

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Saturday, September 6

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

6 CLAYTONS BETTOR N 4-1
2 SMOOCH IN THE DARK 4-1
5 MY WISH CAME TRUE 4-1
1 BIG JACK HAMMER 6-1

CLAYTONS BETTOR N had post 9 in a better field last week; edge in a weak field that's quite a puzzle...SMOOCH IN THE DARK is a 3yo facing older horses who has only hit the board once in 10 career starts but showed improvement in first start for new barn then broke in his next two starts; tries the big track with a solid qualifier and has a chance here if he stays flat...MY WISH CAME TRUE gets a better post...BIG JACK HAMMER raced okay against a better field last start.

RACE 2

6 PINEAPPLE CRUNCH 5-2
8 NUCLEAR 7-2
5 AVELLINO 4-1
7 CAPTAIN BAZINGA 4-1

PINEAPPLE CRUNCH was Callahan's choice of four here, perhaps because he draws inside of the other three. He chased a sharp repeat winner in last and has developed nicely this year...NUCLEAR hasn't run as well this year as he did as a 2 and 3 year old but two back he stormed home in :26 flat from far back off a modest pace, and he was in too tough last start...AVELLINO has improved in recent starts and draws a good post here...CAPTAIN BAZINGA went to the lead, set a well rated pace and held on for the win at this level last week.

RACE 3

3 KANDY KISS 2-1
5 ODDS ON SARA SARA 8-5
7 KAY SAGE 4-1
4 CHILLIN BYTHE POOL 6-1

KANDY KISS has turned a corner in her last two starts since shipping in from Canada; improving filly comes off an easy win a level lower...ODDS ON SARA SARA, like my top pick, was an easy winner at the TM71 level, then stepped up and finished a game second from post 8. She probably deserves to be the favorite here but I'm not sure she has a big advantage over KANDY KISS...KAY SAGE has been in too tough in PA. but fits well here...CHILLIN BYTHE POOL beat weaker in last at Philadelphia but has 6 wins over this track and may go well at a price here.

RACE 4

3 RENALDO N 2-5
5 VICTORY JOE 5-2

7 EXPEDITED SERVICE 9-1
6 TWIN B FRESH BET 9-1

RENALDO N only beat two horses in his qualifier but looked good doing it. He was facing some good horses in New Zealand including multiple Group I winner Marketplace and stakes winner Bar Louie...VICTORY JOE chased a sharp winner home and held the show in last; seems like main rival...EXPEDITED SERVICE gave way at 2/5 odds in last at Pocono, but he hit the board twice against pretty good fields here in the spring...TWIN B FRESH BET a \$500,000 yearling purchase, hasn't shown much but he did face some pretty good fields at Woodbine/Mohawk recently.

RACE 5
2 SONO CONFUSO 2-1
3 CAPTAIN CARTER 2-1
9 SEA ISLE CITY 5-1
6 ROCKABILLY CHARM 7-1

SONO CONFUSO and CAPTAIN CARTER have similar profiles; although SONO CONFUSO has won at this TM74.5 level...SEA ISLE CITY took a few weeks off after a dull try at Ocean Downs. He has 2 wins in 8 starts over this track, and the last time he raced at this track, in June, he raced okay against faster horses...ROCKABILLY CHARM 10 year old steps up with good recent form.

RACE 6
3 WHAMMER JAMMER 2-1
9 MUSCLE FACTORY 5-2
6 DUNSAN HARRY 7-2
4 BLOODHOUND 6-1

WHAMMER JAMMER raced okay from post 10 in last; sharp form and draws inside this time...MUSCLE FACTORY A is sthe one to beat despite the post...DUNSAN HARRY was overmatched in last but wired similar from post 9 two back and tacked on sub :27 quarters on both ends...BLOODHOUND has a chance on one of his better races.

RACE 7
8 RILKOFF 2-1
2 STORM THE COURT 5-2
9 CAPTAIN MARVEL 7-2
3 PALOMAR 7-1

RILKOFF had a tough parked-out trip in last but prior form for this barn is sharp...STORM THE COURT gets a key driver change while in form...CAPTAIN MARVEL is in good form; he had post 9 last week and did leave the gate but he tucked 5th...PALOMAR showed some life in last and gets a catchdriver back.

RACE 8
3 DUKE OF CORNWALL N 8-5
5 RHYDS SUPERFLY GB 9-5
4 TROOPER L 7-1
7 BOBCAT BAY 10-1

DUKE OF CORNWALL qualified well but had a tough task against a faster field in his first start in almost two years; key drop...RHYDS SUPERFLY GB left quickly and set a good clip before tiring in last; two back was a pretty good effort in a fast race; drops, gets Lauren Tritton back in the bike and can take all...TROOPER L raced here three times, all in a higher class...BOBCAT BAY steps up with good form.

RACE 9
3 RYDINGTOTHETWIRE** 8-5

5 DANCE IT OUT 7-2
9 HAGGARD 5-1
1 ROCKIN THE ACES 6-1

RYDINGTOTHEWIRE overcame a tough trip to beat weaker in his first start over this track then broke against tougher in last...DANCE IT OUT was shuffled against better and picks up Callahan here...HAGGARD drops to a level where he raced well three back...ROCKIN THE ACES dropped and turned in a pretty good effort last week.

RACE 10
7 CHRISTOPHER DANCE N 7-5
2 SOUTH BEACH STAR 2-1
4 LYONS STEEL 6-1
9 CAMARA MOMENT 8-1

CHRISTOPHER DANCE N got a little lucky when the horse he had to beat broke stride last week but he looked strong beating a solid field...SOUTH BEACH STAR ships in sharp from Pocono, handles this track well; key rival...LYONS STEEL has 60 career wins and good early speed...CAMARA MOMENT raced well at this level over this track three and four starts back.

RACE 11
6 CAMLACHIE CHROME 2-1
1 OUR CORELLI N 4-1
8 SELECT FRIDAY 4-1
5 URBAN RENEWAL 6-1

RACE 12
3 RAGING HANOVER 2-1
7 GO LONG 5-2
1 AARDIES PEAK N 3-1
6 ALL STAR SWAN 7-2

RAGING HANOVER broke in three of his first four starts but has since won 3 in a row including two races over this track. The final time in his last race at Pocono was slowed on a windy day; steps up...GO LONG broke in last but raced okay against a better field two back; threat at this level...AARDIES PEAK N was 9th in her U.S. debut and stormed home in :27 flat to finish 2nd; drops off that race, although this is a competitive field...ALL STAR SWAN has been off her best form while racing at Yonkers; she makes her first start for the Cano barn and drops in class.

RACE 13
3 ARTIST BEST 5-2
7 FUN KING 9-2
8 WARRWEE XCEED 9-2
10 SUNSHINE'S FINEST 5-1

ARTIST BEST isn't exactly a win machine but he's in at a level where he can compete and moves inside with a big driver change...FUN KING is hard to gauge as a 3yo facing older horses but the last time he raced in the Northeast, he showed speed against similar horses at Monticello; gets a big driver change...WARRAWEE EXCEED and SUNSHINE'S FINEST dead-heated for the place in last and both are in good form.

RACE 14
3 RAPTORS FLIGHT N 2-1
1 GOOD INVESTMENT 7-2

7 STONE COLD SAVAGE 7-1

9 A B COLLINS 9-1

BEST BET: RYDINGTOTHEWIRE 9th Race