





Introduction

The 2018 Spring Racing Carnival was a fitting celebration of 25 years of international competition, with two of the three 'majors' going the way of overseas raiders and British trainers ending their hoodoo in emphatic fashion by filling the first three places in the AUD\$7.3 million Lexus Melbourne Cup (3200m).

A quarter of a century after Vintage Crop embarked on a solo mission to win 'The Race That Stops A Nation™, a record 31 internationally-trained gallopers landed on Australian soil and returned home with an unprecedented haul of the Spring Racing Carnival's riches in their suitcases.

Last year's international invasion began early, with Godolphin sending three raiders to Melbourne at the start of September to compete in some of the carnival's early feature races. Jungle Cat's dazzling debut in the AUD\$500,000 Group 1 Ladbrokes Sir Rupert Clarke Stakes (1400m) at Caulfield set the tone for the rest of the spring campaign, with the internationals taking out no fewer than six Group races, including four at the highest level.

After Saeed bin Suroor and Aidan O'Brien had dominated Caulfield Guineas Day by claiming the AUD\$1 million Group 1 Ladbrokes Stakes (2000m) and AUD\$400,000 Group 2 Ladbrokes Herbert Power Stakes (2400m) with Benbatl and Yucatan respectively, Godolphin's 'Blue Army' struck again with Best Solution winning the AUD\$5 million Stella Artois Caulfield Cup (2400m).

It was a second triumph in the world's richest handicap over 2400m for bin Suroor, and the second Group 1 in the space of a week for Irish jockey Pat Cosgrave, who had piloted Benbatl to victory seven days earlier.

The best was yet to come, however, as the Brits turned Lexus Melbourne Cup Day red, white and mainly blue with Cross Counter (trained by Charlie Appleby), Marmelo (Hughie Morrison) and Charlie Fellowes' Group 3 Lexus Stakes hero Prince of Arran ensuring an international clean sweep of the Southern Hemisphere's most famous race.

The trifecta ensured that international visitors left the Werribee quarantine centre more than AUD\$13 million richer than when they landed, a record tally which took the total prizemoney earned by raiders over the past 25 years close to the AUD\$75 million mark.

With Winx most likely heading to the breeding barn, this year could see the international army claim all three of the Spring Racing Carnival's feature races for only the second time in history.

Australia's richest and most prestigious racing festival, the 2019 Spring Racing Carnival runs from Saturday, 31 August to Saturday, 23 November and features a multitude of Group and Listed races offering combined prizemoney in excess of AUD\$80 million.



Group 1 Staying Races

GROUP 1 STELLA ARTOIS CAULFIELD CUP

 Date:
 Sat 19 Oct 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$5,150,000

 Distance:
 2400 m (12 furlongs)

Racecourse: Caulfield Conditions: Handicap

Field Size: 18

GROUP 1 LEXUS MELBOURNE CUP

 Date:
 Tues 5 Nov 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$7,300,000

 Distance:
 3200 m (16 furlong

Racecourse: Flemingtor
Conditions: Handicap
Field Size: 24

Total AUD\$12,450,000

Refer to the Spring Racing Carnival lift-out for the complete feature race program.





Group 1 Weight-For-Age Middle Distance Races

GROUP 1 LADBROKES STAKES

 Date:
 Sat 12 Oct 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$1,000,000

 Distance:
 2000 m (10 furlongs)

Racecourse: Caulfield

Conditions: Weight-For-Age

Field Size: 16

GROUP 1 LADBROKES COX PLATE

 Date:
 Sat 26 Oct 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$5,050,000

 Distance:
 2040 m (10 furlong

Racecourse: The Valley

Conditions: Weight-For-Age

Field Size: 14

GROUP 1 SEPPELT MACKINNON STAKES

 Date:
 Sat 9 Nov 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$2,000,000

 Distance:
 2000 m (10 furlongs)

Racecourse: Flemington
Conditions: Weight-For-Age

Field Size: 16

Total AUD\$8,050,000

Refer to the Spring Racing Carnival lift-out for the complete feature race program.

Group 1 Sprint Races

GROUP 1 LADBROKES MANIKATO STAKES

Date: Fri 25 Oct 2019

(night meeting)

Distance: AUD\$1,000,000 **Distance:** 1200 m (6 furlongs

Racecourse: The Valley Conditions: Weight-Fo

Field Size: 14

GROUP 1 VRC SPRINT CLASSIC

 Date:
 Sat 9 Nov 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$1,000,000

 Distance:
 1200 m (6 furlongs)

straight course

Racecourse: Flemington
Conditions: Weight-For-A

Field Size: 20

Total AUD\$2,000,000

Refer to the Spring Racing Carnival lift-out for the complete feature race program.





Group 1 Mile Races

GROUP 1 TOORAK HANDICAP

Date: Sat 12 Oct 2019
Prizemoney: AUD\$500,000
Distance: 1600 m (8 furlong

Racecourse: Caulfield Conditions: Handicap

Field Size: 16

GROUP 1 KENNEDY MILE

 Date:
 Sat 2 Nov 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$1,000,000

 Distance:
 1600 m (8 furlong)

Racecourse: Flemington
Conditions: Quality Handica

Field Size: 16

Total AUD\$1,500,000

Refer to the Spring Racing Carnival lift-out for the complete feature race program.



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Group 1 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup

 Date:
 Sat 19 Oct 2019

 Prizemoney:
 AUD\$5,150,000

Distance: 2400 m (12 furlongs)

Racecourse: Caulfield Conditions: Handicap

Field Size: 18 + 4 emergencies



International Travel Allowance

An AUD\$100,000 travel allowance will be paid to owners of internationally trained horses that compete in the 2019 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup and do not run in the first three placings. The internationally trained horse must fly into Melbourne, complete their PAQ (Post-Arrival Quarantine) at Werribee International Horse Centre, compete in the Stella Artois Caulfield Cup and fly out before the end of 2019.

Prizemoney Breakdown

	AUD \$	YEN ¥	GBP £	EURO €
1st	3,000,000	234,350,591	1,662,101	1,889,428
2nd	700,000	54,674,627	387,800	440,866
3rd	350,000	27,543,642	193,900	220,433
4th	200,000	15,739,224	110,804	125,972
5th	150,000	11,804,418	83,103	94,479
6th-10th	120,000	9,443,595	66,481	75,583

^{*}plus trophies valued at \$150,000

Note: conversions are approximates only, based on the exchange rate at the time of print

Key Dates & Fees

		Fee AUD\$
Nomination / Entries:	12pm Thursday 29 August	1,200
Late Nomination:	12pm Thursday 5 September	6,000
Handicaps/Weights Released:	Tuesday 10 September	
First Acceptance:	12pm Tuesday 24 September	1,800
Second Acceptance:	12pm Tuesday 8 October	3,200
Final Acceptance & Rider Notification	on: 4.30pm Wednesday 16 Octobe	r 37,500

Contact Racing Victoria via email to nominate by Wednesday 28 August

Guaranteed Entry Races

The winners of these 2019 races are exempt from the ballot for the 2019 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup, and therefore guaranteed a start.

*Winners of these races that start in the 2019 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup will also receive the travel allowance detailed on the left.

Country	Race	Date
JPN	G2 Nikkei Shin Shun Hai 2400m	Sun 13 January
JPN	G2 Kyoto Kinen 2200m	Sun 10 February
UAE	G1 Dubai Sheema Classic 2400m	Sat 30 March
UK	G2 Jockey Club Stakes 2400m	Sat 4 May
JPN	G2 Meguro Kinen 2500m	Sun 26 May
нк	G1 Standard Chartered Champions & Chater Cup 2400m	Sun 26 May
FRA	G2 Grand Prix de Chantilly 2400m	Sun 2 June
UK	G2 Hardwicke Stakes 2400m	Sat 23 June
UK	G2 Princess of Wales's Stakes 2400m	Thurs 11 July

^{*}Subject to quarantine and travel approval. Contact Racing Victoria for further details.

Weights

MINIMUM HANDICAP WEIGHT		LBS
3YO	49.0kg	7st 10lb
4YO&Up	50.0kg	7st 12lb

BENCHMARK WEIGHTS	KGS	LBS
3YO Colts & Geldings	49.5kg	7st 11lb
3YO Filly	48.0kg	7st 8lb
4YO Entires & Geldings	57.5kg	9st 1lb
4YO Mare	56.0kg	8st 11lb
(NH Bred 4YO allowed 1kg)		
5YO+ Colts & Geldings	59.0kg	9st 4lb
5YO+ Mare	57.5kg	9st 1lb

Balloting conditions over page. Full race conditions are available at racingvictoria.net.au/international

2019 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup

Balloting Conditions

See website for full race conditions

2019 Guidelines

These guidelines are intended to make it absolutely clear that horses do not qualify to gain entry to the field for the 2019 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup, rather they provide for horses to be eliminated there from.

Only performances in flat races of 1600 metres or further shall be taken into account in satisfying the elimination clauses for the 2019 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup.

Exempt Races The Winners Of The 2019:

- · Makybe Diva (Craiglee) Stakes
- Dato'Tan Chin Nam (Feehan) Stakes
- Underwood Stakes
- · Naturalism Stakes
- Turnbull Stakes
- · Herbert Power Stakes
- · Caulfield Stakes
- Mornington Cup
- Coongy Handicap
- Nikkei Shinshun Hai (JPN)
- · Kyoto Kinen (JPN)
- Sheema Classic (UAE)
- Jockey Club Stakes (UK)
- Champions and Chater Cup (HK)
- Meguro Kinen (JPN)
- Grand Prix de Chantilly (FR)
- Hardwicke Stakes (UK)
- Princess of Wales's Stakes (UK)

Shall not be eliminated from the 2019 Stella Artois Caulfield Cup, provided that in the case of a dead-heat for first, the Committee may exercise its absolute discretion as to which horse or horses involved in the dead-heat shall be exempt from elimination.

Penalties

The winner, after declaration of weights, of any internationally recognised Listed handicap, Group handicap or Graded handicap race run over a distance of 1600 metres or further (2019 Herbert Power Stakes and Coongy Handicap excepted) is to carry such additional weight (if any) for each win as the Handicapper shall determine.

Provided that, in lieu of rehandicapping, should such winner be a horse on the minimum handicap weight (for its age group) the Handicapper may, at his discretion, instead amend the originally appended weight figure against the benchmark weight downwards, to a figure that is not less than or equal to the appended weight figure for a horse of the same age and gender handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group).

Any such amendments referred to above shall not affect the weight to be carried in the race. In these circumstances, any extra weight to be imposed on any horse, or in lieu of re-handicapping, any amendment to the appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for a horse shall be declared by the Handicapper

not later than five (5) working days after such win.

Clause One

Horses which have not on or after 1 August, 2018 up to the time of final acceptances:

- a) won or been placed second or third in an Internationally recognised Group 1 or Grade 1 or Group 2 or Grade 2 race or Group 3 or Grade 3 race on the flat of 1600 metres or further, or
- b) won an Internationally recognised Listed race on the flat of 1600 metres or further, or
- c) won the Ebor Handicap (UK)

Shall be eliminated in order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for each individual horse.

For the purposes of sub-paragraph (a) above, wins, second, third, fourth and fifth placings in any internationally recognised Group, Graded or Listed race shall be taken into account, provided that \$60,000 (AUD) or more was received for any such win or placing.

Provided however, that prizemoney acquired as follows will not be taken into account when assessing prizemoney for any of these elimination clauses:

d) Prizemoney acquired by a horse(s) in any race restricted to horses sold at a particular sale or bred, trained or sold in a particular region or state, and e) Bonuses and/or incentives received by a horse in respect of any race.

Further, provided that past winners of the Caulfield Cup, W.S. Cox Plate and Melbourne Cup will not be eliminated under this clause.

Clause Two

Should the number of horses exceed the number of horses required to be eliminated from the race after the operation of Clause One (or any part thereof), then such elimination shall be effected by order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for each individual horse within this clause.

In the event that two or more horses whose appended weight figure below the benchmark weight are the same, such elimination shall be effected by order of the lowest peak international rating of the preceding 12-month period.

In the event two or more horses whose appended weight figure below the benchmark weight and peak international rating is the same, such elimination shall be affected by order of lowest aggregate prizemoney received in the relevant performances as listed under Clause One.

Horses equal in each of these respects shall be eliminated at the discretion of the Committee.

The rules of racing of Racing Victoria apply to this race.

Group 1 Ladbrokes Cox Plate

Date: Sat 26 Oct 2019 **Prizemonev:** AUD\$5.050.000

Distance: 2040 m (10.2 furlongs)

Racecourse: The Valley
Conditions: Weight-For-Age
Field Size: 14 + 4 emergencies



International invitations

An exclusive invitation will be extended to qualified runners by the Moonee Valley Racing Club to assist with covering expenses associated with transporting invited horses to Melbourne for the 2019 Ladbrokes Cox Plate.

These invitations also include travel and accommodation expenses for the connections of each horse that will be arranged for them. International invitation selections are at the discretion of the Moonee Valley Racing Club Committee.

Prizemoney Breakdown

	AUD \$	YEN ¥	GBP £	EURO €
1st	3,000,000	236,035,911	1,668,683	1,890,375
2nd	750,000	59,014,105	417,946	472,593
3rd	375,000	29,507,052	208,973	236,114
4th	250,000	19,671,368	139,315	157,409
5th	200,000	15,735,631	111,452	125,927
6th	100,000	7,867,911	55,713	62,963
7th	100,000	7,867,911	55,713	62,963
8th	75,000	5,900,933	41,785	47,217
9th	75,000	5,900,933	41,785	47,217
10th	75,000	5,900,933	41,785	47,217

^{*}plus trophies valued at \$50,000

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Key Dates & Fees

		Fee AUD\$
Nomination / Entries:	12pm Tuesday 6 August	1,100
First Late Nomination:	12pm Tuesday 13 August	5,500
First Acceptance:	12pm Tuesday 10 September	2,200
Second Acceptance:	12pm Tuesday 24 September	4,400
Third Acceptance:	12pm Tuesday 8 October	6,600
Final Late Nominations / Entries:	12pm Monday 21 October	200,000
Final Acceptance & Rider Notification:	8.30am Tuesday 22 October	54,450

Contact Racing Victoria via email to nominate by Monday 5 August



Group 1 Lexus Melbourne Cup

Date: Tues 5 Nov 2019
Prizemoney: AUD\$7,300,000

Distance: 3200 m (16 furlongs)

Racecourse: Flemington
Conditions: Handicap

Field Size: 24 (no emergencies)



Prizemoney Breakdown

	AUD \$	YEN ¥	GBP £	EURO €	
1st	4,000,000	314,751,948	2,226,249	2,520,579	
2nd	1,000,000	78,687,987	556,411	630,070	
3rd	500,000	39,343,318	278,205	315,035	
4th	300,000	23,605,990	166,923	189,021	
5th	200,000	15,737,327	111,245	126,025	
6th-12th	150,000	11,801,795	83,434	94,518	

^{*}plus trophies valued at \$250,000

Key Dates & Fees

		Fee AUD\$
Nomination / Entries:	12pm Thursday 29 August	1,800
Late Nomination:	12pm Thursday 5 September	5,500
Handicaps / Weights Released	I: Tuesday 10 September	
First Acceptance:	12pm Tuesday 1 October	2,000
Second Acceptance:	12pm Tuesday 15 October	3,000
Third Acceptance:	10am Monday 28 October	4,000
Final acceptance and Rider Notification:	4.30pm Saturday 2 November	49,500

Contact Racing Victoria via email to nominate by Wednesday 28 August

Weights

MINIMUM HANDICAP WEIGHT		LBS
3YO	49.0kg	7st 10lb
4YO&Up	50.0kg	7st 12lb

BENCHMARK WEIGHTS		LBS
3YO Colts & Geldings	50.0kg	7st 12lb
3YO Filly	48.5kg	7st 9lb
NH 3YO Colts & Geldings	56.5kg	8st 13lb
NH 3YO Filly	55kg	8st 9lb
4YO Entires & Geldings	58.0kg	9st 2lb
4YO Mare	56.5kg	8st 13lb
5YO+ Entires & Geldings	59.5kg	9st 5lb
5YO+ Mare	58.0kg	9st 2lb

Balloting conditions over page. Full race conditions are available at racing victoria.net.au/international



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2019 Lexus Melbourne Cup

Balloting Conditions

See website for full race conditions (1) The Directors may in their absolute discretion exclude any horse or horses from the race, whether the safety limit of 24 horses at final acceptance time shall be reached or not, and if such exclusion occurs. and more than 24 final acceptors remain, balloting of surplus horses will continue in the manner set out in clauses (2) and (3) below to its conclusion. For the avoidance of doubt if the directors exercise their discretion to exclude a horse from the race each horse below the excluded horse will move up one position in the ballot order. The directors do not have the discretion to elect a replacement for the excluded horse, as the replacement will be the next horse in the ballot order

The winner of the following, if any should be a nomination and a first, second, third and final acceptor for the 2019 Lexus Melbourne Cup, shall be exempt from any ballot on this race:

- 2019 VRC The Andrew Ramsden Stakes
- 2019 VRC The Bart Cummings
- 2019 VRC Lexus Stakes (Hotham Handicap)
- 2019 MVRC Cox Plate
- 2019 MRC Caulfield Cup
- (2) Remaining final acceptors in excess of the safety limit of 24 horses shall be eliminated in the following order, until the safety limit is reached: Horses OTHER THAN those that

have registered a "Relevant Race Performance", as set out below:

Relevant Race Performances

- A) since 1 February 2018 inclusive, won or was placed 2nd or 3rd in an internationally recognised Group or Graded flat race run over 2300 metres or further; OR won or was placed 2nd or 3rd in the Queensland Derby, Queensland Oaks or Brisbane Cup OR
- B) since 1 February 2018 inclusive, was placed 4th or 5th in an internationally recognised Group 1 or Grade 1 flat race run over 2300 metres or further in which horses older than 3 years old could run. OR
- C) since 1 February 2018 inclusive, won an internationally recognised Listed flat race run over 2300 metres or further, OR
- D) since 1 February 2018 inclusive, won or was placed 2nd or 3rd in the York Ebor (UK) or Champions & Chater Cup (HK), OR
- E) since 1 February 2018 inclusive, won the Northumberland Plate (UK), Cesarewitch (UK), or Queen Mother Memorial Cup (HK), OR
- F) was placed 6th, 7th or 8th in the 2019 MRC Caulfield Cup, OR
- G) was placed 2nd or 3rd in the 2019 MVRC Cox Plate, OR
- H) won the 2019 VRC TAB Turnbull Stakes, OR
- I) won or was placed 2nd or 3rd in the 2017 Melbourne Cup, OR

J) won the 2017 Caulfield Cup Should the number of such horses exceed the number of horses required to be eliminated from the race, then such elimination shall be effected by order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be.

Horses in this clause (2) with the same lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be, shall be eliminated at the discretion of the Directors.

(3) If, after Balloting Clause (2) has been exhausted, excess horses remain elimination of such horses shall be effected by order of the lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be. Horses in this clause (3) with the same lowest appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for individual horses, as the case may be. shall be eliminated in order of lowest aggregate prizemoney received in "Relevant Race Performances" since 1 February 2018 inclusive. Horses equal in both of these respects shall be eliminated at the discretion of the Directors

Penalties after declaration of weights

The winner, after declaration of weights, of an internationally recognised Listed, Group or Graded flat race

- If a handicap race, only if it was run over a distance of 1600 metres or further. OR
- If a non-handicap race, only if it was run over a distance of 2300 metres or further

is to carry such additional weight (if any) for each win as the Handicapper shall determine. Any determination by the Handicapper in respect to additional weight (if any) to be carried, shall not be made prior to the running of the race in which the winner became liable for a penalty.

Provided that, in lieu of rehandicapping, should such winner be a horse on the minimum handicap weight (for its age group) the Handicapper may, at his discretion, instead amend the originally appended weight figure against the benchmark weight downwards, to a figure that is not less than or equal to the appended weight figure for a horse of the same age and gender handicapped above the advertised minimum weight (for its age group).

Any such amendments referred to above shall not affect the weight to be carried in the race.

In these circumstances, any extra weight to be imposed on any horse, or in lieu of re-handicapping, any amendment to the appended weight figure against the benchmark weight for a horse, shall be declared by the Handicapper not later than five (5) working days after such win.



General Information

Racing Victoria will manage all arrangements from planning, to arrival and throughout your time in Melbourne.

Arrangements include:

- Quarantine and stabling preparations at Werribee International Horse Centre
- Travelling staff accommodation (discount rates)
- Transport for trainers (free of charge)
- Australian mobile phones for trainers and staff
- Feed and bedding orders (free of charge)
- Licensing / stable access badges for trainers, staff and jockeys
- Advice on visa requirements and assistance via a third party if required

Racing Victoria will work closely with visiting owners, trainers and jockeys to arrange accommodation and travel whilst in Melbourne along with ticketing and badges for events and race days.

Visiting trainers, jockeys and staff will be licensed in accordance with the Rules of Racing which can be found on the Racing Victoria site: racingvictoria.com.au

Horsemen's information for travel to Melbourne can be found at racingvictoria.com.au/international and includes information on veterinary requirements, approved track and riding gear and general helpful information related to travelling horses to Melbourne.

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