

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, May 3

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

2 BLUEBIRD TIME 4-1
1 HE'S A SWEETHEART 4-1
7 JOHNNY CHIP 4-1
8 SOMBODYITREASURE 4-1

RACE 2

1 JOEMIKIYOURSOFINE 1-1
7 HAGGARD 5-1
6 DEUCE HANOVER 5-1
2 GALANTE A 6-1

JOEMIKIYOURSOFINE moves inside and takes another drop for this third start off the bench. I thought he'd race better last week, but he rates top billing moving inside. If he disappoints, it's wide open.

RACE 3

7 MY SWEET LILY 8-5
6 HIP SHOT 2-1
4 FANSVILLE 7-2
1 TURN UP THE MUSIC 8-1

MY SWEET LILY qualified well twice for a good layoff barn...HIP SHOT raced well in her first start of the year...FANSVILLE gets a better spot for her second start of the year and I expect her to show more...TURN UP THE MUSIC can improve.

RACE 4

3 HOUND ON THE BEACH 8-5
7 ITS SHOWTIME 4-1
1 STRAIGHT TALK 5-1
6 MARCUS SEELSTER 5-1

RACE 5

5 SOARING NOW** 8-5
3 STONEBRIDGE REEF 2-1
6 JK BLACK GOLD 6-1
7 DANCE PARTNER 7-1

SOARING NOW wasn't always at his best last year but he's a fast horse. He finished well against tougher in last and looks ready to win...STONEBRIDGE REEF classy horse drops and his form has held well...JK BLACK GOLD makes his second start of the year, drops and should improve...DANCE PARTNER best needed.

RACE 6

7 HARD SEVEN 6-5

- 2 MY DEGENERATE 5-2
- 3 TACTICAL DYNASTY 7-2
- 4 CIVILIAN DRONE 8-1

HARD SEVEN was strong winning from off the pace in his first start of the year while confidently driven by Todd McCarthy; top pick in this \$115,000 Dexter Cup stakes for 3 year olds.

RACE 7

- 4 RECKLESS ABANDON 9-5
- 1 BEACH BABE 5-2
- 3 PLEASE BE YOU 4-1
- 9 WORKLIFEBALANCE 8-1

RECKLESS ABANDON rallied for the show behind a fast filly in return and should show more tonight...BEACH BABE flashed good speed in last but she's still a maiden after 9 starts.

RACE 8

- 2 MANOLETE 7-5
- 3 MAKING HISTORY 5-2
- 4 EXPEDITED SERVICE 4-1
- 8 POWER CODE 6-1

MANOLETE showed speed as expected in his second start of the year but was out-kicked by a sharp horse...MAKING HISTORY doesn't find the easiest spot to make his belated debut but he looked good winning his snappy 1:52.3 qualifier and Beckwith didn't appear to be asking him.

RACE 9

- 6 VALAR DOHAERIS 8-5
- 5 ELEGANT A 3-1
- 4 ABSOLUTE POWER 5-1
- 8 TAKE YOUR PICK 5-1

VALAR DOHAERIS only won one race last year but she was also facing top class mares in most of her races and she raced gamely in the Fan Duel before winning her final start of the year in December. Classy 6 year old qualified well for an excellent layoff barn. This is pretty wide open and Pick 4 players may have to use three or four, unless you think the 6 is worth a single, which she may be.

RACE 10

- 7 SMOOTH DREAM 3-5
- 2 TWIN FURY 5-2
- 3 TOM HORN 6-1
- 1 ODDS ON BROWARD 7-1

SMOOTH DREAM has come into his own for trainer Noel Daley.

RACE 11

- 3 AMERICAN SUN 3-5
- 5 REMEMBER THE ALAMO 7-2
- 1 SUGAR MAN 4-1
- 4 MIKI RAY 8-1

AMERICAN SUN looks well prepped for return for a good layoff barn and he's the fastest here.

RACE 12

- 3 KEN HANOVER 6-5
- 7 SOUTH BEACH STAR 4-1

1 PRIMARY COLORS 4-1

4 ACT FAST 8-1

KEN HANOVER is well prepped with three sharp qualifiers...SOUTH BEACH STAR drops off a race he needed and may leave this time...PRIMARY COLORS is sharp and moves back inside...ACT FAST ships in from Yonkers and handles this track well.

RACE 13

6 BEACH CLUB MONTY 8-5

1 PEACH A PUNCH 2-1

2 WELCOMETOTHESHOW 4-1

8 AVELLINO 6-1

BEACH CLUB MONTY qualified well for his 3yo return for a top barn. He may be conservatively handled with Zeron driving but it may not matter...PEACH A PUNCH showed sharp improvement in his second start of the year and has a shot to break his maiden here...WELCOMETOTHESHOW raced okay in return, can show more...AVELLINO has been racing okay but I'm not sure if he's fast enough for these.

RACE 14

6 STORM THE COURT 4-1

5 FENDI HANOVER 4-1

7 BOLD SPIRIT 4-1

2 TOTO HANOVER 6-1

STORM THE COURT comes off an improved effort and picks up a catch driver; edge in a wide open finale.

BEST BET: SOARING NOW 5th Race