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Best Bets: AMORE D'ORO (7th) – GLOWS IN THE DARK (9th)

Race 1

- 2** POLAR MAGIC – Full-sister to 2023 Park Horse of the Year Aoife's Magic debuts with fast works.
- 7** EXTRASEXYZQTEEPEYE – Very game in improved effort when easily second best; main threat.
- 4** COPPEDGE – Sire won maiden test locally then three graded stakes; outrun in bulky field.
- 5** WINNIE MAE – Rallied nicely behind second pick in debut when ignored at 100-1 in wagering.

Race 2

- 9** MELITTLEFROSTGIRL – Excellent speed in longer test when edged by huge favorite in best yet.
- 1** SHUDABEENACOWGIRL – Battled throughout in compact field after Gallimore claim; rail speed.
- 3** HALA BLUE – Responded favorably to plunge firing on turf and dirt; closer than odds predict.
- 2** CHAMPAGNE MISCHIEF – Yet another front-runner exiting maiden score in Jersey; fits nicely.

Race 3

- 2** LOVE LIKE CRAZY – Victim of early trouble when overmatched and won prior two outings.
- 3** CHARM OF THE SONG – Sufficient ability but idle three months and serious contender if ready.
- 1** SOFSTER – Humbled by smashing winner this spot in local bow; best effort after layoff in June.
- 4** MO'S VINO MESA – Step forward against similar and won twice earlier at Tampa; upset shot.

Race 4

- 5** IT'S GAME TIME – Nine-year-old with 19 victories seen better days but should handle this kind.
- 3** ZAP MOTION – Underwent shoe repair prior to chasing smashing winner; outrun by top pick.
- 1** DOCTOR DOOM – Ages since last victory but could benefit from time off for new management.
- 2** ALLABOUTTHEMONEY – Good effort on occasion but failing to run to support recent months.

Race 5

- 3** FREEDOM ROAD – Amazing veteran with 13-for-29 mark shelved since March; 3-for-4 locally.
- 6** NORMANDY BEACH – Speedy and determined and proven he fits with these; formidable on best.
- 2** NO EASY DAYS – Narrowly beaten despite traffic trouble in stretch; nearly always fires.
- 5** TAP IN FORMATION – Overcame slow start to defeat some of these; proven bargain claim.

Race 6

- 7** RESEARCH TRIANGLE – Second to impressive Lynch barn rookie at Penn; prior loss on turf.
- 8** DRESS LIKE COCO – Used up dueling in bulky field; only prior try encouraging, moves outside.
- 1** WESAWTAYLORINPARIS – Fair showing in debut when 9-5 favorite; \$70,000 purchase this year.
- 6** ZEPHYR'S JEWEL – Newcomer from leading Maryland stable prepping over deeper surface.

Race 7

6	AMORE D'ORO – Faced solid Jersey-breds at Monmouth after crushing capable local rivals.
2	DEVIL'S CAY – Battled throughout when runner-up to stablemate this spot; case of seconditis.
3	REBEL INVASION – Pressured throughout but prevailed at Penn in just third race since layoff.
9	JACKSON ROAD – Just behind couple of these and decisive score with slightly easier prior.

Race 8

5	PONDER AND DREAM – Dueled and continued gamely in debut; winner heavily-backed shipper.
1	MISTER ME – Outran top choice in bow and moves inside as obvious threat for top stable.
7	CONNOR'S CREW – Out of dam which captured terrific 18 races primarily on Maryland circuit.
3	OUR NOTION – By leading Maryland stallion Great Notion and worked half mile "bullet" from gate

Race 9

1	GLOWS IN THE DARK – Rallied behind formidable rival in sprint; should like additional yardage.
6	UP N RUNNIN – Easily second best in sprint stake and showed route prowess in maiden romp.
5	IRISH BANBA – Edged tough field of maidens in just second race of year; can continue progress
4	RACEY RUBY – Numerous strong efforts but difficult to support off last; sheds seven pounds.

Race 10

10	HARP'S HOT CORNER – Difficult to like or dismiss plunge; great record with Sanchez aboard.
7	AHSAD – Returns to amount of August claim seeking 16 th victory in amazing 105 th attempt.
8	CATIRE VIZCAYA – Chased speedy winner in mud and possible pacesetter stretching out again.
1	MAJOR THOMAS – Wired on Penn turf when high percentage barn took; handles various footing