



Picks Tip Sheet

Race Day Date	Sat., Aug. 31st
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Race-Day Overview

It's hard to believe, but we have arrived at Closing Weekend at Saratoga. It seems like yesterday we were talking about Opening Day. Let's hope we can end the meet with a bang. And today is a REALLY nice card with a plethora of stakes, allowance races, maidens, etc...the same old great song and dance. There are three stakes towards the end of the card that are all fantastic betting races. Let's hope the rain stays away...chance of rain in the morning, then again in the later afternoon.

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.*

**Go to the next page for our analysis of the races.
Good luck to everyone today!**



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Racetrack: Saratoga

ABC Grid - Post Time 12:05am EST

** All picks assume all grass races STAY ON TURF

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks (use in horizontal bets)	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
1	3,4	-	9	3,4	\$0.50 EP5	\$100
2	3,6	2,8	5	2,3,6,8		
3	6,7	1,3,8	5	1,3,6,7,8		
4	4,7,8	2,9	-	2,4,7,8,9		
5	5	6	2,8	5		
6	5	6,10	1	5,6,10		
7	4,5	1,9	-	4,5		
8	3,7,9	2,6	-	3,7,9		
9	3,6	9	5	3,6,9	\$0.50 LP5	\$90
10	7,9	1,2	3,6,8	7,9		
11	7,11	1,4,6,9	8,10	1,4,6,7,11		
12	4,7	1	6	1,4,7		
13	4,6,9	1,7	3,8	4,6		

Top 3 Selections

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



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12	4	7	1
13	4	6	9

All Grade One P5 Analysis: R9 - 13

Fantastic Late P5 sequence today with 3 grade stakes mixed within....my general view is to go light in R9, 10, and 12...and spread BIG TIME in R11 and R13. The biggest price is most likely to come in either R11 or R13. I know that might sound hypocritical after reading the Spot/Price Plays below as one of my top plays is in that race (#11 Quietside). But if she doesn't win, it could be many others, and it's a big field of 2yo's. Save money for the last race, which has many closely-matched horses talent-wise. I'd be surprised if the top 2 in each race don't win early in the Pick 5. Budget accordingly today...it's a challenging group of races as usual at Saratoga.

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.

Price/Spot Play(s)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
3	7	Nano Man	7-2	3	\$15 WP #7
Notes					
As you all know, turf sprints are not my favorite kind of race. But Nano Man is improving by every measure, and perhaps more importantly, finding more early speed. This should help him greatly as he stalks the likely speed of the #3, who is not trustworthy on the front end but will take plenty of money on the tote board. Trainer Kimmel is having an underrated meeting, currently standing at 4/14 or 29%. He'll need to get the right trip like many in today's 3 rd race.					
Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
5	5	Federal Judge	2-1	5	\$30 Win #5
Notes					
While Federal Judge is not my Play of the Day due to the likely low-ish price. I would say he is my MOST LIKELY WINNER OF THE DAY! On paper, he's loose on the lead if he breaks, and 2 nd off the layoff should equate to an improved effort, not that his last was a bad one. He's been working FANTASTICALLY, outworking graded stakes-winner Highland Falls from the same barn. I'd be surprised					



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and disappointed if he loses as I'll be singling / leaning on him greatly in the Early Pick 5. I'll take 8-5, but no lower than that, on the win end.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
6	5	Laurice	7-2	4	\$20 Win #5 BIG Exactas: 5 / 6,10 Small Exactas: 6,10 / 5

Notes

So, now I'm tipping out another turf sprinter? YOU BET!! Laurice could be something special. There's no guarantee he's fire first out, but every indication says yes. He's been working great (I've seen them on video), outworking stakes-runner Amidst Waves from the same Weaver barn working inside of him, which is a great experience. He's bred by very good first-out sire Bolt D'Oro, cost \$460k, and out of Candy Ride mare. Turf should be no problem. He's one of horses I'm most excited to watch on today.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
10	2	Autumn Evening	10-1	3	\$5 Win, \$10 Place, \$20 Show Trifectas: 7,9 / 2 / 1,3,6,7,8,9 7,9 / 1,3,6,7,8,9 / 2

Notes

MAINLY A PLAY UNDERNEATH, Autumn Evening is a new horse in the Pletcher barn. She's faced some toughies lately, including the talented Emery. The last race was a small field, but has come back VERY live. She has tactical speed and should be able to work out a trip from the inside, plus the distance should be just fine for her. I'd use her underneath in exactas and trifectas. Please do not think you can't make money with horses underneath. In fact, I've probably had as much success with price horses in 2nd and 3rd in trifectas (back-wheel or reverse-key) as I have with win bets. Of course, I'll play a small "insanity-insurance" win bet in case she upsets the field.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
11	11	Quiteside	3-1	5	\$30 Win #11



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Notes

THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT SARATOGA!! The buzz on #11 Quietside is very strong, and rightly so. I doubt we'll get that morning line 3-1, more like 2-1. She was super-impressive first out as we discussed on the show Wednesday, gets a very cozy outside draw (although Pete mentioned that might not be a good thing based on stats), and does not need the lead. The extra distance suits and she's worked well since the debut. There's little not to like today, except the probable low price. This COULD be a Breeders Cup threat come November if she runs well.

Favorite Vertical/Horizontal Plays in addition to the Price/Spot Plays Bets

Race	Selections	Cost
1	\$10 Daily Double: 3,4 / 3,6	\$40
5	\$40 Daily Double: 5/5	\$40
10	\$10 Daily Double: 7,9 / 7,11	\$40

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

