

## **Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, August 2**

**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**

8 WHAT A BID HANOVER 2-5  
1 HIGHLANDSTARBURST 4-1  
6 LASTING DREAM 6-1  
5 MARGARETA HANOVER 8-1

With the expected gorgeous weather and a great Hambletonian Day card, it's going to be a great day at the races. WHAT A BID HANOVER broke in the Oaks eliminations last week but she has a class edge here. If she breaks again, it's pretty wide open.

#### **RACE 2**

6 MIKI AND MINNIE 1-9  
2 RODEO DRIVE DEO 4-1  
1 THEBEAUTIFUL THINGS 6-1  
7 GIGGLINGONTHEBEACH 8-1

MIKI AND MINNIE has been brilliant with dynamic speed this year and will be heavy chalk.

#### **RACE 3**

4 LEFTIES RIGHTIES 6-5  
3 JAMAIS VU 2-1  
7 TRAVOLTA HANOVER 6-1  
5 KARINCHAK 10-1

LEFTIES RIGHTIES left, tucked, finished gamely in the Tompkins; moves inside...JAMAIS VU has 3 wins in 4 starts this year and was in too tough in the Reynolds.

#### **RACE 4**

7 ONAJETPLANE 7-5  
1 LANDING ON TIME 2-1  
2 HEY PORTER 4-1  
8 WARRIOR 8-1

ONAJETPLANE beat a field he figured to beat two back, then raced well in a talented Hambletonian Elimination field...LANDING ON TIME was simply in too tough in his elimination race last week and he was shuffled back as well...HEY PORTER was only a head behind the 7 in the Tompkins....WARRIOR has been improving for Svanstedt.

#### **RACE 5**

3 PAPI PISTOL 3-1  
1 MADDEN OAKS 6-5  
5 CAPTAIN OPTIMISTIC 9-2  
6 MANOLETE 8-1

PAPIS PISTOL gave way in the Adios but he handles two turns very well and can upset...MADDEN OAKS has gone several huge miles including a narrow miss in the North America Cup and a game win in the Meadowlands Pace...CAPTAIN OPTIMISTIC is a solid colt and a threat here.

#### RACE 6

11 WARRAWEE MICHELLE 7-2  
7 ELISTA HANOVER 7-5  
6 CALL ME GOO 4-1  
3 DIAL SQUARE S 8-1

WARRAWEE MICHELLE comes off two big efforts, a game overland closing win in the Graduate Final, and a sharp placing in the Hambo Maturity when she left and was parked to the lead in :25.1. Ake has to work out a trip from the second tier but the pace could heat up here...ELISTA HANOVER was very game finishing second behind WARRAWEE MICHELLE in the Graduate, then won her last two starts impressively...CALL ME GOO is stepping up but she's won her last two starts and she has speed to work out a trip for Tetrick...DIAL SQUARE S is one of four from the Svanstedt barn in this race and this one could go well at a price.

#### RACE 7

6 LEADING LADY 8-5  
4 SOUTHWIND CHASKA 2-1  
5 DAYS AWAY 5-1  
1 WALDON FASHION 6-1

LEADING LADY took a lot of money in her debut and looked good winning. She steps up here but she could go faster in her second start...SOUTHWIND CHASKA is undefeated in two starts...DAYS AWAY improved by three seconds in her second start, which was a game win...WALDON FASHION won her first two starts then had the lead and finished second in last; best needed.

#### RACE 8

2 MAXIMUS MIKI 8-5  
3 BYTHEMISSAL 5-2  
6 CAPTAIN LUKE 8-1  
5 FUNTIME BAYAMA 11-1

MAXIMUS MIKI didn't have the smoothest trip in last but finished sharply...BYTHEMISSAL has been inconsistent this year but the 30 time winner can bounce back after a tough trip last time.

#### RACE 9

1 AETOS KRONOS S 7-5  
6 S I P 3-1  
8 OUTSIDE THE FIRE 7-1  
2 WINTER SOLDIER 9-1

AETOS KRONOS S had a tough post last start. Two back was a game try behind a sharp horse; class edge...S I P has some class and he's in fine form, might be the main rival here.

#### RACE 10

6 CONVERSANO 8-5  
5 DELANEY HANOVER 2-1  
1 MISS BELMAR 5-2  
2 DEJA BLU 11-1

CONVERSANO has been racing gamely while winning 6 of her 8 starts...DELANEY HANOVER finished with strong late trot to win her elimination and she comes into this on an improving pattern. She seems set for

a big mile here...MISS BELMAR was Andy McCarthy's choice over Conversano, but he figured to stay with 1 because he has driven many good horses for trainer Noel Daley. This filly showed potential last year but has come around now; she did take some bad steps nearing the wire last week but held on....DEJA BLU needs some racing luck.

#### RACE 11

5 PRIVATE ACCESS 4-1  
6 PERICULUM 7-5  
2 SECURITY PROTECTED 6-1  
3 UP YOUR DEO 6-1

PRIVATE ACCESS had a tough trip in the Hambo Maturity. He gets lasix back and has tactical speed to work out a trip...PERICULUM classy and stout closer is the one to beat.

#### RACE 12

5 MAXIMUS MEARAS S\*\* 4-1  
2 SUPER CHAPTER 6-5  
4 MARYLAND 3-1  
6 NORDIC CATCHER S 5-1  
3 EMOTICON LEGACY 6-1

This should be a heck of a Hambletonian as this is an outstanding field. MAXIMUS MEARAS raced 6 times as a 2yo and was impressive, and he went a big mile to finish a neck behind Maryland after being shuffled back in the Breeders Crown. He returned to the races in a tough spot in the Dancer but last week in his elimination he finished full of trot for the place from a difficult spot, closing in :26 flat off a modest pace. He could be sitting on a big race and I expect him to leave here...SUPER CHAPTER, like Maximus Mearas, was shuffled back with trot in the Breeders Crown. He's matured since then, unbeaten in 5 starts this year and he won those races easily showing push button speed. I think he deserves to be the favorite here...MARYLAND was a precocious 2yo and won five straight major stakes races including the Breeders Crown. This year he's raced gamely but has finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in all four starts. I was surprised that he didn't hang on in the Dancer, a race he should have won, but he came back with a game uncovered effort in a quick mile last week. He hasn't regressed; he's just facing better horses since other trotters have matured. It's interesting that the sport's top money driver, Dexter Dunn, took MARYLAND over Super Chapter...NORDIC CATCHER S has improved steadily for Ake Svanstedt, who is a master at getting peak performances out of his horses in big races. Last week he took no prisoners from the rail and dug in gamely to hold off Maryland....EMOTICON LEGACY was a fine 2yo but has matured and is unbeaten in 4 starts this year.

#### RACE 13

1 DIABOLIC HILL 4-5  
2 APEX 5-2  
6 ARDONNE 6-1  
9 I'M KRONOS S 6-1

After two easy off the pace wins, DIABOLIC HILL showed me something last week when he wired his field handily from post 10...APEX is 2 for 2 with lots of potential...ARDONNE and I'M KRONOS S are both promising and either could step up and show sharp improvement here.

#### RACE 14

3 CAPTAIN ALBANO 5-2  
5 KEN HANOVER 5-2  
2 HUNTINTHELASTDOLAR 4-1  
7 ABUCKABETT HANOVER 9-2

RACE 15

5 SYLVIA HANOVER 7-5  
6 TWIN B JOE FRESH 9-5  
1 MY GIRL EJ 8-1  
3 KOBE'S GIGI 15-1

SYLVIA HANOVER has always been a classy grinder but this year the 5yo mare has shown more zip and handiness, and she draws inside of her main rival...TWIN B JOE FRESH was used too hard in last but the 33 time winner will probably get the lead in more reasonable fractions here.

RACE 16

4 JAMAICAN ROCK A 6-5  
8 IKNOWBETTER 5-2  
5 RHYDS SUPERFLY GB 8-1  
3 ODDS ON WILDFIRE 8-1

JAMAICAN ROCK A is two for two since shipping in from Down Under and that last win over IKNOWBETTER was sharp.

BEST BET: MAXIMUS MEARAS 12<sup>th</sup> Race