

## **Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, July 5**

**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 GEMINI EXPRESS 5-2  
5 BLUEBIRD TIME 3-1  
1 SONO CONFUSO 7-2  
2 MAJESTIC KIWI N 8-1

GEMINI EXPRESS left well and had the lead at the quarter, yielded and was shuffled to 6<sup>th</sup> after multiple lead changes, rallied nicely late to miss the place by a nose...BLUEBIRD TIME was used leaving from post 9 in last, finished gamely for the place two back...SONO CONFUSO gets a big driver change to Zeron moving out of the amateur driver ranks...MAJESTIC KIWI N was off a month's layoff in last and could improve here.

#### **RACE 2**

6 HE'S HALF NAKED 7-5  
7 NATIONAL SPORT 5-2  
3 SAULSBROOK RAPTOR 9-2  
8 LINCOLN BOULEVARD 10-1

HE'S HALF NAKED power-brushed to the lead and held on gamely two back, then had a tough trip in the amateur driver ranks last start; gets Zeron in the bike and draws well...NATIONAL SPORT was an easy winner a level lower; this isn't the toughest TR 77.5 field.

#### **RACE 3**

2 SUNSHINE'S FINEST 4-1  
3 RAPTORS FLIGHT N 5-2  
9 SPIRIT OF TRUTH 6-1  
6 MY WISH CAME TRUE 7-1

SUNSHINE'S FINEST beaten favorite was used hard leaving from post 9 in last...RAPTORS FLIGHT finished gamely from a tough spot; one to beat.

#### **RACE 4**

8 MARCUS SEELSTER 5-1  
1 IKNOWBETTER 7-5  
4 MIDNIGHT NATION 5-1  
2 SWEET IDEAL 5-1

MARCUS SEELTER comes off a good try in the amateur driver ranks; two back he had post 9 and made two moves into a wicked pace; gets Bartlett back in the bike and he is winning at a remarkable 29% on the year...IKNOWBETTER has raced over this track twice since the barn change and both were easy wins; steps up again but could be tough to deny.

#### **RACE 5**

10 CAPTAIN ALBANO 6-5

6 NIJINSKY 2-1  
2 SABONIS 9-2  
3 CALICOJACK HANOVER 6-1

CAPTAIN ALBANO left from post 10 and was parked to the lead in :26.4, yielded and had strong late pace in close quarters to just miss to NIJINSKY; class edge...The latter has shown that he can grind, close, or leave and drawing inside of the Captain is certainly an advantage...SABONIS was much improved in last and was right there on the wire with the top two...CALICOJACK HANOVER could threaten with the right trip.

RACE 6  
8 ARI FERRARI J\*\* 7-5  
5 OUTSIDE THE FIRE 3-1  
7 CHAPERCRAZ 5-1  
6 RESOLVE TO WIN 8-1

AIR FERRARI J had a tough parked-out trip against a better field and didn't tire that badly in last; can take control here...OUTSIDE THE FIRE continues to race well and may be the main rival...CHAPERCRAZ was in too tough last start...RESOLVE TO WIN was also in too tough in his last start over this track but could go well here.

RACE 7  
6 SIR PINOCCHIO 7-2  
5 PRIVATE ACCESS 8-5  
7 GRUESOME TWOSOME 9-2  
10 ELISTA HANOVER 8-1

SIR PINOCCHIO made two moves to the lead at the half but was shuffled after lead changes, went first over and battled gamely until tiring late, only losing by 4 lengths; edge in a very good Stan Bergstein Graduate Series Final Trot...PRIVATE ACCESS peaking 4 year old floated out and tucked, powered to the lead at the half and dug in gamely; looks to remain undefeated this year...GRUESOME TWOSOME was used hard to get the lead, yielded and held okay...ELISTA HANOVER classy trotting mare was flying at the wire in last.

RACE 8  
4 CAPTAIN OPTIMISTIC 4-5  
1 PAPIS PISTOL 7-2  
2 FALLOUT 4-1  
6 MANOLETE 8-1

Elimination races weren't necessary for the Meadowlands Pace this year, so they drew up this Prep race for horses that didn't want to take the week off. CAPTAIN OPTIMISTIC raced well in the North America Cup and can wear these down...PAPIS PISTOL ships in off a sharp win against weaker...FALLOUT steps up off a nice win...MANOLETE has speed but still hasn't cracked 1:50 and the 1, 2, and 4 did that as two year olds.

RACE 9  
3 MAXIM HANOVER 3-1  
6 CAPTAIN CRUSADER A 7-2  
1 ROCKIN JUKEBOX 4-1  
2 T H TYSON 9-2

RACE 10  
5 LOU GRANT 8-5  
8 TARANAKI 5-2

4 REMEMBER THE ALAMO 3-1

7 RHYDS SUPERFLY GB 7-1

LOU GRANT left, yielded, came charging late to miss by a head to a nice colt who's in the Big M Pace...TARANAKI speedy horse can work his way to the lead...REMEMBER THE ALAMO drops and fits well here.

BEST BET: ARI FERRARI J 6<sup>th</sup> Race