

# This Saturday's Feature Race...

Sydney R4 – 2:22pm Bisley Chipping Norton Stks (G1) \$300,000

Warwick Farm 1600m



**SPEED:** EVEN

BACK	MIDFIELD - HANDY	LEAD
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Waltham Cross (1)	Timuana (7)	Confectioner (10)	Bay Princess (8)	Grand Zulu (5)	
County Tyrone (6)	Eremein (9)	He's No Pie Eater (4)	Mentality (3)	Desert War (2)	

**INSIDE RAIL** ⇨

## Mr Racing's Predicted Finishing Order:

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <b>DESERT WAR</b> (H.Bowman)	\$2.35	Continues to amaze me. Beat Eremein this race, second up last year.
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 Eremein (G.Boss)	\$3.30	One of Australia's top 2 or 3 best when right. May need one more run.
3 <sup>rd</sup>	8 Mentality (D.Beadman)	\$3.75	Led all the way to beat Miss Finland at a mile at 2. Highly talented 3yo.

## Summary:

If anything, **Desert War** is better suited today than he was first-up. He beat **Eremein** in this race, second-up last year and I think he can do it again. I was actually saving my bet on Desert War for second-up and thought he would just run a place in the Apollo... I was wrong. The lack of depth at the 14-1600m distance at WFA level in Sydney simply meant that the class shone through. Will only improve into today and Eremein is second-up after a lengthy break and may take one more run. Clear 1-2 again, with 3yo **Mentality** easily the next best. He too should relish the 1600m, and won the Champagne as a 2yo, beating Miss Finland at a mile. As we've seen with Miss Finland first-up in Melbourne, this crop of 3yo's don't appear to be up to the likes of El Segundo, Desert War and Eremein just yet.

As you will see above, I have constructed a market with only 3 runners, to 100%. As far as I'm concerned, the rest of the horses are "write your own ticket odds" and won't run in the first 3 unless one of my top 3 break down. On our sour note... how disappointing to see legless maiden horses in on of our feature Group 1 events. Surely this will spark worthy debate, to avoid this debacle in future. I would like to actually see Bossy use his head and go forward on Eremein. He needs to get forward, away from some of these slow slugs that should not be in the race.