

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Friday, February 25

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

4 CASINO BAGS ANSO 5-1
2 TAKEITTOHEFACE 5-1
5 CAPTAIN'S REIGN 5-1
6 DOC SEMALU 5-1

RACE 2

3 OPUS BLUE CHIP 6-5
2 DL'S BIG ELVIS 7-2
7 PIRATE'S ALLEY 4-1
10 CRUNCH 8-1

OPUS BLUE CHIP wired similar in first start off the claim and this field is similar, if not a little weaker...DL'S BIG ELVIS rallied for second behind the top pick in last and holds form...PIRATE'S ALLEY went first over against Opus Blue Chip and was no match; two back he beat similar off a cover trip...CRUNCH chased a much-the-best heavy favorite in last.

RACE 3

7 DOCTOR BUTCH 10-1
4 ROCK TO GLORY 5-1
9 KEEP COMING 5-1
6 BUNGALOW BILL N 10-1

RACE 4

5 TOCCOA FALLS 4-1
8 STAY CLOSE 4-1
2 YOU WILL BE QUEEN 5-1
3 L DEES PATRICK 6-1

RACE 5

8 LOVE THIS BAR** 7-1
4 MARVELOUSTRIX 7-2
3 HALLIAMA 7-2
9 CLASSIC VENTURE 4-1

LOVE THAT BAR takes a key drop...MARVELOUSTRIX closing threat...HALLIAMA won two of his last three starts gamely from off the pace and broke in the other one...CLASSIC VENTURE has been showing speed.

RACE 6

8 WINNING LINC 7-2
5 MANHATTAN BEACH 7-2
1 JUST N ACE 9-2
7 THNDRFRMTHETHRON N 5-1

WINNING LINC had a tough parked-out trip in first start off the claim by good claiming outfit; edge in a wide open race.

RACE 7

6 EL'S DISCO JOHNNY 3-1
5 NOTABADGAME 4-1
3 STELLAR BB 4-1
7 MASTER CONRAD 5-1

EL'S DISCO JOHNNY was used leaving to a quick opener from post 9, yielded and was right there at the finish in last...NOTABADGAME gets a better spot while holding form...STELLAR BB had no shot from outside posts in last two starts...MASTER CONRAD grinded out a win against similar in last.

RACE 8

7 TANGO DANCER N 4-1
4 FILLY 4-1
3 APRIL AVA 5-2
5 A BETTER GAME 9-2

TANGO DANCER N left well and was shuffled with pace in last...FILLY finished quickly in her second start off a layoff in last...APRIL AVA got up gamely to beat similar...A BETTER GAME had too far to come in last but overall recent form is good.

RACE 9

1 FLIRTY FORTY 5-1
6 JUXTA COWGIRL 5-1
9 SHES A SASSY BEACH 5-1
4 WAKEMESHAKEME 5-1

FLIRTY FORTY was in a bit too tough at Yonkers in last but won two of her last three starts over this track and had a tough trip in the other...JUXTA COWGIRL was used hard on the lead from post 9 in last...SHES A SASSY BEACH makes first start for Burke and Gingras took this one over WAKEMESHAKEME, who also makes first start for Burke.

RACE 10

6 YANKS DUGOUT 2-1
7 RICH AND MISERABLE 7-2
8 GOTWUTEVERITTAKES 4-1
2 DAYSON 9-2

YANKS DUGOUT won in this class in his only start over this track and has since gone one to beat tougher...RICH AND MISERABLE returns off a freshening and they try hobbles, which does seem a little odd for a horse that's won so many races, but he certainly could be tough here on one of his better races...GOTWUTEVERITTAKES is another nice trotter coming back off a freshening; drops...DAYSON picks up Dunn and had a tough trip in last.

RACE 11

5 SCIROCCO BOB 2-1
1 HL REVADON 3-1
4 STORMONT VENTNOR 9-2
7 KNGIHT ANGEL 5-1

SCIROCCO BOB is the fastest of these if ready but hasn't raced since September.

RACE 12

6 BULLVILLEKARLA 3-1

1 PAPPY ROCKS 7-2

9 I WILL DO IT 9-2

3 BE BEST 9-2

BULLVILLEKARLA ships back in and the last time she was here she won in this class.

RACE 13

10 HOCKEY HANOVER 5-2

7 TRIXIE DUST 3-1

6 JUSTLIKEHIM 4-1

1 ZLATAN 6-1

BEST BET: LOVE THIS BAR 5th Race