Handicapping Analysis
Sat November 11th, 2023

Emily's Analysis

Aqueduct Race 6

Post Time 1:17 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#6 SACRED WISH wheels right back for this stakes race in two weeks off a TROUBLE trip and less than ideal handling in the Valley View (G3) just two weeks ago. She will find a rider change and not surprised with the change given the handling that had her stuck in TRAFFIC, forced to give up position before making a late CLOSE. Castellano has experience with her keying off the GP Oaks (G2) back in April.

Aqueduct Race 7

Post Time 1:45 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#3 SOUTH STREET has form at today's N2L level keying off the June 2nd effort. He should find a similar trip in today's race shape and with added ground along with the rider change to Davis. Trip is key for this one as he requires being in the clear, preferably outside horses.

Aqueduct Race 9

Post Time 2:43 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#7 MARWAD has shown class and stamina keying off their form and graded stakes experience earlier this year with the outside posts. Some further intent appears in play as the connections ship up for this race, assign Castellano and with positive timing in this second start off the layoff.

#8 SOLDIER RISING finds some class relief from the recent G1 races and given another look at today's level given his two recent G2 races came with an excuse in the Bowling Green (G2) and against the bias/flow in this race last year. The draw is less than ideal for #12 MASTER PIECE though he has buried form and class and slight edge in those departments over #10 VERSTAPPEN one that might "on paper" look similar.

Aqueduct Race 10

Post Time 3:10 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

There has been intent for #3 THANK YOU JON to get to the TURF and based on his visuals can take to and hold his form on the surface switch. His form is noted as he has been consistent on number at this N1X allowance condition since the maiden win back in July and holds early speed, something crucial for turf sprints and with today's race shape.

#13 ORTUS is given a mention should he draw in though might have to follow as he is sitting deeper on the AE list.

Del Mar Race 1

Post Time 2:30 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

The #1 HEDWIG connections had intentions to run in the BC Juvenile Turf Sprint though on the AE and with this spot available decided to wait for this race. He showed ability to break his maiden on debut overcoming a slow start and ground loss. That carried to stakes company at KY Downs in September, a race that has held form going forward. #4 ALWAYS ON CAY showed more run, especially late with a strong close in the Speakeasy, an effort that is tough to see just on the running line and finishing position alone.

Del Mar Race 5

Post Time 4:30 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#7 M IS FOR MAGIC returns from a BTL effort at Santa Anita last month. Part of that "trip" began with the SLOG, hopping out of the gate and Pereira was unable (TACTIC-) to overcome and she still managed to get within a length of the winner. Hernandez takes over today and trip will be crucial once again especially with the shorter 5f distance.

Del Mar Race 8

Post Time 6:00 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#3 MISCHELOF has shown progression with each start this season and still a case to be made we have yet to see the best. He projected to IMPROVE off his efforts this summer and came back last month on the SA dirt showing more early speed. He was also fit with the front wraps that day and something to look for this afternoon. #6 OVIATT CLASS is more "proven" and given major consideration here following the BTL effort at this level course and distance back in August.

Hawthorne Race 1

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#6 MOPPIES MOOSS is overdue for a win. He has shown enough to get the job done at this level, however has had trips and breaks compromising him from the win. That includes the race last week with excessive ground loss and lacking tactical position.

Hawthorne Race 2

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#3 GOTTA GO GRAM had a subtle excuse last week (a common race with #2 FOX VALLEY BRUIN) with form this season that makes then a contender. #6 SUPER SHARK is logical coming right back to a similar condition as last week.

Hawthorne Race 3

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#1 MACHDAVID was solid last week with that effort on par for today's level. The class rise is noted for #4 INCREDIBLE BOMBAY returning in this spot though returning from an effort last week he can improve on.

Hawthorne Race 4

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#1 ASHLEES SILVER GUY has a big look returning from the BTL effort on 11/4 that had excuse elements from the driver tactics to ground loss and still showed interest throughout including a solid late move.

Tough to knock either #5 DOCTOR CRUISE or #6 MAZIN BLAZIN from their common race and overall form makes them most logical right back. #2 DOWNTOWNLEROYBROWN was not quite to their level though overall can step up off the effort last week.

Hawthorne Race 5

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

Giving #2 JERI SUE a look right back from last week. She had a move forward heading into 11/6 and did just that with a BTL 4th place move and off the visuals still has more to show.

Hawthorne Race 6

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

If #8 ONE R ANDIS STAR holds her form here she could be tough despite racing here as a sophomore against older. #1 CASTILLE comes back with a driver change and compromised starts in her two recent outings. As she gave up ground early last week, she made a late rally and overall competitive effort for the level despite the line and finishing position. #2 KIZZZMELIKEUMISSME can up short as the favorite last week in that role though continued to hold her form - for that is right in line with #7 LYONS MIKI as she comes back fresh from the 10/27 common race.

Hawthorne Race 7

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#1 HOLDEN STEADY was competitive under similar conditions earlier this meet and could be overlooked off the recent pacing line and finishing positions despite form holding.

#10 JIMMY THE DUKE is on the opposite end of the draw though looks to have some intent in this second start of the cycle with both the class drop and return to driver W. Avenatti.

Hawthorne Race 8

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#7 AMERICA'S FLEET was compromised with the trip and upgraded as he returns here with a driver change. That change is complemented with subtle class relief and back to a level where he can compete at this point in his career.

#2 BARRY J has age on his side as well as a competitive effort against similar on 10/27. #4 LEGAL LIAR is tough to have confidence on the win end with off the recent races, though can hold his form and has some upside second C. Stewart, a driver that was on the colder side 10/29.

Tough to make much excuse for #8 FRANKSNATIVEWESTRN as he looked a standout "on paper" for the 11/4 event and must return to a top to win here as a repeat of last week could repeat the outcome.