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Take Your Pick— Blue Diamonds Or Your Dog!!

Will we see a new Champion 2 year old in Tomorrow's \$2 Million Blue Diamond Stakes at Caulfield, if so they would want to be pretty darn good to make Bruce McEvaney's Best Blue Diamond Field.

Anyway just for the record the Broadway hit song "Diamonds Are A Girls Best Friend "was originally produced in 1949 for the production of "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" and it was in 1953 that Marilyn Monroe's rendition of that song became even more famous.

But on the other hand the - statement "The Dog is a man's best friend" was first recorded as being made by Frederick II, King of Prussia in the 1770s. In fact the Blue Diamond scoreboard records reads as such — Colts 29 wins, Fillies 19 wins, Geldings 4 wins, David Hayes has trained 5 winners and Dwayne Dunn has ridden 4 winners.

Bruce McAvaney's BEST BLUE DIAMOND FIELD

- 1. TOLERANCE 56.5kg Roy Higgins
- 3. LORD DUDLEY 56.5kg Roy Higgins
- 5. RANCHER 56.5kg Norman Waymouth
- 7. HURRICANE SKY 56.5kg Steven King
- 9. BEL ESPRIT 56.5kg Wayne Treloar
- 11. SEPOY 56.5kg Kerrin McEvoy
- 13. BOUNDING AWAY 54kg Mick Dittman
- 15. COURTZA 54kg Shane Dye

- 2. JOHN'S HOPE 56.5kg Kevin Langby
- 4. MANIKATO 56.5kg Gary Willetts
- 6. ZEDITAVE 56.5kg Greg Hall
- 8. REDOUTE'S CHOICE 56.5kg Danny Nikolic
- 10. STAR WITNESS 56.5kg Nick Hall
- 12. ARTORIUS 56.5kg Luke Curry
- 14. MIDNIGHT FEVER 54kg Jim Courtney
- 16. ALINGHI 54kg Damien Oliver





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Jimmy Olsen

BR 4 # 1 Head Honcho

BR 5 # 10 Red Feather Boa

MR 8 # 17 In Her Eyes

SR 3 # 8 Dipsy Doodle
BR 5 # 9 Granite Prince
SR 10 # 3 High Blue Sea

Tower Of Knowledge

AR 4 # 4 Smiling From Above

AR 6 # 10 Zufasta

AR 8 # 10 Party Princess

The Mailman

Morphettville
Crystal Clear
R1:5,3,1,4
R2:8,3,1,2
R3:6,1,2,4
R4: 1 , 5 , 4 , 10
R5: 4,7,12,2
R6: 10,2,5,6
R7: 11 , 14 , 3 , 12
R8: 14 , 10 , 12 , 1
R9:1,12,15,4

Caulfield
The Shark
1:5,1,4,7
2: 13 , 3 , 2 , 1
3:9,2,1,6
4:2,1,4,6
5:5,2,8,9
6:7,1,10,6
7:1,5,6,7
8:13,4,14,3
9:15,8,4,1
10: 1 , 10 , 4 , 7

Rosehill
Harbour Harry
1:14,8,3,7
2:4,2,21,12
3:8,11,2,5
4:1,3,2,7
5:15,13,6,11
6:13,11,6,5
7:6,11,1,8
8:5,2,12,1
9:2,11,8,4
10:19,6,15,3
to New Zealand got off sts in Wellington on We

	Doomben
ry	Jungle Jim
	1:7,4,9,3
	2:1,2,11,3
	3:2,10,13,3
	4:1,2,10,8
	5: 10 , 12 , 5 , 11
	6:9,2,7,3
	7:5,9,10,1
	8: 10 , 12 , 2 , 4
	9: 4 , 2 , 11, 7
3	10:8,3,4,14
ff to b	williant start with a last ball



Australia's tour to New Zealand got off to brilliant start with a last ball win over the hosts in Wellington on Wednesday night. Chasing 216 to win, Mitch Marsh was there at the end with a fine knock of 72* (44) but it was the ball striking of Tim David that decided the result, as he made 31 not out off 10 balls, hitting the last ball of the match for four to clinch the win. He hasn't been out in his last four T20 knocks which have seen him make 140 runs off 60 balls, has hit 11 sixes with a strike rate of 233. He looks inked in now at number six for the T20 World Cup in June/July.

Travis Head made his return and looked rusty in making 24 of 15 at the top of the order, while Adam Zampa copped more tap, going for 42 of his three overs. Australia has conceded 200 or more in their last four games, which would be of concern. The last two games of the three-match series are at Eden Park tonight and on Sunday, with very short boundaries straight they are sure to be high scoring affairs once again.

South Australia's hopes on making the Shield final were extinguished with a seven-wicket loss to Queensland last Sunday. Being 3-0 on a dramatic morning didn't help, on the way to being all out 132. The bowlers, as they have all season got the team back into the match, when they bowled out Queensland for 159. At 3-72 in the second dig, Alex Carey and Jake Lehmann joined forces and when the score reached 3-191, SA led by 164 and were driving the game.

Queensland were out of ideas tactically and had been adopting a 7-2 off-side field, and bowling negatively well outside off stump, hoping for a mistake. Carey had played superbly for his 90 but then in a moment of madness, attempted a lap sweep which ended up in the gloves of the keeper. It was a shocker of a shot and his dismissal saw a collapse of 6-18, which ultimately cost SA the match. With conditions well in favour of batting, Carey should have showed more patience, but it wasn't to be as Queensland needed just 206 to win, instead of perhaps chasing around 300.

Joke of the Week

Why did the diamond go to the doctor? It was feeling a little rough !!.

Why did the diamond go to school? It wanted to be a polished individual!!.

The true blue diamond always shows up late to appointments because it can't help getting caught in a rock and a hard place!!