



Race 3 – Class 5 1650m

	Rating		Current	Draw		Tempo = < AVE
1	6.0	YEE CHEONG WARRIOR	10 V	12	YEE CHEONG WARRIOR	>>>>>>
2	22.6	MASTER OF LUCK	17	11	RATTAN WORLD	>>>>>>
3	14.5	V LOVE YOU	44	10	MASTER OF LUCK	>>>>>>
4	14.5	RATTAN WORLD	16	9	MIGHTY STAR	>>>>>>
5	3.8	BIG TWO	3.2	8	V LOVE YOU	>>>>>>>>
6	11.6	DRAGON DELIGHT	5.7	7	DRAGON DELIGHT	>>>>>>>>?
7	14.5	PRESTIGE MOOCHI	31 V	6	EAGLE RUN	>>>>>>>>?
8	9.3	DRAGON KINGDOM	20 V	5	PRESTIGE MOOCHI	>>>>>>>>
9		HAPPIHOOD	38 ^	4	BIG TWO	>>>>>>>>
10		MIGHTY STAR	10 ^	3	HAPPIHOOD	>>>>>>
11	11.6	EAGLE RUN	4.1	2	HANG'S CHOICE	>>>>>>
12		HANG'S CHOICE	25 ^	1	DRAGON KINGDOM	>>>>>>>>>>

The race: Average tempo at best, more likely slow. Dragon Kingdom won't know himself stepping up to 1650m for the first time. Has had a few physical issues in the last year but retains quite a bit of his old speed & he can lead these if he wants to. Big Two will look to trail but Eagle Run (YL Chung) and Dragon Delight (E C W Wong) do offer alternative speed if Dragon Kingdom prefers to take a sit. They also offer some potential for pressure on the leader – especially Eagle Run, who was ridden too conservatively l/s – but there's nothing set in stone?

The fav: Big Two did get his chance last time and was run down by Northern Beast but the race rated well, he sets up well for this again and expect he keeps favouritism.

Recommendations: Nothing wrong with the form of these favourites but no stars amongst them so happy to take big odds a few that might map better. DRAGON KINGDOM looks the leader in first attempt 1650m, better for one run back from abreak though must be said he has any number of problems in recent times. 1.5 units. PRESTIGE MOOCHI ran ok 1200m HV 3 starts ago then Bilks went on last 2 dirt runs and has gone awful. Bilks off here, up sharply in distance might suit. 1 unit. We tried V LOVE YOU on the dirt l/s and although he had to do some work to get across to lead from gate 9, he was disappointing. That said, it was his first attempt on the surface and his best run in C4 this season came this c/d. 1 unit.

Race 4 – Class 4 1200m

	Rating		Current	Draw		Tempo = > AVE
1		MEGA BONUS	10 ^	12	COUNTRY DANCER	>>>>>>
2		GOLDEN TITLE	40 ^	11	HOSS	>>>>
3	2.2	DOUBLE BINGO	2.8 V	10	KOWLOON EAST STAR	>>>>>>>>>>>>
4	31.6	EMBRACES	8.4 ^	9	GOLDEN TITLE	>>>>>>
5	10.4	FLYING WROTE	8.8	8	MEGA BONUS	>>>>>>>>>>
6		SUPER SIXTY	8.9 ^	7	THE AZURE	>>>>>>>>
7		THE AZURE	23 ^	6	SUPER EAGLE	>>>>>>>>
8	8.3	HOSS	23 V	5	EMBRACES	>>>>>>>>
9		SUPER EAGLE	13 ^	4	DOUBLE BINGO	>>>>?
10		KOWLOON EAST STAR	43	3	SUPER SIXTY	>>>>>>
11	8.3	SPEEDY CHARIOT	7.6 V	2	FLYING WROTE	>>>>>>>>
12	10.4	COUNTRY DANCER	12	1	SPEEDY CHARIOT	>>>>>>>>

The race: Good speed at least, leaning to faster. Mega Bonus ridden a little cute l/s C3 but now back to C4 and expect Hamelin will return to the usual aggressive tactics of leading at a good speed but he does have a rival here in Kowloon East Star, an habitual leader over 1000m & certainly fast enough to go with him. A couple of the new horses have shown some speed in their trials overseas & HK – Flying Wrote, Embraces and The Azure – but they will find this a different experience under race conditions with a couple of aggressive frontrunners. Double Bingo interesting on the map – he did show a little speed in his trials but Ferraris simply steadied him early in his debut in a solidly-run event c/d and he ran on strongly late to just miss. It's conceivable he could be closer but thinking they might stick with a tactic that worked well and looks suitable again?

The fav: Plenty may want to oppose Double Bingo at a short price on the basis of him being 77-1 at debut when he was a good running on 2d but this does set up for a run-on horse too. A couple of the unraced or lightly-raced horses have shown some ability at trials but none has looked anything special.

Recommendations: Happy to play DOUBLE BINGO as he did look to have some ability in his trials before surprised most with his debut run. 4.5 units. Interested in HOSS as an improver here. Notable his best recent run was two starts ago running on in same race as this favourite. His Bilks were then taken off before last week's run when he was poor. The Bilks go straight back on here on a 7-day back-up, where Ng does get good results. 1.5 units.

Race 5 – Class 4 1200m

	Rating		Current	Draw		Tempo = AVE
1	9.6	YOU'REMYEVERYTHING	8.1	12	YOU'REMYEVERYTHING	>>>>
2	18.7	EASY SNIP	10	11	SWEET SMILE	>>>>>>
3	12.0	LYRICAL MOTION	3.7	10	TATTENHAM	>>>>>>
4	9.6	DIAMOND FLARE	5.8	9	MAXIMIZE HEART	>>>>
5		CLEAR COURAGE	30 ^	8	SHINKANSEN	>>>>>>
6	15.0	GOLDEN LINK	11	7	GOLDEN LINK	>>>>>>>>>>
7		SWEET SMILE	21 ^	6	MISTER FOX	>>>>>>
8		MISTER FOX	53 ^	5	EASY SNIP	>>>>>>
9	18.7	SHINKANSEN	9.8	4	BEAUTY DESTINY	>>>>>>>>>>?
10	3.1	BEAUTY DESTINY	10 V	3	DIAMOND FLARE	>>>>>>>>>>>>
11	6.1	TATTENHAM	7.0	2	CLEAR COURAGE	>>>>>>>>>>
12		MAXIMIZE HEART	32 ^	1	LYRICAL MOTION	>>>>>>>>

The race: Average tempo, potential for faster. Diamond Flare didn't get much peace in front last week at a slightly faster than average tempo before holding on for 2d. Anticipate the same tactics here & he's probably just too sharp for unraced Clear Courage & Golden Link, who led 1/s but it has not been his pattern. Whether he gets a more peaceful trip in front might depend on Beauty Destiny, who is very quick but has been very keen as well in his 8-start career & weakened out of a lot of races after leading as fav. In more recent starts at 1000m, he has been restrained behind the lead – he has still been pretty keen – so moving him up to 1200m again is an interesting choice of assignment. He could lead but he would have to go quick to get around Diamond Flare and might be better suited having something quick in front of him to chase - inclined to think Purton will ride him like that rather than get into a duel?

The fav: No surprise to see Lyrical Motion favourite yet again. Racing consistently and did have some hard luck stories his last 2 starts but mainly down to his own untidy starts. The 1 gate and the 10-pound claim are doing most of the heavy lifting here. Where else could the market go? Diamond Flare was good last week when he was kept busy in a fastish lead and stuck on. Do think the fact that Purton wants to stick with Beauty Destiny here at 1200m should bring some support.

Recommendations: BEAUTY DESTINY gets a leader to follow here and some headgear changes that might help him settle. Interesting that Purton stays on. For a horse often very short in his races, he is a good price tonight. 5.5 units. TATTENHAM has a nasty draw but going well. 2 units.

Race 6 – Class 4 1650m

	Rating		Current	Draw		Tempo = < AVE
1		APOLAR FIGHTER	59	12	FIGHTING MACHINE	>>>>>>
2	19.3	KYEEMA	23 V	11	JUMBO LEGEND	>>>>>>
3		FIGHTING MACHINE	15	10	NORTHERN BEAST	>>>>>>
4	5.0	JUMBO LEGEND	5.4	9	TO INFINITY	>>>>>>
5	30.0	GALLANT CROWN	12	8	KASA PAPA	>>>>>>
6	6.4	KASA PAPA	3.7	7	APOLAR FIGHTER	>>>>>>>>>?
7		PACKING WISHER	18 ^	6	GALLANT CROWN	>>>>>>>>>>
8	12.3	HARRY'S HERO	10	5	WINNING SEVEN	>>>>>>
9	6.4	NORTHERN BEAST	10 V	4	PACKING WISHER	>>>>>>>>>>
10	4.0	JOYFUL PROSPERITY	5.3 V	3	HARRY'S HERO	>>>>>>>>
11		TO INFINITY	27 ^	2	KYEEMA	>>>>>>>>>>
12	30.0	WINNING SEVEN	12	1	JOYFUL PROSPERITY	>>>>>>>>

The race: Average tempo at best, likely slower but there are queries. Not a lot of speed at all at first glance but we might have a couple of surprise on-speed runners, in addition to the more obvious Gallant Crown and Packing Wisher. Expect to see Kyeema, in particular, prominent here at his first attempt this distance. He had an on speed pattern before coming to HK, has found the 1200m races a bit sharp but began well and was quite prominent 1/s 1400m when caught wide from gate 14. He might not intend to lead but do think he'll be forward. The other possible surprise packet is Apolar Fighter stepping up sharply in distance & dropping in class at the same time as getting the 10-pound claimer aboard. In Australia, he led all the way in easy 1400m maiden win, hasn't done a lot in three 1200m runs HK in C3 but perhaps they'll look to do something different here?

The fav: Kasa Papa certainly an interesting proposition after a stable change to Cruz as he has shown plenty of ability without winning – he's just not a horse whose style lends itself to having much luck in races and gate 8 isn't ideal. Think the market will rally to Joyful prosperity and make him favourite by race time. He is going well, running on and making good ground with tempo and/or draw against him but now gets gate 1 and should be poised behind the leaders.

Recommendations: JOYFUL PROSPERITY gets his chance here. Has had tempos again lately after getting back but gate 1 might help him to be closer here. 2 units. Think he will start favourite so the 4.8 at bookies appeals. 2 units. Think JUMBO LEGEND will get out from current odds. Gets a lot way back & needs luck but runs on whether pace is fast or slow. 2 units.



