

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Friday, January 6, 2023

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 clear edge.

Meadowlands Race Picks by Bob Pandolfo

RACE 1

3 FERDINAND A 8-5
6 DEEFFIELD BEACH 4-1
7 IN NEVADA N 6-1
1 VALIANT IVY 8-1

FERDINAND A gunned to the lead in :26.4, set the pace and was a solid second in last. Favorites are often unreliable in these amateur driver races but I'll give him the edge.

RACE 2

7 CONTROL TOWER 4-1
1 HOWTOTRAINURDRAGON 4-1
8 HARRY TERROR 7-1
9 OUR THIRD ROCK 7-1

CONTROL TOWER game 11 year old hasn't raced since December 10 but his form was good at Saratoga, he handles any type of track...HOWTOTRAINURDRAGON drops down...HARRY TERROR drops and changes drivers...OUR THIRD ROCK comes out of some quick miles and may improve here.

RACE 3

4 A NEW LEADER 2-1
8 KELLY'S BABY 5-2
9 MAKE IT EASY 9-2
6 WEE JILL 8-1

RACE 4

4 KIMANI N 2-1
2 CLAYTONS BETTOR N 6-1
8 HOMESTRETCH WES 6-1
10 MELANIE'S NICK 6-1

RACE 5

7 BAUTISTA 2-1
5 TESLA SEELSTER 7-1
2 INXS 5-2
4 SUMATRA 3-1

BAUTISTA faltered on the lead over a sloppy track in last but might benefit from the short layoff and is the fastest of these if he turns in a good effort...TESLA SEELSTER ships in from Yonkers and handles two turns, might have a shot at a price...INXS is a one-paced type but his recent form is good enough to win here...SUMATRA has backclass and raced well against similar here two back.

RACE 6

7 I DRAINTHESWAMP 2-1

3 ACTION HANOVER 2-1
4 GIVE US AWAVE A 7-2
2 GIBUS 6-1

I DRAWINTHESWAMP prepped well for his U.S. debut but bled; adds lasix and takes a key drop for good barn...ACTION HANOVER grinded first over against better in his first start for Burke; key rival off the drop...GIVE US AWAVE A had post 10 in his U.S. debut; drops and fits well here...GIBUS ships in sharp from Saratoga.

RACE 7

6 ARCHERY SEELSTER 2-1
2 CHAMPAGNE HANOVER 2-1
4 A PERFECT HELEN 7-2
7 ROYALTYS ROCKET 9-1

ARCHERY SEELSTER tries the big track and although this 4yo trotter only won 1 race last year, he always fires and he is capable of leaving...CHAMPAGNE HANOVER ships in for hot barn, has beaten the top choice a couple of times and can take all here...A PERFECT HELEN is another trotter that has turned in some good efforts in the NW5 class at Philadelphia and fits well here...ROYALTYS ROCKET can improve off last.

RACE 8

6 JACANA 5-2
2 RABLE 5-2
8 BAD MS JOHNSON 8-1
5 SHEZAFREAKLIKEME 8-1

JACANA ships in for Burke and seems like a good fit at this level...RABLE set the pace over a sloppy track that seemed somewhat tiring in last...BAD MS JOHNSON gets a key driver change...SHEZAFREAKLIKEME raced well in her last two starts.

RACE 9

6 STRIDE THE HILL 2-1
7 CALL ME DANI 5-2
1 SKYWAY KON MAN 6-1
9 DELTASUN A 13-1

STRIDE THE HILL was shuffled back in last; might try leaving this time...CALL ME DANI out-finished top pick here last month, gets a key driver change and is a threat here...SKYWAY KON MAN drops and could go well at a price...DELTASUN A left the gate and was a sharp winner at a lower level two back then raced off the pace from post 10 in last and never got into the race; handles this track well but needs a trip from this post.

RACE 10

8 KICKUPYAHEELS N** 2-1
4 ROCKNROLL ANNIE 3-1
3 LOVE ME HILL 7-2
7 SO IRRESISTIBLE 4-1

KICKUPYAHEELS N ships in from Mohawk, she won two in a row then moved up into the tougher Preferred class; edge here...ROCKNROLL ANNIE made a good backstretch move in last and held well...LOVE ME HILL beat similar two back...SO IRRESISTIBLE has been racing well against similar.

RACE 11

4 MUSCLE FASHION 8-5
3 NEWSBOY 4-1

7 MUFAS AS 8-1
6 INFINITY STONE 8-1

RACE 12

6 HEAVENISSOFARAWAY 4-1
2 DANDY'S EVRLASTING 4-1
5 CALLMEQUEENBEE A 4-1
9 LINE EM UP 6-1

HEAVENISSOFARAWAY was used hard leaving in last; may improve second start with lasix...DANDY'S EVRLASTING makes first start for Burke and picks up Gingras...CALLMEQUEENBEE ships in from Yonkers and fits well here...LINE EM UP had tough posts in her last two starts at Yonkers.

RACE 13

5 WHOLE LOTTA LOU 2-1
8 RIFLEMAN 5-2
10 COLLINA KAY JAY A 3-1
6 CINNAMACK 6-1

RACE 14

8 MADDOX HANOVER 5-1
4 ROCKABILLY CHARM 5-1
5 RAPTORS FLIGHT N 5-1
2 MASTER CONRAD 6-1

BEST BET: KICKUPYAHEELS N 10th Race