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Best Bets: LET'SMAKEITADOUBLE (1st) – TIZ IT IS (6th)

Race 1

3	**LETSMAKEITADOUBLE – Improving gelding ended loss streak; logical next step for new barn.**
6	**ANDERMAN – Used up dueling solid state-breds at Belmont; strong record at Delaware.**
5	**HIGHWAY PATROL – Failed as heavy favorite this spot after capturing prior two outings.**
4	**CAP STEAK ROBBERY – Given time off after rare poor showing; numerous good efforts in past.**

Race 2

4	**YOUBETTERBEJOKING – Terrific and game gelding seeks seventh score of year from 10 tries.**
5	**HEY PORTER – Veteran stretch-runner edged by top choice; needs aid of pace set-up.**
7	**ROAN BURGUNDY – Closed big gap when half length back in blanket finish; back in route.**
6	**MASTER OF NONE – Runner-up to top pick last month after claimed by hot Penaloza barn.**

Race 3

2	**GOLDIENESS – Trounced rivals as 1-2 chalk and steps up within identical claiming tag.**
6	**I BELIEVE IN MAGIC – Hard used forcing pace in better field; romped this spot in summer.**
3	**BLOODY COLORS WAVE – Speedy filly humbled by smashing winner; shorter break a plus.**
4	**VIOLETS SMILE – Improved zip when taking drop; can rally from off pace if necessary.**

Race 4

5	**LEO'S FOO – Faltered in "key" race when Pino claimed; drops notch and improvement likely.**
7	**VINO DOMINUS – Prominent throughout when easily second best to favored winner this spot.**
3	**GOOD SAL – Set pace before weakening in stretch as odds-on chalk this spot; merits attention.**
4	**FOIL – Lightly raced but runs big race on occasion; sidelined nearly four months.**

Race 5

7	**CANUTO – Improving runner from hot Gomez barn crushed Delaware rivals with speed to spare.**
1	**TRY HARDER – Excellent form since Vega re-claimed and narrow loss this spot last month.**
8	**KUNSHAN BRIDGE – Veteran with signs of ability on N.Y. circuit; nine wins and $460,118.**
4	**ALTOBELLI – Won again after nine day's rest; local score despite jumping shadow late.**

Race 6

8	**TIZ IT IS – Big effort behind heavily-backed newcomer in debut; clear sailing from outside post.**
2	**NORTHLONDONFOREVER – Hampered by slow start and wide trip in bow; progress likely.**
5	**GLOBE RUNNER – Forced pace long way in debut at Belmont; should benefit from outing.**
7	**SORRENGAIL – Easily second best in debut filled with experienced foes; avoiding claim tag.**

Race 7	
1	**MISSY SIXTYSIX – Late advance behind streaking winner and contested pace in her favor.**
3	**PROJECT MAXIMUS – Rapid filly may have needed first outing of season; formidable last year.**
6	**ALLENHURST – Hard-hitter developed rapidly recent months; edged by rugged opponent.**
5	**CENTRE COURT CHAMP – Used up chasing rapid fractions; yet to regain 2025 form.**
Race 8	
2	**PACO THE TACO MAN – Amazing record this season with 7-for-11 mark; edge in talented field.**
1	**RED ZONE RUNNER – Set pace and resisted when collared by frequent winner; inside speed.**
3	**WICKED MELODY – Perfect with pair of decisive scores since layoff; likely tested with this kind.**
5	**PROFOUND – Terrific during summer but last couple discouraging.; awesome score in June.**
Race 9	
11	**CORN KING – Major step forward when easily second best this spot; might continue progress.**
4	**FREELY HELD – Raced sparingly but very quick and racing into peak form with “bug” aboard.**
10	**ARCH COMPETITOR – Shelved after dull try as 6-5 chalk; prior outings stamp contender.**
5	**NEXT LEVEL BEAU – Sharp despite slow start in “key” race Delaware finale; romped at Colonial.**