

KENTUCKY DOWNS



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Pick 5 - Ticket Cost \$420	Pick 5 - Ticket Cost \$336	Pick 5 - Ticket Cost \$294	Pick 4 - Ticket Cost \$294	BEST BET 10 KURITA'S FOLLY (12/1) RACE 8
Race 1 1,2,5,7,8,9,11	Race 4 1,3,4,6,7,9	Race 7 4,8	Race 8 1,4,5,9,10,11	LIVE LONGSHOT 7 ADMIRAL'S OFFICER (10/1) RACE 7
Race 2 2,6,8,9	Race 5 2,4,5,6,7,8,9	Race 8 5,10,11	Race 9 1,3,5,6,7,8,12	MOST LIKELY 1 LAGYNOS (9/5) RACE 10
Race 3 5,6	Race 6 2,6,7,9	Race 9 1,3,5,6,7,8,12	Race 10 1,2	
Race 4 1,3,6,7,9	Race 7 4,8	Race 10 1,2	Race 11 1,2,5,7,8,11,12	
Race 5 2,5,8	Race 8 5,10	Race 11 1,2,5,7,8,11,12		

1 - KENTUCKY DOWNS (1:55 ET) 27 MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 170K, 1M TURF 9-1

8 DOLLY PARTIME 15-1 (out)
11 JAZZ QUEEN 4-1
9 NU WHY ME 8-1
13 DAZZLING 10-1

PICK: 8 DOLLY PARTIME

Second dam is a sib to the 2010 Ky Derby winner, Super Saver. Two other sibs to the second dam won over 400k as well. Trainer is 9% with a first timer but moves up to 18% with a second timer routing on the turf. Debut at 7F on the dirt at ELP means very little in this context at a route on the turf. High percentage rider is aboard here.

VALUE: 9 NU WHY ME

Nothing wrong with the debut at ELP. That came in a 5.5F sprint on the turf and this one closed some ground in the late stages to get fourth out of eleven entered in the race. Trainer has nearly a 20% hit rate with those in the second career start. Took serious money in debut when off at about 5-1. Should improve second time out.

A) 8,9,11 B) 1,2,5,13 C) 3,6,10 D) 4,12

2 - KENTUCKY DOWNS (2:31 ET) 35 MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 170K, 1M 1/16 TURF 5-1

6 OLLIE LUKE OUT 7-2 (3)
9 GRAND PREMIERE 9-2
2 TEND TO YOU 5-2
8 DON'S WINNER 6-1

PICK: 6 OLLIE LUKE OUT

Richard Dutrow has had a sneaky good year with a 22% win rate. This one comes out of a key race in which he was beaten just a length. Second won a MSW at DMR in the next start. Fifth won a MSW at SAR next (81 Beyer). 8th won a mdn clm 85k at SAR next. Seems pretty steady at this level. Should be closing strongly late in this one.

VALUE: 9 GRAND PREMIERE

First two starts he was unlucky to lose both in a photo on the synthetic surface in Ireland. He did beat 19 foes in those two starts. Awful action out of the gate in the race two back at CD. He then had no room in the later stages. Slow start and wide in last. Adds blinkers. The female family includes champion mare Personal Ensign.

A) 6,9 B) 2,8 C) 4,5 D) 7

3 - KENTUCKY DOWNS (3:09 ET) 45 OPT CLM 185K, 1M 1/2 TURF 4-1

6 CAVIAR BREAKFAST 9-2 (out)
5 NATIONAL ARCHIVE 3-1
1 AGIA MARINA 7-2
8 MALIBU SMART 5-2

PICK: 6 CAVIAR BREAKFAST

Ken McPeck filly was beaten a neck last time out at CNL at nearly 4-1 (87 Beyer). Third from that race won the G3 Wya here on Friday at 7-2 odds. The winner was a decent runner-up at MTH in a 100k stakes next with an 85 Beyer. She has some tactical speed to keep close in the early going. She could end up with a great trip here.

VALUE: 5 NATIONAL ARCHIVE

NY-bred for Miguel Clement. She was 4th beaten about two lengths last time out. The pace was pretty slow for that race even at the distance of 1M 3/8. Runner-up out of that race came back to win a 100k stakes at Del Mar (84 Beyer). 7th beaten 10 returned to run third in an opt clm 55k on dirt at 7-1. Clement 7 for 10 in money at KD.

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

4 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (3:45 ET) 47
ALLOWANCE 250K, 6.5F TURF 5-2

7 HILLBILLY KOBE 10-1 (out)
9 HOW'S ALL TODAY 7-2
 6 RYBA 15-1
 3 MAKING IT RAIN 15-1

PICK: 7 HILLBILLY KOBE

Mark Casse is 3 for 9 (33%) with 7 in the money in MSW turf sprints with a debut runner here at KD. He's 2 for 5 (40%) since 2022 with all 5 in the money at odds of 4-1, 6-1, 11-1, 13-1, 14-1. Sire Candy Ride is an excellent sire overall and gets top class turf runners. Second dam a multiple stakes winner. Note the 8/14 drill (2nd of 100).

VALUE: 6 RYBA

Another first time starter with Candy Ride in the blood. Sire was 2 for 2 in the turf having won the 2010 Del Mar Derby and Oceanside both at Del Mar. He gets 15% with turf sprinters. His offspring include \$3M earner (all on the turf sprinting) AG Bullet. Trainer 11% with debut on turf sprinting (41% in the money). Check on the betting.

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

5 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (4:22 ET) 36
ALLOWANCE 250K, 6.5F TURF 9-2

5 CARDIO CAT 9-2 (3)
8 DUTY BOUND 8-1
 2 VELVET BERETTA 20-1
 4 STORMED OFF 12-1

PICK: 5 CARDIO CAT

Sold for just 15k last Sep so she has been a bargain. She won 115k so far and this will be her first start on the turf in this spot. Think she might prefer to get off the rail as she's had it in the last two. Second dam on the female side was 2nd in the BC Juv Fillies Turf and then won 3 of 6 sprinting on the grass. Key race two back. Nice price.

VALUE: 8 DUTY BOUND

She's run just once and she won as the 5-2 favorite in a MSW at Colonial Downs. Runner-up out of there came back to run third against similar at the same track two weeks ago. New sire has had 8 starters sprinting on turf so far and won 3 of them (37%). Dam was a 4-time G1 winner and earner of \$1.2M. Likely improves in this one.

A) 2,5,8 B) 4,9 C) 1,3,6,7,10 D) 12

6 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (4:57 ET) 44
JUVENILE SPRINT 750K, 6.5F TURF 5-1

7 ADMIRAL'S OFFICER 8-1 (out)
 9 WAGGLEY 5-2
 2 GOOD TO BE KING 5-1
5 MID AMERICAN 20-1

PICK: 7 ADMIRAL'S OFFICER

Ben Colebrook has won 4 of 12 (33%) here in the last 2 years. His last starter on this turf won the \$1M Juvenile Mile. Debut was solid. It was scheduled for the turf but came off to the dirt due to heavy rain. He took control early and was strong late at 5-1. Third from there won a MSW at Del Mar next. 2nd dam a 7-time winner on turf.

VALUE: 2 GOOD TO BE KING

He's run pretty well in all 3 turf starts. Got off a bit slow in the debut sprinting at CD but made up good ground late at 17-1 odds. Stretched out and won in the second start. Outran his nearly 13-1 odds in the 200k at ELP in the last start which was the first with this rider. Bred for turf on the sire side. Should be closing well in the lane.

A) 7,9 B) 2,3,6,8,11 C) 1,4,5 D) 10,12

7 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (5:40 ET) 73
LADIES TURF (G1) \$1.8M, 6.5F TURF 5-1

4 AG BULLET 8-5 (out)
 8 SAYIDAH DARIYAN 9-2
9 IN OUR TIME 6-1
 2 LOVE CERVERE 30-1

PICK: 4 AG BULLET

Superstar turfer has won this race in the last two years. She is 2 for 2 here for over \$2M. Beat the boys in the G1 Jaipur a year ago and nearly pulled off that feat again this year. Her record would be better if not for a bunch of trouble trips. New rider Geroux is aboard for the first time. Has been pointed to this race. Runs well off layoff.

VALUE: 8 SAYIDAH DARIYAN

Euros do better in the US at the route distance but this track is a bit quirky and plays more like a Euro course. This one won a Group 3 at York and nibbled in Group 1 company since. Beat half the field when 9th in the QEII Jubilee two back. Possibly a career best when beaten a neck in last. Carried 134, 132, 136 in some of her races.

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

8 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (6:15 ET) 66
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 170K, 1M TURF 10-1

10 KURITA'S FOLLY 12-1 (2)
 5 PATRIOTS QUEST 7-2
 11 SEMINAL 5-1
 9 SILVER JEWEL 6-1

PICK: 10 KURITA'S FOLLY

Sneaky-good trainer has won 3 of her last 5 starts (last of such was on Friday at Saratoga routing on the grass in a MSW for this ownership). Drew the 12 post in that debut but was pretty strong late when 4th passing them in the stretch. 2nd dam is a sib to the \$2.5M turf earner Magician (won the 2013 G1 BC Turf). Will move forward.

VALUE: 11 SEMINAL

Brad Cox colt makes his second career start. Drew the rail in the debut. He was rushed up to hold the inside but tired quickly. Has much turf in the pedigree. Went for 330k back in March so there are expectations. Cox has won 21% here at KD and he won 4 of his last 5 here in MSW company. Have to think he's better than debut.

A) 5,10 B) 1,4,9,11 C) 6,12,13 D) 2,3,7,8

9 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (6:52 ET) 32
ALLOWANCE 180K, 7F TURF 20-1

6 REPENTLESS 6-1 (3)
 7 BLUEGRASS TOWN 8-1
 12 SHERIFF BART 5-1
 8 UNITAS 6-1

PICK: 6 REPENTLESS

He's back to the scene of the crime. He won at 25-1 over this grass course in the debut in a very good run at the same distance. Tired in the Bourbon and again when he tried the dirt in last. Major medication add with the addition of Lasix. Rider is nearing 200 wins on the year. Bullet 4F move (best of 38) at TP 9 days ago. Good price.

VALUE: 7 BLUEGRASS TOWN

He would have been in the money in the last start if not for traffic late in the race. That was his first start of 2026 so it's likely he needed the race. 2nd dam was a superb runner in her day (G1 winner and 8 times on the board in G1 races). Trainer Walsh is a decent 16% running on this turf course. Reportedly worked well in last tuneup.

A) 6,7,8,12 B) 1,3,5 C) 10 D) 2,4,11

10 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (7:25 ET) 79
HANDICAP 500K, 1M TURF 6-1

1 LAGYNOS	9-5 (out)
2 CHASING THE CROWN	6-1
12 HIDING IN HONDURAS	12-1
13 SILENT HEART	10-1

PICK: 1 LAGYNOS

Quite the consistent type. He's won 10 of 29 for \$2.7M so far in his career. He's 2 for 4 on this turf. He has won 5 of his last 6 with his only loss in the G1 4Stardave last time out. Won his debut on this turf from the rail. He'll have to break well to hold the inside. Should be in the right spot early tracking the pace. Clearly the one to beat.

VALUE: 2 CHASING THE CROWN

Beaten by the top choice 3 straight races but only by a nose two back at CD. Last was on a good turf course in a race it appeared he didn't care for the ground. Took this very race last year with a 100 Beyer fig. He's 4 for 10 at the distance (9 of the 10 in the money). Comes in from off the pace. Won this off a layoff last year, as well.

A) 1,2 B) 3,12,13 C) 4,5,10 D) 6

10 – DEL MAR (9:43 ET) 81
DEL MAR HANDICAP (G2) 300K, 1M 3/8 TURF 5-2

2 TEST SCORE	3-1 (1)
4 GOLD PHOENIX	5-2
9 OLD PAL	12-1
10 FLASHIEST	12-1

PICK: 2 TEST SCORE

Undefeated 3 for 3 on the dirt and all 3 wins were very impressive over strong competition. She stumbled out of the gate in the G1 Test over this track but somehow righted the ship and won. Much the best in the return race last out in what was surely a prep for later races in 2026. Really looked awesome in the bullet work on 8/11.

VALUE: 9 OLD PAL

Deep closer was a game runner-up in the Cal Dreamin for Cal-breds last out. That was his first start of 2026 so he likely needed the race. He's only started 4 times in the last two years so he's bound to move forward. May get the pace to set up his late run. Rosario riding as good as anyone right now. One of many that can win this one.

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

11 – KENTUCKY DOWNS (7:55 ET) 40
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 170K, 6.5F TURF 12-1

1 REFLECTION	15-1 (out)
8 CANDY ILLUSION	5-1
7 OLYMPIC BELLE	9-2
2 LIFE'S MYSTERY	8-1

PICK: 1 REFLECTION

The female line is full of turf runners. Dam won in her debut at Del Mar in a MSW in 2017 on the turf and she was stakes placed in her second start. Both sibs were turf runners. Don't normally associate the sire with turf but he did have a Saratoga stakes winner sprinting on the turf on Thu. Trainer 33% in debut sprinting on turf.

VALUE: 8 CANDY ILLUSION

Doug O'Neill is average with debut runners (14%) and he is hit or miss in debut on the grass. But this one has a ton of turf in the pedigree. She cost 600k earlier this year. O'Neill kept her in Kentucky with an eye on debut in this rich Ky Downs MSW. This works are excellent on the dirt. Has the resume to be good. Check the betting.

A) 1,7,8 B) 2,5,11,12 C) 9,10 D) 4

9 – DEL MAR (9:11 ET) 73
PAT O'BRIEN (G2) 250K, 7F DIRT 8-1

2 DR. VENKMAN	6-1 (out)
6 IRON MAN CAL	8-1
1 STRONGHOLD	6-1
8 BIG CITY LIMITS	7-2

PICK: 2 DR. VENKMAN

It was only 3 starts ago that this 6YO gelding was third in the G1 BC Sprint at 40-1. He did not handle the very sloppy track two back at CD. Middling run last time in the G1 Bing Crosby. Won this race last year off a similar run in the Crosby. Third start off the layoff. Could move forward at a fair price. Love that 58.3 bullet drill on 8/15.

VALUE: 6 IRON MAN CAL

This one has never sprinted on the dirt. In fact, he has just one dirt race (last out third in the G2 San Diego at a route) and has just one sprint start (turf in the debut). He will sit off the pace on the cutback. He should get a pace to run into. He's G1 placed on the grass so there is some talent. Maybe he just prefers sprinting on the dirt.

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

