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Black Caviar Lightning

The Black Caviar Lightning is a cracking race and often one of the form races of the year.

Lightning placegetters have a terrific record in the Newmarket and the winners can go on to win further Group 1s.

Look for the runners who won or placed in the major sprinting races the previous year.

Last year Nature Strip ran second in the Lightning and went on to win the TJ Smith, King's Stand and The Shorts. Eduardo ran third last year and went on to win the Challenge and the Concorde.



Credit: Winno

The Black Caviar Lightning is a Group 1 WFA event over 1000m at Flemington.

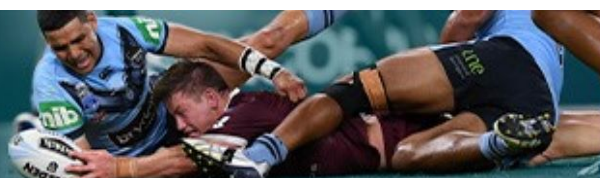
Recent winners and lead-up race.

2022	Home Affairs \$7.50	FU (Won Coolmore)
2021	Nature Strip \$4.40	FU (Won TJ Smith 2020)
2020	Gytrash SP \$21	FU
2019	In Her Time SP \$4.40	FU (Won Galaxy in 2018 and multiple Gr1 placegetter)
2018	Redkirk Warrior SP \$10	FU (Won Newmarket in 2017)
2017	Terravista SP \$15	FU (2 nd Lightning 2016)
2016	Chatauqua SP \$2.80F	FU (Won TJ Smith and Manikato in 2015)
2015	Lankan Rupee SP \$2.60	FU (Won Oakleigh Plate, Newmarket, TJ Smith and Manikato in 2014)

On pure ratings it is hard to go past Nature Strip. Best horse in the race, but not getting any younger. Bella Nipotina and Coolangatta next best, but neither have won at Flemington.

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Winners in Early Thoughts last week

Tipped by

Jacquinot	The Magician, The GM, Punters Pal, Super Man, Winno, 2-Bet Strategy
In Secret	Super Man
Learning to Fly	The Magician
Lofty Strike (\$9)	The Magician
Casino Seventeen	Super Man
Ashgrove	The GM
Darci Diva	The Striker
Pounding	The Shadow
The Big Goodbye	Winno
Clyde (\$11)	Winno
Barber	2-Bet Strategy
Rupert's House	2-Bet Strategy

Betting Better: Beware the False Favourite.

With feature racing back it is a reminder to watch out for those false favourites.

It is always worth looking at a speed map for a race.

Be wary of favourites who are backmarkers and have not won or placed at the distance in two or more attempts.

Similarly, horses with no speed that jump from inside gates can often get caught on the fence and need a lot of luck in the run to be in the finish.

Short priced two and three year olds considered world beaters the previous spring can also be vulnerable first and second up.

Weekend Selections

Single Selections

Rosehill
R8 Aft Dancer
R10 Midwest

Pinjarra
R8 A Lot Of Good Men

2-Bet Strategy

Rosehill
R7 King Frankel, Bonny Ezra

Flemington
R8 Dalasan, Crosshaven



Super Man's Best Around Australia

- Flemington R5 Annavisto
- Rosehill R9 Cross Talk
- Eagle Farm R8 The Bopper
- Morph Pks R1 Dunmaghlas
- Pinjarra R2 Soviet Spy



Super Man's Place All Up

- Rosehill R4 Cylinder
- Flemington R1 Wishlor Lass
- Pinjarra R2 Soviet Spy



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	<u>Feature Race</u> Black Caviar Lightning Flemington	<u>Best Bet</u>	<u>Best Value</u>
The Magician @earlythoughts	Nature Strip	Pinjarra R8 A Lot Of Good Men Rosehill R8 Aft Cabin	Rosehill R4 Fire Lane Flemington R6 Elliptical
The GM <i>Finding Feature Race winners is his life</i>	Nature Strip	Eagle Farm R8 The Bopper	Flemington R9 D'Jumbuck
Punters Pal <i>Racing's Radar</i>	Nature Strip (Quin with Coolangatta)	Morph Pks R4 Saskatoon	Rosehill R10 Kote
Super Man <i>Beating the market</i>	Nature Strip	Flemington R5 Annavisto	Flemington R8 Uncle Bryn
The Striker <i>Always kicking goals</i>	Buenos Noches	Coffs Harbour R6 Darci Diva	Flemington R5 Excelida R6 Cadetship
The Shadow <i>Light in the Darkness</i>	Nature Strip	Flemington R8 Daytona Bay	Flemington R6 Elliptical
Winno's Winners	Coolangatta	Eagle Farm R4 Head of State R5 Kopangi	Eagle Farm R7 Thatfeelsbetter R9 Alfa Lily
2023 Tipping Leaders	<u>Feature Race</u> 3 Winners The Magician The GM Winno 2 Winners Punters Pal Super Man 1 Winner Gerard Daffy The Pye Man The Striker The Shadow	<u>Best Bet</u> 5 Winners Winno 4 Winners Super Man 3 Winners Punters Pal The Magician 2 Winners Gerard Daffy The GM 1 Winner The Brazilian Beauty The Striker	<u>Value</u> 4 Winners The Magician 1 Winner Super Man The GM The Shadow Winno



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