Handicapping Analysis
Fri May 2nd, 2025

Emily's Analysis

Santa Anita Race 1

Post Time 3:00 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

The layoff lines and race shape are tough factors to take at a shorter number with #6 HUDSON RIDGE in this spot. #5 RHYTHEM ON STAGE fits today's race shape along with current form. Recent form and figures suggest #3 HULA CANDY is moving forward and back number under similar conditions to fit as a contender.

Santa Anita Race 3

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

The turf form for #5 GIANT KID is sneaky along with a favorable runstyle and surface form that fits on par for today's race. They will give up recency though has been able to fire fresh and appears pointed to this spot on the grass and 6f distance, a subtle yet positive change from the shorter 5f sprints last summer at DMR - all competitive efforts at a higher level.

#6 SHE'S A JOKER will also return from the layoff as one of two for P. Miller and holds more versatility on runstyle to work a trip in today's race shape whereas #7 IVORY MOON could be forced to use from the outside and meet other "need the lead" frontrunning types.

Santa Anita Race 6

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#7 FOREST DAZZLE earned a follow from the debut last November making a MOVE X_FLOW and followed up with a subtle TACTIC- trip while making a positive PRERACE+ appearance broke SLOG made a WIDE MOVE and off the visuals projects to IMPROVE. The change in surface is an unknown, though in the excuse from others in the field has the edge in class from the MSW races while others move from MCL.