



AQUEDUCT -POST 1:20

By David Aragona/ Mike Beer

Race 1 3 JINGLE JANGLE might have been prepping in that off-turf sprint on debut last summer, where she saved ground under patient tactics and wasn't a factor; only other start came going long on the grass, where she got a wide trip; has more of a dirt pedigree and starts back on the drop with Lasix on. 7 TEN TEN might have found the right field for the debut as only two of her rivals have reached par for the level (barely), and one of them did it nearly a year ago; dam posted all three wins routing on dirt and was Grade 2-placed over nine furlongs. 3-7-4

Race 2 6 PHAROAH'S HEART has concentrated on longer races recently, but she has sprinted effectively in the past, even earning her career-best 95 Beyer going 6.5F in her 2nd career start; obviously hasn't come close to that form since, but she did at least return from a layoff in decent form when last seen in January; dropping into a softer optional claimer, she just dominated up front; was claimed out of that spot by David Jacobson, who is 9-for-38 (24%, \$2.79 ROI) first off the claim on dirt over the past year; it's taken a little while to get her back to the races, but the confident move up the class ladder has to be taken as a good sign; one to consider. 3 MOSIENKO- Will be racing for a tag for the first time in over a year and a half, but that's not exactly a negative; this mare owes her connections nothing; the Lalmans claimed her for just \$10k in Mar. 2021, and she's earned over \$500k since then -- truly one of the greatest claims in recent memory; showed that she was still capable of winning at this level two back when she caused an 11-1 upset; had some excuses in her starts leading up to that; they tried an ambitious stakes spot last time and she failed to perform, reportedly having bled; has gotten some time off since then, and now drops back down to the right level; don't underestimate. 6-3-2

Race 3

6 COOLCALM COLLECTED earned a field-best 80 Beyer in her maiden win last year; dropped off the short layoff last October and scored an easy win after going early to press the pace, and the 74 Beyer she earned that day is also faster than anything any of her rivals have managed to run so far; break from the outside with tactical speed. 1 BELLE OF THE BALL parlayed a perfect trip into an easy maiden win in January and she has run well in all three starts at this level since while steadily improving her figures; had to alter course in the stretch two back before finishing gamely for second. 6-1-5

Race 4 7 QUICK HAMMER looked good winning his debut on this track as a 2yo then didn't return to NY for over a year; also ran well in that race while part of a four-way pace duel in a race that was won by a closer; has faced several tough fields since then; might finally be in the right spot. 6 GUN MAESTRO was involved on a solid pace in a race that fell apart two back off the claim; tried a mile last time and tired; cuts back with speed. 7-6-2

Race 5 5 MY FIRST LOVE got needed class relief last time but bumped into a hot horse in front-running Solib and had to settle for second; consistent mare has tactical speed and looks well-spotted off the claim for Potts. 3 PRETTI XTREME was in good form when stepping in over her head in the Heavenly Prize in her first start off the claim two back; got outrun early when cut back to sprint last time and was finishing well too late; back out to a mile 2 WHISTLER'S STYLE has the speed to make the lead in this spot as she drops back down in class for her second start off the claim; has plenty of races that make her tough in here.

Race 6 4 SPEIGHTS DANCE ran well when second-best to odds-on 3TAVIN in the dirt debut, then moved up in class and got wired again in her next start; liked her winning effort two back and she didn't appear to care for that wet track last time; rebound chance for an underrated barn. 3 TAVIN had the advantage on the top one when getting to the front and scoring on a class drop last November with a field-best 64 Beyer; two-time winner got back on track last time when fighting hard to prevail in her second start off the claim for Nevin; moves back up. 2 KHOZY COLBY is also a two-time winner exiting a victory for a lower tag; her second win came out of town while on a class drop; moves back up slightly for her return to NY, where she has run well in the past.

Race 7 3 CHASING DAYLIGHT It's hard to know what to expect from this 5YO mare; consistency is not her strength, as she's clearly good enough to beat this field on her best day but will periodically just completely fail to show up; has been in one of her rough patches recently, though she did earn a competitive speed figure two back when cut back in distance; contested an honest pace going a mile last time before fading in a fast race for the level; can be tough to ride, since she seems to prefer racing outside of horses; has some flaws, but is hardly impossible at what should be a generous price. 1 ATHENA BEACH won her first four starts at Penn National before shipping to Saratoga last summer to a longer route; did her best in that spot before tiring behind a pair of in-form Linda Rice trainees; also ran well at the end of that meet when cut back to sprint and rallying to just miss second/third; tough in here if close to ready off the bench. 7 MOULY scored an easy win over weaken when back to dirt in November; didn't get a great trip in her next start, then caught a sloppy track and failed to fire in Janaury; earned a new Beyer top when rebounding two back and her handy speed plays in this race.

Race 8 1 VIRASANA ran well in her debut while facing a field that has panned out pretty well since; came right back with an even better effort to dominate maidens with an 89 Beyer; interesting new face off the layoff for California connections. 9 ZIAERATI was sharp winning her seven-furlong debut over this track early last year with a solid figure; didn't win again after that, though she ran fine in a couple of those starts out of town, while also showing that she doesn't need the lead; threat off the bench. 1-9-7-5

THE MEADOWS (12:45)



The Professor's Picks

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

RACE 1

- 2 – SKYLINE SEASHELL – Should improve in second start of the year
- 4 – ANN'S FRANK – Easy winner in NW1, tries series today
- 1 – INSIDER TRADING – Has the speed but is risky due to breaks

RACE 2

- 4 – LEXI B – Likely favorite in here today
- 2 – CIAO TIME – Has won 2 in a row, sharp
- 3 – DAYLIGHT'S DAUGHTER – Consistent top finisher, second last week
- 5 – FAITH STEP – Solid effort last week at 13-1

RACE 3

- 5 – SUNRISE HILL – Showed some good miles in higher level
- 4 – THE GOGESTER – Changes classes this week
- 6 – CODY'S DEAL – Rare break last time, ignore that mile
- 1 – MYSTERIOUS FRANK – Yet another contender in here...tough field to pick

RACE 4

- 4 – DOVER GLIDE – Sharp win last week, season best
- 2 – WILD BILL HICCUP – Faced tougher fields at Pocono
- 5 – BET ON BRENNA – Just missed last week
- 3 – LATAVIUS – Shuffled last week, may use his gate speed today
- 6 – HS WINCHESTER – Had plenty of closing speed last time

RACE 5

- 3 – HALL OF FLAME – Stake colt from last year makes 2024 debut
- 1 – ELECTION FRAUD – Very good mile last week from post 9
- 8 – TREK – Good final quarter in April 9 qualifier
- 2 – SPACE EXPLORER – Makes second start in new barn

RACE 6

- 5 – TOUCHIN BASE – Good win last week, moves to conditioned claimer
- 3 – C DIDDY'S GAL – Good win from a bad post last start
- 1 – HURRY UP – Moves to conditioned claimer for the first time
- 6 – MISS NEW JERSEY – Had late pace a week ago

RACE 7

- 6 – NORDIC CRAFT – Beaten favorite last time, try him again
- 7 – MISSISSIPPI AL – Another tough post draw
- 8 – SPICY HOPS – Hope he avoids an early speed battle
- 1 – GITCHYGITCHYGOO – Needs a quick start from inside post
- 5 – CLASSYSASSYPHOTO – Parked for the mile at Miami Valley

Plainridge
(Post 4:00)

SPOT PLAYS

1. 4-1-2

2. 5-3-4

3. 5-4-6

4. 2-3-1

7. 5-2-4

8. 6-1-4

9. 6-5-1

11 2-1-3

Best Bet :

Race 9 # 6

Bustin With Pride

**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 – THE LAST SONG – Raced well in first start of the season
- 7 – SKYLINE INDY – Good win last week, same class today
- 1 – DAY TIME – Bounced back with a good mile last week
- 4 – ROCKIN IN OHIO – Consistent top-5 finisher

RACE 9

- 4 – MON AMOUR – Parked last time, game effort
- 6 – WINDSONG PATRIOT – Second last week, can be in the top-2 again
- 8 – STAY CLOSE – Down in class from Open, poor post draw
- 5 – RISING MVP – Also gets a class drop today

RACE 10

- 4 – STAYINGWITHTHEWIND – Last week's winner, can repeat
- 3 – GWEN'S GIRL – Parked to the quarter, held second
- 7 – SOUTHWIND PINACLDLA – Won last start in a conditioned claimer
- 1 – KEEN CATHY – Inside post certainly won't hurt

RACE 11

- 2 – LITTLE TOWN ROAD – Strong second in season debut
- 5 – FORTUNE FORECAST – Raced well in first start of the season
- 3 – GLORIOUSK – Not an easy trip last week
- 6 – NORTHERN MAGENTA – Broke last time, try her again

RACE 12

- 8 – I'LL HUNT YOU DOWN – May be tested from post 8, still has to be the pick
- 3 – BEELZEBUB – Paced a quick mile last time
- 6 – BET ON MAC – Won qualifier in New Jersey prepping for today's return
- 2 – REGGIE DESBI – Up in class after two straight wins

RACE 13

- 4 – ROMANEE BLUE CHIP – 1-for-1 this year, up in class today
- 7 – HEYTHERWILLIE – Rallied late last time
- 3 – GREEN MAGIC – Faced fast group in Ohio last start
- 2 – CRAZY SUPERSPORT – Hope he uses his gate speed this week
- 6 – PAPI HANOVER – Gets slight class drop this week

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POST 1:00

BEST BET: Waves of Mischief (5th race)

By Marcus Hersh

First Race **5** Bricklayer **6** Liam's Journey **1** Moneyshot

BRICKLAYER debuted Dec. 21 in a race totally dominated by a fast-paced front-runner, then, with no sprint speed in his arsenal, had to cope with post 1 second time out. Both sprint races suggest he's more of a route horse, and the move from Tapeta to dirt could reveal a much more capable runner. No holes in the active work pattern and he ought to offer much more value than the favored entrants here. LIAM'S JOURNEY might be second choice, though he probably is better on turf than dirt. At least he has some solid foundation behind him and never has been in for a tag.

Second Race **1** Ultima Grace **9**. Biv **2** Haven't a Red Cent

Sorry to give in to odds-on ULTIMA GRACE, but trainer W Ward already is 3-4 in KEE 2yo races this month, and this filly has shown excellent gate speed as well as overall talent in video of her local works. Homebred BIV has a good post for her debut and has gotten three gate preps for barn that's a regular in KEE baby races. Don't think she can beat the top pick in a fair fight. .

Third Race **6** Up the Creek **7**. Candy Lover **4** Life Advice

UP THE CREEK took a moderate second-start step back when switched to Turfway Tapeta, and in her third race appeared to confirm she didn't want a lot to do with the synthetic surface. In her debut, her lone dirt start, she made a nice run to take a mid-stretch lead in a race at this class level, and the horse that ran her down at 43-1 came back with a couple decent N1X allowance tries, the first in a race won by Ashland Stakes heroine Leslie's Song.

Fourth Race **6** Kolomio **3**. Certified Loverboy **1** Smile Mon

KOLOMIO's winter Fair Grounds form puts him on the fringe of contention, and he would not need much more to at least go close at a much more appealing price than the favorites here. Can't help but note the fast workouts at Churchill since he shipped north. Could get a good stalking trip behind a quick pace.

Fifth Race **1** Waves of Mischief **3** Beyond Lucky **9** Deep Satin

WAVES OF MISCHIEF worked at least once at Palm Meadows with Cameo Performance, who was bet to 4-5 and won a KEE turf-route maiden on Sunday by 1 1/2 lengths. Waves of Mischief held his own working inside Cameo, was best of three March 29 breezing between horses while under a nice hold, and was clearly best April 5 breezing outside a maiden of no great ability named Novara. Pricy 2yo seems likely to come out running for barn proven capable with debut runners in turf routes. Seems more likely to be favored than to be 10-1. BEYOND LUCKY nothing more than brief decent speed before a steady fade debuting in a Turfway Tapeta sprint, but strong feeling that start mainly was practice for this grass route. Barn has favorable stats in many pertinent categories.

Sixth Race **7**. Secret Crush **4** Reynolds Channel **1**. Unlimitedpotential

SECRET CRUSH was outrun debuting in a fast Gulfstream sprint and was the best horse March 16 when narrowly beaten in that one-turn mile. He raced just off the pace while stuck on the rail on the backstretch and into the turn, never looked happy with that position, and eventually sucked back, ceding the lead to his pace rival. Taken off the fence, he found stride again before the furlong grounds and was coming hard at the wire. Good draw outside the other pace here and definitely looks capable of running at least as well in his two-turn debut as he did at one. REYNOLDS CHANNEL was the outside presser in the Secret Crush race, and even after going several lengths clear of that rival could not contain him in the final stages.

Seventh Race **9**. Your So Sillea **8**. Daring Do **1**. Marissa's Lady

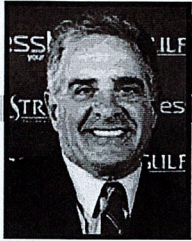
YOUR SO SILLEA never has started on turf, and while connections might leave her in if this race stays on grass, it seems like she's entered hoping for a rain-off. On dirt, she's easily the most likely winner. DARING DO came out of the subpar race last fall with an injury and won her N1X turf-sprinting over this course. Close third in a salty N2X at CD and the age-restricted Ellis turf-sprint stakes win last summer point her out as a better chance than her morning line. Well drawn for favorable stalking trip in a race that's not especially strong for the level. MARISSA'S LADY did get up for second in a similar KEE spot last fall, though a torrid pace set things up for a horse with her late-running style. Much more synthetic than turf to date.

Eighth Race **4**. Unraptured **2**. Secret Rules **5**. Awesome Aaron

This \$40K sprint is crying out for a stalker / closer to make a run from the 3/16 pole and tag the speed, of which there's too much. That presumes a fair-playing surface, which hasn't been the case much of this meet. UNRAPTURED after a dismal Oaklawn run two back got back onto form last time, and while that race was Tapeta, he's also been fine on dirt. Won his lone start for a claiming price as low as this \$40K tag, and did that on the lead despite racing best with different tactics. Fast work since the near miss at TP, and expect him to run back to that. SECRET RULES would've been the top pick were he not drawn inside, forcing him to be used, at least to some extent, in the early stages. Could get too much of a strong pace or if stuck behind suffer through a difficult trip.

Ninth Race **1** Bougie Not Basic **4** Mambo Master **6** Mo Lantern

The work pattern is long and strong for first-timer BOUGIE NOT BASIC, who trainer, M Maker, won with a KEE debut runner just last week. Sire Oscar Performance hits with a good 15% of his first-time starters. Guessing / hoping she has enough pace to make something of this rail draw. First-timer MAMBO MASTER also brings appealing work pattern into debut for a trainer who has won with five of his last 10 first-timers in MSW competition.



RACE BY RACE SELECTIONS

by Ron Nicoletti

Thursday, April 18, 2024

RACE 1:

2 THIS RUN'S FOR YOU is wheeling back in seven days and turning back to 6 ½ furlongs after surrendering a late lead when finishing second vs \$8,000 conditioned claimers going a one-turn mile. Peter Walder has Edwin Gonzalez managing the short turnaround.

3 ALL ABOUT LUCKY is stretching out after setting the pace and getting caught late to finish second going six furlongs. Jena Antonucci has red-hot jock Miguel Vazquez rationing out the gelding's speed.

5 GOLDEN SKULL moves to the Joel Santiago barn via the claim hoping to sit in the catbird seat behind what looks like a quick pace in the opener. Shaun Bridgmohan rides the colt.

SELECTIONS: 2-3-5

RACE 2:

3 UNCAPTURED DOVE is stretching out to a mile and seventy yards on Tapeta after knocking on the door in a pair five-furlong turf sprints. Todd Pletcher is 20% with the surface switch. **6 CAIRNHILL** is stretching out around two turns for the first time after shaking off trouble at the start to finish second vs \$50,000 maiden optional claimers going 5 ½ furlongs on the all-weather surface. Trainer Keri Brion boasts a 19% average on the Tapeta.

1 SWEET CHARITY is trying a route on the Tapeta again after threatening to break her maiden going five furlongs on the grass. Trainer Anthony Margotta has Paco Lopez negotiate the added distance.

SELECTIONS: 3-6-1

RACE 3:

2 PROVERB, a four-time winner at the distance, stretches out after drawing clear to score impressively vs similar quality going seven furlongs. Saffie Joseph Jr is 22% with horses stretching out in distance.

6 SUPER CURIOSO (ARG) is back locally after using his speed to defeat a pair of next-out winners going a mile and a sixteenth at Tampa. Amador Sanchez has Marcos Meneses named on the two-time local winner at the distance. **5 WIND NINETY NINE** moves to the Kelly Breen barn via the claim hoping the new surroundings help improve the recent pair of subpar performances. The late-closing gelding should get a perfect setup with all the speed signed on the compete in this race.

SELECTIONS: 2-6-5

RACE 4:

2 LADY CHA CHA moves to the Laura Cazares barn via the claim after returning from a layoff to finish a better than it appears on paper fourth – beaten two noses for second – vs \$50,000 starrer optional claimers going a mile on the grass. The three-year-old daughter of Vino Rosso should sit a perfect trip behind the speed of some of older horses in the field, which includes **1 BUSY MORNING**. The latter moves to the Jorge Abreu barn via the claim for owner Rohan Crichton after stalking early and drawing clear late to defeat \$35,000 two-lifetime claimers going 7 ½ furlongs. Luca Panici rides the five-year-old daughter of War Dancer.

7 CHICKEN PARM moves to the Fernando Abreu barn via the claim after getting fanned seven-wide when finishing third behind Busy Morning. The new connections, 27% with new claims, has Leonel Reyes named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 2-1-7

RACE 5:

2 VAYESTA, who is 3 for 4 in the money on the Tapeta, albeit sprinting, returns to the all-weather surface after facing better going long on the turf. Julie Stormfelt has Edwin Gonzalez managing the surface switch.

5 LUCEVAN LA STELLE is dropping to the \$12,500 level and debuting on the Tapeta after pressing the pace and fading to finish seventh vs \$25,000 maidens going a mile on the turf. She should be part of the pace if she puts her best effort forward. **1 TIME MISS** should be ready to offer more after returning from the layoff to set the pace and finish second at this level and distance. Trainer Ron Spatz has apprentice Jon Rivera playing catch me if you can.

SELECTIONS: 2-5-1

RACE 6:

3 SAND DANCER is turning back to a mile and seventy yards after his three-race win streak ended when he was outfinished when third in a \$16,000 starter handicap going nine furlongs. Marty Drexler has Edgard Zayas at the controls. **1 GRAND DAVID** will try \$20,000 open claimers in the first race since taking them gate to wire when defeating \$35,000 conditioned claimers going around two turns on the Tapeta during November. Victor Barboza Jr, 22% with this type of layoff, has Emisael Jaramillo going for two in a row.

4 BRINGER OF RAIN must bring more for the stretch drive after finishing second behind Sand Dancer when they knocked heads on March 17. Jose D'Angelo has Miguel Vazquez managing the rematch.

SELECTIONS: 3-1-4

RACE 7:

6 BONUS MOVE is stepping up to face winners after responding to both the addition of Lasix and the move to the turf with an impressive 6 ¼-length maiden victory. Mark Hennig has Joe Bravo atop the son of Twirling Candy. **2 SPLIT STRIKE**, listed as a gelding, the son of Goldencents makes his sophomore debut for Christophe Clement the first start since finishing a stalk-the-pace and weaken fifth in the six-furlong Atlantic Beach at Aqueduct in November. Christophe Clement adds Lasix and Paco Lopez to do the riding. **1 APOLLO TEN**, another from Christophe Clement, makes his first start since finishing a closing fourth in front of his stablemate in the Atlantic Beach. Emisael Jaramillo rides.

SELECTIONS: 6-2-1

RACE 8:

5 ACADEMY CHOICE is hoping to make amends after finishing a head behind repeat winner Mr Narcissistic – as the favorite – at this level. Anthony Thomas rides.

4 LIEUTENANT STAN has his claiming tag cut in half after finishing a worker like third vs \$50,000 two-lifetime claimers going five furlongs on the Tapeta. **2 IRON MAN JIMMY**, now in the Joe Orseno barn, the gelding debuts locally in the first race since drawing clear to defeat \$30,000 maidens going six furlongs on the Turfway Tapeta. Paco Lopez will manage the turnback to 5 ½ furlongs.

SELECTIONS: 5-4-2

BEST BET: RACE 3 – 2 PROVERB

LONGSHOT: RACE 4: 2 LADY CHA CHA



GULFSTREAM PARK



Thursday, April 18 By Brian Nadeau

Royal Palm Meet Statistics:

Best Bet: N/A Longshot: N/A

Race 1:

- 2 – This Run's for You
- 3 – All About Lucky
- 4 – Fort Attitude

Race 2:

- 7 – Sprezzatura
- 6 – Cairnhill
- 1 – Street Charity

Race 3:

- 3 – Uranium
- 2 – Proverb
- 5 – Wind Ninety Nine

Race 4:

- 1 – Busy Morning
- 7 – Chicken Parm
- 6 – Crimson Princess

Race 5:

- 2 – Vayesta (Best Bet)**
- 8 – Cabernet
- 5 – Lucevan La Stella

Race 6:

- 5 – Gliding Afleet (Longshot)**
- 3 – Sand Dancer
- 7 – Uncle Armando

Race 7:

- 6 – Bonus Move
- 5 – Roi Soleil
- 1 – Apollo Ten

Race 8:

- 5 – Academy Choice
- 4 – Lieutenant Stan
- 2 – Iron Man Jimmy

Best Bet: R5: #2 Vayesta (5-2)

- * Big two-turn improvement off claim
- * Now tries Tapeta route for first time
- * Well-drawn against very modest field

Longshot: R6: #5 Gliding Afleet (12-1)

- * Enters in good form off last three
- * Meets a vulnerable favorite (#3)
- * Stalker in a field full of early speed



GULFSTREAM
PARK



Turf Paradise (4:25)

By: Scott Ehlers

First Race **5** Cm Panama Playboy **6**. Wanted Eagle **7**. Jessies Cartel

Second Race **10**. Holiday Train **9**. Injeanius **8**. Magical Chic

Third Race **6** Zorina **1**. Avoir **2** Rocky Bay Rae

ZORINA has figs going in the right direction and now puts four races together. What if she needed that return try going a tough 6 1/2 furlongs three back? What if she hated two turns two back? Her most recent was better, right? Obviously someone thinks a lot of this filly to try stakes foes three times in her short career. We love this outside post for a stalking trip off legit splits. AVOIR is speed on the rail. This SoCal invader will get bet hard and this barn has had good success sending runners from California but mostly turf horses. They are still 21% turf to dirt. First time winners even here is no picnic. ROCKY BAY RAE figures a nice trip off the pace and has improved her Beyer in every start. She has a recent work and keeps her regular jock. Did you notice that she only cost 4K yet has never seen claimers?

Fourth Race **6** Moon Shine Time **3** Pareto's Principle **7**. Caution Cardinal

MOON SHINE TIME should find the front end where an early breather awaits. Current form is fine and she is a beaten favorite last out if you like that angle. Homebred could be a good one and shouldn't be a maiden much longer. PARETO'S PRINCIPLE ran evenly in his debut even if he only beat two home. He even got some play when sent off at 8-1 (yes, small field but still). We like the jock switch to Valenzuela. Most runners improve the second time they do anything. CAUTION CARDINAL has improved his Beyer in three straight. What is going to happen if he ever breaks better? This outside post could help there. A recent work bodes well all for a rock solid barn.

Fifth Race **7**. Innocent Man **6**. Nyquiler **1** Mountain Breeze

INNOCENT MAN is the value. He ran well in both turf starts at Horseshoe Indy where the racing is improving by the minute. Their turf racing is especially strong and they got a lot of horses from Churchill when that track had problems with their turf course. Current form looks poor but some horses hate the fake dirt at Turfway. We like how new barn wants the turf in first local start. NYQUILER is a new turf horse. He just won as the chalk and could improve second time this sod. If looking for a knock then race flow is only average.

Sixth Race **1**. Poetic Pursuit **4**. Wright Winged **6** Olivian

POETIC PURSUIT pushed the pace in her return try and simply tired some. What if she needed that short sprint? Jock stays put and is 43% for this barn. There just isn't much pace in this race so this mare won't be that far back in the early running. WRIGHT WINGED puts three races together and is proven on this dirt. She has won in a shortened sprint before. What if this 9YO needed both of her return tries? Older horses often need a few races to get back into the swing of things. OLIVIAN has speed something that is lacking in this race. She likes a shortened sprint. Those 870 tries 3 and 4 back certainly fit here.

Seventh Race **4**. Olivia's Choice **1** Ko Olina **6** Work N Flirt

OLIVIA'S CHOICE drops in class and that alone might be enough. Don't forget that the meet ends on Derby day. A return to the dirt is key. Isn't six furlongs her best distance? We like that Lopez gets a leg up. KO OLINA has speed and the rail. This mare likes it here and her most recent was better. Form cycle hints at better as she goes third off the layoff. Back class is hard to miss. WORK N FLIRT ran great 1, 3, and 4 back. The outlier came two back when this filly was reluctant to load. New barn is 20% off the claim. Once again this 4YO gets in light with the apprentice up.

Eighth Race **1**. Performative **3**. Joker Matt **5**. Horse Doctor

PERFORMATIVE is feeling good and now runs for a new barn that is 57% off the claim. This gelding loves sprinting and that makes perfect sense with his distance Tomlinson of 428. Lopez gets a leg up and is 38% for this barn. Race flow is fine and this guy has tactical speed to help with this post and trip. JOKER MATT ran well 2, 3, and 4 back. His recent turf route was actually better than it looks as this gelding never got a breather. We like that Cruz stays put. HORSE DOCTOR is hot to the touch and is now 2 for 2 on this dirt. He just won from the rail going 6 1/2 panels and that is never easy. This barn is 25% with horses that won their last race. This gelding likes to win in general at 25-9-5-2.

Ninth Race **10** You'reinthearmynow **9**. Golden Affair **5**. Admiralty Place

YOU'REINTHEARMYNOW tried the grass and two turns both for the first time previously and ran evenly. He is bred to love a turf route with Tomlinsons of 347/404. Second time this sod can only help. Race flow and price should be just fine. GOLDEN AFFAIR is by a 10% debut turf sire. His dam was un-raced. Lone grass sib is 13-2-4-1 and earned 35K. This gelding should like the green and has improved his Beyer in every start. ADMIRALTY PLACE faced better in SoCal and goes for a 14% turf barn. The long layoff scares us in the least. This guy can fire fresh and finds a spot where he can't be claimed. Local works are rock solid. The one to beat for sure but is he the one to bet? EARTHLY TIGER is by a 12% debut turf sire. His dam went 11-3-4-0 and earned 62K on the sod. One of three sibs won on the sod while the other two hit the board..

YONKERS (7:00)

Greg Reinhart

BEST BET-MISSISSIPPI STORM (4th) SPOT PLAY-ALLBETSONFRITZ (8th)

Race 1 - (8) BLUE HUNT starts from the outside, but this is quite a low class compared to what he's used to facing and he closed with plenty of pace in his last start up in Canada. I'll swing with him. (7) TYPHOON BANNER N gets to drop again tonight and has two 27 and change final quarters in three outings so far in 2024, hinting that he's got some hidden form. (3) CYRUS N has been facing better while hampered by bad draws. He hit the board the last time he raced at this level back in mid-February.

Race 2 - (4) HILLEXOTIC makes his 2024 debut tonight. He had a very solid campaign a year ago and won the Open Handicap at Yonkers when last seen. His one qualifier at the Meadowlands was good. (5) NOWS THE MOMENT just missed by a neck in the Invitational a couple of weeks ago and is always a contender. (2) I GET IT tallied in the Invitational back on the 28th of March and also showed ability in the Open Handicap at Dover prior to that.

Race 3 - (1) INN AT RODANTHE came up just a head short of winning last week when he had to wait for room on the inside from the pocket. He is winless in 11 starts this year, but hasn't been racing poorly by any means. (3) STEUBEN HANOVER debuts for trainer Travis Alexander off a claim and has been one of the top horses in this class through 2024. (4) J-S HOPSCOTCH overcame a break to tally a week ago and has scored the last two times he's been at this \$40,000 claiming level. He is a newcomer to Scott Di Domenico's barn after a claim.

Race 4 - (2) MISSISSIPPI STORM drops out of the class just below the Invitational. He was third in that race, and the horse that won, Tachyon, came back to tally again impressively in a subsequent start. (4) EPOS OSTERVANG DK continues to put up good efforts on a weekly basis and is pretty much a must-include. (1) GAELIHILL tired badly on 3-28 but that was from an outside post. He starts from the pole tonight and gets co-owner Yannick Gingras back in the bike.

Race 5 - (4) PAT STANLEY N was a winner in this class two back and then third in another start after that. He doesn't face the horse that won against him most recently and gets to slide inside a couple slots on the gate. (2) PASSA-GRILLE BEACH just missed by a nose on 4-8 after cutting the mile. I expect he'll be trying to wire this group as well. (5) HURRIKANEKINGJAMES was the runner-up in the same event my top selection exits and shows a victory against tougher \$40,000 claimers back in mid-February.

Race 6 - (3) ITSONEOFTHOSE absolutely crushed his rivals in a leg of the amateur series at Yonkers on 3-28 and returns tonight after a good second in the Open at Monticello. (2) BACARDI comes north from Freehold off a win from post seven and hit the board in both of the legs of the amateur series at Yonkers he participated in last month. (1) LIONHEAD starts from post one and was a winner the last time he competed in an amateur race on a half-mile track at Freehold back in early March.

Race 7 - (4) IM A POWERPLAY A stopped badly when last seen on 3-28. He did end up first-over in that race, so perhaps he didn't care for that, and he does show some good efforts against \$30,000 claimers. (1) STOP STARING won in a \$20,000 claiming event when last seen on 3-27, and you have to respect that given the struggle the others in here have had finding the winner's circle lately. (2) MISSILE SEELSTER was third in the same race that STOP STARING exits and starts from post two. I think he can save ground and hit the board again.

Race 8 - (4) ALLBETSONFRITZ returns from Pocono off a third in their NW4 class. I believe those horses he's been facing both over there and here at Yonkers are tougher, and he gets reunited with Jason Bartlett. (5) TAKE A CLOSER LOOK has two wins and a second in three starts since coming in from The Meadows to Travis Alexander's barn and was victorious in this class a week ago. (6) URIEL BLUE CHIP exits open \$30,000 claimers to face age-restricted rivals tonight and has a trip excuse from his most recent try on 4-1.

Race 9 - F&M Invitational Trot

(2) PERFECT VIXEN scored nicely in this class on March 21 and returns to action tonight after taking a bit of time off. I'll look for her to stay sharp and use again. (8) TIPSY MONI was assigned the outside but faces just mares here after racing against the boys in the Invitational in her last three outings. (4) NO MAS DRAMA rebounded after a couple of dull efforts with a runner-up result on the front-end a couple weeks ago and did win impressively at this level back on 3-7.

Race 10 - (2) KEG STAND didn't make much of an impact in two appearances at the Meadowlands, but I think he faces softer company tonight and gets major post relief to go with it. (4) P L OSCAR broke last Thursday but did win at this level back on March 21. I'll look for a rebound and include. (3) HIGHLAND MOWGLI wound up second after cutting the fractions in this class a week ago and tallied prior to that.

Race 11 - (1) VIVA LAS VEGAS N closed with a 27 and change final quarter against NW7500L5 foes in his last start on 3-27. He drops to the bottom level tonight and starts from post one. (3) SPRINGBRIDGE DUEL comes back to Yonkers tonight after one start over at Monticello. I'll include and hope for an effort like the one where he was second on February 22. (5) MARLBANK ROAD has been off since last June but comes out of a live qualifier at the Meadowlands and begins his 6-year-old campaign in the NW5000L5 class, which is lower than he was at when he ended his 2023 season.

Race 12 - (8) MANCLANE prevailed most recently over at Pocono and is back at Yonkers tonight in what should be a softer class than he was at when last seen locally. (6) THE BALLYKEEL DEAL picked up a check in the F&M Invitational on 4-4 and is another horse that should appreciate an easier spot. (2) PERRON starts from an inside post for the first time since back in early March, and while he hasn't won yet in 2024, he has hit the board in five of his 11 appearances.



REMINGTON PARK (7:00)

RACING ♦ CASINO

Race 1 Maiden 300 yards

- # 7 – La Cuarenta Y Ocho Sharp training race win here on 3-20
- # 3 – Ocean Bridge Improves in second start with better break
- # 10 – Runnin Solo Quick 220-yard workout on 3-18
- # 9 – Mr Mistro Posted 2nd fastest 250-yard workout on 3-27

\$1 Exacta Box: 7-3-10 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.
\$.50 Pick 5: 7-3-10 / 9-5 / 8-1-4 / 1-8-4 / 4-1 Cost: \$54.00 Pick the winners of races 1-5.

Race 2 \$15,000 Maiden Claiming 300 yards

- # 9 – Rio Winna Takes drop after finishing 4th in debut
- # 5 – Love Dynasty Just missed in her last start finishing 3rd by a neck
- # 8 – Gg Heart On Fire Has good workouts & drops in class for first start of the year
- # 7 – Parras Cash Fills out the Superfecta

\$1 Exacta Box: 9-5-8 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.
\$.50 Premier Pick 4: 9-5 / 8-1-4 / 1-8-4 / 4-1-2 Cost: \$27.00 Pick the winners of races 2-5.

Race 3 Maiden 300 yards

- # 8 – Fast Flyer 123 Expensive baby makes debut for high % connections
- # 1 – Not Any Wagon Another pricey purchase with solid works
- # 4 – More Than I Candy Improves in second start
- # 5 – Royal Vindication Good workout on 3-24 for sharp connections

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

Race 4 \$7,500 Maiden Claiming 440 yards

- # 1 – Cecis Desert Wonder Gets redo tonight after troubled trip last time & should like the distance
- # 8 – A Dashing Delilah Disqualified from the win last time & likes this distance
- # 4 – Shawbrother Like the class drop
- # 6 – Doc Crosslin Tries bit shorter distance tonight

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

Race 5 Maiden 300 yards

- # 4 – Corona in Fire Makes debut for 76% in the \$\$ trainer
- # 1 – Tex the Legend Posted couple fast workouts for first start
- # 2 – Famous Booty Pricey filly was 2nd in 2-22 training race
- # 6 – Curls Magic Wagon Solid work tab for her first start

\$1 Exacta Box: 4-1-2 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.
\$.50 Pick 3: 4-1-2 / 2-8 / 5-3-7 Cost: \$9.00 Pick the winners of races 5, 6, 7.

Race 6 Maiden 300 yards

- # 2 – Jc the Rooster Man Pretty sharp 220-yard work on 4-4
- # 8 – Kingpyn Repeat of debut puts him in the \$\$
- # 1 – First Cartel Powwer 2nd in 3-20 training race
- # 4 – Candy Runaway Solid work tab for first start

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

\$.50 Pick 3: 2-8 / 5-3-7 / 5-6-10 Cost: \$9.00 Pick the winners of races 6, 7, 8.

Race 7 \$20,000 Claiming 250 yards

- # 5 – Paint Ma a Pilot Drops out of very competitive allowance race
- # 3 – Lil Marfa Grace 4 of 6 in the \$\$ last year
- # 7 – Pevs Hello Darlin Close 2nd vs similar company in last start
- # 8 – Pevs Little Dixie Drops to claiming company at distance he's won at

\$1 Exacta Box: 5-3-7 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

\$.50 Pick 3: 5-3-7 / 5-6-10 / 1-4 Cost: \$9.00 Pick the winners of races 7, 8, 9.

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

Race 8 Maiden 300 yards

- # 5 – Prizefighter V Nice 2nd in debut & should improve
- # 6 – The Investment Good workout at WRD 3-19
- # 10 – Beaux Tye Pricey colt has a couple of useful workouts
- # 9 – Rebel One Caught sloppy track in debut finishing 3rd as the favorite

\$1 Exacta Box: 5-6-10 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

\$.50 Last Chance Pick 3: 5-6-10 / 1-4 / 8-9 Cost: \$6.00 Pick the winners of races 8, 9, 10.

Race 9 \$30,000 Claiming 400 yards

- # 1 – Pfr Coopsbestproject Missed last time by a neck longer distance will help
- # 4 – Bv Dont Look Back 2nd in last start but ended up the winner because of DQ
- # 6 – Dance Hawl Gal Back to allowance company for 2nd start of the year
- # 5 – Patriotic Gurl Gets rider change here

\$1 Exacta Box: 1-4-6 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

Race 10 Allowance 350 yards

- # 8 – Dollar Bill Never out of the \$\$ in 8 starts last year in tough company
- # 9 – Burning Follies Started out the meet with sharp allowance win
- # 6 – Wasting Light Faced tougher company in last start
- # 1 – Rgs Gold Wagon Stakes winner here last year

\$1 Exacta Box: 8-9-6 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

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