

**Race 5**

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| <b>10</b> | <b>LUST FOR MONEY</b> – Aggressive drop for new management seeking lucrative purse; enough left to wire these.                  |
| <b>4</b>  | <b>ESTRICKATOR</b> – Used up in quicker company lately and threat despite long losing streak in 16 <sup>th</sup> start of year. |
| <b>5</b>  | <b>RARE ART</b> – Continues to descend claiming scale for high percentage barn but yet to regain Midwest form.                  |
| <b>3</b>  | <b>CHELIOS</b> – Passed numerous opponents after very wide trip and could take advantage of contested fractions.                |

**Race 6**

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| <b>2</b> | <b>BIG DISCOVERY</b> – Remote third in vastly classier company last out and should gain favorable pace scenario.       |
| <b>7</b> | <b>BANNER BILL</b> – Led to late stages in good effort at Delaware and third finisher scored here on Monday.           |
| <b>4</b> | <b>YOGOTTHATGOINFORU</b> – Veteran speedy and formidable at times and frequently claimed, a positive sign.             |
| <b>3</b> | <b>EAST ROCK</b> – Trounced bulky field at Suffolk when successful on dirt first time; factor with renewed confidence. |

**Race 7**

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| <b>10</b> | <b>THE HARDEST WAY</b> – Dominated field this far at Delaware and displayed turf prowess at Laurel; post might help.    |
| <b>12</b> | <b>FEARTHEFALCON</b> – Ample ability and proven turf runner but sidelined since November and must draw in.              |
| <b>4</b>  | <b>SIENA INDIAN</b> – Hard used after poor start at Monmouth when edged in blanket finish; severe early pressure again. |
| <b>6</b>  | <b>COWBOY MZ</b> – Battled terrific opponent at Penn National and last local try not true measure; unproven on turf.    |

**Race 8**

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| <b>6</b>  | <b>RUNS FOR LUCK</b> – Ample heart and talent but cost twice this amount in June; huge purse major incentive.      |
| <b>1</b>  | <b>BESSIE'S BOY</b> – Chased rocket on Penn National turf and bulk of success on main track; dangerous this level. |
| <b>5</b>  | <b>TIPYOURWAITERWELL</b> – Victim of awkward break when stopped after half mile; needs to shake loose.             |
| <b>12</b> | <b>CONDO KING</b> – Road warrior seeks fifth straight for Jacobson barn with last three gained by wide margins.    |

**Race 9**

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| <b>4</b> | <b>ADVERT</b> – Improving filly upset solid opponent at Presque Isle and defeated odds-on rival over turf last local start. |
| <b>6</b> | <b>ULTIMATE CAUSE</b> – Headed this spot at Monmouth despite making first appearance since November; improves.              |
| <b>2</b> | <b>MINI HERO</b> – Stretch-runner outran top choice here in June and rallied behind talented foes at Delaware.              |
| <b>7</b> | <b>WEDDING JITTERS</b> – Lightly raced but sufficient ability and brisk works for first attempt since New Year's Day.       |

**Race 10**

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| <b>12</b> | <b>PREP PRIDE</b> – Brief early trouble behind runaway winner for higher tag; capable of wiring these from outside.    |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>UNPREDICTABLE</b> – Prominent long way against routers here on Monday for new connections; adjusts to sprint.       |
| <b>3</b>  | <b>SUNSHINE SPERRY</b> – Weakened as odds-on chalk at Penn National; sharp locally and shorter yardage a plus.         |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>CHILL PHIL</b> – Early troubles on wet footing when Lake took; lost pair of photos before but must justify support. |



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### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2017—OWNER'S DAY

**Best Bets: THE HARDEST WAY (7<sup>th</sup>)-- ADVERT (9<sup>th</sup>)**

#### Race 1

- 2** WEEKEND BABE – Early trouble when remote fourth in tougher version this spot; third finisher scored next time.
- 8** MERCY – Sired by Trappe Shot, a son of Tapit, which captured 6 of 12 starts including runner-up effort in Haskell.
- 5** J W GOINGTOTHEBANK – Maiden after 12 attempts but signs of progress and chased capable newcomer in July.
- 1** I CRIED A TEAR – Far behind last pair but drops into claimer and returns to sprint with progress likely.

#### Race 2

- 1** BLITZENSMAJIKREIGN – Easily second best in another solid effort and competing much better than odds suggest.
- 7** NICE SURPRISE – Failed as always on turf but back on main track in ideal spot; should regain closing kick.
- 5** START JUMPING – Shipper frequently faced better elsewhere and boasts 11 victories over several seasons.
- 3** CHASING TWILIGHT – Runs well on occasion and back at level of August claim; outrun twice by top choice.

#### Race 3

- 6** MONEY FOR MARIA – Hampered by traffic woes at Penn National and lowest level in ages; capable but inconsistent.
- 4** HERECOMESKAT – Faded behind two-time winners on road trip and chased smashing winner this spot before.
- 8** SHE'S SASSY – Walloped lesser on wet surface at Penn National and re-claimed earlier by Farro stable.
- 1** PLAY IT FORWARD – Probable pacesetter stretching out again from inside post but stamina issues continue.

#### Race 4

- 8** NOVEMBER TO REMEMBER – Stopped after dueling in sprint taken by stretch-runner; plunges and prevails on best.
- 4** PRETTY VENEZUELA – Soundly beaten by top pick and not much since maiden victory but can't dismiss this level.
- 7** ALSTERONE – Encouraging efforts last pair and retains leading rider in Pennington; deserves consideration.
- 1** KELLY AND KILEY – Been on decline but freshener might help and should make presence felt early.