

THE TRIAL FILES

12/3/2025 SANDOWN HILLSIDE

RACE 2 – 3:40PM IVE 2YO HANDICAP (1000M)

Interesting race for the 2-year-olds here, with a few nice types stepping out for the first time. #1 FACILITATE should be the leader with #6 SISSTAINABLE and #5 CONSCIENCE wanting to find a spot near the speed also. As expected in a 1000m race, the speed looks solid.

We liked the 900m Ballarat jump out on 24/2 from #6 SISSTAINABLE. She showed good early speed and continued to run along at a strong gallop and moved well doing so. We liked her work leading into her debut run in Maribyrnong Trial Plate where she ran 4th behind Tremonti/Shining Smile/Price Tag which is clearly the strongest exposed form in this race. The trial suggests she has improved this is a much easier task than she faced on debut. The draw (7) is a slight query with pace drawn inside, but there is only the one bend from the chute here and banking on her speed/class.

#5 CONSCIENCE is an expensive, well-bred filly debuting for the Moody yard with B. Shinn engaged to ride. The trials have been good without being great, but she is a nice style of filly, and the jockey booking shows some intent. #1 FACILITATE sat outside the lead on debut at the Valley and fought on well to run 2nd after doing some work. The trials leading in were good and he will no doubt have improved with the benefit of race experience. #2 DONEBRAVO has trialled well enough and looks another will decent ability. Gets a sot run from gate 2.

#9 SASSY ABBEY comes to Melbourne from the hottest yard in Australia, Bjorn Baker. The run in the Black Opal Preview was okay following some nice trials and should have every chance from gate 1 with D. Lane booked to ride.

SELECTIONS:

#6 SISSTAINABLE (win)

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