

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, February 24

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 SOMIKI 3-1
7 PADUKA N 7-2
2 LYONS PRIDE 4-1
8 ER VEGAS 2-1

SOMIKI was 10th at the three quarters and finished sharply in :26.4 in an improved effort first off the claim; gets a better spot and Dunn is back in the bike...PADUKA N gunned to the lead from post 10 and hit the quarter in :26.4, set the pace and held the show; improving since the barn change, now he gets a key driver change and a better post...LYONS PRIDE had no shot in last and was shuffled two back but holds good form...ER VEGAS has been racing in good form and can leave.

RACE 2

8 RACING MONEY 4-1
1 JK LUCKY CHARMS 2-1
2 SOUTHWIND DREDGE 4-1
3 SPORTS HERO 6-1

RACING MONEY left well but was shuffled, finished gamely...JK LUCKY CHARMS inside speed and his recent races over this track were good...SOUTHWIND DREDGE steps up off a game win...SPORTS HERO is better than last.

RACE 3

2 SOME CHAPTER 4-1
3 GLOBAL BELIEVER S 5-2
8 LITTLE EXPENSIVE 9-5
5 STABLE GENIUS 8-1

SOME CHAPTER finished gamely from a tough spot in last...GLOBAL BELIEVER S takes a key drop...LITTLE EXPENSIVE broke at the start in last but has dangerous speed here...STABLE GENIUS won his last start against weaker with a nice stretch kick then took almost two months off, qualified back well and gets lasix.

RACE 4

2 HEREITTIZ 8-5
4 GLOBAL CRUSH 2-1
7 TANKALICIOUS 7-2
6 TKO BLUE CHIP 7-1

HEREITTIZ gets a better post in a much weaker field for this level...GLOBAL CRUSH ships in form Dover and fits well here...TANKALICIOUS also comes out of a tougher field...TKO BLUE CHIP gets Dunn in the bike.

RACE 5

5 CHALLENGER 2-1
7 PENCILS DOWN 5-2
4 CALL ME DANI 9-2
10 LINDYS IRISHCREAM 6-1

RACE 6

6 SHEER TERROR 6-5
3 CENTURY INSPECTOR 7-2
9 FLIRTIN JK 4-1
7 BULLVILLE FRANK 12-1

RACE 7

3 JK STANDINGOVATION** 6-1
5 DESIRE'S CAPTAIN 6-1
9 NEEDHAM HANOVER 4-1
8 LOVETHEWAYYOU LIE 6-1

JK STANDINGOVATION raced okay from a tough spot against a good field two back then dropped to this level in last and finished well in a race with a moderate pace...DESIRE'S CAPTAIN gets a better post...NEEDHAM HANOVER won his last two starts over this track for hot barn, and Andy McCarthy stays put...LOVETHEWAYYOU LIE has raced gamely for this barn and steps up sharp.

RACE 8

1 DRAGONONTHEBEACH 7-5
7 BETTOR NOT TALK 9-5
6 LOVE YOUR WORK A 6-1
10 VILLIAM 12-1

DRAGONONTHEBEACH qualified sharply then had too much to do behind a slow pace, rallied four wide and held okay; looks tough second off the bench...BETTOR NOT TALK was in the same race as top pick and battled first over; he could be tighter in this third start of the year and looks like the main rival here...LOVE YOUR WORK A has been racing well...VILLIAM comes off a two month layoff, drops.

RACE 9

3 BOILER MAKER 9-2
1 HOMESTRETCH WES 2-1
6 PARKLANE TERROR 9-2
2 POSH ON THE BEACH A 9-2

BOILER MAKER was on the move early and stuck behind poor cover in first start for this barn; another chance...HOMESTRETCH WES battled first over and was a solid second in last and looks like the one to beat in a wide open race...PARKLANE TERROR has been racing well for Vinnie...POSH ON THE BEACH A was Stratton's choice over my top pick and fits well here.

RACE 10

6 ODDS ON BOCA RATON 4-1
5 GENTLEMAN II IE 4-1
9 MARCUS SEELSTER 2-1
7 HUNT FOR CASH 6-1

RACE 11

2 OAKWOOD ARDAN IR 6-5
1 AMERICAN DEALER N 5-2
3 CAPTAIN COWBOY 5-1
10 STELLAR YANKEE 5-1

RACE 12

- 2 ALWAYS BE SWEET 4-1
- 3 MAJORLY SEXY A 4-1
- 6 RANDOM HANOVER 4-1
- 8 STRAIGHT UP COOL 6-1

ALWAYS BE SWEET was only a length behind the winner at the finish in last and takes a key drop here; edge in a wide open race.

RACE 13

- 1 PROSPECTORS GOLD 7-2
- 3 MINDTRIP 4-1
- 2 DE LOS CIELOS DEO 9-2
- 7 WHOLE LOTTA LOU 5-1

PROSPECTORS GOLD finished well in his first start since October...MINDTRIP was Andy McCarthy's choice over DE LOS CIELOS DEO, drops...DE LOS CIELOS DEO gets Dunn for hot barn...WHOLE LOTTA LOU drops down.

RACE 14

- 4 TENNESSEE SMOOTH 9-2
- 3 NO WORDS 9-5
- 5 COUNTRY SQUIRE 5-1
- 9 BARRIER 6-1

BEST BETS: JK STANDINGOVATION 7th Race