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Best Bets: TERQUITO (4<sup>th</sup>)-- MIDNIGHTCHARLY (8<sup>th</sup>)

### Race 1

- 6** DIAMOND SQUARE– Used up dueling in sprint vs. “open” company and romped previously; chance to shake loose.
- 1A** HIGH DOLLAR KITTEN– Nine-year-old retains ability seeking 12<sup>th</sup> career score; Vasquez barn heating up.
- 5** DIMENSION– Determined victory in marathon and steps up within same claiming tag as serious contendwr.
- 3** NO DRINKING RULES– Progressed behind runaway favorite in sprint and racing into shape again.

### Race 2

- 2** MARY COSTA– Drew away after brief duel against single-winners; likely repeater for hot Lake stable.
- 3** PARTY PANTS– Edged off despite taxing duel when changing hands; big jump but adds to lively pace.
- 7** ROLL ON BIG MAMA– Prominent throughout this spot when yielding to longshot winner; also from Lake barn.
- 4** HER DIVINENESS– Competed well against similar since comeback and could benefit from contested pace.

### Race 3

- 3** ADMIRAL ABE– Heavily-backed in encouraging turf debut at Tampa; top barn and pedigree to handle turf.
- 5** BONDA– Used up forcing pace as odds-on chalk this spot in bow; key threat and benefits from experience.
- 2** BUILT BETTER– Closed big gap in debut when finishing ahead of second choice; ample early targets.
- 6** PICTOR– Newcomer by excellent sire Munnings worked rapidly at Penn National; barn good with youngsters.

### Race 4

- 5** TERQUITO– Crushed maidens after Pino claim and takes realistic next step; more early pressure this time.
- 3** SIX BLADE– Improved with similar as major longshot and likely gaining late despite long losing skid.
- 1** GRAN FORTRESS– Battled throughout last and inside post won five times here on Tuesday.
- 7** BILLYJEANSMYBOY– Speedy and sat out “jail” after Farro took; stamina issues but merits second look.

<b>Race 5</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>SUGAR TRAIN</b> – Wore down sprinters in just second start after layoff and should be prepared to stretch out again.
<b>3</b>	<b>VOW'S SON</b> – Runs good race on occasion and exits tougher versions of this spot; under new management.
<b>2</b>	<b>DEBONAIRE MAN</b> – Led throughout latest to end long drought; possible pacesetter returning to route.
<b>5</b>	<b>RICARDITO</b> – Retreated on recent road trip but won two of three previously in Maryland.
<b>Race 6</b>	
<b>3</b>	<b>SHE'SMYRISENSTAR</b> – Fair effort in better version of this spot and conqueror romped here on Tuesday.
<b>8</b>	<b>HARBOUR WAY</b> – Lacked best try on muddy surface as favorite but frequently close and fits nicely.
<b>5</b>	<b>LORDEN'S LOVE</b> – Responded favorably to drop beating next-out winner; chance with renewed confidence.
<b>6</b>	<b>NANCY B</b> – Soundly beaten in classier field after claim and prevailed both prior races when entered with tag.
<b>Race 7</b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>THREE BUTTERFLIES</b> – Looked bit like old self in second start after long absence; won three in row year ago.
<b>1</b>	<b>VIVA NEVADA</b> – Closed strongly after ducking out at start and having terrific year; lively fractions in her favor.
<b>3</b>	<b>CLARE'S DOWERY</b> – Outrun twice in classier company since claim but takes significant drop as contender.
<b>4</b>	<b>SANDY MISCHIEF</b> – Game filly hard urged to defeat three-time winners when claimed; already passed stamina test.
<b>Race 8</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>MIDNIGHTCHARLY</b> – Extremely game in defeat and never even two lengths behind in seven attempts; hard to fault.
<b>3</b>	<b>IRISH COLONEL</b> – Returns home where he has achieved bulk of success; eligible this spot competing with tag.
<b>8</b>	<b>MISSIN THE BIG DOG</b> – Hard used dueling when fading behind top selection; speedy and versatile.
<b>4</b>	<b>CHASING MY HALO</b> – Series of strong outings but just lasted in first-tier allowance test; Taylor barn at 27% rate.