



Picks Tip Sheet

Race Date	Oct. 12th
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Race-Day Overview

It's Weekend #2 for the Spring Meet at Keeneland, and another star-studded card is upon us for a Saturday. Today's feature is the G1 Jenny Wiley for older fillies and mares on the turf. What an interesting race with 3 Euro invaders and a very solid group of American runners. In addition, the G3 Lexington S. for 3yo's run, the last Derby Prep of the season, worth 20 points to the winner. Could one of these win and springboard their way onto the Preakness S. from here?

I thought this card was VERY challenging in general, as always, for Keeneland. Weather is going to be great today, cool and sunny in Lexington. However, CHECK FOR SCRATCHES AND CHANGES, and look for HHH Racing Podcast hosts and co-hosts in the paddock during the simulcast / FanDuel TV feeds...we'll be there often! Good luck.

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.....a video explanation is also available on the page.*

Go to the next page for our analysis of the races. Good luck to you all!!

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The "Stars" rating (last column) is #1 – 5 and represents the level of confidence we have in our "A" column for each race, with 5 being our highest confidence.

Race #	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost	Stars
1	3,9	1,4	2,6,8	1,3,4,9	EP5 - 50c	\$80	2
2	3	1,2	6	2,3			3
3	1,11	4,7,(13)	5,9,10	1,4,7,11,(13)			3
4	3,8,11	1,2	4,5	1,2,3,8,11			4
5	9,10,11	7	5,8	10			3
6	3,4	-	2,5				5
7	1,7,12	2,8	9	1,2,7,8,9,12	LP5 - 50c	\$96	3
8	8,11	5,13	2	5,8,11,13			2
9	6,7	3,8	-	6,7			4
10	1,2,6,7	4,5	3	1,2,6,7			2
11	8	6,10,(13)	7	8			4

Late P5 Strategy/Analysis (R7 - 11)

Simply based on the "star" ratings on the right side of the ABC Grid, you know how difficult this sequence may be. Interesting and very challenging to say the least. It's very hard for me to find a single, but I suppose that would be in the last race, R11, with #8 Sherbini. I can't say I have a ton of confidence however. I'd also go "thin" in R9, the G3 Lexington S. The other legs are very difficult and I'd be spreading as much as possible. The G1 Jenny Wiley S. (R10) is practically an "all-button." This can definitely pay a healthy number.

\$3 Turf Pick 3 ABC Grid

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
5	9,10,11	7	5,8	7,9,10,11	\$3	\$96
8	8,11	5,13	2	8,11		
10	1,2,6,7	4,5	8	1,2,6,7		



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\$3 Turf P3 Strategy/Analysis - R5, 8, and 10

With a \$3 base bet, you have to take stands somewhere unless you have very deep pockets. I would lean, cautiously, to the #10 in R5, but would never single him in this bet due to the competitiveness of the race. I would go a little less deep in R8, but that's not too easy either. The closeout leg, the Jenny Wiley S., is a wide-open event this year with no standouts, although I'm sure the Chad Brown on the inside will take a ton of money. I believe that's the race you'll have to spread the most. How the European horses handle the Keeneland turf course / perform today will go a long way in determining who wins these turf races!

Top 3 Selections

Race	1st	2nd	3rd
1	3 - Diver	9 - Heatontap	1 - Warp Nine
2	3 - Pure Panic	2 - Cape Trafalgar	1 - Critical Threat
3	1 - Hibiscus	11 - Wedding Mood	4 - Shrewd Operator
4	3 - Goldbrick	11 - Indy Magic	8 - Tunisian Spring
5	10 - States' Rights	9 - Assertiveness	11 - Warlander
6	4 - Discreet Mischief	3 - Speak Easy	5 - Harrodsburg
7	12 - Modus Bestia	7 - Big Truzz	1 - Valiant Humor
8	11 - Al Jafara	8 - Bessie Abott	5 - Burning Pine
9	7 - Praetor	6 - Gosger	8 - Hypnus
10	7 - Kehoe Beach	2 - Choisy	6 - Jabaara
11	8 - Sherbini	10 - Zaghruta	6 - Madeline's Promise

Howard's Play of the Day - See below for Yellow highlighted Spot Play

Most Likely Winner of the Day (not w/usually amount of confidence however)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds
11	8	Sherbini	3-2

Longshot Play of the Day (probably more underneath play)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds
4	10	Vina Arana	30-1



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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). The "Stars" rating is 1 – 5.*

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
3	1	Hibiscus	8-1	3	\$15 WP #1
Notes: Well-bred daughter of Constitution might be ready for her debut. She's been working well and has every right to be a good one. You never know first-time out, but this field feels awfully "meh" to me and maybe it's a good time to take a swing on a debut runner. Was supposed to run two weeks ago on Closing Day of the Championship Meet at GP until they canceled the card due to excessive thunderstorms. Let the board be your guide. Interesting at the right price.					
Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
4	3	Goldbrick	6-1	3	Trifectas: 3 / 1,2,8,11 / 1,2,4,5,8,11 8,11 / 3 / 1,2,4,5,8,11
Notes: VERY tough race here! I like a few things about #3 Goldbrick: 1) He's turning back in distance 2) He's recently gelded 3) It's a slight but important drop in class 4) Gets underrated veteran Ben Curtis, who had a solid FG meet and is out to make a bigger name for himself nationally and gain clients going forward. #8 Tunisian Spring will be the solid favorite and might win easily, but I'm not fully convinced.					
Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
6	4	Discreet Mischief	3-1	4	BIG Exacta: 4/3 Smaller Exacta: 3/4
Notes: Everyone in the world will be jumping on the heavy favorite #3 Speak Easy, except me. He was awesome in his first two starts. But then, he was awful in a tough Jerkens, was off for more than 6 months and lost at 4-5 with no excuses. He didn't work for 3 weeks after that run, and has had 2 extremely slow works since. He's obviously talented, but also clearly has some physical issues. He might win by 4 lengths and make me look stupid, but I'll take that chance. Meanwhile Discreet Mischief is on the improve, and could to it again for Cox. He just beat Map of the Stars, who ran a bang-up race on Tuesday with a high 80's Beyer losing barely. Hope I get 5-2, I think I will.					

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
8	11	Al Jafara	3-1	3	\$15 WP #11 BIG Exactas: 11 / 2,5,8,(13) Small Exactas: 5,8 / 11
Notes: Very tough race here, and it's a bit of a guessing game. This is certainly a little bit of "in Chad I trust." #11 Al Jafara has not raced since last year in France. I watched both replays...she's a bigger filly that probably wants more ground than today (won at 1 1/8 in France). She doesn't appear to have an electric turn of foot, but with plenty of time to mature since last year and in the hands of Chad, she should handle the distance. Was working with nice allowance/stake-type Golden Canary down in Florida in the mornings. Flavian has to make sure the filly is in position at the top of the stretch. I assume he'll have her in the right spot. Tough post too. But if Chad is making her N. American debut here, she must be nice. Don't take too low a price on the win end.					



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Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
9	7	Praetor	2-1	4	\$30 Win #7

Notes: I had a tough time choosing between the #6 Gosger and Praetor in this spot, but went with Praetor based on gut instinct. Here's the key to my selection: With the #4 Rolando out (ran earlier this week), I just don't see a lot of early speed, other than the #6 and #7. One of them will lead (in theory), the other one sit. I figure Praetor will sit a perfect trip off of Gosger, who's talented and progressive also. I just have a feeling Praetor could be special going forward and seems to be able to rate. There is one concern: he's not really bred to go very long and has never been two turns, while Gosger is bred to run all day. I don't love others in here, although Hypnus could improve with blinks on. Chad has mentioned the Preakness as a possibility after this...he must think he very highly of him. Good enough for me, Chad would know more than I.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
10	7	Kehoe Beach	7-2	5	\$20 Win #7 Trifectas: 7 / 1,2,4,5,6 / All 1,2,6 / 7 / All

Notes: Reluctantly, **THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT KEENELAND!** I had a VERY tough time giving out a Best Bet today, but decided to go with this speedy filly for Trainer Wesley Ward. Kehoe Beach bucks the trend of a Ward runner because this one has excelled going two turns. She was VERY quick last year and was able to carry her speed all the way out to today's distance. But she's never faced the likes of these in her career. I studied the Euros carefully, and I'm not enthralled with their overall ability. That being said, any of them can win. The other USA-based horses are good but not monsters for sure. "Beach" should be able to clear from the outside, and I don't see too much early speed to press her. She's been training forwardly, and this is a very aggressive spot in which she's been pointed. I've seen better Jenny Wiley fields. I'll go "local" and hope she wires 'em...the finish line can't come soon enough in the stretch for sure.

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

Race	Bet Type	Selections	Cost
3	\$3 Daily Double	1,11 / 3,8,11	\$18
5	\$5 Daily Double	9,10 / 3,4	\$20
9	\$5 Pick 3	7 / 1,2,4,5,6,7 / 8	\$30

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

