

Del Mar - Breeders Cup Day 1

(Post 2:35)

By Brad Free

First Race | Westwood 10 Vodka Vodka 9 Brazenly

Last-out runner-up WESTWOOD is the choice in this N1X dirt mile. Decisive maiden winner two back at Del Mar, he followed up with solid second facing older winners for the first time. The improving 3yo has speed to establish position from the rail, and could tuck into a great trip saving ground right behind the pace. VODKA VODKA switches surfaces and faces open company after a sharp turf win vs. Cal-breds. Although his form on dirt is uncertain, he is by Stay Thirsty and a sibling to multiple dirt stakes winner Om N Joy. Based on pedigree, he should take to dirt.

Second Race 2 Conducted 5 Plutarch 4 Proton

The smashing maiden win by CONDUCTED, which followed a better-than-looked fifth in a G3, makes the improving 2yo the choice over PLUTARCH in this turf mile stakes. CONDUCTED did benefit by loose-lead circumstances in his maiden win, but he ran fast and finished well (final quarter :23.36). Although he won on the lead, he might not be one-dimensional. He gained off-the-pace experience two starts back in the stakes. If he rations his speed, can score a front-running/pace-pressing win over PLUTARCH. The latter ran well all three starts including a runner-up finish in a G3 over the DMR turf in summer. He ran well on dirt last out, a close third behind BC Juvenile contender Intrepido in a G1. PLUTARCH drops in class, returns to a familiar course, and is the program favorite.

Third Race 7 Too Sassy 6 Cashed 9 Mohaven

A decisive win by TOO SASSY during the DMR summer meet stamps her the choice in this stakes for Cal-bred 2yo fillies. She defeated several of these two months ago racing five and one-half furlongs in the Generous Portion; she targeted this seven-furlong stakes since. The longer distance is not an issue for TOO SASSY, who reportedly looks more like a two-turn filly than a sprinter. CASHED is not fast enough, on paper. But she ran well both starts in summer maiden races at DMR, scored a confidence building but low-rated maiden win last out at SA, and posted an impressive five-furlong gate drill Sunday at DMR. The light bulb may have gone on.

Fourth Race 6 Shoot It True 3 Tahini 7 Puro Magic

SHOOT IT TRUE can win this \$200k filly-mare turf sprint if she reproduces her smashing win last out in a N1X at Saratoga. TRUE rallied from the back of the field, drew off by nearly four lengths, and the race was validated when the runner-up returned to win. A fast 3yo, TRUE can adapt to any pace scenario; she is likely to rally from behind at five furlongs. TAHINI looms the upset candidate, listed 30-1. Her most recent start was the best of her career. .

Fifth Race 9 Thirsty Rebel 6 Sammy Davis 2 Ocean Bear

THIRSTY REBEL returns to preferred dirt footing and Cal-breds after he misfired in a turf sprint stakes against open company. He ran well both dirt starts in summer at DMR including a visually impressive debut win, and runner-up-by-a-nose in the I'm Smokin Stakes for Cal-breds. SAMMY DAVIS began his career with impressive front-running wins over the DMR track in summer.

Sixth Race 9 True Love | Brussels 8 Havana Anna

Shippers from Europe won the BC Juvenile Turf Sprint the last four years. The overseas contingent this year is led by TRUE LOVE, recent winner of a Group 1 sprint for fillies that was more impressive visually than the margin. 'LOVE was confidently ridden, and never looked like a loser. She also has run well against males. One-two all six starts, 'LOVE has speed for a pressing trip. She is trained by Aidan O'Brien, whose seven JFT starters produced one third. He is due. O'Brien also trains the colt BRUSSELS, who ran well finishing second both recent starts in G3 and G1 races..

Seventh Race 7 Explora 8 Super Corredora 9 La Wally

EXPLORA emerged as BC Juvenile Fillies favorite with a resounding victory in her first route and first without blinkers. The filly settled comfortably off the pace, opened up into the lane, and crushed. She enters with a glossy resume: smashing debut win, runner-up in the fast-pace G1 Del Mar Debutante, and facile win in the G2 Oak Leaf around two turns. She has speed, she is versatile without blinkers, and the most likely winner with a pressing trip. Her trainer Bob Baffert is 2-for-26 in the JF; jockey Juan Hernandez is seeking his first win in a BC race. SUPER CORREDORA stretched out and crushed maidens with a speed figure only five points less than the top choice earned last out.

Eighth Race 13 . Precise 9.. Time to Dream | Ultimate Love

Back-to-back Group 1 wins by Europe-based PRECISE stamps her the likely winner of the BC Juvenile Fillies Turf, despite drawing a wide post (13 of 13) in the turf mile. She probably is good enough to overcome the draw. Her four-race win streak includes a crusher last out by more than three lengths. The trainer of PRECISE, Aidan O'Brien, won this race last year with odds-on Lake Victoria, who also entered off back-to-back G1 wins. U.S.-based stakes winner TIME TO DREAM looms the upsetter after a better-than-looked third as the favorite in the Jessamine at KEE. She was buried behind rivals into the stretch, unable to find room initially, bulled between rivals, and kicked late. It was too late. With a different trip, she might have won rather than finishing third by a length. 'DREAM is getting better, and will rally late. ULTIMATE LOVE is three-for-three including a four-length crusher last out in the Selima Stakes at Laurel.

Ninth Race | Intrepido 8 Ted Noffey 7 Brant

INTREPIDO overcame a compromising trip to win the G1 American Pharoah last out at SA, a performance that was better than the margin or speed figure. He can upset favorite TED NOFFEY in the BC Juvenile. INTREPIDO proved he handles DMR with a convincing maiden route win two back; last out he showed he can overcome adversity. INTREPIDO steadied slightly into the backstretch, got boxed in traffic and had to wait for room on the far turn, bulled his way through a tight opening into the stretch, and kicked late to win going away. Sharp win by a very good 2yo who can win the Juvenile from off the pace. But he'll have to catch TED NOFFEY, who ships to California having established himself as the top 2yo in the East and Midwest with back-to-back G1 wins at SAR and KEE. He faces more speed in this field than he met last out, but there is no denying his ability. BRANT is running long for the first time in the third start of his career, and first start since he wired the G1 Del Mar Futurity two months ago. The \$3 million colt is fast.

Tenth Race 14 Gstaad 13 Hey Nay Nay 10 Ardisia

Another poorly drawn favorite, GSTAAD is the choice in the BC Juvenile Turf despite post 14 of 14 in the turf mile. Runner-up three successive Group 1s in France, Ireland and England, GSTAAD is trained by Aidan O'Brien, who won the JT the last three years and 7 for 24 overall. GSTAAD has never run a bad race, one-two all five starts; the JT has been won by Europeans 12 times in 18 years (not counting the 2021 fiasco when winner Modern Games ran for purse money only). Tough post, best horse, top choice. California-based HEY NAY NAY will try to upset the Euros. 'NAY NAY won all three starts in decisive fashion; he has speed and also can finish,

Live Longshots and Value Plays for the 2025 Breeders' Cup

By Andrew Champagne

FRIDAY, OCT. 31

Race 6, Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint: #6 Intricate Spirit (12-1 morning-line)

My lone longshot on the Friday program comes in the very first race of the event. Some very fast 2-year-olds were entered, and I think there's plenty to like with this Miguel Clement trainee. **#6 Intricate Spirit** won at first asking in August at Saratoga, defeating Turf Star (who was entered in the Juvenile Turf to finish the Friday card). He then ran second on the quirky Kentucky Downs turf course (to Street Beast, another Juvenile Turf runner) before bouncing back in the Grade 3 Futurity Stakes at Aqueduct. There, he pulled clear by nearly two lengths in a swift 1:07.98 for the six-furlong distance. Simply put, Intricate Spirit just hasn't done much wrong. In fact, he's 2-for-2 on conventional turf courses, and he's taken steps forward on speed figures in every start to date. There are some nice prospects in here, but Intricate Spirit hits me as a genuine contender, and he'll be on all of my tickets.

SATURDAY, NOV. 1

Race 5, Prevagen Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint: #5 Bring Theband Home (12-1)

Do me a favor as you look in your PPs: Take a red pen and draw lines through **# 5 Bring Theband Home**'s two efforts at Woodbine over the past two seasons. Do that, and you're left with a runner that's done very, very little wrong. Two and three starts back, he looked like a world-beater in a pair of impressive stakes scores at Saratoga. He stomped very solid fields in the Grade 2 Troy Stakes and the Harvey Pack Stakes, and he did so in very, very fast times. Yes, the clunker last time out in the Grade 2 Nearctic Stakes Presented by Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance is tough to swallow, but he didn't run well in that race a year ago, either. He may very well be the one Mark Casse-trained runner that doesn't like Woodbine.

If Bring Theband Home is the same horse we saw this summer in upstate New York, he can absolutely win this race. He's very, very fast, and if the last-out work at Belmont is any indication, he's sitting on "go" here.

SATURDAY, NOV. 1

Race 9, Longines Breeders' Cup Classic: #8 Mindframe (10-1 morning line)

I understand some hesitation with regard to Mindframe in a loaded renewal of the Classic. However, there's no way to think the trouble he experienced in the Grade 1 Jockey Club Gold Cup was his fault, so how can we rationally hold that against him? Draw a line through that race and go back to the Grade 1 Stephen Foster Stakes. He looked like a world-beater that day when he cruised home over Sierra Leone in 1:47.48 for the nine-furlong distance. By all accounts, he's training well

leading up to his trip west, and Irad Ortiz Jr. (who was vaulted off of Mindframe last time out) sees fit to ride back. Sovereignty obviously merits respect, and he's far from a bad favorite. However, if Mindframe is anywhere close to his 10-1 morning-line price, that hits me as a mistake. His best is absolutely good enough to get the job done, and at those odds, I'd simply have to bet him.

Race 12, Maker's Mark Breeders' Cup Filly /Mare Turf: #4 Village Voice (15-1)

The Saturday finale is a juicy one, with several very sharp horses coming in from across the pond. However, my price play is one that made the trip earlier this season and seems to be coming to hand for powerhouse connections.

Village Voice hadn't raced in nearly a year before running in the Grade 3 Wya Stakes at Aqueduct. She was well behind a pretty modest pace, but she rallied and got the job done in her U.S. debut when she had every right to be rusty. Furthermore, her two-back race saw her run fourth in the Group 1 British Champions Fillies & Mares Stakes against what was probably a better group than the one she faces here.

I'm expecting improvement second off the bench, and if she's the runner she was in Europe in 2023 and 2024, she's got a big shot. Add in the presence of new rider Flavien Prat for trainer Chad Brown, in a race with more speed signed on than what she had to work with last time, and she hits me as a very strong value proposition.



RACE BY RACE SELECTIONS

by Ron Nicoletti

Friday, October 31, 2025

RACE 1:

5 ADIOS MATE looks poised to say adios to the maiden ranks after a solid second at the distance last out. **7 LIL BIT SIDEWAYS** is eligible to show more after breaking from the demanding inside post and finishing fourth behind the top choice last out. Edgar Perez rides for trainer Dave Fawkes.

1 AMAURY M.V.P. is hoping to find more firepower for the stretch run after tracking the pace and finishing third behind Adios Mate last out.

SELECTIONS: 5-7-1

RACE 2:

4 CALL THE BULLPEN is dropping to the \$35,000 level and stretching out to a mile hoping both adjustments finds her on the pace playing catch me if you can. Jose Orseno is 26% with the class drop.

2 AFFIRMING is getting some need class relief after showing some late interest – as the favorite – in her maiden special weight debut here. Trainer Todd Pletcher is 21% with maidens making their second start. **6 ADSILA** is returning to the turf after responding in the first race after the claim by Dan Hurtak with an improved second going around two turns on the Tapeta. Edgar Perez rides.

SELECTIONS: 4-2-6

RACE 3:

7 BOUNDFORTROUBLE is bound to show more when he plunges to this level after facing tougher throughout his racing campaign. Jose D'Angelo has leading jock Miguel Vazquez atop the one to fear.

5 SNEAK PREVIEW is dropping to the \$8,000 level after returning from the freshening to finish an even and useful sixth vs \$20,000 state-bred optional claimers. Jose D'Angelo is 19% with the second start off the bench.

8 MIGHTY MURPHY is stepping up after responding in the first race after the claim by Kent Sweezey with an impressive front running victory vs \$8,000 two lifetime foes last out. The barn is 18% winning consecutive races.

SELECTIONS: 7-5-8

RACE 4:

6 INSOLENTA drops and debuts on Tapeta after showing good speed vs tougher going around two turns on the turf. Trainer Nick Tomlinson has Emisael Jaramillo named on the speedy daughter of More Than Ready. **8 AWESOME CAMPAIGN** is going back to the Tapeta after recovering from a slow start to finish second going a one turn mile on the main track. Victor Barboza Jr is 20% with his Tapeta runners. **5 STARLIGHT LUNA** is a late striding type who should be along to grab a share of the trifecta or superfecta.

SELECTIONS: 6-8-5

RACE 5:

7 BLAZE OF COLOR is stretching out to a mile after responding to the surface switch with a positive third place finish vs this level of opposition going six furlongs on the dirt. Emisael Jaramillo rides for Jose Castro. **2 SANTAL** is stepping up on the main track after responding in the first race after the claim by Victor Barboza Jr with a victory vs \$8,000 two lifetime claimers going 5 ½ furlongs on the Tapeta. Apprentice Luis Fuenmayor rides.

5 ANTILLEAN is stepping up to the next level after holding on gamely to score at the distance. Wesley Henry rides.

SELECTIONS: 7-2-5

RACE 6:

4 SOD SIREN (FR) is making her local return after finishing second – as the favorite – vs \$50,000 maidens going 5 ½ furlongs on the Saratoga turf. She perfectly fits vs this caliber of competition. **7 CITY MINUTE**, another from Saffie Joseph Jr, who showed promise on the grass in her sophomore season, is going back to the turf after showing stalk speed vs state-bred special weight foes sprinting on the Tapeta during the Spring. The daughter of Not This Time is bred to love the surface switch. **10 WELCOME TO AMERICA (IRE)** is going back to the lawn after following her promising sprint debut on the green stuff with a stalk the weaken outing on the Tapeta during July. The recent bullet workout on the grass indicates a good performance.

SELECTIONS: 4-7-10
RACE 7:

6 DOMINANT DIVA, who was disqualified from her impressive debut last December, who then rebounded successfully with her maiden victory last out, gets the decisive test when she takes on winners for the first time. Saffie has Micha Husbands atop the lightly raced daughter of Spun to Run. **1 SOPHISTRY** has some questions to answer except her ability to set the pace from her inside post. Sam Wilensky lightens the impost with apprentice Lius Fuenmayor in the saddle. **5 WIFFLETREE SERRY**, who is a perfect two for two sprinting at six furlongs on the dirt, goes back to the main track for trainer Mike Yates after the recent sprint campaign on the Colonial Downs turf. Marcos Meneses rides.

SELECTIONS: 6-1-5
RACE 8:

5 ETURIAN is going back to the turf after victory was snatched away from her when classy Choose Joy rallied from the far back to defeat her by a half-length in a race moved from turf to five furlongs on the Tapeta. She will be playing catch me if you can with Joe Bravo doling out her speed. **2 HOT CARGO** is another going back to the turf after gaining late but failing to reel in both Choose Joy and Eturian last out. The mare is 4 for 4 in the money on the GP turf and has Leonel Reyes managing the surface switch.

1 FLAMINGO WAY is debuting locally at five furlongs after the game outing vs stakes competition going six furlongs on the Laurel turf. Trainer Guadalupe Preciado has Jose Morelos atop the Joe Imbesi homebred daughter of Social Inclusion, who gets the Lasix back for this assignment.

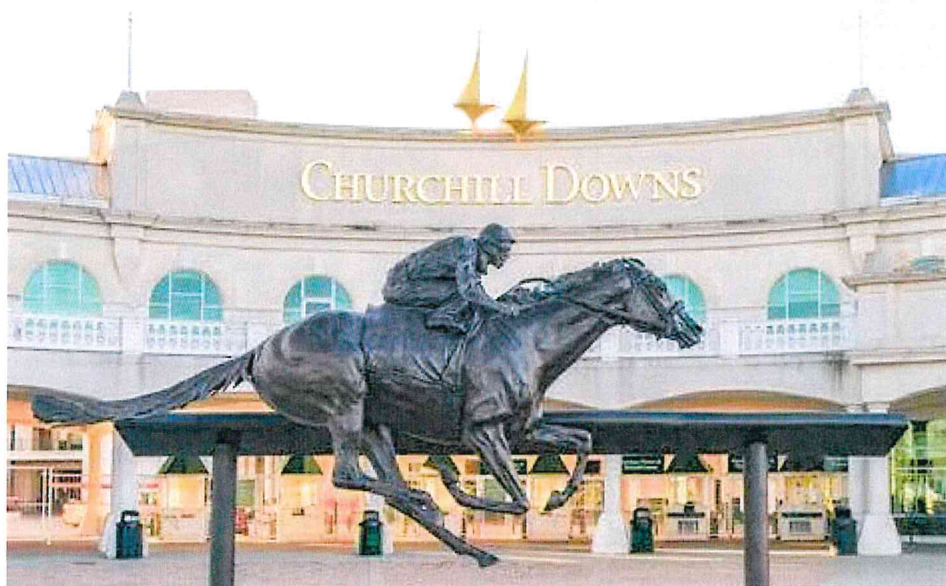
SELECTIONS: 5-2-1
RACE 9:

7 PADDY'S GIFT moves to leading trainer Jose D'Angelo's barn after posting her second consecutive victory when she defeated \$8,000 two lifetime claimers last out. The new connections name Emisael Jaramillo to ride. **3 SPICY GUACAMOLE** is moving to the Carlos David barn via the claim and returning to the main track with blinkers added after finishing second vs this level of competition going five furlongs on the Tapeta. The barn, a strong 33% with new claims, has Jose Ferrer named to ride. **1 LADY PATRICK'S** is making her first start since walloping a field of \$8,000 two lifetime claimers going six furlongs on the dirt in August. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr is 21% with the 61-180-days layoff.

SELECTIONS: 7-3-1
RACE 10: THE CELLARS SHIRAZ

9 STARSHIP IMPULSIVE is going back to the grass after her improbable four-race win streak on the turf, which included three consecutive stakes victories, ended when she finished second vs older horses in the Ginger Punch going a mile and seventy yards on the Tapeta. She is one special three-year-old. **11 PHOENIX OF WIT (IRE)** is returning locally vs straight three-year-olds after finishing second vs older horses in an \$80,000 entry level allowance race on the Aqueduct turf. Joe Orseno has Samuel Marin in the saddle again. **4 RAMSEY POND**, stakes-placed on the local turf, returns after shipping to Kentucky Downs and finishing second – beaten a head – in an \$80,000 optional claimer going a mile. Saffie has Micha Husbands overseeing the homecoming.

SELECTIONS: 9-11-4
BEST BET: RACE 10 – 9 STARSHIP IMPULSIVE
LONGSHOT: RACE 6 – 4 SOD SIREN (FR)



CHURCHILL DOWNS - POST 1:00

FIRST RACE

2	Demi	Saez G
4	Red Hot Jeanie	Torres C A
1	Altered Shot	Concepcion A
3	Argan	Cannon D

SECOND RACE

5	Revel Toast	Torres J A
6	Miss Call	Esquivel E
7	Grand Luxx	Concepcion A
2	Hit Parade	Geroux F

THIRD RACE

3	Texas Town	Murrill M
7	Gold Search	Morales E
6	Vertrauen	Cannon D
4	Tiverton	Geroux F

FOURTH RACE

7	Carolyncaroline	Leparoux J R
2	Baracca	Concepcion A
4	Tiz in Sight	Morales E

FIFTH RACE

5	Can't Deny It	Loveberry J
4	Litigation	Gutierrez Mario
3	Semper Primus	Rodriguez W A
10	Operation Sunrise	Geroux F

SIXTH RACE

4	Protective	Concepcion A
10	McDude	Grisales Rave D
7	Taunting	Morales E
9	Brilliant Man	Esquivel E

SEVENTH RACE

1	Eye Catcher	Geroux F
5	All About You	Esquivel E
13	Paige Turner	Concepcion A
6	Raspberry	Torres J A

EIGHTH RACE

1	Cool Andy	Concepcion A
7	Ultimate Strike	Torres J A
2	Polar Bear Plunge	Lanerie C J
6	Fine Vino	Cedillo A

NINTH RACE

10	Sweet Treasure	Geroux F
8	Golden Sunshine	Torres J A
2	Storm Miami	Sheehy D
5	Lucky Speech	Concepcion A

TENTH RACE

5	Prime Suspect	7	Fulmine	6	Boss' Deed	4	Vino Subito
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BELMONT @ AQUEDUCT (1:05)



By Kevin Cox

Race 1 #1 SOLO EMPIRE has a win and three placings from as many starts when going one turn to two, and three of those results came when breaking from the innermost post, as is the case today. Gelding goes from an apprentice to a journeyman here, and just may sit a perfect trip. #2 TOGA DAN has partaken in the superfecta in his last quintet, and was a going away winner and is only 1X to 2X deal. #6 CONCORDE SPIRIT has done his best work beneath the seagulls, and is confidently hiked in class despite being out of jail after the 9/20 purchase.

Race 2 #4 SECANE was a visually impressive victress when going all the way down in Hallandale Beach in August, & the pedigree tells us the result that day was likely not a fluke. Encouraging to see Edgar fly in, and it looks like they will have to grab this one by the tail to get the glory. #2 BELIEVEABLE was a lively winner from an outside placement when getting her working papers right here 34 days in the rear, and as this one went for 800k up in Togatown last year, the sky's the limit. #3 SCHILLING went coast to coast like butter & toast second time out, and as there was no palpable excuse for the mediocre effort in the debut, it tells us that this miss is getting better .

Race 3 #1 MAGICAL WAYS has consistently been a part of the superfecta in his last 14 calls to the post, and we like that he's reunited with a pilot under whom he's had some solid success. Note the 4:1-1-2 record when breaking from the pine as well. Mild choice. #6 STARSHIP TITAN has taken to the lawn like a Toro lawnmower since switching over to the stuff two and a half months ago, ringing up a pair of wins at big time odds in both starts on the gramma. Won't be overlooked again, but must be left in the mix nonetheless. #2 ROYAL MAJESTY is one for three off a break in the action, and two of three at today's distance of ground. Owns a touch of back class as well. **Main Track - 10-1-8-9**

Race 4 8 PROBLEMATICA was eased up late by her rider as though something was amiss at Saratoga three starts back, but has otherwise run well enough to be tough in here in all three starts off the Rice claim; owns dangerous speed from the outside while cutting back to six. 6 PROUD FOOT is making her first start for Rice following a short freshening, and she has earned a series of competitive figures this year while facing tougher competition; cuts in half for her first start off the claim. 7 JACKSON'S DIXIE hasn't won a race since getting loose on the lead back in New Year's Day, though, like PROUD FOOT, she has mostly been kept to tougher competition; got outrun behind a dominant, wire-to-wire winner when last at this level in June; drops back down and cuts back to a better distance.

1 MAJESTIC RETURN only bested one horse and the chase ambulance after returning off a bit of a freshening on September 11th, but on the whole, her finest efforts have come beneath the seagulls, and she possesses a win and a third place finish the only times she was in a second off the bench scenario on the dirt.

Race 5 #8 RUSE finished 8th at 52-1 last out, but only lost by a bit more than three lengths that day, and as he had done some nice work in his triad just prior to such, we are going to place up top in hopes of getting a good price. #10 TUT'S REVENGE has some early speed, and this war horse how's performed quite admirably at today's distance of ground. #1 ENLIGHTENED has been claimed from each start when available for such, and with good cause, as he usually gives a nice account of himself. [Main Track Dirt 13 - 14 - 4 - 12](#)

Race 6 #6 HELLACOUS has blinkers added after being a bit keen in the initial stretchout, and is also made available for a claiming tag for the first time. Tepid choice. #1 BILLY WHITE SHOES showed marked improvement from a speed figure aspect when going long in his first start off the purchase, but we are going to keep beneath, as Luzzi has been cold for quite some time. #7 PARTY WITH SMARTY has a decent collection of numeros on the verde, and this career maiden and could spice things up beneath. [Main Track 11 - 13 - 4 - 10](#)

Race 7 #6 BIG AIR improved to blowout maidens on the drop for Ness three starts back, then had little chance with 1/5 Taliesin (85 Beyer) on the lead in his next start; cuts back again after getting jammed up behind horses early, and then finishing gamely up the rail late in that last one going a mile. 3 GEEZ ELOISE was compromised by a slow pace in her first start for this trainer going a mile; turned back to win her next start in the slop, then caught another wet track and just missed catching an in-form rival when last seen; freshened up. 8 ADRIAN has settled for second in each of her first two starts off the claim for Rice, including that last one when rallying to outfinish BIG AIR late; has not finished second in four straight on dirt; tries again.

Race 8 #5 NIC'S STYLE hasn't been seen in more than seven flips of the calendar, but is 3 of 3 off a break, and two for two at today's distance. Race clearly goes through this one. #8 WEIGH THE RISKS has won both dirt starts off a hibernation, while owning a nice boxscore at this trip and over this strip. Likely to be overbet because of the triple digit Beyer on display. #4 PATRICIA ANN has been a part of the exacta and five of six starts over a glib surface, and makes all kinds of sense.

Race 9 . #12 VALIANT DIVA merely split the field when debuting at the end of September, but was a bit tardy to the party that day, and has this one is a half to a multiple Turf winning/Stakes placed equine who broke her maiden second time out, we're willing to nibble. #8 SALT PRINCESS has been extremely sharp since moving on to the blades, & should be no worse than 3rd for all of you show grinders out there. #9 RIVER EMPRESS is another one who seems to prefer the lawn, & has blinkers added after a troubled beginning last out.

[Main Track 4 - 12 - 5 - 9](#)

Handicapper's Journal – Doug McPherson
Friday, October 31st, 2025

Race 1

#5 Galvaston

#3 Colonel Mustard

#1 Mid Day Image

#7 Tricky Magician

#5 GALVASTON ran a good second in an open \$7,500 behind repeat winner Kinetic Stone on September 26 before a midpack effort behind the runaway El Alacran at that level two weeks ago. He is overdue for a win and should be live at this level. #3 COLONEL MUSTARD broke slowly and rallied to a midpack finish in a route two weeks ago. He is a capable sprinter with the right pace setup. #1 MID DAY IMAGE dueled on the lead and came up empty when last racing on October 3. He is not at his best on the Tapeta but hooks a field where he could be the controlling speed. #7 TRICKY MAGICIAN had been picking up checks against tougher earlier in the season but was empty early when last racing on October 12. He gets in for bottoms; we'll see if he can rebound.

Race 2

#5 My Boy Bruce

#4 Souper Iconic

#3 Final Run for Love

#8 Daddy Send Money

#5 MY BOY BRUCE plunges down from the \$15,000 level and gets an extra furlong to work with after finishing fifth on October 11 and is catching a suspect group. #4 SOUPER ICONIC was a non-threatening second behind a lone speed winner last week. He has finished second in five of seven starts this year; logical option. #3 FINAL RUN FOR LOVE had a very solid campaign in Fort Erie, hitting the board in seven of 10 starts and missing a check only in his first start of the year. He has not been on the synthetic since his career debut; his speed figure fit and he is definitely worth a look. #8 DADDY SEND MONEY comes into this race off of a trio of runner-up finishes at Fort Erie, earning an inflated 70 Beyer most recently. He could be a speed threat here.

Race 3

#1 Napa Spirit (IRE)

#7 Indy One

#6 Highly Flammable

#2 Jamiesta

#1 NAPA SPIRIT (IRE) had a poor trip on a rail favouring track when attracting a \$10,000 claim 19 days ago. Speedy gelding has otherwise been having a very good campaign and could rebound with a clean trip. #7 INDY ONE looks for his fifth win of the season, rolling through his conditions quickly before winning against open foes at this level on October 5. The confidence should be sky-high. #6 HIGHLY FLAMMABLE tried hard but came up a half-length short to the bias-aided Kinetic Stone when returning from a layoff at the \$10,000 level on October 12. He looks competitive in his second start off of the bench despite the rise in value. #2 JAMIELSTA has finished gamely to hit the board in two starts since shedding blinkers and could benefit if a pace duel ensues.

Race 4

#1 Clear Position

#7 Daou

#6 Wunhappy Wabbit

#2 Chargethatmountain

#1 CLEAR POSITION raced against a rail bias when finishing a non-threatening fifth against the boys at this level on October 11. She could offer value with hopes to improve with experience and racing luck. #7 DAOU has gotten loose on the lead but has tired in the stretch in two starts at this tag. We'll see how long she lasts against this field. #6 WUNHAPPY WABBIT made a nice rally to be second against the boys when dropping in for this tag on September 7 but failed to fire when getting back up to the \$40,000 level on October 4. She goes with blinkers for the first time. #2 CHARGETHATMOUNTAIN is by 15% juvenile debut sire Old Forester, out of an unplaced mare who has had two winners in three foals to race including restricted Stakes-placed Jo Daddy; not getting in too tough for her debut.

Race 5

#7 Sassy Melissa

#1 Really Thirsty

#6 Worry Less

#2 Victoria Elizabeth

#7 SASSY MELISSA was empty in both of her starts against much tougher back in July and now returns from a three month break with a plunge in for bottoms. She has some back class and returns with a steady string of breezes. #1 REALLY THIRSTY could have a recency edge over the other main threats, coming into this race off of a runner-up finish three weeks ago in a five furlong dash. She should be a speed factor from the rail with the added furlong. #6 WORRY LESS was a gate to wire winner on an extremely hot night on July 24 before coming up empty on August 21. She returns with a massive plunge down from the \$25,000 level; like Sassy Melissa it's a bit of a your guess is as good as mine situation. #2 VICTORIA ELIZABETH ran on to be fourth in the same race that Really Thirsty exits on October 10. Hit or miss-type has had some solid efforts this season.

Race 6

#2 Happy Quad - Best Bet

#3 He Shoots He Wins

#6 Commander At Sea

#1 Cut'em Loose

#2 HAPPY QUAD didn't love the Fort Erie dirt but was able to find the winners circle when getting back to the Tapeta against \$15,000 non-twos on October 11. He drops in for \$10,000 for this move to the non-three condition. #3 HE SHOOTS HE WINS was sent to the lead but wilted when dropping in for \$25,000 on October 13 and continues to drop in value, going all the way down to the \$10,000 level today. He could be the quickest out of the gate here. #6 COMMANDER AT SEA bumped up to the \$15,000 level when returning from a two month break on September 26 and finished well to be third. He has not missed a check this year and has competitive speed figures. #1 CUT'EM LOOSE dueled from the outside draw and faltered when last racing on October 3. Although that race was for a lower tag there were come back-classy foes eligible for the non-winners in a year condition; this group is arguably easier.

P-3 PLAY
1.7/2/1.3.6

Race 7

#1 Crumlin Trouble

#3 Foresters Exec

#6 Rhaenyra

#2 Suigu Belle

#1 CRUMLIN TROUBLE broke her maiden for \$15,000, then her non-two for \$25,000 and now bumps up to the \$40,000 level in this bid to keep the win streak going. She figures to stalking from the inside with the cutback to 5 ½ furlongs. #3 FORESTERS EXEC exits a rallying win against non-twos in an inner turf dash on September 20. She ran against the bias on dirt in the Rondeau Bay and is otherwise in good form. #6 RHAENYRA set a fairly easy pace but gave way to be third when last racing 13 days ago. The Georgian Bay winner may appreciate the cutback in distance. #2 SUIGU BELLE proved best late when winning her non-two for \$25,000 and attracting a claim on September 20; speed factor.

Race 8

#7 Souper Strider

#6 Ashuka

#1 Devil's Tongue

#3 Big Lew

#8 Z Hub

#7 SOUPER STRIDER dueled through rapid fractions and emptied out when dropping in for this tag on October 18. His previous speed figures were strong and he catches a field where he should be the main speed. #6 ASHUKA has raced well in three starts since returning from a layoff, running a decent fourth in the same race that Souper Strider exits. He has had many chances but should be in the hunt again. #1 DEVIL'S TONGUE had a rough start and ran a non-threatening fifth of six when dropping in for \$15,000 on October 11 and continues to drop in value; he has had some speed figures that would put him in the hunt. #3 BIG LEW has been empty in his two most recent starts but has had a trio of runner-up finishes for this tag this year and could be worth a look if he is a decent price. #8 Z HUB has not been seen since an empty run off of a wide trip on September 7. The blinkers come off for the first time; fringe player.

Wheeling (1:00)



1st 7 6 2 8

2ND 6 5 4 2

3RD 2 6 8 1

4TH 8 1 3 5

5TH 1 2 3 6

6TH 2 7 3 8

7TH 6 3 7 5

8TH 6 5 2 1

9TH 3 4 8 6

10TH 3 5 2 4

11TH 3 2 6 4

12TH 7 4 1 2

13TH 3 5 8 4

14TH 1 5 4 3

15TH 7 2 6 1

16TH 3 1 2 6

17TH 6 7 4 8

Best Bet

16-3 LK'S RAWLINS



(Post 6:20) -Spot Plays

BEST BET: STONECOLDTREACHERY (9th)

Race 1: (4) HOUSE BLEND wasn't bad facing older foes from post 10 last time. She moves to the middle of the gate now and may be able to brew up a win. (6) JUST MY MAMA is very much at home in this TM68 level and only needs a reasonable trip to have a big say in the outcome. (2) FUNNEIGH is a horse that isn't as far away from a win than it perhaps seems on paper; adds Lasix; Boyd drives! (5) DUCK INTO THE NITE has the speed to make some early noise.

Race 2. (9) ODDS ON SARA SARA gets some serious class relief dropping into the amateur ranks. Four-year-old has the early speed to overcome the outside and my only concern is that this barn went 0-for-5 last weekend. (4) URBAN RENEWAL owns some sneaky form and is capable of firing off the gate from time to time. (1) THE OPENER chases very nicely and has picked up a bunch of on-the-board finishes in 2025.

Race 4: (2) MY WISH CAME TRUE got away slowly and was dull after missing a month of action. New driver joins the team now as he moves to the inside of the gate. This is a winnable spot. (2) MOONWARDS HANOVER is winless on the year but has put in a number of quality efforts; moves inside tonight. (5) BIG BAD BILL has been known to take some shots on the front and he could easily fire off the gate here.

Race 6: (8) SOFT LANDING didn't get enough pace last time when returning from six weeks on the sidelines. There is plenty of early speed in here to set him up. (2) R CANDY takes on older foes but may be up to the task judging by recent form. (7) DELPHI HANOVER broke in her first start for this barn but there is every reason to believe she can go with these if Derue figures out the issue quickly.

Race 8: (2) HOOFBEATS DE VIE drops down to a more comfortable level and should be forwardly placed this time after a dull mile in his last. (1) GOOGOO EYES technically steps up in company but really doesn't face that tough of a field and can certainly play with these. (6) ITSONE OF THOSE has been racing pretty well lately despite drawing outside in recent starts. The only big negative is his career mark is only 1:57 as an 8-year-old. 2-1-6-4

Race 9: (9) STONECOLDTREACHERY has been super in her last two starts and anything close to those performances would make her tough to beat. (5) TAKE YOUR PICK owns multiple wins in this class in 2025. (7) MIKI IN LUV had too far to come behind slow fractions at Yonkers last time; very sharp.

Race 11: (1) TRICKY WICKY gets a barn change and adds Lasix. If you see the other Chris Height horses perform well, definitely move this gal up. (7) PIRATE PRINCESS found early speed and just missed on the engine last time at Philly after a four week absence. Three-year-old lands in a good spot tonight but I have some reservations using a driver making his first start in North America. 1-7-8

Rick's Picks

Selections by veteran southwest handicapper, Rick Lee



(Post 6:45)

Friday, October 31, 2025

Lee's Lock

Race 3

(#6) **Diamond Gem Aa** is unbeaten in four races at Lone Star, and he was a dominating winner in this same stake in 2024.

Best Bet

Race 12

(#6) **Heza Higher Fire** was best when beaten only a neck after a poor start last month, and the beaten favorite amends.

Best Longshot

Race 1

(#6) **Unseemly** does lack consistency, but he is fast enough to win at this class level with an alert break from the gate.

10-Cent Superfecta of the Day

The key to hitting a big superfecta is to find a strong contender who is in a large and contentious field, such as **Fire Is Burnin** in the ninth.

10 cent Superfecta numbers:
8/1,3,4,5,11/1,3,4,5,11/1,3,4,5,11=\$6

Race Selections

- 1st Race: (#6) **Unseemly***
(#1) Bp Wagon Six
(#4) Runnin Gold Heart
(#3) Vp Prize Time Heart
- 2nd Race: (#7) The Fiscal Chick
(#5) Real Quick Flirt
(#8) Rocketeagle
(#4) This Eagles a Leader
- 3rd Race: (#6) **Diamond Gem Aa***
(#7) Rb Motherload
(#1) Wma Smoke Signal
(#3) Like Moulin Rouge
- 4th Race: (#5) The Outlaw Torn
(#2) Wild Senorita
(#7) Barbie Doll Special
(#6) Beau Diddly
- 5th Race: (#9) Lr Eagle
(#4) A Menace Wagon
(#6) Mr Nandin
(#2) Famous Train
- 6th Race: (#2) Aa Burning Ash
(#6) Rb Burn The Bill
(#7) Rb Badonkadonk
(#4) Tm Purncess
- 7th Race: (#8) Defours
(#4) Ls Jacks Back
(#3) Bv I B Quick
(#6) Louisiana Moves
- 8th Race: (#1) Cyber Sass
(#6) Kiss of Corona
(#10) Fowl Corazonita
(#7) Haleys Lil Eagle
- 9th Race: (#8) **Fire Is Burnin***
(#4) Peepl R Political
(#5) Fire Eat N Cowboy
(#3) Fire in My Blood
- 10th Race: (#6) Double Dee
(#8) Relentless Silk
(#7) Down in the Swamp
(#11) One Bad Fdd
- 11th Race: (#2) Grand Charming Elan
(#5) Bv Hello Goodbye
(#9) Flyn Jesse James
(#11) Rb Lunch Money
- 12th Race: (#6) **Heza Higher Fire***
(#3) Famous Moon Risen
(#5) Pyc Dash Ta Phoebe
(#1) Illuminator Z

REMINGTON PARK

TOP SHOT

Remington Park Selections

By Jerry Shottenkirk

Friday, October 31

(7:20)

1st Race

4 BECKY IS SEXY
8 RED FLAT PUMPS
1 MISSES MILLIE
5 INTERNATIONAL M

2nd Race

1 DEPECIER
4 SUGAR HILL
8 FAYE'S GOLD
6 OLDFASHLOVESONG

3rd Race

2 METHODS
5 IUKA MISS
7 GRACE GIVEN
6 YODA WINNER

4th Race

9 LA MORENA
7 FELLA'S SISTER
10 ANAJULIAFOREVER
4 CHARMONTE

5th Race

4 DUTTON STREET GIRL
7 BELMIRA
9 KARA
3 CODE OF THE SOUTH

6th Race

9 BEAUTIFUL TWICE
8 BACHELOR PARTY
4 ONE QUEEN
5 LUMINA

7th Race

8 OH MY DARLING
9 COLD CASE
1 LADY BEAU
5 OOH BABY IT'S ME

8th Race

6 SPOILER
2 TAP THE DOT
3 BRUCELEA
7 GO GO BOSS

9th Race

9 THAT WAS EASY
2 THUNDERMUNNYBALL
11 RUBY'S POSSE
5 NO FEAR NO LIMITS

TODAY'S BEST BET

DUTTON STREET GIRL (5th)

PICK FIVE

(Races 1-5)
4-8-1-5 with 1-4-8 with 2-5-7-6 with 9-7 with 4 (\$48)

PREMIER PICK FOUR

(Races 2-5)
1-4-8 with 2-5-7-6 with 9-7 with 4-7-9 (\$36)

PINNACLE PICK FOUR

(Races 4-7)
9-7 with 4-7-9 with 9-8-4-5 with 8-9-1 (\$36)

PICK FIVE

(Races 5-9)
4-7-9 with 9-8-4 with 8-9-1 with 6-2 with 9-2 (\$54)

PRIMETIME PICK FOUR

(Races 6-9)
9-8-4-5 with 8-9 with 6-2-3 with 9-2-11 (\$36)

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