



BELMONT @ AQUEDUCT

POST 1:10

By Mike Beer

David Aragona

First Race 6. Aerate 7. Ranger Battalion 1 Natural Hunk

AERATE returned to dirt last at Keeneland, and he had little chance to impact that race as it was holding together up front late; still thought he tried gamely from last, and moving up off the Rice claim might be a good sign. RANGER BATTALION has tried all three surfaces already, and improved to a slight new Beyer top when dropped for the first time at Gulfstream most recently; has faced tougher in both starts sprinting on dirt, including that race two back when shoeing speed; drops.

Second Race 7 Flat On 6. Macaw 1 Outsource

FLAT ON turned back to sprint at Keeneland two back and ran well in that spot while dueling a rival into defeat, before weakening in the stretch; that pace rival, Halmstead, was eased and has since won three of four starts, including a recent 91 Beyer effort; cuts back and drops after catching a sloppy track off the layoff. MACAW just missed in the first two starts of his career while favored both times; wound up getting vanned off the track when failing as the chalk for a third time at Saratoga last summer; finally broke through off the layoff last time when protected by Rice; threat if getting back to one of his fast races.

Third Race 6. Graywing 2. Bramito 4 . Dots Dollar

GRAYWING rarely fails to show up, and he had won three of four with improving figs to kick off 2025, including a new top Beyer when up in class off the claim two back; dueled two different times before fading in that last one, but he is tactical enough to track a pace if necessary as he breaks from an outside post this time. BRAMITO rolled to a clear-cut win with a 92 Beyer when cut back to sprint two starts back; was claimed out of that race and got in too tough in his first start for the new connections last time; steps back.

Fourth Race 1. Have You Heard 6 . Narciso Dali 2 Glint

HAVE YOU HEARD improved for Maker last year when winning his first two starts on dirt, both in one-turn routes; starts back from a layoff for this while also stepping back in class, which he seemingly needs at this point; like the one-turn mile for him, and his speed plays in this spot.

Fifth Race 5. Observer 8. Our Lil Surfergirl 6. Sounds of Summer

OBSERVER has caught wet tracks in both starts since stepping back in class, and he never had a chance with that 1/5 MSW dropper two back; was clearly second-best to another favored winner at this level in that last one; might be in the right spot this time. OUR LIL SURFERGIRL is a half to an eight-time dirt sprint winner, as well as three other winners on the track from this dam; drew well on the outside for De Paz, who is more than capable with a first-time starter. SOUNDS OF SUMMER rallied too late while along for third on debut; failed to build on that effort when catching a wet track last time; drops while adding Lasix.

Sixth Race 1. Twenty Four Mamba 4. Octane 2 Ridgewood Runner

TWENTY FOUR MAMBA was cleverly ridden when put on the lead in that last one, and he took full advantage en route to winning that race with a new top Beyer; also capable without the lead should this pace get faster, as is expected; logical right back off the claim. OCTANE earned a 99 Beyer winning the Big Drama sprinting three starts back, but that was nearly a year ago, and he has fairly bombed in his only two starts since then; has been given plenty of time since last seen, and his top race makes him tough in here if ready to fire in his first start for this trainer off the bench. NELSON AVENUE is inconsistent, but he also has a top effort that makes him tough in here; likely to get an aggressive ride as he cuts back to sprint.

Seventh Race 7. Son of a Birch 4. Hush of a Storm 5. Big Everest

SON OF A BIRCH has concentrated on sprinting throughout his career, though his lone attempt routing, which came early on, was not a poor performance while involved on a fast pace; he even ran better than it looks in the seven-furlong Paradise Creek as a 3yo when, once again, involved on a fast pace over a bog of a course; wish he was in better form, but he has talent and will be a price. HUSH OF A STORM rallied from last to finish a no-threat third in a very strong race last time on synthetic (winner Mercante returned to just miss in a Grade1 on turf on Derby Day; 4th finisher Utah Beach won the Grade 2 Elkhorn in his next start); he went 2 for 3 on turf last year, with the lone loss coming in the Mohawk behind Spirit of St Louis, who has won two Grade 1 races since; he hasn't always been a plodder, though that seems to be the running style he has settled on lately, but there is enough pace in this race to set him up, regardless.

Eighth Race 1. Orie 9. Army Proud 6. Cousin Ed 3 Pandemic Hero

ORIE finished behind wire-to-wire winners in both turf sprint starts as a 2yo; dropping for his first start back, and he appears to be training forwardly up to this, and he might not have to improve that much vs this field. ARMY PROUD is similar to the top one on paper in that he sprinted twice on turf as a juvenile, faced tougher both times, and chased a dominant wire-to-wire winner when last seen; starts back for a tag with Lasix and blinkers on. COUSIN ED was up in class for his first start off the claim last time, and he was also cutting back three furlongs in distance for that race; owns the top turf figures in the body of the field, though he lacks the upside that the top two still have in hand.



BELTERRA PARK (12:35)

1. 4-5-1

2. 2-5-3

3. 6-5-3

4. 6-2-3

5. 1-5-2

6. 3-5-2

7. 3-2-1

8. 3-6-5

Best Bet : Race 4 # 6 FANCIFUL

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POST 1240

PHILLY'S FINEST

Race 1	5-4-2-7
Race 2	1-6-5-4
Race 3	1-5-2-7
Race 4	3-2-8-1
Race 5	3-6-4-1
Race 6	5-4-3-2
Race 7	5-4-3-6
Race 8	6-1-4-2
Race 9	3-7-6-5
Race 10	3-4-2-7
Race 11	4-8-3-5
Race 12	4-6-3-5
Race 13	6-1-3-7
Race 14	3-6-5-1

PHILLY'S FINEST

A daily aid to handicapping the races at Harrah's Philadelphia

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025

"TROTtin' THURSDAYS" RETURN, WITH FEATURES FOR VETERAN AND YOUNG HORSES ALIKE

After a one-week detour to Friday because of the Derby racing schedule change, we have "Trottin' Thursdays" back in their usual prominent place today. The \$15,000 ninth race featured fast-class handicap trotters have earned over \$3 million in their careers, and half of the field of eight has a win rate of over 30% in their racing lifetimes. There are two Philly track recordholders in ONCE IN A LIFETIME and BENJAMIN HANOVER. Two races later, horses working their way to higher spots on the ladder of success clash in a \$14,000 battle -- shipper CHIPPER DALE looking for his fourth straight success. ... Note recent racing trends in "WATCH OUT FOR," below.

ANALYSIS OF KEY RACES

3rd race: ALMOST PERSUADED has been showing steady improvement for Victor Kirby and Bryan Truitt, dropping time and moving up in company successfully. She has only six races lifetime, so she certainly still does have some room to improve. A couple of other horses get big figures, but we are persuaded ours seems the best value.

7th race: ALLINDOTIME had to try to overcome a two-move trip from post eight, and the exertion proved just a bit too much for the veteran. Today post five may be kinder to his chances, and Tetrick may find a winning trip. Young drivers Ryder and Miller are in good form, and they have the major rivals to our choice.

12th race: Many of the horses from the barn of the "American Viking," Trond Smedshammer, have hit the racetrack in 2025 in very good form, and WALSPEA, a pricey yearling, won her Q and may be ready right away. A value play could be BOURBON BUZZ, who has come to hand for Tom Shay and hot owner Howard Taylor.

14th race: SHIPSHAPE's form since winning the Pocono series has been far from shipshape; he might overpower these, but he also may be overbet. I FEAR NOTHING does cause us some fear with showing little recent early involvement, but first-time Estrada horses have been known to do well, so we'll take a shot on him.

WATCH OUT FOR:

This past week's race "evidence" at Harrah's Philly told a repetitive story throughout. Favorites came in in over half the races for the week, and when they didn't, close contenders did -- only two of the 41 races last week yielded a horse worse than third choice winning, and only five horses paid better than 9-2, with \$30.60 the top price of the week. Frontsteppers won about half the races, with first-overs (often clearing down the backstretch) second, and "pocket rockets" third. Be alert to these trends, and adjust -- but: you can't just "grab" for any horse to beat the chalk. And as always, watch the Exacta probables.



GULFSTREAM PARK (12:50)



Thursday, May 8 By Brian Nadeau (check @Brian_J_Nadeau for OFF turf updates)

Royal Palm Meet Statistics (through 5/4):

GP Meet: 189-49-39-34 (\$1.79/\$5.34) **Best Bet:** 19-8-4-2 (\$2.29/\$6.32) **Longshot:** 18-4-2-3 (\$3.94/\$9.26)

Race 1: Taking the short price and moving on with **8 RED THORN** in the opener, as he lays over these while taking the biggest drop in racing, and could move forward in what is his dirt debut. Both **6 MIDNIGHT BOSS** and **3 BLAZING TYREEK** are next up, if the chalk should falter, though neither inspires or has the firepower of the pick.

SELECTIONS: 8-6-3-4

Race 2: Coming back to **7 GEEGEE'S STORY**, as she had it going two and three-back then didn't fire last time, but the price will be right, and we know they can rebound from nowhere on Tapeta. No knocks if you think **6 ELLAGIO** finally gets it done, as she ran well at the level last time and drew perfectly too. Getting back to Tapeta makes **4 CODA MIA** a big threat, as that 2nd two-back would play with this modest group.

SELECTIONS: 7-6-4-9

Race 3: A drop in class, an outside attack post, and going second-off the layoff says look out with **6 TEOFIMO**, as he ran well in his return in a fast race and meets no one to be scared of today. You'll take an underlaid price on **2 TOP MAVERICK**, who has iffy form too, but he drops and finally gets some good spacing between races too, so you could see his best today. The rail isn't

ideal with **1 VIGANO**, but the dirt is, as his last two over it would likely win this.

SELECTIONS: 6-2-1-4

Race 4: Expecting better from **3 CAJUN SIS**, as she blew the break on Tapeta in her debut then was in too tough on the main last time, so her experience and return to the surface makes her appealing. They all have to beat **6 MADE IN KUWAIT** off that strong 2nd last time when she sprinted on Tapeta, though you're also allowed to look around at a very short price. Tapeta and Lasix could push **2 ADIOS TIPSY** over the top, as her two Tampa races weren't bad.

SELECTIONS: 3-6-2-4

Race 5: It's Best Bet time, and a bold one at that, with **4 LA CYBER**, as she returns to turf for the first time since her debut, and now stretches out too, while meeting a group there for the taking. Both **6 TRISH AND 3 WORTH CONSIDERING** make sense, with the former luring Paco off a long layoff, and the latter running big (for this group) on turf, though both have drawbacks as well.

SELECTIONS: 4-6-3-2

Race 6: It's tough to go against the David barn right now, so **4 SLEW DIVA** looks good, short price and all, as she comfortably beat

older N2L foes and now faces just 3yos. You'll get a better price on **6 POP ROX**, who was just a length behind 'Diva, while backing up her strong win two-back too. Tread lightly with 2 **GEAUX AMY**, as she bombed when in way over her head, and will be way overbet on the plunge.

SELECTIONS: 4-6-2-1

Race 7: It sure looks like **7 CARNANE** found a good group on her return to Tapeta, as this is a meek crew, and that MCL win two-back would be too tough for them. That 2nd when last routing on Tapeta from **2 EVANORA** puts her in the mix, though she never wins, while **6 ABSOLUTELY WILD** has faced better, but is another who is allergic to getting her picture taken.

SELECTIONS: 7-2-6-3

Race 8: It's Longshot time with **2 BIG BOY JAK**, who should get loose over a course that plays to his speedy style, and with the rails at 73', he could get brave at a big number. Clearly **1 EMMETT** is the one to deny on the stakes drop, while getting Lasix back as well, though note he's never run on the GP turf. That was a sharp MCL win by **5 CHILL THE J**, who is now off-the-claim for Casse, and while he has upside, there are hurdles for an ice-cold barn.

SELECTIONS: 2-1-5-7

Race 9: The finale goes to **1 MARABINA** on the MSW drop and addition of Lasix, as both are reasons a big breakthrough could be coming. Don't sleep on **3 LADY KHOZ**, who has run well of late and now gets a potentially key jock switch/weight break as well. That voided claim last time, followed by a layoff, makes **2 QUEEN MCKINZIE** a

dicey proposition, though she's the winner if she can get back to her last.

SELECTIONS: 1-3-2-8

Best Bet: R5: #4 La Cyber (4-1)

- * Back on turf for first time since debut
- * Should like getting back to two turns
- * Main (ML) rivals have some questions

Longshot: R8: #2 Big Boy Jak (15-1)

- * Looks like the controlling speed
- * Rails at 73' flatter his running style
- * Maragh one of the best on the lead



Wheeling Greyhounds (Post 1:00)



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9TH 4 1 6 7

10TH 1 5 6 8

11TH 5 1 7 3

12TH 7 1 2 3

13TH 2 4 8 7

14TH 4 8 1 3

15TH 2 7 6 1

16TH 6 4 3 8

17TH 8 4 7 1

Best Bet

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Handicapping Analysis Thu May 8th, 2025

HAWTHORNE (3:40)

Jim's Picks

Hawthorne Race 1

Post Time 2:40 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

5 Lily's Creed - 7/5 **2** Lucy's Lookin Left - 9/5 **1** No Nannette No - 3/1

Route runners open the day as there's not much pace in this race. 5-LILY'S CREED has speed, stretches out, and runs for a barn having a fine meet. 2-LUCY'S LOOKIN LEFT rated closed behind a slow pace in her last. She likely gets that stalking trip once again. 1-NO NANNETTE NO should be right with Lucy's Lookin Left early. It's just a matter of if the pace comes back.

Hawthorne Race 2

Post Time 3:05 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

2 Starina - 2/1 **4** Panthera - 4/1 **6** Lemon Bomb - 5/2

There's enough pace to chase, which should help the chances of both 2-STARINA and 4-PANTHERA. Starina rallied late here on opening day for a near miss. She's fresh coming into here and should be tough. Panthera makes her first start of the meet. Rosin runners have been solid and the price should be right. 6-LEMON BOMB has speed, but doesn't need the lead to win. She did stretch out for her last and hung around late in the lane.

Hawthorne Race 3

Post Time 3:30 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

3 Wild Dreams - 5/2 **2** Island Jive - 5/1 **8** Night Blue [IRE] - 9/2

First turf race of the meet with sprinters going 5 furlongs. Looking to 3-WILD DREAMS on top as she debuts for Rivelli. She gets Lasix and has worked quickly in the morning. Expect to see speed at the start. 2-ISLAND JIVE has a solid turf sprint at Canterbury last August. She has worked consistently toward her return and could be a decent price. 8-NIGHT BLUE tries the turf sprint as she figures to rate and rally. The outside draw may benefit her as she looks to find good early position.

Hawthorne Race 4

Post Time 3:55 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

5 Rotary Dial - 8/5 **2** Star of Kodiak - 2/1 **6** Stingy - 7/2

Not a ton of pace in here as 5-ROTARY DIAL may be able to rate a bit closer early and hang around late. Gonzalez has ridden very well and this distance suits. 2-STAR OF KODIAK got a perfect setup last out as he was able to rate and rally. The barn has had a great meet as he loves this Hawthorne strip. 6-STINGY went two turns in his last and hung in late into the lane before tiring. The move back to the sprint should benefit his chances.

Hawthorne Race 5

Post Time 4:21 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

7 Bakeneko - 8/1 **4** Temper Tantrum - 6/1 **6** K P All Systems Go - 6/1

A highly competitive field in here as basically any horse can win. 7-BAKENEKO likes to rate close but doesn't need the lead to win. He makes his first start of the year for a barn that has had everything ready. 4-TEMPER TANTRUM fits at this distance and got the benefit of a race here a few weeks ago. He figures to rate mid-pack early and rally late. 6-K P ALL SYSTEMS GO ships in for today's race as he is well spotted. He could sneak off at a bit of a price but should be charging late.

Hawthorne Race 6

Post Time 4:47 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

6 Midnight Royal - 3/1 **7** Idiosyncrasies - 4/1 **1** Purple Octopus - 2/1

There's a few that could get bunched up early but none committed to the front. Looking to 6-MIDNIGHT ROYAL as he makes his first start of the year off a nice workout pattern. He has tactical speed for a barn that has gotten off to a nice start. 7-IDIOSYNCRASIES has some speed as he steps up off the win in here. He could be the most likely to try to make the top early, which could be his best way to go. 1-PURPLE OCTOPUS has been second in his last three starts, all as the favorite. He'll take action again, it's just a matter of if he can get over the hump for a win.

Hawthorne Race 7

Post Time 5:13 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

6 Miss River Rat - 8/1 **10** Trail Ridge Road - 4/1 **2** Go Lee Ann Go - 8/1

A tremendous race closes the day. I could make a case for any in here. Will look to 6-MISS RIVER RAT on top off her turf record, combined with her recent work tab. She shouldn't be too far back at any time and has been good here at Hawthorne. 10-TRAIL RIDGE ROAD is another that has been good on grass as she is also working very well toward her first start of the year. She may have to sit a bit further back early but should be charging late. 2-GO LEE ANN GO just missed on the turf here last fall. She has the ability to rally late and could sneak in at a price.

CHURCHILL DOWNS - POST 5:00

FIRST RACE

- 4 Wits and Wagers
- 5 Sweet Chablis
- 6 Miss Peabody

SECOND RACE

- 8 Gorrano Ranch
- 10 Chambourcin
- 2 Cheekwood
- 9 Ojos Locos

THIRD RACE

- 1 Sixtyseven Mustang
- 2 La Houligan
- 4 Sole Lute

Best Bet 1 SIXTYSEVEN MUSTANG produced a career-best effort to be beaten a neck into second at Oaklawn in March and he gets the nod to break his maiden here.

FOURTH RACE

- 5 Stormtown
- 2 Restore
- 4 Guy Smiley
- 6 Modus Bestia

FIFTH RACE

- 1 Genuine Star
- 8 Berniedott
- 6 Pierce Elevated

SIXTH RACE

- 1 Aero Star
- 3 Haunted Flame
- 7 Art Fair

SEVENTH RACE

- 9 Love and Poetry
- 1 Hereforagoodtime
- 14 Serendipity
- 5 Sherbini

EIGHTH RACE

- 8 Carolina Smokeshow
- 9 Love and Poetry
- 6 Will Not Be Swayed
- 7 Gerlin's Empire

Race 1 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 10 – Firehock Useful workouts for debut, barn is 34% winners with 2-year-olds
- # 4 – Ruthless Chic Sharp work tab for debut
- # 3 – Imperial Lady Can improve after trouble in her first start
- # 2 – Cuz Aldrin Improved to finish 2nd last trip

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

\$.50 Pick 5: 10-4-3 / 3-1-5 / 5-7-8 / 5-4 / 5-2 Cost: \$54.00 Pick the winners of races 1-5.

Race 2 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 3 – Flashy Dice Finished 2nd in his debut as the favorite
- # 1 – La Chuchy Sharp workouts for sharp connections
- # 5 – Mighty Elsa Good works for \$50,000 purchase
- # 8 – Clever Trick Squeezed at break as favorite in last, will improve

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

\$.50 Premier Pick 4: 3-1-5-8 / 5-7-8 / 5-4 / 5-2-10 Cost: \$36.00 Pick the winners of races 2-5.

Race 3 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 5 – Blowin in the Wind Was 2nd as favorite in debut for 38%-win trainer with 2-year-olds
- # 7 – Apollirevenge Winner in her debut for high % connections
- # 8 – Lookee At Me Finished 2nd in trial for RP Futurity
- # 2 – Toby Two Sharp winner in his first start

\$1 Exacta Box: 5-7-8 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

\$.50 Last Chance Pick 3: 5-7-8 / 5-4 / 5-2-10 Cost: \$9.00 Pick the winners of races 3, 4, 5.

Race 4 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 5 – Tossin and Turnin Came back with maiden win after 2nd in Oklahoma Futurity trial
- # 4 – Dr Americas Dynasty Won her second start in trial for the RP Futurity
- # 7 – Bp Saving Grace Has been 3rd in both starts including RP Juvenile last trip
- # 3 – Hawkeye Vision Maiden winner in first career start

\$1 Exacta Box: 5-4-7 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

\$.50 Pick 3: 5-4 / 5-2-10 / 3-10 Cost: \$6.00 Pick the winners of races 4, 5, 6.

Race 5 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 5 – Tell Sashay Shes Hot Closed well in RP Juvenile for 5th after slow start
- # 2 – Wr Hott Shott Solid workouts for debut for good connections
- # 10 – Gallopin Goose Barn has 34% wins with 2-year-olds
- # 1 – Calling Chicks Has hit off tracks in both career start, rider change to Cruz

Race 6 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 3 – Emerald Bay Sharp winner as favorite in last start
- # 10 – Cyber de Capo Maiden win at 250 yards in debut
- # 8 – Ha Yep Finished 4th in Oklahoma Futurity trial, that yielded next out winners
- # 6 – Jc Fancy Eagle Has been 4th in last two starts

Race 7 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 2 – Mucho Flameado Finished 3rd in both of her starts for high % combo
- # 3 – Heza Higher Fire Missed by a neck in his debut
- # 8 – Coronas Fancy Wagon Sharp winner at favorite in first start
- # 4 – Enjoying Life Good workout on 3-23

Race 8 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 5 – Curls Spitfire Wagon Good workouts for nicely bred filly
- # 3 – Heart of a Eagle Winner of last start at SUN
- # 8 – Kissin Mary Ann Sharp workout here on 3-15
- # 6 – Fishers Tricki Charm Dull effort in first start, should improve from experience

\$1 Exacta Box: 5-3-8 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.
\$.50 Pick 3: 5-3 / 9-2-4 / 9 Cost: \$3.00 Pick the winners of races 8, 9, 10.

Race 9 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 9 – Dynasty Returns Outran his odds when he won in his first start
- # 2 – Cyber Blues Finished 2nd in his first start as the favorite
- # 4 – Effortless Favorite Sharp winner in his debut
- # 6 – Cyber Star Caught some tough company in first two starts

\$1 Exacta Box: 9-2-4 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.
\$.50 Pick 3: 9-2-4 / 9 / 7-6-2 Cost: \$4.50 Pick the winners of races 9, 10, 11.

Race 10 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 9 – Flying Joy 1 Most accomplished runner in this field, Oklahoma Futurity winner
- # 1 – Coronas Famoscartel Improved finishing 2nd in last start
- # 2 – Bv Better Run Girl Good workouts for debut
- # 5 – Dr Wanted Woman Little trouble in her debut & could improve

Race 11 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 7 – Holy Guacamolee Improves here after gaining late in debut, gets Pulido
- # 6 – Rr Sweet Memories Fired bullet workout 4-23 for first start
- # 2 – Jessalitical Finished 4th in her first start, Flores stays up
- # 1 – Aggie Kisses Was 4th in Oklahoma Futurity trial in March

\$1 Exacta Box: 7-6-2 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.
\$.50 Last Chance Pick 3: 7-6-2 / 1-8 / 2-7-8 Cost: \$9.00 Pick the winners of races 11, 12, 13.

Race 12 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 1 – Rokket Man Sharp workouts for debut for high % connections
- # 8 – Shes the Prize Was 2nd in trial for RP Futurity
- # 6 – Send Me a Dynasty Hg Improves from even performance in first start
- # 2 – Leave Em Behind Broke maiden at this distance

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

Race 13 Heritage Place Futurity Trial 350 yards

- # 2 – Little Sure Shot Sharp maiden win in debut, jockey/trainer combo hard to beat
- # 7 – Dr Urban Cowboy Finished 2nd in RP Juvenile after finishing 2nd in his trial
- # 8 – Tarzans Tarzi Lo Was 8th in the Oklahoma Futurity after sharp win in her trial
- # 3 – True Airspeed Finished 4th in the West Texas Juvenile at SUN in April

\$1 Exacta Box: 2-7-8 Cost: \$6.00 2 out of the 3 horses must finish 1st and 2nd in any order.

BEST BET-TWIGGS PUB (2nd)

SPOT PLAY-CALL ME THEFIREMAN (1st)

Race 1 - (4) CALL ME THEFIREMAN had no chance from back-to-back post eights at Saratoga but raced well the last time he drew inside on 4-7 and I'll give him a chance in what appears to be a wide-open event. (2) BIG CHARLIE MORAN also gets significant post relief and was second in the first leg of this series back on March 20. (7) CAMPBELLINI drew poorly here but hit the board in his last two tries over at the Meadowlands.

Race 2 - (4) TWIGGS PUB moves inside on the gate here after four straight outside posts and gets reunited with Jason Bartlett. His closing effort on 4-14 was good and I'll hope for an effort similar to that. (6) CAMOUFLAGE MONEY is on a three-race streak of second-place finishes and debuts for new connections off the claim tonight. (7) MUSIC HALL starts from the outside but won at this level last week and trainer Joe Bongiorno drives him again.

Race 3 - (4) SHOEMAKER HANOVER turned in another good effort from first-over last Thursday and is worth another shot tonight. He won in the opening round of this event back on March 20. (5) FANATIC lost all chance when he broke before the start a week ago but was the odds-on favorite in that tilt. He gets a driver switch this time. (1) PSALMSFORTYSIXFIVE was a winner two back at Monticello and overcame the eight-hole to post a fourth last week. He slides all the way inside to the pole position here.

Race 4 - (4) BUSY MAKING MONI did well in the John Brennan Trotting Series, including a second to the impressive Antognoni S in the final. He gets Yannick Gingras back in the bike tonight, and I'll give him top call. (3) BELLISSIMO FACE S broke while making a move to the front in the Brennan final but was sharp prior to that and has the potent Jason Bartlett/Per Engblom tandem in his corner. (2) BLACK MAGIC drops out of the Invitational and finished second the last time he was in this class on 4-10.

Race 5 - (1) DELIGHTFUL DUDE N returns from Plainridge off a fourth in a pretty quick mile over there. He starts from the pole and this stable has been heating up as of late. (2) ORLANDO BLUE A finds the bottom level here and was fourth against both NW10000L5's and NW7500L5's in his last two tries. (3) MARLBANK ROAD drops and gets significant post relief in this race. He shows a second in a NW10000L5 event as recently as March 11.

Race 6 - (2) BURNHAM BOY N posted a third-place finish in his first start back off the shelf a week ago and I'll swing with him tonight in the hopes that he's sharper with that mile under his belt. (4) SADDLE UP is on a strong run of form and comes off another win in this class last Thursday. He also gets reunited with Bartlett for new connections off a claim. (1) OZONE BLUE CHIP moves in on the gate from post six to the pole position and I wouldn't be surprised if that results in a more aggressive approach rather than the off-the-pace trip he got last week.

Race 7 - (4) HOT FLASH KIMMY doesn't have a victory yet this year but has hit the board in four straight outings and moves inside on the gate this time after she was third in this class last week. (5) BE DIFFERENT gained ground in a fourth-place result when he dropped back down to this level a week ago and gets a new driver this time in Mark Herschberger. (7) CANTSTOP YANKEE won a leg of the John Brennan Series and shows a third in the Invitational as recently as February 27.

Race 8 - (1) CLEVELAND B MIKI tallied in this class on April 3 and was a gaining third last week. He also slides in from post four to the pole position this time. (2) SAN DOMINO A has a pair of seconds and a victory since he was claimed by these connections and drew well again. He was also Bartlett's choice of four horses, including an Engblom trainee. (3) THRASHER has been victorious in five of his last seven outings, including in a \$25,000 claimer a week ago. He was re-claimed by trainer Andrew Adamczyk out of that race.

Race 9 - (1) UNEVERGONNAGETHIS double-drops out of the Invitational and was a gaining third two back in this class. He also gets reunited with Jordan Stratton and starts from post one again. (6) BRAVO ANGEL S is undefeated since she joined the Engblom stable for her 5-year-old campaign and her most recent victory came at this level. (7) INFINITY STONE starts from the outside but has a win and a second since he was claimed by these connections. He also gets reunited with Gingras, which probably means he'll fire out of there.

Race 10 - (1) BULLY BOY HILL turned a pocket trip into a win in his last try on 4-24. I think he's been sharp for a bit and will use him again tonight, especially since he starts from post one. (3) OVER AND BACK has posted three straight victories for the Bartlett/Engblom duo and drew another good post here. (8) BARN HALL starts from the outside but has tallied four times in five appearances since he came to Yonkers. He debuts for new connections off a claim and gets Gingras in the bike again.

Race 11 - (2) WALKINSHAW N prevailed the last time he faced NW7500L5's at Yonkers back on March 24 and comes out of a fast race up at Plainridge most recently. (5) SPORTY M THREE drops again and scored in a similar class to this one at the Meadowlands on 3-1. (4) BLANK STARE suffered interference and had to settle for sixth a week ago. He takes another shot at this level tonight and gets a driver switch to Bartlett.