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TUESDAY, JULY 4, 2017

Best Bets: KEPT (6th)-- YES MZ ADAH (8th)

Race 1

- 3** CHESSEN – Excellent speed before tiring in longer event and should end drought with similar showing.
- 1** JASON'S ANGEL – Battled eventual winner throughout when dropped to this level and works out good trip inside.
- 2** BRAVUCONA – Improving shipper competed gamely with similar and switches to journeyman rider.
- 9** PEAK A WOO – Vied with streaking winner when failing as 2-5 chalk; sat out "jail" following claim.

Race 2

- 2** IDON'TKNOGOASKANNI – Easily second best behind smashing winner in seemingly better version of this spot.
- 1** ZAFIRO AZUL – Stretch-runner drops within same claiming tag; key threat despite case of seconditis.
- 4** SOUR LEMON DROP – Made up ground as longshot after chronic poor start; third attempt in Vazquez barn.
- 5** HANNAH'S GAMBLE – Decent form at Penn National but just one local victory from 32 starts.

Race 3

- 4** PAPER MOON – Romped here in April debut then failed on turf and at higher level; should overrun this kind.
- 7** WINK FOR ME – Closed gap sprinting but likely better suited this distance; changed hands twice since return.
- 9** SARATIAGO – New Yorker plunges and switches back to main track; possibility despite one for 34 lifetime mark.
- 3** TOOTHER BELLE – Remote third this spot but fails to justify frequent heavy support; often close in Florida.

Race 4

- 1** GASUPTHEJET – Strong finish when claimed from sprint and showed route success last season in Oklahoma.
- 2** TRANSPARENT – Roughed early when defeated in tougher company and prior loss after idle three months.
- 3** INFINITE FIESTA – Disappointing try as 2-1 favorite at loftier level and sharper in past but threat this level.
- 1A** YOGOTTHATGOINFORU – Crushed easier group for new connections to boost lifetime earnings over \$400,000.

Race 5

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| 7 | GO RO RO GO – Dueled nearly this far in longer race dominated by stretch-runners; numerous determined efforts. |
| 4 | SEEKING SHAMROCKS – Cruised past pacesetters this spot after claim and shorter time between starts now. |
| 6 | LUCKY GREATNESS – Speedy and often difficult to pass when reaches front early; faces severe pace pressure. |
| 2 | BOHEMIAN BLISS – Rapid filly seeks third straight after successful road trip; ensures brisk fractions. |

Race 6

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| 5 | KEPT – Drops from top maiden ranks and fired twice earlier at Gulfstream; Goldberg stable excels on turf. |
| 4 | SULTRY START – Fractious prior to debut then bore out badly after start; daughter of top sire Jump Start. |
| 2 | HABIBI – Major improvement after layoff this level when introduced to turf by new management; must consider. |
| 10 | MY SUNSHINE MELODY – Very quick in debut before proving empty in stretch but progress anticipated. |

Race 7

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| 4 | COBH – Powerful debut at Delaware despite severe early trouble; \$270,000 purchase needs clear sailing. |
| 2 | LOVE IS YOUR NAME – Failed to offer true measure when faltering in route but formidable in prior sprint. |
| 3 | PEOPLE'S CHAMP – Misbehaved at gate prior to return and well-bred gelding should improve. |
| 6 | SPEIGHT THE DEVIL – Closed big gap after sluggish break from rail in Monmouth debut for Chad Brown barn. |

Race 8

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| 4 | YES MZ ADAH – Perfect since Farro claim and wired solid field of claimers in last; rates off pace if necessary. |
| 2 | AUTHORITATIVE – Battled quality rivals following hiatus but turf is new and question of stamina. |
| 6 | COURTAGE – Encouraging effort when making up ground during wide trip this spot; contested pace would help. |
| 9 | T CROSS – Seeks repeat after 15-1 surprise from extreme outside post; factor with renewed confidence. |

Race 9 THE \$200,000 DR. JAMES PENNY MEMORIAL STAKES (Grade III)

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| 8 | LIGHT UP OUR WORLD – Strong prep following long absence in U.S. bow and gets Lasix; progress anticipated. |
| 6 | CAMBODIA – Always fires on turf and captured Grade III at Pimlico; threat in very competitive event. |
| 1 | LIGHT IN PARIS – Game effort in bulky field at Monmouth for top turf stable; romped for this rider at Aqueduct. |
| 10 | FOURSTAR CROOK – Amazing seven straight victories spread out over 21 months; very talented N.Y.-bred. |

Race 10

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| 5 | MAJESTIC WOODY – Failed again on turf after good effort locally this level in mud against Guerrero barn winner. |
| 9 | DIAMOND PRINCE – Signs of life in latest and faced tougher in past; long losing skid but merits attention. |
| 10 | ONLY YOU – Significant improvement when easily second best this spot at 36-1; capable when in the mood. |
| 7 | VENEZUELAN SUCCESS – Nearly lasted this level then absent since April; fits nicely with similar showing. |