

Market Rasen 29th August Preview

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1st race – The Jaimeson Bridge Maiden Stakes

PA Maiden over 1 Mile

An interesting field lining up, with Gill Duffield fielding several useful looking juveniles, but the selection is Qareim De Faust who has been unlucky not to have lost his maiden tag yet this. He looks more than capable of opening his account here. The French bred Seaukoa, also trained by Gill Duffield looks best of the juveniles and should be in the shake up although he is one of five debutants all with excellent breeding in the field none of whom can be disregarded.

2nd race – The Jebel Ali Racing Club Handicap Stakes (Series Qualifier)

PA 0-65 over 7 Furlongs

This is a competitive event, but the selection is the temperamental Even Keener, who bolted up at Wolverhampton over this trip last time. She looks progressive and whilst not in the same league as her Group 1 winning siblings, looks capable of scoring again here. Dangers come from Whisper who won well over 6 furlongs at Fontwell (beating Sakeena Sky Zayin), Ajyaal who is weighted to reverse form with Even Keener but tends to prefer the All Weather and Sakeena Sky Zayin who is improving and will appreciate the drop back in trip after a trial over a staying distance.

3rd race – The Penn Challenge Open Race Handicap Stakes (Series Qualifier)

TB, AA & PB 0-170 over 1 Mile 4 Furlongs

This looks to be a very competitive event with any number of the runners able to take the honours. Kings Cavalier dead heated for 1st in a similar event at Fontwell in June and looks in a good position to take 1st place on his own this time. La Perruche looks to be coming back to form and both Exclusive Air and Just Serenade will benefit from this step down in class. Finished Article has shown some form in lower grade races this season and this could be the race to suit.

4th race – The Al-Nujaifi Farm Series Handicap Stakes

PA 0-95 over 1 Mile 2 Furlongs

Moshahed looked potentially very classy when cruising home over this trip at Wolverhampton; he is taken to win again from smart stablemate Al Janoob and the jockey booking would suggest this although 2nd string jockey, Martin Smith, has been on flying form this season and cannot be discounted on any mount. Yaqoot won her maiden well at Fontwell (beating Moshahed) and was a decent 2nd to Riko over a mile on Dubai Day and should go close. Noble Athlete has had a very busy campaign, winning twice over 9f and being placed at Group level, but he still has place claims if retaining his enthusiasm.

5th race – The RBM Agricultural Ltd Open Race Handicap

TB, AA & PB Open Handicap over 1 Mile

Son Of Sophie looked right back to his best at Huntingdon when winning at the beginning of the month and can follow up here. Dangers come from Just Crystal, who was a good second to Chapter over 7 furlongs last time out and could go one better here. Blanc Visage has been running well all season and will appreciate the step down in trip. Coffin Dodger ran close to Son Of Sophie at Huntingdon last time out and a repeat of that could see him reverse the result.

6th race – The Royal Cavalry Of Oman Novice Rider Series Handicap Stakes

PA 0-60 over 1 Mile 5 Furlongs

Mushammer caught the eye on his seasonal debut when 2nd to Barik, although disappointed at a higher grade over 2 miles last time out. He will relish this test of stamina and should return to winning ways. Notid loves these trips and, whilst also beaten over 2 miles at Wolverhampton, he did win at Hereford over 2 miles (beating Kayeed and Kizhi). Kayeed is a solid Stayer and will be there at the end if he manages to get off on terms as he has blown his opportunity at the start in the past.

7th race – The EuroBale Ltd Handicap Stakes

PA 0-45 over 1 Mile 2 Furlongs

Florys Folly looked like she was finally getting the hang of things when 5th to stablemate Bonham last time out at Wolverhampton over 12 furlongs. She looks to be improving and can make her experience count here. Locally bred VA Mitraz was all at sea on his handicap debut over 7 furlongs last time out, but this step up in trip and drop in grade could see an improvement. Mayday Dream makes his handicap debut and was 7th over this trip in a competitive maiden last time out; he will be sharper for the run and could figure here.

8th race – The Jebel Ali Racing Club Handicap Stakes (Series Qualifier)

PA 0-80 over 1 Mile 5 Furlongs

Gazal has been improving with every run this season, he won a Premier Handicap in fine style at Newbury last time out and looks capable of following up here. Dangers come from Floren, who is as consistent as they come and a multiple winner over similar trips this term. Debrett made very hard work of scoring at Wolverhampton (amazing ride from David Turner) and could land a place if recovered from his exertions.