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RACE-DAY OVERVIEW

With the Breeders' Cup now in the rear-view mirror, we focus on the rest of 2026, with some VERY good racing/stakes that should not be ignored.

We'll start at Belmont and their Late Pick-5, including a G2 and the return of Ted Noffey in a really salty 3yo stake, the Dwyer, with plenty of contenders. Then, we'll go to Churchill for their difficult Late Pick-5 with a solid sequence and stake race as well.

With no Santa Anita until late December, there will be no Coast-to-Coast analysis until that time.

On a side note, it's been an honor and privilege to author these Power Picks Tip Sheets for the last 250+ editions (see email from yesterday for more info.). I'm proud of the overall $2+ ROI and this year's record ROI of $2.61, plus Spot Play ROI of over $3. Hope you found plenty of winners over the months/years. Thank you so much!!! I know Noah and Ben will do a fantastic job going forward. I'll be the Editor-In-Chief and provide a "Play of the Day" every week starting next week. Paul and Pete will be including their ABC Grids as usual. Please continue to support our products, we appreciate every single one of you!!

Let's CRUSH OUR BETS today, good luck!!

SPOT / PRICE PLAY ROI

OVERALL ROI
since Feb. 2021
$2.15
$2,640.57 / 1228

2026 ROI
all spot plays
$2.61
$614.51 / 235

2026 PLAYS OF THE DAY
$3.08
$237.17 / 77

National average ROI is **$1.60**. Figures are $ returned per $1 wagered (total return / number of plays).

TODAY'S PRICE / SPOT PLAYS AT A GLANCE

TRACK	RACE	HORSE	ODDS	STARS	BET(S)
BELMONT	6	**#2 Amalfi Drive**	10-1	★★★★☆	$15 Win/Place #2 BIG Exactas: 3,4 / 2 Smaller Exactas: 2 / 3,4
	7	**#8 Illmatic** PLAY OF THE DAY	9-2	★★★★★	$20 Win/Place #8
	9	**#11 Run Wild**	15-1	★★☆☆☆	$2 Win, $7 Place, $15 Show Trifecta: 1,6,7 / 1,2,3,4,6,7 / 11 Superfecta: 1,6,7 / 1,6,7 / 1,2,3,4,6,7 / 11
CHURCHILL	10	**#3 Viking** PLAY OF THE DAY	6-1	★★★★★	$25 Win/Place #3
	11	**#8 Justify Joey**	6-1	★★★☆☆	$15 Win/Place #8 BIG Exactas: 8 / 1,2,4,12 Smaller Exactas: 1,2,4,12 / 8

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RACETRACK: BELMONT

Late Pick-5 · Races 6–10 · R6 post 2:10pm EDT

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◆ HOWARD KRAVETS' PICK-5 ABC GRID

RACE	A	B	C	CAVEMAN PICKS	CAVEMAN BET	CAVEMAN COST
6	**2,4**	3	–	**2,3,4**	**$0.50**	**$72**
7	**3,7,8**	4	1,5,6	**3,4,7,8**	–	–
8	**9**	3	6,8	**9**	–	–
9	**1,7**	6	2,3,4,11	**1,6,7,11**	–	–
10	**5,6,12**	1	2,8	**5,6,12**	–	–

◆ PETE VISCO'S PICK-5 ABC GRID

RACE	A	B	C	CAVEMAN PICKS	CAVEMAN BET	CAVEMAN COST
6	**4,6**	2,3	1	**4,6**	**$0.50 P5**	**$96**
7	**3,4,8**	1,7	5,6	**3,4,8**	–	–
8	**6,9**	2,3	1,7	**6,9**	–	–
9	**4,7**	1,2,3	6,10	**1,2,4,7**	–	–
10	**5,8,12**	1,6	10	**5,6,8,12**	–	–

◆ PAUL HALLORAN'S PICK-5 ABC GRID

RACE	A	B	C	CAVEMAN PICKS	CAVEMAN BET	CAVEMAN COST
6	**3,4**	2	6	**3,4**	**$0.50 P5**	**$96**
7	**3,8**	1,4	–	**1,3,4,8**	–	–
8	**3,9**	–	6	**3,9**	–	–
9	**1,7**	2,3	5,6	**1,2,3,7**	–	–
10	**5,12**	6,8	1,7	**5,6,12**	–	–

HOWARD'S LATE PICK-5 ANALYSIS

Today's Late Pick-5 is not overly challenging, but certainly not easy either. The whole sequence probably revolves around one horse, Ted Noffey in R8. You certainly could single him as the most likely winner if you believe he's ready off the layoff. I'll go the other way and hope the strength of the field, layoff, and low price is a turn-off and toss him completely. You could use him defensively as well. Save money for the last two races. I'll be spreading in both, especially the last race which is VERY difficult. Good luck today, should be fun!

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PRICE / SPOT PLAYS

Stars are rated 1–5, with 5 being the most confident of plays. Spot Play ROI is tracked on a $1 base.

RACE 6 — #2 AMALFI DRIVE — 10-1

★★★★☆

BET(S)

$15 Win/Place #2

BIG Exactas: 3,4 / 2

Smaller Exactas: 2 / 3,4

With Halloween around the corner, it's appropriate to discuss R6, the Pumpkin Pie S. The two heavy favorites will be #3 and #4, however I think **#2 Amalfi Drive** could upset the apple, er, pumpkin cart!! Based on Beyer numbers, she's way too slow. But if you look at the Timeform figs, she absolutely fits, mainly because she's been involved in hotly contested paces. Today's race doesn't look that way. In theory, if Amalfi Drive breaks aggressively, she's loose and a threat to wire them. The #3 and/or #4 just might be too classy. But if you can beat them, your ticket just exploded! Maker.

★ PLAY OF THE DAY AT BELMONT

RACE 7 — #8 ILLMATIC — 9-2

★★★★★

BET(S)

$20 Win/Place #8

Assuming the race is NOT run on soft turf….even if it's switched to Tapeta I'll stay with the pick. **#8 Illmatic** is a talented NY-Bred for our good friends and sponsors of the podcast, the Adelphi Racing Club. According to our resident rapper on the show, Pete Visco, the horse was named for the 1994 album by artist Nas….how could you go wrong! In all seriousness, the horse Illmatic is very talented and endured some troubled trips at Saratoga yet still ran well. The outside post should not pose a problem today, but the softer turf would be worse for him, so stay tuned. He can show speed or sit and pass, but might need to be more forward to avoid being wide today. I don't think this open-company field is too tough for him class-wise, it'll be a matter of trip.

RACE 9 — #11 RUN WILD — 15-1

★★☆☆☆

BET(S)

$2 Win, $7 Place, $15 Show

Trifecta: 1,6,7 / 1,2,3,4,6,7 / 11

Superfecta: 1,6,7 / 1,6,7 / 1,2,3,4,6,7 / 11

To be clear, this is a real flyer pick. I'll be using **#11 Run Wild** mainly underneath in 3rd in the trifectas and 4th in a rare superfecta bet for me. For our Spot Play ROI, we'll go $1 Place/Show. I have a weird feeling, as I discussed on the Thursday podcast, that the G2 Mother Goose could have a bizarre result. Run Wild is a half to talented $500k+ earner Drake's Passage, with the same trainer and ownership as Drake. This is a VERY aggressive spot for a Clement-trained runner, who is by Gun Runner. The progeny are known to improve as they get older, and it appears Run Wild is on an upward progression. The win at Laurel, albeit not overly fast, was an improvement, and done in between horses and with professionalism. Maybe the connections couldn't find another spot to run, but the race could fall apart a bit and perhaps Run Wild will be there to pick up some pieces at a big price. Jockey Marin has ridden well for Clement. Interesting underneath w/insanity win bet, and I'll be using the filly a bit in the Pick-5 as well.

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RACETRACK: CHURCHILL

All-Graded Stakes Late Pick-5 · Races 7–11 · R7 post 3:55pm EDT

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◆ HOWARD KRAVETS' PICK-5 ABC GRID

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7	1	2	3,8	1	$0.50 P5	$96
8	4,5	2,3,6,8	–	2,3,4,5,6,8	–	–
9	2	1,8,9	3,4,6,7,11,12,(13)	1,2,8,9	–	–
10	3	5,6,8	4,7,9,13	3,5,6,8	–	–
11	4,8	–	1,2,12,(14),(16)	4,8	–	–

HOWARD'S LATE PICK-5 ANALYSIS

Outside of the first leg, R7, with a somewhat obvious single, this is a VERY difficult Late Pick-5 with many ways to go. If you look at my "A" line, you'll notice a short amount of horses. It's not that I believe those A-horses lay over the field, but it feels like there are MANY others that can win other than those. There is potential to go skinny, but I don't trust many of the A-horses as a single, which is why I have many in the B and C slots. If it's not the 4 or 8 in the last, it could be many. I'd go light in the bookend races and spread in the middle legs.

PRICE / SPOT PLAYS

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★ PLAY OF THE DAY AT CHURCHILL

RACE 10

#3 VIKING 6-1 ★★★★★

BET(S)

$25 Win/Place #3

The Bet on Sunshine (cool horse) Stakes pits an evenly matched field with no superstars. Do I feel confident with my top pick **#3 Viking**? Not really, because there is other early speed. But unless **#13 Jack's Promise** is hellbent on getting to the front, it's possible that Viking could wire them with an aggressive ride and great break. He's in raging good form and appears to finally be living up to his purchase price. He was scratched out of the Phoenix (WAYI for the BC) a month ago, not sure why, but has been working REALLY well since. Unless the GP surface is the reason for his recent surge, Viking should run well. He has to avoid a speed duel and run his "A" effort. I say why not both occur?

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All-Graded Stakes Late Pick-5 · Races 7–11 · R7 post 3:55pm EDT

PRICE / SPOT PLAYS (CONT'D)

RACE 11

#8 JUSTIFY JOEY 6-1

★★★☆☆

BET(S)

$15 Win/Place #8

BIG Exactas: 8 / 1,2,4,12

Smaller Exactas: 1,2,4,12 / 8

I have no special intel on first-time starter **#8 Justify Joey**. But there is much to like about him on paper in the finale. First, Cox is solid in these maiden turf route categories, and my gut tells me his poor Keeneland record last month is partially because he saved some of his good babies for this meet at Churchill. The Justify's are AWESOME on turf (Haffner in the BC Juvenile for O'Brien for example)....his progeny are 15% winners with first-time starters and 14% overall in turf routes. The dam was unraced. Certainly you have to let the board be your guide, but if he's taking money, look out. Other than **#4 Time in Motion**, who doesn't exactly dazzle the clock or speed figs, no one really jumps off the page with their pedigree or running lines, but you never know with 2yo's. There are no available visual works on "Joey", so this is a hunch play based on the times of works, connections, and pedigree.