Handicapping Analysis
Sat May 16th, 2026

Emily's Analysis

Churchill Downs Race 9

Post Time 12:11 AM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#9 KEEP IT EASY appears no worse for the weak wheeling back from the TROUBLES+ stumbling and losing the rider out of the gate last month at KEE. Some intent appeared in play on that day and a look noting the 10/22 effort under similar OCN2X conditions recording a B OptixGRADE on the day with the place outcome.

#11 GANAAS brings in a longshot look while some challenges stepping up from age restricted company for the first time. They also must step up all around though showed as much with the progression last season as a juvenile at CD to suggest they could still have more improvement available. The return to ONE_TURN fit physically and in terms of conditioning coming back from the 4/3 Transylvania (G3) compromised with the outside draw and further with the TROUBLE_S and RUSH WIDE XFLOW in what all around suggested a PREP.

Laurel Park Race 11

Post Time 6:53 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#4 WARMING (value key) holds class on par with the graded stakes races and B OptixGRADE winning the Autumn Miss (G3) last October at SA under a similar par to today's race. She brings in current form from the recent dirt/synth races while returning to the turf for live connections as of late.

Laurel Park Race 13

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#13 GREAT WHITE is a price sensitive play in a race which demands some value to play and based on projected odds should hold at least 15-1, the ML, if not higher based on the projected double odds. GREAT WHITE comes into this race with speed figures on par, class on par with the majority of the group and positive "every other" form cycle pattern. In terms of their runstyle, they hold tactical speed though unlikely to "send" for the lead again and not necessary given the complexion of this field and where they are drawn. They should fall into a favorable outside trip, suited to their frame and for this course/distance. Confidence level is nowhere near the same as Golden Tempo for the Derby, as GREAT WHITE in the Preakness could just as reasonable fall into a win outcome, on the board or well last - where price is the playable factor.

Santa Anita Race 1

Post Time 3:00 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#6 TIZ ALL THAT brings in upside for this second start and off a subtle trip on debut. They broke SLOG/TROUBLE_S and showed run in spots (MOVE) while all around GREEN to suggest a PREP and benefit from the experience and slight addition of ground here as well.