



# The Professor's Picks

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## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

### RACE 1

- 6 – PERFECT SUMMER K – Hasn't been worse than second in a while
- 3 – WILLIEONTIME – Good win from a bad post last start
- 5 – RAILEEGOTAHOLDONME – A closer, will be passing foes late

### RACE 2

- 1 – TOUREG SEELSTER – Drops in class for Burke Stable debut
- 4 – MATTAMERICAN – Just missed in this level last time
- 2 – WELL OF FIRE – Makes second start on Lasix today
- 3 – WARP FACTOR THREE – All starts for Burkes have been good

### RACE 3

- 6 – MISTER OF ALL – Gate speed should put him in a good spot
- 2 – TRAK – Post hurt last time, draws inside today
- 7 – STRITCH – Also a factor in here despite the post
- 3 – MASSIVE RISK – Hasn't won in a while, don't overlook

### RACE 4

- 2 – ALL ABOUT HEAVEN – Should be stronger in second start after layoff
- 3 – WHATS HIS IS MINE – Had no chance last time from post 10
- 5 – UNCLE HAL – Ignore last start due to equipment problem
- 6 – MAJOR ACTION – Newcomer has been off 3 weeks, may need a start

### RACE 5

- 3 – WHAT A RUSH – Very risky due to breaking issues
- 2 – UNCLE LEROY – Drops in class and moves to an inside post today
- 6 – HA TAYLOR – Always a factor in this class
- 8 – UBER DOOBER DO – Moves to the worst post this week

### RACE 6

- 3 – CARIBBEAN BEACH – Just got caught late in local debut
- 6 – UNCLE COZ – 1-for-1 since claim, can repeat
- 1 – CRANKIN IT UP – Big switch to inside post this week
- 7 – SUPERFICIAL – Moves to claimer this week after a win in Canada

### RACE 7

- 4 – PENNIMAN – Better post this week should make the difference
- 3 – SANTINI – Newcomer take a big class drop today
- 8 – NOBLE PRIZE – Post hurts, but has the gate speed to overcome it
- 6 – RENTIER – Showed some speed after early break in local debut

### HORSES TO WATCH

*Presented by the Professor's colleague, "THE CAPPER"*

- **Late Night Delight** – Hopelessly blocked in the late stages on 12/11
- **Gold Shooter** – Ohioan was steadied past 3/8ths
- **Manolito Montoya** – Late burst from well back and wide on 12/15
- **Always A Z Tam** – Holiday Series longshot pick
- **Mimosa Party** – Good late charge from far back on 12/18
- **Well Of Life** – Class drop puts him in the hunt
- **Latest Desire** – Last not indicative of his ability; play back
- **Believeinthepirit** – Fast finish while well out on the track

\*\*Please note...selections are made prior to scratch time. Numbers may change due to early scratches. Verify the horse name matches program #

**RACE 8**

- 2 – VENIER HANOVER – Good win last time, can repeat
- 3 – SIN CITY BOOGIE – Won last start in similar company
- 1 – MYKONOS – Big late rally from a bad post last time

**RACE 9**

- 6 – STARHIMUP – Always flying late, just needs quick fractions up front
- 2 – CRONOS – Takes a big class drop from last local start
- 7 – FOUR CARD MAJOR – Finished 4<sup>th</sup> in higher level last week
- 8 – HUDSONANDBERNARD – Gets the worst post, but is down in class today

**RACE 10**

- 2 – EAGLE FORD – Both starts in this class have been good
- 7 – SKULL OF ROSES – Trip wasn't the best last week
- 9 – FINAL JUSTICE – Joins another new barn this week
- 3 – PURDY SAM – Debuts for new barn today, after July claim

**RACE 11**

- 4 – SCHNICKEL FRITZ – Always a factor, proven winner in this level
- 1 – GYPSYROSE DE VIE – Raced well in return from layoff last time
- 5 – EIFFEL HANOVER – Ignore last start due to post and break
- 7 – MILLVILLE ROAD – A closer, needs others to set fast fractions

**RACE 12**

- 2 – BONFIRE BLISS – Has won 2 in a row in this class
- 6 – DANCE LIFE WELL – Won last week, has been hot and cold lately
- 1 – COLOSSAL – Moves to inside post today
- 3 – IT'S A DEW THING – Off 3 weeks due to scratch, may need a start
- 10 – SMOKE UP JOHNNY – Qualified well after taking a month off

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