

**TEAM HHH, 2026**  
**International Racing Tip Sheet III**  
**“Follow the Jockey”**  
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**Flemington, Melbourne, Australia**  
**Randwick, Sydney, Australia**  
**Al Rayyan, Doha, Qatar**  
**King Abdulaziz, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia**

I made a major omission last time, partly driven by uncertainty of which tracks USA books cover. The genesis for this sheet was a term my late father, taught me, “Follow the Jockey”. It remains sage advice. It was Frankie Dettori’s last book of rides and I should have covered it. It was clear to me that he switched from riding the Chilean Derby at Valparaiso that same afternoon because he was offered a LIVE one. And so it proved it to be as **Frankie Dettori booted “Bet You Can” in the G1 Grande Premio Estado do Rio De Janeiro, the Brazilian 2000 Guineas**, the first leg of their triple crown at the Gavea track in Rio de Janeiro. It was a fitting end to the 40 year career of the greatest jockey of our time. And I only had 10 last minute bucks on it at outrageously juicy price of 16/1. Earlier **Tom Marquand had won the Indian Derby at Mahalaxmi in Mumbai in India**. I should have mentioned that too, even though it was unlikely American punters could have played. **I did have some success on Cape Town’s biggest card of their year, tipping 3 out of 4 winners during prime time of that card, including the Winner of the G1 Cape Town Met and my strongly touted Snow Pilot at odds of 17/2**. The lesson of that day was not to try to tip a winner in all 12 races. I short, I have now tipped 5 winners from 17 races on two tip sheets for Team HHH this year. Not bad, but should be better.

We turn today to three hippodromes: **Riyadh for the Saudi Cup card, Doha in Qatar for a bunch of big money competitive, local G2 & 3 races with the likes of William Buick, Christian Demuro, Christophe Soumillon and Tom Marquand in town and also Pierre Charles Boudot riding in the only jurisdiction that will allow him**. I won’t tip Doha because it is likely state side players won’t be offered the card, though I will pen a paragraph of thoughts on the four big races there. Who maybe a US book has signed a deal with Qatar and you will be able to play tomorrow. But first we head to **Flemington and Randwick**. Major Australian racing gets directed to Western Australia and tropical Queensland during December and January, the peak of the Southern Hemisphere summer, but begins with a bag in Mid February with the G1 **Black Carrier Lightning Stakes, as Australia’s elite sprinters go toe to toe for the first time in 2026**. **Randwick also has some super stars first up in their “Autumn” campaign, including the odds on 8 from 8, Autumn Glow**.

## Flemington

### R6 22:55 EST Friday. 12 1/2 Furlongs

I like **3 (2) Newfoundland 5/1**. The 9/5 Fav Saint George is short enough, though I like him going longer. He is a potential Melbourne Cup contender and this race could be a stretcher to prepare him for a WAYI race next up. Newfoundland has generally be right in this low level stakes races since his move from Ireland two years ago. Won well 2nd up last time on January 26th, Australia's July 4th. Race fit. He is a much better price than Saint George and gets a 4 kg or 9lb weight advantage. Newfoundland is the bet, just.

### R7 11:30 EST Friday 7 Furlongs

I see Birdman is running here, a horse that cost me about 50,000 balloons on Melbourne Cup weekend last year. I left a cash out of 6,000 on the table thinking Birdman getting his soft ground, James McDonald and tightening in the market wound slice through and win. He never went a yard. A tough beat. Sabaj who I won a lot with last year is also resuming here. I am loath to take him on, but I expect he has bigger targets later in the Autumn. Moreover he is drawn 1 and he could get trapped and won't have enough space or time to exhibit his explosive kick. This is **2 (7) Cafe Millenium's** optimal distance. He is carrying a few lbs more than rivals, but showed promise first up closing strong at Caulfield a few weeks ago. Celine Gaudray is a tidy rider. You should get at least 5/1.

### R8 00:10 EST G1 Black Caviar Lightning Stakes 5 Furlongs

**4 (7) Tentyris** produced the most explosive display of any horse anywhere in the world last year in G1 Coolmore over 6F at Flemington. Royal Ascot was discussed as an international target last year, but the horse has an entry in the Al Quoz Sprint at Meydan in late March. To me that is gold standard knowledge. It is rare though not unusual for Australians to race away from their goldmine stakes races, but this could be Godolphin's best ever Sprinter and they'll want him ready now prior to a Dubai ship. The conventional wisdom would be that he is not fully wound up for a distance seemingly short of best, but to me he seems to be a length quicker than his rivals over any distance and it is just matter of when the jockey pushes the button, be it at 4 furlongs out or 5 furlongs out. Think Choisir. I have watched the jump outs / trials of his rivals and I was tempted by both Giga Kick and La Gladiola. Giga Kick is older and has 7 lbs more to carry and La Gladiola is good and has strong winning form over the straight course, but he inferior to Tentyris. Tentyris has had two good jump outs, so he is not coming into this cold. It is a G1 and Godolphin like to win G1s. His price maybe prohibitively short at 7/5, but he is special and that may seem like value after the race.

### R9 00:50 EST G3 CS Hayes Stakes 7 Furlongs

This should be a dome, no wind, point after kick for **2 (11) Sixties** for Chris Waller. Damian Lane stayed in Australia to pick up the ride on Tentyris when he could have had any number of international rides in the Middle East. Lane is cold rider and the wide draw will suit his style on this 11/10 Fav. A quick fire Group race double for Damian "Frosty" Lane, the jockey to follow who is riding in Melbourne, when he could have been riding in the Middle East.

## Randwick

### R7 11:50 pm EST Friday G2 Asahi Expressway Stakes 6 Furlongs

The Sydney sprinters resume over 6 furlongs. Joliestar and Lady Shenandoah are the two big well known G1 winning Waller horses. James McDonald lands on Joliestar and is the 11/8 Fav. I prefer **1 (3) Angel Capital** for Yulong. The horse ran deceptively well in the World Richest Race, the Everest, closing on the back of Jimmystar (a horse I touted a lot successfully here last year). I wish he were a better price than 3/1, but I'll take it.

### R8 00:30 EST G2 Apollo Stakes 7 Furlongs

I am taking on James McDonald again here. The unbeaten and unbeatable Autumn Glow resumes over 7 F. He is the prohibitive 3/5 Fav, but his main target is probably the Queen Elizabeth in April over 10 F. This is the time to take him on. I am going with another Chris Waller Zac Lloyd combination, **9 (7) Aeliana** who is currently 9/1. The mare has 3 wins from 11 Group or Listed races. She is going well per the trainer and this distance will suit. She gave the then world's highest rated racehorse, Via Sistina, a fright over this very distance in August last year. She is 9/1 and the value bet on Saturday in Australia. The jockey to follow being Zac Lloyd who Chris Waller is finding more good rides for.

## Doha

The first big race in Qatar jumps at **08:15 EST, the Gr2 Amir Trophy over 1 Mile 4 furlongs** on the Turf. We have three Japanese raiders and horses who have won G1s in Europe and competed at the Breeders Cup. **This is a US 1.4 Million Dollar race and has definitely impacted the quality of the field of the G1 Neom over in Riyadh.** I have been racing in Qatar. It was a po dunk, fairground affair when I was there. It's tight and probably won't suit the likely Fav, Goliath.

**4 (4) El Cordorbes** proved he can handle Del Mar in November and providing he looks the part in the paddock, he has to be a good chance, though I sense the bookings of Cristian Demuro and Tom Marquand will ensure the Japanese raiders, Byzantine Dream or Deep Monster have their backers. I'll wait till I see them in the paddock, but I am inclined to play **1 (6) Byzantine Dream**. Cristian Demuro was riding in Riyadh on Friday. He won on a Pure Bred Arabian in the last. I am sure he could have stayed in Riyadh. He's the jockey I am following to Doha. **You can watch all this live on Qatar Equestrian YouTube page.**

It is hard to see past **Al Qudra for Appleby and Buick** in the next, a **Listed race that jumps at 09:10 EST, though 7 (8) No Retreat with Dutch rider Adrie de Vries in town riding for British trainer, George Scott** was impressive in Bahrain two weeks ago and could edge the Godolphin Fav

**Joseph O'Brien has booked Pierre Charles Boudot for Andab in the Al Rayyan Mile, a local G2 which goes at 09:45 EST.** UK punters will probably be backing Appleby Buick in this on the back of Pacific Quarter's win in a Conditions race at Doha 56 a month a half ago, but Andab is better, providing he is fit. He an Al Shaqab horse, so he should be for a big day in Qatar.

**Wathnan** has three in the next, a local **G3 6 furlong Sprint that jumps at 11:20 EST.** Readers should note that Wathnam's first call rider James Doyle is in Riyadh. His main ride for Wathnam there is the sprinter Lazzat. The Strikin Viking has had a run at Meydan in January, but needed the run. He could improve. Soumillon renews his acquaintances with Gold Soldier with whom he has won with longer and softer in the French provinces. He was tried for the first time over a sprint distance in Doha last month and won well. French Champion jockey Maxine Guyon pops up here for the ride on Rogue Lightning, 2nd in a G2 at Keeneland last year. He will get his firm ground and should be the Fav. A market watch is required on the British raider **2 (6) Quinault**. Quinault blew

the cobwebs away in a 5 furlong contest at Newcastle last month. His sweet spot is 6 or 7 furlongs. He will be the bet if there is juice in the price.

## Riyadh

### R4 09:00 EST G3 Saudi Derby 1 Mile

The Japanese are plotting to be mob handed at the Kentucky Derby. **8 (11) Satono Voyage** showed his hand when winning the Cattleya Stakes, the first leg of the Japanese road to the Kentucky Derby, in Tokyo back in November. He is be the best priced of the Japanese quintet in UK markets at 7/2, though **Best Green** from the NAR circuit has near comparable form when running Pyromancer (the leader in the Japanese Club House) close last time. He is 9/2 in the UK, though given an outrageously generous Morning Line of 20/1 Morning Line in the USA.

The Saudi Derby offers a different avenue to Churchill Downs and you'd be foolish to ignore claims of **Wonder Dean** and **Keiai Agito** who have turned to two of the best jockeys in the world in **Oisín Murphy** and **João Moreira**, though both look limited and I'd be surprised if either prevailed. Satono Voyage has been looking best in the mornings in Riyadh and has a nice wide draw which should given the rider Tosaki the panorama he needs to plot a route to the winning post.

The US raiders may not be Favs, but nor are they sophomoric types. **6 (6) One World** has collateral form with Palladin and gets **Irad Ortiz, Jr** and **7 (8) Obliteration** has to be the reason Joel Rosario is back on Saudi. It can't just be for the succulent dates. It is deep inside at Riyadh and instinctually I would be inclined to toss the four inside, but I then am reminded of **Al Haram's** extraordinary win in the **Saudi 2000 Guineas**. He may take some catching.

Another value shout could be a random UK based horse the **9 (5) Shayem**. The horse has a turf pedigree at first glance, but he is highly rated and has some dirt credentials. And remember turf horses do ok on Saudi dirt. Think Mishriff. He is defensively priced at 12/1 on the US Morning Line and will probably drift up in US markets. He'll get to follow Al Haram who will probably get into a pace dual with Baffert's **Acknowledgemeplz**, ending both their chances. Providing James Doyle can keep Shayem to Al Haram's outside and away from the rail, he can utilise his marathon staying pedigree and could be a LIVE bomb. This is not some Royal Family ego entry or even a jolly from modest syndicate connections. There is a novice type owner with very few horses. The decision to go here must have been made by arguably pound for pound the best trainer in the UK, Karl Burke. HT to my buddy Phil Edwards for flagging this and confirming what I suspected.

I will be betting **9 (5) Shayem** and **8 (11) Satono Voyage**. (My World and Obliteration would be underneath and or my B horses.)

### R5 09:40 EST G2 Riyadh Dirt Sprint

There is nothing much I can say here that many of you won't know already about the US horses. Baffert has the prohibitive Fav in Imagination and he has booked Prat. Probably case closed. I am not totally convinced by Imagination, so I will take a stab with **12 (4) Yamanin Cerchi 10/1** who is by the former Wesley Ward inmate, Four Wheel Drive. 4WD may have been a turf sprinter, but he is by American Pharoah out of a More Than Ready mare and you don't have to go far back on Japanese Dam side to find Sunday Silence, a little micro theme of these pages. He was 5 lengths behind the best Japanese Dirt sprinter, TO Elvis last time and American Stage drawn 12 in this had his measure when they met, winning by two lengths. But the horse has had a trainer switch, gets a cosy draw in 4 for this 6 furlong race. American Stage has it tougher in 12. The turn will come quick enough. Yamanin Cerchi could excel on the surface and pop up a double figure price. None of the UAE or Saudi horses appeal. The Hong Kong entrant did go to Korea and win on their dirt, but he seems to be a token way of keeping the Chinese market attracted.

## **R6 10:25 EST G2 1351 Turf Sprint**

I was only able to narrow this down to a six horse race. I had played **9 (10) Reef Runner** ante post at 12/1. He is much shorter with Irad booked, though the 10 is no gimme. The Hot Fav 5 (12) Lazzat for Wathnam has an even worse draw and the Japanese threat 8 (11) Panja Tower with the João "Magic Man" Moreira aboard is between both in 11. I am not sure this will help or hinder the said protagonists. They may be able to create some collective energy to all pulse past the field or they may cut each other's throats going wide. I fear the latter. The value may therefore be inside. And Oisín Murphy could take advantage on **13 (7) Time to Dazzle** for the hot Mark Casse barn. He is currently great value at 14/1. Even more value will be **4 (3) Geography 33/1**, the former German galloper recently purchased by Saudi connections. He has dined at the top tables in Europe, albeit generally over 7 furlongs or a mile. He is quick away and a front runner, often getting collared late down the lane. He has ran his best races on firm and could also slip away. The 6 and 1/2 furlongs might be his perfect distance. It would be a B on my ticket. He is currently 33/1 and I'll be playing him, but my top tip remains Reef Runner. He has won at 6 1/2 and gets Irad. His prep win last time at Gulfstream may have been over 5 F, but there seemed to be so much more in the tank. I may also box the five aforementioned in a Tri.

## **R7 11:10 EST G1 Neom Turf Cup 1 Mile 2 1/2 F**

I had a little ante post play on **11 (10) Survie** a few weeks ago. He was 12/1 then. His price has almost halved since declarations revealed Ryan Moore was booked. I think still he is value. This former French mare is by Churchill and was recently by the Coolmore lads. They clearly want more Galileo in their breeding sheds down the line. In the meantime, the horse can still run as she proved winning an all Weather conditions at Lingfield Park last month. The horse was a 40/1 2nd in the Prix de Diane at Chantilly in the Summer of 2024, a meeting I attended with Monsieur Kravets. I missed her then, but she proven, with G1 placings since, that that was not a flash in the pan. Her new trainer George Boughey is a sharp cookie and has improved her judging by what I saw last month. Shin Emperor is the right Fav, but he was way back in both the Japan Cup and Arima Kinen. He can repeat, but I believe the mare is primed and she is the pick. The Japanese raider **Alohi Alii gets the 1 saddle cloth and is also drawn in 1** is the biggest danger getting the firm ground. Karl Burke's 7 yr retread Royal Champion cannot be discounted, but I am sticking with Survie as my top tip and may well play Survie and Alohi Alii in a quinella bet. It is tighter around the insider turf course and this will help the Japanese providing he breaks well.

## **R8 11:50 EST G2 Red Sea Turf Handicap 1 Mile 7 Furlongs**

The **6 (10) Tennessee Stud** for Joseph O'Brien is very well weighted for this. He won a G2 over the distance at Longchamp last time out in October and although the trainer has said they see this as a starting point, I don't believe him. The G2 at Longchamp was worth 100,000 Dollars. There are over a Million clams to race for here. Believe you me, this horse is fine tuned for this. I would like to find a price such as Tabletalk, winner of the Melrose Stakes at York, a distance race for 3 yr olds, but in retrospect it seems a weak renewal. 2nd in that was The Equator who ran in the Cape Town Met and faded. The Japanese 5 (1) Struve gets Moreira and is getting touted, but he was also an also ran in the Japan Cup and is at best a G2 horse. 10 (2) Vermicelles may take Italian money, but I can't have even with Barzalona booked. Barzalona had 3 winners on the card at Riyadh on Friday.

## R9 12:40 EST G1 Saudi Cup 9 Furlongs

It is hard to take on **6 (3) Forever Young**. He keeps tightening in the market, but I will only be trying to beat him with a token flutter on the **5 (10) Luxor Café** with the Magic Man in town and in hot form. The **14 (4) Ameerat Alzamaan**, the Saud filly, who could give the colts something to think about if she can show early speed. Ryan Moore is riding at his minimum weight for this. Never discount the home team. But Forever Young will be tough. He has done some tough yards in recent years and maybe they could be getting ahead of themselves with talk of running in the Arc and Arima Kinen later this year, but I can't tip against him. I like that Baffert has brought Nysos and Nevada Beach, though I don't think they are good enough and I suspect he is mostly in Saudi at the invitation of his Saudi fiends. He'll come home with some prize money and may sign up some new Saudi clients.

Bets

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