Handicapping Analysis
Thu September 5th, 2024

Howard's Late Pick 4

Hawthorne Race 6

Post Time 4:30 PM CST

Analysis by Howard Kravets

Race 6: 5 - 2 - 6

Pick 4 Ticket: 2,5 / 1,6,7 / 4,5,6 / 5,7,8 ($27)

#5 Canyon Shadows (7-2) has the early tactical speed to be a factor from start to finish. Not sure if he's better on dirt than turf, but he faces a semi-weak field for the level and can win if he races similar to his maiden-breaking score two-back.

Race 7: 7 - 1 - 6

Nice turf allowance....**#7 Iris's Dream (3-1)** has back-class. In fact, two starts back he was facing none other than Fierceness in the Florida Derby. His two turf starts are very solid at tough circuits, Gulfstream and Keeneland. He's been off for a while, but Trainer Winebaugh is good in this category and I expect the Fla-bred gelding to be ready today.

Race 8: 5 - 6 - 4

Hard to trust anyone here, so I'll go with a horse that will be up close and drops down a tad. #5 Go **Stormin Girl (7-2)** is consistent and usually fires. She just needs to find a little more in the lane....she's consistent with 30-out-of-57 races finishing in the money.

Race 9: 7 - 5 - 8

Talk about unlucky....**#7 Ricky's Best (5-1)** has tried three times in a row to race on the green, and has been unsuccessful due to Mother Nature. Today is going to sunny and beautiful...he gets his desired surface and is bred for the grass, as his dam won twice on turf and sire was a turf monster, whose progeny are 15% on the win end routing. Might see a different horse today.