



Handicapping Analysis

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Emily's Analysis

Churchill Downs Race 2

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

The potential for a fast (Fire) early pace assists #4 DIVINELY BOLT for today's dynamic and two turn distance. She caught a similar Fire rating in the two starter allowance races earlier this years with the BTL show finish in May wheeling back for the win in June.

The race shape could be a but of a hurdle for #5 JUMP INTO THE FIRE though one that projects to IMPROVE off the 7/27 trip and perhaps the outside draw with other speed in the field can sit an outside tracking trip.

Churchill Downs Race 5

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#9 SPEECHLESS earned a follow from a BTL 8/24 debut earning an EX - EXCUSE (OptixNOTES) with TROUBLES+ including an X_WIDE trip and visuals to suggest he can IMPROVE all around.

Churchill Downs Race 6

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#8 TEXAS TOWN showed a lot of ability in the morning before his debut and backed up those visuals winning impressively first out at Oaklawn. He had no breathers in the race taking pace PRESSED and through an honest/X_FLOW pace forced to clear from the outside. He did all that on the track and that was after he ran off in the WARM_UP before the racing began. All of that is to mention that time required to recover and regroup something he will look to get back on track from here and should be well-intended to do just that.