

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, September 11

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

6 KENZIESKY HANOVER 9-5
8 SCIROCCO ROB 2-1
7 RICH AND MISERABLE 4-1
5 TWO AM 6-1

KENZIESKY HANOVER drops while sharp...SCIROCCO ROB classy sort ships back in from Pocono and drops...RICH AND MISERABLE is in from Pocono, steps up in good form and has the back class to be dangerous here...TWO AM is another trotter shipping in shipping in sharp from Pocono, steps up.

RACE 2

7 HEZA REAL DIAMOND 8-5
5 DE LOS CIELOS DEO 2-1
4 JAGGER ROCKS 9-2
10 JUMPING JAKE 10-1

HEZA REAL DIAMOND was first over against a sharp winner in a race that went very fast for the class; may leave this time and have the edge over classy grinder DE LOS CIELOS DEO, who drops...JAGGER ROCKS ships in sharp...JUMPING JAKE had a tough trip and held gamely in last, now moves outside. Post 10 used to win at a decent percentage here but now it's tougher to win from the outside.

RACE 3

2 BE BEST 8-1
4 NIMAH FRANCO N 9-5
8 SWEET LUCY LOU 5-2
6 SHELLIE DE VIE 10-1

BE BEST hasn't raced since July 30th but was hampered by outside posts against better in her last few starts and is capable of beating this kind...NIMAH FRANCO N didn't get much pace in front of her last week, finished okay; looks like the one to beat...SWEET LUCY LOU was also hampered by the pace and was moving well late...SHELLIE DE VIE was put into play from post 10 last time, held okay.

RACE 4

2 MAX 7-2
8 GLOBETROTTING 8-5
6 INNISFALLEN 8-1
5 ROCK PARTY 9-2

MAX hasn't raced since February but Burke has a much better win percentage off layoffs than most trainers and he's one of the faster trotters here...GLOBETROTTING is the other Burke, stayed flat in his last two starts at Harrahs Philly and may be tough if Sears can get him on or near the lead...INNISFALLEN may have needed last, drops; price factor...ROCK PARTY shows good recent form and might leave.

RACE 5

5 PRAYFORTHEWICKED 2-1
6 METALLICA 2-1
1 AS ALWAYS 5-1
9 MICKEYS SPIRIT 8-1

PRAYFORTHEWICKED qualified back well for a good layoff barn and was overmatched in last; draws inside of his main rival, METALLICA, who raced well in his local debut but did lose at 1-2 odds to a two year old last week...AS ALWAYS finished well in local debut and may build on that as he adds lasix...MICKEYS SPIRIT made two moves and weakened but he might be sharper tonight second off the sick scratch.

RACE 6

2 CRYSTAL FASHION 2-1
5 LOVEBYTHEMASSES 2-1
2 CHIN CHIN HALL 4-1
6 PLAY TRIX ON ME 6-1

CRYSTAL FASHION classy veteran is capable of a big mile against this type...LOVEDBYTHEMASSES never got into the race in last but has turned in some big miles this year including his sharp win against similar on Hambo day...CHIN CHIN HALL got a nice drive by cagey and underrated veteran Victor Kirby to upset similar in last...PLAY TRIX ON ME adds lasix and drops and fits here on best.

RACE 7

5 TYPHOON STRIDE N 6-1
3 STONE HANOVER 4-1
1 A BETTOR BEACH 6-1
4 PRO BEACH 6-1

This is a good race with lots of possibilities and question marks, hard to put an odds-line on. TYPHOON STRIDE N makes his U.S. debut for a hot barn, adds lasix...STONE HANOVER finished willingly from a tough spot in last and he's certainly fast enough to beat these...A BETTOR BEACH went a big mile to beat a weaker, albeit, pretty good field in last...PRO BEACH steps up off a win at Freehold but this is only his third start in the Burke barn and he could keep improving.

RACE 8

1 HATIKVAH** 12-1
4 HL REVADON 7-2
10 HOCKEY HANOVER 4-1
6 PATRIARCH HANOVER 9-2

HATIKVAH raced well against a good field here on July 24 then draw post 9 the next week. Throw out last from post 8 at Philadelphia...HL REVADON was 2nd against similar in last...HOCKEY HANOVER is dangerous at this level and would have been my top pick from a better post...PATRIARCH HANOVER raced well against tougher on the smaller ovals but is now 0 for 10 over this track after losing at 4/5 in last.

RACE 9

7 SOHO BURNING LOVE 2-1
8 WARRAWEE UBEAUT 2-1
5 HEAVENS SHOWGIRL N 8-1
2 BETTORS HEART N 4-1

SOHO BURNING LOVE has turned in a couple of big miles over this track, one of them this year, and ships in off back to back wins...WARRAWEE UBEAUT was used hard in last at Yonkers; she's 0 for 9 over this track but if you look at her last three lines here, she was facing faster mares in stakes races...HEAVENS

SHOWGIRL was not in the best spot starting from post 6 in her U.S. debut at Yonkers; trainer Drennan and driver Brennan have been a good team here this year...BETTORS HEART N drops and fits here for live barn.

RACE 10

4 OLLIE'S ZTAM 8-1
3 VETTEL N 5-2
1 JM MANDAMIN 5-2
7 TWIN B TUFFENUFF 7-2

This is a throwback sort of race, a \$100,000-\$150,000 claiming handicap. Back in the glory days of the Meadowlands in the 70's and 80's, there were some outstanding races in these claiming handicaps. This one appears wide open and it's interesting that several of the horses that appear to fit well here don't have good records over this track. The 1, 3, 7 and 8 have a combined record of 2 wins in 50 starts over this track and they're the horses that will probably be the top four betting choices.

RACE 11

6 JUXTA COWGIRL 7-2
8 FREE FLYING TICKET 4-1
9 BETALADY 4-1
3 ALICORN 7-1

RACE 12

6 WES DELIGHT 5-2
2 ANA AFREET N 5-2
4 LYONS STEEL 7-2
7 SERIOUSLY HANOVER 10-1

RACE 13

5 I'M A BIG DEAL 2-1
8 MONTEFALCO N 8-1
4 SEEUNNASHVILLE A 4-1
6 FOREVERNALWAYS 9-2

BEST BET: HATIKVAH 8th Race