

CHIP AND RUN CLUB

INAUGURAL CALCUTTA

FORM GUIDE

· CAPE NOIR

BY: STRONG BLADDER
OUT OF: HEAVY NIGHT

JOCKEY: NEIL ARGALL

6/11/93 (22) 89 67
30/10/93 (24) 91 67

Once again will no doubt be handicapped out of contention, however is adjusting well to new gear. This is a runner of impeccable character and breeding who has never been known to disrupt other runners while at the height of their concentration, a constant donor to the Alan Davies retirement fund.

QUIET ACHIEVER

SCRATCHED

BY: KEEP IT STRAIGHT
OUT OF: STEADY AS SHE GOES

JOCKEY: MARK CASEY

THE PHANTOM

BY: MR. WALKER
OUT OF: GHOST WHO WALKS

JOCKEY: STEVE COLE

3/4/93 (6) 74 68

Like his name sake, appears as an ethereal figure at the starting gates while most of his stablemates are still with the fairies. Then just as quietly, having achieved his appointed tasks disappears into the mist. His easing in the handicapping must enhance his chances for this year's Classic.

TECHNOCRAT

BY: CORRECT SWING
OUT OF: SWIVEL HIPS

JOCKEY: ALLAN DAVIES

12/6/93 (20) 92 72
13/2/93 (21) 83 62
17/7/93 (18) 84 66
25/9/93 (18) 87 69
29/5/93 (21) 83 62
9/10/93 (17) 84 67

Winner of the 1992 Classic. Current form suggests he could be in the winners circle again this year. The certain tree he used to stop at last year has been multiplied by at least four. The Club in its generosity paid for tuition by a new trainer who filled his head not to mention his golf bag with technical knowledge and odd bits of paper which are constantly referred to before, during and after each shot.

THE JOKER

BY: KEEP SMILING
OUT OF: IT KEEPS THEM
GUESSING

JOCKEY: CHARLIE DECIS

2/10/93 (29) 99 70
16/10/93 (25) 90 65

This runner wouldn't know how to frown even when confronted by the most severe conditions. Can be quickly identified by a lush grey mane atop a mouthful of pearly whites gleaming in the sunshine. Still to prove his form, it is suspected he is holding himself back for the long haul - worthy of a place bet.

UPPEN DOWN

BY: ONE PUTT
OUT OF: READ THE
BORROW

JOCKEY: DAVID FORD

28/8/93 (12) 80 68
15/5/93 (14) 81 67
2/1/93 (13) 77 64
3/7/93 (13) 81 68
20/3/93 (13) 80 67
26/6/93 (14) 83 69

Caused concern among the stables when he broke down late in the season. Rumour has it that he was close to feeling the cold muzzle against his forehead, but a benevolent veterinarian was able to convince connections that he could be saved. So rather than the knackery, he is now back in training - definitely one to watch.

DARK HORSE

BY: MORNING SHADE
OUT OF: SUNRISE

JOCKEY: KEN GRIST

13/11/93 (21) 90 69
22/5/93 (19) 84 65
1/5/93 (20) 85 65
23/1/93 (20) 92 72

Won this event two years ago, and form has been consistent since that time with his handicap holding close to twenty during that period. Another early riser who prefers to play with fluorescent balls. Not to suggest that he drinks radioactive isotopes. But if the day looks like being overcast bet the house.

SUMMERTIME

BY: DRYTRACK
OUT OF: SUNUP

JOCKEY: ALAN HEWETT

31/7/93	(20)	87	67
7/8/93	(19)	92	73
11/9/93	(17)	84	67
23/10/93	(15)	82	67
19/6/93	(22)	91	69
4/12/93	(15)	79	64
4/9/93	(18)	87	69
13/3/93	(23)	86	63

Form last year was uncertain after recovery from a long spell. A placid beast whose demeanour is only altered when challenged for a nearest the pin. (Remember Rich River). One of the few runners who has time to run a few practice laps prior to the big day. An envious handicap suggests big money will be wagered.

TIENENMEN

BY: KELTY'S SON
OUT OF: HALFPENNIES
CHOICE

JOCKEY: FRED HOWE

23/1/93	(22)	92	70
23/10/93	(18)	85	67
6/3/93	(18)	79	61
6/2/93	(21)	84	63
20/2/93	(20)	86	66

Still has a strong tendency to stray left of centre. Is he the reason the Club's shirts are red? - and all this following a democratic vote. Doesn't like to run under starters orders and consistently complains about the barrier draw. Has been consistently in the winners circle recording the best net score. Worthy of a big flutter.

MARSBARS

BY: TURKISH DELIGHT
OUT OF: SWEET TOOTH

JOCKEY: TREVOR JACKSON

10/4/93	(23)	93	70
17/4/93	(22)	92	70
16/1/93	(22)	88	66

Another of the early risers who keeps his form to himself, although sometimes he bemoans his bad games maybe too profusely. In the words of the bard "methinks he protesteth too much". A feral animal that is often seen grazing on the 15th green.

MIDNIGHT

BY: KNOCKBACK LAST NIGHT
OUT OF: EARLY RISER

JOCKEY: KEITH MCCRACKEN

A more consistent starter than last season. However, his game plan is known only to a few. Constantly plays under a cloud - or is that just the pre-dawn darkness? Another ghost like apparition that appears in the dawns early light. Believes he owns the track and others shouldn't use it. An easing in handicap could help his chances.

ARMPITS

BY: MCENROES CHOICE
OUT OF: PERFECT DEMEANOUR

JOCKEY: BOB MCDONALD

27/3/93 (19) 83 64
21/8/93 (18) 87 69

A Jeckyl and Hyde personality exists in this young colt. A happy, friendly, gregariously natured runner until the moment his club makes contact with the ball at the starting gate. Capable of hitting a superb late cut that often brings him to his knees at which time he calls loudly to an ancient Chinese deity "ah souls", capable of anything on his day. Could be nicknamed 38.

BIRDIE CHANCE

BY: STRATE LINE
OUT OF: CHECK THE CARD

JOCKEY: TONY MIFSUD

24/4/93 (20) 85 65

A very serious nature exists here. Keeps one eye on the track and the other on the score card. Can quote the rules of golf verbatim. A cunning competitor who analyses every shot prior to making any, let alone a rash decision. As serious as he is on the track he is a friendly and amicable personality when back at the chaff bag.

EAR MUFF

BY: HIGH DECIBAL
OUT OF: RED EARS

JOCKEY: DES NIXON

23/10/93 (17) 84 67
18/9/93 (17) 83 66

Can still be heard across the track admonishing other runner's missed chances. Has altered his style a little this year by putting himself in the hands of a trainer and trading in his old gear. The results have been nothing less than remarkable. Hold some money back to bet on this one.

SMOKESTACK

BY: WOTS STABLEFORD
OUT OF: NOT THE 15TH

JOCKEY: BARRY O'LEARY

Miracles do occur as was witnessed this year by the grasping of the stableford method of scoring - just in time to play Ambrose. (God help us). This little whippet decided earlier this year to eat more than goodos and almost went the great kennel in the sky, and if he hits the wrong ball this year by God he'll get there.

SUMMER HAZE

BY: SOLS DELIGHT
OUT OF: BLUE SKIES

JOCKEY: FRANK O'MEARA

20/11/93 (16) 83 67
13/11/93 (17) 87 70
8/5/93 (17) 84 67
24/4/93 (18) 83 65

A suspect runner in wet weather who proved his critics wrong when he won the inaugural Rich River Invitational under severe conditions. Has returned to old form since returning to his home track. Connections claim he prefers a later start as his old bones require a large leisurely bag of chaff prior to facing starters orders. A big, big, chance.

EL SUPREMO

BY: PRESIDENTIAL DECREE
OUT OF: ADOLFS CHOICE

JOCKEY: VIN O'MEARA

23/1/93 (15) 84 69
30/1/93 (14) 81 67
17/4/93 (15) 83 68

The writer of this guide was offered a large bribe not to mention in writing what has been a constant source of discussion among stablemates over recent weeks. Could it be that El Supremo's handicap is easing in order to ensure a win in the Classic? Have connections paid the jockey not to ride him out? Well, investigative journalism suggests that the house should be bet on this one disregarding all protests to the contrary.

BANKERS DELIGHT

BY: BAH HUMBUG
OUT OF: SCROGGES OWN

JOCKEY: JOHN SCANLAN

27/2/93 (25) 89 64
27/11/93 (19) 82 63
5/6/93 (24) 90 66
10/7/93 (23) 96 73
24/7/93 (21) 87 66
14/8/93 (19) 87 68
10/4/93 (24) 91 67

A course accountant who would rather be laying bets than running in the feature event. Has improved on handicap and must be worth considering. It has been noted this year that his arms have grown and his pockets have become shorter. If he plays to handicap could take out the big one.

STUFF ME

BY: TOO BLOODY HARD
BY: I'M ROOTED

JOCKEY: DENIS SMITH

SCRATCHED

CENTURION

BY: BRADMANS DREAM

OUT OF: DRUMMONDS HOPE

JOCKEY: JOHN WORTH

30/1/93 (38) 106 68

24/4/93 (34) 99 65

23/1/93 (39) 113 74

9/1/93 (39) 107 68

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