

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, April 30

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

1 TOOKADIVEOFFDIPPER 2-1
2 HAIL CHRISTIAN N 5-2
4 JACK'S SHADOW N 6-1
7 DE LOS CIELOS DEO 6-1

TOOKADIVEOFFDIPPER was parked to a :26.1 opener, set the pace and finished second with a solid :27 final quarter...HAIL CHRISTIAN N beat top pick with a nice trip...JACK'S SHADOW needed last...DE LOS CIELOS DEO was used hard in a fast pace.

RACE 2

6 BETTER TAKE IT 5-1
5 ELVER HANOVER 2-1
1 PALOMAR 5-1
7 WATER SPORTS TEEN 6-1

BETTER TAKE IT drops and gets Dunn...ELVER HANOVER had no shot from post 7 in last at Yonkers and was in with tougher at Pocono two back. He's a fast horse when right but I'm not sure he's sharp enough to warrant short odds here...PALOMAR drops and fits well here...WATER SPORTS TEEN is another pacer who can motor when at his best but his current form doesn't look good and his best races have been around more turns.

RACE 3

6 WINDSONG JACK 5-2
7 COOL BLUES MAN 7-2
8 RAPTORS FLIGHT N 7-2
2 MANHATTAN BEACH 7-1

WINDSONG JACK can put his early speed to good use here...COOL BLUES MAN drops...RAPTORS FLIGHT N was very game beating similar from a better post...MANHATTAN BEACH should be well placed.

RACE 4

4 DECISION DAY 9-5
2 LETS ROLL 2-1
5 GAMBLIN MO 7-2
1 AMERICAN MERCURY 5-1

DECISION DAY drops and gets a better spot...LETS ROLL ships in sharp from Pompano; he only has 1 win in 18 starts over this track, but it was a good one, a career best 1:48...GAMBLIN MO fits well here...AMERICAN MERCURY comes off a layoff for one of the sport's most consistent trainers.

RACE 5

6 STELLENBOSCH 5-2
1 LAURIE LEE 5-2

5 TENTHOUSAND ANGELS 6-1
9 IDEATRION HANOVER 6-1

STELLENBOSCH drops and gets a better spot for her third start off the bench and should go well here...LAURIE LEE drops and looks like the one to beat with Dunn...TEN THOUSAND ANGELS and IDEATION HANOVER also drop down.

RACE 6
1 SCARLETT HANOVER 2-1
7 MARSALA HANOVER 5-2
2 DEMETER N 3-1
4 JM BETONSIX 4-1

SCARLETT HANOVER has been chasing the fast Racine Bell at Yonkers...MARSALA HANOVER set the pace and was second in her first start since December...DEMETER N ships in from Yonkers where she has been sharp, but she has never raced as well over this track...JM BETSONSIX raced okay against similar in last and Gingras took this Burke pacing mare over Scarlett Hanover.

RACE 7
6 HOT DEUCE 5-2
8 MOTIVE HANOVER 5-2
7 BANK SEA 4-1
1 COLOSSAL STRIDE A 4-1

HOT DEUCE put in a good effort against similar in last...MOTIVE HANOVER raced off the pace from post 9 and really had no chance; should try leaving this time...BANK SEA is still in good form and has a shot...COLOSSAL STRIDE A broke as the favorite in last but has a shot here.

RACE 8
5 FOX VALLEY EXPLOIT 2-1
3 BEACH MOMENT 7-2
1 FILLY 4-1
7 BEYOND WORDS 7-1

FOX VALLEY EXPLOIT is sharp and just beat a similar, if not slight better field...BEACH MOMENT moves inside off a good effort and is in winning form right now...FILLY is in form...BEYOND WORDS raced okay against similar and Dunn often wins with these marginal contenders.

RACE 9
7 J M MANDAMIN 8-5
3 IGNATIUS A 5-2
8 DRAGON SAID 3-1
5 ROCKIN THE ACES 6-1

JM MANDAMIN raced okay off the bench in last, now takes a key drop...IGNATIUS A has looked good in two U.S. starts, steps up sharp...DRAGON SAID has never raced here and obviously loves Yonkers but this is a fast horse and hard to ignore...ROCKIN THE ACES steps up sharp.

RACE 10
6 LET IT RIDE N 2-1
4 CHARLIE MAY 2-1
1 AMERICAN HISTORY 4-1
3 VETTEL N 9-2

LET IT RIDE N was sharp beating a softer field at this level, has recent conditioning edge...CHARLIE MAY shows two sharp qualifiers prepping for this 3yo return. He may not have to be at this best to beat these, especially considering that it's only a six horse field and he could get a trip...AMERICAN HISTORY never got into the race in last but should be more involved from the rail...VETTEL N is in good form.

RACE 11

7 CARBINE 5-2

5 GALLANT STAR 3-1

1 I'LL DRINK TO THAT 7-2

2 MULLIANAX 9-2

CARBINE qualified sharply for a trainer who often wins with fresh horses.

RACE 12

5 CALIBER** 5-1

7 HEZA REAL DIAMOND 2-1

8 BAYFIELD BACH 5-1

1 PRO BEACH 8-1

CALIBER drops and should show more...HEZA REAL DIAMOND is the one to beat.

RACE 13

1 SOMTHINGABOUTMARY N 7-2

2 NIMAH FRANCO N 7-2

5 BRUSH N CRUSH 5-1

8 SO DELIGHTFUL 6-1

BEST BET: CALIBER 12th Race