

TRACK PHANTOM

2021 BREEDERS' CUP GUIDE



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**RACE 1 .50 P5 \$378**

6th 2,3,4,6,7,11
 7th 3,4,5,6,7,8,10
 8th 9
 9th 1,2,5,6,8,9
 10th 1,2,10

RACE 5 \$1 P6 \$336

5th 1,2,10,11
 6th 4,6,7,8,9,10,11
 7th 6
 8th 1,13
 9th 1,10
 10th 1,2,10

RACE 6 .50 P5 \$420

6th 4,6,7,8,9,10,11
 7th 6
 8th 1,3,6,13
 9th 5,8,9,10,12
 10th 1,2,4,7,8,14

BEST BET**#9 VIVACIOUS VANESSA (3RD)****LONGSHOT****#13 MISS EN SCENE (8TH)****LIKELY****#6 ECHO ZULU (7TH)****TRACK PHANTOM ANALYSIS**

DEL MAR RACE 1 (11:55 PT) 51
 OPT CLM 100K, 6F DIRT

3 SILVER MOON ROAD 6-1 GAFFALIONE
 4 TRIPLE TAP 5-2 PRAT
 6 NOTRE DAME 8-1 CEDILLO
 11 SUMO 5-1 VELAZQUEZ

PICK: 3 SILVER MOON ROAD**VALUE: 6 NOTRE DAME**

A) 3,4 B) 2,6,7,11 C) 1,5,8,9,10

DEL MAR RACE 2 (12:25 PT) 56
 QATAR GOLD MILE 150K, 1M TURF

3 DEGREE OF RISK 4-1 PRAT
 8 READY TO PURRFORM 5-2 ROSARIO
 7 BIRTH OF COOL 12-1 DETTORI
 4 OPTIMISING 5-1 VELAZQUEZ

PICK: 3 DEGREE OF RISK**VALUE: 7 BIRTH OF COOL**

A) 3,8 B) 4,5,6,7 C) 1,2,9,10

DEL MAR RACE 3 (12:55 PT) 86
 GOLDEN STATE JUVENILE FILLIES 175K, 7F DIRT

9 VIVACIOUS VANESSA 4-1 HERNANDEZ
 2 BOLD CHOICE 6-1 ESPINOZA
 3 BIG NOVEL 3-1 BRAVO
 4 IT'S SIMPLE 5-1 GUTIERREZ

PICK: 9 VIVACIOUS VANESSA

Took significant action in the debut despite this trainer, Gary Mandella, coming in with a 0 for 18 record with a first timer (and just 4 in the money). She was far behind early and stunted for room in early stretch. She exploded (then geared down in late stages). Sib to a 500k dirt earner. A big future.

VALUE: 2 BOLD CHOICE

Connections felt she was good enough to go into stakes in her debut. Despite going off at over 51-1 she rallied while wide to split the field there. She got away poorly in the maiden start last out as a 5-2 second choice but came with another strong run for second to Big Novel. Superb 3 set worktab.

A) 9 B) 2,3,4,5 C) 1,6,7,8,10

DEL MAR RACE 4 (1:30 PT) 47
 SENATOR KEN MADDY 200K, 5F TURF

8 SUPERSTITION 3-1 PRAT
 9 AMBASSADOR LUNA 6-1 SAEZ
 1 HEAR MY PRAYER 4-1 HERNANDEZ
 2 A G INDY 5-1 RISPOLI

PICK: 8 SUPERSTITION

4YO filly for Richard Mandella is 3 for 3 on the Del Mar turf (all coming at this 5F distance and all w/ Prat aboard). Can excuse the 4th place finish last time out as the Kentucky Downs course is quirky and not all horses take to it. Sold for 850k in 2018 at KEE. Can press the pace or come with a late run.

VALUE: 9 AMBASSADOR LUNA

Nearly pulled off a 62-1 shocker at Keeneland last time out for Ben Colebrook. She set the pace on a soft turf course and hung in to the final stages in the first start for these connections. Looks to be a lot of speed in here and she could get a perfect trip from off the pace. Ran well sans Lasix last out.

A) 8 B) 1,2,5,6,9 C) 3,4,7,10

<p>DEL MAR RACE 5 (2:05 PT) 74 GOLDEN STATE JUVENILE 175K, 7F DIRT</p> <p>12 FINNEUS 4-1 ROSARIO 1 JOKER BOY 7-2 VELAZQUEZ 10 MOOSE MITCHELL 6-1 HERRERA 11 SLOW DOWN ANDY 5-1 GUTIERREZ</p> <p>PICK: 12 FINNEUS Trainer Walter Solis rarely has a horse ready for the debut but this one ran well first out at SA in a key maiden race. Not surprisingly, this one then improved race over race and faced open class G1 and G2 company. Runner-up in a G1 two back at 38-1 despite being rank. Was 200k purchase in '20.</p> <p>VALUE: 10 MOOSE MITCHELL He's been a consistent runner vs. a few entered in here. Stumbled two back but came running on late for second to Slow Down Andy. Was much the best at Santa Anita in last. That effort is why he's entered in here today. He's best sitting back off a fast pace and closing late. Exotics add in this one.</p> <p>A) 1,12 B) 10,11 C) 2,3,4,5,8</p>	<p>DEL MAR RACE 6 (2:50 PT) 48 BC JUVENILE TURF SPRINT (G2) \$1M, 5F TURF</p> <p>6 TWILIGHT GLEAMING 4-1 ORTIZ 8 AVERLY JANE 5-2 GAFFALIONE 7 ARMOR 6-1 MOORE 4 VERTIGINOUS 20-1 CASTELLANO</p> <p>PICK: 6 TWILIGHT GLEAMING Wesley Ward filly crushed maiden foes at 3-5 first time on the turf back in May. Ward brought her to Royal Ascot where she was runner-up (beating 19 foes) in the G2 Queen Mary. It appeared she didn't change leads and was outrun late. Ward won this race the last 2 years as the big favorites in each).</p> <p>VALUE: 7 ARMOR 2YO from a top Euro conditioner Richard Hannon has faced G1, G2 company in three straight races. He was steadied at the start in the Middle Park in the last start and was blocked for room for some late running. 5th won a G3 next. Sire won the G1 Prix Morny and ran 2nd in the BC Turf Sprint in '14.</p> <p>A) 4,6,7,8 B) 9,10,11 C) 1,2,3,5,12</p>	<p>DEL MAR RACE 7 (3:30 PT) 82 BC JUVENILE FILLIES (G1) \$2M, 1M 1/16 DIRT</p> <p>6 ECHO ZULU 4-5 ROSARIO 4 TARABI 12-1 CASTELLANO 2 HIDDEN CONNECTION 5-2 GUTIERREZ 5 JUJU'S MAP 5-2 GEROUX</p> <p>PICK: 6 ECHO ZULU Favorites have dominated this race more than any other BC race (18 for 37, 49%). This filly has looked awfully good in all 3 starts in New York. 13 winners of this have exited the G1 Frizette at Belmont (as this one does). Has the best speed, gets a perfect attack post in the small field and should be gone.</p> <p>VALUE: 4 TARABI Sharp 7-1 win in the debut ELP where she was out of the inside post, stalked the pace and drew off in the lane. Also drew the rail in the G1 Spinaway last out and hammered the rail, ducking hard to the inside before rallying for 2nd. Family includes 500k 10x route winner Moore's Flat. Excellent works.</p> <p>A) 6 B) 2,4,5 C) 1,3</p>
<p>DEL MAR RACE 8 (4:10 PT) 77 BC JUVENILE FILLIES TURF (G1) \$1M, 1M TURF</p> <p>13 MISS EN SCENE 6-1 MURPHY 1 PIZZA BIANCA 5-1 ORTIZ 6 HELLO YOU 10-1 VELAZQUEZ 12 MALAVATH 8-1 MOORE</p> <p>PICK: 13 MISS EN SCENE Euro shipper is coming in off a 4th place finish in the Group 1 Fillies Mile at Newmarket. She closed well after getting hung up behind runners early in the final two furlongs. The winner is a Gosden undefeated runner. Female family includes a 3x Group 1 (\$2M grass earner) Pride. Furious late run.</p> <p>VALUE: 1 PIZZA BIANCA Showed good late energy in both starts and was a winner going longer than this distance in her first start (not easy to do especially at Saratoga). Dam is a half to 2011 Group 1 Epsom Derby winner, Pour Moi (won \$1.3M on the grass in Europe) and 500k G1 placed turfer Gagnoa. Will get pace to run into.</p> <p>A) 13 B) 1,3,6,7,11,12 C) 2,4,5,8,9,10,14</p>	<p>DEL MAR RACE 9 (3:30 PT) 72 BC JUVENILE (G1) \$2M, 1M 1/16 DIRT</p> <p>10 COMMANDPERFORM 5-1 ORTIZ 12 CORNICHE 5-2 SMITH 5 DOUBLE THUNDER 20-1 PRAT 9 PINEHURST 8-1 VELAZQUEZ</p> <p>PICK: 10 COMMANDPERFORMANCE Ran 2nd to Jack Christopher in the Champagne at Belmont in last. He got a bit better pace set-up with the fractions so fast and he closing from 5th out of 6 runners. Bred to go long and makes third start in a form cycle. Pletcher colt is bred to want the added ground. It was 7 back to third last time.</p> <p>VALUE: 5 DOUBLE THUNDER Winner of 3 of his 5 starts for Todd Pletcher. Was a fast closing runner-up in the G1 Breeders' Fut in the last start at KEE. Blinkers on for the first time in here. Pletcher is 1 for 4 with 3 in the money w/ first time blinkers on a 2YO in graded stakes. He should be one of the fastest closers in deep stretch.</p> <p>A) 10,12 B) 5,8,9 C) 3,4,6,7,11</p>	<p>DEL MAR RACE 10 (5:30 PT) 63 BC JUVENILE TURF (G1) \$1M, 1M TURF</p> <p>4 TIZ THE BOMB 8-1 HERNANDEZ 14 DUBAWI LEGEND 4-1 DOYLE 1 MODERN GAMES 5-1 BUICK 2 ALBAHR 6-1 DETTORI</p> <p>PICK: 4 TIZ THE BOMB Female family of Weekend Surprise, broodmare of the year for producing A. P. Indy and Summer Squall. Winner of three straight and both starts on the turf. 7th, 8th, 9th from the start two back won in next starts. Rallied well while wide to win the G2 KEE Bourbon. Two strong works prepping for this.</p> <p>VALUE: 2 ALBAHR Trainer Charles Appleby has had a huge year here in the US. He's won 6 of 15 and been 1st or 2nd in 9 of those starts. One of the winners was with this gelding who took the G1 Summer at W.O. He didn't break well but was clearly best late. Notice 2nd in the stakes 2 back was 6 clear of the rest of the field.</p> <p>A) 1,2,4,14 B) 3,6,7,8,9,10 C) 5,11,12,13</p>