



AQUEDUCT

POST 12:40

By Mike Beer

1ST 1 UNBROKEN CHAIN faced tougher MSW rivals in the debut three weeks ago; was let go at a big price in that spot, and he looked green while riding the rail and chasing to no avail; needs this drop and adds blinkers with a chance to improve. 4 KINGS AND QUEENS is a homebred by 10% debut sire King for a Day (who also raced for Red Oak), out of a dam who is a sister to multiple stakes winner Bal Harbour; breezing right along for capable first-out trainer Sacco, and Franco taking the mount is likely a good sign. 5 CLASSIC MARTINI is a half to three-time turf route winner Noble Conquest from a dam who went 0-3 while also pointed for the grass, but his second dam was multiple stakes-placed on dirt; Levine underrated with first-time starters - past five years, debut, dirt, sprint: 11 for 50, 22%, \$2.97 ROI, 6 for 23 in that sample when debuting for a tag

Race 2 4 A BOURBON FOR TOBY did well to hold his position after the leaders in his sprint debut but wound up having to alter course late and could not recover the lost ground at that crucial stage; has gone long in both starts since to no avail, though he didn't run poorly either time; cuts back. 3 GRAND COMMANDER just missed while earning a 79 Beyer on debut, though he had no excuse in that spot; didn't run as well last time but was never beating Colloquial (106 Beyer) regardless; easy to like in this spot adding blinkers. 1 VOW OF SECRECY is by a sire whose progeny has been a little slower to come around (7% winners for Game Winner on debut), but this homebred colt is out of an unraced dam who is a sister to champion sprinter Elite Power, who won two Breeders' Cups and warned nearly \$4 million; Rice usually lets her young horses find their own way but she is plenty capable of having one ready to go on debut.

Race 3 2 DESPO'S DREAM attained a competitive level in Kentucky last summer while earning three straight 67 Beyers on dirt, including a good second at Keeneland in October; dropping back down for this after getting in too tough in his first two starts off the claim for Rice. 1 MOONLIT WEEKEND was in good form sprinting early last year before failing to improve when stretched out through the second half of that 4yo campaign; put blinkers back on for the turn back last time but was off a bit slowly and never landed a blow behind a heavily-favored entry that dominated that race up front; might be sharper for this with the aggressive Silvera returning. 8 BUSSIA didn't run particularly well when debuting on turf two summers ago; improved a bit when switched to dirt and prevailed after a good trip to break his maiden that December, but he only managed two starts last year; putting races together and dropping second off the layoff.

Race 4 TOM FOOL STAKES **BEST BET 4 BOLD JOURNEY** was in the best form of his career at the end of 2023 on this track, before heading overseas to finish a good third in the rich Riyadh Dirt Sprint; was first back from a long layoff last time when staying wide and racing on late over a track that does not play to his strengths; dangerous if ready to move forward in his second start back. 6 SURVEILLANCE is versatile in terms of both surface and running style, and he has run well despite settling for second in each of his last three starts, including that last one when forced to move early after 15-time winner Spikezone on an easy pace; going good and might get to settle a bit in the early stages this time. 2 TOP GUNNER ran well winning the Parx Sprint off the claim last September, before regressing a bit in three stakes over this track through the end of the year; took a step back in class last time and was given a more aggressive ride when blasting SURVEILLANCE in fast time,

Race 5 3 SANTAGATA gets a pass for the career debut when continuously bothered by a loose horse and never getting into position to be effective; improved in the second start when taking the race to heavily favored Empire Magic and proving best; was listed as a vet scratch last summer at Saratoga and hasn't been seen since, but she has upside for an excellent barn and will be a price. 7 CATCHPHRASE was entered in last weekend's Broadway before wisely scratching to await this; lightly raced 5yo has plenty to prove still after getting loose en route to the maiden win last time, but she might be the main speed once again. 2 ARIANA RYE is competitive on figures but both wins to date came when able to shake loose on the lead, including the maiden win at Saratoga when riding a strong rail; have no problem with the race she ran last time when only second-best to the speedy Banquera, but she appeared to hang badly two back.

Race 6 STYMIE STAKES 7 WORCESTER shaped with plenty of potential early on for Baffert, despite taking eight starts to break his maiden; has looked good winning his last two starts for this high-percentage trainer in Maryland while using different running styles; steps back up at the right time. 5 BANK FRENZY is a hard-hitting NY-bred bringing excellent form into this while stepping up in class a bit; has posted each of his last three wins over wet tracks, but he is fine on fast dirt and he can rate or run early, as require; deserves extra credit for dealing with a fast pace in that last one. 2 LAW PROFESSOR has something to prove following two below-par performances recently, not that there aren't excuses to be made if so inclined; loves this track, and he seemingly proved that he can still riun when scoring with a 98 Beyer off the layoff in October; dangerous if ready to snap back into form as he cuts back in distance.

Race 7 BUSHER STAKES - Not sure the longer distance did 1 LIAM IN THE DUST any favors in the Demoiselle, as she chased heavily favored Muhimma for a long way before tiring; like her better going shorter, snd thought she ran an underrated race behind Muhimma two back when putting in a solid finish to no avail; drops back in class and distance with blinkers on. 2 RAMIFY made a nice impression on debut when finishing strongly to ruin over maidens with a 76 Beyer; tries steeping up and stretching out in the Busher last time and could not make an impression as that race was dominated up close over a track that was carrying speed; dangerous with plenty of upside. 3 DREXEL HILL ran well in each of her first four starts on the all-weather up in Canade while flashing some potential; endured a tough trip in her dirt debut at Fair Grounds, then rebounded nicely last time in the slop, though she was no real match for her winning stablemate late despite a good trip; blinkers off cutting back around one turn.

LATE PICK FOUR : 1,2 / 1,5,9 / 2,6 / 5,9

Race 8 -Gotham Stakes

5 SAND DEVIL worked hard for that stakes win last time when dropping back a furlong and cutting an even pace, though he was properly game when engaged and was never letting National Identity by in the stretch while earning a 93 Beyer; getting back out to a mile is no issue for this handy colt, who owns the top two figures in the field on the way into this; the one to beat. 9 GARAMOND might have landed in the right kind of field on debut at Tampa, but he did some good things in that spot while putting himself into position before coming to hand, and then moving early to take things over; finished that race off well while never threatened, and he has some pedigree behind him to go on. 1 SCORCHING had no real excuse last time when nailed on the wire, before being promoted to first (the incident that led to the DQ had nothing to do with him); that was on a different surface, and wonder if going shorter is better for this colt, who ran very well in his first two starts sprinting on the all-weather; has surface and class questions to answer but will be a price.

Race 9 2 NEURAL NETWORK is a bit of a one-hit wonder right now - at least in terms of figures - but he has actually run well in all of his starts, save perhaps the one over a muddy track two back when chasing and tiring; starting to get overlooked now and don't mind him cutting back to a mile in a race with some pace. 6 LOTSA TROUBLE 's lack of speed is the main concern, though there appears to be enough speed signed on to this field to set him up; has to prove that he is more than a closing sprinter, but he is a strong kicker, and think he is better than he looks on paper. 8 QUICK TO ACCUSE has been in career-best form since switching to this barn early last year; chased in a fast-paced race that fell apart a bit last time when cut back to sprint; handles the added ground and is capable from off the pace.

Race 10 5 TOGA DAN put a nice stride on display while breezing 10.3 last May prior to selling for \$65k; his dam was a winner on both surfaces sprinting, and this colt is from the female family of graded stakes winners Powis Castle and Pioneerof the Nile; recently shipped up from Florida to debut for Abreu, who has his first-time starters ready under all conditions - past five years, first-time starter, MSW: 19 for 102, 19%, \$2.70 ROI. 9 SHARE THE LUDT has more speed than it might appear, but he has been ridden conservatively so far, including the loss at a short price two back vs open MSW rivals when conceding to the eventual winner early; would like to see a more aggressive ride from this 5 lb bug as he adds Lasix and steps back in with fellow state-breds. 1 VEKINDA owns the top two figures in the field but has settled for either second or third in each of his five starts to date; has landed in some tough spots along the way, including recent losses to Sand Devil and Prince Valiant, and he took a bit of an early shuffle last time before getting back up for second; tries again.

TAMPA BAY DOWNS (12:20)

By Kenny Peck

First Race **BEST BET 3 RAN THE RED** jumped up and ran a huge figure in that last one, posting a 62 Beyer in a race where the average winning number is 45; it looks to be a bit of a fluke after her previous Beyer was a 38 but she had trouble in that sprint, which was her first try with Lasix, and she obviously is going to be very tough to stave off late if she gets a clean trip today. 3-9-4

Race 2 8 Thank the Academy 7 Numeric 3 Bold Baby

Race 3 5 Keep On Rockin 4 Bullet On Tap 6 After a Few

Race 4 11 High Prince 2 Air Force Royalty 3 Grand Park View

Race 5 7 Seawise 3 Hyper Venom 6 Out On Parole

Race 6 8 PERSISTEN didn't take much money in that debut, and he ended up finishing off the board, but he ran deceptively well in defeat for trainer Juan Avila, rallying nicely and galloping well behind a gate-to-wire winner; barn has enjoyed a very good meet, and Avila has a couple of recent wins with horses making their second career starts. 8-3-2

Race 7 1 THELASTBULLETSMINE gets the hedge on the stretch-out from a sprint and she could well be the one to catch under jockey Jose Ferrer, who is at his best with frontrunners on the grass; this mare weakened going two turns in her first start off the layoff but she may have needed that one, and she could be set for her best shot yet in her third start following the break. 1-8-5

Race 8 1 WOKE UP IN LOVE is easy to like on the strength of his recent turf figures, which are steady, and among the best Beyers in this field; he'll be looking to come from off the pace but he does have the speed to work out a stalking trip from this inside post. 1-9-3

Race 9 3 Treble Maker 9 Gap to Gap 6 Country Slew

Race 10 9 WHISKEY OR WINE is a stab due to the barn's struggles to win going long and on turf but this is the type of field in which to take a shot, as the favorites seem to have holes and are generally worth trying to beat; he's an upgrade candidate after racing off the pace in all of his three starts since returning from the layoff yet he'll be a big price. 5 ADIOS BUCCANEER is easy to like after running 2nd in two of his last three starts, though that's precisely why he could be a tough take if he's an underlaid price. 2 IMMENSE FAITH was less than a length behind that runner in their last meeting, and he posted a career-best Beyer in the process; could well regress off that figure but it has to be respected nonetheless.



GULFSTREAM PARK

11:30 A.M.



Saturday, March 1

By Samantha Perry (Check X @samanthaperry for updates)

Race 1: A very competitive opener on the Fountain of Youth card. **CLICQUOT** is an athletic filly who looks well-prepared for her debut. **INDIE BAY** makes her first start for Saffie Joseph Jr., who wins at a strong 31% rate with this move. **DEBT FREE** debuts from a favorable post position, and her dam was a six-time consecutive winner—this is her first foal to race.
Selections: 4-6-7-2

Race 2: **MOUNT HOREB** finished second at this level last out and galloped out strongly, looking like a horse who needed the race. **ROTTERDAM** won impressively on the grass two starts back in his comeback effort and fits well in this field if he can replicate that performance. **CLEVER MISCHIEF** was the runner-up at a similar level, but that was back in early December, so the spacing isn't ideal—still, he remains a contender here.
Selections: 5-4-3-7

Race 3: The return of **SPEAKEASY** is intriguing, as he hasn't been seen since late August when he flattened out in a Grade 1 at Saratoga. However, he has shown an affinity for Gulfstream Park, and it will be interesting to see how fit he is for the debut of his four-year-old campaign. **CLASSIFY** is dangerous with a recency edge and a clear liking for this seven-furlong distance. **INTO PLEASURE** remains undefeated on the Gulfstream Park main track and continues to improve with each start.
Selections: 5-1-3-6

Race 4: **CIVETTA** adds blinkers for the first time after a third-place finish, and her morning workouts with the equipment change have been very impressive. **VIXEN** returned in her three-year-old season in top form with a strong stakes victory and will be tough once again here. **MISS WORLDWIDE** tries the grass and two turns for the first time after winning two stakes sprinting on dirt. She has the build of a filly who

should handle the surface switch well, and I like that she's taking on a new challenge.
Selections: 6-5-2-1

Race 5: A wide-open field in the fifth race. **BEYOND STOKED** ran huge off a layoff to finish fifth but was caught in a pace duel the entire way and tired late. **ENLIGHTEN** has won his last two races, and it seems like the lightbulb has finally come on as he continues to improve on the grass with each start. **SEMINOLE CHIEF** removes blinkers after a very rank first-time turf try last out, where he was still game down the lane. With that experience, I expect a much bigger effort today.
Selections: 5-6-3-8

Race 6: An extremely competitive maiden field. **SHANGRALA ROAD** has been training impressively in the mornings and is a big, strong colt who looks well-prepared for his debut. **DISRUPTOR** set the pace throughout in his debut, which came in a strong race, and he is well-drawn today. **CHILLAX**, a Godolphin homebred, has been working alongside graded stakes winner Sovereignty, which adds confidence to his potential here.
Selections: 4-9-7-8

Race 7: **FORGED STEEL** won like a graded stakes horse against allowance company last time out, swatting away every challenger on the lead and drawing clear. He looks poised to stamp his ticket as a stakes winner today. **ENTERDADRAGON** had an impossible trip last time but still ran well, all things considered. He's one to keep an eye on at what could be a generous price. **MI BAGO** has speed, and his best chance at victory appears to be controlling the race on the front end.
Selections: 6-3-8-4

Race 8: BALLERINA D'ORO was scratched from Fair Grounds a couple of weeks ago, and I like this one-turn mile distance for her from a very good post position. However, she'll need to be a bit closer to the pace to have a strong chance here. **THE QUEENS M G** needed her last race, and despite the tricky rail draw today, she should take another step forward off that comeback effort. **LA CARA** won impressively at Tampa last time out, drawing away from the field. She has natural speed, which makes her a strong contender here.

Selections: 6-1-4-2

Race 9: FORT WASHINGTON looks like the one to beat if things set up in his favor. He had an impossible post position in the Pegasus World Cup Turf last time out and still ran well, but he will have to contend with **MAJOR DUDE** to his outside, who defeated him two starts back. **IRISH ACES** ran well off the layoff in the Grade 3 Tampa Bay and is likely to take another step forward here, as he has always been a very competitive horse.

Selections: 3-4-1-5

Race 10: A very competitive field, with many of these fillies and mares exiting the Grade 3 **La Prevoyante**, which was won by **FOREVER AFTER ALL** after timing her run perfectly to get up just in time. **LA MEHANA** finished third in that race but seemed stretched a bit too thin at the mile-and-a-half distance, so I like the cutback to a mile and three-eighths for her. **IMMENSITUDE** is the one I want on top—though still winless in the U.S., she has faced tough competition and appears fit for her Gulfstream Park debut today.

Selections: 4-8-1-3

Race 11: The Grade 2 **Gulfstream Park Mile** is a competitive renewal, featuring the return of Grade 1-placed **MINDFRAME**, who hasn't been seen since July 20 of last year. If he's on his game, he will be very tough to beat. **STEEL SUNSHINE**, the reigning champion of this race, loves this track and should appreciate the cutback to the one-turn mile. **ENCINO** ran a strong race off the layoff at Fair Grounds in late January but will need to take another step forward today. His recent morning works haven't been particularly impressive, which raises some concerns.

Selections: 1-7-3-8

Race 12: POOLSIDE WITH SLIM reunites with Frankie Dettori, who has guided her to two victories. Although she hasn't raced since November 29 at Churchill, her morning works suggest she's coming into this race well-prepared. **POUNCE** looks well spotted after a strong effort against tough competition in the Pegasus World Cup Filly & Mare Turf. **SEE YOU AROUND** won the Tropical Park Oaks here in December and retains Irad Ortiz, which makes her a serious contender once again.

Selections: 4-9-2-8

Race 13: The feature race, the Grade 2 Fountain of Youth, runs through **BURNHAM SQUARE**, who remains undefeated at this distance and at Gulfstream Park. He was dominant in the Grade 3 Holy Bull and continues to take a step forward with each start. **RIVER THAMES** is also unbeaten at Gulfstream but will be stretching out to two turns for the first time. It's uncertain if he's best suited for the distance, but he might be able to handle it at a mile and a sixteenth today.

NEOEQUOS won on a sloppy track in his January comeback and will need a major step forward here. However, it's interesting that his connections take a shot in this spot, making him worth considering underneath.

Selections: 3-6-7-8

Race 14: PARCHMENT PARTY will try the grass for the second time in his career after a sneaky good effort at Tampa last time out. He's my longshot play on this big day of racing at Gulfstream. **SUGOI** won at Houston last time against a softer field but has back class for the Michael Maker barn that makes him competitive here. **MISSED THE CUT** is a multiple graded stakes winner in California, and if you toss out his Ascot race, his form fits perfectly with this group.

Selections: 10-8-4-12

Best Bet Race 7 Forged Steel

Long Shot Race 14 Parchment party



GULFSTREAM PARK



Saturday, March 1 By Brian Nadeau

Championship Meet Statistics (through 2/16):

GP Meet: 548-136-111-73 (\$1.76/\$5.04) **Best Bet:** 52-12-13-5 (\$1.28/\$4.73) **Longshot:** 48-7-2-6 (\$3.13/\$6.48)

Race 1:

6 – Indy Bay
4 – Clicquot
5 – La Neige

Race 2:

5 – Mount Horeb
7 – Rothschild
3 – Clever Mischief

Race 3:

5 – Classify
3 – Speak Easy
7 – Duke of Love

Race 4:

5 – Vixen
1 – Classic Q
6 – Civetta

Race 5:

3 – Enlighten
4 – J P Hellish
11 – Full Nelson

Race 6:

7 – Chillax
9 – Disruptor
4 – Shangrala Road

Race 7:

3 – Enterdadrageon
10 – Smooth Breeze
8 – Mi Bago

Race 8:

4 – La Cara
6 – Ballerina d'Oro
1 – The Queens M G

Race 9:

1 – Irish Aces
4 – Major Dude
3 – Fort Washington

Race 10:

4 – Immensitude
5 – Beach Bomb
3 – Queen Regent

Race 11:

1 – Mindframe
7 – Steal Sunshine
3 – Encino

Race 12:

8 – In Our Time (Best Bet)

1 – Tax Implications
7 – Special Wan

Race 13:

6 – River Thames
1 – Gate to Wire
3 – Burnham Square

Race 14:

1 – Anglophile (Longshot)

9 – Grand Sonata
3 – Capture the Flag

Best Bet: R12: #8 In Our Time (7-2)

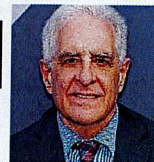
- * Looks the controlling speed
- * Stepped up in G2 PWCFT
- * Cutback to 1m won't hurt

Longshot: R14: #1 Anglophile (8-1)

- * Clearly needed last off layoff
- * Very good 2nd in this last year
- * Perfectly drawn to save ground



GULFSTREAM PARK



Saturday, March 1 Ron Nicoletti

Race 1:

4 Clicquot
5 La Neige
6 Indy Bay

Race 2:

7 Rothschild
5 Mount Horeb
3 Clever Mischief

Race 3:

1 Into Pleasure
3 Speak Easy
5 Classify

Race 4: The Herecomesthebride (G3)

6 Civetta
5 Vixen
4 Ramsey Pond

Race 5:

8 Echo Lane
3 Enlighten
6 Seminole Chief

Race 6:

9 Disruptor
4 Shangrala Road
3 Harbe

Race 7: The Colonel Liam

6 Forged Steel
8 Mi Bago
9 Emergence

Race 8: The Davona Dale (G2)

6 Ballerina d'Oro
1 The Queens M G
4 La Cara

Race 9: The Canadian Turf (G3)

5 Silent Heart
4 Major Dude
3 Fort Washington

Race 10: The Very One (G3)

1 Forever After All
8 La Mehana (FR)
3 Queen Regent (GB)

Race 11: The Gulfstream Park Mile (G2)

1 Mindframe
3 Encino
7 Steal Sunshine

Race 12: The Honey Fox (G3)

8 In Our Time
1 Tax Implications (GB)
2 See You Around (IRE)

Race 13: The Fountain of Youth (G2)

3 Burnham Square (BB)
6 River Thames
2 Sovereignty

Race 14: The Mac Diarmida (G2)

8 Sugoi (LS)
9 Grand Sonata
12 Dashman

Best Bet: R13: 3 Burnham Square

Gets the acid test after the pair of impressive victories at the distance, including winning the Holy Bull. He's been a monster with blinkers.

Longshot: R14: 8 Sugoi

Cuts back to 11 furlongs after using his speed to win the 12 panel J B Conolly for the suddenly hot Mike Maker barn. Frankie Dettori rides.



OAKLAWN
RACING ♦ CASINO ♦ RESORT

By Mary Rampellini (DRF)

Race 1

Post: 1:25 PM

In the opener, 5 HAPPY TALK is a logical choice off a runner-up finish against similar. She's a half-sister to Grade 2 winner Laoban. 3 STIPULATE exits a quick race. 7 BANG BANG FURY is a gem of consistency as she has never failed to bring home a check in eight starts. More on each of the entrants in the Closer Look feature in Daily Racing Form.

Race 2 5 PREACHER'S KID owns a competitive series of Beyer Speed Figures and could be sitting on a peak race in his third start since April. 13 GET AWAY WITH IT returns to the statebred ranks and one turn and his best recent effort came under such "conditions." 8 BRADFORD is back at one turn, site of his best recent finish.

Race 3 1 ATOMIC TONE cuts back to one turn and his last two wins on form have come at the configuration. 5 ELUSIVE D'ORO is another back at a one-turn configuration after racing around two on the six furlong oval at Delta Downs. 2 SUPER BRADY long has been a competitive sort.

Race 4

12 COLDASICE has speed and an outside post that could give Santana options. 9 ROSIE COTTON was third against similar last out and as a 4-year-old has an age edge on some of these. 7 REECHO set the pace over a tiring kind of track last out in a good third-place finish.

Race 5

9 TIZ WICKED STRONG returns to the conditioned claiming ranks and the last time he faced such foes he was second. 7 GLUCKSTADT has been a regular at a mile and a sixteenth this meet at Oaklawn. 2 TORNADO ROAD draws an improved post over his most recent start.

Race 6 2 PUTTING EAGLE was prominent last out in a race that went quite quick. 7 PRIDE'S PRINCE represented himself well last out against a quality kind of winner. 5 TIP TOE JOE exits the same quick race as top choice.

Race 7

It would not be a surprise to see some of these advance to the Fantasy or other stakes later in the season. 7 LEGAL EMPRESS is back in the overnight ranks off the third-place finish in the Martha Washington. The runner-up from the race, Quietside, came back to take the Honeybee on Sunday at Oaklawn with a Beyer of 86. This one is from a Grade 2-winning mare who ran out \$465K. 8 ADEERA is from a Grade 3-placed mare who has produced a Grade 1 winner in Newgate (\$1M). This one also exits the Martha Washington and, like top choice, will be first Lasix. 4 IN AWE OF JUJU makes the move to two turns and gets notable genetic support for the added ground from the bottom side of her pedigree. 2 PRINCESS EM TOO is from a Grade 2-winning mare who earned \$456K.

Race 8

BEST BET:10 BRAHMS IMAGE is a consistent performer who has been knocking on the door this meet at Oaklawn. He figures to be strong through the stretch on the cutback from a mile. 7CYBERTOWN exits same race as top choice. 3BLAME J D exits a quick race and the winner came back and scored again Monday at Oaklawn. AL'S ROMEO exits a race that has produced two next-out winners.

Race 9

1 HAULIN ICE will soon be crowned the 2024 Arkansas-bred of the year by the Arkansas Thoroughbred Breeders' and Horsemen's Association. Deana Echols, the organization's executive secretary, told Daily Racing Form earlier this week that Haulin Ice has won the title because the \$447,350 that she earned last year topped all 2024 earnings by registered Arkansas-breds. 9 BENNYKAYANDSUZYTOO might get an ideal tracking trip off top choice. 2 PUNCHY GIRL is a stakes winner who owns the field's co-highest last-race Beyer Speed Figures.

Race 10

5 LAT LONG is a Grade 3-placed runner who was second at this level last out at Oaklawn. The Beyer Speed Figure of 95 that he earned is the best last-race number in this field. 11 ANTHONIAN makes the move to two turns and gets pedigree support for the added distance. 6 DAILY GRIND closed well for third last out, to a wire to wire winner. This one is from a Grade 3-winning mare who ran out \$294K. 9 GUN PARTY is from a Grade 1-winning mare who banked \$1.4M.

Wheeling Greyhounds (Post 1:00)



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Best Bets : **9-3** **S S FULL METAL**

16-1 **JAYSP RAZENDACASH**



FAIR GROUNDS - POST 1:20

1st RACE	3	Don Corleone	3-8-7-6
SECOND RACE	2	Rosalba the Wicked	2-7-3-1
THIRD RACE	3	Sally O'Malley	3-1-5-4
FOURTH RACE	5	Blue Fire	5-7-1-3
FIFTH RACE	9	Boomin' Belle	9-2-10-1
SIXTH RACE	3	Just a Touch	3-6-8-7
SEVENTH RACE	6	Behemah Star	6-11-1-4
EIGHTH RACE	4	Dapper Moon	4-7-6-5
NINTH RACE	6	Chasing Liberty	6-2-8-1
TENTH RACE	5	Play Mo	5-8-9-6



Santa Anita - Post 3:00

By Brad Free

Race 1 **5 NAVAJO WARRIOR** ran well in his comeback at this N2L starter level, closing from far back to miss by less than a length. 'WARRIOR has more speed than he showed in that mile and one-eighth race; he shortens to a mile and is the logical choice to wear them down late. The horse who beat him, El Rey Rey, was scheduled to start as a contender in race 3 Friday. 2 **HURRICANE WAY** exits the same race; he finished fifth while rallying between rivals late. He finished only a length and a half behind the top choice and probably benefits by the shorter distance of this mile race. 7 **LOOKS RARE** is speed, first start since September. 1 **KHANTORO D'ORO** had trouble last out finishing second vs. lesser company. He has speed to be forwardly placed saving ground from the rail.

Race 2 The fifth-place comeback by **5 A. Z. WILDCAT** was better than looks; she drops from stakes into an entry-level allowance sprint. The racing surface was tough for 'WILDCAT in her comeback; she was uncomfortable early, made a little move into and through the turn, then flattened out while racing for the first time since her fast debut six months earlier. 'WILDCAT adds blinkers and Lasix, worked fast since raced, and meets easier rivals. She is trained by John Sadler, who also entered 6 **OVETA'S HOBBY**. The latter moves up in class following an odds-on win in a starter allowance. She has speed and an outside post, and is expected to set or press the pace in the clear. 4 **IN THE AIR TONIGHT**, a Cal-bred stakes winner and three-time stakes-placed, adds Lasix and shortens from a route to a sprint. She'll be rolling late, while **GOING DEEP** must use her speed from the inside post. She wired Cal-bred allowance fillies last out on turf, and is equally effective on dirt. **EARLY PICK FOUR: 5,6 / 3,5 / 4,6 / 2**

Race 3 Based on early class and a promising third-place comeback, **3 LIGURIA** can upset 5 **RASHMI** in this G2 turf mile for fillies and mares. It won't be easy, because **RASHMI** finished three lengths in front of **LIGURIA** last out in the G3. But that was the first start in more than a year for **LIGURIA**, whose :22.93 final quarter was the fastest in the field. It was an excellent comeback by a 5yo mare who established her class as a juvenile in 2022 when she won a G3. Lightly raced, with a comeback under her belt, **LIGURIA** can score the upset. However, it is entirely possible **RASHMI** is simply a better filly. Her last-out victory was her fourth from her last six starts; she has more speed than the top choice. **RASHMI** figures for another pace-pressing trip; she will get first run. 6 **ALPHA BELLA** switches surfaces after successive runner-up finishes in three graded stakes on dirt since relocating to California. She can handle turf; she won a G3 last year and placed in three turf stakes.

Race 4 **4 ROMAN GRATIS** and **6 OUTWORKER** , first and third across the wire last out in a similar Cal-bred maiden sprint, are the choices back at the same level. **ROMAN GRATIS** wired the field, but was disqualified after he slammed into and eliminated **OUTWORKER** at the break. It was a solid "winning" comeback for 'GRATIS, who adds blinkers and has more speed than his main rival. However, **OUTWORKER** ran well and could narrow the gap if not win outright. **OUTWORKER** was knocked outward at the break and was away last, he rallied to finish third despite the start. It was a strong debut by **OUTWORKER**, the challenge is he has not yet shown any speed in the morning or afternoon. But he does benefit from the extra half-furlong of this six and one-half furlong race. First-timer **3 BEER BUZZ** debuts with a solid workout pattern at San Luis Rey; he is a full brother to Cal-bred stakes winners Thirsty John (debut winner) and Rock N Rye.

Race 5 **2 QUICK BROWN FOX** , highly rated runner-up in her debut nearly a year ago, returns with a solid work pattern into this maiden turf sprint. Sired by Justify and produced by G1 winner Bast, the runner-up debut by 'FOX was flattered when the filly who beat her by a neck returned to win an allowance next out. 'FOX should handle turf; the challenge will be working out a trip from post 2. There is lots of speed to her outside. **5 NAFISA** finished second last out in her first start on turf; she missed by less than a length as the favorite. She has speed but also can rally from behind. **3 HALSTYN ROSE** makes her California debut after finishing third three times from four starts last year in Florida and Kentucky. 'ROSE is a sibling to G2 winner/multiple Cal-bred stakes winner Leggs Galore. This the first start since May for 'Rose; the best race of her career was her debut, so she does run well fresh.

Race 6 In a competitive N1X sprint, comebacker **7 BALL DON'T LIE** gets the call based on races here last spring. He won a highly rated MSW (97 Beyer), then finished second in a stakes before being sidelined. He returns as a first-time gelding for trainer Mark Glatt, whose dirt-sprint comebackers (non-maidens) won at a 24 percent clip (12 for 51) the past five years. With a five-pound apprentice rider, **BALL DON'T LIE** is expected to use his speed. **6 TESSUTO** ran the best race of his career last out in his second start back following a layoff. He missed by a head with a 94 Beyer after waiting for room into the lane. Sharp try. The gelding is back in form and he has more speed than the horse who beat him. That is his George Papaprodoumou-trained stablemate **2 POSITIVITY** , a seven-time winner entered for the \$50k optional claim tag. **POSITIVITY** is 4-for-9 on SA dirt, and will be running late in a race likely to unfold at a solid pace. Cal-bred stakes **KANGAROO COURT** makes his first start since 2023. He has a gap in published works from late December to mid-February. He might need one.

Race 7 Another competitive N1X sprint, this for fillies and mares on turf. **6 ANG N ASH** lost a lot of ground racing wide last out and finishing a close third in a similar race. She was claimed for \$50k, runs back for the \$50k optional tag in a race with plenty of pace to flatter her rally. Trainer Steve Knapp won with 4 of his last 12 first-off-the-claim turf sprinters at SA. **1 SHUANGXI** drops from a speed-and-fade N2X to N1X/optional claiming. She set a strong pace in that downhill race before she tired. That was her first start in nearly three months, she should be a fitter filly second start back. However, she drew the inside post in a race with lots of speed to her outside. **2 WORD PLAY** looms the upset candidate. Her last-out fourth in a N1X hillside race was better than it looks. She chased a strong pace, the speed collapsed entirely, and 'PLAY held best of the front-runners. She may have found her niche in sprints. **3 THERMAL** is speed, first-time Lasix.

Race 8 **San Felipe Stakes**

Bob Baffert-trained stablemates **4 RODRIGUEZ** and 3BARNES top this G2 route for 3yos; comebacker 2 JOURNALISM makes it a virtual three-horse race (six entered). RODRIGUEZ has more seasoning than his stablemate and is proven at two turns. RODRIGUEZ followed his maiden romp at a mile with a better-than-looked runner-up finish last out in a G3. He lost position into the far turn, dropped back, then re-rallied to finish more than two lengths clear of Madaket Road, who subsequently finished second last weekend in a G2 at Oaklawn Park. RODRIGUEZ trained well since raced, including a strong team work last weekend. The rapidly improving colt must catch likely pacesetter BARNES. The latter was a \$3.2 million yearling whose first two starts were strong sprints including a G2 romp last out. Two-for-two BARNES is running long for the first time, and expected to make the lead. He could be gone. JOURNALISM is making his first start since December, when he scored a decisive victory in the G2 Los Alamitos Futurity. JOURNALISM has worked well for his comeback. It's his first start in a while; he is not cranked all the way. But he will be finishing.

LATE PICK 4 PLAY : 3,4 / 3 / 5,7 / 1,2

Race 9 If he reproduces his dazzling 1:32.39 victory in a G3 turf mile, **3 EL POTENTE BEST BET** will be tough in this G1 **Kilroe turf mile**. The veteran has tactical speed and a late kick. 'POTENTE ran his final quarter-mile last out in a :22.88. It's tough to catch a front-runner/pace-presser who finishes that fast. 1 MI HERMANO RAMON is facing easier than he met in a G1 at Gulfstream Park last out. He took advantage of a rail-skimming trip to finish fourth by slightly more than two lengths against a much stronger field. 'RAMON has speed to establish a forward position saving ground from the rail, and though he has been racing longer distances, his two starts at a mile produced a win and a second. The shorter distance is fine. 7 ALMENDARES returns from a three-month break. His runner-up finishes last summer in a pair of G2s stamp him a contender. He'll be flying late, possibly at a price. FORMIDABLE MAN, G1 winner vs. 3yos last year, was hounded into submission last out and finished last. He removes blinkers, and is drawn outside main pace adversary AIR FORCE RED.

Race 10 **Santa Anita Handicap** East Coast shipper 7 LOCKED can win the G1 Santa Anita Handicap for the simple reason he is the best horse. G1 winner as a juvenile in 2023, off a year, he returned as an improved older horse. He won a highly rated G2 two back, and finished a better-than-looked second last out in a G1 after blowing the start from a wide post. He adds blinkers to increase focus; this field has pace to run at. 5 MIRAHMADI looms a live longshot with an up-front trip. A need-the-lead speedster who scored a confidence-building N1X win last out, MIRAHMADI trained exceptionally well since, and acts like he will stay the mile and one-quarter. If he can make the lead, he could get brave at a price. 1EXPRESS TRAIN won the Big 'Cap three years ago and is rounding back into form. He finished a creditable second last out in a G2, and will be making his third start back from a layoff. Theoretically, it should be his best. He benefits by the pace scenario; there is lots of speed to run at. East Coast/Midwest late-runner 3 HIT SHOW won four of his last five, all graded stakes. He will rally late in a race that could set up for a closer.

Race 11 1 INVIGORATED can spring an upset in this N1X turf route. His recent races are not bad: closing third in his comeback, tough post and pace finishing fourth next out, followed by a forgivable off-the-board finish on dirt. Back on turf, first-time gelding, speed figures on turf that are within five points of par, and a ground-saving forwardly placed trip expected, INVIGORATED can score an upset. 2 COALINGA ROAD always shows up to complete the exacta (4 wins, 10 seconds). A Cal-bred stakes winner and multiple Cal-bred stakes placed, 'ROAD finished second in both recent state-bred stakes, and could fire for favoritism rallying from off the pace. 6 PHOSPHORESCENCE is speed, and though speed has been ineffective this meet at a mile and one-eighth on turf, the front-runner could get brave in a race likely to unfold at a modest tempo.



Sunland Park (2:25)

1 ST	5	West Tx Rain	5-7-8-4
2 ND	7	Chase the Moon	7-9-4-1
3 RD	6	Rocky Bar Six	6-1-10-2
4 TH	2	Lovely Josie James	2-1-4-9
5 TH	7	Daddys Southerndream	7-5-4-9
6 TH	2	Racy Cowboy	2-7-3-12
7 TH	5	Seven Cmon Eleven	5-3-7-8
8 TH	8	Harken	8-2-1-12
9 TH	6	Big Posies Cartel	6-12-2-4



Turfway (Post 5:55)

FIRST RACE	7	Mister Rosso	7-3-2-4
SECOND RACE	3	Halfway Joking	3-8-1-5
THIRD RACE	10	Karma Director	10-6-4-5
FOURTH RACE	9	Dazzling Cruiser	9-3-7-1
FIFTH RACE	8	Perfect Prankster	8-11-10-3
SIXTH RACE	1	Birkin Girl	1-3-6-2
SEVENTH RACE	2	Dreaming of Mo	2-5-4-9
EIGHTH RACE	7	Nice as Pie	7-1-4-3
NINTH RACE	6	My Angel Does	6-1-12-7
TENTH RACE	12	Azoi	12-6-3-2-5



(Post 6:20) By Derick Giwner

BEST BET: STELLAR YANKEE (2nd) SPOT PLAY: MILLWOOD BLISS N (12th)

Race 1: (9) MCMARKLE SPARKLE hasn't been on this track in 1.5 years and seems to have found a cozy spot. While there are plenty of sharp horses signed on, she has a bit of a class edge and is plenty versatile. (3) IN THE SPOTLIGHT N won at first asking in her first start since August and logic would state she should improve off that mile; Beckwith's choice. (5) SANTAFE'S APPETITE might be moving up in class but she catches a field with plenty of potential early speed and if things get wild she'll be flying late. (1) ALWAYS IN FLIGHT hails from a barn that does pretty well with horses off layoffs; see #3.

Race 2: (4) STELLAR YANKEE just missed as the chalk last time while up a level in class. Seven-year-old is capable from on or off the pace and seems likely to be aggressive, like he was in his last start at this level on 11/2/24, a four-plus length win. (5) INTEREST FREE A tried to go all the way on the engine last time and wound up second best behind the 4-5 favorite. He'll definitely be heard from in this spot. (2) VILLIAM is back at the level where he finished second two starts back. He tends to offer fair value and should again tonight.

Race 3: (5) ROCKIN THE ACES fell to this level last weekend and was used to the front past the quarter before yielding and getting shuffled back to the three-hole. Gelding never got clear in the stretch and certainly deserves a serious look here in a field without a standout. (1) GAITWAY GUY comes out of the same race as the top pick and just missed by a neck in that event. He won two of three starts at the NW2000 level last year. 5-1-3

Race 4: (3) RESOLVE TO WIN comes off a nice confidence-building win at Pocono and in terms of pure speed he's as fast as any in here. Notice he faced a couple of these guys (#2, #6) here on 2/1 and finished within a couple of lengths of them from far back. (7) OUTSIDE THE FIRE doesn't really have an excuse for the loss last time after setting reasonable fractions. That said, he'll be in winning position again if he comes ready to play. 3-7-6-8

Race 5: (6) TARANAKI is a horse I was following for some time without success. I jumped ship for a couple of starts but this seems like the right time to get back on board after a much better performance on the condition change last time. He drops again tonight and can be a major player with any decent trip. (9) WARRAWEE TOTAL was at the back behind slow fractions last time and even a 26 2/5 final quarter wasn't enough to get him more than fifth. I'd love to see some early speed tonight 6-9-3-2

Race 6: Some people may be fooled into believing that (4) SPRING BLAKE is moving up in class due to the purse differences but this is most definitely a softer field, or at least a less classy one. Four-year-old dealt with stretch traffic last time and was never really asked since there was no chance of cashing. He could wake up in a big way here. (1) CAPTAIN BAZINGA is another one coming out of regular conditioned races that should prove tough. Bartlett jumps off for his top client but that's to be expected. This guy is the one to beat. 4-1-9-2

Race 7: (1) TOCCOA FALLS has been raced conservatively in his last two starts from outside posts while up in class and the results have been underwhelming. There could be some value in this guy now as people look at those dull lines. (7) DRIBBLING BI raced pretty well last week and still gets to drop a level. He's probably the one to beat but far from a lock. 1-7--5

Race 8: (3) FULSOME had a pretty good year in 2024 and was taking a nice drop in class last time yet he still went off at 50-1. The longshot status didn't hinder him as he uncorked a powerful stretch rally to win. I'll stick with him even though Beckwith went to #4. (8) SAVE ME A DANCE absolutely stole the race last week and while I usually try to avoid those horses coming back next time, there seems to be a lack of early speed in this field. 3-8-2-9

Race 9: (5) CAPTAIN UP went a big mile on the engine to win his debut for new connections by open lengths. That was a strong performance and a repeat is certainly within reach for this 25% winning barn. (2) STAY GROUNDED won in this class four starts back before facing tougher two and three back. He's very capable of beating this group with the right setup. 5-2-4-7-9

Race 10: (4) MAD MAX HANOVER reeled off a monster mile last week and when this guy is right and placed on the engine there aren't many horses who can roll by him. He's no lock in this spot but picking against him seems foolish unless you can get a big price on (8) ACT FAST, who returns from a few months away for Burke. Five-year-old qualified in style and we all know he can fire a big shot on this track. 4-8-7-6

Race 11: (6) HEART OF DIXIE rolled in his first start for this barn and then went to Yonkers and was stuck with no chance to succeed from post eight. He's back at Club Med tonight and while this is a class hike I think he can handle it. (9) SPIRIT OF TRUTH owns a win and a second in this class recently; post the main issue. (8) JOJO'S PLACE bumps up the ladder off a big victory and seems worth some consideration. 6-8-4-5

Race 12: Bettors elected to bet (7) MILLWOOD BLISS N down to favoritism status last weekend even though trainer Nifty Norman told DRF's Jay Bergman that the horse would be raced from off the pace. So the horse sat last in the field of eight and finished very willingly on his own when clear in the stretch. With that start under her belt I'd expect to see more early interest now. (6) DRAGONS LUCKY LADY hasn't been on this track in well over a year as she comes in from Yonkers. I wonder if she could steal this race on the lead. (3) BLOOD MOON A was second versus most of these last week; using underneath.

Race 13: (10) SAULSBROOK RAPTOR qualified back nicely after two months on the sidelines. Notice this guy has shown good early speed in the past and Huckabone has been more than willing to put horses in play; taking a shot. (8) HEZA REAL DIAMOND dropped quite a bit of time in his first start since last June when you consider he qualified at Meadowlands but raced at Pocono. He'll probably need another start but his best destroys this field, so I'm going to use him on my Pick 4 ticket just in case. (7) SAULSBROOK HERO arrives from Batavia for a new barn after missing a few weeks. I'm really not sure what to expect. (6) SUNSHINE'S FINEST drops a level and has form; negative driver change.

Race 14: (5) HARRY HANOVER dropped back in for a \$10,000 claiming tag last time and got a bit unlucky to take both turns on the rim. He didn't tire too badly. Let's hope he leaves again and makes the front. (1) JOHNNY CHIP has a number of wins in this class. The negative is that he'll likely be the favorite and we don't know exactly what to expect as he changes barns. A positive is that Miller rejoins the team and he steered this guy to victory a few starts back. (5-1-2-4

WOODBINE SPOT PLAYS - (POST 6:30) John Rallis

Best Bet: WHATCHULOOKIN AT (RACE 8) Spot Play: IVY PARK (RACE 3)

1ST Early Pick 5: 10/1,5/4/3,4,6/1,5,6,8 = \$4.80

6TH Late Pick 5: 1,2,3,4/9/8/5,7,9/1,6 = \$4.80

Race 1: (10) STIRRUP LANE is a full brother to O'Brien Award winner, Silver Label, and will be making his career debut after being unraced at 2 and 3. He hails from post 10 in this contest but is coming off a very strong qualifier, under tight lines to James MacDonald and should be able to find the winner's circle against this group 10-7-3-1

Race 3: (4) IVY PARK was sitting in a perfect striking position in his latest before putting in steps heading into the final turn. It was an uncharacteristic break that was made by a horse who seems to be trending in the right direction. I'm willing to forgive that showing and I'll come right back in hopes of a trip to the winner's circle. 4-3-6-1

Race 4: (6) TROSA A disappointed as the lukewarm favorite in his latest after a very strong showing two starts back. He was on the lead in that contest and was picked off by the pocket sitter. He appears better when hunting horses late in the stretch and I'm willing to give him top billing here in hopes of that sort of trip. He was JMac's choice of 3 in here. (4) BLUE VENTURA was moving well late in the mile to secure the place spot. It was by far his best effort since he started racing in Ontario and looks like he could be turning the corner. 6-4-3-1

Race 8: (8) WHATCHULOOKIN AT came first up in the Preferred last week and faded to be a close 5th. He drops down at a much more favorable spot tonight and should have every chance to find the winner's circle. 8-6-3-4

Race 10: (1) NAZARE gets to sneak into this class off the AE condition. He was purchased by trainer Dave Menary who had trained him in the past, and put forth a winning debut back in his care. He looks poised to double up vs. this group. 1-6-3-5

Race 11: (6) HIGHLANDBEACHLOVER closed well in his latest to be runner-up to a strong winner. This 9YO has been racing well and looks like he could be sitting on one of his vintage, gate-to-wire scores this evening. (3) PIPEWRENCH CHARLIE left out for early positioning in his latest, took a shuffle and re-rallied to be 3rd in that contest. He can sit close by virtue of an inside draw but will need a perfect trip to score. 6-3-2-1