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2024 NRL Grand Final—Word Is The Hand Brakes Will Definitely Be Off !!!



Our NRL Expert Tipster Damien Harrison better known as “The Dugong” is selecting The Melbourne Storm to defeat the Penrith Panthers by a margin 1 -12 and Ryan Papenhauzen to win the 2024 Clive Churchill Medal .

Plenty of discussion also about a few star players not being a 100% fit for Sunday's NRL Big Dance—Well I know its an entirely different game but if you can take anything away from the last Saturday's AFL Grand Final then there certainly is a lesson in playing players that are not 100% fit for the season's hardest battle !! In the full AFL washup—Winning on the MCG the week before was a massive positive sub conscious advantage the Lions were not really aware of even themselves but that advantage clearly showed up as they held no fear for the big MCG stage . Sydney were never going to lose the Pre.F. to Port but that was played on the SCG . Port played their G.F. against the Hawks. The Cats produced their best against Port with amazing hand and foot skills under Ports home crowd pressure and the weather conditions when the game was there to be won . The Bulldogs definitely played their GF against the Giants at Ballarat . I will see if can sneak a few “Footy Never Stops” columns in between Cricket & Racing .

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| SR 9 # 19 Fire Storm | BR 7 # 11 Midori Beauty | AR 9 # 2 Tippa |



**By Gary
Newton**

Race1 BILLY BONES from the all-conquering Clarken/O'Shea stable. He has drawn well in gate 4 and comes into this after a trial win. The danger is OOOCHIE MAGUCHEE who had little luck from a wide gate last start. **Selections 2-13**

Race 2: small field GOLDRUSH GURU clashes with TALISAY again but meets the filly better on weights the Stokes runner ATHANATOS might beat them both. **Selections 2 to beat 1 and 4**

Race 3 : ZARKANA gets made Blinkers go on for the first time RABTAT returned to form with a win over Lomax at Murray Bridge **Selections 5-1**

Race 4: LONGER ROUTE is shooting for 3 in a row after having won his past two in good style. CULLEN SKINK ran a better race last time when rising to this trip. Blinkers go back on today. **Selections: 3 from 2**

Race 5: SIXTEEN REASONS was good in blinkers last start when she chased home Aviatress. GRINZINGER PRINCE has won twice when fresh. **Selections 7 from 3**

Race 6: First leg of the Quaddie is a field race if you can afford it. MIST THE DEADLINE is a 25 to 1 chance who won a trial at Strathalbyn last week and what ever you include in multiples. **Selections: 6 each way**

Race 7: CARARADA is a talented mare who found trouble last start. COLORADO CRUZ was most impressive winning a Strathalbyn trial last week **Selections: 7-8**

Race 8: Another tough race settled on OVERSTATED, who flew home last start to win on debut. MADAME MASERATI takes on older horses here but returned from a spell with a win and has drawn well in barrier 4. **Selections: 10 from 16**

Race 9: TIPPA was a very good in the Balaklava Cup gets his chance here. ON THE SCENT did plenty of work last time and he did well to finish second to Eishaa. **Selections: 1 from 10** **Racing on the Morphettville Main Track Saturday 5th October**