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Best Bets: COWBOY MZ (3rd)-- BLISSFUL BREEZE (7th)

Race 1

- 4** LENDAR – Significant drop after hard used dueling in finish dominated by stretch-runners; Gonzalez barn 23%.
- 3** UNTOUCHABLE U – Moves from open to beaten spot after chasing repeat winner; hot rider up in Silvera.
- 5** TRAPPE ME LATER – Overran slightly lesser in second start after shipping from Florida; now in Lake barn.
- 6** CRYSTAL PIER – Runner-up in compact field this spot on wet surface; excellent 11-for-44 lifetime.

Race 2

- 7** SWEET BLAME – Overmatched in last after crushing two-time winners previously; should handle this kind.
- 6** IF YOU ONLY KNEW – Weakened after dueling at Penn National; game try vs. odds-on rival locally.
- 1** ROSE OF DUBLIN – Wore down loose pacesetter after far behind top choice; needs to put pair together.
- 3** MIDDAY PRAYER – Prone to bad gate behavior but runs well on occasion and likely gaining late.

Race 3

- 6** COWBOY MZ – Used up pursuing talented New York shipper in last but chance to shake loose this spot.
- 4** RED RAZZO – Bold move to front despite early trouble in route; versatile with 14 local victories.
- 3** GRAVES ISLAND – Anticipated better last time but drops and numerous good efforts during winter.
- 2** DROSSELMAGIC – Seemed sharper earlier and nearly caught top choice in October; can't dismiss yet.

Race 4

- 4** INCENSED – Trailed quicker on road trip after chasing rapid stablemate locally; favorable pace scenario.
- 1** JACK O LIAM – Nice try despite early trouble again and should be advancing late with inside trip.
- 9** MACH TRIAL – Capable and very popular at claim box but shelved since May and might need this.
- 2** TRULY A MOON SHOT – Roughed early in last and passed nearly entire field behind runaway winner previously.

Race 5

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| 1 | STAR LUCK – Vied this far for higher tag in longer test in race taken by closer; should wire this level. |
| 7 | GRAYS THE BAR – Made up ground after slow start in best yet; wet footing would likely help. |
| 2 | JUST EXPLODED – Newcomer from Vega barn worked several bullets and deserves consideration. |
| 5 | TEXTPECTATION – Trailed badly in debut at Aqueduct but gets blinkers for high percentage stable. |

Race 6

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| 3 | WONDERFULLY TUNED – Strong rally on final turn behind impressive winner; adjusts to sprint this spot. |
| 4 | THEY SHOT SONNY – Competing better than odds predict and threat despite rare losing streak. |
| 2 | BOLITA BOYZ – Absent couple months but terrific in past with nearly half million in earnings. |
| 1 | HALITE – Far behind since return but drops into claimer and Zulueta barn has them firing. |

Race 7

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| 4 | BLISSFUL BREEZE – Pulled away eagerly this spot in upset after Ness claim; sprang 36-1 Spa shocker. |
| 6 | BOURBON HONEY – Led to final furlong in race captured by stretch-runner; crushed cheaper before. |
| 2 | KAREN'S GEM – Blocked in traffic on turn behind top choice for new connections; needs clear sailing. |
| 1 | BOW TOWN CAT – Drops notch in just third race since October but excellent 6-for-15 locally. |

Race 8

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| 5 | FLASHNDYNAMITE – Game mare awesome over this track and switches back to sprint for third straight. |
| 6 | LOVE ON FIRE – Chased rapid pacesetter and continued willingly; extra furlong could prove obstacle. |
| 2 | PEACH ALLEY – Failed to give true measure in latest after pair of strong showings following claim. |
| 4 | SALLY O'PRADO – Exploded past similar with helpful pace set-up and threat again with best effort. |

Race 9

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| 1 | RUBY BLEU – Hard used dueling in even classier field and may revert to rating tactics; 11 local victories. |
| 8 | GRASSHOPPIN – Nine-year-old still formidable and effective in front or from off pace; upset threat. |
| 5 | WHISTLING BIRDS – Exits best effort of career and tackles next rung on allowance ladder with Sanchez. |
| 4 | NAVY COMMANDER – Freshened after coming up empty but re-claimed for \$35,000 by Reid previously. |

Race 10

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| 5 | DREAMY MARTINI – Sidelined since eased in October but speedy and capable of handling these if ready. |
| 9 | READYHEARTANDSOUL – Faced tougher after layoff at Aqueduct; formed bottom of exacta 18 times. |
| 1 | J R JELLYBEAN – Retreated again with routers but closed well sprinting this spot in December. |
| 7 | R JOLLEY DREAMER – Hampered by traffic problems in last but rallied as longshot in prior outing. |