SATURDAY MAY 7 – ÅBY RACETRACK

#### 1. EXTREME



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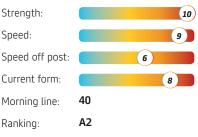
Unbeaten at the track. Strong. Derby-winner in Denmark. Has some speed from the gate. Good draw.

Gender:	Stallion
Age:	6
Trainer:	Steen Juul
Driver:	Björn Goop
Life:	41 21-7-5
Record pace:	1.09,7a
Prize money:	3 681 398 SEK
Winning %:	51%
Greatest victory:	Danish Derby 2020, Charlottenlund

Won the Danish Derby. Defeated Born Unicorn, Night Brodde and Upstate Face in Müllers Memorial (Gr II) last October. Extreme is two from two at Åby and should not be underestimated. From this draw Björn Goop can choose the tactics and is guaranteed a nice trip near the lead with Åby's open stretch in mind. He obliged as a deep odds-on favorite second time out and then was favored to beat Night Brodde in the qualifier but could only manage third. He was racing with back shoes that day and it will be interesting to see if he could go without any shoes today. Could get his revenge.

# 🔋 🔋 3. DELIA DU POMMEREUX





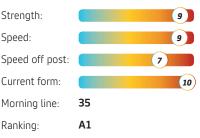
Won last year. Comes from the same prep race. No reason to believe she won't be there at the finish.

Gender:	Mare
Age:	9
Trainer:	Sylvain Roger
Driver:	David Thomain
Life:	82 15-14-8
Record pace:	1.09,8a
Prize money:	17 607 231 SEK
Winning %:	18%
Greatest victory:	Prix de France 2021, Vincennes

Won this race last year in 1.10,9 after having a perfect trip. In her previous start that year she was third in the Prix de l'Atlantique. This year she was also third in Prix de l'Atlantique... Major player as it is obvious that she likes the track and the distance. The fact that she is one year older (as everyone) this year might give the opposition some comfort in their chances. David Thomain is taking over the reins compared to last year, but he is the regular driver. Delia du Pommereux seems destined to find second or third over and should be able to wait with her attack until the perfect moment.

#### 📒 2. UPSTATE FACE





In peak form. Has more strength than most of his opponents. One of the likelier favorites. Perfect draw.

Gender:	Gelding
Age:	6
Trainer:	Adrian Kolgjini
Driver:	Adrian Kolgjini
Life:	44 11-7-6
Record pace:	1.09,5a
Prize money:	2 314 026 SEK
Winning %:	25%
Greatest victory:	Bronsdivisionen Final 2021, Solvalla

Upstate Face is a six-year-old late bloomer. Last year he showed that rare combination of Speed and Stamina that will make you win major races. Winning Storsjöpokalen in 1.09,5 over 1640 meter at Östersund and then, back-to-back, winning Norrbottens Stora Pris in 1.12,9 over 2640 meters. He has shown speed in three starts this year and will be one of the favorites when the marshall calls the trotters. He has shown that he can win from first over and should be able to win no matter the trip. In his current form he won't be far away at the finish line. The draw couldn't be any better.

### 📒 4. WHO'S WHO



Super capable horse who can win from most positions. Great draw and Örjan Kihlström in the bike.

Gender:	Stallion
Age:	8
Trainer:	Pasi Aikio
Driver:	Örjan Kihlström
Life:	44 21-5-3
Record pace:	1.10,7a
Prize money:	12 182 759 SEK
Winning %:	48%
Greatest victory:	Swedish Derby 2018, Jägersro

Showed promise as a three-year old. Won the Derby at 4. Won Jubileumspokalen (Gr.1) over today's distance at 5. Has got a high cruising speed and won't be outpaced. Got tired in this race last year after pressing himself to the lead in 1.10,5 for the first circuit. Held on well though until the later part of the stretch and with a less cumbersome trip this year he could win a race like this. Örjan Kihlström can choose how much tactical speed he will use early on but will most likely find a very good trip for Who's Who. A place at the podium is in the cards.

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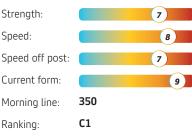
Contender with no stamina concerns. Won't mind being first over. Will appreciate a strong pace.

Gender:	Gelding
Age:	8
Trainer:	Daniel Redén
Driver:	Magnus A Djuse
Life:	56 16-9-4
Record pace:	1.11,0a
Prize money:	2 277 929 SEK
Winning %:	29%
Greatest victory:	Silverdivisionen Final 2021, Åby

Strong, super-talented late bloomer who came into his own last year as a seven-yearold. Fifth in Harper Hanover (Gr.1) last year at 12/1. He is faster over this trip (2140) than over shorter or longer distances. Won his qualifier in a spectacular fashion being first over all the way. The form couldn't possibly be any better and if the fractions are honest, without him having to do too much, he won't be far away at the finish. With most of the competition drawn inside Magnus A Djuse will have the opportunity to send Born Unicorn forward or hope to be able to catch second or third over.

# 📒 7. BEST OFDREAM TRIO





Up in class here. Been impressive in most of his Scandinavian starts but this is much tougher. Bad draw.

Gender:	Stallion
Age:	5
Trainer:	Erik Killingmo
Driver:	Kim Eriksson
Life:	39 14-6-2
Record pace:	1.09,6a
Prize money:	990 061 SEK
Winning %:	36%
Greatest victory:	Bronsdivisionen final 2022, Solvalla

Italian-bred that has made five starts in Sweden. Trained in Norway. Has steadily climbed the class-ladder and has finally reached the last step upwards. He has got everything to prove, and the draw didn't help his chances. If Best Ofdream Trio picks up a decent check it is a success. As the youngest horse in the field, he will have more chances in the future. The talent is clearly there, and it will be exciting to see how close he can get to those proven elite horses. Kim Eriksson knows Best Ofdream Trio well right now and the duo have nothing to lose.

#### **6. SPICKLEBACK FACE**





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More strong than fast and is held form-wise by a couple of horses in this race. Only an outsider.

Gender:	Gelding
Age:	8
Trainer:	Daniel Wäjersten
Driver:	Daniel Wäjersten
Life:	63 17-9-7
Record pace:	1.11,2a
Prize money:	2 468 087 SEK
Winning %:	27%
Greatest victor	y: STL Gulddivisionen försök 2022, Bergsåker

Strong, but prone to breaking stride early on in his career. Switched trainer in 2021 and has been trotting flawlessly since then although in his own style. He is not the fastest horse in the race, but one of the strongest. If there will be a lot of pace, he will pass many runners in the stretch. Was runner-up in the qualifier after racing in third over. Finished well that day without really threatening Born Unicorn. Must find racing luck to be competitive. Will have to lower his record substantially but he has found a new gear during the last year.

#### 📒 8. NIGHT BRODDE



Fast sprinter that stays the extra distance. Steps up in class but has the form to be thereabouts.

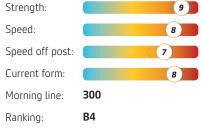
Gender:	Stallion
Age:	7
Trainer:	Conrad Lugauer
Driver:	Conrad Lugauer
Life:	59 18-6-4
Record pace:	1.09,5a
Prize money:	2 925 115 SEK
Winning %:	31%
Greatest victory:	Elitsprintern 2021, Solvalla

Qualified by winning a Gulddivision race at Halmstad going 1.11,8 over 2140 meter. Always a top horse, he has steadily climbed the class ladder and after winning the Elitsprint on the same card as the Elitlopp he must be considered one of the best sprinters in Sweden. He won in 1.09,5 that day and stays 2140 meter. This is his final move upward in class and we are sure that he will show himself capable of competing at this level. Night Brodde has been in the hands of Conrad Lugauer throughout his active career and is sure to make an impact despite from gate 8 behind the car. Will Lugauer send him?

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Strong horse in good form. Looked good in the qualifier. Will have to do a lot himself from this bad draw.

Gender:	Gelding
Age:	9
Trainer:	Robert Bergh
Driver:	Robert Bergh
Life:	97 21-19-17
Record pace:	1.09,9a
Prize money:	9 863 331 SEK
Winning %:	22%
Greatest victory:	Prix Reynolds 2021, Vincennes

Strong horse with a French pedigree. Has divided his career between Sweden and France and is almost as effective over 1600 meter as over 3 000 meters. Trotted 1.10,2/2175 meter under saddle at Vincennes this winter. Has trotted under 1.10 with a bike. Didn't find any racing room in the qualifier and passed the finish line with a lot left in the tank. Was expected to go very close today but the draw, in the second line behind the car, must be a huge disappointment for Robert Bergh. How many runners can he pass in the stretch, or will Bergh be on the attack early? Either way it will be tough.

#### 📒 10. PACIFIC FACE





Strong horse but bad draw. Is held by a couple of horses in the field. This is too much to ask.

Gender:	Gelding
Age:	10
Trainer:	Giuseppe Lubrano
Driver:	Giuseppe Lubrano
Life:	90 19-17-11
Record pace:	1.10,4a
Prize money:	2 809 505 SEK
Winning %:	21%
Greatest victory:	Axevalla Maraton 2021, Axevalla

One of several in the field with Viking Kronos in the pedigree. More strong than fast and should be approaching top form right now. The ten-year-old gelding has been very consistent over the years, steadily earning between 500' and 700' SEK a year. Pacific Face was runner up to Upstate Face in the first qualifier and will need to improve a lot to reverse that form. The bad draw didn't give Giuseppe Lubranos gelding any favors and Pacific Face will need a lot of luck in running to go close here. Has not won since July 2021 and that was in a race over 4000 meters.

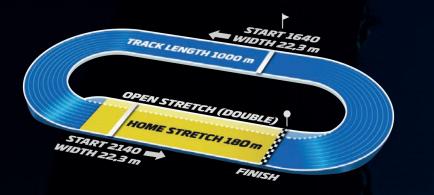


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#### **PARALYMPIATRAVET, FINAL** SATURDAY MAY 7 – ÅBY RACETRACK

#### RACETRACK INFO



## ÅBY (Å)

Track length: **1000 m** Home stretch: **180 m** Home stretch width: **22,3 m** Back stretch width: **22,3 m** Open stretch: **Yes, double** 



NR	HORSE	DRIVER	TRAINER	MLO	
1.	EXTREME	BJÖRN GOOP	STEEN JUUL	40	(3/1)
2.	UPSTATE FACE	ADRIAN KOLGJINI	ADRIAN KOLGJINI	35	(5/2)
3.	DELIA DU POMMEREUX	DAVID THOMAIN	SYLVAIN ROGER	40	(3/1)
4.	WHO'S WHO	ÖRJAN KIHLSTRÖM	PASI AIKIO	40	(3/1)
5.	BORN UNICORN	MAGNUS A DJUSE	DANIEL REDÉN	120	(11/1)
6.	SPICKLEBACK FACE	DANIEL WÄJERSTEN	DANIEL WÄJERSTEN	300	(29/1)
7.	BEST OFDREAM TRIO	KIM ERIKSSON	ERIK KILLINGMO	350	(34/1)
8.	NIGHT BRODDE	CONRAD LUGAUER	CONRAD LUGAUER	200	(19/1)
9.	MINDYOURVALUE W.F.	ROBERT BERGH	ROBERT BERGH	300	(29/1)
10.	PACIFIC FACE	GIUSEPPE LUBRANO	GIUSEPPE LUBRANO	500	(49/1)

# **RANKING:** A: 2-3-4-1 B: 5-8-6-9 C: 7-10

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