Handicapping Analysis
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Stakes Spotlight

Saratoga Race 9

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#2 ANNAPOLIS is listed as the morning line favorite and assessing them in that role is legit. He has the consistency, class, form and favorable RunStyle for today's race shape.

Trying to find some value, #8 CASA CREED might not be it while seemingly the right "second horse" in this spot. Takes some creativity to get to #4 ICE CHOCOLAT, though as one that should run from off the pace in a higher 100 SpeedRate, could suck up for a share and Prat aboard should give every chance today. His stablemate #6 FILO DI ARIANNA is likely the "better" horse though today's race shape and distance do not set up ideally and should be one of the shorter on the board and many landing here seeking an alternative to the favorite.

Saratoga Race 10

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#9 GOLD SWEEP figures to even be shorter than the morning line, though when they hold at least 10 point speed figure edge and a dominant stakes win over the entire field, they are tough to knock in that role.

#10 MARKET STREET broke his maiden on debut (after a long DELAY) and assisted by an aggressive ride getting this horse out of the gate and to the lead, a forward position on the Ellis Park main track that often holds a strong edge. From the visuals he appeared a horse that was still learning, did not change leads - also could have been a function of the track. The outside draw and complexion of this field could see him in a stalking role today and with some stamina and fitness on his side to get into the mix.