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TODAY'S ANALYSIS - by Dan Illman

>> RACE 1

1. LADY LENA

2. QUEEN OF WANDS

3. CONTRA

The first post time is 12 pm ET, and there are two "Value Pick 5" wagers, each with a LOW 12% takeout rate. **LADY LENA** finished ahead of three of these when placing behind the two favored pacesetters at Colonial. Saved ground in midpack, eased to the three path, and made up a couple of lengths. The runner-up then snagged a \$16,000 "non-two" claimer there with a 75 Beyer. Expecting an outside stalking trip while clear of traffic issues. Ruiz lands here instead of Belle of Liberty. **QUEEN OF WANDS** could be the one to beat after exceeding today's Beyer par in her maiden win at Colonial. Worked out a perfect pocket trip, eased outside, then drew off despite getting in a bit under right-handed urging. That race hasn't come back strong just yet (five next-out runners, none hit the board, 53 Beyer top). **CONTRA** sat in a perfect spot behind a hot pace scrum, saved ground on the turn, split rivals into the stretch, and stayed for second behind the odds-on winner. Karamanos lands here instead of Rock Talk. **SALTY ONE** and **BALLYKEEFE** contend if able to escape the Also Eligible list. **HOLY BRICK** should show speed stretching out from a half-mile dash at Timonium. **YAMMY YAMMY BELLA** was wired going two turns last time, but kicks late if this pace is hot.

>> RACE 2

1. TELL 'EM I'M COMIN

2. EDELWEISS

3. MAUPANSANT

TELL 'EM I'M COMIN's late-running style usually doesn't play very well around those tight turns at Timonium, but he took advantage of a quick pace to get up for third behind the two favorites. Liked his effort two back over sloppy footing at Delaware. Saved ground near the back behind a moderate pace, moved out and advanced to stalk four wide and in between rivals on the backstretch, made a three-to-five wide bid on the second bend into strong contention, then kept strong to the wire. He's usually at the mercy of pace luck, so he's hoping for some hitting up front. Conversely, **EDELWEISS**, listed as a Colonial vet scratch on 7/30, has fine tactical speed, and he's quick enough to get close to the pace without losing too much early ground from this tough outside post position. Note that both of his wins came around one turn, and that last race at Colonial hasn't come back strong just yet. Barbosa lands here instead of Gray Beast. **MAUPANSANT** can get a bit grumpy in the paddock and post parade, but he's in excellent form, with top-three finishes in five of his last six outings. Just missed to an odds-on favorite last time at Penn National after getting close to a fast pace, but wonder if he's at his most effective when making one run from the back.

>> RACE 3

1. HOP TO IT

2. COOL HARD BREEZE

3. DREAM OVERTURE

This race is for amateur riders. **HOP TO IT** settled in between horses in the middle of the pack behind a moderate pace, made a three-to-four-wide bid on the second turn, then finished evenly with a solid gallop-out. This barn has sent out some live runners at the meet. **COOL HARD BREEZE** saved ground in midpack behind a slow pace (25.17-second second quarter), altered outside into the stretch, then gamely ran down the pacesetter to get up in the shadow of the wire. **DREAM OVERTURE** drops in class after being wired at Colonial. Raced in between horses at the back, made a four-wide advance into the slow pace, then flattened out late. Expect early speed from **RYLNNSLOOKINGLUCKY**, who hit the board in her last eight starts.

>> RACE 4

1. RAILROAD INN

2. BIKER BALEY

3. HOLIDAY EXPRESS

RAILROAD INN broke sharp two back at Laurel, then tracked a slow pace while three wide. Made a solid bid to the lead and cleared to the rail late on the turn, then turned on the afterburners to score by 13 1/2 lengths. Received a nice prep 12 days ago when wired by an odds-on favorite in his first start following four months of inactivity, and can kick hard in the stretch. **BIKER BALEY** has nice tactical speed, a good outside post position, and exits a Colonial race that looked pretty strong on paper. Lightly raced colt still has upside potential for a barn that sent out two winners here on 9/13. **HOLIDAY EXPRESS** seems well-entered after being wired by odds-on Doin This, who returned to take a New Jersey-bred first-level allowance at Monmouth with an 86 Beyer. Settled back behind a quick pace, and made up some late ground for a barn that has three winners since 8/23, including a 14-1 shot with Iorio aboard. Expect early speed from UNBRIDLED JUSTICE after he wired maiden claimers over sloppy going at Delaware.

>> RACE 5

1. WEEKEND STORM

2. LEGEND'S GIRL

3. TRINITY

WEEKEND STORM tracked from the pocket, was hard-ridden on the turn, eased outside, and got second behind the even-money favorite, the only experienced runner in a race full of first-time starters. Showed tactical speed in that heat and shouldn't be too far out of it when they turn for home. **LEGEND'S GIRL** placed behind the two favorites after an even performance at Colonial. She is the most experienced horse, and appears to be improving incrementally with each start. **TRINITY** hooked up with the 7-2 last-finisher over a speed-friendly Colonial track, then couldn't step with two next-out winners (Emphatic returned to grab Monmouth's Sorority Stakes with an 83 Beyer). Expect good early zip. **BASEBALL CARD** switches surfaces out of stakes-placed dirt sprinter Stickingtogether (76 dirt Beyer). **PAMS MOTHERS MONEY** (\$15,000 yearling; \$45,000 May juvenile) is a half-sister to stakes-winning dirt router Flashy Lass (85 dirt Beyer) and Grade 3-winning turf router Circle of Trust. **EPIC WARRIOR** (\$210,000 weanling; \$300,000 yearling) is out of stakes-placed dirt sprinter What a Fox (88 dirt Beyer). **LATTE** (\$95,000 RNA May juvenile) is a three-quarter to multiple Grade 2-winning turf router Hang the Moon.

>> RACE 6

1. MCCULLOUGH

2. MOHS

3. ZEVON

MCCULLOUGH tracked outside, made a three-wide bid, then held firm to score in his first start for Ness. This race may have a bit more pace, but he has a good kick and can succeed by using one-run tactics. Rodriguez lands here instead of Koru. **MOHS** was a stakes-winner way back in 2021, and might be cycling back to his best for this, the third start of the form cycle. Might have been hurt by a slow pace last time when finishing ahead of stablemate Magical Marriage, who then won a \$12,500 claimer at Monmouth with an 83 Beyer. This barn went 7 for 24 (29%, \$2.55 ROI) between 7/26 and 9/13. **ZEVON** faced three next-out winners when hitting the board at Colonial (The Brigade repeated, then placed in a first-level allowance at Kentucky Downs with an 89 Beyer. **KORU** (wore a hood last time) faced The Brigade last time as well. He can be a bit temperamental but seems well-entered at this level.

>> RACE 7

1. SCARLETT'S HALO

2. RUN WILD

3. FABIA

SCARLETT'S HALO cuts back to a winning distance while moving from turf to dirt. Wired in her most recent dirt start, she pulled a bit while saving ground in midpack, eased off the rail to avoid kickback, raced five wide on the second turn, then got up for third after being bumped in upper stretch. The runner-up from that race has since compiled a 6-4-2-0 record with a 106 Beyer top. The barn went 7 for the last 24 (29%, \$2.37 ROI) when moving from turf to dirt. **RUN WILD** has improved since stretching out around two turns, and she might have more upside than the top pick. Earned a competitive speed figure last time and has solid tactical speed. **FABIA**, listed as a Delaware vet scratch on 7/24, stalked outside at the back, found good position tracking a four-ly pace scrum, moved to the preferred inside footing, then rallied for second behind the favorite. This barn went 5 for the last 24 (21%, \$2.32 ROI) in the first start after a 61- to 120-day layoff. **GENA B** stretches out with the early speed to get forward. The runner-up from her last race then ran third in a first-level Colonial allowance with a 65 Beyer. **AUDIBLY** has a decent stretch run and should appreciate returning to Laurel after racing around those tight turns at Timonium.

>> RACE 8

1. D J ABS

2. MOUNTAIN MAMBA

3. VOLADORA

D J ABS switches surfaces as the first foal of turf-sprint winner Simply the Best, a half-sister to Grade 3-winning turf sprinter Guns Loaded. This young sire has had some success with his turf progeny. Gained valuable experience on dirt last month for a barn that went 5 for the last 25 (20%, \$6.86 ROI) with experienced horses trying turf for the first time. **MOUNTAIN MAMBA** saved ground at the back behind a moderate pace, split rivals with a three-wide bid, then passed tired horses despite changing back to her left lead. Expect a stretch surge. **VOLADORA** was outrun behind a quick pace, then came with a strong run to miss by only a length at Colonial. This barn sent out a 24-1 turf winner at Delaware on 9/16. **DIVINE SUNSHINE** deserves another chance after being overmatched in two maiden races in New York. **TUVANA** (\$10,000 May juvenile) is a half to juvenile stakes-placed dirt sprinter Tall Paul (84 turf Beyer) and stakes-placed dirt router Ananroad (85 dirt Beyer). **VERY DOLCE** is a half to multiple stakes-placed (turf and synthetic) Querobin Dourada (90 turf Beyer) out of Brazilian Group 2-winning dirt router Gusto Dolce (88 turf Beyer). **JOSIE G** is half to stakes-winning dirt router Galerio (102 dirt Beyer) and multiple stakes-placed dirt runner Bella Bettina (77 dirt Beyer).

>> RACE 9

1. FOR THE LADIES

2. SNEAKY GOOD

3. SLEWPERSTITUS

FOR THE LADIES must take another step forward against this tougher group, but she's been on quite a roll with three consecutive victories, including the Shine Again at Timonium. Showed versatility by rallying from off a quick pace in that last race, and can find a good stalking position this afternoon. **SNEAKY GOOD** looks like the horse to beat after racing in graded stakes in four of her last five. Stumbled at the start last time at Saratoga, then saved ground at the back behind a quick pace. Eased three wide into the stretch and finished evenly despite being late to change leads. The third-finisher then placed in the Audubon Oaks at Ellis with a 93 Beyer. Kicks late for a barn that went 8 for the last 28 (29%, \$2.21 ROI) when returning from 61- to 120-day layoffs. **SLEWPERSTITUS** was wired by the favorite in a slow-paced Colonial heat. Never off the board in 11 starts, she might receive a bit more pace to attack. The barn went 5 for 13 (38%, \$3.54 ROI) between 8/30 and 9/13. **FRENCH FRICTION** received a nice prep run on turf, seems a bit better on the

main track, and projects as the controlling speed from the inside post. Faced three next-out winners on dirt two back, including Grade 3 winner Luv Your Neighbor (91 Beyer in Delaware Oaks).

>> RACE 10

1. BOUJEE BUBBLEZ

2. GOLDEN ROCKET

3. WONDER GIRL

BOUJEE BUBBLEZ hopped at the start two back, then stalked a quick pace from the outside. Made a four-wide bid on the second turn, and finished evenly despite hopping back to her left lead. Might have been in too tough when racing without Lasix against stakes foes at Colonial last time (runner-up returned to win a \$100,000 restricted handicap there with an 80 Beyer), but turns back to a comfortable distance with Lasix back on. **GOLDEN ROCKET** was reclaimed by Ness, and she'll also move from route to sprint. Prompted the 3-1 fourth-finisher from the outside last time, then held second after being a bit late to change leads. This barn went 4 for the last 16 (25%, \$2.06 ROI) with newly claimed runners moving from route to sprint. **WONDER GIRL** prompted the 5-1 third-finisher from the outside, made an early lead change, then dug in gamely. Hard-knocking sort must overcome tough post for a barn that went 7 for the last 27 (26%, \$2.27 ROI) with horses returning from 6-13 day layoffs. Karamanos lands here instead of I'mwishingonastar. **RIVER TAY** stalked from in between at Saratoga, made a four-wide bid into the stretch, and made up some late ground. Proven over this surface. Ruiz lands here instead of I'mwishingonastar. **MISCHIEF MAXEY** seems well-entered after facing Souper Williwaw, who then won the Violet Stakes at Monmouth with a 90 Beyer.

MACK'S FACTS – by Mackenzie Pfeiffer

R1: Let Her Pass By sticks to the level and has a genuine excuse from the last outing and 3-back. She has proven game and consistent this season, an attractive combination at 10-1 ML.

R2: Edelweiss may not need to be on the front end but he will likely sit close to the action. He found career best form this spring and early summer with the change in running style, perhaps the 2-turns won't be an issue for him now.

R3: Ever since switching surfaces, Rylnnslookinglucky hasn't finished off the board. In this amateur race, I lean into this forwardly placed type who may be able to find a more modest pace than the recent efforts.

R4: Class relief may carry Biker Baley a long way in this group, especially after chasing out wide last out. Zio Lino lands inside and could benefit from saving ground early and stalking a pace duel, as we saw in his maiden score.

R5: Weekend Storm put in a steady trying effort on debut, finishing behind a filly who sold at OBS April and had 2 races underneath of her. Second time out may benefit he for a barn that tends to improve with experience.

R6: A wide open affair here, unless you lean into King Size at 4-5 ML. Zevon has been flattered by his recent company. Last out winner, The Brigade, came back to win an allowance for the Casse barn before running 2nd in allowance company at Kentucky Downs. The 2-back winner Carcano is no slouch either, returning to miss in stakes company by a head.

R7: Scarlett's Halo looks the type who will benefit from finding new company, and perhaps the second wire finish here. While she does remain protected, I struggle with her likeliness to be over-bet due to the connections.

R8: Voladora looked to be putting the pieces together in the late stages of her debut, experience that should benefit her here. Mountain Mamba and Scabiosa have the most experience sprinting in this group, something that counts for quite a bit in this part of the year.

R9: Sneaky Good demands respect for her consistency in graded stakes company, especially after cutting back with early trouble last out. I find her even more likeable based on her last win being off of a similar layoff, and the 31% J/T combination. Even when Slewperstitus finds adversity, she manages to persevere. Her recent company lines are highly flattering, as Mashallah won the G3 Prioress in Saratoga next out. I have to use both here.

R10: Boujee Bubblez steps down from stakes company and looks to benefit while returning to sprinting distances. Hard to argue against her as she is 3/4 going this distance. A similar approach can be taken for River Tay, who transfers over from NY company and is 2/2 sprinting on the turf here at LRL.

TODAY'S HOT TRAINER STATS

RACE 1

#6 – Queen of Wands

Trainer: Michael Trombetta

Last-Out Maiden Winner, Turf: 10 for 26 (38%), \$2.82 ROI

RACE 1

#13 – Lady Lena

Trainer: Keri Brion

Between 8/22 and 9/16, Flat: 8 for 31 (26%, \$3.46 ROI)

RACE 7

#6 – Scarlett's Halo

Trainer: Chad Brown

Turf to Dirt: 7 for 24 (29%, \$2.37 ROI)

RACE 7

#3 – Fabia

Trainer: Hamilton Smith

First After 61-120 Days: 5 for 24 (21%, \$2.32 ROI)

RACE 8

#6 – D J Abs

Trainer: Lindsay Schultz

Experienced Horses, First-Time Turf: 5 for 25 (20%, \$6.86 ROI)

RACE 9

#4 – Sneaky Good

Trainer: Brad Cox

First After 61-120 Days: 8 for 28 (29%, \$2.21 ROI)

RACE 9

#6 – Slewperstitus

Trainer: Robbie Bailes

Between 8/30 and 9/13: 5 for 13 (38%, \$3.54 ROI)

RACE 10

#9 – Golden Rocket

Trainer: Jamie Ness

First After Claim, Route to Sprint: 4 for 16 (25%, \$2.06 ROI)

RACE 10

#14 – Wonder Girl

Trainer: Kieron Magee

First After 6-13 Days: 7 for 27 (26%, \$2.27 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+ (F), 5 ½ Furlongs, Turf			
Horse	Race	Trip	Notes
#9 LET HER PASS BY	Claiming 16k, CNL, 5 1/2F, Firm Turf, 08/23/26 – 6 th	Chased fast pace from ~6L back on the rail racing into the turn; responded to pressure and advanced slightly on the run to the top of the lane, then ran up on heels ~1/4 pole and steadied hard, checking her momentum notably; continued without much racing room in upper stretch, then finished evenly but was never able to fully recover.	A troubled trip; she would absolutely have finished closer with a cleaner path through horses here and if in similar form today, a much-improved effort (more like her efforts two and three back) can be expected.
#15 BALLYKEEFE (AE)	Claiming 16k, CNL, 5 1/2F, Firm Turf, 07/19/26 – 5 th	Chased honest pace from ~4L back on the rail to the ¼ pole, then ran out of room and had to hit the brakes when on heels in upper stretch (she really needed to be rolling at this point); was shuffled back while still on a hold racing to the 1/8 pole, then found room but was unable to recover.	Her two-back effort and last going 5 1/2F (which her latest start over a flat 5F appears her preferred trip): She endured a troubled trip in this race, and the result/speed fig should not be taken as an accurate reflection of her ability.
Other notes: - Following a very solid debut for Dowling off a freshening two back (in which she was caught in an unideal spot between horses early), #4 HOLY BRICK was shuffled back along the rail approaching the far turn at Timonium last time and then appeared uncomfortable racing in behind kickback; feel we should draw a line through that effort and expect more returning to turf third back. - #11 BELLE OF LIBERTY simply failed to stay a mile against tough foes at Colonial two-back, then didn't fire on the dirt last time where the surface can be used as a legitimate excuse; best to be forgiving of both those recent efforts and expect her to show something more like her prior turf sprint tries returning to the discipline today. - #12 YAMMY YAMMY BELLA sat a notably wide trip going two turns at Colonial last out; cuts back and drops in class today. - #13 LADY LENA ran on well late going a flat 5F at Colonial last time and should be better suited by today's 5 1/2F trip with the long stretch to help.			

Race 2: Claiming 7.5k, 3YO+, 1 1/16 Miles, Dirt	
Other notes: - #1 MAUPANSANT didn't have a bad trip last time; however, he did become very worked up pre-race and then lost his balance a little when lightly bumped in the lane, both of which are factors that potentially contributed to his half-length defeat; he could have won on another day and is deserving of respect right back. - #5 TELL 'EM I'M COMIN deserves a little extra credit for both his efforts at Delaware in August owing to the fact that he had little pace to run at on both occasions; respected returned to a conventional track. - Prior to a fine front running effort at Timonium last out, #6 GREY BEAST had received a good pace setup over a closer friendly track at Mountaineer two-back – possible downgrade. - Although he didn't have any real excuse, #7 EDELWEISS could be seen as a slightly unlucky loser last out as he raced two paths wider on the turn than the winner and twice brushed a rival in the stretch; player following brief freshening.	

Race 3: Claiming 16k, 3YO+ (F), 1 1/16 Miles, Turf			
Horse	Race	Trip	Note
#8 MESA'S SPUNKY GIRL	Claiming 16k, CNL, 1 1/16M, Firm Turf, 08/15/26 – 6 th	Raced prominently between horses; swung out 5W in upper stretch when coming under pressure, then finished evenly towards the center and stayed on well until checking hard ~1/8 pole; failed to recover thereafter.	Her last and only turf start, two-back: A troubled stretch run, she should be capable of offering more than this result/speed fig suggests returning to the grass today.

Other notes:

- **#2 HOP TO IT** finished well in a modestly run mile event last time and could be capable of offering more going an extra 1/16 today with a strong pace quite possible.
- Although later DQ'd for drifting out and impeding a foe in the lane, **#5 ROBERTA** still ran well at Penn National last out, crossing the wire in second despite having sat relatively close to the taxing early pace (22.50, 47.07) and having been three wide on the far turn.

Race 4: OC25k/SAL20k, 3YO+, 6 Furlongs, Dirt

Horse	Race	Trip	Note
#7 ONE LAST BULLET	Maiden Claiming 25k, TAM, 7F, Fast Dirt, 03/18/26 – 1 st	Chased hot pace in close pursuit early; bumped as rival came across and made things tight inside ~5/8 pole; took a firm hold there and pulled his way forward to share the lead, then pressed on through a fast ½; extended away from rivals racing into the lane, then steadily continued widening to wire.	His last start on dirt and last sprinting, three-back: Although the bump he received ~5/8 pole was relatively insignificant, we can still upgrade this effort owing to the fact that he formed part of a fast pace that collapsed, and the track was favoring closers.

Other notes:

- **#6 BIKER BALEY** didn't appear entirely comfortable racing in behind horses and taking kickback at Colonial last time; he might be capable of more today with a wide post enabling him to keep clear. (Note: his best three efforts have all come in kickback-free situations, wiring a field on the dirt and twice racing on turf).

Race 5: MSW, 2YO (F), 6 Furlongs, Dirt**Other notes:**

- **#2 BASEBALL CARD** steadied slightly ~1/2 mile pole sprinting on turf on debut, but it was fairly insignificant interference, and we should not upgrade her effort as a result; switches surface today.
- **#7 WEEKEND STORM** ran a nice race on debut over a SPEED BIASED track at Delaware, the track conditions possibly preventing her from closing more so on the always prominent winner than would otherwise have been the case.
- **#10 DREAMSMOVEON** didn't have a bad enough trip on debut to earn an upgrade; however, she was in behind horses and without a fully clear racing path through the stretch which possibly prevented her from finishing closer; a nice effort whatever the case and she's respected second out.

Race 6: Ratings Optional Claiming (65-1), 3YO+, 1 1/16 Miles, Turf

Horse	Race	Trip	Note
#6 SKY'S NOT FALLING	Claiming 25k, CNL, 1M, Firm Turf, 08/15/26 – 2 nd	Settled off slow pace 3-4W early; crept closer racing to far turn, then made a 3W bid racing to the top of the lane; got to within 3/4L of the leader in upper stretch, then stayed on willingly but was repelled.	This wasn't a bad trip; however, a case can be made that he was best in here as he was a little wide on both turns and also tasked with running down the 2/1 winner who had set a slow pace on the rail throughout; he did well to finish as close as he did considering the pace and ground loss, and might be capable of a little more today; respected.

Other notes:

- **#3 MOHS** wasted a little energy by pulling hard behind a slow pace at Monmouth last time; a more honest tempo could see him to better effect third back today.
- There was no visible reason as to why **#7 KING SIZE** performed below par last time, but we know he's better than that on his day.
- **#8 EL DE LARRY** sat too close to a hot pace (23.10, 46.50) at Colonial last time and should be capable of offering more today if rationing out his speed more efficiently.
- **#10 TIMSHEL** didn't have a bad trip last time, but he did have to wait a fraction longer than ideal before making an effort when in behind horses racing into the lane.

Race 7: Allowance, 3YO+ (F), 1 Mile, Dirt

Horse	Race	Trip	Note
#6 SCARLETT'S HALO	Allowance, MTH, 1 1/16M, Firm Turf, 08/16/26 – 4 th	Pulled hard while inside and towards rear, ~3-4L off even pace racing into far turn; waited without a clear path when seemingly full of run racing to upper stretch, then threaded through a tight gap between rivals ~1/8 pole but wasn't able to level off until too late; finished evenly and closed steadily with head high.	She was forced to wait much longer than ideal in this spot considering her even finish and lack of a turn-of-foot; she likely could have finished closer with a different ride and this mightn't be a completely accurate reflection of her ability; running style indicates that a switch to dirt could be a good move; respected.
Other Notes: - Toss #7 AUDIBLY's last effort.			

Race 8: MSW, 2YO (F), 5 ½ Furlongs, Turf**Other notes:**

- **#1 AIR KISS** finished and galloped out well on debut after breaking awkwardly and placing herself on the back foot early; seems the type who can take a meaningful step forward second out.
- **#7 VOLADORA** finished really well over a flat 5F on debut at Colonial and could now offer much more second out with an extra 1/16 to work with.

Race 9: The Weather Vane Stakes, 3YO (F), 6 Furlongs, Dirt**Other notes:**

- **#2 JUST PHILTORED**'s two-back effort when just a neck behind **#6 SLEWPERSTITUS** may flatter her a little as she was able to set a slow pace on an uncontested lead (SLEWPERSTITUS was tasked with closing into the slow pace and still beat her; UPGRADE 'SLEW's' effort there).
- **#4 SNEAKY GOOD** stumbled at the start of the G2 Victory Ride Stakes last time which resulted in her racing further off the pace than would otherwise have been the case and put her on the back foot early; respected.
- **#5 FOR THE LADIES**' two back effort (a gate to wire win) - prior to a gutsy third consecutive win at Timonium last out - is possibly deserving of a little extra credit as the track was favoring closers.

Race 10: Ratings Optional Claiming (65-1), 3YO+ (F), 5 ½ Furlongs, Turf**Other notes:**

- Closers struggled to get involved in **#4 RIVER TAY**'s last start at Saratoga, meaning that he was against the 'flow'; possible he offers more today with the long stretch to suit his late running style.
- Not sure that **#5 HONORABLE CHILL** was ever going to win at Delaware last time, but she might have finished a little closer if she hadn't been shuffled back along the rail entering the far turn; makes debut for Lawrence today.
- **#6 GOOD ACCELEBRATE** didn't quite do enough running to earn an upgrade last time, but she did put forth a respectable effort to finish as close as she did considering the slow pace that was working against her; may well improve today for having a better pace setup and long stretch run.
- **#10 SPENCER TIARA (MTO)** was first to load at Delaware last time and became worked up in the gate.
- A slow pace led to speed holding exceptionally well in **#13 GRANUAILE**'s last race which, combined with her wider than ideal trip, gave her little chance of offering her best; capable of more under better circumstances today.

Horses to Follow

R7: SCARLETT'S HALO (3/1 ML)

As was evident again when she sat a less-than-ideal trip at Monmouth, SCARLETT'S HALO seems to lack the turn-of-foot required to excel on the turf; Chad Brown now makes the ship to Maryland and returns her to the dirt which, although she's likely to be out-sprinted early, could see her to better effect. Her two prior tries over the surface were solid, and with a number of stretch-out sprinters in this lineup, she could receive a good setup. Anything at 3/1 or over would be a fair price.

R9: SNEAKY GOOD (2/1 ML)

SNEAKY GOOD has been campaigned aggressively this year by trainer Brad Cox, who now affords the three-year-old some class relief following a better-than-looks effort in the G2 Victory Ride Stakes at Saratoga last out, where she stumbled at the start and found herself on the back foot early before finishing well. The mix of speed and stamina she possesses, which has seemingly left Cox pondering what the daughter of INTO MISCHIEF's best distance is, should play well in today's Weather Vane Stakes, with plenty of front runners in the lineup. Provided she gets away from the gate cleaner, the class relief combined with the good setup could make her tough to stop.

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.

PLENTY ON TAP

Trainer: Tim Woolley

Last Race: Sept. 11, 5th

Finish: 3rd by 2 3/4 lengths

Didn't break the best, then raced three wide and in between rivals on the backstretch before being shuffled back, cut the corner into the stretch, then was over in behind horses for most of the stretch before rallying belatedly to just miss second.

LINETTE

Trainer: Tim Woolley

Last Race: September 13, 1st

Finish: 2nd by head

First-time starter stumbled from in between horses when racing in tight on the backstretch, and that forced her rider right out of the irons for several strides. The filly stayed to task, however, as she angled widest into the stretch, and rallied gamely to drop a photo to a logical and favored winner.

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.

BLO YOUR MIND

Trainer: Tim Keefe

Last Race: September 12, 3rd

Finish: 1st by 3 1/2 lengths

In a field full of first-time starters, this Blofeld filly proved best despite looking a bit green. She pushed the pace while three wide, took over into the stretch, and drew out despite failing to change leads.

FIERCE AND STRONG

Trainer: Michael Salvaggio Jr.

Last Race: September 13, Race 6

Finish: 4th by 1

Last on the rail for most of the way, he was stuck in behind rivals for most of the stretch, had to alter course several times, and still kicked on with interest.

NOAH CHANCE

Trainer: John Robb

Last Race: September 13, 6th

Finish: 5th by 1 1/2

Tracked the pace from in between horses, was bottled up turning into the stretch, and was stymied in behind horses; finally altered course to the outside and made up some late ground.

JOCKEY CALLS

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

Race 1: Horacio Karamanos - #5 - Contra; #7 - Rock Talk >>> **Karamanos rides CONTRA**

Race 1: Jorge Ruiz - #11 - Belle of Liberty; #13 - Lady Lena >>> **Ruiz rides LADY LENA**

Race 2: Jeiron Barbosa - #6 - Gray Beast; #7 - Edelweiss >>> **Barbosa rides EDELWEISS**

Race 4: Carlos Lopez - #2 - Zio Lino; #7 - One Last Bullet >>> **Lopez rides ZIO LINO**

Race 6: Horacio Karamanos - #4 - Zevon; #6 - Sky's Not Falling >>> **Karamanos rides ZEVON**

Race 7: Jaime Rodriguez - #2 - Koru; #9 - McCullough >>> **Rodriguez rides MCCULLOUGH**

Race 10: Horacio Karamanos - #7 - Ballycurrin; #14 - Wonder Girl >>> **Karamanos rides WONDER GIRL**

Race 10: Jorge Ruiz - #1 - I'mwishingonastar; #4 - River Tay >>> **Ruiz rides RIVER TAY**

PAST TRACK TRENDS

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

Sep. 11 – INSIDE BIAS

Sep. 12 – SPEED BIAS

Sep. 13 – Fai

