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## 2020 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN DERBY

<b>Date</b>	Saturday, 25th April
<b>Track</b>	Morphettville (Race 8, 4:01pm local time)
<b>Class</b>	Group 1
<b>Distance</b>	2500m
<b>Prizemoney</b>	\$400,000
<b>Age / Sex / Conditions</b>	3YO SW

### Past Winners & Performances

YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	RATING	SP	MARGIN
2019	QAFILA	54.5	106	\$13	3.5
2018	LEICESTER	56.5	107	\$4	1.5
2017	VOLATILE MIX	56.5	108	\$16	0.5
2016	HOWARD BE THY NAME	56.5	109	\$5	0.5

The SA Derby! While it is not in the league of it's Sydney and Melbourne counterparts, it has produced respectable winners nonetheless who have returned pretty good ratings. In 2016 HOWARD BE THY NAME rated 109, having won the Chairman's the start before going 107. VOLATILE MIX ran 4<sup>th</sup> in the Chairman's going 103 before winning the Derby. LEICESTER in 2018 won the Chairman's going 104 before winning the Derby. All three of those horses were trained by Darren Weir. QAFILA was trained by David Hayes, and she ran 4<sup>th</sup> in the Chairman's leading into her Derby win last year.

## Speed Map

	12 - MOONLIGHT MAID - (10)		7 - RISING ARCHIE - (12)	13 - SILENT SOVEREIGN - (11)	8 - ROCK STEADY - (13)	5 - MIYAKE - (14)	9 - ST ARNICCA - (5)	10 - EXALTED AMBITION - (8)	
	3 - THEMOONLITEGAMBLER - (1)	4 - RUSSIAN CAMELOT - (7)	11 - SOWPODS - (4)	1 - DALASAN - (9)		2 - WARNING - (3)	14 - ZAYYDANI - (2)	6 - SAINT EUSTACE - (6)	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Pace should be OK here, even or close to it, I think THEMOONLIGHTGAMBLER takes it up and after the filly MOONLIGHT MAID put in a good run when she took over in the Oaks I think she'll be up there too. RUSSIAN CAMELOT and those on pace get great runs. However, given the trip in reality they should get their chance.

## Rated Market

NO.	HORSE	BARRIER	JOCKEY	WEIGHT	RATING	PRICE
1	DALASAN	9	J HOLDER	56.5	111	\$3.9
2	WARNING	3	D THORNTON	56.5	109	\$9.3
3	THEMOONLITEGAMBLER	1	DEAN HOLLAND	56.5	107	\$17.9
4	RUSSIAN CAMELOT	7	JOHN ALLEN	56.5	111	\$3.1
5	MIYAKE	14	T PANNELL	56.5	107	\$22.2
6	SAINT EUSTACE	6	ZAC SPAIN	56.5	103	\$103.1
7	RISING ARCHIE	12	ETHAN BROWN	56.5	98	\$922.3
8	ROCK STEADY	13	DYLAN CABOCHE	56.5	104	\$66.5
9	ST ARNICCA	5	MS C JONES	56.5	96	\$2,215.7
10	EXALTED AMBITION	8	RYAN HURDLE	56.5	102	\$159.8
11	SOWPODS	4	S CAHILL	56.5	101	\$247.7
12	MOONLIGHT MAID	10	JAKE TOEROEK	54.5	107	\$9.6
13	SILENT SOVEREIGN	11	B VORSTER	54.5		
14	ZAYYDANI	2	D TOURNEUR	54.5	106	\$14.9

Three key chances in the males, here, DALASAN won the Chairman's, WARNING closed it out well in the Chairman's (late, anyway) for third there, and RUSSIAN CAMELOT comes through a restricted race at Pakenham, where he bolted in. The three fillies have all come through the Oaks last week and back up and are all chances too.

## Betting Angles

Happy to back RUSSIAN CAMELOT, I have him top and I think he's the one to beat.

#4 RUSSIAN CAMELOT – 1.2 units win best price

## Runner Comments

NO	NAME	COMMENT	PRICE
4	RUSSIAN CAMELOT	Very progressive stayer, he won at Pakenham without raising a sweat going 108, for context that the same figure DALASAN did winning the Chairman's. RUSSIAN CAMELOT is bred to stay the trip and has natural improvement, I think he's the one to beat, has a bit more turn of foot than DALASAN and I think he steps up again here and wins.	\$3.1
1	DALASAN	Strong to the line winning the Chairman's, that's the obvious form line for this, he'll stay the trip and obviously those who finished behind him in the Chairman's will need to find something special to get past him	\$3.9
2	WARNING	Was a bit 1P in the Chairman's behind DALASAN until the last 100m when he finally warmed up and found the line well. He's looked a bit more dour this prep than lats but he'll stay, needs to make up the 2.1L on DALASAN though.	\$9.3
12	MOONLIGHT MAID	Good run in the Oaks when asked to do a lot, she has always looked a promising staying type, she ran a good third in the VRC Oaks last Spring, chance to upset the boys here!	\$9.6
14	ZAYYDANI	Another staying filly on the up, in good camp and should improve here again	\$14.9
3	THEMOONLITEGAMBLER	Game effort in the Chairman's after taking off midrace a bit, he couldn't hold out DALASAN though and WARNING was closing on him, not sure how he turns the tables	\$17.9
5	MIYAKE	Really nice closing win at Canterbury after hitting the rail round the turn, was easy on the line, has a lot of upside, however does step right up in grade here	\$22.2