

Power Picks

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Race-Day Overview

Just because most of the Breeders' Cup Prep races are over, doesn't mean we won't have great racing today to discuss on the Tip Sheet. Keeneland has, as usual, great racing including the G1 Queen Elizabeth S. for 3yo fillies. Plus, NY has another solid Late P5, and Santa Anita has a challenging Turf Pick 3 / Late P3 that we'll also cover.

In addition, there's a BIG LIVE-MONEY TOURNAMENT this Saturday at Keeneland with BCBC and NHC spots available. Many of our podcast team members will be competing, including yours truly. Hopefully some of us can win some seats! I will be on-site again, with some coverage to follow on our podcast's "X" handle. Good luck....as always, CHECK FOR SCRATCHES AND CHANGES...weather will be perfect in Kentucky!

Spot / Price Plays (National Avg. ROI is \$1.60):

Overall ROI (since Feb. 2021): **\$2.06** (\$1,941.14 / 944)

YTD: **\$1.79** (\$354.53 / 198)

Today's Picks

*** For those of you not familiar with the "ABC" method of betting, go to our website, hhhracingpodcast.com, and click on the "Power Picks" tab on the top of the page for more information on how to read an "ABC" Grid and place bets using the "ABC" Method.*

Racetrack: KEENELAND

Howard Kravets' Late P5 ABC Grid – R6 starts at 3:40pm EDT

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
6	5,8	-	3,7	5,8	\$0.50	\$100
7	5,6,8,9	7	2,3,12	5,6,7,8,9		
8	9	2,3,7	1	9		
9	2,6,9	1,5	3	1,2,5,6,9		
10	8,9,12	2	3,4,5,6,10	2,8,9,12		

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Paul Halloran's Late P5 Grid:

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
6	3,8	5,7	2,9	3,8	\$.50 P5	\$80
7	5,6	3,7	9	3,5,6,7,9		
8	1,9	5,10	2,7	1		
9	2,9	1,3	5,6	1,2,3,9		
10	6,9	1,3	11	1,3,6,9		

Pete Visco's Late P5 Grid:

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
6	5,8	3,7	1,2	5,8	\$0.50 P5	\$96
7	5,6	1,3,9	7	5,6,9	-	-
8	1,2	3,7	5,8,9	1,2,3,7	-	-
9	2,9	6,7	1,3,5	2,9	-	-
10	1,2,3,9	4,10	6,8,12	1,2,3,9	-	-

Howard's Late Pick 5 Analysis – Races 6-10

A VERY challenging Late P5 greets us today and Keeneland, featuring the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. for the 3yo girls on the turf. For my money, R7 and R9 are BY FAR the most difficult races of the sequence. I know some might disagree by singling #9 Fionn in the QE II, but she doesn't lay over the field by the numbers, although it's fair to say she's the most likely winner. In R6 and R8 (especially R6), more stands can be taken, but no sure things at all! The whole sequence, in my mind, comes down to the QE II...do you single Fionn or spread? I'll be spreading in general and taking stands elsewhere. The last race is IMPOSSIBLE w/many win candidates....what a way to end the sequence!

Price/Spot Play(s)

(Reminder, "stars" are rated from 1 – 5, with 5 being the most confident of plays)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
8	9	Gin's Beach Road	3-1	4	\$20 Win #9 BIG Exactas: 9 / 2,3,7 Small Exactas: 2,3,7 / 9

Notes:

Race 8 is a very challenging race at first glance. There's plenty of early speed signed on, and very few in the field have proven they can run well effectively closing from behind. Therefore, I'll go with one of those forward types, **#9 Gin's Beach Road** for J. Ortiz. The daughter of Quality Road broke her maiden last out in style, tracking a hot pace and going by easily in the lane. I see a similar scenario today....Jose can break, look left, and make some decisions on when to "push the button." She's off almost a month,

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while many others here are coming back quickly...a big benefit to her, plus drawing outside the speed will not force her to be used too soon too early. Lots to like, but it's a tough race.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
9	2	Laurelin	5-2	5	\$30 Win #2

Notes:

THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT KEENELAND, in the Race of the Day, the Grade 1 QE II for 3yo fillies going 9 furlongs. This is a good field for this race, but not spectacular. The 3yo filly star Nitrogen chose to run last weekend, so now #9 Fionn is the horse to beat. I like a girl who's undefeated and done nothing wrong, but will need to take a small jump up in speed figs again, the **#2 Laurelin**. This filly is 5-for-5, winning on all types of grass, at three different tracks. Kendrick knows the filly well, and last time she proved she can stretch out very effectively. She's beaten #5 Opulent Restraint twice, so the form lines fit. She's also beaten #6 Candy Quest. The only one she hasn't beaten of real quality is Fionn, but she hasn't raced against her either. I'm hoping the two months off (which was planned for this race) will allow her to take a minor speed fig jump again, and her off-odds will probably be 2nd choice around her morning line price. I wouldn't take any lower a price than that if placing a WIN bet.

Racetrack: BAQ (NY)

Howard Kravets' Late P5 ABC Grid – Late P5 start at 3:21 EDT

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
7	2,6	8,9	3,4	2,6,8,9	\$0.50	\$96
8	1,8,10	6	2,3,7	1,6,8,10	-	-
9	8	-	2,3,7	8	-	-
10	2,10	4,7,9	-	2,10	-	-
11	5,10	1,4,7,9	3	1,4,5,7,9,10		

Howard's Pick 5 Analysis – Races 7 - 11

Big Day at the Big A in NY....Breeders' Cup implications abound with stakes for the 2yo's plus a 3yo-restricted turf race going long. I believe the favorites are vulnerable in every one these races, although there's a part of me that hopes #6 It's Our Time is a superstar and runs another hole in the wind in the G1 Champagne.

Price/Spot Play(s)

(Reminder, "stars" are rated from 1 – 5, with 5 being the most confident of plays)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
8	8	He's Got This	5-1	3	\$20 Win #8 BIG Exactas: 8 / 1,10 Small Exactas 1,10 / 8

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Notes

#8 He's Got This has been bouncing up and down the claiming ladder, but basically has been facing tougher, including last time in for \$40k. Today, the trainer has him properly spotted, and he poses tractable speed that will come in handy here, plus the outside draw will give the jock some options. He's run plenty of races that fit, and as long as he breaks ok, he should run down the speed at a decent price. At first, you might be concerned about the slow works...but if you look carefully, he's never worked that fast, so I'm not worried about that.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
10	10	Annascaul	5-1	5	\$25 Win #10 Trifectas: 10 / 2,4,7,9 / 2,4,7,9 2 / 10 / 4,7,9

Notes

THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT BAQ!! Way back when, I touted Annascaul to my buddy, Co-Host of Bettin N Boozin Patrick Kuenzel, and we singled her when she debuted in a Pick 5 at Saratoga that paid off. Although she's been a bit inconsistent, **#10 Annascaul** is coming into her own, and what I like most about this Clement-trained filly is her recent early speed. She hasn't always shown it (purposefully or not), but with an outside draw and a race without much early speed, she's almost forced to use that speed and should get first run on the closers, including her stablemate, the talented Love Cevere. If Junior (who doesn't ride for Clement too often, but other options are at Keeneland) can put this filly in a good position early, she'll have a great shot to win today...this is a talented NY-Bred!!

SANTA ANITA (proud sponsor of the HHH Racing Podcast!!) - Saturday

**For the next several weeks, I'll be analyzing the All-Turf \$3 Pick 3 and \$3 Late Pick 3 on Saturday's in this space.

Howard Kravets' Grid: Turf P3 / LP3

R5 starts at 6:06pm EST

Race	A	B	C	Use in horizontal bets	Caveman Bet	Cost
5	7,8	9	3,4,6	7,8,9		
7	3,4,6	2,8	1	4,6		
8	4,6	7	5	4,6		
9	3,6	2,9	7	2,3,6,9		

Represents turf races

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Suggested Special Wagers:

\$3 All-Turf Pick 3:

Big Budget: 4,8,9 / 3,4,6 / 3,6,9 (\$81) (**Note...the #7 in Leg 1 will be a heavy fave, but I'm trying to beat him, for better or worse!)

Small Budget: 8,9 / 4,6 / 3,6 (\$24)

\$3 Late Pick 3:

Big Budget: 2,3,4,6,8 / 4,6 / 2,3,6,9 (\$120)

Small Budget: 4,6 / 6 / 3,6 (\$12)

Key Horse of the Sequence: **R8....#6 Imnotvanillasky (5-2)** does not appear to lay over the field by the Beyer speed figs, but there are two things I really like about this horse today: 1) She's dropping down to a much more realistic level, and 2) She does NOT draw the rail, where she can comfortably stalk and pounce.

Kumura should have her in a great spot on the far turn as long as she breaks, and there's no one in here that he should be afraid of at all. I hope she's not too far off the expected speed in the #7...tracking right off that one would be ideal. Single Imnotvanillasky in your cheaper multis.

Good luck with all of your wagers....CRUSH YOUR BETS!!!

