



Keeneland *Power* Picks Tip Sheet

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Race-Day Overview

Today is Fall Stars Saturday, simply one of the best cards of the year anywhere in the country, short of Derby Day, Belmont Day, and/or the Breeders' Cup. There are 5 stake races, R6-10, plus other very nice allowance races, and a LOADED maiden race on the dirt for the boys in the last race. The weather will be clear and cool, but a bit windy. Let's talk turf first...in general, it's hard to wire fields on the turf early in the meet, so I'll be looking at stalkers and closers. On the main track, speed plays well, but I'll be watching closely for any biases. I have some interesting price horses early in the card who can beat the logical favorites, while I'm not trying to beat the likes of In Italian later in the day. It should be an incredible day of racing at Keeneland, and yours truly (along with Kyle Roscoe and Noah Meagher of Bettin N Boozin fame) will be there in-person to witness the drama!!

Today's Picks

***For information on how to read an "ABC Grid" and ticket construction, please refer to our podcast website, hhhracingpodcast.com, and go to the "Power Picks" section...you have to scroll down a bit under the KPP promotion...a video explanation is also available on the page. In general..."A" horses are top picks, "B" horses secondary choices, and "C" horses extreme back-ups.*

Full Card ABC Grid

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
1	6	5,8	1,4	5,6	\$0.50	\$60
2	1,3,5	6	2,4	1,3,5,6		
3	5,6	2,4,7	-	2,4,5,6,7		
4	5	1,4,8	1,2	5		
5	3,9	2	4	2,3,9		
6	3,6	2,5,9,11	8	2,3,5,6,9,11	\$0.50	\$84
7	4,6	1,3	-	1,3,4,6		



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8	3	2	-	3		
9	3,9	6	2,7	3,6,9		
10	1,9	5	3,4	1,9		
11	1,7	-	4,5	1,7		

All-Stakes P5 Strategy/Analysis: R6 - 10

This stakes-laden sequence has some obvious choices, along with possible longshots to spice up your payouts. Pay attention to the track conditions...while the main dirt track will be fast, the turf might have a little moisture in it based on the possible rain Thursday into Friday. If the turf is NOT firm, that may help or hurt some runners and have a great effect on my picks for this sequence. I'm leaning on the obvious choice In Italian in R8 and Master of the Seas in R10, although I don't think that one is a sure thing at all. The spread race to me is R6, where I'm looking for a closer to upset the field.

\$3 Turf Pick 3 ABC Grid - R6,8,10

P3: 3A (\$18) - 2A1B (\$45) - 1A2B (\$36) - 2A1C (\$24) - TOTAL (\$113)

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
6	3,6,9	2,5,11	8	2,3,5,6,8,9,11	\$3	\$42
8	3	2	-	3		
10	1,9	5	3,4	1,9		

Turf P3 Strategy/Analysis

The \$3 base bet requires a sharp mind and good betting strategy. You can spread, but then you'll have to take a stand elsewhere. That's exactly what I'll be doing today. I believe you have to spread in the first leg, and if you think In Italian and Master of the Seas can't lose, you might want to toss out the favorites in the first leg and hope a price comes through, otherwise it will pay next to nothing, even with a \$3 base. I'm going to use Whitebeam defensively in Leg 2 (R8) and hope to beat Master of the Seas with Annapolis (R10), whom I was totally against last time at Kentucky Downs but is interesting today. If you can beat Master of the Seas and especially In Italian (which is highly unlikely), this thing could pay huge...or if you get a double-digit odds horse in the first leg (R6), which I believe is VERY possible.

Go to the next page for my Spot/Price Plays today at Keeneland!



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Price/Spot Play(s)

**** Price / Spot Plays are not usually the favorites, but horses we like that will provide some value (hopefully 5-2 or higher in general). These horses will be included into our "ROI" Stats at the beginning of the SPP's. The "Stars" rating is 1 - 5.**

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
3	6	Three Polks	4-1	4	\$15 Win #6

Notes: This maiden affair going 7f on the dirt for the girls does not look too strong on paper. The firster for Dale Romans, #2 Devil Blue Dress (9-2), has been working great, but Romans is awful first-time out. I would not be surprised if she fires big anyway. I like #6 Three Polks for trainer Ortiz and Santana. She received a very good speed figure in her first start on the turf, and now goes to the dirt. But, she's bred for dirt by fast sire Jimmy Creed out of Street Sense mare, so you would think dirt will be fine. She has experience and an outer post where Santana can break, look to his left, and evaluate. If she takes the dirt, I think she'll be tough to beat in this somewhat suspect maiden field for the level. I'll take as low as 3-1 on the win end.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
5	9	Haul	8-1	5	\$15 WP Big Exactas: 9 / 2,3 Small Exactas: 2,3 / 9

Notes: THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT KEENELAND! I will say that I need a few things to go right for me in this race in order for Haul to win, but I do believe it's all very possible. Trained by Pletcher and ridden by Saez (Irak is NOT riding the card today, he's in NY), Haul won well in his debut at 6-5 and won well. He was sent to the wolves in the G2 Saratoga Special as 2nd choice vs. a very talented horse in Rhyme Schemes, but had a disastrous beginning. He was bumped/side-swiped on both sides and steadied out of the mix. Then, he did make a NICE, WIDE MIDDLE MOVE before flattening out pretty badly in the stretch but still trying, finishing a distant 3rd. Today, he's got speed to his inside, so I hope he breaks out of there well, stalks the speed like his debut, and shows off his talent in the stretch. The break and avoiding a wide trip will be key. If he gets the right setup, he could absolutely win at somewhere around 6-1. I'm looking for a big bounce-back effort today.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
6	6	Olympic Runner	10-1	4	\$20 Win #6 Big Exactas: 6 / 2,3,5,8,9,11 Smaller Exactas: 2,3,9 / 6

Notes: Although I'm not a fan of turf sprints in general, there are too many things I like about #6 Olympic Runner in this year's Woodford S. Although he's already 7yo, trainer Casse has reborn his runner by switching to sprinting, which is unusual for an older horse. He was very good as a 5yo, had a down, abbreviated 6yo campaign, then had an okay spring this year. But in last two, he's blossomed again by closing into fast paces sprinting. That's what he gets today....I'm worried he might be too far back, but should be closing very strongly in the lane. Last time, he ran huge at Kentucky Downs on a



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weekend where NO ONE was closing....I should know, I was there! If he can find the right holes at the right time, he's a serious threat at nice odds (more like 6-1).

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
7	4	Static Fire	7-2	3	\$15 WP #4

Notes: I'll admit, I'm taking a bit of a flyer here. The bottom line in the TCA S. is this: If #1 Wicked Halo runs back to several of her good efforts, she wins. But what happened last time? Was that a fluke? Is she regressing now? I'm hoping she's on the downswing and I'll go with a "fuzzy." #4 Static Fire is interesting....2nd off the layoff and as a 4yo for trainer Lynch. She's been on the turf mainly, but did handle the dirt well at CD and here at Keeneland last fall. There's quite a bit of speed on paper, so Torres will have to work something out, but maybe she's the "now" horse who could pop a big number. Other than Wicked Halo, no one really scares me in this race. I wouldn't take anything less than 3-1 on the win end, but she's worth the gamble if she gets the trip.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
9	6	Generous Tipper	15-1	3	\$5 Win, \$10 PS Trifectas: 3,9 / 6 / 2,3,9 3,9 / 2,3,9 / 6

Notes: This is PURELY AN UNDERNEATH PLAY. **For the ROI, we'll go \$1 Ex. 3,9 / 6 and \$2 place #6.** While there are faster colts on paper than Generous Tipper in this race, the McPeek trainee has already won going 1 mile at Ellis and could improve here again, albeit vs. much tougher company. I'm partial to the McPeek runners, as Rattle N Roll won for us on the Power Picks in this exact same race 2 years ago. Will history repeat itself? Probably not, but I hope this is taken off a predictably fast pace and is rolling late.....might surprise at a good price. The fact that McPeek comes back fairly quickly with this colt shows me the horse is doing well. Great exacta or trifecta key horse underneath.

Favorite Vertical/Horizontal Plays Not Included in Price/Spot Play Bets

Race	Bet Type	Selections	Cost
1	DD	\$10 DD 6 / 1,3,5	\$30
4	DD	\$20 DD 5 / 3,9	\$40
8	DD	\$40 DD 3 / 9 \$10 DD 3 / 3	\$50



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Most vulnerable favorite:

R6: #2 Live In The Dream (3-1)

Most likely longshots:

R5: #9 Haul (8-1)

R6: #6 Olympic Runner (10-1)

Good luck with all your wagers.... CRUSH THOSE BETS!!!

