

Pandy's Meadowlands Selections for Friday, May 15

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 YER SO BAD 5-2
5 HASHTAG MONEY 3-1
3 FRAZIER HANOVER 7-2
6 AMERICAN MERCURY 8-1

RACE 2

4 GUSTAV 5-2
6 KING OF THE WIND 5-2
2 MEGA SHARK 7-2
3 SECURED 6-1

GUSTAV picked it up in his second qualifier for a good layoff barn...KING OF THE WIND improved in his 2nd start of the year and his first start for new barn, broke early in his next start, then toyed with a weaker field in his last start at Pocono...MEGA SHARK is still a maiden; he was 1-2 in his first start of the year and had traffic problems...SECURED is one of two for the Svanstedt barn here and either one or both could be improved over last year.

RACE 3

2 HUNTING MEMORIES 2-5
4 TAN LINES HANOVER 5-1
5 STING GIRL 7-1
3 PA PERFECT 8-1

HUNTING MEMORIES started her 2yo season well then was overmatched in the Breeders Crown. She comes back with two qualifiers and in the last one she set a fast pace and held surprisingly well to finish a length behind a top class mare; short price off that.

RACE 4

6 DONATOVER 5-2
2 C KAN TROT 7-2
7 MASSSTER BLUE 4-1
1 BRICCO 5-1

RACE 5

5 STAR X 5-2
2 URBAN RENEWAL 3-1
3 FERDINAND A 4-1
6 HOMESTEAD HISTORY 8-1

RACE 6

5 MR MOUTON 5-2

7 BRAVO ANGEL S 8-5
8 ELISTA HANOVER 7-2
4 HAPPY JACK B 6-1

MR MOUTON qualified well for good layoff barn; edge...BRAVO ANGEL S mare has come back sharp this year...ELISTA HANOVER classy mare may not be all out off the bench but she fits well here...HAPPY JACK B returns for a good layoff barn.

RACE 7

5 CALDERONE 2-1
2 SOUTHWIND MAC 5-2
6 INTERVIEW FRA A 4-1
4 REMARKABLE DE VIE 6-1

CALDERONE raced well against tougher in last and is sharp now...SOUTHWIND MAC has been 2nd best in his last three starts, holding form...INTERVIEW FRA A stayed flat in last, now drops...REMARKABLE DE VIE dropped and picked up Svanstedt and made a bold old-school three wide power move at the three quarters to crush weaker; could build on that.

RACE 8

2 MIKI IN LUV 2-1
7 BLOOD MOON A 5-2
6 VEL IM ALL FIRE 10-1
10 YOULLFINDOUT 7-2

MIKI IN LUV was used hard to get the lead and went a big mile to beat weaker; steps up and could bounce off that career best but she draws inside of some of the main rivals...BLOOD MOON A qualified sharp for return and drops to level of her last win over this track...VEL IM ALL FIRE ships in and steps up in class. She came from far back to win her last two starts at Northfield, which isn't easy to do, and now she gets Bartlett in the bike...YOULLFINDOUT improving 4 year old set a pressured pace and held the place gamely in last.

RACE 9

7 MY PHILOMENE 2-1
8 WHO DARES WINS 5-2
3 NAACHTUN 3-1
2 NIGHT FRNECH GIRL 7-2

MY PHILOMENE only raced three times last year and she won her debut then broke in her next two starts. She raced much better in her first start of the year, her first for new barn, and her first try around two turns; drops...WHO DARES WINS moved into the Svanstedt barn last year and improved sharply, now she returns off two good qualifiers...NAACHTUN raced well in return and has a shot here...NIGHT FRENCH GIRL returns for trainer Noel Daley, who has been hot with fresh horses.

RACE 10

1 FASHION FOREVER 9-2
8 MELISSA P 8-5
4 BIG NUDGE 6-1
9 HOOFBEATS DE VIE 8-1

FASHION FOREVER signs of life in last...MELISSA P looks like the main speed here and her last two efforts were good...BIG NUDGE gets an amateur driver in the bike but has some speed...HOOFBEATS DE VIE comes off two improved efforts.

RACE 11

4 REMI LOU A 3-5
7 PINK LUMIERE 4-1
2 HOLD MY TIARA 6-1
1 KATIE COTTON 6-1

REMI LOU A beat weaker easily in first start for new barn and may be too quick for these.

RACE 12

2 BEE AWARE 7-1
6 HELEN BACK AGAIN 7-2
3 OAHU 4-1
9 RONA MAE 8-1

RACE 13

4 BOURBONISTA S 8-5
5 MONSERRATE 2-1
8 CAMERA MAN 4-1
2 FARAH TRIO IT 6-1

BOURBONISTA has come back to the races sharp for new barn. This field is arguably tougher than the field she manhandled last start but she could be even better tonight...MONSERRATE qualified sharply over the track then went to Kentucky and broke twice over the 5/8's track at Oak Grove; he's fast enough to beat these and four of his five wins were over this track...CAMERA MAN came back to the races sharp for Karen Williams; steps up but this trotter fits well with these...FARAH TRIO IT has raced at this level over this track three times with two wins, but she has now made a break in four straight starts; picks up Gingras, which could help.

RACE 14

9 FITNESS FIRST** 6-5
10 MIDNIGHT MAGIC 7-2
5 CHILLIN BYTHE POOL 7-1
1 TRICKY WICKY 7-1

FITNESS FIRST took a pretty big step up in class and raced gamely in first start for the Ron Coyne barn.

BEST BET: FITNESS FIRST 14th Race