

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, December 5, 2020

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

10 STAR COMMANDER N 5-1
4 SPRINTER N 5-2
1 PREMIER ROCKSTAR 5-2
2 THNDRFRMTHETHRON N 5-1

STAR COMMANDER N rallied wide from a tough spot and finished gamely in :25.4; drops down and the likely favorites have some question marks so I'll take a shot despite the post.

RACE 2

4 DONTDOUBTTHELAKERS 4-1
8 VICTORIAS MAVERICK 4-1
10 S MCKEE 4-1
9 OH JOHNNY B GOOD N

There are some intriguing puzzles in the early Pick 5, including this bottom level claiming race. DONTDOUBTTHELAKERS was used hard to get the lead from post 10 and and tired; his best races are from off the pace and he gets a better spot for a barn that's winning at a 28% rate the past month...VICTORIAS MAVERICK sips in and gets top driver...S MCKEE beat similar from the rail in last...OH JOHNNY B GOOD N has backclass and makes his 2nd start off a layoff here.

RACE 3

7 STUEBEN GLADIATOR 7-2
5 CHIP FOR REAL 4-1
9 ROCKAHOLIC 9-2
1 FRANKANDJOANNE 8-1

RACE 4

10 STYLISH DANCER 5-2
6 CENTURY FERRARI 5-2
1 IMAGEOFAROCKER 7-2
3 ALL WEEK 4-1

STYLISH DANCER qualified back well here which is a good sign because he's never raced over this track, is aggressively spotted dropping back in for a tag, and is capable of sharp early speed...CENTURY FERRARI had a tough trip in last and held gamely; one to beat...IMAGEOFAROCKER brushed and faded in last, not a good sign because his form was solid prior to that; drops and gets a key driver change to Dunn...ALL WEEK finished willingly in last.

RACE 5

4 FRANCO TRISTAN N 4-1
3 HE'S ELECTRIC 6-1
10 JOHNNYSFIRECRACKER 6-1
6 CASIMIR RUMRUNNER 6-1

RACE 6

2 DEALT A WINNER 8-5
3 DECISION DAY 2-1
9 HEZA REAL DIAMOND 4-1
6 MINDTRIP 8-1

DEALT A WINNER won his first start for the Burke barn handily, steps up looking for his third straight and he certainly has the class to take another...DECISION DAY drops and moves inside and may be the main rival...HEZA REAL DIAMOND uncorked a sizzling 1:48.4 win last week; steps up for hot barn...MINDTRIP is still in form and will be closing.

RACE 7

4 NO QUARTER** 6-5
1 THE CANDYMAN CAN 5-2
2 SLIPPIN THE CLUTCH 4-1
10 PUT TO RIGHT 9-2

NO QUARTER was used hard to get the lead from post 10 in his first start since October 11. Speedy colt should be tough here...THE CANDYMAN CAN finished willingly in his first start over the track...SLIPPIN THE CLUTCH has raced very well on half mile tracks...PUT TO RIGHT didn't have an easy trip in last; still in form.

RACE 8

7 LET IT RIDE 2-1
1 B STONEY 5-2
4 BECHERS BROOK A 3-1
9 ANOTHER DAILY COPY 6-1

RACE 9

6 A MAJOR OMEN 7-2
8 BRACKEN STORM A 2-1
2 RUTHLESS HANOVER 4-1
3 TRU LOU 5-1

RACE 10

6 THIS IS THE PLAN 9-5
7 AMERICAN HISTORY 2-1
4 HARAMBE DEO 5-2
9 FRANCO TOTEM N 6-1

THIS IS THE PLAN ships in off a sharp win from post 7 at Yonkers and he's turned in some fine efforts chasing top FFA's horses like Bettors Wish and Leonidas A this year...AMERICAN HISTORY ships back in off a powerhouse win at Yonkers, handles this track very well...HARAMBE DEO was off a month's layoff in last and overmatched against top FFA horses, but his two prior starts over this track were sparkling wire to wire wins...FRANCO TOTEM N steps up sharp and has talented driver in the bike.

RACE 11

6 LACHIE MAGUIRE N 6-1
4 NO EASY DAY 4-1
2 SAYING GRACE N 5-2
9 STONE HANOVER 6-1

RACE 12

9 FOX VALLEY NEMITZ 2-1
6 SHATTERED GLASS 5-2

5 CRUZING HILL 5-1
2 WAHTSTRUBLNUROCKY 5-1

RACE 13

9 GO WEST GO FAST** 5-2
4 SUGAR FACTORY 3-1
8 IN ROCK WE TRUST 4-1
1 GHOST DANCE 4-1

GO WEST GO FAST had no shot from post 10 in a race that came up very fast for the class level; drops down and has enough speed to gun for position or set the pace...SUGAR FACTORY dropped to this level in last and broke on the lead; fits well in this field...IN ROCK WE TRUST rallied for the place in last; broke in his two prior starts but may be straightened out now...GHOST DANCE seems better than last.

BEST BETS: NO QUARTER 7th Race...GO WEST GO FAST 13th Race