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Best Bets: GROUP TEXT (5th)-- TARA'S TALENT (8th)

Race 1

1	BESS – Claimed for this amount at Keeneland and moves to Pino barn; signs of ability at top meetings.
2	YOURS COMPLETELY – Exits nice effort at top maiden level and slow start only prior attempt; stamina test.
6	DANCE AND DANCE – Navarro bought from Pletcher for \$50,000 when breaking poorly, prior defeats on turf.
4	POSSEINEFFECTOO – Hampered by early trouble in latest and possible pacesetter stretching out.

Race 2

1	VIA CASTAGNA – Dominated this far in longer test and shown ability to rally from off pace previously.
3	REFUNDED – Repelled several challenges before yielding to stretch-runner; prior poor showing in mud.
6	SEA SWAP – Frequently close but numerous losses at short prices; claimed again and Pennington returns.
2	GRAN FORTRESS – Dueled eventual winner through slow fractions in route; fired in three prior sprints.

Race 3

5	BOYD CROWDER – Overmatched last pair but impressive romp at 53-1 in March; appears realistically placed.
7	CHASING MY HALO – Lost momentum when taking up into far turn and series of strong efforts this season.
2	ELEVATED – Eight-year-old appeared like old self when runner-up this spot and conqueror stepped up and repeated.
3	HE'S GOT TALENT – Came again to edge determined rival in second outing since arriving from Florida.

Race 4

1	DUBROVSKY – Failed turf experiment but flashes of talent in tougher fields earlier; might fire at square price.
3	MY DANZIG PARTNER – Led to final yards when stretching out again and may control early fractions.
8	SPARTAK – Responded nicely to drop when nearly rallying last to first; needs aid of pace set-up.
2	SUNSHINE CRUSADER – Not much in sloppy sprint but gained despite slow start in debut when claimed.

Race 5

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| 5 | GROUP TEXT – Chased first-tier allowance types after layoff in first start of year; won both local races in 2018. |
| 1 | BREEZING BYE – Used up dueling classier field after bobbling at break; Zulueta barn won pair on Saturday. |
| 4 | CLEVER SARAH – Speedy filly idle nearly two months since Carlos Guerrero claimed; ensures lively pace. |
| 3 | SIDEREAL – Improving and won this spot in longer event; Soto stable clicking at 24% rate this year. |

Race 6

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| 3 | RETROGRADE – Difficult to guess since return but terrific on occasion and claimed by leading Penn National barn. |
| 4 | STREET TAIL – Crushed cheaper when changing barns again and speed to pose threat on raise. |
| 2 | SIR ROCKPORT – Overmatched last pair but trio of victories this season at Laurel; just one-for-12 locally. |
| 7 | IMASUPERSTAR – Front-runner usually close and battled all way as 6-5 chalk; re-claimed by Aristone. |

Race 7

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| 1 | ASPEN SUPREME – Prone to early trouble but strong closing kick and sufficient early targets for good trip. |
| 5 | LOVE IS YOUR NAME – Weakened late after dueling as odds-on favorite but capable of better as threat. |
| 7 | RISQUE REBEL – Rediscovered ability as longshot against streaking winner; posted 49-1 shocker in October. |
| 3 | DANNY O – Anticipated more last time and fell previously when clipping heels in midst of powerful rally. |

Race 8

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| 6 | TARA'S TALENT – Sidelined since chasing rocket in November stake; impressed locally as juvenile. |
| 4 | JUMP FOR JOY – Closer than anticipated in Belmont allowance test after winning twice since claim. |
| 7 | DIAMOND MOON – Easily handled maidens and shorter time between starts; DeMasi-Carmouche combo. |
| 1 | THE CIRCLE GAME – Used up after stumbling badly in stake and walloped "open" company previously. |

Race 9

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| 2 | IRONCLAD – Captured both local races by wide margins and likely to outrun tougher version this level. |
| 3 | THOMAS KNIGHT – Outdueled talented rival in April and re-claimed earlier; faced classy opposition in past. |
| 7 | ARCH CAT – Rallied past solid group in slop and success in various stables; handles any surface. |
| 6 | SARATOGA WILDCAT – Hard used chasing top choice on wet footing; best form at Penn National. |

Race 10

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| 3 | COMFORTABLE CAT – Dueled briefly then caught late when easily second best; overcomes early pressure. |
| 6 | TRAPPS STAR – Nearly lasted against two-time winners and might adjust to rating tactics. |
| 8 | LA VALE – Decent tries in routes and chance shortening up but needs to put it all together. |
| 2 | HERSISTERISACHUB – Shelved since January but makes late run on occasion and contested pace helps. |