

RACE 5: 1400 MTS, CLASS C

Pace at start: Average

NILE THE BOSS – MR 53 (HMR 83) → 30-point drop

Last run: 0.50 lengths behind winner (21 days ago). Drawn 1, Brevan Plaatjies claims 2.5 kg — ultra-lightweight, big MR drop, inside draw makes him dangerous if pace is slow.

GOLDEN ANGEL – MR 68 (HMR 86) → 18-point drop

Last run: 3.80 lengths behind winner (21 days ago). Drawn 2, Cole Dicken rides — well handicapped compared to peak, but needs to improve finishing kick.

SIR KORSKI – MR 81 (HMR 85) → 4-point drop

Last run: 7.60 lengths behind winner (21 days ago). Drawn 3, Corne Orffer rides — experienced jockey up, but recent run suggests form dip.

MENTE ET MANU – MR 77 (HMR 85) → 8-point drop

Last run: 3.80 lengths behind winner (32 days ago). Drawn 4, Muzi Yeni rides — strong rider booking, good mid-draw, could threaten if pace suits.

BOUNDLESS LOVE – MR 75 (HMR 77) → 2-point drop

Last run: 7.15 lengths behind winner (32 days ago). Drawn 5, Juan Paul V'D Merwe rides — needs sharp improvement to figure.

TAKE IT AS RED – MR 83 (HMR 83) → 0-point drop

Last run: 6.00 lengths behind winner (21 days ago). Drawn 6, Keanen Steyn rides — consistent but needs pace collapse to challenge.

SHOW OFF – MR 79 (HMR 81) → 2-point drop

Last run: PU (no finish) (18 days ago). Drawn 7, Luyolo Mxothwa rides — risky after pulled-up run, but MR suggests potential bounce-back.

DIVE BOMBER – MR 79 (HMR 79) → 0-point drop

Last run: 2.55 lengths behind winner (21 days ago). Drawn 8, Oswald Noach rides — decent finish last run, wide draw but could swoop late.

HAPPY VERSE – MR 98 (HMR 88) → 10-point rise

Last run: 2.85 lengths behind winner (56 days ago). Drawn 9, Aldo Domeyer rides — big MR jump, top rider, wide draw could be the only hurdle.

TOP 3: HAPPY VERSE, NILE THE BOSS, MENTE ET MANU