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TODAY'S SELECTIONS FROM THE LAUREL PARK TEAM



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First post is Noon ET with 12% takeout on Value Pick 5 wagers (first five races; last five races)

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TODAY'S ANALYSIS - by Dan Illman

>> RACE 1

1. PLAY IT COOL

2. GREY BIGGSY

3. KEEN TALENT

First post time is 12 pm ET, and there are two "Value Pick 5" wagers, each with a LOW 12% takeout. **PLAY IT COOL**'s lone win came off similarly short rest, and he didn't seem to care for the quirky three-turn configuration at Timonium last time. Ran pretty well on turf two back in a race dominated by front-runners. Settled outside in midpack, was urged along on the second bend, eased out into the stretch, and made up three lengths late. The sixth-finisher has since compiled a 7-2-0-2 record with an 81 Beyer top on dirt. Think he can get closer to the pace for a barn that already has a couple of winners this month. Barbosa departs for Keen Talent. **GREY BIGGSY** saved ground in midpack at Delaware, angled widest, then passed tired horses after being late to change leads. He might not have cared for the soft turf conditions, and can improve on firmer going for a barn that went 4 for the last 12 (33%, \$2.22 ROI) with turf horses racing second after 61-120 day layoffs. **KEEN TALENT** pulled to track three wide in his most recent turf appearance, tried to advance three-four wide through a quick third quarter in 23.91 seconds, then rallied stoutly despite swapping back to his left lead. Finished ahead of two next-out winners (fifth-finisher grabbed \$16,000 "non-two" at Colonial with 71 Beyer). Retained his good form in two subsequent dirt tries, and should provide a late bid. T V CHANNEL deserves a long look if able to escape the Also Eligible list. LIBERTY BAY deserves a mulligan for the last start as he tried a sharp distance over a soft turf course. Should show speed getting back around two turns.

>> RACE 2

1. PALACE REVOLT

2. YES CHEF

3. RUNNINGONHIGHLEVEL

Simply fishing for a price with **PALACE REVOLT**, who needs to improve fairly drastically to win this. They went fast in the early stages of the most recent race, and he simply couldn't keep up with that pace. The last time he raced on fast going, he made an improved try to finish fourth at 42-1, so firmer going may help. **YES CHEF** looked good the last time he raced on dirt, as he shook loose on the lead under pretty confident handling. He came off the rail, then stayed strong. That was an off-turf event, however, and it appeared that he beat a bunch of turf horses. This barn sent out turf-to-dirt winner Masakado at Colonial on 8/20. **RUNNINGONHIGHLEVEL** adds blinkers and Lasix for his first start following the claim, and might control the pace. Didn't break great at Thistledown last time, but rushed up on the fence to set a pressured pace inside the 23-1 last-finisher. Shook free after a half-mile, but soon tired. The odds-on winner from that heat next won a nickel "non-three" seller there with a 58 Beyer. His form looks like that of Disney Belle, who won for this barn when adding Lasix and blinkers on 1/16. THE PIRANHA battled with the favored winner through slow fractions before tiring at Penn National. Tiz the Great then took a dime "non-two" claimer at Charles Town with a 55 Beyer. He's hit the board in his last five, and can rally late. Both WHO'S YER MAN and PEDIATRICIAN drop to a career-low level.

>> RACE 3

1. OLD MAN'S DREAM

2. HER DECISION

3. SHESAREALPROBLEM

OLD MAN'S DREAM is a half-sister to three winners (one debut winner) by a first-crop sire that already has five debut winners. The dam is a half to Grade 2-winning dirt router Shes All Eltish (93 turf Beyer) and Grade 3-placed turf router Elizabul (92 turf Beyer). This is the family of South African champion 2-year-old Blossoming Fields. **HER DECISION** (\$14,000 RNA short yearling; \$7,000 yearling; \$18,000 June juvenile) breezed a furlong in 10 2/5 seconds

prior to the most recent auction, and is a half to a juvenile debut winner. The second dam was a Grade 2-placed turf router (76 turf Beyer) from the family of Breeders' Cup winners Life Is Sweet and Sweet Catomine. Appears to have been breezing in Florida for trainer Carlos David before shipping up to Laurel. Magee sent out a 7-1 juvenile debut winner over this course and distance last year. **SHESAREALPROBLEM** (\$19,000 May juvenile) doesn't have much blacktype close up in her family, but her sire wins with 20% of his juvenile debut starters. Burnham departs for uncoupled stablemate CALLHERSUGARDADDY (\$82,000 RNA yearling; \$29,000 May juvenile). BLO YOUR MIND (\$10,000 RNA yearling) is a half to stakes-placed dirt sprinter Wickeddivine (93 dirt Beyer) out of multiple stakes-placed dirt sprinter E Dubai's Humor (won first two starts, 76 dirt Beyer).

>> RACE 4

1. RENOVATOR

2. FORTUNE HILL

3. RARE ECLIPSE

RENOVATOR broke sharp at Colonial, pressed the 45-1 eighth-finisher from the outside, then tired along the fence during the final furlong. Think she can adapt to rating tactics if necessary, and might be set for her best in the third start of the form cycle. **FORTUNE HILL** tracked outside, made a strong four-wide bid to the lead on the turn, then tried hard for second while racing inside of the winner after being very late to change leads. His tactical speed allows him to find a good early position. **RARE ECLIPSE** broke well at Colonial, then was rated back to the pocket. Raced in behind horses briefly, then finished evenly after easing outside. The runner-up then placed in a \$16,000 maiden seller there with a 64 Beyer. Another that figures in the mix turning for home for a barn that went 6 for 20 (30%, \$3.98 ROI) on turf between 8/16 and 9/7. Ruiz lands here instead of Star Atlas. **BATTLE LOU** chased a runaway pacesetting winner on Monmouth turf two back and was flattered when that foe next took a \$16,000 "non-two" seller with a 67 Beyer. Might get a better race flow to attack here. **KING OF THE ISLES** (wears cheekpieces) might appreciate turning back in distance for his circuit debut.

>> RACE 5

1. LOOKIN AT MAC

2. NO MORE CALLS

3. MAJESTIC BLUE

LOOKIN AT MAC seems well-entered at this class level as he moves back to his preferred dirt surface. Set a pressured pace outside the 5-2 winner two back, seemed outpaced on the second turn under urging, then hopped back to his left lead when tiring. Might not have to work as hard to get placed forwardly for a barn that went 5 for the last 11 (45%, \$2.36 ROI) when moving turf to dirt. On the other hand, **NO MORE CALLS** is a one-run closer that needs a bit of pace and trip luck. The pace wasn't there for him at Delaware last time in a race where they ran 1-2-3 around the track. Broke a beat slow, stalked outside at the back, then flattened out after being late to change leads. The third-finisher then won a \$12,000 starter there with a 78 Beyer. **MAJESTIC BLUE** set a three-ply pace in a short field at Delaware, was pressured by the 9-10 winner after a half, then couldn't go with that foe when it counted. Ready as Ever returned to hit the board in his next two starts with an 84 Beyer top. Don't think he needs to be on the lead to succeed. **FIDDLING FELIX** acted like he needed a race off the layoff when rallying belatedly sprinting two back, then never got involved when stretched out to a mile at Saratoga. Might appreciate moving to this circuit.

>> RACE 6

1. LE AMAZONIA

2. SOMNIUM

3. GERRARDS CROSS

LE AMAZONIA hopped at the start over yielding ground at Saratoga, settled in midpack behind a quick pace, eased out into the stretch, and ran on for a minor award. Seems adaptable to any race flow for a barn that went 35 for 124 (28%, \$2.71 ROI) in the third start following 61-120 day layoffs. **SOMNIUM**

was wired by an odds-on winner at Colonial. Raced outside in midpack, eased out into the stretch, then rallied nicely for second for a barn that won four turf races since 8/2. **GERRARDS CROSS** set a quick pace inside the 7-1 fifth-finisher, then tired along the fence over a wet grass course in New York. Faces older rivals for the first time, but her speed plays well for a barn that went 8 for 32 (25%, \$2.65 ROI) between 8/17 and 9/7. **SECURE'S HOPE** might have been compromised by a slow pace when rallying for third at Colonial two weeks ago. She kicks late, along with **GIFT OF GAB**.

>> RACE 7

1. MAGICAL CRY

2. RERUN TABLE

3. SHEHERHERS

MAGICAL CRY looked good when winning her debut at Monmouth. Broke slowly and raced at the back over a speed-friendly surface, cut the corner into the stretch, altered course to the outside, then drove clear. Bumped at the start in her first against winners, she rushed up to press the 7/2 third-finisher from the outside, won the speed duel, then was kicked down in the stretch. Given an alert break, she can get close to the lead. **RERUN TABLE** grabbed the early lead, set an easy 23.10 opening quarter while inside the 2-1 runner-up, then was ridden out to the wire. Freshened since that race, she has won half of her ten starts and projects as the main speed once again for a barn that went 4 for 10 (40%, \$2.62 ROI) in the first after 61-120 day layoffs.

SHEHERHERS settled off a fast pace, made a strong wide bid on the turn, then drew away from nickel-starter allowance foes at Penn National. A three-time winner over this surface, she kicks late if the pace gets hot.

>> RACE 8

1. VICTORY ACHIEVED

2. CARD TRICK

3. ALOGON

VICTORY ACHIEVED worked out a nice pocket trip in Colonial's Van Clief Stakes, eased three wide into the stretch, made the lead late, but was just pipped in the last jump by a deep closer. Finished ahead of four of today's rivals and has enough speed to get up close to the early lead. **CARD TRICK** saved ground near the back, made an early lead change on the turn, eased out into the stretch, then made up some late ground when finishing behind the top pick. Showed some life when galloping out, and this extra half-furlong works for him. Uncoupled stablemate **ALOGON** was taken in hand to stalk outside in the Van Clief, swung four wide into the stretch, then was very late to change leads. Grade 3 winner might be set for his best in the third start of the year. Both **ISIVUNGUUVUNGU** and **JET SWEET JOE** deserve strong consideration if able to escape the Also Eligible list.

>> RACE 9

1. PRESIDENT CAMACHO

2. NAPISONMYAGENDA

3. PEA RIDGE

PRESIDENT CAMACHO drops in class and returns to his preferred surface after faltering on turf at Delaware. Broke a beat slow on dirt here two back, pulled to save ground at the back behind a slow pace (24.99; 25.32), eased three wide into the stretch, and never made an impact. The winner has since compiled a 4-1-1-2 record with a 67 Beyer top. Think he can get close to the pace without losing too much ground on the first turn for a barn that went 4 for the last 15 (27%, \$3.39 ROI) in the first after 61-120 day layoffs. Although there are some distance concerns regarding **NAPISONMYAGENDA**, he is from the family of multiple Grade 1-winning turf router Aragorn and should show good positional speed from this quality inside post position. Finished ahead of two next-out winners (fourth-runner took a \$30,000 maiden claimer at Colonial with a 71 Beyer) in his lone dirt outing. This barn went 6 for the last 24 (25%, \$4.57 ROI) with experienced runners routing for the first time on dirt. **PEA RIDGE** stretches out in distance as a half-sister to multiple Grade 3-placed dirt router Ice Orchid, and he likely used that half-mile sprint at Timonium, his first off a long layoff, as a prep for this run.

MACK'S FACTS – by Mackenzie Pfeiffer

R1: Our Ham Sandwich took command in his maiden win and won going away with it in his lone turf routing try. A half to Fulmineo, he might be finding his best in this setup. Bad Boy Blaze looks to have benefitted from stretching out and switching surfaces. In just three tries as a turf router, the numbers have improved each time.

R2: Yes Chef has pedigree to support his turf and synthetic focused career but his dirt efforts shouldn't be discounted. Running on high level arrives first off the claim and may be well spotted amongst this group. Lasix and blinkers go on for this MD-bred, who has yet to make a start in MD.

R3: Blo Your Mind might be a bit lighter on the work tab than others in here but the connections opt to protect her on debut. Out of a mare who won on debut and a half to Wickeddivine, she warrants consideration.

R4: I find myself intrigued by the lone first time starter in this group, Saltwater Crew, who lands outside for a barn that has won with 2/3 debut runners in the last 12-months. The pedigree requires a bit of looking but it doesn't seem out of the question that this gelding could surprise.

R5: No More Calls returns to LRL, where we saw him impress this spring against much tougher. He should have an honest pace to benefit from here and manages to stay protected while taking class relief. Majestic Blue proved himself as a 2 y/o but has shown the ability to carry his speed while routing in recent starts. Blinkers on 2-back seems to be working, he could pose a big threat to the other speed here.

R6: This looks like a race where the trip might be the most important piece to put together for the winning connections. Likely speed lands with Gerrards Cross and Wisconsin Gal, while the rest of the field looks to want a similar stalking position. Gift of Gab won the battle and lost the war in the Jameela earlier this summer but her inside post may prove advantageous with Ruiz booked.

R7: Rerun Table returns after a summer freshening and leaves no concern based on the works. A stakes scratch from Timonium, she looks well positioned in this group. Hey Alexa has found her best form, and likely needs it in this spot, but her late running style could benefit if the pace heats up.

R8: Victory Achieved returned to the turf last out and made quite the impression with a career best 93 Beyer fig. His tactical ability may prove his greatest advantage against this group, he is especially flattered by his last outing against graded stakes winning stablemate My Boy Prince. Witty lands inside where he will have several options depending on how the break goes, don't forget, he is 5/6 on the Laurel turf for top 2 finishes.

R9: President Camacho steps down from MSW company and benefits from experience going a route of ground. Hard to deny he is the logical player, even with a short price. Call Me a Taxi has yet to try a fast main track, but his pedigree suggests the distance will suit well. He might even appreciate running out of his stall instead of shipping to CT for the bull ring track.

TODAY'S HOT TRAINER STATS

RACE 1

#8 - Grey Biggsy

Trainer: Cal Lynch

Second After 61-120 Days, Turf: 4 for 12 (33%, \$2.22 ROI)

RACE 4

#8 - Rare Eclipse

Trainer: Keri Brion

Between 8/16 and 9/7, Flat: 6 for 20 (30%, \$3.98 ROI)

RACE 5

#1A - Lookin At Mac

Trainer: Jamie Ness

Turf to Dirt: 5 for 11 (45%, \$2.36 ROI)

RACE 6

#9 - Le Amazonia

Trainer: Victor Barboza Jr.

Third After 61-120 Days: 35 for 124 (28%, \$2.71 ROI)

RACE 6

#5 - Gerrards Cross

Trainer: Kathleen O'Connell

Between 8/17 and 9/7: 8 for 32 (25%, \$2.65 ROI)

RACE 7

#6 - Rerun Table

Trainer: John Salzman Jr.

First After 61-120 Days: 4 for 10 (40%, \$2.62 ROI)

RACE 9

#2 - Napisonmyagenda

Trainer: Tim Keefe

Experienced Horses, First Route, Dirt: 6 for 24 (25%, \$4.57 ROI)

RACE 9

#6 - President Camacho

Trainer: Horacio De Paz

First After 61-120 Days: 4 for 15 (27%, \$3.39 ROI)

TRIPS AND TIPS – by Will Humphrey, *In The Money Media*

Trip Notes - Recent performances that deserve an asterisk. All others: trust the past-performances.

Race 1: Claiming 16k, 3YO+, 1 1/16 Miles, Turf

Other notes:

- **#2 QUAIN** was undeniably aided by setting glacial fractions of 25.81, 51.40 on his way to wiring a group of maiden claimers last out – downgrade.
- **#5 BAD BOY BLAZE** overcame a slightly wider than ideal trip when running well (3rd) at Colonial last time.
- While accepting that he had a favorable pace to run at and the bug weight off his back, it should be noted that **#7 KEEN TALENT** lost more ground with his wide trip than the neck margin he was beaten in his most recent try on turf; he then made up an impressive amount of ground in just an evenly paced affair on the slop at CT last out; respected.
- Although **#8 GREY BIGGSY** was a little wide on the home turn at Delaware last time, the move was actually beneficial to him considering his one-run grinding style that means building uninterrupted momentum is the key (which he wouldn't have been able to do sitting and waiting for a run inside); player.
- **#11 T V CHANNEL (AE)** seemingly benefited from being allowed to set a slow, uncontested pace (24.85, 50.49) when breaking his maiden at Ellis two back – possible downgrade.

Race 2: Claiming 7.5k, 3YO+, 6 Furlongs, Dirt**Other notes:**

- **#2 RUNNINGONHIGHLEVEL** became very upset in the gate prior to his last speed-and-fade job over a mile at Thistledown (possible excuse); cutting back in trip with Lasix and blinkers added could help as he makes his debut for Cox today.
- There was a strong speed bias present at Colonial when **#3 YES CHEF** broke his maiden in wire fashion in June (his last start on dirt) – possible downgrade.

Race 3: Maiden Claiming 35k, 2YO (F), 5 Furlongs, Dirt**Other notes:**

- All debutants.

Race 4: Maiden Claiming 16k, 3-6YO, 5 ½ Furlongs, Turf

Horse	Race	Trip	Note
#4 DANNER	Maiden Claiming 16k, CNL, 5 1/2F, 09/04/26 – 5 th	Pinched, steadied shortly after start; settled ~6-7L off even pace, then took up slightly entering turn; regrouped and traveled powerfully under patient handling to 5/16; waited on heels in 2P rounding into the lane, then advanced a little under a hold; attempted to make a run through the stretch thereafter but could never find room and largely remained unasked until it was far, far too late; beaten just 2L.	Surprised the chart caller didn't pick up on this BRUTAL trip off the layoff; it's easy to envisage him winning this return effort with a clean trip and he's a major player right back.

Other notes:

- None.

Race 5: OC25k/SAL20k, 3YO+, 1 1/16 Miles, Dirt**Other notes:**

- There were no visible reasons as to why either **#2 MARCAN LOVE** nor **#4 FIDDLING FELIX** performed below par in their respective last starts; both need to bounce back.
- **#3 MAJESTIC BLUE**, who has clearly improved for the application of blinkers, was not persevered with when clearly going to finish 2nd at Delaware last out; a more aggressive stretch ride *might* see him step forward a little off that run.
- **#8 NO MORE CALLS** did not have an adequate pace setup (24.98, 50.45) to suit his running style at Delaware last time and more can be expected of him *if* the pace is hotter today.

Race 6: The Sensible Lady Turf Dash, 3YO+ (F), 6 Furlongs, Turf

Horse	Race	Trip	Note
#5 GERRARDS CROSS	Galway Stakes, SAR, 5 1/2F, Yielding Turf, 08/15/26 – 3 rd	Hustled from rail; set fast fractions on a clear 1L lead into the lane; set down for drive 3/16, responded but was headed ~1/8 pole; continued fighting inside but lost 2 nd final jump.	This effort is deserving of a small PACE UPGRADE: she set fast fractions of 21.93, 45.89 over a YIELDING turf course, setting things up nicely for closers to fill three of the first four positions; she did well to hold 3rd and may be capable of more if rationing out her speed more efficiently back on a firm turf course.
#7 SECURE'S HOPE	100k Handicap, CNL, 5 1/2F, Firm	Touch slow; tracked modest pace on rail early; in a little tight entering turn; came under pressure on	The modest opening ¼ in this race led to the speed holding well in this race (top two finishers including the 17/1 pacesetter ran 1-2

	Turf, 08/29/26 – 3 rd	rail as pace lifted rounding the far turn; responded, then stayed on very nicely through the lane but could not catch front pair; strong gallop out.	throughout); she therefore did very well to finish a staying on 3rd; given a stronger pace today, plus an extra 1/16, she can step forward off this effort.
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Other notes:

- Not for the first time this year **#1 SOMNIUM** finished well enough going 5 1/2F at Colonial last time to suggest today's 6F trip could be her optimum; player.
- Although no sectionals were officially recorded, it seemed as though speed held well in the Incredible Revenge Stakes at Monmouth on August 01, aiding **#3 OBSTREPEROUS** while negatively impacting **#8 LES REYS (FR)** and **#10 MOPO**. (Horses struggled to make runs from the rear, 6/1 winner wired the field).
- Not that it made a difference to the result, but **#10 MOPO** did have a slightly rough go of things on the home turn before going onto score at Delaware last time; a case can be made that she was a fraction better in victory than the winning margin/speed fig would suggest; player.
- The strong pace and soft ground meant that closers dominated this year's Smart and Fancy Stakes at Saratoga – possible downgrade for **#9 LE AMAZONIA**?

Race 7: Allowance, 3YO+ (F) *, 6 Furlongs, Dirt

Other Notes:

- **#4 HEY ALEXA** received favorable pace setups two and three back, but that was not the case last time: the pace was even and speed held relatively well, yet 'HA' still managed to level off very nicely in the stretch and run the leader down, making it three in a row; she's continuing to progress and left the impression she mightn't have peaked quite yet.
- Although ridden out, the crop was never lifted on **#6 RERUN TABLE** when she scored by 6L last time; she could have more to offer again and demands huge respect off a brief freshening.

Race 8: The Laurel Dash, 3YO+, 6 Furlongs, Turf

Horse	Race	Trip	Note
#8 CREED'S VISION	Allowance, CNL, 6F, Firm Turf, 08/09/26 – 2 nd	Clean break; settled under a tight hold inside ~3L off even pace racing into the turn; under a tight hold on heels in traffic passing ¼ and rounding into the lane; still didn't have any running room in upper stretch, so sacrificed ground and momentum by sharply angling off heels into the center of the track; 6L off the lead and seemingly with no chance ~1/8 pole, then finished like a man possessed down the center, full of run, but missed.	His two back effort: A BRUTAL stretch run, he should have won this race by a street, and his effort can be upgraded notably; capable of much more.

Other notes:

- **#2 WITTY** did well to finish as close as he did at Colonial last time considering the pace was even (not rapid, as he'd have liked); he could be very dangerous back at 6F today with the long stretch to help, especially if the pace is hot.
- **#6 FIERCE AND STRONG** didn't do enough to earn an upgrade last out, but he was pinched and shuffled back while wide ~3/8 pole, which didn't help his chances.

Race 9: Maiden Claiming 35k, 3-6YO, 1 1/16 Miles, Dirt

Other notes:

- Not sure that **#5 PEA RIDGE** was entirely in love with the kickback after breaking from the rail in his comeback at Timonium last time; still, he ran with credit over the heavily SPEED BIASED track and shouldn't be entirely discounted stepping up in trip this afternoon.

Horses to Follow

R4: DANNER

Having shown strong signs of potential last year, DANNER's return effort off the layoff when dropped in for 16k at Colonial last time would, on the face of it, appear disappointing. However, the replay shows that he suffered a torrid trip in that race, hardly coming off the bridle, and it's not crazy to argue that he could have scored with a smoother passage. Second back today with a trouble-free run, he could be very tough to stop in today's fourth.

R6: SOMNIUM

A half-sister to both 2022 Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint Champion CARAVEL and Mid-Atlantic legend WITTY – who will be gunning for his tenth stakes success in today's eighth – the now 4yo SOMNIUM has stepped forward nicely this year, winning two of her five starts while also holding her own in a pair of tough stake events. She's been finishing her races in a manner to suggest she mightn't have peaked quite yet either, and today's 6F trip could unlock that extra potential. She already fits with these gals and a smooth trip from the rail can see her take today's Sensible Lady Turf Dash.

FUTURE HORSES TO WATCH

LOVELIEST

Trainer: Eddie Kenneally

Last Race: April 17, Race 7

Finish: 8th by 6 3/4

Class drop might be in order after filly tired badly in a first-level allowance sprinting on the grass. She was bumped during the opening furlong while pressing the winner from the rail before giving way. She is quick from the gate, and that speed would play well at a lower class level.

PINKY SWEAR

Trainer: Hamilton Smith

Last Race: Sept. 5, 4th

Finish: 4th by 7 lengths

Lost all chance at Timonium when pinched back at the start of a sharp half-mile sprint. Swung widest into the stretch and failed to threaten. She seems stronger when able to get close to the pace at slightly longer distances, and might even make some noise on the turf down the road.

YOUR LORDSHIP

Trainer: Graham Motion

Last Race: May 30, 7th race

Finish: 1st by 2 3/4

It could be a fun 4-year-old summer on the turf for the Graham Motion-trained runner. Racing as a first-time gelding, Your Lordship rated long with plenty of confidence throughout, waited to pounce in the upper stretch, and angled and swept clear for the win

PEA RIDGE **(ENTERED TODAY AT LAUREL - RACE 9)**

Trainer: Justin Nixon

Last Race: Aug. 28 - 6th

Finish: 3rd by 4 1/4 lengths

Received a good fitness builder when returning from a lengthy layoff in a sharp sprint at Timonium. Showed enough speed to stay within range of the dueling favorites and didn't give much ground in the stretch. She's bred to go long, and will get that opportunity in Saturday's finale.

JOCKEY CALLS

At Laurel Park, jockeys can be named on more than one horse on the original overnight.

Race 1: Jeiron Barbosa - #4 - Play It Cool; #7 - Keen Talent >>> **Barbosa rides KEEN TALENT**

Race 3: Matilda Burnham - #1 - Callhersugardaddy; #2 - Shesarealproblem >>> **Burnham rides CALLHERSUGARDADDY**

Race 4: Jorge Ruiz - #7 - Star Atlas; #8 - Rare Eclipse >>> **Ruiz rides RARE ECLIPSE**

Race 8: Samuel Marin - #3 - Senbei; #5 - Alder >>> **Marin rides SENBEI**

PAST TRACK TRENDS

Apr. 3 – Fair
Apr. 4 – Fair
Apr. 10 – Fair
Apr. 11 – Fair
Apr. 12 – Fair
Apr. 17 – Fair
Apr. 18 – SPEED BIAS
Apr. 19 – Fair
Apr. 24 – Fair
Apr. 25 – SPEED BIAS

Apr. 26 – Fair
May 1 – SPEED BIAS
May 2 – Fair
May 3 – Fair
May 8 – CLOSERS BIAS
May 9 – Fair
May 10 – CLOSERS BIAS
May 14 – Fair
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May 22 – SPEED BIAS
May 23 – Fair
May 29 – SPEED BIAS
May 30 – Fair
May 31 – Fair
June 5 – SPEED BIAS
June 6 – CLOSERS BIAS
June 7 – Fair

June 12 – Fair
June 13 – Fair
June 14 – SPEED BIAS
June 19 – Fair
June 20 – Fair
June 21 – Fair
June 26 – Fair
June 27 – Fair
June 28 – INSIDE SPEED BIAS