

AQUEDUCT -POST 1:20

By Kevin Cox

Race 1 The #6 LOOKS FIRST returned off a long sabbatical to finish in the back of the pack right here, but had a bit of trouble early on that day, and now takes the biggest drop in the game. Gal goes from an apprentice to a journeyman this afternoon, and rates a shot in the second off the layoff attempt. #1 MAGGIE'S SONG was a bit tardy to the party first time out, but has been freshened up a bit since then, and slides in five slots while retaining the pre layoff pilot. #3 ISN'T SHE KHOZY hasn't been seen since Hector was a pup, but is another plunging this afternoon, while going over dirt for the first time. That last part is highly relevant, as she's extremely better bred for it than the turf she attempted last summer.

Race 2 #4 SHE'SALITTLE EDGY has made every call a winning one in both starts this annum, and comes in today with a career mark of 4:2-2-0 at today's distance of ground. Mare is in a third of the layoff situation for the first time, and according to DRF Formulator, barn has an unblemished five for five record with locally based mid level sand stock who won less than two fortnights back, at 6-1 or less (ridden by today's jock). Logical. Both the #1 GONE AND FORGOTTEN (11 of 24 lifetime) and #1A BANK ON ANNA (3:1-0-1 in 2nd off the bench engagements) comprise decent factions of the Balsamo owned entry. #5 REMAIN ANONYMOUS is one for four and third starts offer options, and totes the lightest and post of her career.

Race 3 #3 DYLAN'S RUBY was a well beaten but decently clear runner up when facing winners for the first time in Philadelphia Park, and improved in the Beyer department by approximately 10.2%. That's never an easy spot for a maiden breaker, which makes the result that much more impressive. From a trainer stat perspective, this conditioner is never nervous in the Servis when it comes to his male optional sand sprinters off of breaks of 16 to 46 days at 14 to 1 or less (piloted by today's jockey). He's 7 for 13 with that sort, and the return on investment is \$2.51. #4 STORMQUIST has been befallen by back to back layoff lines, but is one of two off a sabbatical, and there's no scary drop as of yet after the claim two back. #2 MAD BANKER closed out the triple the only time he was first to load, and has solid familiarity with this oval.

Race 4 #4 CAPONE was life and death to pick up the lions share when facing slightly weaker eight days back, and ended up in a new barn afterwards for all his efforts. Gelding has won three of his last four one turn events, and owns an exceptional record beneath the seagulls. Logical off the big fig. #5 RYAN'S CAT has been a bit flat in his last pair, but this 7 yr. old horse (You hang on to those two little kittens buddy!) has done well at the strip, over the strip, and found the line first the last time he was up for grabs. #1 BEACHWALKER is a nibbler by rote, but has never seen these depths, and best work has come at today's distance of ground.

Race 5 #5 DON VINO VICI had a boatload of trouble when losing by just a half length three dozen days back, and after being kept in jail since the claim that day, is returned right back at the very same level. Should be able to get the diploma with a tidier sojourn in today's third start off the L/O. #1 PLAY showed improved speed in the comeback try, and now plunges in today's second off the bench deal. Must use, but by no means a cinch. #6 BETTER GO GO GO has yet to miss a superfecta, and who are we to rock that boat?

Race 6 #1 ICE ROAD has always seemed to prefer the fringes, as the 8:0-6-0 mark over a fast surface belies. That being said, he put forth a good showing the only time when loading first, and is confidently moved up in class in this spot. #2 PETROLO hasn't displayed much in the last pair, but we like to be forgiving of pre and post layoff running lines, as perhaps something went amiss before the absence, and perhaps they weren't fully cranked up afterwards. Expecting a better effort in today's second off the shelf deal, along with the drop in class. #5 PRINCIPE D'ORO owns a win and a third place finish the only times he went one turn on a track labeled "fast", and is up for grabs for the first time.

Race 7 #5 MESSI THE MAGICIAN outran his power mutual offering when completing the triple against what we would consider a tougher group last out, and is one of two at today's distance. While the bounce is always possible off the lifetime best numero, we'll give him a slight not in this spot. #1 DR. KRAFT hit the board and five consecutive outings over a quick surface, and fell short by only a noggin the one time he was first to load. Solid unders candidate. #2 WARALO has a win and a third place finish in both "true" starts after being away, and fell short by less than a length in his lone pairing w/ today's helmsman. There may be some value here given the recent performance.

Race 8 #3 WATCH HILL broke a bit slowly in the most recent, but ended up giving a good account of himself when finishing a second at 6-1. Looks like a 1-2-3 player for sure. #4 I'M JUST has been MIA since a voided claim at the end of August, but has since lost the blinkers along with his procreating abilities, & could pose a threat if sound and fully cranked up. #1 ARCO AUGUSTA comes in off of a game third place effort a bit over a month ago, & sheds two lbs. off that while sliding in three post positions.

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RACE 9	1 Northern Glow 3 Ninja Abarrio 8 Bella Paloma	
RACE 10	8 Mat Matters 1 Have No Regrets 2 Run for Reagan	

Race 6 1 COLLECTION DAY carved out legitimate fractions in recent conditioned claimer, then kept on rolling in the stretch for barn that went 5 for the last 12 (42%, \$4.57 ROI). Inconsistent breaking from the gate, so will need to get away cleanly from the inside post to establish early position.

Race 7 10 FIVECOMMATWO prompted a four-ply pace from the rail, was outpaced into the pocket on the turn, then flattened out just a bit inside the final sixteenth while racing on the rail. Still finished ahead of three of these that afternoon, and was taken out of that race by a barn that went 3 for the last 7 (43%, \$8.83 ROI) after the claim. Has the tactical speed to work out an outside stalking trip while clear of traffic.

Race 8 9 PAPER MANSION has won her last six at distances ranging from six furlongs to 1 3/8 miles, and had no issues dusting off starter handicap foes at oddson late last month.



(Post 12:35)

1. 3-1-6

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BEST BETS

5-4 MS CHANTALMACHABAY

7-1 RACING FOR RICK

(12:45) The Professor's Picks



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

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

RACE 1

- 3 BOOZIN N CRUISIN Raced well against tough older foes last time
- 6 SHANGHAI JAMES Returns from Ohio, ignore most recent line
- 4 WEHADABABYETZABOY Hope for return to previous form
- 1 SWEET SHUNEY MOON Won in this class 3 starts ago

RACE 2

- 3 ANGELIKI Debuts for new barn after a claim
- 5 EXPRESS MAN Very good first start of the season
- 6 TROYCEN Returns to conditioned claimer today
- 8 WHOLELOTATROT Needs quick fractions up front

RACE 3

- 3 TOUGHSONOFABEACH Much better post this week
- 6 UNCLE REIMUS Drops back to 7000 level today
- 8 KINGSTONS BAD BOY Debuts for new barn after a claim
- 4 SNAPPY CHIP Another one joining a new stable this week

RACE 4

- 3 CORNSTAR Rallied late last time, good mile
- 4 MAJORS SONG Draws a good starting spot
- 5 BRAYDEN VICTORIES 2-for-2 in lower levels, steps up
- 8 VICTORIA LEIGH Proven winner in this class, but gets the worst post
- 2 FIRE N LIGHTNING Stake contender last year, makes 4YO debut

RACE 5

- 3 FIXN N MIXN First local start, should fit well in this group
- 1 SHOTGUNINTHEHOTSUN Should improve this week with inside post
- 4 MR PINK PIE Sharp, moves up in class today
- 5 U GOING Won his last start, but that was 3 weeks ago

RACE 6

- 2 MOMONI DE VIE Solid second in first start of the season
- 3 ALONG IN TIME 10-time winner last year
- 1 COMMANDER FRANK Won his qualifier prepping for today's return
- 6 FINEST MOMENT Hope he can avoid an early speed battle

RACE 7

- 9 SKY LOW LOW Has paced some quick miles in Canada
- 3 WHERE'S GREG Ended season strong, qualified well for return
- 2 JIMMY CHILL Drops to conditioned claimer today
- 7 EA LUCKY HILL Should improve in second start for new barn
- 6 BROOKLETS IMAGE Fourth last time, same class here

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

RACE 8

- 2 KORKSCREW Second last week, can win today
- 6 ANDY B WORTHY Trip didn't work out last time
- 1 YEN HANOVER Had no chance from outside post last week
- 8 KILL A WORD Finished second at 99-1 a week ago

RACE 9

- 5 CELLMATE Quick break behind the gate, fast first quarter took their toll
- 6 CONTACT ZONE Up in class after a win
- 7 FEARLESS FURY Battled last time, got caught late
- 4 PONDA LUCK Rallied late for second last start

RACE 10

- 5 EMERALD'S LEGACY Good win last time, can repeat
- 4 KILLER INSTINCT Tough trip last time, needs easier route
- 6 JEFFERY P Consistent top finisher, will challenge again
- 1 BJORNSSON Returns to top level after a win

RACE 11

- 4 KAWHI NOT Very good mile in career debut
- 7 NATURAL HISTORY Newcomer qualified twice in Florida
- 5 COLTON'S CHARM Last week was his best of the season
- 1 FIVE Needs a quicker first quarter

RACE 12

- 4 CARRERA HANOVER Still undefeated this season
- 2 FATHER MIKE Has 3 wins in last 5, and this is the best post he's had all season
- 5 VANGUARD Should improve in second start of the year
- 7 SPLENDID Fast final quarter last week

RACE 13

- 3 GOOD FEELN TO KNOW Much better mile last week, big class drop today
- 6 TAXI OUT S Big class drop this week
- 1 DONZEL HANOVER Slow final quarter last time is a concern
- 7 ROSE RUN XTREME Tried to make 2 moves last start
- 4 GAME ON GIRLS Had missed a month prior to last effort

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POST 1:00

BEST BET: Oceanic (7th race)

By Marcus Hersh

First Race **8**. Greyhound Station

5 Pigeon Cay

3. Oh Macarena

Six furlongs too short, true routes too long for GREYHOUND STATION - but this 7 furlong trip should be just right. Not just that, but he's entered for a very reasonable \$40K tag after two MSW starts, and is very well drawn on the outside for a favorable stalking trip. PIGEON CAY returns from an extended layoff for his first start on dirt and first for a maiden-claiming tag. Was not bad in any of his three sprints and can contend if that form transfers to dirt. The price will be right to guess it might.

Second Race 1. Royal Carol 6 Goldentown

2. Bolt Action

Actually like 4yo first-time starters in races for 3yo and up - their maturity edge is greater than the 7 pounds they concede here. ROYAL CAROL didn't even post a timed workout until October of his 3yo year. He worked through December, didn't breeze for about six weeks, but since early February has been on a good pattern. Moreover, a few works into that pattern, he started posting very fast breeze times. Late sire good with grass horses and trainer P Lobo a steady winner with first-time starters. GOLDENTOWN lost to BOLT ACTION when they met at Fair Grounds, but Goldentown was bumped on both sides at the start, fell far off the pace, and came with a very strong run over a laboring course while Bolt Action pulled a perfect stalking trip while saving ground. Both are eligible to contend.

Third Race **5** Stand by You **1** Wupkar **4** Abitibi

STAND BY YOU gets a fresh start on a new circuit for a new barn as he comes back fresh in first start since September. Lost his form after a demanding string of races but at his peak is good enough to win for this \$16K tag - has nearly always run at higher levels, too. He was asked to finish in that March 27 five-furlong drill, though the very long if moderate gallop out seemed favorable. Liked the April 8 half-mile better - he was asked for less and finished much stronger. Catalano knows what he's doing.

KEENELAND + GUF SELECTIONS

Fourth Race 6 Save the Trees 3. Talbingo 8. Run Jalen Run

Haven't seen any of those works for debuting SAVE THE TREES, but there a lot of them and many have been fast. The trainer doesn't run many these days, but over the last five years has gone a strong 13-3-2-2 with first-time starters. TALBINGO need a defection to draw in from the AE list but looks quick enough. Trainer doesn't win much with first-timers, but Rusty Arnold and Ignacio Correas on Thursday at KEE showed how little that can mean. RUN JALEN RUN has really demonstrated his herd-animal tendencies, and I could not advocate betting he finally will break out of the maiden ranks.

Fifth Race 10 Greek Order 4 Escape Artist 8. Banishing

GREEK ORDER might be a bad bet, depending on how much action he takes, since he breaks from a wide draw and has a history of starting poorly. Could lose ground while falling far behind the leaders, too. That said, aside from the break, the 4yo did little wrong finishing third or better in his seven starts over two calendar years in England. He was somewhat keen in that May 25 mile at Sandown but still had the acceleration to win, and when he returned in August, he settled like a dream at Newbury. Cruised up to the lead with nearly a quarter mile still to race and finished full of force. Even on heavy ground, which surely is not his thing, he ran decently in his overseas finale. Expect him to come back ready on what could be a good day for Mr. Mott and Juddmonte. ESCAPE ARTIST's N1X win last June stamps him as a contender either on the lead or sitting in the pocket. Plenty of work for this comeback run, 1 mile likely his trip, and can't hold either of his last two against him. BANISHING makes first start since being gelded. Is he entered here hoping for a rain-off onto dirt, or do they really want a look on the grass? He doesn't strike one as a turf horse. KEE TURF P-3:

1.10 / 10 /3.11

Sixth Race & Rhapsody 3. Emery 4. Calle Amada

RHAPSODY won her debut, and looking at the work pattern she is liable to fire fresh again racing for the first time since October. She has speed - the obvious question is one of surface, since she only raced on turf at age 2. For starters, she was based at Woodbine, where there is no dirt, and the filly has a dirt-leaning pedigree. Video of KEE drills (she has worked solidly both inside and outside a mate) suggests she can handle the surface. The morning line has EMERY odds-on, which could well be the case, but it seems unwise to take a short price on this filly. She faced only four winning her debut at Saratoga, and the runner-up in her MSW victory is a turf-route horse. A ho-hum fourth over a one-turn mile when last seen in the Frizette - who knows how high her baseline sits. CALLE AMADA now is 3-3 in breaking from the rail. She ran into hot winner Ways and Means in her debut and managed to overcome post 1 for the narrow PARX win over quite suspect competition. That was Sept. 23, though, and who's to say she hasn't improved with all this time.

Seventh Race 10. Oceanic 12. Mark of the Z 13. Just Might

OCEANIC has done nothing to suggest he won't be a force dropping into an allowance race, albeit a stakes-level allowance, in his first start since December. Not a synthetic horse, so ignore the Turfway form, and while seventh on a wet course, he was beaten a half-length on the trip to Woodbine. Might run better at KEE than anywhere, there are no holes in a lovely work pattern, and there are several pace players keep the tempo at least honest. MARK OF THE Z might or might not have lost a step since 2022, but he absolutely loves the KEE course and has outrun his odds several times on this course. Fires fresh, worked fast. JUST MIGHT on the other hand never has run his best on the KEE turf. Could get a good pace-pressing trip and he still classes up with these.

Eighth Race 10 Cagliostro 2. Dreamlike 4. Havildar

CAGLIOSTRO has enough raw ability to imagine him beating an in-form DREAMLIKE while offering a much more appealing price than the sure favorite. He never, to these eyes, quite got all the way to a peak at age 3, though he ran well in several stakes, and has a chance to be a meaningfully better horse at 4. Encouraging works for good layoff barn. Don't often see the class move Breeders' Cup Classic to N1X allowance, but here we are with Dreamlike. 4yo has shown high-level talent from the start and the removal of blinkers last fall either precipitated or coincided with a leap to a new level. Likely to be bet like he can't lose -- and maybe he can't. HAVILDAR made his first start since being purchased at auction and turned over to train R Dutrow in a sprint race, and he almost certainly is a route horse. Won't be surprised if he turns out to be competitive with the top two.

Ninth Race 3. Scylla 4. Raging Sea 6. Hidden Connection

SCYLLA was beaten at odds of 1-2 March 17 coming back from a nine-month break, but the horse who beat her, Beth's Dream, is a talented stakes winner who has run several 90+ Beyers. She also had a cozy front-end trip and lost less ground than Scylla, who actually took a lead inside the final furlong and perhaps just got a little tired late. Connections show confidence going from the N2X allowance loss into this G3. She has yet to try two turns, but mom was a very talented route horse, as was big bro Tacitus. Could get a lovely trip just behind a couple pace players. RAGING SEA finally broke through the N1X condition easily winning at KEE last fall, making it three solid performances over the surface. Probably moved forward to some extent winning the Comely over Julia Shining, who ran back after that first week of the KEE meet and was third at 1-2 in an allowance race, and Honor D Lady, who returned from a winter break to capture the G3 Royal Delta, hardly a barn burner of a race this year. Long way of saying that even while winning, Raging Sea hardly took some huge step forward, though she is a filly one could imagine improving at age 4. HIDDEN CONNECTION was a good second in this race a year ago and likely will be overlooked following the Houston dud.

Tenth Race 3. Wonderful Justice 11. Northern Invader 1 Belouni

Looked like WONDERFUL JUSTICE was going to be a two-hit wonder as he totally lost his way last year after a pair of wins to start his career. Not so fast. Came to life second start back from an extended break, rallying into a slow-ish pace to miss clearing this condition by a head. Covered up here while saving ground from stalking spot, and if not that, still likely a better trip at a longer price than NORTHERN INVADER. The latter is marooned out in post 11, and it's not like he's got such a huge edge on the leading competitors here that he can just sacrifice ground loss for a clean trip and win anyway. Not sure BELOUNI has a whole lot of upside but even moderate second-back improvement off the comeback run puts him somewhere in the mix.

KEENELAND (LATE PICK FOUR - BY GABBY GAUDET)

7th Race 10-11-6

This is a really competitive turf sprint, but I think I've found the winner in #10 Oceanic. A tremendously consistent closing sprinter, his last two starts over 5 1/2f at Keeneland have resulted in a 1 1/2 lengths 2nd to Golden Pal in the 2022 Woodford Stakes (G2) and a 3/4 lengths 4th to Caravel in the Shakertown Stakes (G2), at this meeting last year. Either of those two performances would be good enough to win this race and having performed well off a layoff before, he holds every chance. #11 Just Might looks the speed in this race and having finished 1st, 2nd and 2nd in stakes races most recently, he could be tough to pass against allowance rivals. #6 Outlaw Kid is 2/2 when running off a layoff and 2/2 in allowance races on turf.

8th Race 6-3-2

#6 Brigade Commander never seems to run a bad race and finished with his head in front last time, before getting DQ'd for bumping a rival. The official winner of the race, The Prince's Spur, came back to finish 2nd in a hot allowance race here last week. As a likely front runner in a race lacking speed, he could be tough to beat. #3 Dreamlike has some of the strongest form in this race, having finished a 1/2 length 2nd to Saudi Crown in the Pennsylvania Derby (G1) last year, before an 8th place finish in the Breeders' Cup Classic (G1). He's the class of the field and it would be a surprise to see him finish off the board.

9th Race 4-3-1

The feature of the day, the Grade 3 Baird Doubledogdare Stakes has attracted a really competitive group of fillies and mares. I'm going to put the well-bred Godolphin runner, #4 Loved on top. Last year, Brendan Walsh's trainee came back from an extended layoff to run out an effortless 11 1/2 length winner at this meet, prior to winning her next two starts by a combined 16 1/2 lengths. She's very talented, performs well off a layoff and is proven over today's course and distance. Out of five time G1 winner Close Hatches, #3 Scylla also broke her maiden here and became an early Kentucky Oaks hopeful when scoring by 8 1/4 over one mile next time. However, she missed the Oaks prep season following a setback and was just failed to win a stakes quality allowance on her return last time. She will relish the extra distance today and having posted two bullet workouts since that race, it be surprising if she wasn't involved at the finish. #1 Raging Sea was twice placed in G1 races as a two-year-old and last seen producing a game effort to beat Julia Shining in the Comely Stakes (G3). She's very consistent, represents top connections and has the potential to improve again in her 4vo season.

10th Race 6-3-11

The finale of the day is a competitive allowance over one mile on the turf and I'm hoping #6 Loyal Company can close the card out on a high note. Owned and bred by Godolphin, the son of Frosted broke his maiden at this meet in 2022, prior to finishing 3rd in two stakes races as a 3yo. Making his turf debut last time, he closed strongly from well off the pace, finishing only 3 lengths behind the winner and recording the second fastest closing sectional. He has the ability to sit closer today from gate six and with the extra distance for him to work with today, he could just sweep by the the leaders late on.



Friday, April 19 Ron Nicoletti

Race 1

2 - Mad Madame Mim (IRE)

3 – Andie One

1 – Lady Azteca

Race 2:

2 – Queen Honesty

10 - Taking It All

3 – Doctor Daisy

Race 3:

1 – Gayles Evening

7 - Nikee Kan

3 – Megan Makin Money

Race 4:

2 - Cumberland Falls

1 – Fast Kimmie

4 - Mystic Sunrise

Race 5:

4 - Go Big Green (BB)

7- Flying Black

3 - Sals Dream Girl

Race 6:

1 - Quester

3 - Guaio

4 – What Plan

Race 7

7 - Swashbuckle (LS)

3 – Lorenz (BRZ)

8 - Dominate Themoment

Race 8

3 - Holiday Pay

5 - Celtic Pride

7 - Jigsaw

Race 9:

4 - Comedy Town

2 - Red River Rebel

8 - Sigiloso

Best Bet: R5 – 4 Go Big Green

Drops to her proper level looking to keep her record on the local turf unblemished (2-2-0-0) Paco rides for Kelly Brren.

Longshot: R7-7 Swashbuckle

Tries conditioned claimers with the speed and the jockey (Emisael Jaramillo) needed to take this field gate to wire.

BEST BET: Classic Cinema (10th race)

First Race 4. Ribbonsinherhair 7. Insightful Miss 5. Greek Heiress

Oaklawn opens another raceweek Friday with a major stakes on the immediate horizon. The \$1.25 million Oaklawn Handicap is on Saturday. In the Friday opener, RIBBONSINHERHAIR gives up recency to these, but last raced against starter foes. INSIGHTFUL MISS was second at this level last out and is a logical choice back. GREEK HEIRESS fits with these.

Second Race **1** Naughty Lottie **6** Varton **2** Catchusifyoucan

NAUGHTY LOTTIE is in peak form, as she is seeking her third straight win. She owns the field's best last-race Beyer Speed Figure. VARTON was fourth last out in a key race. The third-place finisher came back to win for \$10K at OP with a Beyer of 69 and the fifth-place finisher, West Side Girl, a \$10K starter at OP, with a Beyer of 67, CATCHUSIFYOUCAN could be sitting on a peak effort in what will be her third out since October.

Third Race **9**. Pivosky **3**. Sweet Sweetfantasy **4** Lil Town Sis

PIVOSKY gets in lighter than these under apprentice Bealmear. SWEET SWEETFANTASY made a rare start on dirt last time and popped a career-high Beyer Speed Figure. LIL TOWN SIS should be sharp for the move to a mile off the series of six furlong starts. She goes from the rail.

Fourth Race 4. Ain't That a Kick 4. Quincy Market 4. Philharmonic

There are several capable runners in this competitive spot. AIN'T THAT A KICK stumbled at the start last time and made up a good deal of ground in the slop. QUINCY MARKET shortens up a tad in distance to a mile and the speed he showed last time suggests he might be quite effective at the race configuration here, as this ends at the sixteenth pole. PHILHARMONIC has speed and owns one of the field's best last-race Beyer Speed Figures. A major player. HUMOR ME NOW must overcome the widest post, but is another chief contender.

Fifth Race **1**. Lookin for Revenge **4**. Runningforcash **2** Ego

LOOKIN FOR REVENGE moves back in the claiming ranks after facing starter foes. RUNNINGFORCASH picks up a tad more real estate and his last win came at this mile and a sixteenth trip. EGO was second for a similar price last time after breaking from a wide gate.

Sixth Race II. Pattern Bet **b** Too Pretty She's Storming

PATTERN BET is appealing from a class standpoint as she has seen steeper. TOO PRETTY has set the pace over laboring tracks in each of her last two starts. She might benefit if the strip is fast Friday. SHE'S STORMING is back with statebreds.

Seventh Race 9. Top Gunner 4. Macron 12. Bandera Azteca

TOP GUNNER and MACRON both have a nice amount of back class to call upon in this spot. BANDERA AZTECA has speed and a post that might give Santana options.

Eighth Race 3. Happymac 4. Good Heart 19. Atomic Tone

HAPPYMAC is a popular claim who was just edged at this distance last time. He moves into the starter ranks and owns some of the field's best recent Beyer Speed Figures. On a pedigree point, HAPPYMAC is a half-brother to Grade 2 winner Shancelot (\$624K). GOOD HEART brings good speed to the table and exits a runner-up finish to top choice. ATOMIC TONE, much like top choice, has been a popular claim among owners and trainers.

Ninth Race **5** Where's Randy **7**. Bettys Cash **3**. Mahomey

WHERE'S RANDY was a close fourth at this level last time and seems like a logical choice back. He had a less than ideal trip, and earned a Beyer Speed Figure that stacks up favorably in this spot. BETTYS CASH is back at one turn after a rare start at two and he's a multiple winner at this configuration. MAHOMEY is the one to beat off back-to-back wins in good time. Another contender is PEACE DOG.

Tenth Race 12 Classic Cinema 6. String Theory 4 Rocket Sanders

CLASSIC CINEMA has moved forward from his first start to his second and owns one of the field's best career Beyer Speed Figures. The winner of the race he exits was to have run back earlier on the card. STRING THEORY put in a nice run for fourth last time, with the runner set to start back earlier on the card. ROCKET SANDERS removes blinkers and he put up his best Beyer Speed Figure without the equipment. AMAZING SUCCESS is a strong fit with these.

Cumberland (Maine - Harness Racing) - Post 3:15



- 1. 2-6-3
- 2.5-1-4
- 3. 2-1-4
- 4. 5-2-1
- 5. 2-1-5
- 6. 5-1-4
- 7. 1-3-2
- 8. 2-4-3
- 9.4-1-5
- 10. 5-2-3
- 11. 5-1-3
- 12. 5-4-3

Best Bets

Race 8 # 2 LYDIAS LIBERTY

Tough trip last week, parked out from post 7 Moves inside for Deslandes barn, which won with 7 of 15 starters last weekend.

Race 11 # 5 Grannys Girl

Dominant wire to wire win in 1:59.1 last week. Can double up for top connections here.

Pick Four Play: Race 9: 1,4 / 2,5 / 5 / 3,4,5

SANTA ANITA - POST 4:00



By Brad Free

Race 1 **6 BERT'S PROSPECT** merits another chance in this Cal-bred maiden turf mile following a troubled third last month in a similar spot. 'PROSEPCT got stuck inside behind the pace, waited for room that never materialized, and the two pacesetters kept running. It was an inconclusive effort by 'PROSPECT, who switches riders and may only need a clean trip. However, as a 4yo, he carries eight pounds more (126-118) than his 3yo rivals including 4 SPECIAL CLUB. The latter stretches back to two turns and returns to turf after missing by a nose in a maiden dirt sprint. He handles grass, and his only route was a better-than-looked fourth-place comeback two starts ago. 'CLUB, who added blinkers last out, is quick enough to set or press the pace. 2 RHINO makes his second start following a runner-up comeback he lost by only a half-length.

Race 2 **5 WHIMSICAL HEIR** is spotted at the bottom level for winners (\$16k claiming, N2L) following a decisive win in a Cal-bred maiden-50. Her placement at this low level seems curious, but she will be tough if she runs two alike. Tepid choice only. 3 YO YO MAMA is better than her most recent start indicates; she finished last as the odds-on favorite at this level. She may have had an alibi. She bobbled at the break, was sandwiched in an early duel, and folded in a race that saw the one-two finishers rally from last and next-to-last. It was not a good effort, or a good trip. Her runner-up finish two back in a similar spot makes her a gate-to-wire contender. 5-3-6

Race 3 Despite having not started in nearly a year, **1 NAISMITH** gets the call as "best horse" in this N2L claiming turf sprint. His races last year would bury this field; he has run okay returning from layoffs. He can win from off the pace in a race likely to unfold at a legitimate tempo. While the layoff is a concern for the top choice, that is not the case for his main rival. 2MOBE TOWN has a series of creditable recent races including a maiden-20 dirt win two back, and a midpack finish last out after setting the pace into the stretch at one mile. 1-2-4

Race 4 Fast-working 4yo first-time starter 4FLASH THAT SMILE has been training like a filly who will fire first out including a bullet half-mile (:47) from the gate one week ago. Although none of her four winning siblings won first out, 'SMILE has shown speed in morning drills and figures to show her gas in her debut. 1RAISING SILVER showed promise finishing second in her only start last summer. A second-time starter with proven ability, she returns from a nine-month layoff facing a half-dozen first-time starters and a 15-start maiden. This is a Cal-bred maiden race, but 'SILVER (by Nyquist) and 8MOONLIGHT TRYST (by American Pharoah) have Kentucky pedigrees. The 4yo 'TRYST has worked fast for her debut, same as San Luis Rey-based DANZING FLYER.

Race 5. **BEST BET 3 EXULTATION** -Veteran 9yo looks tough in this \$40k claiming turf sprint. He won five of his last six, his figures are consistently higher than his rivals, and he has tactical speed to be forwardly placed in a race that might not unfold at a particularly fast clip. He runs well fresh, and enters as most probable winner on the Friday card. His main rival is his Peter Eurton-trained stablemate 6 JETOVATOR. The latter drops a notch from a productive \$50k claiming turf sprint. He finished fourth by two and one-half lengths; the first-, third- and sixth-place finishers all returned to win their next start. This group is slightly easier, though JETOVATOR finished behind his top-choice stablemate the last two times they met. 4 MYNUMEROUNO looms an upset candidate in his third U.S. start, dropping from N2X to run for the \$40k claim tag. He won 5 of 9 in Australia.

Race 6 This \$20k claiming dirt mile has plenty of pace, which suits the late-running style of stablemates 2 ZIMBA WARRIOR and 5 BIG BUZZ. Both are trained by Steve Knapp, both rally from behind. 2-5-6

Race 7 Turf is an unknown for 2FATHER DELAY , but his best dirt races are faster than the others. This is his first start in six months, he runs well fresh. Both career wins were first start back from a layoff; sharp recent workouts suggest he is ready to roll. Progeny of the stallion West Coast are fine routing on turf (12 percent wins, slightly above average); the second dam of FATHER DELAY was a G2 winner on turf. The footing switch should be okay. 7 LEMON SUSHI , in the money his last three turf sprints, returns from a three-month freshening with proven form over the SA turf. 2-7-4-3

Race 8 10 BIG DRINKER gets the call returning to dirt and dropping for the first time to maiden-20. Although he is uncertain around two turns, his pedigree and running style suggest a mile is in reach. 5 SOLDATNA stretches out for the first time, and drops to the bottom for the first time. He needed his comeback; he finished next-to-last. This field is softer. 10-5-1

Race 9 4 PHENOM last out defeated three of the six rivals she meets in this similar starter allowance turf sprint. Her win not her most impressive, she won by a neck at odds-on while wheeling back in just two weeks. But it was her third straight turf win on the flat, she has now had more than a month between starts, she has speed and can sit behind the pace if necessary. Calbred stakes 7 REBALATION was claimed from a decisive \$20k claiming win on synthetic at Golden Gate Fields. The 8-for-18 veteran wins more than her share; trainer Librado Barocio does well with veteran win types acquired in claiming races. His first-off-the-claim stats: 7-for-25 the past five years (2-for-4 turf sprints). 4-7-5

MEADOWLANDS (6:20)

BEST BET: STONE MASON (7th)

SPOT PLAY: HOLY BEING (14th)

BY DEREK GWINER

Race 1: Meadowlands Amateur Drivers Club 1 Pace - Pick 5

(4) HARRY HANOVER left and sat what looked like a perfect pocket trip but got squeezed in the stretch by a parked-out #1 and didn't get clearance until the top three were long gone. Five-year-old should get a better scenario here. (6) IN NEVADA N showed some serious signs of life last time and perhaps he's about to turn the corner. (1) OHMIKIYOURSOFINE moves to the inside of the gate and is sure to get a better journey than last time.

Race 2: \$9,000-\$12,500 Claiming Handicap - Survivor 7

(8) RACING MONEY exits amateur races and drops back in for a tag slightly under what he was claimed for in early March. Has this guy's poor performance been due to this barn or amateur drivers? I'm willing to bet it's the latter and take a shot on a horse that can leave the gate at a decent price. (3) BETTER THAN SOME won on the engine last time and seems likely to try similar tactics here. (6) CAPTAIN TERMINATOR gets a change of scenery as her arrives from Pocono and maybe the big track will pick him up. Notice his career mark was on the mile track at Cal Expo last year.

Race 3: Trackmaster 71 (NW L2/2L4 71.5/72) or less

(3) ROLLINWITDAPONYZZZ faced a tougher group in a mini-series final last time and really wasn't that bad in a rather quick mile. He's in a "no excuse" spot this week. (7) XMARZTHESPOT drops from the TM74 to TM71 condition and I wouldn't be surprised if he raced well despite showing no wins in a very long time. (5) HELLO ROCKY broke here two starts back in his first try for this barn then got stuck in the eight-hole at Freehold last time. I couldn't faulty someone who wanted to take a positive view here.

Race 4: (1) CLAYTONS BETTOR N was sapped of his energy in a very quick opening half last time and had no fight left for the stretch. Driver change here should only help his cause tonight. (7) JUST A ROCKET MAN has rolled to three straight wins and really dug down deep to secure the victory last time; threat again. (4) DYNOMITES PEAK was a solid second in this condition last time, though McCarthy opted for #2.

Race 5: (8) LACHIE MAGUIRE N has a bit of versatility to his game and I like his closing kick better than some of the others; I'll take a shot. 8-4-6

Race 6: (8) ABUELITA HANOVER closed very well to be second last time on a track where 11 of the 14 winners won on the lead or from the pocket. If the track is playing fairer or she is put in play early, a win is in the cards. 8-5-1

Race 7: (7) STONE MASON pushed away from the gate but had to settle for a tuck last time as too many others went as well. He closed willingly while in a less than stellar outer flow and seems like a good fit here at what should be good odds. (4) PENCILS DOWN rolled to victory at odds-on in leg one of this mini-series and he'll be favored to repeat. (3) UNIQUE KEMP saved all the ground and rallied past the top pick last Friday; trip threat. (1) STAR TRACK HANOVER was hammered at the windows and came to play last out. I'd want 6-1 or higher since the victory was likely because speed was simply good. (5) OH LINA picks up a top catch-driver.

Race 8: One of these horses is going to win this race but I honestly don't have a very strong opinion on which will get over the top. (3) ROCK JAGGER exits some series races with sharp foes and might enjoy the condition change to the amateur ranks. (2) SAND SNIPER moves back to the inside of the gate but hails from a barn that is winless at the meet. (6) ROCKABILLY CHARM wasn't going to be successful on the rim last time. He can be a threat with the right trip.

Race 9: (9) JL CRUZE raced very well in his second start over the track and now we have to ask himself if that effort means he's ready to leave the gate and pop a big mile. Since the price will likely be very fair with everyone jumping on (6) INSTAGRAM MODEL, we'll take a shot. The latter double drops in company and her chances really come down to whether she is put in play early or if they race her conservatively again. (5) DULY RESOLVED drops for a barn with a high win percentage at the meet; Tetrick drives.

Race 10: (4) MISS LIMELIGHT N comes off a race where her line doesn't look very good but she did close in 27 3/5 on a speed-favoring track while facing much better. This field should be right up her alley in just her third start since last August. (5) PATTYCAKE MOOSS gapped but held ok in mid-stretch coming out of the same race as the top pick. Her best game has been near the lead and perhaps we'll see those tactics against this softer group. (1) SUPER GIRL is up in company a bit but certainly sharp.

Race 11: (5) CHARMING VIXEN raced very well from a difficult spot last time upon arrival from Yonkers. Mare lands in a great spot this week and I wonder if we'll see some early speed here. Interesting that Miller chose #9 but we get a good replacement in Zeron. (8) TESLA POWER comes to town with plenty of form and does show a big track win last year at Mohawk. (2) QUEEN SUN RYSER should be put in play and could have a say with the right trip.

Race 12: (5) LINDY'S COYOTITO blew out a sharp qualifier and any improvement should result in a victory. (4) LOVELY HEART could fire to the front here and take advantage of the fact that she has a conditioning edge on many coming off qualifiers in their 3-year-old debuts. (6) CROWN MONARCH looks to be coming off a dull line but was chasing some Open types like Celebrity Bambino.

Race 13: Any of these mares could win given the right setup, so we'll take a shot with a price play in (3) UPTOWN LADY N. The 9-year-old got caught in a pretty quick mile last time on a night where closing from the back was somewhat difficult. I could see Smith getting aggressive versus the small field. (5) MISS MAJESTY has been rolling along at Pocono. She was driven out last time so I'm not sure there is more left in the tank, which would mean a high 1:51 mile would be what she can do. That is good enough to win but the price may be shorter than deserved. 3-5-4-2

Race 14: (10) HOLY BEING raced pretty well from post 10 in his first start since December. None of these jump off the page and the fact that he gave it a go last time from the outside only inspires confidence that he'll do it again. 10-2-5



Race 1 Maiden Paints & Appaloosas

300 yards

#3-Cowboy On the Fly

4th vs stakes company in last start

#8-Mhm Grace

Sharp workouts for debut

#1-Dumb Dumer

Fired bullet workout on 3-29

#10-A Political Mess

Good workout since finishing 5th in training race

\$1 Exacta Box: 3-8-1 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order. \$.50 Pick 5: 3-8-1 / 1-5 / 2-7-3 / 7-4 / 4-3-10 Cost: \$54.00 Pick the winners of races 1-5.

Race 2 Starter Allowance

550 yards

#1-Docs Best Bud

Winner at this level & distance in last start

#5-Apollitical Dancer

Never worse than 2nd in four starts at distance

#4 – Totheleft Totheleft

Likes the distance & fits in this spot

#6-Bojangles Comin

Shortens up in distance here

\$1 Exacta Box: 1-5-4 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order. \$.50 Premier Pick 4: 1-5-4 / 2-7-3 / 7-4-8 / 4-3-10 Cost: \$40.50 Pick the winners of races 2-5.

\$30,000 Maiden Claiming Race 3

350 yards

#2-Chickn Hock

Pricey colt has good 250-yard gate work on 3-27

#7 – This Is the One

Solid work tab for debut

#3-Pyc Ciclo

Improves in second start

#10 - Sashay Lightz

Fills out the Superfecta

\$1 Exacta Box: 2-7-3 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order. \$.50 Kickoff Pick 3: 2-7-3 / 7-4-8 / 4-3-10 Cost: \$13.50 Pick the winners of races 3, 4, 5.

Race 4 Maiden

300 yards

#7-Lovepotionnumber 9

Quick work 3-18 for hot connections

#4 - Pevs Action Jackson

Like his 3-6 workout

#8-Mr Coulter McCrae

Solid work tab for his debut

#1 – Accelorator

The other Olmstead colt has good 220-yard workout 3-18

\$1 Exacta Box: 7-4-8 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order. \$.50 Pick 3: 7-4-8 / 4-3-10 / 10-1-9-4 Cost: \$18.00 Pick the winners of races 4, 5, 6.

Race 5 Maiden

330 yards

#4 – Fairlea Flyin

Close 2nd in her debut in OK Futurity trial

#3 – Fire Me Twice

Was also 2nd in his OK Futurity in first start

#10-Kvn Good One

Sharp training race winner on 3-20

#7 – Cowgirl Way

Posted couple of good workouts for her first start

\$1 Exacta Box: 4-3-10 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

\$.50 Pick 3: 4-3-10 / 10-1-9-4 / 8-9 Cost: \$12.00 Pick the winners of races 5, 6, 7.

Race 6 \$20,000 Maiden Claiming

350 yards

10 – Prized Contender

Had bit of trouble in last start & does like the distance

#1-Sr Dark Storm

Gets a class drop here

#9-Can Run

Maybe didn't like the sloppy track last trip

#4 - Corona Leverage

Top 3 finishers in his last race all came back to win

\$1 Exacta Box: 10-1-9 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

\$.50 Pick 3: 10-1-9-4 / 8-9 / 3-6 Cost: \$8.00 Pick the winners of races 6, 7, 8.

Race 7 \$20,000 Claiming

300 yards

#8-Rj Good Woman Blues

Should like the drop to claiming company

#9 – Ethics and Grace

3rd when dropped to this level in her last start

#10 - Cold as You

6th in last start but only beat 1/2-length

#3 – Toxic Passion

Makes first start since scoring maiden win at WRD in November

\$1 Exacta Box: 8-9-10 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

\$.50 Pick 3: 8-9 / 3-6 / 2-1-4 Cost: \$6.00 Pick the winners of races 7, 8, 9.

\$.50 Primetime Pick 4: 8-9 / 3-6 / 2-1-4 / 10-4-5 Cost: \$18.00 Pick the winners of races 7-10.

Race 8 Starter Allowance

350 yards

#3 – Volcom Cartel

2nd vs tough allowance company in last start

#6-Rj Jay Dee

Has two-2nd place finishes vs allowance company at WRD

#2-Toby Dale

5 of 6 in the \$\$ & 1st & 2nd at this distance

#1 – Dupontes Courage

2nd in only start this year

\$1 Exacta Box: 3-6-2 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order. **\$.50 Last Chance Pick 3:** 3-6 / 2-1-4 / 10-4-5 Cost: \$9.00 Pick the winners of races **8, 9, 10**.

Race 9 Allowance

330 yards

#2 – Queen Records

3rd last time in trial for the OK Derby

#1 – Preyin and Dashin

Won trial for the Black Gold Futurity at WRD

#4 – Special Dashing Eyes

First start was a winning one

10 – She Looks Political

Stakes placed here last year scored maiden win in last start

\$1 Exacta Box: 2-1-4 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

Race 10 Allowance

550 yards

10 – Rays a Rebel

2nd in last two starts vs similar company

#4 – Barbed Wire Halo #5 – Doc Bon Scott 2nd at this level & distance in last start

5 – Doc Bon Scott # 2 – Crypto Scored maiden win in first start this year in first try at 550-yards Tries a bit of a shorter distance for the first start at 550-yards

\$1 Exacta Box: 10-4-5 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

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