



# CRAIG DONNELLY'S ANALYSIS @parxracing

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Best Bets: UNSWAYED (6<sup>th</sup>) – BIG BOYS ANSWER (9<sup>th</sup>)

### Race 1

- 3** GEEBERT – Veteran with 13 victories seen better days but faces weak group at suitable yardage
- 6** EMPIRE'S SCORE – Led to final yards in improved effort then absent nearly four months.
- 4** THE ANGRY MAN – May have needed last and drops within same claiming tag; barn going well.
- 8** LIBERTY STAR – Formidable in past and logical drop for new management; can't dismiss yet.

### Race 2

- 3** WYLDA WYLDE – Easily second best this spot in first route try when adding Lasix; merits edge.
- 4** HURRICANE JANE – Forced pace before fading behind top choice over deep surface; key threat.
- 6** J J'S HONOR – Dueled long way at Gulfstream before weakening as longshot; new stable.
- 7** DEMOLITION WOMAN – Limited success in seven outings but possible pacesetter trying route.

### Race 3

- 6** CARRY GRANT – Eliminated at break this spot and should regain late energy in soft spot.
- 5** MAKEMYDAYCHARLIE – Good effort ahead of top choice when beaten by favorite; key threat.
- 3** EVASIVE MOVES – Signs of interest in 16 attempts and proved he fits with this kind in latest.
- 4** MUCHO MAGNIFICO – Yet to fire locally in two starts but close on occasion earlier at Woodbine.

### Race 4

- 3** PEAK OF CHIC – Game mare overmatched on road trips but back home with 8-for-18 record.
- 6** PRINCIPIA – Disliked wet surface again after hiatus but defeated solid group here in December.
- 2** EDGE OF TOWN – Formidable at Laurel and takes aggressive drop for 21% Lynch stable.
- 5** POPOVER GAL – Speedy filly set pace in longer test in return; fits well first local appearance.

### Race 5

- 4** BAAFEED – Lightly raced and better in past but fired three straight and just captured this spot.
- 6** SIX WHIPS – Dangerous if disregard poor showing last month; sharp with tougher prior pair.
- 2** TAP IN FORMATION – Vied with heavy favorite when dropped to this level; early pressure again.
- 5** HOTPOT – Capable but hurting chances with poor breaks; should be gaining late as possibility.

### Race 6

- 6** UNSWAYED – Improving gelding edged this spot in another big effort; switches to apprentice.
- 5** CISCO KID – Numerous good efforts recently and danger with stalking trip behind pacesetters.
- 2** RYAN'S FLEET – Set clear pace in good try after layoff and threat with anticipated progress.
- 3** ONLYGODCANJUDGE – Cruised past slightly easier after far behind early; shorter yardage.

**Race 7**

<b>5</b>	<b>AHSAD – Veteran came again in narrow loss after Kirby claim; 8-year-old seeks 13<sup>th</sup> victory.</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>CRYPT – Looked bit like old self when nearly overcoming early trouble; Padilla barn remains hot</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>MIZZEN MAN – Traffic problems in stretch as longshot; making ninth attempt this spot.</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>WHISKEYMAC – Shelved since July but every victory on turf or synthetic; might need this.</b>

**Race 8**

<b>2</b>	<b>KENTUCKY OUTLAW – Awesome score here in debut and continues to work quickly for Dunn.</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>HAPPILY DELUSIONAL – Less than three lengths behind in stake and proven ability in routes.</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>ANALOG JONES – Failed to offer true measure in stake won by stablemate; impressed earlier.</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>MR. BOGAN – Rapid and improving gelding sharp and Aqueduct at one turn; likely pacesetter.</b>

**Race 9**

<b>7</b>	<b>BIG BOYS ANSWER – Finished strong despite severe early excuse as 3-5 chalk; game, versatile.</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>AWESOME FLAY – Exits big effort at similar distance and proving bargain claim for Wyner barn.</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>CATTY'S UNCLE – Battled throughout in another tight finish; humbled by top pick in January.</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>RESPIRATOR – Decent effort after long absence and success with closing kick here in past.</b>

**Race 10**

<b>7</b>	<b>LIGHT MY WAY – Ran off in chute prior to facing better opposition; fits this spot if avoids excuse</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>SMOKEY PLACES – Speedy shipper from New York faded in compact fields; threat this level.</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>COACH CLINT – Dueled to final furlong when adding Lasix in local bow; shorter time between.</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>MASTER OF TWEETS – Flashes of ability in eight outings but tends to weaken in stretch.</b>