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This *Inside Track* to *Cigar Mile Day* at *Aqueduct* gives you an inside look at all four stakes races running on the card. *The Racing Dudes* have been at it for years, offering daily handicapping picks and analyses for every track across the country. For this year's *Cigar Mile*, our lead handicappers have been scouring through the card at *Aqueduct* in search of winning tickets.

Saturday's racing at *Aqueduct* is second to none with four stakes races in total. The card features both a *Kentucky Derby* and a *Kentucky Oaks* prep race, along with the *Grade 3 Go for Wand Handicap* and the *Grade 1 Cigar Mile Handicap*. *The Cigar Mile* will go off as the feature race of the day while also serving as the last *Grade 1* event in the state of New York for 2018.

For each of the stakes races on the card, you can find the following:

FULL RACE PREVIEWS FOR EACH RACE, including:

- ▶ Overview of the race
- ▶ Race Shape and Pace Analysis
- ▶ Top Selections
- ▶ Major Threats
- ▶ Longshots to Use

You will also find specific wagering under the "Picks and Plays" section, which includes:

- ▶ Win Bet
- ▶ Place or Show Bet
- ▶ Longshot to Play Across the Board
- ▶ Exacta
- ▶ Trifecta
- ▶ Superfecta
- ▶ Horses to use in Multi-Race Wagers
- ▶ What to Play on a Small Budget
- ▶ What to Play on a Large Budget

Each Win, Place, Show, or Across the Board wager comes with a confidence rating so that you can see how strongly we feel about each pick.

Finally, always remember to wager responsibly and never wager more than you can afford.

Good luck today!





RACE 6: GO FOR WAND HANDICAP

1 MILE ON THE DIRT
3-YEAR-OLDS & UPWARD,
FILLIES & MARES

OVERVIEW:

There is no getting around the headliner for this field. The Bob Baffert-trained *Marley's Freedom* will make her first start after losing the *Grade 1 Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint* as the favorite. Even though she lost that race, she still was very valiant in defeat after an absolutely brutal trip. She finds a softer spot against this field with thoughts of redemption and revenge on her mind.

RACE SHAPE: THE PACE SHOULD BE HONEST BUT NOT OVERLY FAST

Pure Speed: *Sower*

Pressing Speed: *Your Love, Tigalalu, Come Dancing*

Stalkers: *Marley's Freedom, Bonita Bianca*

Closers: *Browse, Pacific Wind*

Sower will likely go straight to the front and get a comfortable lead, which could prove dangerous for everyone else. However, you should note that she has not been able to hold on when faced with the challenge of graded stakes company. There is enough pressing speed in the race to keep her honest, too, so the closers will have a fair shot if they are good enough.

TOP CHOICE: #1 MARLEY'S FREEDOM

If she shows up with her best racem then she could end up winning by double-digit lengths. Trainer Bob Baffert had several non-efforts during this year's *Breeders' Cup Saturday*, but *Marley's Freedom* was not one of those non-efforts. Looking back, she actually ran fantastic but had a brutal trip. A normal trip/effort here will mean that she wins easily.

MAJOR THREATS: #3 SOWER, #7 COME DANCING

The threat of getting out to an early lead is one of the main ways in which the heavy favorite could get beat here, which is why *Sower* and *Come Dancing* are two to look out for in this race. Both have solid early speed and have enjoyed varying amounts of success this season. One of these two

could sneak away with it on the front end.

LONGSHOTS TO USE: #4 BONITA BIANCA, #5 YOUR LOVE

If *Marley's Freedom* fails to fire, these are the two horses that will be sitting off the pace, waiting to pounce. *Bonita Bianca* has won two of her last three, while *Your Love* has won two out of her last four.

OTHERS: #2 BROWSE, #6 TIGALALU, #8 PACIFIC WIND

It is tough to see any of these three winning without a major improvement. The most interesting horse in this group is the Chad Brown-trained *Pacific Wind*. She always seems to show up in tough spots; however, she has not been able to get the job done since May. The cut back to a mile could be her saving grace, though, as she is two-for-two this year at the distance.

PICKS AND PLAYS:

Bet to Win: #1 *Marley's Freedom* – Confidence Level: 4 out of 5

Bet to Place or Show: #7 *Come Dancing* – Confidence Level: 3 out of 5

Across the Board Longshot Play: #5 *Your Love* – Confidence Level: 1 out of 5

Exacta: 1/3,5,7

Trifecta: 1/3,5,7/3,5,7

Superfecta: 1,3,5,7 BOX

Horses to Use in Multi-Race Wagers: 1,7

Small Budget Wager: \$2 exacta 1/3,5,7

Large Budget Wager: \$10 exacta 1/3,5,7 and #5 trifecta 1/3,5,7/3,5,7