Handicapping Analysis
Fri September 30th, 2022

The Numbers

Churchill Downs Race 1

Analysis by Peter Galassi

4 Landed Gentry - 5/2 | 2 Backstreet Affair - 7/2 | 6 Junellia - 7/2

Churchill Downs Race 2

Analysis by Peter Galassi

1 Malibu S S - 4/1 | 6 Zippin Gigi - 2/1 | 5 Blue Kentucky - 9/2

Churchill Downs Race 3

Analysis by Peter Galassi

1 Dr. Perry - 8/5 | 4 Seal Beach - 3/1 | 6 Trashtalkinyankee - 6/1

Churchill Downs Race 4

Analysis by Peter Galassi

8 Forever Home - 3/1 | 5 Eclipsed - 5/1 | 7 Louella Street - 4/1

Churchill Downs Race 5

Analysis by Peter Galassi

1 Malibu Toast - 4/1 | 3 Rocket City - 8/1 | 8 Tell Me When - 9/2

Churchill Downs Race 6

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5 Roderick - 4/1 | 6 Peekacho - 5/1 | 7 Eleven Central - 7/2

Churchill Downs Race 7

Analysis by Peter Galassi

9 Queen of Chill - 4/1 | 4 Justifying - 3/1 | 8 Two Minute Drill - 7/2

Churchill Downs Race 8

Analysis by Peter Galassi

2 Scarlet Fusion - 3/1 | 4 Decision Maker - 5/2 | 7 American Hero - 12/1

Churchill Downs Race 9

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5 Fight Fiercely - 5/1

8 Day Trade - 3/1

3 How Did He Do That - 4/1

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Happy Hour Hot Takes

Golden Gate Fields Race 4

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2 Freeport Joe - 2/1

First Lasix key addition

Hawthorne Race 5

Analysis by Jim Miller

9 Pretty in Prado - 9/2

Debuts for top barn

Santa Anita Race 6

Analysis by Jim Miller

4 Awesome Pamela - 7/2

Well drawn in competitive field

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Full Card

Hawthorne Race 1

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#5 SIR ACEALOT seems well-meant as he makes his second start of this form cycle returning to Hawthorne. He was competitive at today's N3 claiming level prior to the June 24th claim and should be competitive right back at this level.

#1 JUST RIGHT MIKE might not be the "best" horse in the race though could hold a pace advantage (Quad I Square) in today's event. He has raced as a Quad I Square twice this year; his place finish over the off-track on May 24th and the June 20th win at Canterbury Park.

Hawthorne Race 1

Analysis by Jim Miller

1 Just Right Mike - 5/2 5 Sir Acealot - 3/1 6 Christmas Present - 7/2

Hawthorne Race 1

Analysis by Ron Uchman

1 Just Right Mike - 5/2 5 Sir Acealot - 3/1 6 Christmas Present - 7/2

1-JUST RIGHT MIKE looks tough in this spot. He looks like the best speed, he ran well here in the spring, and he's dropping in class after facing better in Minnesota recently. 5-SIR ACEALOT is another that has had Hawthorne success. He raced one time after getting claimed here in late June, but he was facing far better on turf at Ellis. He's back at the right level and back on the right surface. His rider and trainer are already off to red-hot starts. Could be the best of these. 6-CHRISTMAS PRESENT is usually in the hunt late. He showed little as the favorite in last downstate but could bounce back in his Hawthorne return.

Hawthorne Race 2

Analysis by Jim Miller

3 Campaign Spy - 7/2 1 Just Gun It - 4/1 4 Not Very Gentle - 3/1

Hawthorne Race 2

Analysis by Ron Uchman

4 Not Very Gentle - 3/1 7 Irish Major - 6/1 3 Campaign Spy - 7/2

4-NOT VERY GENTLE showed little in Indiana in what turned out to be a key race but he's taking on a far easier field today. He generally runs well when entered in the right spot and this one could be ideal. 7-IRISH MAJOR tuned up with a sprint last week but he's been better going long. Stretches out today. Should be far more competitive. 3-CAMPAIGN SPY reeled off three straight victories at Fanduel. He's still eligible for this condition because his wins were in the $4000 or less category. He's probably going to try to wire the field. Could succeed.

Hawthorne Race 3

Analysis by Jim Miller

6 Hot Dame - 5/2 4 Carson Reserve - 9/2 3 Lindalouimage - 4/1

Hawthorne Race 3

Analysis by Ron Uchman

6 Hot Dame - 5/2 5 Good Mongolia - 7/2 2 Rock the Birdhouse - 5/1

This race appears to be wide open but going to go with 6-HOT DAME. She hasn't raced in nearly two months and has had only one slow drill during that time but she ran well here versus better in the sprint and her main competition, Good Mongolia, is far better on the lawn. 5-GOOD MONGOLIA is another with a dearth of recent drills following six months off but she has also faced better recently. However, she prefers turf and though that could change with the drop to this level, you really can't count on it. Speedy 2-ROCK THE BIRDHOUSE will try to steal this on the lead. Her speed will be enhanced with the stretch in distance. Just not sure she can hold off better rivals late.

Hawthorne Race 4

Analysis by Jim Miller

5 El Rayo - 6/1 6 Ocean Pointe - 3/1 8 Sivako - 7/2

Hawthorne Race 4

Analysis by Ron Uchman

6 Ocean Pointe - 3/1 8 Sivako - 7/2 1 Line to Gain - 15/1

6-OCEAN POINTE only beat one rival in his debut but he was not only making his first start and he was taking on winners. This time he'll be racing with first Lasix, meeting maidens, and racing with experience. Expecting far better. 8-SIVAKO has shown marginal improvement through three starts but could improve dramatically today. He's another getting Lasix for the first time and he'll be meeting arguably his easiest field yet. 1-LINE TO GAIN is likely to be ignored in the wagering but he ran a terrific race in his only start, finishing second, less than a length back. His numbers don't seem to match with some in here but he's another getting Lasix and we do know he has some ability.

Hawthorne Race 5

Analysis by Jim Miller

9 Pretty in Prado - 9/2 5 Ghaly Posse - 6/1 8 Ghaaleb's Honor - 5/1

Hawthorne Race 5

Analysis by Ron Uchman

5 Ghaly Posse - 6/1 8 Ghaaleb's Honor - 5/1 9 Pretty in Prado - 9/2

5-GHALY POSSE will be tough. Her main competition scratched from this race and will instead go tomorrow. This filly was heavily favored in her debut but had to settle for third after fighting for the lead most of the way. She had a couple good works since. Should be ready for these. 8-GHAALEB'S HONOR, from same connections as top choice, also ran well in her debut but was also defeated as the heavy favorite. She didn't display the same kind of speed as her stablemate but that doesn't mean she won't today. 9-PRETTY IN PRADO has been training well for her debut. Her gate drills seem to suggest that she'll display good early speed. She might be bred to be better on turf but she is really bred to handle anything.

Hawthorne Race 6

Analysis by Jim Miller

4 Grand Hideaway - 10/1 1 Hurts So Good - 5/2 8 Adios Asher - 7/2

Hawthorne Race 6

Analysis by Ron Uchman

7 Dive Deep - 6/1 | 4 Grand Hideaway - 10/1 | 8 Adios Asher - 7/2

7-DIVE DEEP hasn't won in his seven starts this year but he did finish second in four of them. He's been barely beaten in last few. Takes on his easiest field in a long time. Can make amends at a square price. 4-GRAND HIDEAWAY won his last two and was able to run down top choice two races back. Gets an apprentice rider and her five-pound weight allowance for this start. That could make the difference. Lightly-raced 8-ADIOS ASHER has had only two turf races but he wired his last at this distance, beating allowance company. Doubt that he'll stay in this race but he could be tough to catch if he does.

Hawthorne Race 7

Analysis by Jim Miller

2 Magna Massa - 9/2 | 1 Uncashed - 5/2 | 9 Summer All Year - 6/1

Hawthorne Race 7

Analysis by Ron Uchman

1 Uncashed - 5/2 | 2 Magna Massa - 9/2 | 9 Summer All Year - 6/1

1-UNCASHED simply dominated the field and paid over $30 in his Louisiana Downs debut. Obviously don't know the quality of those he faced but they must have been more highly regarded than he. Team of Rivelli and Loveberry always tough. Hard to get excited about probable short price in a field full of relative unknowns but he does look like the one to beat. 2-MAGNA MASSA is another with a dominant victory in his debut, this time at Fanduel. Again you really don't know about his rivals in that race but at least one came back to win their next start. Gets first Lasix. He won his race as the even-money favorite under a hand ride. Might be the real deal. 9-SUMMER ALL YEAR ran well in his first start starts at Canterbury but wasn't a match for stakes rivals in last. Not sure this will be a considerably easier field but he does deserve the benefit of the doubt.

Hawthorne Race 8

Analysis by Jim Miller

4 The Last Option - 8/1 | 8 Perfect Wager - 9/2 | 3 Kramden - 4/1

Hawthorne Race 8

Analysis by Ron Uchman

6 Christian C - 7/2 | 9 Bulldog of Bergen - 8/1 | 8 Perfect Wager - 9/2

Don't like that 6-CHRISTIAN C has only one published drill since his last race in May but Reavis does have them ready off layoffs and this could be the easiest field this gelding has met in years. 9-BULLDOG OF BERGEN has been in good form in Ohio but he's had 30 starts on this track without a single win. Can he break that streak today? 8-PERFECT WAGER is usually competitive when meeting straight claimers and he's dropping into that kind of field today. Putting blinkers back on could be a big help.

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Harness Helper

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 1
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T 10 Rowlen 1 Mister Of All 7 Wishyoudtellme

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 2
Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 2 Awesome Hill 4 Shes Nun Bettor 1 Snow Shark

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 3
Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 7 Ron 6 St Lads Sterling 5 Acapulco Sunburn

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 4
Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 4 Hervey Hanover 5 Mayhem Like Me 7 Arukidime Cabbie

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 5
Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 3 Silver Maple 6 Frozen Hanover 1 Pointo Sweet Lou

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 6
Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 2 Stonebridge Helios 5 Cold Creek Queso 1 Betterhavemymoney

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 7
Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 8 Flyingevenbettor 7 Typhoon Stride 4 Stonebridge Italiano

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 8
Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 6 Chiefs Dream Girl 7 Got Sexy Scars 2 Better Be Donna

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 9

Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 3 Mach My Kiss 6 Baywatching 8 Takeyourbreathaway

Woodbine Mohawk Park Race 10

Analysis by Peter Galassi

P 5 Exotic Dragon 1 Major League 2 Beach Moment