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Australia Stakes Preview

The Australia Stakes is a Group 2 WFA race over 1200m at The Valley.

Recent winners and lead-up race.

2022	Marabi SP \$1.80F	1st Christmas Stakes 1100m \$1.35
2021	Streets of Avalon SP \$4.80	4th Heffernan Stakes 1300m \$7.50
2020	Scales of Justice SP \$3.70	First Up
2019	Whispering Brook SP \$3.20F	1st Standish 1200m \$3.30F
2018	Thronum SP \$6.50	3 rd Heffernan Stakes 1300m \$5
2017	Malaguerra SP \$4.20	5 th Winterbottom Stakes 1200m \$3.80
2016	Holler SP \$4.50	First Up
2015	Mourinho SP \$31	7 th Mackinnon Stakes \$51

Mixed results for favourites in recent years. Trend has been more towards 2nd and 3rd favourites which are back after a let up.

The Early Thoughts Crew has it a race in two. Jigsaw has won three on the trot and will give a great sight in the lead. Snapper is the second favourite who brings a good record at the track and will also be on the speed.

Early Thoughts Lunch
12 noon, Friday, 24th February 2023
Brisbane Airport Conference Centre, 2 Dryandra Road
Special guests inc Dave Donaghy, Brisbane Broncos CEO
Book Now only 24 seats left: \$110 (inc gst)

RSVP to Alex Penklis ... alexp@bneahg.com.au



Q&A with The Whisperer, Kylie Baker

Where did the name Project Kai come from?

My nickname is Ky, but Kai, in many different languages, stands for some of the things I value most: a strong base, happiness, and protection. My specialisation is in project support. So I put two and two together - and Project Kai it is!

What is a VA and why do I need one?

A Virtual Assistant (VA) can help you get hours back in your week so that you can focus on the big picture. Are you running behind with a stakeholder report you started but don't have time to finish? Do you save files in 'special places' and then can't easily find them again? Did you leave booking your travel to the last minute and now the cost is twice the price?

Project Kai at your service! I help businesses get organised and stay on track by providing the project support they need now. You can find my list of services <u>here</u>.

How can you add value?

Where else can you find someone who can finish off a reporting template as well as discuss why you should lay the favourite in the first at Doomben, or debrief with you after the Broncos have had a cracker over the weekend?!

What will it cost me?

Less than a bad day on the punt! Retainer packages start from \$300 per week and can be customised according to your business needs.

Where did your love of racing come from?

I was lucky enough to be born into a family who love their racing. My parents have owned horses for many years, and other family members have breeding and training backgrounds. It is, as they say, in my blood!

Do you own any horses at the moment?

I part-own two at the moment: Diamond Heels, a Capitalist filly with Chris Munce and a yet-to-benamed colt by Savabeel out of a mare I used to have a share in, Toffee Nose. Exciting times!

Why do you like Early Thoughts?

As an Early Thoughts supporter since the early days, I love nothing better than sitting around a table for a long lunch at ET HQ - Brisbane Airport Conference Centre surrounded by hard-working business people who genuinely love their sport.

The incredible food and wine and amazing guest speakers also helps a little. And where else can you find such great tips?

How can people contact you?

Visit my website www.projectkai.au or connect with me on Facebook or LinkedIn at Project Kai AU.

Special offers on all Project Kai services are available to Early Thoughts subscribers until the EOFY.

Winners in Early Thoughts last week

Tipped by

Party For Two The Magician, Singles

King Kapa Super Man
The Velvet Queen Super Man
Amur 2-Bet

Weekend Selections

Early Thoughts Selections

(updated on the Early Thoughts website Saturday morning)

Singles

Rosehill R8 Golden Mile

2-Bet Strategy (based on 10 units per race)

Rosehill

R5 Learning to Fly (8 units), Perfect Proposal (2 units)

The Valley

R7 Jigsaw (8 units), Turaath (2 units)

Sunshine Coast

R1 Mishani Raider (7 units), Adelad (3 units)

Morph

R9 Chicago Storm (8 units), Sabermetric (2 units)

Super Man's Best Around Australia

Sunshine Coast R9 Fastconi Rosehill R7 Kalino The Valley R9 Worsfold Morph R1 Lacrima Ascot R8 How's The Serenity











Early Thoughts Crew Selections

	<u>Feature Race</u> Australia Stakes The Valley	<u>Best Bet</u>	Best Value
The Magician @earlythoughts	Jigsaw	Rosehill R8 Golden Mile The Valley R8 Jigsaw	Rosehill R2 Red Resistance
Gerard Daffy The Patron Saint	Snapper	Big Bash Scorchers to beat the Sixers	
The GM Finding Feature Race winners is his life	Snapper	Rosehill R8 Golden Mile	Sunshine Coast R7 The Vowels
Punters Pal Racing's Radar	Jigsaw	Ascot R8 How's The Serenity	Rosehill R4 Handsome
Super Man Beating the market	Jigsaw	Ascot R8 How's The Serenity	Morph R6 Shez Betty
The Striker Always kicking goals	Snapper	Rosehill R8 Golden Mile	Rosehill R10 For Valour
The Shadow Light in the Darkness	Jigsaw	The Valley R1 Sound	The Valley Isabella's Spring
Winno's Winners	Jigsaw	Sunshine Coast R4 Atlantic Eagle R9 Fastconi	Sunshine Coast R3 Lucky Exchange R7 Mission of Love
2023 Tipping Leaders	Feature Race 1 Winner The Magician The GM Gerard Daffy The Pye Man The Striker	Best Bet 3 Winners Super Man 2 Winners Punters Pal Winno 1 Winner The GM The Brazilian Beauty The Magician	<u>Value</u> 1 Winner The Magician Super Man



Super Man's Place All Up

- The Valley R6 Luna Cat
- Sunshine Coast R7 Affogato Girl
- Morph R6 Shez Betty



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