

Woodbine - Sunday 1st May 2022



1 6:10 PM - Race 1 - Maiden Optional Claiming

A trip down to Tampa didn't pay off for POINT TO THE STARS, but he went close on more than one occasion at this circuit last autumn and is selected on that basis. Haddassah's Devil will also appreciate the return to Woodbine, and October Frost isn't out of it either.

Top Tip: POINT TO THE STARS (4)
Watch out for: HADDASSAH'S DEVIL (3)

2 6:45 PM - Race 2 - Maiden Special Weight

GILA made an introduction full of promise when beaten a length into third at Keeneland and natural improvement may be enough to see her home in front. She does come up against some interesting opponents, not least her stablemate Red Hot Rod and \$160,000 yearling Botta Swing.

Top Tip: GILA (8)
Watch out for: RED HOT ROD (1)

3 7:20 PM - Race 3 - Maiden Optional Claiming

GIANT ONE may have finished a position adrift of Spring Mountain when fourth on his final outing at two but he did beat that rival, as well as Repeat The Heat, when runner-up prior to that. There should be little between all three, but Michael Doyle's gelding shades the verdict.

Top Tip: GIANT ONE (5)
Watch out for: SPRING MOUNTAIN (3)

4 7:54 PM - Race 4 - Optional Claiming

Giant Teddy falls into the 'could be anything' bracket at this early stage of his career, but he faces rivals proven at a good level. PERFECT CRIME held his own in stakes company prior to getting touched off in a hot allowance race and he is just preferred to J M R Best Of Turf and Galvaston.

Top Tip: PERFECT CRIME (10)
Watch out for: J M R BEST OF TURF (12)

5 8:32 PM - Race 5 - Starter Optional Claiming

Dani's Victory will appreciate the return to Woodbine after an unsuccessful Gulfstream campaign but a chance is taken on the fitness of TRANQUILITY BASE, who can now fulfil his potential. Bay Of Rum is another to consider.

Top Tip: TRANQUILITY BASE (6)
Watch out for: DANI'S VICTORY (1)

6 9:06 PM - Race 6 - Allowance Optional Claiming

This should revolve around HELIUM, who kept company of the highest order following his triumph in the Tampa Derby just over a year ago. He has been gelded during his time off and, even if not fully fit, should have too much quality for Riptide Rock and Theregoesjojo.

Top Tip: HELIUM (6)
Watch out for: RIPTIDE ROCK (9)

7 9:39 PM - Race 7 - Stakes

After winning stakes events here and at Santa Anita, ONE TIMER was thrown into the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf Sprint and although he faded after helping set the pace, he lost little in defeat and remains a high-class prospect. There are several of those in this field, though, with Doctor Jeff and Ironstone particularly dangerous.

Top Tip: ONE TIMER (2)
Watch out for: DOCTOR JEFF (8)

8 10:13 PM - Race 8 - Maiden Special Weight

HALL OF DREAMS showed considerable ability in his two races as a juvenile, and looked to have stepped forward again when just denied on his comeback at Gulfstream. He can show his appreciation for the return to Woodbine by breaking through, with Commander Joe, Enchant Me and Uncle Joe heading the list of dangers.

Top Tip: HALL OF DREAMS (3)
Watch out for: COMMANDER JOE (6)

9 10:46 PM - Race 9 - Allowance

COLLECTIVE FORCE made great strides during his first campaign and signed off from it with a fine third in a Grade 3 here. With the promise of more to come, he can make a winning comeback. Milano ran behind Gospel Way when last seen, but he did finish in front of that rival the time before and could still make up into a smart performer.

Top Tip: COLLECTIVE FORCE (1)
Watch out for: MILANO (7)

10 11:18 PM - Race 10 - Claiming

CAM WOOLLEY has only had the four competitive starts, but he has got better with each one and ended 2021 on a high by breaking his duck. He can pick up where he left off, although the likes of Incendio and Hell Bent won't make it easy for him.

Top Tip: CAM WOOLLEY (10)
Watch out for: INCENDIO (2)