



BENDIGO CUP NIGHT PREVIEW

There's no doubt the appearance of super star sprinter Fernando Bale in the Group 2 Southern Cross Ten Bendigo Cup is the highlight of the Cup night program but there is plenty of quality in the support card including the Diamond Vision Photography Winter Cup, VBIS Maiden Final and Ready To Race Mid Year Bonus event.



Race 1 @ 7.08pm - SOUTHERN CROSS AUSTEREO Grade 5 425m

An open event to start proceedings on Cup night with four or five genuine chances. The speedy **Zelemar Zest** has scored two handy wins at his past four outings and last start bombed the jump when a battling 5th behind Saahd here on Sunday evening. **Coursing Bale** used the wide draw to perfection at Shepparton two runs back posting 22.22. **Buckle In** and **Surf Jester** have credentials for this race on their best efforts.

Selections: 3-6-5-8



Race 2 @ 7.28pm - 3BO 93.5FM Grade 5 500m

Unbeaten in three runs over the Bendigo 500m with a best of 27.99 **Black Illusion** will take a power of beating from box two and will appreciate a slightly easier assignment than last start when a solid 2nd at Sandown in 29.43. **All Courage** is awkwardly drawn but scored back to back Horsham wins at his past two runs and is in great form. **Tobias Kelton** is new here but went back to back at Cranbourne recently while **Tybellene** is up in class but could give some cheek at odds.

Selections: 2-6-3-5



Race 3 @ 7.48pm - CHANNEL ONE Mixed 4/5 425m

Outstanding race! Group winner **Elfen Bale**, group place getter **Dyna Nico** and talented sprinters **Alpha Zeus**, **Hard Bargain** and **Spring Missile** are all capable of posting slick times. **Spring Missile** is probably the runner best suited by the 425m trip out of this field having recently posted 22.51 in a Geelong win and was a game runner up in the second fastest of the Bendigo Cup heats last week. **Elfen Bale** has terrific box speed but better suited nearer the fence. The sister to Fernando Bale has plenty of class and will be right in the finish. **Dyna Nico** is racing below her best but her talent cannot be ignored.

Selections: 7-8-3-1



Race 4 @ 8.08pm - RAILWAY STATION HOTEL SUPER GOBIS FINAL Grade 5 500m

The speedy **Mendes** is racing in outstanding form and is ideally drawn in box two to go straight to the front. He has three lengths up his sleeve to the first split on his rivals on their heat sections and if he holds that lead into the back straight he will take some catching. **Bruce Tycoon** from box one is drawn to hold a forward position and if he can park close enough to **Mendes** he will make a late charge - they look the two top picks. **Punk Panther** and **Hunter Rocks** are consistent types and could fill placings.

Selections: 2-1-5-3



Race 5 @ 8.28pm - GRV VBIS MAIDEN FINAL 425m

A very open maiden final carrying a 1st prize of \$7,500 with several chances. **Zachie Dude** with the benefit of box one will be hard to hold out especially if he repeats his heat victory where he carried the pink rug to score an all the way 24.04 win. The outside contingent look to have strong chances with **Ring The Bell** posting 24.05 in his heat before being beaten in last weeks semi finals, **Select Daniel** leading all the way from the same box in 24.13 in the semis and **Argenta** showed good pace to date and is the likely early leader but moves from box one to box eight.

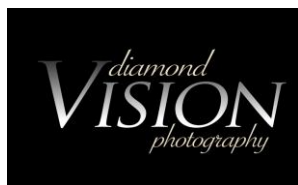
Selections: 1-8-7-6



Race 6 @ 8.49pm - READY 2 RACE MID YEAR BONUS 425m

A \$7,000 to the winner event for greyhounds who have earned the most stake money since being sold at the R2R auctions at Bendigo last November. **To The Galo's** only needs to repeat something similar to his last start 23.78 win here to take home the winners cheque. **Zelemar Storm** posted 5.00 early in a 29.64 Sandown victory on June 18 but is yet to place here in three attempts. **Cut Loose Max** has box seven, the box he had when a recent 29.51 Sandown winner clocking a slick 5.08 to the first sections as well. **Elbow Room** is a risky beginner but capable of running fast times.

Selections: 1,3,7,5



Race 7 @ 9.08pm DIAMOND VISION PHOTOGRAPHY WINTER CUP 660m

An interesting staying event offering \$10,000 to the winner. NSW chaser **Magic Earner** could not have been more impressive with an effortless 37.92 heat win last week. After missing the start she showed tremendous will to drive though and lead from the pen and won by nearly seven lengths. **Esparza** can find trouble in her races but she is talented and is drawn to be well positioned throughout. Heat winner **Alexis Kelton** and recent Sandown winner **Gorham Bale** both have strong claims as well.

Selections: 8-2-5-7



Race 8 @ 9.28pm Group 2 SOUTHERN CROSS TEN BENDIGO CUP 425m

Super star sprinter **Fernando Bale** will be a long odds on favourite to make it 15 wins in a row and add the Bendigo Cup to his trophy cabinet that already includes four group 1 trophies. Should he win, the \$47,000 1st prize will take his earnings past \$680,000. He broke the track record in his heat at his first look at the track and it would seem that only an uncharacteristic slow start can see him beaten. In saying that, there is some high class opposition. **Ronray Spirit** is aiming for a \$50,000 bonus for winning three Victorian country cups in one year after he claimed the Warragul and Warrnambool Cups in 2015. He is a talent is drawn to show his customary speed and be in the money. **Shared Equity** was the second fastest heat winner and has a tremendous record. **Billo's Pick** has plenty of speed and being drawn inside Fernando Bale he could cause some headaches to the favourite in the early stages.

Selections: 3-8-5-2



Race 9 @ 9.49pm - CHANNEL 11 Grade 5 425m

Stop Mochin' drops in grade here. After being placed in a Bendigo Cup heat last week he comes back to a restricted grade 5 this week. He clocked a flying 21.96 at Warrnambool on June 11 and despite the poor draw here he is the one to beat. **Rennicane** had box one when a 22.58 Geelong winner recently and is well suited by box two. **Punk Pirate** and **Boxhead** are both capable of forward showings on their best efforts.

Selections: 5-2-6-3



Race 10 @ 10.08pm - 91.9 STAR FM BENDIGO Mixed 4/5 500m

Horsham Cup winner **Margins** was unlucky when beaten 1/2 length by **Ronray Spirit** in a Bendigo Cup heat last week and he will appreciate the extra 75m. He has posted a flying 27.73 over the 500m journey here and from this draw he will take a power of beating. **Ultima Bale** was a finalist in the Horsham Cup, finished 4th in the same race as **Margins** last week and is another who will appreciate the step up in distance. Consistent types **Schumacher** and **Cosmic Tate** are not without chances.

Selections: 8,3,4,2



Race 11 @ 10.32pm - BENDIGO ADVERTISER Mixed 6/7 500m

Ideally drawn near the rails and coming off a slick 26.96 Horsham victory **Jaycee** will be the short priced punters elect come start time for the penultimate. **Pretty Bomb** impressed on debut with a solid Shepparton win. **Dr. Brandon** and **Nuggy Burger** will put some value into the multiples but **Jaycee** looks the winner.

Selections: 2-8-7-1



Race 12 @ 10.48pm - SOUTHERN CROSS TEN Mixed 6/7 425m

Glass Roof resumed from a six month break with a solid 22.50 Warrnambool win on June 25 as a short priced favourite. Litter mates **My Girl Chloe** and **Blue Rocket** have been consistent thus far in brief careers. **Graff Bale** must be considered on recent efforts as well.

Selections: 6-1-4-8