

Spotlight

The Tony Cruz-trained Beauty Only is slated to defend the LONGINES Hong Kong Mile title he snared last year.

The Ballydoyle stable's tough and well-travelled G1-place-getter Lancaster Bomber is ready to hit the Mile alongside his triple G1-winning stablemate, the talented filly Roly Poly. Yasuda Kinen winner Satono Aladdin is on track for the race, as are the European G1 place-getters Karar and Lightning Spear.

Among the locals, last year's arguably unlucky runner-up Helene Paragon, a two-time G1 winner since, will attempt recompense. Contentment held Beauty Only's late charge to win the Champions Mile in May, while Seasons Bloom won the Jockey Club Mile last time out to emerge as the leading young gun on Hong Kong's mile scene.



BEAUTY ONLY
HONG KONG 6g 119
Won this race last year among six course and distance victories that also include the G2 Jockey Club Mile and the Hong Kong Classic Mile.



CONTENTMENT
HONG KONG 7g 118
G1 Champions Mile winner at Sha Tin in May; fourth to Beauty Only in this race last year.



JOYFUL TRINITY
HONG KONG 5g 117
Third in last year's Hong Kong Mile and followed that with placed efforts in the G1 Stewards' Cup (1600m) and G1 Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup (1400m).



SEASONS BLOOM
HONG KONG 5g 115
Five-time winner scored a first stakes win in the G2 Jockey Club Mile latest; two from three this season.



KARAR
FRANCE 5g 114
Placed in past two editions of G1 Prix de la Foret (1400m) at Chantilly; took G3 Prix du Pin (1400m) in September.



SICHUAN DAR
HONG KONG 6g 110
Australian import with three wins to his name in Hong Kong; fast-finishing fifth in G2 Jockey Club Mile latest.



LANCASTER BOMBER
IRELAND 3c 118
Five-time G1 runner-up, four over 1600m, including the G1 Breeders' Cup Mile (1600m) last start.



HELENE PARAGON
HONG KONG 5h 119
Two-time G1 winner, taking the Stewards' Cup at the course and distance and Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup at 1400m last term; runner-up in this race last year.



SATONO ALADDIN
JAPAN 6h 118
First G1 score in Yasuda Kinen (1600m) in June; multiple G2 wins at 1400m and a running-on seventh in this race last year.



LIGHTNING SPEAR
GREAT BRITAIN 6h 116
Multiple G1 placings at a mile, including thirds in the Sussex Stakes this year, and in 2016 the Queen Anne Stakes (1600m) and Queen Elizabeth II Stakes (1600m).



HORSE OF FORTUNE
HONG KONG 7g 114
Six-time victor in Hong Kong; pair of G3 victories over 1800m last season in the Sa Sa Ladies' Purse and Premier Plate.



BEAUTY GENERATION
HONG KONG 5g 112
Third in both the Hong Kong Classic Mile and Hong Kong Derby last season; added the G3 Celebration Cup and G2 Sha Tin Trophy to start his term.



WESTERN EXPRESS
HONG KONG 5g 110
Progressive five-time winner in Hong Kong; fast-finishing fifth in the G2 Sha Tin Trophy over the course and distance this term.



ROLY POLY
IRELAND 3f 115
Three-time G1 winner in fillies and mares contests over a mile this season, taking the Falmouth Stakes, the Prix Rothschild and the Sun Chariot Stakes.