

## **Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, July 18**

**Note: My odds-line for my top four contenders is based on what I think each horse's chances are to win the race. For instance, if I make a horse 4-1, I think the horse's chances of winning are about 20%, so if the same exact race was run ten times, he'd win it twice. If I make all of the horses about the same odds, that's an indication that I think the race is wide open, or that I can't pinpoint a horse that appears to have a strong edge.**

### **Meadowlands Race Picks by Bob Pandolfo**

#### RACE 1

3 U S CAPTAIN 2-1  
5 ROCK THE DEVIL 5-2  
1 THE DEVILS OWN 3-1  
7 SOMEBADDUDE 10-1

U S CAPTAIN is third off a layoff with a key drop...ROCK THE DEVIL comes off game effort where he was used leaving and then first over...THE DEVILS OWN has been racing in top form...SOMEBADDUDE returns from Philly with good form over this track, gets Gingras and may be well placed.

#### RACE 2

6 MANCHEGO 2-5  
7 PLUNGE BLUE CHIP 4-1  
5 FELCITYSHAGWELL S 13-1  
1 KENZIESKY HANOVER 20-1

#### RACE 3

8 HYPNOTIC AM 7-5  
1 SORELLA 2-1  
5 PANEM 13-1  
10 RAMONA HILL 9-2

HYPNOTIC AM has won 9 of 11 starts; her only two losses came over the Mohawk track in the Breeders Crown; edge...SORELLA has come back strong this year. She raced without shoes last week and was a strong winner in a career best, now the shoes go back on for a hot barn...PANEM stepped up her game in last with a nice placing behind Sorella...RAMONA HILL won the Breeders Crown and raced well in her first start back last week.

#### RACE 4

6 BACK OF THE NECK 7-2  
3 BIG OIL 7-2  
1 REAL COOL SAM 7-2  
4 AMIGO VOLO

BACK OF THE NECK has improved for Swanstedt and I'll give him the edge in a wide open Stanley Dancer Memorial...BIG OIL is another colt that has improved, seeking 4<sup>th</sup> straight win...REAL COOL SAM will try this off three qualifiers; he has 9 wins in 10 starts and trainer Jim Campbell has been hot...AMIGO VOLO probably should have won last at Pocono a little easier than he did but he's certainly tough on his best.

#### RACE 5

7 EL IDEAL 2-1  
1 BEADS 5-2  
4 READY FOR MONI 3-1  
3 CHESTNUT HILL 10-1

E IDEAL and BEADS hooked up in a speed duel in last and both held well to the wire. El Ideal was making his first start of the year so I expect improvement...BEADS was more focused with the hood on in his last two races over the track...READY FOR MONI tries this off the bench for a top barn, has ability if ready...CHESTNUT HILL broke on the lead in last at Pocono; best needed.

#### RACE 6

1 JK FIRST LADY 8-5  
6 ROCKNIFICENT 2-1  
8 REFLECT WITH ME 7-2  
9 LYONS SENTINEL 4-1

JK FIRST LADY tuned up for this with a snappy qualifier...ROCKNIFICENT should leave sharply again...REFLECT WITH ME beat top one with a strong finish...LYONS SENTINEL draws outside but may work her way to the lead.

#### RACE 7

6 DANCIN LOU 7-5  
4 CENTURY FARROH 6-1  
5 BACKSTREET SHADOW 3-1  
11 NONE BETTOR A 6-1

DANCIN LOU was used hard to take the lead then set a hot pace under hounding pressure, still finished in :26.4; he could bounce off that hard used but very game effort, but I'm sticking with him...CENTURY FARROH was shuffled out of contention and tight quarters with pace in last...BACKSTREET SHADOW left, tucked, went first over and held well in last...NONE BETTOR A draws the second tier but is consistent.

#### RACE 8

11 DON'T LET'EM 8-1  
13 GIMPANZEE 8-5  
1 FORBIDDEN TRADE 4-1  
5 WHEN DOVESCRY 5-1

DON'T LET'EM comes into this off a career best in his 2<sup>nd</sup> start of the year; needs to mind his manners and try to stay in front of GIMPANZEE...The latter has come back in raging form as a four year old and should be tough despite post 13 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> tier...FORBIDDEN TRADE won the Hambo over this track and looked sharp winning his return race over a nice field of older trotters...WHEN DOVESCRY makes his first start for new connections; qualified four times; she has to get off lasix to comply with the rules for this 9 furlong stakes race.

#### RACE 9

4 ALLYWAG HANOVER 5-1  
5 TALL DARK STRANGER 3-5  
9 PAPI ROB HANOVER 4-1  
3 CAPTAIN BARBOSSA 14-1  
10 CAPTAIN KIRK 15-1

ALLYWAG HANOVER has matured as a 3yo and Pelling has him in prime form for this Big M Pace; upset call...TALL DARK STRANGER held on to win his elimination and draws inside of his main rival...PAPA ROB HANOVER did as well as he could from a tough post in last; he'll be ready to fire big tonight and should be leaving this time...CAPTAIN BARBOSSA has been finishing his miles with good energy and if the pace gets hot, which it probably will, Sears could pull off an upset...CAPTAIN KIRK showed some early zip, was shuffled, then finished gamely to make Tall Dark Stranger work for his win last week. That was a sharp effort and this colt, who's still eligible for NW2, has improved sharply over the winter. Post 10 is a bit daunting when you're facing top class horses. Let's see if Joey leaves and tries to get a tuck somewhere.

RACE 10

2 SHARTIN N 2-5  
4 KISSIN IN THE SAND 7-2  
7 SOHO BURNING LOVE A 6-1  
8 CAVIART ALLY 10-1

SHARTIN N has won 17 of 21 starts over the last two years...KISSIN IN THE SAND has come back sharp this year...SOHO BURNING LOVE got the pocket and beat KISSIN IN THE SAND last time...CAVIART ALLY hasn't sharpened yet but she could certainly step up.

RACE 11

6 SINTRA 8-5  
11 GEEZ JOE 2-1  
4 OUR MAJORDAN A 9-2  
5 DEALT A WINNER 10-1

SINTRA got caught in tight quarters; consistent, sharp...GEEZ JOE finished strongly from a tough spot in last, draws the 2<sup>nd</sup> tier but he's sharp...OUR MAJORDAN A was beat down to the favorite in his local debut and broke before the start...DEALT A WINNER classy veteran picks up Dunn and fits well here.

RACE 12

6 ANGERS BAYAMA\*\* 7-5  
8 SHAMWOW 5-2  
1 CLOSING STATEMENT 6-1  
2 PEACE OUT POSSE 8-1

ANGERS BAYAMA had strong pace on both ends against tougher...SHAMWOW also takes a key drop...CLOSING STATEMENT best needed...PEACE OUT POSSE ships in from Mohawk, changes hands.

RACE 13

3 THATSWHATISAID N 5-2  
9 HOT DEUCE 10-1  
1 FRANCO TOTEM N 3-1  
2 PASSA-GRILLE BEACH 4-1

THATSWHATISAID N had a tough trip and held well with a :26.1 last quarter...HOT DEUCE makes his 3<sup>rd</sup> start off the bench and may try leaving...FRANCO TOTEM N lost by a nose on a good effort, although he figured to win that race; chance...PASSA-GRILLE BEACH lures Tetrack off top pick.

BEST BET: ANGERS BAYAMA 12<sup>th</sup> Race