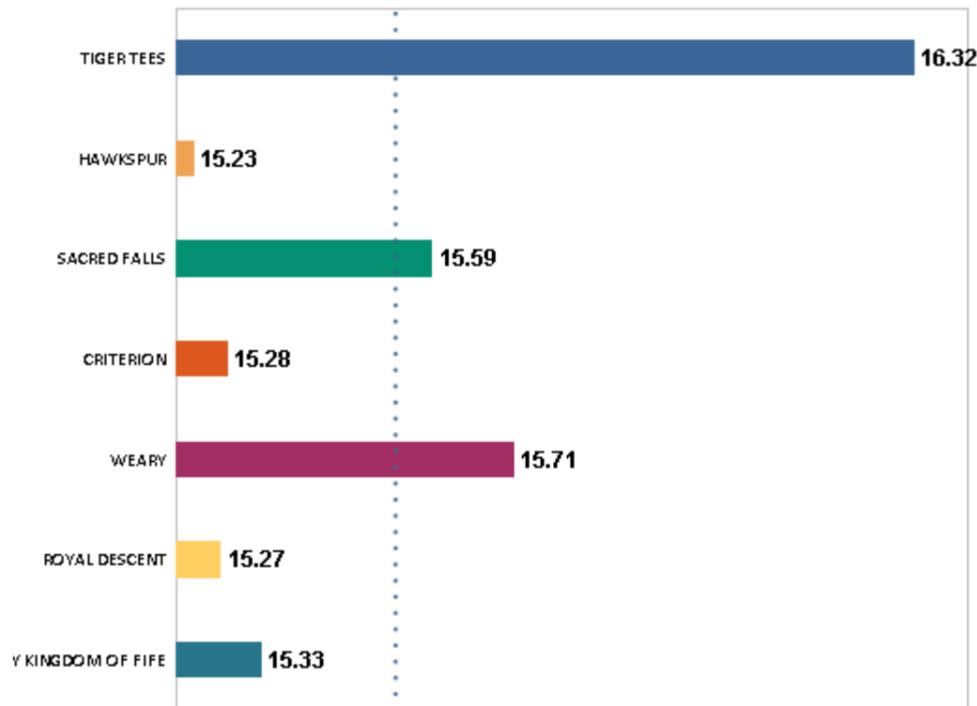**LEAST ADVANTAGED:** Moriarty, Junoob, Our Voodoo Prince and Monton

TERRAVISTA: On a dry track has four lens on the field and if he was near fitness we wouldn't even need to watch the race. Has some wet numbers we have off a track we rated slow earlier in his life that are fine but not conclusive enough to rubber stamp. His brother Tiger Tees does love it so that may mean something. Regardless, is clearly the one to beat and it really comes down to price and how much you factor a 'maybe OK' on the wet into your thinking

OAKFIELD COMMANDS: Ultra-consistent, is no super-star in the wet but gets through it fine and is right there as always. Lester Grace is the worry as any leader to win here today is going to need a very well-judged ride and also critical to get off the fence, which has not been a great feature of his riding
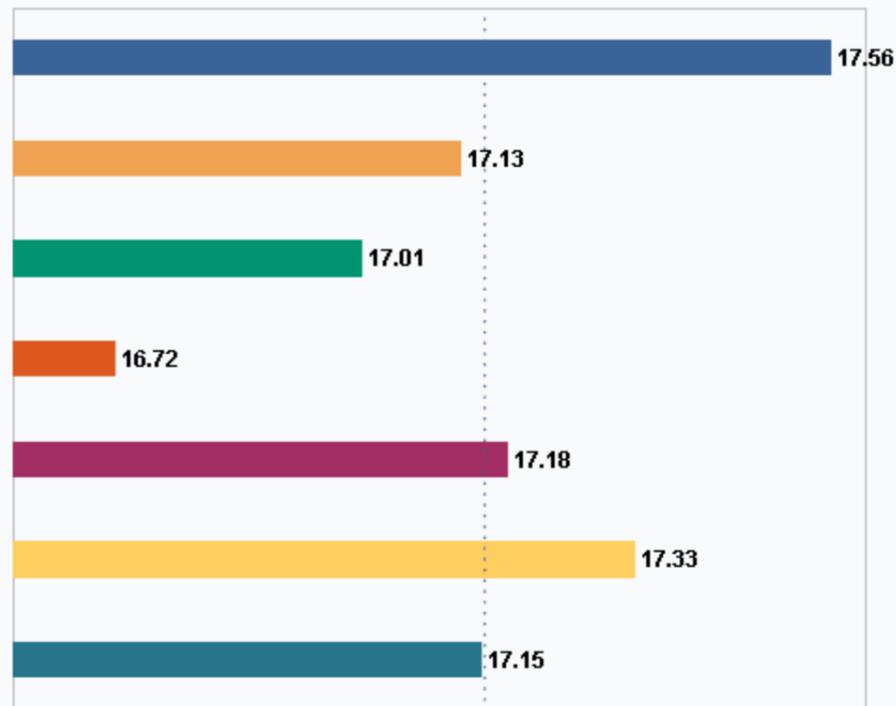
BULL POINT: Waller ex Gai and interesting to see what happens with them after Law last week who settled back for the first time and had a massive jump. It won't work for all, probably only less than more, but it does make things i interesting monitoring these runners. He (Bull Point) has better numbers than most of these in the wet and configures quite well for this and can end up in the right part of the straight
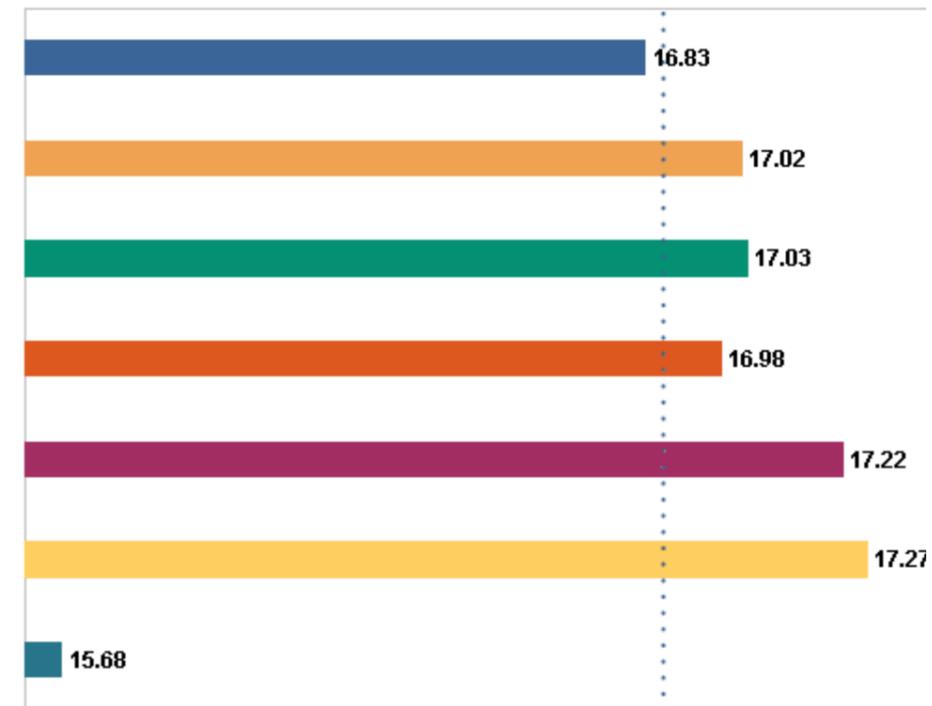
DAILY SECTIONALS

Race No: **6**   Distance: **1400**   Condition: ALL

Early Settling Speed

Horse	Speed
TIGER TEES	16.32
HAWKSPUR	15.23
SACRED FALLS	15.59
CRITERION	15.28
WEARY	15.71
ROYAL DESCENT	15.27
MY KINGDOM OF FIFE	15.33

Middle Section

Horse	Speed
TIGER TEES	17.56
HAWKSPUR	17.13
SACRED FALLS	17.01
CRITERION	16.72
WEARY	17.18
ROYAL DESCENT	17.33
MY KINGDOM OF FIFE	17.15

Late Closing Speed

Horse	Speed
TIGER TEES	16.83
HAWKSPUR	17.02
SACRED FALLS	17.03
CRITERION	16.98
WEARY	17.22
ROYAL DESCENT	17.27
MY KINGDOM OF FIFE	15.68

Race Comments:

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 1400m: 16.85 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Tiger Tees looks to lead with Weary probably next

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Just an amble; 4 lens, 6 lens below, basically as slow as Tiger Tees can go looks the speed. This should just be a 600m sprint

BEST ZONE AT 800m: Stalking the lead

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: LOW to MODERATE unless you are a fan of Glyn and Tiger Tees

MOST ADVANTAGED: Tiger Tees

LEAST ADVANTAGED: My Kingdom Of Fife, Criterion, Hawkspur

TIGER TEES: With the second and third on the map coming out, he has been handed a massive free kick and has configured himself as the horse to beat. He will only go as fast as he has to and that can help him conserve five lens that he can use in his late section. He loves the wet and unless something challenges him, he will be hard to run down
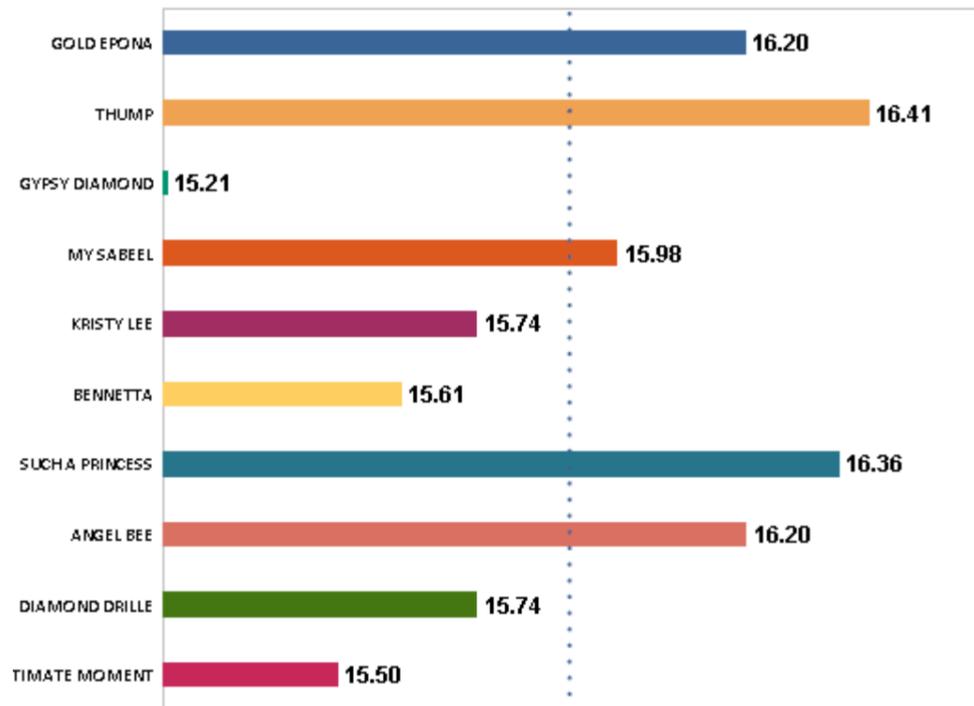
WEARY: Talent is there and today looked his day to show it if there was more pace. What he needs is Brenton Avdulla to ask some questions of Tiger Tees and get him to go at least a length or two faster than what we forecast. He will improve a fair bit off his first run so should have enough fitness to ask that and if he does he can challenge. An absolute lover of the wet as well

SACRED FALLS: Has gone well in the past first-up but as is often the case as horses age, the data he returns first-up is sliding fractionally downward. Loves wet and should find a nice enough spot, but we expect him to be at least four or five lens off his best; that can still see him in the mix if it isn't a Tiger tees picnic
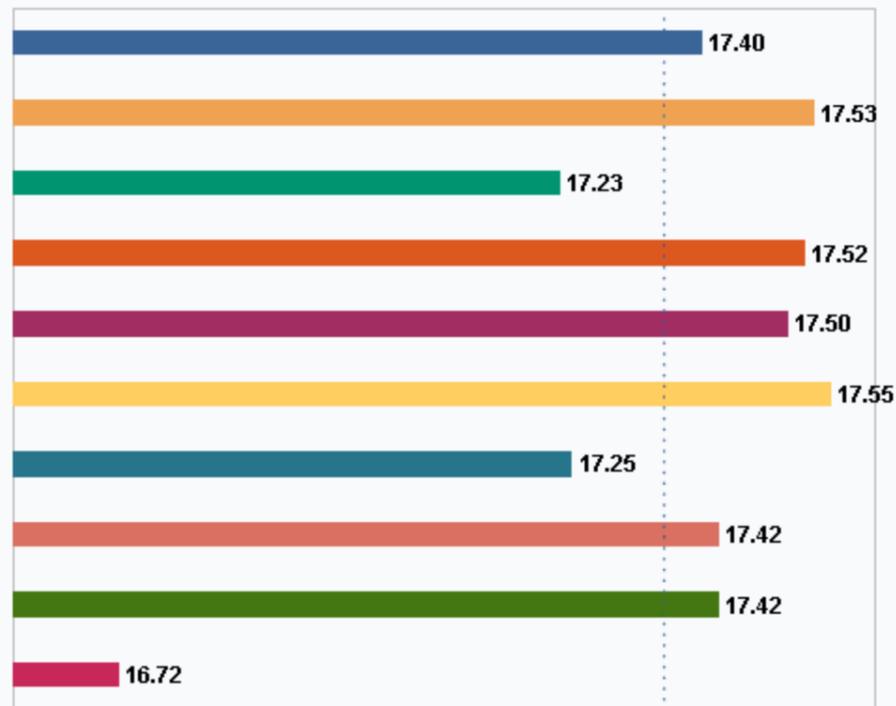
ROYAL DESCENT: Has the best wet-track data in Australia but now possibly also has the best record accumulated of how not to win as well. She has been racing terrifically for a few preps now, typically with great finishing bursts that just miss. She is likely to be back with the cap-catchers again off a very slow pace and again looks likely to be there running on extremely hard on her absolutely adored surface. But she has a low percentage style and they tend to send you broke or mad, usually both. So we are sort of a bit sick of the heartbreak if we end up betting will no doubt watch her climb through a miracle opening to nab whatever we back on the line
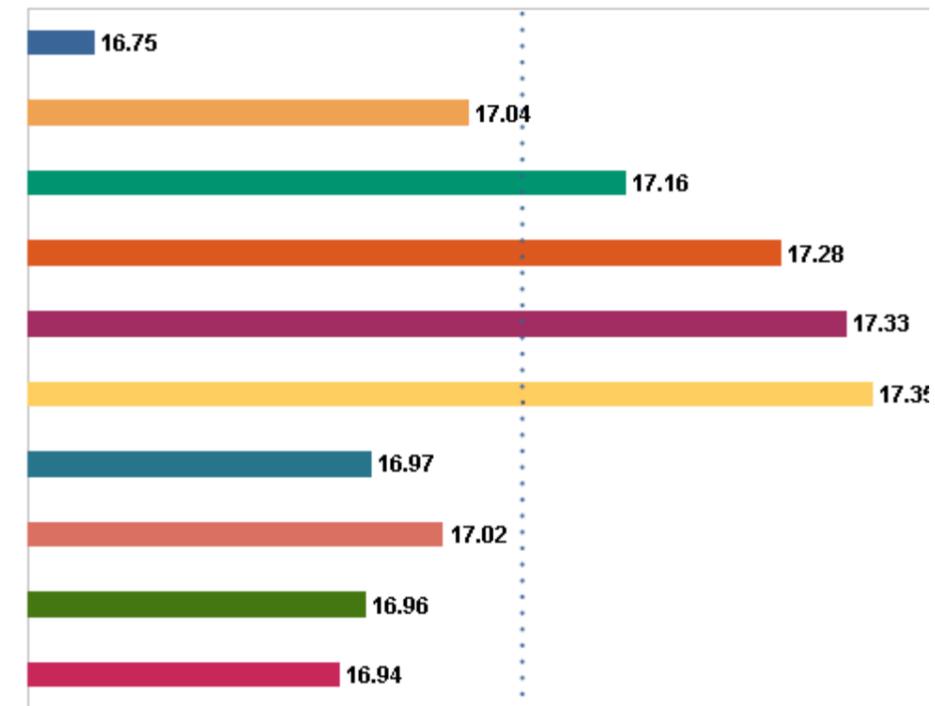
ace No: **7**   Distance: *1300*   Condition: ALL

Early Settling Speed

Horse	Speed
GOLD EPONA	16.20
THUMP	16.41
GYPSY DIAMOND	15.21
MY SABEEL	15.98
KRISTY LEE	15.74
BENNETTA	15.61
SUCH A PRINCESS	16.36
ANGEL BEE	16.20
DIAMOND DRILLE	15.74
TIMATE MOMENT	15.50

Middle Section

Horse	Speed
GOLD EPONA	17.40
THUMP	17.53
GYPSY DIAMOND	17.23
MY SABEEL	17.52
KRISTY LEE	17.50
BENNETTA	17.55
SUCH A PRINCESS	17.25
ANGEL BEE	17.42
DIAMOND DRILLE	17.42
TIMATE MOMENT	16.72

Late Closing Speed

Horse	Speed
GOLD EPONA	16.75
THUMP	17.04
GYPSY DIAMOND	17.16
MY SABEEL	17.28
KRISTY LEE	17.33
BENNETTA	17.35
SUCH A PRINCESS	16.97
ANGEL BEE	17.02
DIAMOND DRILLE	16.96
TIMATE MOMENT	16.94

Race Comments:

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 1300m: 16.50 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Thump the possible leader with Such A Princess and My Sabeel not far off

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Benchmark early or even one to two below but with an 800m surge in play

BEST ZONE AT 800m: Off pace but with a good 800m at your disposal

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: HIGH

MOST ADVANTAGED: Bennetta, Krsity Lee, My Sabeel and Gypsy Diamond

LEAST ADVANTAGED: Gold Epona, Such A Princess, Diamond Drille and Intimate Moment

BENNETTA: We have really put the acid on her and we have come up with this is her absolute perfect shape. It is not fast enough that she should be too far away and then the 800m surge is exactly what suits her. She needs Jeff Lloyd to get on that wave, not hang back like he has been, just be positive from the 800m and have a crack. If he does, then she should swing for home and accidently find the right lane and then is the one to beat. It is worth noting she has started much shorter prices in some strong enough races and her wet track figures are more than a pass mark

KRISTY LEE: The question is, is she still with us after going to Melbourne and losing her way? As if she is, she is massive odds as she is the absolute queen of slow pace early and surge at the 800m style of races. The real surprise is after 30 runs we have nothing to take as far as wet track data!! So we have a couple of questions, but at 30-1 we have to have a ticket on
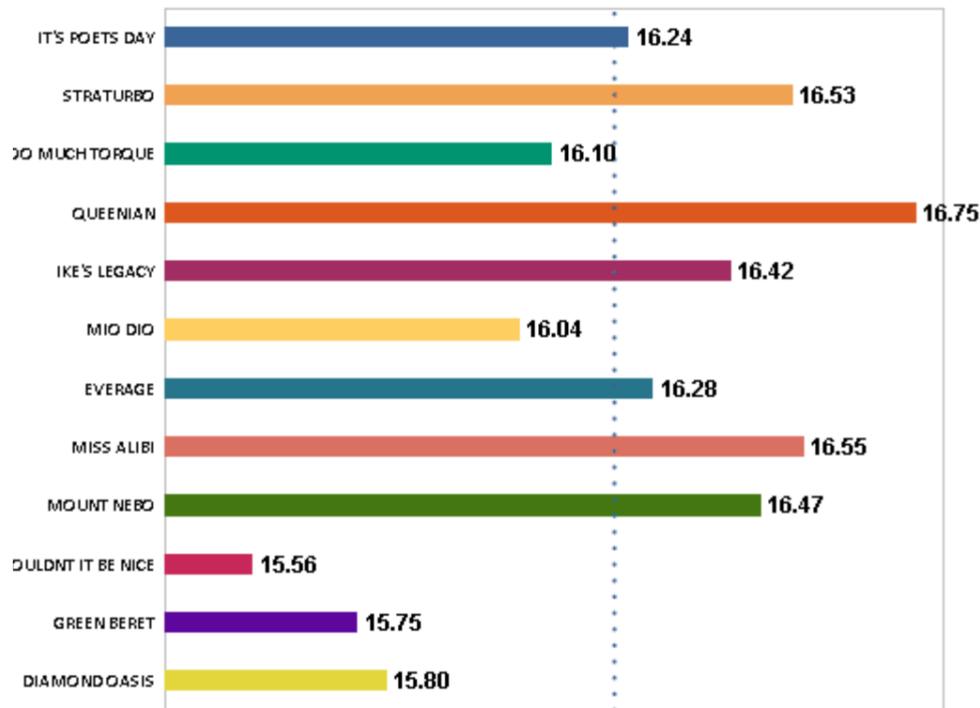
MY SABEEL: Whilst we are playing in the big price range, 20-1 about her seems generous as well. We are sure in our reviews we will be saying that fitness was an edge throughout the day, and she is the fittest runner here and is backing-up to bolster that more. Loves the wet and is racing really well and trying her guts out with a couple of subtle things going wrong that should have seen her with a couple of wins to her name.

GYPSY DIAMOND: Stacks up the best of the resumers and is a 'live' candidate to step up and take best mare this spring. Sets up well, but the question after a couple of quite trails is how forward will she be? Does have a very strong sprint and the wet posses no issue for her. The best of the first uppers and can be charging in the lane late
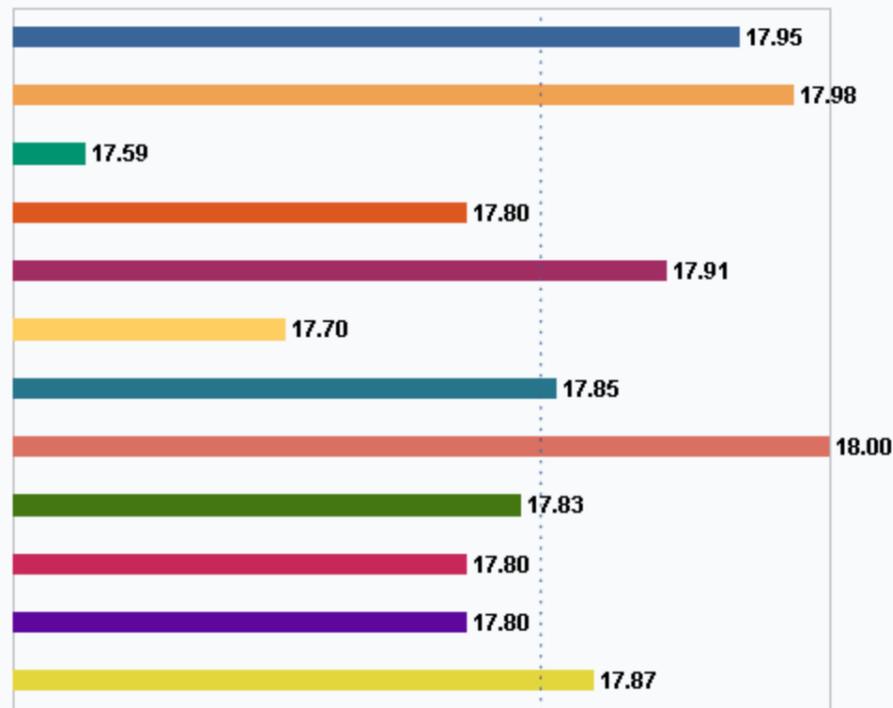
DIAMOND DRILLE: Is a horse we really like but her data gets way better as we get more mile range which is why she has landed in the least advantaged group
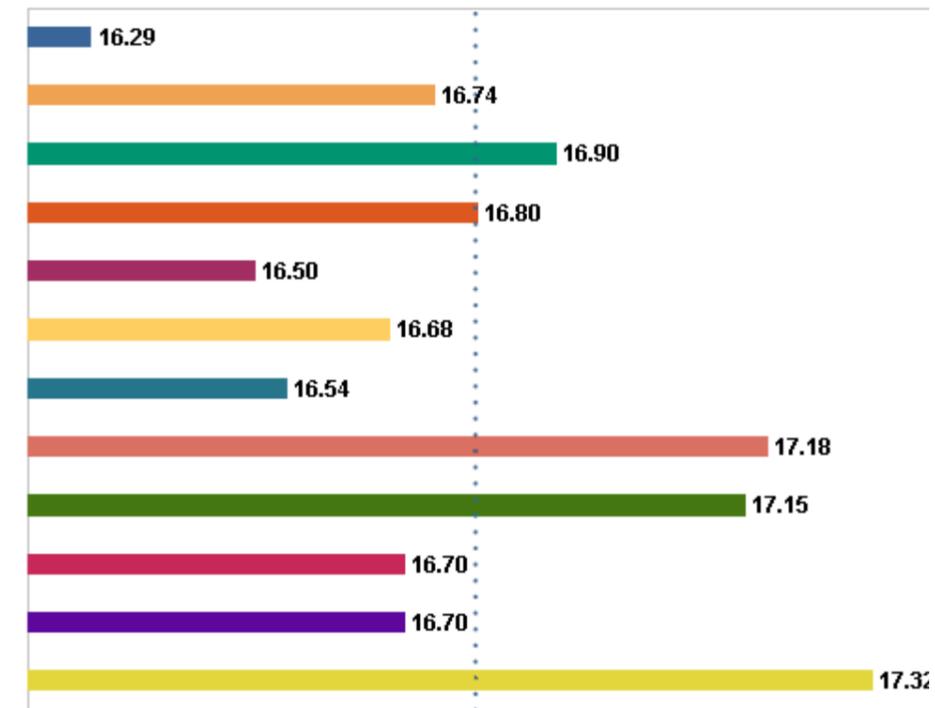
DAILY SECTIONALS

Race No: **8**   Distance: **1000**   Condition: ALL

Early Settling Speed

IT'S POETS DAY	16.24
STRATURBO	16.53
OO MUCH TORQUE	16.10
QUEENIAN	16.75
IKE'S LEGACY	16.42
MIO DIO	16.04
EVERAGE	16.28
MISS ALIBI	16.55
MOUNT NEBO	16.47
OULDNT IT BE NICE	15.56
GREEN BERET	15.75
DIAMOND OASIS	15.80

Middle Section

	17.95
	17.98
	17.59
	17.80
	17.91
	17.70
	17.85
	18.00
	17.83
	17.80
	17.80
	17.87

Late Closing Speed

	16.29
	16.74
	16.90
	16.80
	16.50
	16.68
	16.54
	17.18
	17.15
	16.70
	16.70
	17.32

Race Comments:

AVERAGE RANDWICK SPEED 1000m: 17.20 mps

EARLY SPEED OVERVIEW: Like a lot of 1000m races with big fields, a clump of possibilities depending on reaction time at the jump. Throw in Too Much Torque,Queenian Starturbo, Mount Nebo and Miss Alibi as today's contenders

PROJECTED EARLY SPEED: Despite many of willing participants in the lead battle they aren't that fast. Looking at two lens below average early but it should come on through the mid section to a couple of lens above

BEST ZONE AT 800m: About three to four lens off the lead but being strong mid and late

RACE ASSESMENT CONFIDENCE: HIGH

MOST ADVANTAGED: Diamond Oasis, Mount Nebo and Miss Alibi

LEAST ADVANTAGED: Everage, Mio Dio, Ike's Legacy, Queenian, Too Much Torque and It's Poets Day

DIAMOND OASIS: Is clearly the best horse in the race but with 1000m not his best but we did see Joey Pride do this a fortnight back with another ex-O'Shea team member in Target In Sight. Has the biggest late sprint in the race and the critical factor will be how Hugh Bowman handles gate one. He is the top of the tree when it comes to negotiating tricky gate one scenarios, and he might just be able to cut right under them if over-reaction is a factor by this stage of the day. If he is close enough, he is more than good enough and his wet numbers stack up fine. Seems good enough odds to take the risk

MOUNT NEBO: Has solid figures and has been racing around in this sort of stuff for a while. The key is he gets his preferred surface of a wet track with the added bonus of looking like getting in the best spot. He is good in the wet, and helps his cause, but just be careful as many are seeing it as a miracle cure which it is far from. It elevates him and gets him closer to a win but he still has Taylor Marshall on board who has struggled since his big day

MISS ALIBI: Looks the horse to beat on data but also has an out of form rider in Glyn on board. Wet we are not sure as the only reference we have is a Gosford barrier trial where she won that by 12 lens. So whilst we are not going to get carried away with that, at least that publicly showed she isn't hopeless in it and probably enjoys it. Everything looks good from the horses point of view, hopefully it works out that way as we will be playing her