Handicapping Analysis
Wed October 11th, 2023

Emily's Analysis

Horseshoe Indy Race 1

Post Time 1:30 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#3 SHE'S A SAINT should benefit from the debut and the key added ground for this second start. There has been intent to stretch her out and intent for this race as she was entered yesterday 10/10 in a turf route and Re-Entered by the connections to run here instead.

Horseshoe Indy Race 2

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#6 TROPIC STORM can be upgraded from the WIDE trips sprinting in this current form cycle. He fits on class, speed, form and has enough tactical speed to get the stalk-and-pounce trip.

Horseshoe Indy Race 3

Post Time 2:32 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

The race shape should be Contentious "Fire" early and part of that pace includes the morning line first and second choices to present some value as the race shape (pre-scratch) could play against them. #6 LIAM THE BRAVE should benefit from the early contention though the significant class relief. He has just limited turf starts though in those races he has shown he can handle the surface and post numbers that stack up on par for today's claiming level. He has enough tactical speed to take first run on those pacesetters and noted other closers #5 GET THROUGH and #8 EL RAYO.

Keeneland Race 1

Post Time 12:00 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#6 BIG JAVA could return in this spot with intent first off the claim to Keeneland, a course she has run well over in the past and under similar claiming conditions. Trip could also be in her favor as she has tactical speed, though unlikely to engage with #1 SICILIAN GRANDMA and #5 VINTAGE, the two morning line favorites; looking to sit right off that first flight to make her run.

Keeneland Race 2

Post Time 12:32 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#6 MONEYSHOT was given a mention on 9/21 at CD when making his second start returning from a productive race in his debut back at Ellis Park. While he was unable to get the win that day, to his credit he took a step forward and showed run (and a positive PRERACE+ appearance) with the WIDE trip behind an open length winner, Astronomico.

Keeneland Race 5

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#8 TOO FAST FOR YOU fits with this field number wise and with the class drop that has her at the right level for her abilities. In addition, she can be upgraded from the WIDE trip last month at CD against the profile that favored inside runners and her at the disadvantage.

Keeneland Race 6

Post Time 2:40 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

Catalano has had to be patient with #4 CLEVER JOKE with the layoff lines and intention to stay on the grass - noting the number of scratches with the surface changes that show up in OptixGRID. She fits number and class and can rebound from the trouble in her most recent start. #10 SAKE (4yo,one of the older fillies in the group) has shown an affinity for this KEE turf course and some intent as she returns to this circuit with Cheminaud back in the saddle. She has moved forward since the "trip" back at PIM in a contentious allowance on the Preakness undercard and in this third start of the current form cycle. She should be plenty fit with those races and returning from the X_FLOW run last month at HS Indy.

Keeneland Race 7

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#10 MASTER GAME was another one of those CD runners WIDE/X_BIAS three weeks ago on 9/20 at CD impacting his outcome and number on the day - as well as with Graham, a rider that was cold during the meet. He should move up off that trip and form cycle, in this second start off the layoff and remaining at the starter allowance condition where he fits.