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Best Bets: QUASI WARRIOR (6th) – HARMONY ROAD (7th)

Race 1

- 4** PREACH IT WARRIOR – Romped when re-claimed by Kulp; remains eligible as three-year-old.
- 6** EXCLUSIVE DANCER – Responded well to drop after hiatus and needs aid of pace set-up.
- 7** RAMIEL – Forced pace when remote third for higher tag when Carlos Guerrero claimed.
- 2** MODERN ERA – Closed strongly behind smashing winner but pair of victories from 32 tries.

Race 2

- 4** KING OF FOG – Used up early when overmatched in route; prior two losses on Saratoga turf.
- 3** JOSEPH POTATO – Early excuses when runner-up this spot in compact field; should progress.
- 1** WHISKEY STONES – Soundly beaten vs. state-breds at Aqueduct; drops and gets blinkers.
- 5** LUCKY CAPO – Flashed speed again but hampered by stamina woes; Pino barn clicking at 32%.

Race 3

- 2** GOLDEN PHILLY – Speedy filly fired all five outings since hiatus and claimed from this spot.
- 5** WESTERN WOMAN – Just over one length behind top pick after layoff; sharp every local effort.
- 6** MINK STOLE – Closed big gap to win first local appearance; taking logical next step.
- 1** MISSPENT – Figures close if disregard latest; defeated top pair in prior outing for Lake.

Race 4

- 1** VIX – Rallied nicely in better field despite extremely wide trip; set pace in prior route.
- 5** UP THE KINGDOM – Lightly raced but plunges from top maiden ranks and gets blinkers.
- 6** PASSIONFORGLORY – Sharp in Penn bow; half-brother to multiple stakes winner Cinnabunny.
- 3** WARHEADED – Broke slowly behind heavy favorite in return; stablemate of top selection.

Race 5

- 5** CALISA – Rallied through traffic when second best to rapid runaway winner in best yet.
- 8** COCKTAIL HUMOR – Speedy filly led to final yards this spot as 3-5 chalk; likely one to catch.
- 9** JUDY'S FLYER – Narrowed big gap as longshot but lone victory from 15 attempts.
- 1** LERETHA – Sidelined since May but sufficient ability to pose threat if ready for DeMasi barn.

Race 6

- 3** QUASI WARRIOR – Pulled away impressively in local bow and within few feet of perfect.
- 4** GREAT LILO – Absentee showed big speed last local effort this spot; facing early pressure.
- 6** COOL MILLION – Improving gelding came again in game route score and also effective sprinting
- 2** MR PUNCTUALITY – Won last via disqualification and defeated Pa.-breds in prior outing.

Race 7

5	HARMONY ROAD –Victim of poor start at Churchill after big effort at Delaware; well-spotted.
1	DEVILS ARROW – Humbled by Penn shipper as big favorite this level; crushed maidens prior try
4	IRISH BANBA – Switches to Ness barn after rare poor showing; handled route previously.
7	UP N RUNNIN – Case of seconditis in softer company; stakes-placed here in September.

Race 8

5	HARP'S HOT CORNER – Terrific gelding with 9-for-16 local mark broke slowly when claimed.
3	I FEELUCKY TONITE – Roughed early in Claiming Crown at Churchill; back home in peak form.
2	TRICOLOUR – Ample ability but shelved since April and possibly most effective at two turns.
6	ACTION HERO – Lost momentum with apparent bad step near far turn; upset winner prior try.

Race 9

2	MAGGIE MISCHIEF – Used up setting pace in better field and won by double-digits prior effort.
7	GIRL DYNAMITE – Moves to Pino barn with numerous good tries; Florida shippers excelling.
5	CRUISE MISSILE – Takes aggressive drop for high percentage Moore barn; threat this level.
8	ALYVIA'S GIRL – Cruised past heavy favorite and claimed from four prior outings; still eligible.