



Picks Tip Sheet

Race Day Date	Sun., August 2nd
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Race-Day Overview

Sunday's card at Saratoga was already looking like a solid card, but with the weather that occurred earlier this week it has turned into a fantastic card. Due to the rain earlier this week, both the Grade 2 Glen Falls Stakes and the Curlin have been added to a card that already had the Grade 3 Adirondack Stakes. Starting with the Feature, the Glen Falls is an intriguing, but also very difficult race as these turf marathons always are highlighted by the #9 Gezora 5-2 whose win at the Breeders Cup is becoming a distant memory after back to back disappointing efforts. The Curlin is the race I am most excited for as Chief Wallabee makes his highly anticipated return after looking a real chance in the Belmont Stakes when he turned for home before flattening out. The question with the Chief is whether he can get this distance or if he needs a cutback. The weather appears to be cloudy all day, though there is a low chance of rain. Still, it is always important to monitor the forecast as well as keep up with scratches. Let's finish this weekend strong with a fantastic Sunday card and find great prices!

Based on the variable weather patterns in upstate New York, it is imperative that you CHECK FOR SCRATCHES AND CHANGES, because we often send out the SPP's BEFORE scratches are officially posted. So, our final selections might be VERY DIFFERENT if races taken off the turf!!
We send out the SPP's early to give you ample amount of time to study and make decisions before the races begin.

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 on the "Standard" Power Picks page...a video explanation is also available on the page.***



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ABC Grid - Post Time 1:10pm ET

(Alternate dirt selections IF OFF TURF are in **RED**):

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks (use in horizontal bets)	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
1	1,3,8	4	2	1,3,8	\$0.50 EP5	\$120
2	2,6	1,3	4	2,6		
3	2,5	1,4	3,6,7,8	2,5		
4	3,5,6	1,4	7,9	1,3,4,5,6		
5	10	7,8,9	1,2,4,6	7,8,9,10		
6	8	1,2,3	4,5			
7	1,4,5	3	7,8	1,4,5	\$0.50 LP5	\$90
8	4,6,8	3,9	1,5,10	4,6,8		
9	7	5,6	1,4	7		
10	3,6	4,8	1,2,5	3,4,6,8		
11	7,9	2,3,10	1,4	2,3,7,9,10		

Top 3 Selections (alternate dirt selections IF OFF TURF are in **RED**):

Race	1st	2nd	3rd
1	8	1	3
2	2	6	1
3	2	5	1
4	6	5	3
5	10	9	8
6	8	1	3
7	4	5	1
8	8	4	6
9	7	6	5
10	6	3	4
11	7	9	3



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Late P5 Analysis: R7 - 11

This is a very exciting and challenging late pick 5 sequence featuring three stakes races and notably multiple vulnerable favorites that can really make this pay if you can beat them. Starting with the first leg we go to race 7 which is everyone's favorite race to start a pick 5 with... a turf sprint. While typically these are not my favorite races, I actually feel quite confident going relatively skinny in this field going 3 deep with the 1, 4, and 5. The horse I want to highlight is the #4 Clocktower 4-1 ML for Wesley Ward. This race has a ton of speed even for turf sprint standards plus Clocktower is getting major class relief, and is working very forwardly... sign me up. Race 8 is the feature race of the day, the Grade 2 Glen Falls Stakes and is a turf marathon. These races often have upsets and provide great chances to hit a price. I am completely against the favorite #9 Gezora 5-2 ML who has just not looked anything like her Breeders Cup form which is looking more and more like an exception rather than the norm. The #4 Favorite Memory 10-1 ML could be that price and is an angle I love, 2nd start in the US. Race 9 is the Curlin which to many people will be a one horse race with the #6 Chief Wallabee 4-5 ML. While I have been high on The Chief in the past picking him in my top 3 for the derby and on top for the Belmont, I think it is becoming clear that he doesn't want to run this far and I will try to beat him by singling the #7 Blackout Time 3-1 ML. Race 10 is the Grade 3 Adirondack Stakes for 2 year old fillies and appears to be a very competitive field. I thought the debut of the #6 Scarlett Begonia was ultra impressive, but she will be taking on a much tougher field and will have to overcome more proven horses like the #3 Pierette 3-1 ML who is 2/2 and already has a stakes win. The finale is absolutely wide open as we turn to maiden claimers in a race that will absolutely be a spread race for me. CRUSH YOUR BETS!!!

The following are today's Price / Spot Plays. These are not usually the favorites, but horses I like that will provide some value (hopefully 5-2 or higher in general). The "Stars" rating is 1 – 5, with 5 being the MOST CONFIDENT / RECOMMENDED PLAYS. THIS IS A NO-CHALK ZONE....THE WHOLE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION IS TO TIP OUT HORSES THAT ARE UNDER THE RADAR AND COULD PRODUCE VALUE!

Now, 2-1 could be value if you think the horse should be 4-5. But we take big swings here...and based on the ROI of this section in our regular Saturday Tip Sheets for over 5 years, it's proven to be successful. Use your discretion, and play whichever horses you think are best. So here we go! Turn the page for a list of Price/Spot Plays today at Saratoga.



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Price/Spot Play(s)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
1	8	Silly Season	7-2	4	\$30 Win
Notes					
Starting with the first race of the day the #8 Silly Season for Chad Brown appears to be the clear value of the race and is very intriguing to me. Last time out she took on the other two main contenders in this race in the #1 Lyn's Legacy 5-2 ML and the #3 Coach of the Year 3-1 ML and she was the favorite at less than 2-1. Additionally, she was 1st time off the layoff and likely needed a race and gets blinkers on for this one. I think the stretch out to 1 1/8 will benefit her and she has multiple siblings who found success at this distance. Last time out she had to go the widest of everyone and at the end really picked it up as she dived toward the rail late and eventually galloped out nicely. I don't know how close to 7-2 we will actually get, but I like 5-2 or higher is fair value and I am excited for this one 2nd off the layoff with blinkers now and the elite duo of Prat and Brown.					
Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
4	6	Bryant and Cooper	5-1	3	\$20 Win
Notes					
Race 4 looks like a fairly open and very competitive race with no clear horse to beat. This race also looks like a great opportunity to find value and get a winner at a nice price. A lot of the main contenders in this race faced off against each other multiple times at Saratoga but never really separated from each other, so I decided to opt for a fresh face. The #6 Bryant and Cooper trained by Chad Brown and ridden by Jose Lezcano is who I ultimately landed on. Last time out was her first race off of a long layoff and Chad put her in a very difficult spot right away against a solid allowance field where she closed up for fifth in a race that had a moderate pace. Now she gets some solid class relief and is 2nd off the layoff for Chad and has every right to take a step forward. When watching her races it looks clear to me that she will benefit from more distance and I think 1 1/8 will be just what she needs. I would be thrilled with 5-1 but I think 7-2 or higher is fair value.					

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
7	4	Clock Tower	4-1	4	\$30 win
Notes					
I normally would not be one for turf sprint races but I really like Clock Tower in this race and almost made him my play of the day. Turf sprints just about always have speed, but even for turf sprint standard this race has A LOT of speed. The #3 Nothing Better only knows one way which is to send, the #7 Full Disclosure will be forward with Kendrick aboard, and #8 Bring Theband Home who has always					



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been a speedball. Clock Tower is the rare Wesley Ward sprinter who doesn't actually need the lead and can sit off the pace which is critical here in a race like this. Additionally, he is getting MAJOR class relief as last time out he ran in the Grade 1 Jaipur and lost to the best turf sprinter in the country and a favorite of mine in Reef Runner. Lastly, he is working incredibly well in the mornings capped off with a 46.2 on July 26 and for those of you who know Wesley Ward, when his horses are cranked they are live. I love the setup, class relief, and how well he is working.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
9	7	Blackout Time	3-1	5	\$50 Win bet
Notes					
THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY!!!					
The Curlin is a critical race and betting opportunity both horizontally and vertically to get a nice payday. The #6 Chief Wallable at 4-5 on the ML is obviously the horse to beat and if the race were run based on workouts he would be undefeated at this point. Unfortunately for him, they are not and he has struggled to put it together on race day and I believe a large reason for that is he is better off as a dirt miler or even a dirt sprinter. Despite my past history being high on The Chief, I am going to try and beat him and hope the distance gets to him again. The #7 Blackout Time is my play of the day and I absolutely LOVE him in this spot. Last time out was his first race off the layoff and he looked to have benefitted greatly from that break as he destroyed a field featuring multiple well meant horses in Final Story and Brave Pilot. Not only did he rally from off the pace in the slop, but he powered away and looks ready to take another step forward. Blackout Time was a horse with major expectations, potentially Derby expectations as he ran as nice 2nd At Keeneland as a 2 year old before two disappointing efforts at Oaklawn Park. He seems to run well everywhere else, keeps Jose Ortiz aboard, is 2nd off the layoff, and should get a great trip stalking off the leaders. I think he will take to the added distance and with the bullet works appears to be all systems go to win the Curlin!					

	Race #	Program # - Horse	Short Rationale
Most Likely Winner	2	#2 - Hot Currency	Hot Currency is the morning line favorite in race 2 at 8-5 and deservedly so. She has been facing tougher



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			competition than the rest of this field as the two races of her 3 year old campaign have come against stakes company. In addition to the class relief, she likely will be on or just off the lead and if Manny can clear the 1 horse to the inside he should be able to secure a ground saving trip along the rail. The only horse who has produced similar figures this year is the #6 Grace and Grit, but I don't think there is anywhere near enough pace for her to get there in time. I think with the class and pace she will be tough to beat here.
Best Longshot (over 10-1 ML)	8	#4 Favorite Memory	I have not been afraid to acknowledge that turf marathons are races I try to avoid. That being said, there is a horse in the Grade 2 Glen Falls Stakes who fits one of my favorite angles and as I mentioned earlier, these kinds of races do produce prices quite often. The aforementioned angle that I am talking about is a horse making their 2nd start in the US. The #4 Favorite Memory 10-1 ML fits the bill. On her



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			debut Cherie DeVaux put her straight into graded stakes company as she ran a closing 6th in the Mint Julep. The main takeaway I had from that race was the interest she showed late and her strong gallop out. She already has plenty of experience at this distance overseas, this is now her 2nd start in the US, and she gets Jose Ortiz aboard... watch out.
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Favorite Vertical/Horizontal Plays in addition to the Price/Spot Plays Bets

Race	Selections	Cost
2	\$50 win 2 \$10 Exacta 2-6 \$5 Exacta 2-1,3	\$70
6	\$50 win 8	\$50

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

