

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, March 18

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

4 DOUBLEAGENTMAN 2-1
10 I'M BURLINGTON N 5-2
5 SOUTHWIND DREDGE 3-1
6 CONCUR 6-1

DOUBLEAGENTMAN had outside posts in last two at Dover, ships in for sharp barn, gets Tetrack and a good spot...I'M BURLINGTON N made up a lot of ground from post 10 in his first start over this track and had some good efforts against faster at Dover this winter; might leave this time...SOUTHWIND DREDGE is hard to knock off a series of sharp efforts, can take all...CONCUR was racing in \$20,000 claimers here this winter and is a better fit for this price tag.

RACE 2

4 PARMESAN N 8-5
3 KING JAMES EXPRESS 2-1
6 MAJOR FERNCO N 7-2
7 ANDRES HANOVER 4-1

PARMESAN N gunned to the lead in last, set a hot pace under pressure while refusing to yield and was a game second; third off the layoff...KING JAMES EXPRESS just missed at this level two back then was pulled up in his next start five weeks ago, qualified nicely for top barn...Stablemates MAJOR FERNCO N and ANDRES HANOVER both fit well in this class and note that Andrew McCarthy took the 6 over the 7.

RACE 3

4 TAM MAJOR A 8-5
8 BIZYS BEATLE 2-1
7 BOILER MAKER 5-2
6 BETTOR BE OSCAR A 9-1

TAM MAJOR A won a couple of times at this level then was used a bit too hard it he pace in last...BIZYS BEATLE sharp gelding has been racing tough...BOILER MAKER dug in gamely to beat similar first over in last and can take another...BETTOR BE OSCAR A really didn't have much of a chance closing from 7th at the half behind a slow pace in last at Yonkers; he turned in two solid efforts from outside posts over this track in January.

RACE 4

1 BIRTHDAY 1-1
5 PETIPOU 4-1
7 HP LIS SHADOW 5-1
4 TWIN B JAMMER 6-1

BIRTHDAY was several notches below the top two and three year olds the past two years but he turned in some solid performances while earning good money, returns with a key drop in class, and he shows a sharp qualifier for the Burke barn, which won 21% of its starts last year but was 25% off layoffs and 32%

off drops in class...PETIPOU finished gamely in his first start over the track...HP LIS SHADOW broke in last but his two prior races over the track were good efforts...TWIN B JAMMER ships in from Canada in good form and moves into the Burke barn while stepping up in class.

RACE 5

4 DENMARK SEELSTER 7-5
8 MARCUS SEELSTER 7-5
3 DOCTOR BUTCH 9-1
2 SPECTACULAR SUNSET 15-1

DENMARK SEELSTER was a sharp winner two back then set the pace and finished second; slight edge...MARCUS SEELSTER left, parked the top pick to the lead, yielded, pulled the pocket at the three quarters and wore him down gamely; should be tough again...DOCTOR BUTCH was one of my go-to win bets when he was in his prime because he had that class and always tried hard. Now as a 13 year old he struggles to win but his recent form is pretty good. He'll give it his best shot but he needs some racing luck...SPECTACULAR SUNSET picks up Tetrick, needs to go faster.

RACE 6

7 MIKE'S Z TAM 5-2
8 CARBINE 7-5
3 ULTIMAROCA 5-1
4 BETTOR MEMORIES 8-1

MIKE'S Z TAM was a sharp winner in first start off the barn change, steps up but should go well...CARBINE had tough posts in the Open in his last two starts, prior to that he placed gamely behind two fast horses at a higher level; the one to beat...ULTIMAROCA's form is solid and he takes a key drop here; threat...BETTOR MEMORIES best needed.

RACE 7

5 I'M SOME GRADUATE 8-5
6 VEL MR NICE GUY 7-2
1 DUDDIE'S LOR 7-2
8 DANCE IT OUT 6-1

I'M SOME GRADUATE was first over against tougher in last and weakened; drops and was Jordan Stratton's choice over VEL MR NICE GUY, who beat a weaker field nicely in his first start for new barn. This pacer only raced over this track once, a career best 1:48.3 here last year...DUDDIE'S LOR has been racing well at this level...DANCE IT OUT returns from Pocono and he won at this level from post 9 here in January.

RACE 8

9 HILLEXOTIC 7-2
8 RICH AND MISERABLE 7-2
10 AHUNDREDDOLLARBILL 7-2
4 INAMINUTE HANOVER 6-1

HILLEXOTIC raced okay in his first two starts of the year, then took a month off for top barn; he's fast enough if ready...RICH AND MISERABLE raced off the pace in last but should leave here...AHUNDREDDOLLARBILL worked his way to the lead from post 8 and held sway gamely to beat similar...INAMINUTE HANOVER is 0 for 11 over this track but he raced well against these in his last two starts.

RACE 9

7 ACTON HANOVER 2-1
5 WHOLE LOTTA LOU 5-2

3 ON ACCIDENT 3-1
6 JIMMY CONNOR B 4-1

RACE 10
6 SOUTHWIND GENDRY 4-5
8 ARDEN MESSI N 5-1
1 TRENDY TEEN 5-1
3 SERIOUSLY HANOVER 5-1

Millionaire earner SOUTHWIND GENDRY kept good company last year, raced well in return and could be tough to deny here...ARDEN MESSI N ships back in off two straight wins at Yonkers and was a game first over winner despite stepping up in class last time...TRENDY TEEN came into his own towards the end of his 3yo season, qualified sharply for this for hot barn and driver Jason Bartlett took this one over the 8...SERIOUSLY HANOVER broke in his last two starts, best needed.

RACE 11
5 RAPTORS FLIGHT N 2-1
8 ITS SHOWTIME 7-2
9 LOUIE 4-1
1 JK WILL POWER 4-1

RACE 12
4 LOVE YOUR WORK A 8-5
3 HIGH BALLER 9-5
6 KOOTENAY SANTANNA 5-1
5 BETTOR NOT TALK 5-1

LOVE YOUR WORK A was in tough in his first couple of U.S. starts, dropped in last and responded with a solid placing, now drops again...HIGH BALLER was completely wiped out by a breaker as a heavy favorite in last and his prior form was solid...KOOTENAY SANTANNA hasn't raced since October but returns for Burke and drops...BETTOR NOT TALK also comes off a layoff and takes a key drop here.

RACE 13
9 MAGRITTE** 8-5
4 SOUTHWIND BRONN 2-1
6 ALWAYS A PANTHER 5-2
10 VAN DIESEL 7-1

MAGRITTE always had some class and has come back into good form winning both starts for new barn. In his first start ever over this track last week, he got parked the mile without cover from post 9 and won gamely...SOUTHWIND BRONN drew off to beat similar by 7 lengths in last, although he did get a good trip...ALWAYS A PANTHER beat Southwind Bronn two starts in a row then got a tough trip from the second tier in last a she was used hard to get the lead, then hounded by Magritte...VAN DIESEL followed the flow of cover from post 8 and finished gamely to just miss; he's sharp enough to win this Trackmaster Series Final and Hall of Fame driver David Miller is one of the best ever at working out trips from outside posts.

RACE 14
1 ANGERS BAYAMA 8-5
3 DOUBLE UP 2-1
7 MISTER SPOT A 7-2
8 MISTER DONALD A 9-2

ANGERS BAYAMA has a lot of backclass but only raced four times last year and so far, twice this year; drops after taking a mouth off and barn does well off qualifiers...DOUBLE UP drops and should perk

up...MISTER SPOT A has good gate speed and may work out a trip...MISTER DONALD A drops and should race better than last.

BEST BET: MAGRITTE 13th Race