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Best Bets: REAL CONVICTION (6th) – TRADERS LUCK (7th)

Race 1

7	JURADICIAL – Encouraging form lately and shown ability to handle various distances.
6	FAST MULE – Failed to fire after sluggish break but runs solid race on occasion; hot stable.
3	HI HEELED WARRIOR – Humbled by runaway winner in sprint but romped in January route.
2	SIRENETTA – Not far behind top choice as longshot and might regain closing ability this spot.

Race 2

7	SISTER MARY LOU – Overmatched in mud and top pair from that event won next easily.
2	SUNNY SIDE UP – Set pace after early roughing for new connections; tests stamina again.
6	SPANISH GIRL – Distant third but finished ahead of second pick; possibility with progress.
3	ELEANOR RIGBY – Trailed for much higher tag and gained maiden victory at Gulfstream.

Race 3

6	GREYHOUND STATION – Sidelined since June but holds ability advantage and prevails if ready.
1	YES MY LADY LINO – Speedy filly weakened as 2-5 chalk when claimed by hot Ramirez barn.
4	BELLA ESTRELLA – Good effort in latest and stumbled badly in prior outing following hiatus.
5	CLASSIC MYSTERY – Stopped suddenly in route in first local attempt; back sprinting on drop.

Race 4

1	JARDANI – Ness runner drops again into softest spot available; should regain closing punch.
5	MIDNIGHT ACT – Improved try behind pair of capable rivals last week; re-claimed by Diaz before.
2	SAINT MARCO – Mild rally behind two drop-down opponents recently; long losing streak.
6	COBBLE ROAD – Faltered after half mile in return and might need to race into shape again.

Race 5

5	KOBE B – Hard to like or ignore drop for lightly raced gelding; Pino stable clicking at 30%.
6	WE BE THERE – Exits tougher version of this spot and making key third outing since layoff.
7	GOLDEN WILDCAT – Moderate success in routes but hasn't tried two turns in ages; upset shot.
1	UNDER THE RADAR – Plunges after trailing badly in Laurel return; must consider Ness runners.

Race 6

4	REAL CONVICTION – Remote third to impressive newcomer in sprint and fired in prior route.
3	WE MISS NEIL – Outrun by top choice in fair showing and prior loss at Aqueduct; best on wet.
1	ENCRYPT – Hampered by early trouble last pair but shown tendency to weaken in stretch.
2	ANYTHING BUT MINE – Used up after awkward break when adding Lasix; might set pace.

Race 7

3	TRADERS LUCK – Terrific gelding caught by formidable rival in longer test but wires here.
5	ICONIC LEGACY – Extremely capable and determined with 9-for-33 mark; nearly always fires.
6	POPPY'S PRIDE – Pressed top pick before tiring on muddy footing; on rare losing streak.
2	RESPIRATOR – Stretch-runner exits strong 2024 but shelved since July and faces tough task.

Race 8

4	LET'S MAKE IT A DOUBLE – Dismal try in route after excellent debut sprinting; could surprise.
3	HUGGY – Crushed lesser in debut and dangerous again with much higher claiming tag.
6	HAWKSTONE – Overmatched last pair but strong form at Delaware last season; serious threat.
5	ALCHEMISM – Distant fourth in route but best efforts sprinting over wet surfaces in December.

Race 9

5	ÉCLAIR BLANC – Improved behind runaway winner as longshot this spot; softer version here.
3	ET'S MOON MAIDEN – Gained well last pair with talented claimers; close to top pick earlier.
6	ALCALA – Slow start this spot and several strong efforts earlier; upset chance on best.
2	COCOA'S VIVIAN – Trailed similar in second race after layoff; began career in promising style.

Race 10

3	EL MEDIANOCHE – Hard used from extreme outside post in bulky field; drops and gets Lasix.
8	RUN MY CARD – Far back after shipping from Florida but adds Lasix and progress likely.
4	BROTHER VINNY – Early trouble behind runaway winner for new connections; figures close.
6	RESISTANCE FUTILE – Used up chasing heavily-favored runaway winner in first local outing.