

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, March 1

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

9 MCMARKLE SPARKLE** 4-1
3 IN THE SPOTLIGHT N 8-5
1 ALWAYS IN FLIGHT 4-1
5 SANTAFE'S APPETITE 6-1

MCMARKLE SPARKLE rallied to finish second in an improved effort in last at Yonkers. She drops for her 4th start of the year and she is capable of sharp gate speed...IN THE SPOTLIGHT N came off a 7th month layoff with a game win over similar; one to beat...ALWAYS IN FLIGHT hasn't raced since July but qualified sharply for Cullipher, who's In The Spotlight N, came off a similar layoff to score last start...SANTAFE'S APPETITE steps up off a win and will be closing if she gets the right pace and trip.

RACE 2

4 STELLAR YANKEE 4-5
5 INTEREST FREE A 7-2
2 VILLIAM 5-1
8 CAPTAIN CRUSADER A 5-1

STELLAR YANKEE dropped down and just missed against a classy drop down winner in last and will be a short price off another drop...INTEREST FREE A left in :26.4, set the pace and was a solid second with a :26.4 last quarter...VILLIAM and CAPTAIN CRUSADER A are both in form and dropping.

RACE 3

5 ROCKIN THE ACES 8-5
1 GAITWAY GUY 9-5
2 PASSA-GRILLE BEACH 5-1
3 EURO STEP 6-1

ROCKIN THE ACES left well from post 8 in last, was shuffled and blocked after lead changes, now drops...GAITWAY GUY also drops, just missed in last; key rival...PASSA-GRILLE BEACH was used hard leaving in last...EURO STEP showed sharp gate speed from post 9 in his first start since November.

RACE 4

7 OUTSIDE THE FIRE 8-5
3 RESOLVE TO WIN 2-1
2 WINTER SOLDIER 4-1
6 LITTLE EXPENSIVE 6-1

RACE 5

5 JD CAMDEN GB 4-1
6 TARANAKI 9-2
7 LOUIS LITT N 5-1
3 MASK ON MASK OFF 7-1

RACE 6

4 SPRING BLAKE 5-2
1 CAPTAIN BAZINGA 3-1
9 REMEMBER THE ALAMO 7-2
8 NUCLEAR 4-1

SPRING BLAKE was shuffled back in a race he needed last start and was David Miller's choice of three here...CAPTAIN BAZINGA fits well here...REMEMBER THE ALAMO qualified back well...NUCLEAR is a fast horse when right. David Miller took the 4 over this one.

RACE 7

1 TOCCOA FALLS 2-1
7 DRIBBLING BI 5-2
5 DEJERATE HANOVER 7-2
2 P CHICO 4-1

RACE 8

6 IDEALSOMEMAGIC A 7-2
2 ARDEN MESSI N 4-1
3 FULSOME 9-2
8 SAVE ME A DANCE 6-1

RACE 9

2 STAY GROUNDED 6-1
5 CAPTAIN UP 2-1
4 SPORTY M THREE 5-2
9 DANCE PARTNER 6-1

RACE 10

4 MAD MAX HANOVER 8-5
7 FOR ONCE INMY LIFE 9-5
8 ACT FAST 7-2
5 SAULSBROOK VICTOR 7-1

MAD MAX HANOVER wired weaker impressively last week...FOR ONCE INMY LIFE has won 5 of his last 6 starts and he seems likely to get his preferred type of trip, either on the lead or in the pocket...ACT FAST is plenty fast enough if ready and the qualifier was quick...SAULSBROOK VICTOR was no match for Mad Max Hanover in last but he could move forward off that.

RACE 11

6 HEART OF DIXIE 7-5
9 SPIRIT OF TRUTH 7-2
5 FERRAGAMO HANOVER 4-1
8 JOJO'S PLACE 6-1

HEART OF DIXIE came off a layoff and was an easy wire to wire winner in first start for Yogi, then drew post 8 at Yonkers; drops and gets a much better post...SPIRIT OF TRUTH has been sharp...FERRAGAMO HANOVER showed some life in last...JOJO'S PLACE steps up looking for three in a row.

RACE 12

7 MILLWOOD BLISS N 3-5
6 DRAGONS LUCKY LADY 4-1
1 DOUGS BABE 7-1
3 BLOOD MOON A 7-1

MILLWOOD BLISS N was moving quickly up the pylons in her U.S. debut. We'll see what she's got tonight and I have a feeling it's more than these can handle.

RACE 13

7 SAULSBROOK HERO 5-2

8 HEZA REAL DIAMOND 7-2

4 SAILOR'S SHADOW 9-2

3 VEL LARRY 6-1

RACE 14

1 JOHNNY CHIP 2-1

2 HERCANDANCENCUISE 5-2

4 TERRE HAUTE 9-2

5 HARRY HANOVER 6-1

BEST BET: MCMARKLE SPARKLE 1st Race