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It's time for one of the biggest days of the year and the Dudes are ready! This year, we're giving you our EXACT race-by-race wagering plans for each of the 9 stakes races on the Saturday card at Belmont Park. You can play these tickets exactly, or you can sprinkle in your own thoughts. We've done this with the last several guides with great success, but did struggle at the Preakness, so we are out for revenge this weekend! The Dudes have invested a little under \$400 for the card, but be sure that you don't bet more than you can afford to lose. Here we go!

Race #3: ACORN STAKES

We'll start this off with a strong \$10 pick 3 here, using **#4 Matareya** and **#5 Echo Zulu** in this leg. We'll single the **#3 Speak of the Devil** - one of our strongest opinions of the day - in leg 2. Then, we'll use the **#1 Lone Rock** and **#3 Warrant** in the final leg.

\$10	Race #3 Acorn: Pick 3
3rd	#4 Matareya, #5 Echo Zulu
4th	#3 Speak of the Devil
5th	#1 Lone Rock, #3 Warrant
\$40	Ticket #1 Total

Race #4: JUST A GAME STAKES

#3 Speak of the Devil looked like the best turf female in the country last time out at Churchill Downs. If she runs that kind of race again, then the rest are running for a second. We're pounding a win bet here.

\$100	Race #4 Just a Game: WIN
1st	#3 Speak of the Devil
\$100	Ticket #2 Total

Race #5: BROOKLYN STAKES

We'll start another \$10 pick 3 in this race by pressing our opinions on the **#1 Lone Rock** and **#3 Warrant**, just like we did with our first pick 3 that started in race 3. For the second leg, we'll single **#1 Jack Christopher**, then also single **#1 Letruska** in leg 3 of this sequence.

\$10	Race #5 Brooklyn: Pick 3
5th	#1 Lone Rock, #3 Warrant
6th	#1 Jack Christopher
7th	#1 Letruska
\$20	Ticket #3 Total

Race #6: WOODY STEPHENS STAKES

Let's keep it simple in this spot with **#1 Jack Christopher**, who looked like a monster last time out. He shortens up a bet in distance today, which should only make him more dangerous. He's a win bet here.

\$50	Race #6 Woody Stephens: WIN
1st	#1 Jack Christopher
\$50	Ticket #4 Total



Race #7: OGDEN PHIPPS STAKES

#1 Letruska looks to be the lone speed in this spot, which should make her difficult to run down. She shortens up a bit in distance as well, so we'll keep it simple and stick with a win bet on her.

\$50	Race #7 Ogden Phipps: WIN
1st	#1 Letruska
\$50	Ticket #5 Total

Race #8: JAIPUR STAKES

We finally get a more wide-open field here with a full group of 13 runners. The trifecta seems to be the best way to attack this race. We'll keep it simple, boxing **#3 True Valour**, **#4 Casa Creed**, **#5 Arrest Me Red**, and **#11 Chasing Artie**.

\$1	Race #8 Jaipur: TRIFECTA BOX
1st 2nd 3rd	#3 True Valour, #4 Casa Creed, #5 Arrest Me Red, #11 Chasing Artie
\$24	Ticket #6 Total

Race #9: MET MILE STAKES

This is another race that looks pretty straightforward on paper. **#1 Flightline** will be impossible to beat if he shows up with his best effort, but the price will be short to play a win wager. So, we'll put him on top of an exacta, while putting **#3 Aloha West** and **#4 Happy Saver** underneath for hopes of creating value.

\$20	Race #9 Met Mile: EXACTA WHEEL
1st	#1 Flightline
2nd	#3 Aloha West, #4 Happy Saver
\$40	Ticket #7 Total

Race #10: MANHATTAN STAKES

We get a solid field of 10 here, which gives us another opportunity to play a trifecta. We'll use **#2 Gufo** and **#4 Adhamo** in the top spot while adding **#3 Tokyo Gold** and **#6 Rockemperor** in the second and third positions. We were both shocked to see #3 Tokyo Gold at 30/1 on the morning line.

\$1	Race #10 Manhattan: TRIFECTA WHEEL
1st	#2 Gufo, #4 Adhamo
2nd	#2 Gufo, #3 Tokyo Gold, #4 Adhamo, #6 Rockemperor
3rd	#2 Gufo, #3 Tokyo Gold, #4 Adhamo, #6 Rockemperor
\$12	Ticket #8 Total

Race #11: BELMONT STAKES

Let's keep it simple to close things out. We both like **#6 Mo Donegal** on top, so we'll roll with him with a small win wager. We are not as confident in him as we are some of our other opinions on the card, but he offers more value than our others win bets, so we'll play him at \$50 to win in this spot

\$50	Race #11 Belmont: WIN
1st	#6 Mo Donegal
\$50	Ticket #9 Total
\$386	TOTAL BUDGET

That brings our total to **\$386**, which is a little under our intended \$400 budget. Thanks to all of you for following along this year for the Belmont Stakes Day card. Let's make some money! 🐎



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RACE 3:

ACORN STAKES (G1)

1 MILE (DIRT)
Fillies 3-Year-Olds
\$500,000

OVERVIEW:

The 3-year-old fillies kick off the stakes action on this loaded day of racing. While this field (like many today) drew a short group, there's still plenty of star power in this race. This should be an awesome event to get us going.

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A MODERATE PACE

Pure Speed: *Matareya, Echo Zulu*

Pressing Speed: *Inventing*

Stalkers: *Divine Huntress*

Closers: *Dream Lith*

With a field of 5, this pace should not be blazing, but the two big favorites can both run early. Look for them to control the pace, making it tough for anyone else to make up much ground.

TOP CHOICE: #4 MATAREYA

She really burst onto the scene this year, reeling off 3 victories in a row including 2 easy stakes wins at Keeneland and Churchill Downs. She faces her toughest challenge yet, without any doubt, as Echo Zulu is a serious horse who will run well cutting back in distance. Still, Matareya looks like the one to beat. She should sit off the pace and make her move at the top of the stretch.

MAJOR THREATS: #5 Echo Zulu

There is no question she will like the cutback, and she should give her best effort yet with this being her third start off of the layoff. She faces a real monster today, though, which is the only question mark, but this should be a great race to watch.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #3 Divine Huntress

She should run better with the cutback in distance after trying two turns several times. The competition is tough up top today, though, which is the biggest problem for her heading into this race.

OTHERS: #1 Dream Lith, #2 Inventing

This one looks to be a bit top-heavy, which will make things difficult for this duo to make an impact in this spot. They'll need to show some solid improvement.

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #4 Matareya - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #5 Echo Zulu - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #3 Divine Huntress -
Confidence Level: 2 out of 5

EXACTA: 4/5

TRIFECTA: 4/5/3

SUPERFECTA: NONE

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 4,5

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$20 Win on #4 Matareya

EXOTIC WAGER: \$10 Exacta 4/5



RACE 4:

LONGINES JUST A GAME STAKES (G1)

1 MILE (TURF)
Fillies & Mares
4-Year-Olds & Upward
\$500,000

OVERVIEW:

Yet another short field of only 5 runners, and Chad Brown trains 3 of them. However, Speak of the Devil and Regal Glory going head-to-head is still must-see TV.

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A SLOW PACE

Pure Speed: *Leggs Galore*

Pressing Speed: *In Italian*

Stalkers: *Regal Glory*

Closers: *Speak of the Devil, Wakanaka*

There is no doubt they will be walking early. New York turf races almost always have slow paces, and this one looks no different, with only 5 horses entered.

TOP CHOICE: #3 SPEAK OF THE DEVIL

She might have been the single most impressive horse at Churchill Downs over the Kentucky Derby weekend. She made short work of the Churchill Downs Distaff Mile Stakes, swooping from last and winning in stylish fashion by almost 3 lengths. That was her first start in the United States as well, so we could see an improved performance out of her today.

MAJOR THREATS: #2 Regal Glory

This horse has been brilliant in 2 starts this year, winning the Pegasus Filly and Mare Turf before taking home the Jenny Wiley Stakes at Keeneland last time out. She has to beat a tough stablemate today; however, she was able to beat a different tough stablemate in her last race, so she has proven that she can do it.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #4 In Italian

This filly ran very well last time out at Churchill Downs, but just couldn't compete with our top choice. It's hard to see her turning the tables today; however, look for her to put in another strong effort.

OTHERS: #1 Leggs Galore, #5 Wakanaka

There is nothing wrong with these 2 talented horses, but the other 3 in this race might be the 3 best fillies/mares in the country. No shame in losing this one.

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #3 Speak of the Devil - Confidence Level: 5 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #2 Regal Glory - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #4 In Italian - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

EXACTA: 3/2

TRIFECTA: 3/2/4

SUPERFECTA: NONE

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 3

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$50 Win on #3 Speak of the Devil

EXOTIC WAGER: \$10 Exacta 3/2



RACE 5:

BROOKLYN STAKES (G2)

1 1/2 MILES (DIRT)
4-Year-Olds & Upward
\$400,000

OVERVIEW:

A large field of 7 will contest this year's Brooklyn, which attracted the best long distance dirt horse in the United States, Lone Rock. He should be able to repeat his winning effort from last year, but he'll be challenged by a couple of new shooters to the division.

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A SLOW PACE

Pure Speed: *First Constitution*

Pressing Speed: *Warrant, Fearless*

Stalkers: *Max Player*

Closers: *Lone Rock, Portos, Locally Owned*

We'll see another pretty slow pace in this one. Dirt marathons almost always produce turtle times early, and there's only 1 true speed horse entered.

TOP CHOICE: #3 WARRANT

His best career race came at 1 1/4 miles, which makes us think that he'll like this marathon distance today. He nearly won the Santa Anita Handicap 2 starts back, earning a speed figure that stands out amongst this group. He gets Prat back aboard again as well, which is a good sign for this horse. If he likes the distance, then he's going to be tough to beat.

MAJOR THREATS: #1 Lone Rock, #2 Max Player, #5 First Constitution

Lone Rock is the best horse in the country at this distance, which obviously makes him the one to beat. We just tried to create some value with a pretty nice horse on top today. Max Player is back after a layoff and should like this distance. First Constitution could be loose on the lead in the spot.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #7 Fearless

It'll be interesting to see how this horse stretches out in distance after getting beat by Speaker's Corner a few times this year. If he likes the distance, there is no doubt this horse has the class to compete today.

OTHERS: #4 Portos, #6 Locally Owned

These two horses need to improve a little too much for us to play them today. This field came up tough this year.

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #3 Warrant - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #1 Lone Rock - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #5 First Constitution - Confidence Level: 2 out of 5

EXACTA: 1,3,5 BOX

TRIFECTA: 1,2,3,5 BOX

SUPERFECTA: 1,2,3,5 BOX

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 1,2,3,5,7

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$10 Win on #3 Warrant

EXOTIC WAGER: \$.50 Trifecta BOX 1,2,3,5



RACE 6:

WOODY STEPHENS STAKES (G1)

7 FURLONGS (DIRT)
3-Year-Olds
\$400,000

OVERVIEW:

The 3-year-old sprinters take center stage in this spot, where a solid field of 6 will dash 7 furlongs. Undefeated favorite Jack Christopher stands out amongst the group, but he must hold off Wit's late closing kick.

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A MODERATE PACE

Pure Speed: *Jack Christopher*

Pressing Speed: *Pappacap*

Stalkers: *Chasing Time, Provocateur*

Closers: *Wit, Morello*

Jack Christopher should control things on the front end, making it pretty difficult for anyone to make up much ground on him. Pappacap is probably the only horse that can be close to him early in the race.

TOP CHOICE: #1 JACK CHRISTOPHER

The big horse was back in action last time out, making his first start as a 3-year-old, looking nearly exactly like he did as a 2-year-old. He should run even better today, with this being his second start off of the layoff, while 7-furlongs should suit him perfectly. Plus, he seems to be the lone speed in the race, which makes him that much more appealing in this spot today.

MAJOR THREATS: #2 Pappacap, #3 Wit

Pappacap improved cutting back in distance last time out, running second behind our top choice in the Pat Day Mile Stakes. Wit came back a winner last time out in the Bay Shore Stakes, and should move forward off of that effort if he continues to break well from the gate.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #4 Morello

He cuts back to his best distance today, which is going to be a big help, while they've given him plenty of time to rebound from his disastrous effort last time out. Look for him to run much better in this spot.

OTHERS: #5 Chasing Time, #6 Provocateur

This is a pretty top-heavy affair, which will make it difficult for these two to make an impact. But hey, at least their combined 50,000 MyRacehorse owners will have fun?

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #1 Jack Christopher - Confidence Level: 5 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #2 Pappacap - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #3 Wit - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

EXACTA: 1/2,3

TRIFECTA: 1/2,3/2,3,4

SUPERFECTA: NONE

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 1

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$50 Win on #1 Jack Christopher

EXOTIC WAGER: \$5 Trifecta 1/2,3/2,3,4



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RACE 7: OGDEN PHIPPS STAKES (G1)

1 1/16 MILES (DIRT)
Fillies & Mares
4-Year-Olds & Upward
\$500,000



OVERVIEW:

This should be a great race despite only attracting a field of 5. Every headlining star in this division is here, which should make this a very interesting contest.

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A MODERATE PACE

Pure Speed: *Letruska*

Pressing Speed: *Search Results*

Stalkers: *Malathaat*

Closers: *Bonny South, Clairiere*

With these short fields, it's going to be tough to get hot paces, especially when most of the races have a lone speed horse. That is the case this time around with Letruska, who shouldn't be challenged up front.

TOP CHOICE: #1 LETRUSKA

The champ is back to win her second straight Ogden Phipps. She continues to be a win machine after kicking off her season with 2 easy victories, including the Apple Blossom Handicap at Oaklawn Park last time out. This field presents a new twist, though, as many of the heavy hitters are here to challenge her. However, her solid pace advantage is going to make her tough to beat.

MAJOR THREATS: #3 Malathaat, #4 Clairiere

Malathaat looked great in her 4-year-old debut last time out and should be set up well for this race. Clairiere ran second behind our top choice last time out and can turn the tables today if there's some pace up front.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #2 Bonny South

She's a hard trier who usually shows up with a solid effort. She'll need help from a pace prospective, though, which may not happen today. Still, she can hit the board with some luck.

OTHERS: #5 Search Results

It'll be interesting to see if this horse stretches out in distance with success. She's a solid sprinter, but this is a question mark today.

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #1 Letruska - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #4 Clairiere - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #3 Malathaat - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

EXACTA: 1,4/1,3,4

TRIFECTA: 1,4/1,3,4/1,3,4

SUPERFECTA: NONE

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 1,3,4

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$20 Win on #1 Letruska

EXOTIC WAGER: \$2 Trifecta 1,4/1,3,4/1,3,4



RACE 8: JAIPUR STAKES (G1)

6 FURLONGS (TURF)
3-Year-Olds & Upward
\$400,000



OVERVIEW:

We finally get a large stakes field, with 13 horses sprinting on the turf. Last year's race produced a nice-priced winner, and we could see more of the same here. Watch carefully, this one could get crazy.

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A FAST PACE

Pure Speed: *True Valour, Arrest Me Red, Gear Jockey*

Pressing Speed: *Greyes Creek, Filo Di Arianna*

Stalkers: *Change of Control, Omaha City, Smokin' Jay*

Closers: *Casa Creed, Whatmakessammyrun, Scuttlebuzz, Chasing Artie, Gregorian Chant*

Finally, a pace that looks fast on paper. That's what you tend to get when 13 horses sprint on the turf, so this shouldn't be a surprise.

TOP CHOICE: #5 ARREST ME RED

He came through for us in a big way at Churchill Downs last time out, impressively winning the Twin Spires Turf Sprint by almost 2 lengths. This horse can set the pace and go gate to wire, which is possible today, but he can also sit off of the pace as well, which is valuable in turf sprints where the paces can get hot in a hurry.

MAJOR THREATS: #3 True Valour, #4 Casa Creed, #9 Filo Di Arianna

True Valour was a sharp stakes winner last time out in his first start off of a 13-month layoff, so he could easily improve here. Casa Creed won this race last year and is the class of the field. Filo Di Arianna runs second off of the layoff, which should help his chances at a big price.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #1 Change of Control, #6 Greyes Creek, #11 Chasing Artie

Change of Control takes on the boys after nearly beating females in a turf stakes last time out. Greyes Creek should improve running second off of the layoff. Chasing Artie was competitive with our top choice last time out.

OTHERS: #2 Omaha City, #7 Whatmakessammyrun, #8 Scuttlebuzz, #10 Smokin' Jay, #12 Gear Jockey, #13 Gregorian Chant

A few of these can make an impact in this spot, but we just prefer others a bit more. It would not be surprising if one of these horses jumped up and won.

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #5 Arrest Me Red - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #3 True Valour - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #4 Casa Creed - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

EXACTA: 3,4,5 BOX

TRIFECTA: 3,4,5,9 BOX

SUPERFECTA: 3,4,5,9 BOX

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 3,4,5,9

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$10 Win on #5 Arrest Me Red

EXOTIC WAGER: \$.50 Trifecta BOX 3,4,5,9



RACE 9:

HILL 'N' DALE MET MILE HANDICAP (G1)

1 MILE (DIRT)
3-Year-Olds & Upward
\$1,000,000



OVERVIEW:

The action moves forward with the Met Mile, which might produce the best match race since the Pegasus World Cup. Superstar colts Flightline and Speaker's Corner will battle for supremacy as the #1 horse in the country.

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A MODERATE PACE

Pure Speed: *Flightline*

Pressing Speed: *Speaker's Corner*

Stalkers: *Aloha West*

Closers: *Happy Saver, Informative*

The field goes back to being short in this race; however, Flightline and Speaker's Corner will make things quick up front. Look for these two to run in their own private match race up front.

TOP CHOICE: #1 FLIGHTLINE

The big horse is back looking to stay undefeated in his 4th career start. Simply put, he's easily the fastest horse in the race, and if he shows up with his best effort, then the rest of these are running for second. This will be a big challenge, though, as Speaker's Corner is a very nice horse, plus this will be Flightline's first race outside of California. The short field will help, though, and he also looks to be the lone speed.

MAJOR THREATS: #2 Speaker's Corner

This horse has been incredible this season, simply dominating anyone he's face. However, this will be a huge test today, as Flightline is easily the best horse that he's ever faced. If Flightline stubs his toe, which is always possible, Speaker's Corner will be the winner.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #3 Aloha West

He should run better today, with this being his second start off of the layoff. We know he can pull off upsets after seeing him at the Breeders' Cup last year, but this distance is a bit of a question mark for him.

OTHERS: #4 Happy Saver, #5 Informative

Happy Saver would benefit from a pace meltdown, which could happen, but he isn't a likely winner in this short field. Informative just looks to be overmatched.

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #1 Flightline - Confidence Level: 5 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #2 Speaker's Corner - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #3 Aloha West - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

EXACTA: 1/2

TRIFECTA: 1/2/3,4

SUPERFECTA: NONE

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 1

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$50 Win on #1 Flightline

EXOTIC WAGER: NONE - No Value



RACE 10:

RESORTS WORLD CASINO MANHATTAN STAKES (G1)

1 1/4 MILES (TURF)
4-Year-Olds & Upward
\$750,000

OVERVIEW:

This is always a fun race right before the main event. Many of the country's best turf horses have won this race over the years and this running should be no different. Plus, we actually get a huge field of 10 horses to watch!

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A SLOW PACE

Pure Speed: *Santin*

Pressing Speed: *Tribhuvan, Highland Chief*

Stalkers: *L'Imperator, In Love, Channel Maker*

Closers: *Gufo, Tokyo Gold, Adhamo, Rockemperor*

Like most turf routes in this country, you can expect a slow pace early. This should be a full sprint to the wire as they turn for home, with no runner really being a true speed horse.

TOP CHOICE: #2 GUFO

It's hard to depend on him, as he's lost some races he had no business losing, but overall, he looks like the best horse in this race. He's looked solid in 2 starts this season, but the pace didn't materialize for him last time out. That's a worry again today, but in a larger field, maybe a couple of these will speed it up early. If they do, then he's going to be tough to hold off down the stretch.

MAJOR THREATS: #6 Rockemperor, #9 Santin, #10 Channel Maker

Rockemperor has trouble winning but usually shows up with a solid effort. Santin broke through with a nice victory last time out and this is the logical next step. Channel Maker is the class of the field and should sit a nice trip near the pace.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #1 L'Imperator, #3 Tokyo Gold

L'Imperator came back a winner last time out by showing early speed, which was something new. Tokyo Gold has run well in the United States in the past and today's race fits him pretty well.

OTHERS: #4 Adhamo, #5 In Love, #7 Tribhuvan, #8 Highland Chief

This group can be a bit inconsistent, but if any of them show up with their best effort, then they have a shot. This is truly a wide-open race.

PICKS AND PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #2 Gufo - Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #10 Channel Maker - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #6 Rockemperor - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

EXACTA: 2,6,10 BOX

TRIFECTA: 2,6,9,10 BOX

SUPERFECTA: 2,6,9,10 BOX

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 2,6,9,10

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$20 Win on #2 Gufo

EXOTIC WAGER: \$.50 Trifecta BOX 2,6,9,10



RACE 11

BELMONT STAKES (G1)

1 1/2 MILES (DIRT)
3-Year-Olds
\$1,500,000

OVERVIEW:

The final leg of the Triple Crown is upon us! The Kentucky Derby winner Rich Strike makes his first start since shocking the world at 80/1, which has everyone excited. Will he do it again? Or will we see 3 different Triple Crown winners this season?

RACE SHAPE: EXPECT A SLOW PACE

Pure Speed: *We the People*

Pressing Speed: *Golden Glider*

Stalkers: *Skippylongstocking, Nest*

Closers: *Rich Strike, Creative Minister, Mo Donegal, Barber Road*

There is no doubt *We the People* will be loose on the lead in this spot, which makes him dangerous. If nobody presses him early, then he can take them all the way.

TOP CHOICE: #6 MO DONEGAL

This seems to be the most consistent and reliable horse in the race, which makes him the safest and most logical play on top. His price is a bit low, but if he remains not the favorite, then he could be a bit of a value play. Two starts back, he beat the eventual Preakness Stakes winner Early Voting, even though that horse was loose on the lead that day. Also, the distance should suit Mo Donegal well, so he might be running best approaching the wire.

MAJOR THREATS: #1 *We the People*, #4 *Rich Strike*, #5 *Creative Minister*

We the People could be loose on the lead and tough to run down. *Rich Strike* is back and working out well leading up to this race. It'll be interesting to see what he does. *Creative Minister* finished third in the Preakness Stakes last time out and should move forward here.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #8 Barber Road

This horse is ultra-consistent and should enjoy the distance. However, he seems to be more of a grinder, so he will need a nice pace setup to have a shot to win the whole thing. Joel Rosario hopping aboard is a plus.

OTHERS: #2 *Skippylongstocking*, #3 *Nest*, #7 *Golden Glider*

This group looks to be a bit slow from a speed figure standpoint. However, we've already seen a big upset along this Triple Crown trial, so it wouldn't be as big of a shock to see any of these win.

PICKS and PLAYS:

BET TO WIN: #6 Mo Donegal - Confidence Level: 3.5 out of 5

BET TO PLACE: #5 Creative Minister - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

ACROSS THE BOARD PLAY: #1 *We the People* - Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

EXACTA: 1,5,6 BOX

TRIFECTA: 5,6/1,4,5,6/1,4,5,6

SUPERFECTA: 1,4,5,6 BOX

MULTI-RACE WAGER HORSES: 1,5,6

STRAIGHT WAGER: \$10 Win on #6 Mo Donegal

EXOTIC WAGER: \$2 Exacta BOX 1,5,6

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Race 1: 6-7-3-4

#6 Tap'n de Bank will look to make it 2 in a row today after a nice victory off of the layoff last time out. **#7 Win for Gold** won on debut 2 starts back before a nice second at this level in his last start. **#3 My Last Mission** goes for 2 in a row after beating starter allowance runners last time out. **#4 Safalow's Mission** looked solid in a maiden win in his last start.

Exacta: 3,6,7 BOX

Trifecta: 3,4,6,7 BOX

Multi-Race: 3,4,6,7

Suggested Bet: \$.50 Cent Trifecta BOX 3,4,6,7

Race 2: 4-3-6-5

#4 Strong Quality was a head away from victory at this level last time out at Fair Grounds. **#3 Set Sail** drops back down in class after trying the Peter Pan Stakes last time out. **#6 Three Jokers** has been knocking on the door at this level in several of his recent starts. **#5 Good Culture** can win in this spot if he can rebound from a poor effort in his last start.

Exacta: 3,4,6 BOX

Trifecta: 3,4,5,6 BOX

Multi-Race: 3,4,5,6

Suggested Bet: \$.50 Cent Trifecta BOX 3,4,5,6

Race 12: 8-7-12-9

#8 Al's Rocket moves back to the turf for this race while also dropping down in class. It's another plus that Irad is aboard. **#7 Floki's Flight** will try turf while also running for Rodriguez for the first time today. **#12 North Carolina** could improve running for Rice for the first time. **#9 Cheeky Tico** gets back to the turf for this one, which looks to be needed.

Exacta: 7,8,12 BOX

Trifecta: 7,8,9,12 BOX

Multi-Race: 7,8,9,12

Suggested Bet: \$.50 Cent Trifecta BOX 7,8,9,12

Race 13: 12-1-2-7

#12 Palace Gossip has been close at this level in her last 2 races and Prat gets aboard today, which should help. **#1 Solib** was a solid third at this level in her last start. **#2 Flip My Id** can win here if she rebounds from a poor effort last time out at Aqueduct. **#7 Happy Hill Lil** will go for 2 straight wins after a nice starter allowance victory last time out.

Exacta: 1,2,12 BOX

Trifecta: 1,2,7,12 BOX

Multi-Race: 1,2,7,12

Suggested Bet: \$.50 Cent Trifecta BOX 1,2,7,12

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MULTI-RACE ANALYSIS & PLAYS

REMEMBER: On these massive days, when so many multi-race sequences are available, it is very important to pick and choose your spots. You should not play every sequence, make sure to manage your money, and save some bullets for the entire day. Good luck to everyone, let's cash a few of these!

RACE 1: \$0.50 PICK 5

3,4,6,7 with 3,4,5,6 with 4,5 with 3 with 1,2,3,5,7 = \$80

RACE 2: \$0.50 PICK 4

3,4,5,6 with 4,5 with 3 with 1,2,3,5,7 = \$20

RACE 4: \$10 PICK 4

3 with 1,3 with 1 with 1,4 = \$40

RACE 7: \$0.50 PICK 5

1,3,4 with 3,4,5,9 with 1 with 2,6,9,10 with 1,5,6 = \$72

RACE 8: \$0.50 PICK 4

3,4,5,9 with 1 with 2,6,9,10 with 1,4,5,6 = \$32

RACE 9: \$0.50 PICK 5

1 with 2,6,10 with 1,5,6 with 7,8,9,12 with 1,2,7,12 = \$72

RACE 10: \$0.50 PICK 4

2,10 with 1,5,6 with 7,8,9,12 with 1,2,7,12 = \$48



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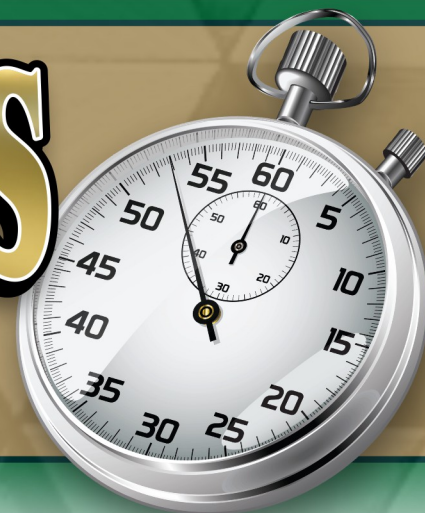
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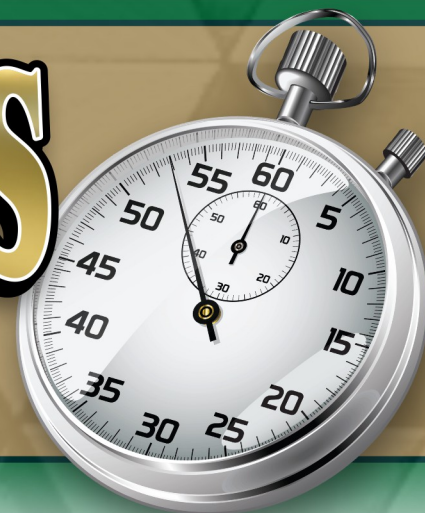
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Acorn Stakes	Matareya Echo Zulu Divine Huntress Inventing	Echo Zulu Matareya Divine Huntress Inventing	Matareya Echo Zulu Divine Huntress Inventing	Matareya Inventing Echo Zulu Dream Lith	Echo Zulu Matareya Divine Huntress Inventing	Echo Zulu Matareya Inventing Divine Huntress	Echo Zulu Matareya Inventing Divine Huntress
Just A Game Stakes	Speak of the Devil Regal Glory In Italian Leggs Galore	Speak of the Devil In Italian Regal Glory Wakanaka	Speak of the Devil Regal Glory In Italian Leggs Galore	Speak of the Devil Regal Glory In Italian Leggs Galore	Regal Glory Speak of the Devil In Italian Wakanaka	Speak of the Devil In Italian Regal Glory Wakanaka	Speak of the Devil Regal Glory Wakanaka In Italian
Brooklyn Stakes	Warrant Lone Rock First Constitution Max Player	Lone Rock Warrant Fearless Max Player	Lone Rock First Constitution Fearless Locally Owned	First Constitution Fearless Warrant Lone Rock	Lone Rock Warrant Fearless Max Player	Fearless Lone Rock First Constitution Warrant	First Constitution Lone Rock Fearless Warrant
Woody Stephens Stakes	Jack Christopher Pappacap Wit Morello	Jack Christopher Wit Morello Pappacap	Jack Christopher Pappacap Morello Wit	Jack Christopher Morello Pappacap Wit	Jack Christopher Wit Morello Pappacap	Jack Christopher Wit Pappacap Morello	Jack Christopher Wit Pappacap Morello
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Jaipur Stakes	Arrest Me Red True Valour Casa Creed Filo Di Arianna	Arrest Me Red Chasing Artie Casa Creed Gregorian Chant	Arrest Me Red Scuttlebutt Gear Jockey Filo Di Arianna	Smokin' Jay Gear Jockey Casa Creed Gregorian Chant	Arrest Me Red Casa Creed Scuttlebuzz Gear Jockey	Scuttlebuzz Smokin' Jay Gregorian Chant Gear Jockey	True Valour Arrest Me Red Casa Creed Filo Di Arianna
Metropolitan Mile Stakes	Flightline Speaker's Corner Aloha West Happy Saver	Flightline Speaker's Corner Happy Saver Aloha West	Speaker's Corner Flightline Happy Saver Aloha West	Flightline Happy Saver Speaker's Corner Aloha West	Speaker's Corner Flightline Aloha West Happy Saver	Speaker's Corner Flightline Aloha West Happy Saver	Speaker's Corner Aloha West Flightline Happy Saver
Manhattan Stakes	Gufo Channel Maker Rockemperor Santin	Adhamo Gufo Tokyo Gold Santin	Channel Maker Santin In Love Adhamo	Santin Gufo Adhamo In Love	Santin Gufo Adhamo Tribhuvan	Tokyo Gold Santin In Love Gufo	Gufo Santin Rockemperor L'Imperator
Belmont Stakes	Mo Donegal Creative Minister We the People Rich Strike	Mo Donegal Creative Minister We the People Rich Strike	We the People Barber Road Mo Donegal Rich Strike	Mo Donegal We the People Skippyalongstocking Creative Minister	Rich Strike We the People Mo Donegal Creative Minister	Nest Rich Strike Mo Donegal Barber Road	Mo Donegal Nest We the People Creative Minister





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