RACE 4: 2000 MTS, CLASS C

Pace at start: Average

PENTOLINA – MR 79 (HMR 83) → 4-point drop
Last run: 3.80 lengths behind winner (56 days ago). Drawn 1, Craig Zackey rides — ideal inside draw, but MR drop suggests slight dip in form.

HEAL AND SOUL – MR 77 (HMR 86) → 9-point drop
Last run: 2.30 lengths behind winner (32 days ago). Drawn 2, Luyolo Mxothwa rides — racing consistently but needs to rediscover earlier rating peak.

GENTLEMAN JOE – MR 81 (HMR 86) → 5-point drop
Last run: 2.95 lengths behind winner (84 days ago). Drawn 3, Corne Orffer rides — long layoff, but capable if fully fit.

BATON ROUGE – MR 72 (HMR 79) → 7-point drop
Last run: 0.70 lengths behind winner (25 days ago). Drawn 4, Richard Fourie rides — competitive last start, top jockey booking is a plus.

PROFESSOR SNAPE – MR 76 (HMR 87) → 11-point drop
Last run: 3.30 lengths behind winner (25 days ago). Drawn 5, Chad Little rides — needs to lift form to match past ability.

MASTER OF PARIS – MR 76 (HMR 78) → 2-point drop
Last run: 4.65 lengths behind winner (18 days ago). Drawn 6, Muzi Yeni rides — fresh run could bring improvement.

ELEGANT NOBLE – MR 72 (HMR 79) → 7-point drop
Last run: 2.70 lengths behind winner (32 days ago). Drawn 7, Brevan Plaatjies claims 1.5 kg — weight relief could be helpful.

WESTERN WORLD – MR 69 (HMR 85) → 16-point drop
Last run: 5.95 lengths behind winner (32 days ago). Drawn 8, Oswald Noach rides — big slide from peak MR, must show revival.

ARIOVISTUS – MR 77 (HMR 79) → 2-point drop
Last run: 0.75 lengths behind winner (56 days ago). Drawn 9, Raymond Danielson rides — strong last start, could be in the mix.

EXPRESS YOURSELF – MR 79 (HMR 86) → 7-point drop
Last run: 0.75 lengths behind winner (18 days ago). Drawn 10, Aldo Domeyer rides — recent form solid, wide draw is a test.

KWITE A KING – MR 81 (HMR 81) → no change
Last run: 2.25 lengths behind winner (56 days ago). Drawn 11, Juan Paul V'D Merwe rides — consistent, but wide draw could force early work.

TOP 3: **SUGAR MOUNTAIN**, **PROMETTERE**, **ARDABIL**