



GULFSTREAM PARK

(12:10)



Thursday, January 25 By Brian Nadeau (check @Brian_J_Nadeau for OFF turf updates)

Championship Meet Statistics (through 1/21):

GP: 344-93-60-39 (\$1.54/\$4.69) **Best Bet:** 30-9-4-3 (\$2.00/\$4.73) **Longshot:** 28-4-4-2 (\$1.79/\$5.03)

Race 1: It sure looks like **1 BLACK FURY** is ready to roll off a June layoff, as he's been working up a storm, and might simply be too fast early for this group. The main danger is clearly **5 MAIN LINE CIPHER**, who has a recency edge on the pick, did well to draw outside him, and was facing better on the dirt at CD as well. The gap to **3 CACCIATORE** seems a solid one, though he's worked well for new trainer Coy.

SELECTIONS: 1-5-3-6

Race 2: If **5 EXTREME ACCESSS** runs back to his Aqu 2nd on the turf he'll be tough here, and he'll trip out off the speed too. A July layoff means **4 BROKEN SPUR** may need one, but if he is primed, he'll be dangerous off that solid 3rd at Bel when last seen. This is a class rise for **7 ROUGH DRAFT**, but at least he does it off a win, and is now off-the-claim for Russell, who is as sharp as they come. (Tapeta: 8-5-3-4)

SELECTIONS: 5-4-7-1

Race 3: The post gives **5 VITO'S BROTHER** a big edge over **4 GRAN ROQUE**, as he can dictate, which is why he gets the call, though it's worth noting he sure does like burning money. The latter was a solid 3rd on debut and will fly early, though he'll have to win this one the hard way with the pick pressing him the entire trip. Not sure **3**

SUPERFIGHT can keep up, though that could put him in a good spot off a possible duel, and he's second-off the layoff too.

SELECTIONS: 5-4-3-2

Race 4: Taking the short price and moving on with **6 NUMERIC**, as she sure doesn't meet much, and has been in good form too, which is more than the rest can say. Maybe a newcomer like **7 BULLET VALENTINA** can spice things up underneath, as she's been routing two turns on Tapeta, so she could wake up. If **5 TRIBUTE** runs back to the 3rd two-back she's in with a chance OTC for Valery, though she was dreadful when last seen in October, which isn't a good sign.

SELECTIONS: 6-7-5-1

Race 5: A wide-open MCL on turf gives today's Longshot, **10 Channel Loop**, who was a troubled 4th two-back on turf, improved on Tapeta OTC for Trombetta, and meets a tough-to-trust group back on the lawn. If **5 BUTTERFLY QUEEN** runs back to her Kee MSW 3rd in October, they won't beat her, but her form has been iffy of late and now she's in for a tag. The MSW drop, added ground, and an extra turn could all wake up **4 CITRUS BELLE**, though she's not really bred for this. (Tapete: 10-5-4-2)

SELECTIONS: 10-5-4-2

Race 6: Speed and an outside attack post make WO invader **7 WORLDLY BEAUTY** a threat in her local bow, for a Drexler barn that will get hot soon. You get an improving pattern with **6 NEOGEM**, who was just a close 6th in a fast Florida-bred AOC, and should like this group. No knocks on **5 TIZ ENOUGH**, who showed some improved form in her last, when 3rd.

SELECTIONS: 7-6-5-4

Race 7: It's Best Bet time with **3 STAR OF SATURN**, who was sharp winning on debut then caught a buzzsaw in her next and has been off since, but that 1/19 3F bullet says she's ready to roll. The rail draw of **1 BLUEISH** forces her hand, but she has a recency edge on the pick and really improved in her maiden win last time. The rest are a decided cut below, though **2 CANT STOP DREAMING** should be able to pick up some pieces in the lane.

SELECTIONS: 3-1-2-4

Race 8: Can't see them beating **5 PARDY PLEASER**, who will love getting back to Tapeta sprinting after being in way too tough routing on dirt in the My Dear Girl, and her best is way too good for these. Both **7 SPECIAL AFFAIR** and **6 SWEET MISS** have sprint form that gives them hope if the chalk was thrown for a loop last time, but otherwise they're battling for minor awards if they don't improve some.

SELECTIONS: 5-7-6-4

Race 9: Dig a bit and you'll see a nice turf race in October at Lrl showing for **6 VICTORS VALIANT**, so if he can get back to it, he's in with an upset chance in the finale. It could be as easy as singling **4 MISTER**

ABARRIO and moving on, though dropping in half off a good 3rd seems an iffy move. A lack of speed won't help **7 JEBY**, though he got back to the turf and was a good 4th at the level last time. (Tapeta: 6-4-7-1)

SELECTIONS: 6-4-7-1

Best Bet: R7: #3 Star of Saturn (6-5)

- * Strong debut win, 2nd to star
- * Working well, in off 1/19 bullet
- * Drew perfectly, main rival inside

Longshot: R5: #10 Channel Loop (12-1)

- * Solid 4th with trouble two-back
- * Improved off the Trombo claim
- * No one in here to be scared of



THE MEADOWS (12:45)



The Professor's Picks

Handicapping Selections for The Meadows, brought to you
by the Meadows Standardbred Owners Association

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

RACE 1

- 2 – NORDIC CRAFT – Last week was the best of his career, stable is sharp right now
- 4 – CREATIN' HAVOC – Has speed, but is risky after last week's break
- 1 – IZZY'S MONEYBURG – Broke last time, try him again

RACE 2

- 3 – BROOKLETS IMAGE – Second in first local start, changes barns today
- 5 – LIFE IS A BET – Expect improvement in second start for new barn
- 4 – ELECTRIC LINE – Proven winner in this class
- 2 – ATTORNEY AT LAW – Top-3 finisher three times in last 4 starts

RACE 3

- 6 – TEQUILA TALKIN – Might use his gate speed this week
- 5 – EMERALD'S LEGACY – Always a factor for the win in this class
- 1 – SWAN LEGACY – Sharp, returns to top level
- 3 – WARRAWEE WHISPER – Had missed 6+ weeks prior to last start

RACE 4

- 5 – SEATOSHININGSEA – Stake colt from last year makes 3YO debut
- 3 – TIMEISONMYSIDE – Up in class after sharp win in first US start
- 2 – WARRAWEE YALE – Faced older horses in last 2 starts
- 7 – EA LUCKY HILL – Worst post he's had in a while
- 4 – JIMMY CHILL – Has good closing speed, will be passing horses late

RACE 5

- 7 – LOUSCARDAMON – Bounced back with a better mile last week
- 5 – CELLULAR – Both local starts have been good
- 2 – GAME ON GIRLS – Moves to a better post this week
- 6 – BAKN BREAKS – Changes classes today, needs the right trip

RACE 6

- 5 – GOOGLE MY CHROME – Returns to claiming level today
- 1 – WHISKEY BREAK – Also tried a much tougher class last week
- 4 – HONALI – Makes third start after time off, changes classes
- 2 – SHANGHAI JAMES – Newcomer is worth a look in here

RACE 7

- 6 – AIRMANS JACKPOT – Slightly better post this week should help
- 7 – SWEET PAINTED LADY – Has gate speed to overcome the post
- 5 – SWEET DOUGH – Another tough trip last start
- 3 – CODY'S DEAL – Has speed, but makes breaks
- 9 – NO MORE SWEETS – Won in this class last week, gets the worst post today

**Please note...selections are made prior to scratch time. Numbers may change due to early scratches. Verify the horse name matches program #

RACE 8

- 1 – ONE TO REMEMBER – Likely will race on the front again today, adds Lasix
- 2 – DANCING MACHINE – In very good form right now, can challenge for the win
- 3 – HANKSCOLTFORTYFIVE – Yet another contender for the win
- 4 – GLAZOG – Best post he's had in last few starts

RACE 9

- 5 – SOUTHERN SUNSHINE – Not the easiest trip last time, then broke
- 4 – LINCOLN TRANSSR NL – Always in the mix, could get the win today
- 3 – SPICY HOPS – Has shown improvement with Lasix
- 7 – CASSARIANO – Made a good move in the third quarter last time

RACE 10

- 5 – SICHUAN – Too quick to the half last time
- 1 – SPORTYTINO – Needed last start after missing a few weeks
- 3 – SUMMA BEACH – Last week's winner, strong stretch rally
- 7 – UNDER THE DESK – Second again last week, raced well

RACE 11

- 2 – RESOLUTE BAY – Moves to an inside post this week
- 3 – PAPI HANOVER – Gets slight class drop and a good post
- 7 – ARCHERY SEELSTER – Will be passing horses late
- 1 – HEYTHERWILLIE – Off since January 3, may be a step short

RACE 12

- 5 – CIRCLING THE PREY – Has paced some good miles in Maryland
- 6 – CHISELED IN FAITH – Easy win last week, up in class
- 2 – YIPPIE HANOVER – In top form right now
- 7 – MANTADOR – Hasn't raced in a few weeks, but has already won in this class

RACE 13

- 6 – CARTER MICHAEL DEO – Changes classes today
- 2 – BURN NOTICE – Poor post last time, worth a look today
- 1 – PEMBROKE REGAL – Drops in class today and moves to inside post
- 7 – MAC DEENO – Up in class after a win, has been here before
- 9 – SPICY NUGGET – Outside post hurts his chances a bit

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MAHONING (Post Time 12:45)

FIRST RACE

4	CONSTITUTIONALIST	BATISTA L A	124	6-5
3	ONACOUNTA	SALAZAR BECERRA F	124	3-1
1	BELLA VALENCIA	AVILES Y	124	5-1

SECOND RACE

4	MSHINDI	BATISTA L A	124	9-5
6	RIVER FULL	RIVERA L R	124	2-1
2	FROSTY PAWS	BRACHO J A	124	7-2
5	CASH CUSTOMER	COLINA A	124	6-1

THIRD RACE

8	PETINGAS TWIN	MARTINEZ G A	122	5-2
3	STEEL LINK	BRACHO J A	122	3-1
9	SKYPASS	CEDILLO M	122	4-1
2	READ THE ROOM	SALAZAR BECERRA	122	6-1

FOURTH RACE

7	ROSY APPLE	REYES F	126	7-2
6	POLYESTER BRIDE	BRACHO A	124	4-1
1	ORBALINE	BATISTA L A	124	9-2
8	LUCKY TUESDAY	PAUCAR E	124	5-1

FIFTH RACE

1	ENCHANTED MELODY	TAPARA B	124	7-2
10	MISS SHADY	BRACHO J A	124	4-1
5	FALL CAMPAIGN	TOLEDO J S	124	9-2
7	BIG BANG BLUE	BATISTA L A	124	5-1

SIXTH RACE

2	LADY LOTTIE	SALAZAR BECERRA F	124	7-5
7	LA V.	BRACHO J A	124	9-5
4	MISS FUSSY PANTS	RIVERA L R	124	6-1
6	HIGHLY EXPLOSIVE	COLINA A	124	8-1

SEVENTH RACE

3	OVER THE HILLS	HERNANDEZ L	124	3-1
8	MORETHANREADYEDDIE	MARTINEZ G A	124	7-2
4	WILDCAT EXPRESS	BRACHO J A	126	4-1
1	HEY EUGENE	RIVERA L R	124	5-1

EIGHTH RACE

8	CIRO THE BOSS	RIVERA L R	124	5-2
1	C V JERSEY BEE	LEON J A	124	9-2
5	MR. BALI	ARAGON R	124	5-1
2	YIPPEE KI YAY	MARTINEZ G A	124	6-1



WHEELING ISLAND

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Wheeling Greyhounds (1:00)

Picks

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10TH 4 1 8 3

11TH 2 1 3 7

12TH 6 8 1 7

13TH 5 7 1 2

14TH 2 7 5 1

15TH 8 2 3 6

16TH 1 5 6 7

17TH 3 2 7 6

18TH 4 3 1 2

BEST BET 12-6 OAKLAND HANDOFF

FAIR GROUNDS (POST TIME 1:45)

By Marcus Hersh



FIRST RACE 4-6-3

4 Agami

Drops to lowest level of his career , broke his maiden here at this one mile distance

SECOND RACE 7-1-9

7 Lady Mercedes

THIRD RACE 4-6-3

4 Leisurely

Debuts for trainer/ jockey tandem who have clicked at a 32 % together here

FOURTH RACE 6-2-9

6 Legally Lucky

FIFTH RACE 11-8-10

11 Nordic Light

SIXTH RACE 2-6-1

2 Empire's Best

Gelded son of Empire Maker has improved his speed figures in each of 4 career tries.

SEVENTH RACE 5-12-2

5 Money Well Spent

Goes first off the claim for Hartman, and has been first or second in 12 of 18 turf tries in her career. Makes second start back from a 4 month layoff.

EIGHTH RACE 5-3-7

5 Pinch Me a Penny

Switches barns and riders coming off a race where he was claimed for \$ 20 k . Scored over this surface as a 2 year old.

NINTH RACE 14-15-11-3

14 Tiny Temper

Also eligible needs to draw in – but if she does she has been working well for first start since August and won first time out so we know sj=he can fire freah. Blinkers go on today as well.

TENTH RACE 11-10-2-1

11 ** Optimal Courage ** Best Bet

Beaten choice in last start – a race where he had a very adventurous trip, farctious in the gate, hopped at the start and was very wide. Switches riders today hoping for a smoother journey

LOUISIANA DOWNS

(2:05)

FIRST RACE

2	Im That Perry	Suarez N S	128	3-1
10	Send Me	Mata E U	128	7-2
1	Ttt M Twenty Three	Hernandez	126	9-2
5	Tttwhatyano	Rodriguez J A	126	6-1

SECOND RACE

1	Blj Eye Know Secret	Urieta V M Jr	128	5-2
8	Tm I See a Patriot	Rodriguez Y	128	7-2
6	I Got Firery	Huerta R A	128	9-2
5	Jess Ta Dash a Blue	Aquino J	128	5-1

THIRD RACE

7	Tk B Zoomin	Rodriguez L	126	3-1
2	Mp Splashing Pilot	Luna U	126	7-2
3	Traviezo Train	Gutierrez A	126	9-2
5	Tdz Timekeeper	Ordinola E	128	6-1

FOURTH RACE

1	Sydney Eagle	Luna U	126	3-1
5	Mb Fast Mila	Cabrera R	128	7-2
8	Jrs Majestic Prince	Hernandez R	128	9-2
9	Royally Struttin	Rodriguez E	126	6-1

FIFTH RACE

6	Sole Train	Ochoa A	126	5-2
4	Tru Blood	Luna U	126	7-2
1	Top Merchandise	Rodriguez L	126	4-1
2	Senior San Lorobo	Rodriguez Y	126	9-2

SIXTH RACE

5	Lynns Sweet Blood	Garcia J F Jr	128	3-1
6	My First Prize Rex	Rodriguez E	126	7-2
2	Blew Duck	Garcia J J	128	9-2
9	Handsome Effort	Cabrera R	126	6-1

SEVENTH RACE

2	Sizzlin Grace	Luna U	128	3-1
7	Never Bleu	Urieta V M Jr	128	7-2
8	Jrs Shiney Majestic	Hernandez R	128	9-2
3	Piloto Warrior	Rodriguez E	128	6-1

EIGHTH RACE

9	Lightemupwithcharm	Gutierrez A	128	3-1
1	My Corona Blues	Rodriguez L	128	7-2
2	Tdz Moms Patriot	Ordinola E	128	9-2
3	Pirates Fast Cash	Rodriguez E	128	5-1

SUNLAND PARK - POST TIME 2:25



FIRST RACE

2	Riverside	Juarez A J Jr	121	7-5
6	Pray for Me Ray	Ramos C	124	2-1
1	Museum Quality	Valdez F S	124	3-1

SECOND RACE

5	Blueberry Eyes	Juarez A J Jr	124	9-5
3	Movinglikeawinner	Ramos C	124	2-1
4	Mizzen Millions	Torres J L	124	4-1

THIRD RACE

5	Bikiniless	Ramos C	124	5-2
3	Precious Pride	Fuentes M T Jr	124	4-1
7	E Bar Scout	Vazquez J M	124	4-1

FOURTH RACE

1	Found My Ball	Da Silva F H	124	8-5
3	Absolute Unit	Rosendo I J	124	3-1
4	Zia Zapper	Tohill K S	121	7-2

FIFTH RACE

7	Artful Rose	Perez M A	124	3-1
3	Maddie Poppe	Purcell K	124	7-2
2	La Diamant	Vazquez J M	124	4-1

SIXTH RACE

7	Marked Money	Ramos C	121	6-5
3	Cyclone Mesa	Amparan F	124	3-1
4	Juval	Juarez A J Jr	124	7-2

SEVENTH RACE

7	Charlie's Ghost	Juarez A J Jr	124	2-1
1	Magic Mosco	Carreno J	124	7-2
3	Big League Benny	Tohill K S	124	9-2

EIGHTH RACE

10	Dan Who	Vazquez J M	124	3-1
5	Farmer Fred R F	Torres J L	124	9-2
12	Deacon Beacon	Arredondo G	124	5-1
1	Wild Firewater	Villanueva J C	124	6-1

NINTH RACE

1	One Mark	Hebert T J	124	9-2
3	Ancient Land	Ramos C	124	5-1
8	Storm Leader	Juarez A J Jr	121	6-1
9	Risky Revenge	Rosendo I J	124	6-1



POST 5:55

FIRST RACE

8 Binge 8-1-4-7

SECOND RACE

4 Iguazu 4-11-1-5

THIRD RACE

3 Double Advantage 3-8-1-2

FOURTH RACE

11 Company You Keep 11-6-5-4

FIFTH RACE

1 Beautiful Bolt 1-11-2-9

SIXTH RACE

7 Efficacious 7-3-4-1

SEVENTH RACE

5 Bette Davis 5-7-4-3

EIGHTH RACE

3 Peacock Lass 3-9-1-2

NINTH RACE

10 Utah Beach 10-11-2-12

TENTH RACE

12 Zed 12-8-9-13



Tri-State Greyhounds (Post 6:00)

Picks

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2ND	1 2 6 4
3RD	1 8 3 6
4TH	5 7 4 1
5TH	2 7 5 6
6TH	8 7 5 3
7TH	6 4 1 7
8TH	2 3 7 8
9TH	8 4 2 3
10TH	8 2 5 6
11TH	7 8 5 1
12TH	5 8 2 7
13TH	3 1 4 6
14TH	3 1 4 6

Best Bet Race 1 # 7 ARKANS RAMIRO

SPOT PLAY-P L OSCAR (3rd)

Race 1 - (4) QUIKSILVR BLUECHIP hit the board against \$50,000 claimers a couple of times late in 2023 at Yonkers and finished out his mile strongly on December 21. (5) SHEENA SOLDIER seemed like he tailed off just a little in December at Yonkers but had some solid efforts versus \$50,000 claimers in November, and I will use underneath. (1) NICALO HANOVER shows a couple of easy victories in Pennsylvania in his lines and gets post relief off his last three efforts at Harrah's Philadelphia here.

Race 2 - Invitational Trot

(1) ROYALTY BEER starts from the pole and has been performing well while near or at the top classes both here and at the Meadowlands for trainer/driver Pat Lachance. (3) CREDIT CON returns to Yonkers off a victory in the Open Handicap out at The Meadows and also took an Open Handicap locally in mid-December. (4) NOWS THE MOMENT closed out a strong 2023 campaign with a win in the Open Handicap at Yonkers on December 21 and kicks off his 9-year-old campaign here.

Race 3 - (3) P L OSCAR had two wins at Yonkers in December and then got a check at the top level at the Meadowlands on 1-12 despite a tough trip. Owner/trainer Ricky Bucci had a pair of winners at Yonkers on Monday night (January 22). 3-2-5

Race 4 - (1) MERITO HANOVER doesn't show super form but is a second time starter for trainer Travis Alexander and picks up a catch driver here after competing in amateur events over at the Meadowlands. (4) AS ALWAYS gets post relief tonight after having the ten-hole at the Meadowlands in his last two attempts and had a good closing kick in the final quarter most recently. (2) WORLD FOR TWO ended 2023 in great form except for the one break on December 14 and drew an inside post tonight.

Race 5 - F&M Open Trot

(1) CLEOPATRA AS invades from Ohio for trainer Anette Lorentzon. This 6-year-old mare has three wins and a second in her last five tries, and I think she should fit well in this class. (6) HELPOFTHESSEASON went two-for-two in the F&M Open Trot for Bartlett and Engblom and is probably the one they'll have to beat again here. (2) NO TURNING BACK was third to HELPOFTHESSEASON at this level on December 21 and gets a driver switch to Yannick Gingras.

Race 6 - (3) EUROBOND won the last time he raced at this level back in mid-November and is getting significant class relief tonight. 3-6-2

Race 7 - (4) HURRIKANE GEORGIE posted four wins in this class in November and December and I will look for him to pick up where he left off. (1) FULL SUPPORT is another horse who did well at this level late in 2023 and gets to partner with Gingras in this event. (2) ODDS ON PICK SIX got the job done from the eight-hole on 12-21 and begins his 6-year-old season with an inside draw here.

Race 8 - (3) STEUBEN HANOVER got on a nice roll at Yonkers in November and December before finishing fifth from the eight-hole in his last appearance of 2023. He gets reunited with Gingras from a good post here. 3-7-4

Race 9 - (2) STATE SENATOR was parked out and lost all chance on 12-30 at the Meadowlands but returns here and makes his second start for Engblom. 2-1-7

AT CHARLES TOWN RACES



Post time 7:00

FIRST RACE

9	Air Medal	Araujo D V	122	5-2
1	Road Slew	Chilo M	124	3-1
4	Sargent Kobe	Mendez M	122	7-2
3	Doctor Pardo	Bocachica A J	115	4-1

SECOND RACE

4	Graceful Union	Bocachica A	124	8-5
3	Vienna's Twirl	Ho W	124	5-2
8	Somebody Loves Me	Peltroche F	124	3-1

THIRD RACE

2	Bustin Pietre	Peltroche F	124	2-1
9	Stevethevandriver	Chilo M	122	4-1
8	Grand Escape	Bocachica A J	115	9-2
5	Loaded Sniper	Lopez C E	122	5-1

FOURTH RACE

5	Thunderhouse	Araujo D V	122	5-2
3	Just Murphy	Mendez M	124	3-1
8	Theirregistrdimnot	Santiago W	124	4-1
6	Lovetheband	Reynolds L C	124	9-2

FIFTH RACE

4	Remys Showtime	Trotman K	124	2-1
5	Hot Fudge Sonde	Latchman R	124	5-2
6	Bon Bueno	Bocachica A J	115	9-2

SIXTH RACE

6	Ragtime Riches	Reynolds L C	122	3-1
2	Young Turk	Ho W	122	7-2
1	Irish Warlock	Hernandez J F	122	4-1
5	Hippodrome	Hiraldo C	122	4-1

SEVENTH RACE

4	Thewitchisgone	Mendez M	120	7-5
3	Auburn Mill	Hiraldo C	120	9-2
5	Windsor's Tracker	Lopez C E	124	5-1
2	Rey O Reyes	Bocachica A J	113	6-1

EIGHTH RACE

2	O'Conner Sunset	Mendez M	120	6-5
7	Tap Secret	Peltroche F	120	4-1
5	Allen Can Do It	Lopez C E	124	5-1

NINTH RACE

2	Scarlet Tanager	Rodriguez V	122	7-5
6	Valid Reason	Peltroche F	122	4-1
9	I'm a Total Diva	Latchman R	122	5-1
1	Make It a Double	Adams J L	115	6-1