

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Sunday, January 18

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 HASHTAG MONEY 5-1
1 BIG JACK HAMMER 5-1
5 WALT NATTY DATTY 5-1
2 BIG BAD BILL 5-1

HASHTAG MONEY left and was used hard to the lead in :26.4, set a fast pace over a tiring sloppy track last Saturday night and gave way; upset call in a wide open race...BIG JACK HAMMER is probably going to be the favorite, best needed.

RACE 2

1 BIG NUDGE 4-1
8 PAPA JOE LOZITO 4-1
2 MASSTER BLUE 4-1
10 MUSKINGUM 8-1

BIG NUDGE gets a catch driver for the first time in a long time...PAPA JOE LOZITO comes off an improved effort...MASSTER BLUE rarely wins but comes off a decent placing...MUSKINGUM may have needed last, can leave.

RACE 3

7 NORTHERN ATTITUDE 2-1
9 FURNEAUX 5-2
4 LENNY HILL 4-1
6 VIZCAYA 8-1

NORTHERN ATTITUDE was only a \$4,000 yearling purchase but qualified well to debut in this weak field.

RACE 4

8 IM THE MUSCLE 5-2
6 BROTHER LOVE 4-1
9 VAN GUARD 4-1
2 FASHION FOREVER 7-1

IM THE MUSCLE drops to the TMR 71 level and the last three times he was in this class he won...BROTHER LOVE moves into the Burke barn and gets a catch driver...VAN GUARD rarely wins but his form is good and he has early speed...FASHION FOREVER won at this level two back.

RACE 5

7 GOOD ROCKIN 5-2
4 ORDER ONE TO GO 3-1

3 LINDY THE BRAVE 4-1
8 WICHITA LINEMAN 8-1

GOOD ROCKIN was empty as the favorite in last, moves back into the Gray barn and he won with him three back; edge...ORDER ONE TO GO went lame last summer and has since changed hands, qualified okay; lures Beckwith who took this one over four others including a horse he won with last time...LINDY THE BRAVE beat similar in last, loses Beckwith to the 4.

RACE 6
2 BENNY J** 8-5
4 CLEAR FOR LANDING 2-1
8 ROYAL COMET 7-2
5 CALL OPTION 5-1

BENNY J should get a better trip this time and can edge by CLEAR FOR LANDING.

RACE 7
3 DANCING LEW 8-5
7 PALOMAR 5-2
4 BORN TO DANCE 5-1
1 MASTER MIKI 6-1

DANCING LEW wired similar in last...PALOMAR veteran has some class and takes a key drop...BORN TO DANCE is in pretty good form...MASTER MIKI fits well at this level and gets a catch driver.

RACE 8
6 ZIDANE KEMP 5-2
2 CLEVELAND ROYALTY 3-1
1 CHASING CRYSTALS 7-2
4 LANDIA 8-1

ZIDANE KEMP broke in return at Philadelphia five weeks ago but shows a good qualifier over the track; edge in wide open trot.

RACE 9
8 BIG EGO 5-2
6 BETTOR NOT 3-1
4 BLUE ONYX 6-1
2 SEAWORTHY HANOVER 6-1

RACE 10
5 MASSIVE MATTER 3-1
4 THE PRINCE 5-1
2 GLOBAL ACTION S 5-1
6 STORMONT HAPPY DAY 5-1

RACE 11
1 MOONWARDS HANOVER 4-1
10 CARSONS STAR CHOICE 9-2
7 COLT FOURTY ONE 6-1
6 PACK YOUR BAGS 9-1

RACE 12
4 KNIGHT ANGEL 6-1
3 NICE GUY EDDIE 5-2

6 BACARDI 6-1
1 MODIGLIANI S 6-1

RACE 13
9 LYLEGROUND 5-1
5 COLE ON THE BEACH 5-2
3 SPIRIT OF TRUTH 6-1
7 XMARKXTHEPOT 6-1

BEST BET: BENNY J 6th Race