Handicapping Analysis
Thu May 25th, 2023

Jim's Picks

Hawthorne Race 1

Post Time 2:30 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

1 Memphis Prayer - 6-1 | 7 Gate Crew - 7-2 | 10 Command Central - 10-1

The turf has played very evenly through the first couple of days of grass racing. It will be firm for the Thursday card. 1-MEMPHIS PRAYER should get the right pace setup ahead of him. The inside draw benefits with the short run to the turn as he should be flying late. 7-GATE CREW likes the grass but often comes up just short, with seven runner-up efforts on turf. Expect him to sit back early as well and close late. 10-COMMAND CENTRAL is another that will be well back early. He also can pick up the pieces in the lane.

Hawthorne Race 2

Post Time 2:57 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

3 Cairo Summer - 5-1 | 6 Sweet Fraulein - 9-5 | 2 Bertrada - 7-5

With 2-BERTRADA and 6-SWEET FRAULEIN expected to take a lot of action, 3-CAIRO SUMMER could be the sleeper in here. She turns back to the dirt and to a sprint. She has won at the distance and picks up Mojica in the saddle. 6-SWEET FRAULEIN is the expected pace of the race. She cleared last out and wired the field. She will likely be sent for the top once again. 2-BERTRADA has to hope that Niff challenges Sweet Fraulein early. If she does, then this one should be able to rate and come rolling in the lane.

Hawthorne Race 3

Post Time 3:24 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

1 Timehascome - 9-5 | 6 Deora Store - 6-1 | 4 Tea After Ballet - 12-1

A good amount of early pace should set things up for 1-TIMEHASCOME to come rolling late. He rallied after a slow start last out and will be best off to sit back early and close in the lane. 6-DEORA STORE likely gets a similar trip. He drops back a notch in class and has been a god fit with Tavares in the saddle. 4-TEA AFTER BALLET is another that could sit back early and charge in the stretch. He doesn't like to win but could be picking up the pieces late.

Hawthorne Race 4

Post Time 3:51 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

1 Jemez Falls - 6-1 | 2 Bells of Joy - 5-1 | 5 Star of Tomorrow - 2-1

Another race with a lot of pace.1-JEMEZ FALLS was in too tough after stepping up off the claim last out. She drops to a spot where she figures prominently. 2-BELLS OF JOY is just 1 for 29 in the win column but with 11 combined 2nd and 3rd place efforts she should be closing to get into the mix underneath. 5-STAR OF TOMORROW has faced tougher at Oaklawn. The only concern is that she was claimed out of the victory last out and the claim was voided.

Hawthorne Race 5

Post Time 4:18 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

10 Rare Action Attack - 12-1 | 8 Go Stormin Girl - 6-1 | 3 Get None - 5-2

3-GET NONE is the deserving favorite and will be heavily bet. She loves the grass and this distance. Trying to get creative to see if 10-RARE ACTION ATTACK can pull off the upset. The outside isn't a bad place to be in turf sprints as she ran well over this course last fall. 8-GO STORMIN GIRL likely settles closer early in here. She figures to tuck in right behind the leaders and get the jump on the closers late.

Hawthorne Race 6

Post Time 4:45 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

1 Fabricator - 6-1 | 5 Gust of Wind - 7-2 | 2 Black Russian - 12-1

Tough trip last out for 1-FABRICATOR as he was hung wide early and just raced evenly late. With the move back to the sprint and the inside draw, a ground saving trip should have him running late. 5-GUST OF WIND closed nicely last out and just ran out of real estate. The added sixteenth helps but he will need pace to chase. 2-BLACK RUSSIAN only had one work heading into the route last out. He turns back in distance for his second start of the meet and should improve.

Hawthorne Race 7 - PLAY OF THE DAY

Post Time 5:12 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

9 Broken Rib - 6-1 | 7 Comiskey Park - 5-1 | 6 Malpais - 6-1

A really tough feature with a good amount of early pace. 9-BROKEN RIB should benefit from a speed battle upfront. He comes off a good effort in New Orleans last out and may sneak off at a decent price. 7-COMISKEY PARK finally figured things out in his last. He may be sent away but could have company early in here. 6-MALPAIS has run well over this track and has a lot of class. As long as he is allowed to settle early, he should come running in the lane.

Hawthorne Race 8

Post Time 5:39 PM CST

Analysis by Jim Miller

1 Gettin Down - 7-2 | 6 Izzy's Monster - 6-1 | 10 Blame Nellie - 4-1

The post may be tough but it is likely full send for 1-GETTIN DOWN in here. As long as she is able to clear early, they may never catch her. 6-IZZY'S MONSTER is intriguing as she closed some ground in a turf sprint in Minnesota last summer. She may be able to pick up the pieces late. 10-BLAME NELLIE ships over from Indiana for this race. She will also likely settle and close but runs for top connections.