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Best Bets: AMAZING WOO (1st) – ADELEKE (9th)

Race 1

- 7** AMAZING WOO – Dominated single-winners two weeks ago after moving to sizzling Pino barn.
- 6** STAY FUNNY – Improved stamina in double-digit romp when claimed; also from Pino stable.
- 1** JADES JAY – Weakened with tougher after arriving from Tampa but fits well in this spot.
- 4** VINI VIDI VICI – Dueled to stretch at loftier level and captured two of last four races for Linder.

Race 2

- 4** MENDED WE STAND – Appears to deserve edge if throw out last and leading rider aboard.
- 1** TAKE TIME TO DREAM – Pulled away from three-time winners and formed past of exacta last six
- 3** FROSTED DIAMOND – Retreated in route but won last try this yardage; popular at claim box.
- 5** CREATIVE COPY – Nearly rallied last to first despite early excuse and excellent 8-for-27 mark.

Race 3

- 1** DON'T POST IT – Good effort against favored New York invader and should wire these from rail.
- 2** MISS CASELLA – Major progress when adding Lasix as longshot and Arce barn has them firing.
- 4** NORHO'S GAMBLE – Distant runner-up with compact group and still maiden after 22 attempts.
- 3** AMELIORATE – Sidelined over year since fair debut at Delaware; worked "bullet" for this.

Race 4

- 6** SOLEMN OATH – Weakened after forcing pace in better field and decisive score with Lopez up.
- 4** HI HEELED WARRIOR – Eventful trip at higher level and numerous nice efforts this season.
- 2** ERIN'S ENTHUSIASM – Led throughout sprinting and handled route in past; faces pressure.
- 1** I'M GITTIN THERE – Won last pair as odds-on chalk and takes logical next step; speed inside.

Race 5

- 4** LADY ANNABELLE – Battled to final stages in quicker field; drops but remains above price paid.
- 1** ON PARADISE HILL – Faded behind top choice after taking prior pair decisively; can force pace.
- 7** CHARM OF THE SONG – Drew away from single-winners and realistic next spot for hot stable.
- 2** PERMED – Tampa shipper yet to score on main track but races cheapest ever as possibility.

Race 6

- 1** SIR ROB ROY – Walloped maidens by double-digits in confidence booster; capable of repeating.
- 3** SKULL HONOR – Wore down pacesetters after arriving from Gulfstream; claimed by Kirby barn.
- 4** OHIO JOE – Overmatched in latest but fits better this spot; lone victory sprinting in March.
- 5** COACH KNIGHT – Hampered by wide trip in tougher field and likely prefers this distance.

Race 7

3	PRACTICAL COACH – Shelved since January but hard to ignore plunge; major ability advantage
2	NUEDORF – Lacked room repeatedly when claimed from this spot; threat with clear sailing.
1	LORD WINSALOT – Often close and chased smashing winner in latest; 11 lifetime victories.
6	MY MAN WOODY – Appeared certain winner then caught late in blanket finish two weeks ago.

Race 8

5	WAX BOX – Very game when narrowly beaten in first route try; impressive debut win previously.
4	TAVERN TIME – Solid effort with capable field at Pimico after winning prior outing at Keeneland.
3	GOLDEN ICE – Perfect trip to win last and Dunn stable boasts high percentage; threat again.
7	FIRE PIT – Exits rapid turf dash at Gulfstream when adding Lasix; Preciado runners firing.

Race 9

4	ADELEKE – Proved she can beat the boys and perfect in five local outings; overcomes pressure.
6	FACTOR U AND ME IN – Vastly improved recent months and lacked room into stretch in last.
1	GRAHMALAMADINGDONG – Best effort of career when trouncing capable claimers; upset shot.
7	LIBERTY STAR – Veteran steps up seeking fourth straight with Silvera aboard; tested this spot.

Race 10

9	CRYPT – Closed with rush when just half length behind winner; back on bottom with targets.
4	BRINDISI – Even effort behind pair of favorites this level and defeated classier in past.
3	MY DEVILS CHILD – Making third start since hiatus and first race since return encouraging.
8	URNSANDCONDITIONS – Fair showing with similar and needs to put it all together for upset.