



# CRAIG DONNELLY'S ANALYSIS @parxracing

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Best Bets: BOYS OF SUMMER (4<sup>th</sup>) -- KEITHSENDSHELLOOOO

### Race 1

- 2** HUMBLE JOE – Significant drop seeking third victory and sufficient targets for late kick.
- 4** KHOPEH – Rediscovered ability when edged by huge favorite last week; must put two together.
- 7** GO EAST – Solid effort this spot in second race after hiatus despite early roughing; fits well.
- 1** SCAMP WALKER – Lacks speed but offers late punch on occasion; rail post possible obstacle.

### Race 2

- 8** ON PARADISE HILL – Dueled in good effort against drop-down winner; making steady progress.
- 4** STREETS OF PARIS – Battled this far longer test for higher tag as 3-5 chalk; Guerrero barn hot.
- 3** SILVER CITY KITTY – First foal out of unraced dam making debut for Ness; need not be much.
- 1** YES MY LADY LINO – Very quick but hampered by stamina issues; back at level of claim.

### Race 3

- 2** DISTURBED – Stretch-runner drops and improved in recent months; benefits from lively pace.
- 6** UP AGAINST IT – Solid effort when Pino claimed from this spot last month; 14 career victories.
- 5** DATHOSS – Numerous good tries during winter and lures Lopez for hot Abrams stable.
- 3** ROCK ON LUKE – Classy veteran seen better days and plunges; just one outing since summer.

### Race 4

- 6** BOYS OF SUMMER – Fair Hill shipper finds ideal spot and won local debut impressively 2024.
- 1** HEAT ALERT – Very game in narrow loss this spot after romping when claimed by Flores-Coba.
- 2** NIMMO – Trounced weak maidens in 13<sup>th</sup> attempt but possibility with renewed confidence.
- 5** SPINNING HEART – Lost photo this level as longshot and threat with similar showing.

### Race 5

- 1** SWANS ISLAND – Led when easily second best this spot after Pino took; works out rail rally.
- 4** HOLY KINGDOM – Flashes of interest at Gulfstream and merits attention despite 1-for-19 mark.
- 6** MIKEY'S SONG – Significant drop after remote fourth and cost more than twice this amount.
- 11** LOOKINGFORTREASURE – Edged away from bottom maidens after layoff; logical next step.

### Race 6

- 2** KEITHSENDSHELLOOOO – Closed gap despite traffic problems after Ness claim; duel can help.
- 6** FINAL SHOT – Eliminated by stumbling break in January; 10-year-old nearing half million in bank.
- 1** ENFORCER – Hard-hitter fired this level after Padilla claim; scored as 8-1 bargain previously.
- 3** MAGICNTHEMOONLIGHT – Terrific on best but tends to weaken in stretch lately; must respect.

### Race 7

<b>6</b>	<b>GUAPONESS</b> – Pressured throughout by repeat winner in game try; set to end losing streak.
<b>10</b>	<b>REMARKABLE MO</b> – Victim of loose pacesetter after early trouble; won three in row earlier.
<b>4</b>	<b>UNION LIGHTS</b> – Less than two lengths behind after poor start at Aqueduct; moves to Ness barn.
<b>7</b>	<b>WHAT A BLAST</b> – Decisive score with two-time winners when dropping; figures close again.

### Race 8

<b>4</b>	<b>FOUR EYES</b> – May have needed first outing in two months after crushing maidens in November.
<b>2</b>	<b>AMAZING WOO</b> – Numerous strong tries at Gulfstream; encouraging raise for new management.
<b>7</b>	<b>STAY FUNNY</b> – Speedy gelding with clear lead and extra sixteenth mile; usually hits board.
<b>3</b>	<b>STARLORD</b> – Fair showing taking plunge last week when Lake claimed; obvious contender.

### Race 9

<b>1</b>	<b>OFFALY COOL</b> – Sharp effort in Laurel stake and terrific 5-for-7 locally; rail and back on Lasix.
<b>4</b>	<b>ADERO</b> – Lightly raced but loads of heart and ability; stakes-winner here in compact field.
<b>6</b>	<b>FAR MO POWER</b> – Improved speed in quick field in second race after layoff; formidable on best.
<b>3</b>	<b>TREBLE CLEF</b> – Ended losing skid in quality field at Penn National; tested again with this kind.

### Race 10

<b>7</b>	<b>GOLDIENESS</b> – Held on nicely despite constant pressure; third outing since return for hot barn.
<b>8</b>	<b>MENDED WE STAND</b> – Just ahead of top choice when re-claimed soon as possible; dangerous.
<b>9</b>	<b>QUEEN CADENCE</b> – Absent over three months and difficult to like or ignore plunge.
<b>4</b>	<b>BUCKS SOME</b> – Ten-year-old mare dull in last and making 77 <sup>th</sup> start with \$408,511 in bankroll.