

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, April 20

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 YAYAS HOT SPOT N 2-1
8 BRAZEN BRAZILIAN 4-1
6 WAY TO CLOSE 9-2
9 MARTY MONKHOUSER A 9-2

YAHAS HOT SPOT N was scratched sick last week but has speed, takes a key drop and draws inside of his main rivals in this amateur driver race...BRAZEN BRAZILIAN wired a similar field gamely from post 9 two back then cleared late with pace in last...WAY TO CLOSE has 1 win this year and it was a wire to wire score at 2/5 with this same driver in the bike in his lone start in one of these MADC races this year...MARTY MONKHOUSER A gunned to the lead and toyed with a weaker field on April 5 then was scratched sick in last; classy 15 year old fits well if he can duplicate his last race.

RACE 2

5 FERRAGAMO HANOVER 6-5
6 SHIPSAWAY 5-2
3 ABEL DE VIE 9-1
2 POSH ONTHE BEACH A 12-1

FERRAGAMO started his career 0 for 20 then the lightbulb came on - he has 2 wins and 3 seconds in his last 5 starts...SHIPSAWAY left for the early lead, yielded and had pace in tight quarters.

RACE 3

2 MASK ON MASK OFF 4-1
4 CHUCKY HANOVER 4-1
7 JUST PLAIN LOCO 4-1
1 ALWAYS B BILLY 4-1

RACE 4

3 CELEBRITY BAMBINO 4-5
2 BESTFRIEND VOLO 6-5
4 DIRE STRAITS 7-1
1 CHALLENGER 11-1

CELEBRITY BAMBINO qualified twice for Burke. He didn't go that fast in either so he could need this but he's the most accomplished trotter in this race...BESTFRIEND VOLO qualified well then went evenly to finish third against a good field; could have a conditioning edge here.

RACE 5

4 MARINER SEELSTER 4-5
3 FERDINAND A 5-1
6 MEMPHISTENNESSEE N 6-1
8 GAZOO 7-1

MARINER SEELSTER 15 year old millionaire looks to end his career on a winning note tonight and should be on the lead again. He's shooting for win number 75...FERDINAND A seems likely to leave for position...MEMPHISTENNESSEE N hasn't hit the board in 10 starts this year but gets a barn change and he did take his mark over this track last year...GAZOO raced well in his last two starts.

RACE 6

1 LEXUS KODY 7-5
4 BETTERINPINEHURST 2-1
2 CHAPERCRAZ 4-1
3 CHAKE 8-1

LEXUS KODY comes off a sparkling mile in his second start of the year...BETTERINPINEHURST looks like the main rival...CHAPERCRAZ may be set for a top effort in third off the bench.

RACE 7

6 TRENTE DEO 6-5
2 GOOD ROCKIN 4-1
3 HEZA REAL DIAMOND 9-2
9 MINDTRIP 6-1

TRENTE DEO gunned to the lead, yielded, pulled and regained the lead and weakened late while losing by less than a length; double drops...GOOD ROCKIN finished well against the bias in an improved effort off the barn change last week and veteran has a good history over this track...HEZA REAL DIAMOND didn't have his best stuff last week but he's a threat at this level...MINDTRIP got a perfect trip to beat similar.

RACE 8

2 GENTLEMAN II IE 7-5
6 YNOTTHISHOS 5-2
7 J M MANDAMIN 4-1
3 FRANCO TOTEM N 6-1

GENTLEMAN II IE holds sharp form for high-percentage barn...YNOTTHISHOS was nicely rated to beat similar in last...J M MANDAMIN is a fast pacer when sound but he missed all of last year and showed little in return.

RACE 9

7 BINGE ON YANKEE 6-5
4 SONNY WEAVER N 5-2
6 ADAM CROCKER A 6-1
8 IDEAL FEELING 8-1

BINGE ON YANKEE is in career best form off back to back 1:49.2 wins over the track...SONNY WEAVER N was scratched sick on April 6 but he drops and has plenty of class.

RACE 10

5 SOUTHWIND GENDRY 4-5
3 MAXIMUS MIKI 2-1
1 ROCKIN ON VENUS 8-1
7 AMERICAN DEALER N 8-1

SOUTHWIND GENDRY makes his first start since November 25 but he has a class edge here...MAXIMUS MIKI is in sharp form and appears to be the main rival...ROCKIN ON VENUS finished in front of the top pick a few times last year but was no match for AMERICAN DEALER N in last.

RACE 11

1 RUSH IN 7-5
3 CRUSH KILL DESTROY 2-1
7 SWIMWITHTHECURRENT 7-2
5 TITANIC HANOVER 7-1

RACE 12

4 STONEBRIGE REEF 7-5
3 PRIMARY COLORS 5-2
5 MAD MAX HANOVER 7-2
1 IT'S IN THE STARS 7-1

RACE 13

8 HUNT FOR CASH 8-5
6 CONCUR 4-1
7 SHOOBEE DOO A 9-2
9 NEEDHAM HANOVER 7-1

RACE 14

2 COMMANDING OFFICER** 6-5
6 DOUBLE METAL 5-2
5 BRAEVIEW BONDI A 7-2
3 LYRICAL GENIUS A 5-1

COMMANDING OFFICER had post 10 against a better field and showed late pace over a track that favored speed last week; takes a key drop.

BEST BET: COMMANDING OFFICER 14th Race