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Spring Thoughts

With the Queensland Carnival coming to a close, I thought it would be worthwhile to look at some of the top performers during the carnival and Blackbook some runners as we look forward to Spring racing.

We are going to start with a horse which has won seven on the trot and nine wins from 10 starts.

Think About It – Two races during the carnival for two Group 1 wins in the Kingsford-Smith Cup and Stradbroke Handicap. Top notch.

Rothfire – Gutsy horse. Ran four times over the carnival with a win in the Victory Stakes, 3rd in the Kingsford-Smith Cup and a gallant 2nd in the Stradbroke. Ran in the early spring races at the Valley last year and wouldn't be a surprise if we see Rothfire saddle up for them again.

Giga Kick – Came, saw and conquered in the Doomben 10,000. Another Everest beckons.



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Overpass – Easy to forget this gelding ran Giga Kick to half a length in the 10,000 off a win in the Quokka. Bjorn Baker will likely target the Sydney spring sprints.

Mazu – Won the Doomben 10,000 in 2022 and ran 3rd this year. Will continue to be extremely competitive particularly in Sydney Group 1 sprints.

A Case Of You – This is one that might be considered a little left field. A Mick Price and Michael Kent jnr import. Has had four starts in Australia, three at Group 1 level and been competitive in all. Three starts over the carnival in the Victory Stakes, Doomben 10,000 and Kingsford-Smith Cup.

Might be one of those horses which thrives in the winter in Brisbane and improves significantly come the spring in Melbourne.

Doomben Cup – One of the races of carnival. Jot down **Huetor** (Snowden), **Numerian** (Neasham), **Kovalica** (Waller) and **Duais** (Edward Cummings). All quality horses which finished within 1.5 lengths of each other.

Winners in Early Thoughts last week

Tipped by

Knight's Choice
Defiant Spirit
First Immortal
Mogo Magic
Seonee
Semana
Fawknor Park
Rope Them In

Super Man
The GM, Punters Pal
The GM, Best Around Australia
The Magician
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ARL

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Collingwood 1-39
Essendon 1-39

Super Man's Place All Up

Belmont R5 Duchess of Gossip
Gawler R4 Chipson
Caulfield R7 Flying on a Limb



Project Kai



Super Man's and The GM's Best Around Australia

Belmont R4 Too Dardy; R8 Real Danger
Caulfield R2 Aristonous; R6 Brigantine
Doomben R3 Colleagues
Gawler R2 Picargo; R6 Jacks On Ice
Randwick R1 Epic Proportions; R9 Iowna Merc



Early Thoughts Crew Selections

	<u>Feature Races</u> Monash Stakes Caulfield	<u>Best Bets</u>	<u>Beat Value</u>
The Magician @earlythoughts	Ingratiating	Belmont R2 Premium Choice R3 Red Square	Doomben R6 Azzareach Belmont R6 Outspoken Lad
Gerard Daffy <i>The Patron Saint</i>	Sweet Ride	NRL Eels to beat Warriors	
Winno's Winners	Sigh	Doomben R4 Canadian Dancer R5 Sailor's Secret	Doomben R2 Ella Te Ama R8 Linthorpe Lad
The GM <i>Loves the Punt</i>	Ingratiating	Doomben R1 Transatlantic Caulfield R6 Brigantine	Doomben R3 Readily Availabull Randwick R6 Manbehindthemoney
Punters Pal	General Beau	Belmont R3 Red Square Caulfield R6 Brigantine	Belmont R4 Gage Roads Caulfield R5 Hennessy Lad
Super Man <i>Beating the market</i>	Malkovich	Belmont R4 Too Dardy Randwick R1 Epic Proportions	Randwick R7 Bend The Knee Caulfield R9 Flash Flood
2023 Tipping Leaders	<u>Feature Race</u> 10 Winners Winno Super Man 9 Winners Gerard Daffy Punters Pal The GM 8 Winners The Magician	<u>Best Bet</u> 19 Winners The Magician 18 Winners Super Man Winno 16 Winners The GM 13 Winners Punters Pal	<u>Value</u> 6 Winners Super Man The GM 5 Winners The Magician Winno



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