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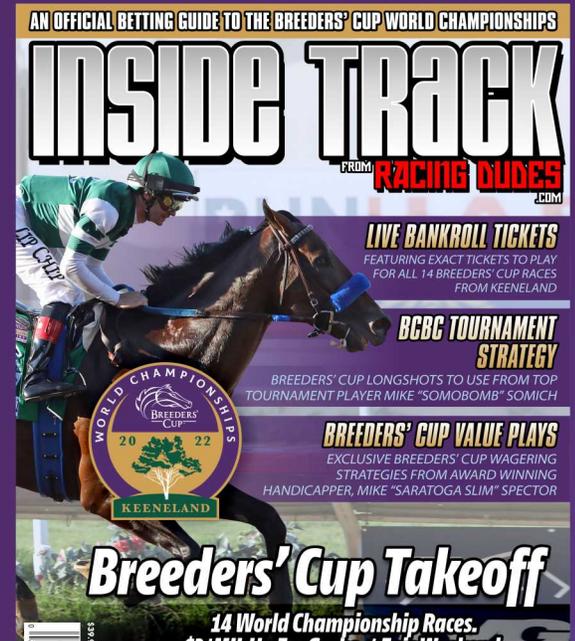
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# FUTURE STARS FRIDAY

NOVEMBER 4



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## FANDUEL JUVENILE

Trainer Bob Baffert has won this race twice in the past 4 years, both times with a heavy favorite (Game Winner and Corniche). Baffert's also won this 5 times total, tied for most ever. In the words of Michael Scott, "K.I.S.S. Keep It Simple Stupid."

*Takeaway:* Cave Rock has entered the chat.



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## JUVENILE TURF

European-based horses have finished first in the Juvenile Turf 11 times in the 15-year history of the race (73% clip). That's right, we said "finished first" because we couldn't cash on Modern Games last year, even though he finished ahead of the American-based mutuel ticket winner Tiz the Bomb.

*Takeaway:* With trainer Charlie Appleby opting to hold out Mysterious Night and instead run stablemate Silver Knott, this seems to be the international flavor you're looking for.



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## NETJETS JUVENILE FILLIES

This is always one of the toughest races to get a favorite home. Just twice in the last 10 years has the post-time favorite won the Juvenile Fillies (Echo Zulu in 2021 and Songbird in 2015). It takes a great filly to buck this trend, as both Echo Zulu and Songbird entered the race undefeated with multiple Grade 1 wins, and both went off at sub-even money in the race.

*Takeaway:* Todd Pletcher's Chocolate Gelato could be your favorite here and is NOT Echo Zulu or Songbird. Look for value!



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## JUVENILE FILLIES TURF

Looking for American domination on grass? You found it. American-based trainers have won the Juvenile Fillies Turf in 12 of its 14 runnings (86%). Five of those came at the hands of a guy named Chad Brown, who will look for number 6 this year with Free Look.

*Takeaway:* With the European filly Meditate (IRE) coming over and looking like the possible Euro favorite, look for some American value!

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## JUVENILE TURF SPRINT

The Juvenile Turf Sprint has only been held 4 times so far, but each year, the winner led at every point of the race. Literally, wire to wire, every single time. On top of that, all 4 prior winners were based in the United States. And how about one more to bring this home? Trainer Wesley Ward has now won this race 3 straight years.

*Takeaway:* American speed horses trained by Wesley Ward are killer. Oh, hey there, Love Reigns.

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## LONGINES CLASSIC

This year's race runs through the super freak Flightline, but did you know that the favorite has only won the Longines Classic twice in the past 12 years? However, even when the favorite flops, the average odds of the was close to 5/1 over that same 12 year time period. Plain and simple, class wins the Classic.

*Takeaway:* Did you know 3-year-olds have won the Classic 4 times in the last 8 years? Did you also know that all 4 were trained by Bob Baffert? Baffert is entering Taiba, who checks every box. Now he just has to tackle Flightline.

# LONGINES TURF

The Breeders' Cup doesn't own the Longines Turf; the Euros do. European-based horses won 11 of the past 14 runnings (79%). With Charlie Appleby pointing the likes of Rebel's Romance and Nations Pride here, expect this trend to stay intact.

## Takeaway:

*As fun as it would be to see the American mare War Like Goddess win here, stick with Charlie Appleby and any other Euro invaders.*



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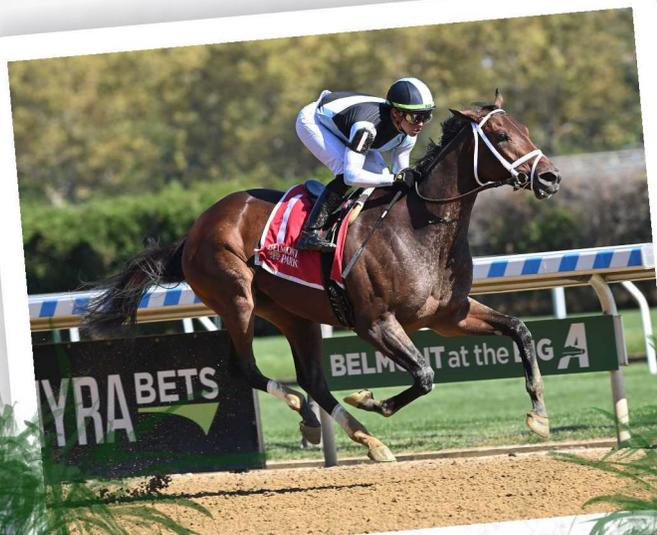


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# LONGINES DISTAFF

Class wins the Longines Distaff, with the likes of Zenyatta, Royal Delta (2x), Beholder, Untapable, and Monomoy Girl (2x) winning in recent years. The champ's average odds were roughly 5/1 over the past 15 years, but then the Japanese-bred Marche Lorraine threw a 50/1 wrench into the mix last year. Despite that, stick with class here

## Takeaway:

*The 3-year-old filly sensation Nest will be the likely favorite here and deservedly so. Stick with her or her stablemate Malathaat and feel confident that Todd Pletcher will win his third Distaff.*



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## FANDUEL MILE

American-based horses have done fairly well in the Fanduel Mile, having won 5 of the past 11 runnings. However, Europeans took the last 4 years (we're counting Uni (GB)) as both) and are poised to make it 5 straight.

*Takeaway:* Last year's Juvenile Turf winner Modern Games appears to be the clear horse to beat here. This Euro is proven in America and has Charlie Appleby in his corner.

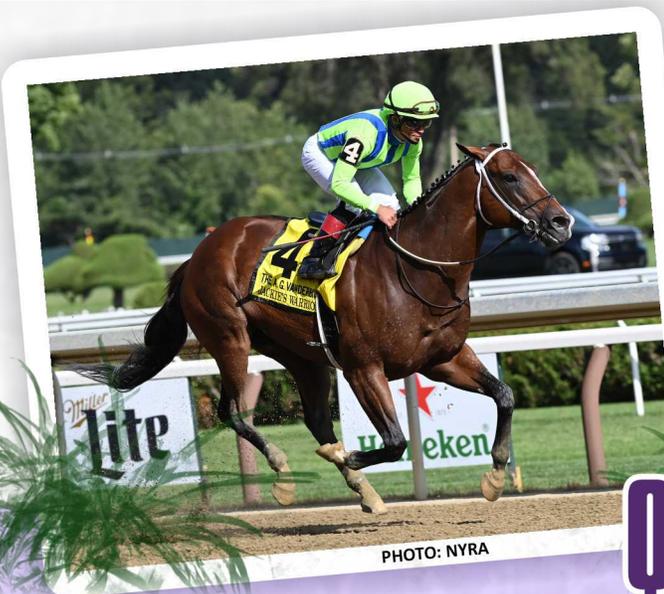


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## QATAR RACING SPRINT

We all love Jackie's Warrior, right? There's no way he can lose here, right? Well... just 2 horses in the last 24 years (Reraise in 1998 and Big Drama in 2010) have won the Sprint going gate to wire. To further drive that home, we all remember last year when Jackie faltered trying to go gate to wire. And we all also just saw him falter last time out attempting to go gate to wire.

*Takeaway:* Jackie's Warrior is the best horse in this race and should probably be the pick. But if he tries winning gate to wire... well, you've been warned. Hello, Jack Christopher!

# MAKER'S MARK FILLY & MARE TURF

The trend that just keeps delivering: in each of the past 11 years, either Chad Brown or an international trainer won the Maker's Mark Filly & Mare Turf. Last year, it was the Japanese beast Loves Only You who got the job done. International flavor has won this race the last 3 years.

## Takeaway:

*The 3-year-old British filly Nashwa looks awfully dangerous for trainer John Gosden, while Chad Brown will send In Italian, who's running better than ever. Take either one on top and feel good about your chances.*



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# BIG ASS FANS DIRT MILE

A new trend has developed in the Dirt Mile: SPEED! In the past 4 runnings, speed has been gold! City of Light, Spun to Run, Knicks Go, and Life Is Good were all speed, all the way. These horses never saw another horse in front of them. With the likes of Laurel River, Cyberknife, Gunite, and Slow Down Andy all possible here, the speed will be there.

## Takeaway:

*Cyberknife has plenty of early speed and attempted to go gate to wire in the Travers earlier this summer. Cutting back in distance, there's a good chance we see him close to the pace here. Look for speed to reign supreme once again.*



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## TURF SPRINT

Let's do this one a bit different. Likely favorite Golden Pal has never lost at Keeneland (4 for 4). Golden Pal has also never lost a Breeders' Cup race and he's shooting for a third consecutive Breeders' Cup win. It's also worth noting that favorites win the Turf Sprint at a clip just south of 40%.

*Takeaway:* If playing against Golden Pal here, you'll need to do so at your own peril, but you'll have plenty of options.

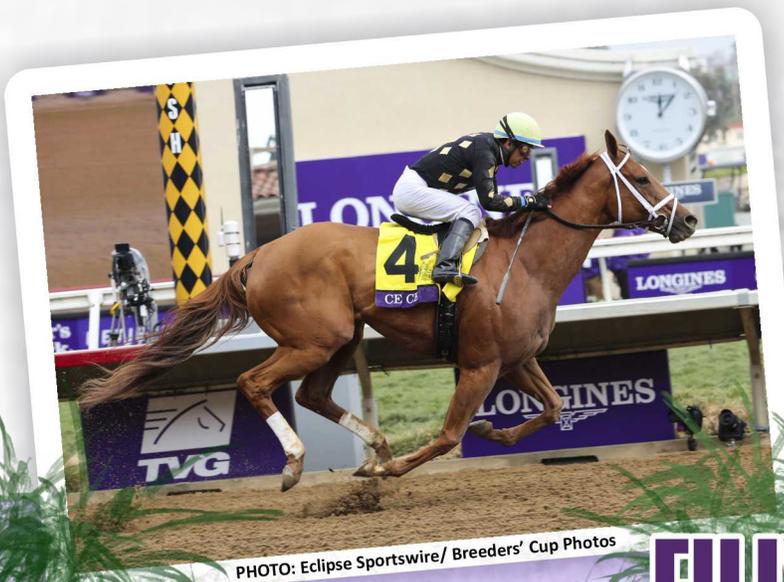


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## FILLY & MARE SPRINT

In the 15 years of its existence, no horse has won the Filly & Mare Sprint gate to wire. The speedy Gamine won in 2020, but she wasn't on the lead. She tried to take them gate to wire last year and faltered. Speed is cheap here.

*Takeaway:* The speedsters Echo Zulu and Letruska will light this track on fire but will have to buck the speed trend. If looking to beat them, defending champion Ce Ce, as well as Goodnight Olive and Obligatory, might be your horses.