Handicapping Analysis
Fri May 22nd, 2026

Emily's Analysis

Churchill Downs Race 3

Post Time 3:43 PM CST

Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#6 TRES SOLES holds form and figures to compete on par and further intent for the connections. The connections claimed back at TP in March raced protected at KEE and competitive in the 4/29 start racing under WEATHER impacted poor track conditions behind 4-5 pacesetting chalk winner. They wheel back in what could be taken as a slight rise with the $20k claiming tag though actually finds a lower par here - a notable lower par than they have seen since their sophomore season.

Churchill Downs Race 7

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#5 AL GHADEER recorded a B OptixGRADE for their CD debut back on 11/29 paired with the STRETCH keyword. That STRETCH keyword followed in the return this season at KEE on 4/11 while stepping up number while and competitive B- with the TROUBLE_S WIDE MOVE show.

#4 SHE'S OUR GIRL recorded a solid figure in their 4/18 KEE debut while appearing a PREP and physically towards a ROUTER frame with that addition of ground here. SHE'S recorded a B- OptixGRADE for the effort and same for #8 ISLAND FLOWER despite the outcome another that should appreciate the slight STRETCH today.

Santa Anita Race 7

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#1 LIVING LIFE brings in current form and competitive BTL effort when under similar class (ABOVE+) conditions back on 3/6. Since then, an X_FLOW upgrade from the San Luis Rey (G3) in March and WIDE trip in the 4/26 mile race to hold conditioning here and those off-the-board outcome to hold value as well.

Woodbine Race 4

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#3 JUST FOLLOW ME is supposed to win this race with the massive class edge and live j/t combination. With that said, the drop off the layoff is still noted and a horse with not just one long layoff line in their career.

#9 WILDFIRE has to bring their best though reason to suggest this could be the time second off the layoff and at this lower claiming level - a change from prior season. The outside post is something trip dependent though with all factors in play price compensation should be there to take a stab.

Woodbine Race 7

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Analysis by Emily Gullikson

#5 STRAWBERRY WORLD returns from the layoff today and going back to last season turned in competitive number on debut. Class wise they did not find the drop under later in the meet competitive under sprint conditions with subtle trips which should translate back in today's group and lower race par compared to the 2025 starts.