

THE BIG AUSTRALIAN PUNTER'S
2011 Annual Cup's Guide.

Cup's Contenders in order of Preference as of 1st October 2011
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Numbers Represent a Video Rating. Overall ratings, comments and selections below.

At First Sight 72 I like him. Think he was impressive in Europe and has carried that form here. Unknown a little on wet ground, but sailed through it in an official trial this preparation.

Lion Tamer 72- Got a good little motor, loves the sting out of the ground, probably showed how well he's going by winning on top of the ground in the Underwood Stks. Had a great cart into the race there but you still have to do it. Aimed at the Cox Plate and Melbourne Cup. Feel will need a strong paced Plate or heavy ground to win there, but looks a very live chance in the Melbourne Cup. Won the VIC Derby by a minute in a brilliant staying performance. VIC Derby winners to Melbourne Cup the next year have a poor overall record, but this horse is New Zealand Bred which is a plus, seems to be improving overall, wasn't pushed in the Autumn, to give it every chance of performing in the Spring. Takes the Efficient 2007 Melbourne Cup profile in. Like it alot for the Melbourne Cup.

Americain 71 - Very strong winner 2010. Put the writing on the wall in the Geelong Cup. Form a touch mixed since, but win was good. Has a reasonable impost (weight), but I think that is offset a little by the size of the horse, he is a big specimen. Likely to have a run prior to the Melbourne Cup so might get a guide. Can perform soft or dry.

Jukebox Jury - 70 Strong on-pacer. Still a good run at Goodwood, got blocked on a run. Very good horse, not sure he will be suited by a Melbourne Cup, class galloper though.

Dunaden 69 - Like style. Beat Americain two starts ago as well. Can perform on soft or dry, Craig Williams to ride. Strong Contender.

Won the 2011 Melbourne Cup.

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Green Moon 69 Impressive in the Newcastle Cup. May have improved, At First Sight had his measure in the UK. Lloyd Williams horse.

Ran 2nd in the 2012 Caulfield Cup

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Modun 69 - Strolled in last time on Synthetic. 2800m run in the Ebor H'Cap might have been better than looked, as caught in the slightly inferior part of the track. In the mix, might want it dry though.

Base 68 - Smokey the Melbourne Cup. Going well, question mark is Lloyd getting him ready for this year or next year's event. Has shown signs of immaturity in the past. Excellent run in the Balaklava Cup, think will be best suited by Flemington. May wish to check if running.

Tanby 68 - Like this horse, difficult to see where he fits in with the majors. Got my doubts based on breeding winning the Melbourne Cup. Will need to win his way in too.

Ile De Re - 68. Runs 3200m, Can quicken and stick. Interestingly won recently on Good for the first time, only performed on Soft before, so might be a sign it's going as good as ever.

Tullamore 68 - Really tough on the line if given a staying opportunity. Hasn't been given an opportunity this preparation, but is going well. **Great profile for the Caulfield Cup, should be able to sneak into the field.**

Tullamore ran 3rd in the Caulfield Cup was as much \$10 the Place in Early Betting

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December Draw 68 - Won the Turnbull well, beating Glass Harmonium Flemington 2000m is strong. Has never been tried over further, nothing in it's breeding has ever won beyond 2000m. Does look a risk over further, will be on the pace in the Caulfield Cup so will be advantaged.

Red Cadeaux 68- Pushed along to keep up with Jukebox Jury. Still did well in the St Leger, runs before were good. **Like him for the Melbourne Cup, think the race will suit.**

Red Cadeaux ran 2nd in the 2011 Melbourne Cup paid \$14.30 Best Tote

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Glass Harmonium 67 - Best is at 2000m. Be interesting to see if takes place in the Cox Plate or Caulfield Cup, whatever he runs he promises a reasonably strong tempo.

Mighty High 67 - Group 1 Winner in Hong Kong. Performed quite well first time at Caulfield. Beat Mr Medici in Hong Kong, can take a position, and sticks on strong. Capable of being very competitive. Like preparation for the Caulfield Cup, is having plenty of looks at the place. Beadman to ride.

Shamrock 67 - Good performance in the Turnbull Stks. Is a Flemington horse and can stay, best chance is the Melbourne Cup.

Midas Touch 67 - He does stick on and can let down. But looks like a placegetter to me, and form suggests that. Was the pick in the yard on type in the Underwood. Lloyd Williams prepared horse. One for multiples I suspect on the day both races, more Caulfield.

Lucas Cranach 67 - Likes Soft Track, unbeaten on it. Corey Brown to ride. Should be suited by the Melbourne Cup with it's style. Has a flat spot but a pretty good sprint.

Moyenne Cornishe 67- Seemingly unwanted winner of the Ebor Handicap, reasonable Cup Guide. Ridden cold on that occasion and picked them up in a surprise win. Melbourne Cup generally does give an opportunity for a horse to run on late, he seems to fit that profile. We should get a look at him.

Niwot 66 - Easy winner in the Andrew Ramsden with a big weight in the Autumn. The question will be class. Reasonable run in the Bart Cummings, will need to improve but capable.

Bauer 66 - Injury plagued galloper. Good little Stayer, Melbourne Cup will be his chance, form a touch suspect the year he ran 2nd, but did show good staying ability there.

Meeznah 66 - Just below best Oaks Fillies of her time. Two wins this time in when just a little bit too quick for its rivals.

Precedence 65 - Not going as well this time in.

Lost In the Moment 65 - Bit stiff in the Goodwood but wasn't ridiculously impressive.

Sahara Sun 65 - Not completely ridden out when 6th last start, but probably had its chance to win. Progressive young horse, who will probably have to win it's way into the race, nominated for the Caulified Cup.

Mouryan 65 - Very Impressive winner of the Bart Cummings, one to watch.

Saptapadi 65 - Stays but maybe a couple better.

Illo 64 - Action would suggest would appreciate firm ground.

Absolutely 64 - Brilliant ride to win the AJC Oaks on a wet track. That probably looms as her chance, wet, even run in the Turnbull. Mick Kent prepared helps.

Drunken Sailor 64 - Dream run to win at Goodwood.

Cavalryman 64 Not one of mine. Runs on from behind, not quite good enough I feel. Apparently was better before Godolphins got him.

Ted Spread 64 - Looked to have its chance to pick up winner First up, didn't do much after that. Unsighted in the Ebor.

Fox Hunt 63 Builds off a strong pace. Perhaps its best is on soft. Unlucky in the Ebor when 6th. If it was wet you could definitely entertain him, as he will be still running.

Dangerous Midge 63 Sat on speed and ran away at Churchill Downs. Quickened nicely. Niggled along first up in same race won the year prior and struggled.

Back In Black 62 Ok winning in NZ. Leading all the way.

Older Than Time 62 - 2nd in the Sydney Cup. Hard run in the Craven Plate, forgive run, ran sectionals on return, sprinted well fresh.

General Comment.

Think the Melbourne Cup is a strong race, Caulfield Cup not so strong. Interesting to see alot of the European raiders are having a run before the Melbourne Cup, as history suggests that is generally a good idea. So we will get a good look at them here, which helps.

The Long Range Prediction is rain for both the Caulfield & Melbourne Cup, so they have had an influence on my final long range predictions for both races. Amongst many other factors. As at 6th October 2011 (Note Odds are Best Odds Quoted and available with corresponding bookmaker at this date). Should assist with your race day analysis and or pre-post doubles betting or however you wish to use the information. Note Betting now - is considered "all in betting", if your runner does not run on the day you don't get a refund.

Selection	Caulfield Cup	Best Odds Available	Melbourne Cup	Best Odds Available
1	At First Sight Scratched	8.5	Lion Tamer Scratched	9.00
2	Tullamore	41.00	Red Cadeaux	61.00
3	Green Moon	41.00	Lucas Cranach	12.00
4	Mighty High	26.00	At First Sight Scratched	17.00
5	Lights of Heaven	41.00	Dunaden	31.00
6			Americain	13.00
7			Tullamore	71.00
8			Jukebox Jury	21.00
9			Modun	31

Huge Result our top 4 selections for the Melbourne Cup a month out were the Box Quinella \$222, Box Trifecta \$4,555 and Box First 4 \$21,593.

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Best of luck with your plays!

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