

BEST BETS



SARATOGA	SARATOGA	CC PICK 5	CC PICK 5	KEY HORSES
Pick 5 - Ticket Cost \$360	Pick 4 - Ticket Cost \$360	Pick 5 - Ticket Cost \$150	Pick 5 - Ticket Cost \$420	BEST BET 4 GREEN CARRERA (7/2) DMR RACE 9
Race 8 1,4,6,9,11,12	Race 9 3,4,5,6,9,10	SAR 10 1,2,3,4,5,6	SAR 10 1,2,3,5,6,7,8	LIVE LONGSHOT 3 MAN O ROSE (5/1) DMR RACE 5
Race 9 3,4,5,6,9,10	Race 10 1,2,3,5,6	SAR 11 6	SAR 11 6	MOST LIKELY 6 COUNTING STARS (1/2) SAR RACE 11
Race 10 1,2,3,5,6	Race 11 2,3,4,6	DMR 5 3,5,6,8,9	DMR 5 3,5,6,7,8,9,10	
Race 11 6	Race 12 1,3,4,5,6,8	DMR 9 4,9	DMR 9 3,4,6,9,10	
Race 12 1,4,6,8		DMR 10 3,6,7,9,11	DMR 10 3,9,11	

8 – SARATOGA (4:51 ET) 47 ALLOWANCE 105K, 5.5F TURF \$10.96

11 TUTHILLTOWN	4-1
8 DANCINGWITHDESTINY	6-1
9 MARIA CALLAS	5-1
6 FAIRY GODMOTHER	6-1

PICK: 11 TUTHILLTOWN

She's been in the money in 6 of 7 career starts. She hasn't run a bad race on the turf. She won 1 of 3 starts on the grass and the other two were runner-up finishes when she was a fast closing mover late. Dylan Davis got up in the last start and she really came flying late. She will have to overcome a wide post but should get a good setup. Pace will be quick.

VALUE: 8 DANCINGWITHDESTINY

For a race of this distance there isn't really a lot of speed in here. This one has excellent early speed and will be either controlling the pace or pressing the top choice. Runner-up two back behind one that returned to win twice on this turf course. Normally lower percentage trainer has had a decent year in 2026 (13%). Think race flow is in her favor in this one.

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

9 – SARATOGA (5:29 ET) 66 ALLOWANCE 120K, 1M DIRT \$4.16

5 STIMULATE	5-2
4 FREDDIE B	6-1
3 COCKTAILSNKRINGLE	15-1
9 PLAYS DEL MAR	4-1

PICK: 5 STIMULATE

Bill Mott charge won a key MSW race. That was a loaded one with class top to bottom. It has been validated as all 3 who have run back from that race won (3rd won a MSW here next and 4th and 9th took mdn clm 85k races. The dam won over \$2.6M for Mott. She was a multiple G1 winner going a longer distance on the dirt. He has 3 works here since last time out.

VALUE: 4 FREDDIE B

Upset winner at 19-1 at GP in the debut. Despite that sharp win he was left alone at 10-1 in the small field last out but rallied for third. The winner came back to win again for the 3rd straight time on Friday for supertrainer Steven Schauer. He has very strong works for Ken McPeck (3 of them) since the last start. Figures to come with a late run in here again.

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

10 – SARATOGA (5:29 ET) 73 BALLSTON SPA (G2) 300K, 1M 1/16 TURF \$14.62

6 SEGESTA	7-5
5 AND ONE MORE TIME	3-1
3 DEEP SATIN	5-1
2 SUNLIT UPLANDS	10-1

PICK: 6 SEGESTA

Chad Brown is an 8-time winner (all in the last 14 years). He won this in '21 with Viadera for the Juddmonte ownership. This 5YO mare has won \$1.6M and has been in straight G1's in the last 5 starts. She won two of them and in the money in all 5 of those G1's. Prat rode her in both wins. Has speed but can also finish. Clearly looks the class of this nice group.

VALUE: 3 DEEP SATIN

High percentage team of DeVaux and Jose Ortiz. She has a big late closing kick and has nibbled in G1 company. She's been beaten by the top choice 3 times but twice it was very close in the end. She's won 3 races in her career and 2 came on this turf course. Might have finished higher than 4th two back if not for being steadied late. Was 2nd in this last year.

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

11 – SARATOGA (6:42 ET) 88
ALABAMA (G1) 600K, 1M 1/4 DIRT **\$8.74**

6 COUNTING STARS	1-2
3 MEASURE	6-1
4 MY GUN'S LOADED	3-1
2 ATI GIRL	10-1

PICK: 6 COUNTING STARS

Nothing is a sure thing but this really feels like a step down in competition from what she has been facing. She won 3 of her last 4 and her only loss was in a hidden troubled trip in the G1 Ky Oaks. She turned the tables on the Oaks winner twice in the Acorn and CCA Oaks. Class of the field is also the speed. Would take something unforeseen for her to lose.

VALUE: 3 MEASURE

She rewarded the confidence the connections had in placing her in the G1 CCA Oaks last out. She gamely held third as a 26-1 shot behind the two big favorites. Has a chance to do the same thing here. Big rider addition in Prat. Likely sits in a spot behind the speed and tries to pick off some of these in the lane. Longer priced of the two Mark Casse fillies here.

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

5 – DEL MAR (7:00 ET) 66
GREEN FLASH (G2) 100K, 5F TURF **\$16.00**

3 MAN O ROSE	5-1
9 SORRENTO SKY	8-1
6 MOTORIOUS	5-2
5 SUMTER	4-1

PICK: 3 MAN O ROSE

It's pretty obvious that the rail runner will try to clear off in here as the controlling speed from the inside. However, he has been quitting in deep stretch. This one has enough gas to get right behind that one. This Cal-bred has 12 wins in 20 career starts (4 for 10 on turf). Love the works both in terms of speed and spacing. This one took stakes twice off layoffs.

VALUE: 9 SORRENTO SKY

He was just getting going late in the opt clm race last time out. He was finishing best when third behind two of the foes in here. Likely needed the race and should move forward in this spot. He's 6 for 7 in the money at the distance. He won here at Del Mar at 5F on the turf in 2024. Tracks from off the pace and closes wide with excellent finishing rider, Rispoli.

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

12 – SARATOGA (7:16 ET) 47
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT 115K, 1M 3/16 TURF **\$30.26**

1 STAND THE RAIN	9-2
4 FANGO CREEK	4-1
8 OSMOSIS	9-2
6 MARY LOIS	7-2

PICK: 1 STAND THE RAIN

She's only been on the turf twice. She was 20-1 from the 12 post three back and was probably best but was steadied in there and then blocked late when finishing 5th beaten just over a length. Ran evenly in the last start when 3rd beaten a length. Massive rider change to Jose Ortiz from the others who have been aboard. Think she comes back running here.

VALUE: 4 FANGO CREEK

It's very difficult to figure out how the early pace will shake out. There are no confirmed front runners. However, this is one that could be forward with an aggressive speed jockey in Luis Saez. The regular rider Alvarado is at Del Mar for the stakes card there which is the reason for the change. 2nd in the last start crushed in a MSW on the turf here 3 weeks ago.

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

9 – DEL MAR (9:00 ET) 75
DEL MAR OAKS (G1) \$300K, 1M 1/8 TURF **\$7.40**

4 GREEN CARRERA	7-2
9 KENSINGTON LANE	3-1
3 TAM TAM	4-1
10 RAIDING PARTY	4-1

PICK: 4 GREEN CARRERA

She earned the biggest Timeform number overseas in that 8-1 win in the 30 horse Sandringham (158k) stakes 2 starts ago. The only two times she missed the exacta were on wet or soft turf (debut and third start). Second from that event won a Group 3 next. Winner of last has won 5 of 10 starts in her career. Tends to come running late. Rispoli fits her well.

VALUE: 3 TAM TAM

She was an expensive purchase (just short of \$1M) back in 2024. Second dam is Folklore, the D Wayne Lukas filly who won the G1 Matron by 14 lengths and then the G1 BC Juv Fillies back in 2005. Winner of the Regret returned to run 2nd in back to back rich stakes at Saratoga (Belmont Oaks-G1 and Saratoga Oaks-G2 by a head). Draws well. Gets the trip.

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

10 – DEL MAR (9:30 ET) 85
PACIFIC CLASSIC (G1) \$1M, 1M 1/4 DIRT **\$4.20**

11 KNIGHTSBRIDGE	5-2
3 FINGER	8-1
9 NAVAJO WARRIOR	8-1
7 HIT SHOW	6-1

PICK: 11 KNIGHTSBRIDGE

It's awful hard to get around this one. His last 4 route races have produced 3 wins and a runner-up to Nysos (who many felt was the best horse in training before he was retired). 5 of his last 6 races have produced Beyer figs of 102 or higher. It was highlighted by a 122 last out in an incredible effort. He's 5 for 7 with blinkers on. It's not like he beat nothing at MTH in last. The runner-up was undefeated 4 for 4 and third has won \$6M. The only question is the ship in and wide post.

2ND: 3 FINGER

Japanese 3YO colt by Gun Runner. He's 8 for 8 in the top two in Japan and comes in having won the first two legs of the Japanese Triple Crown. They skipped the third leg to come here in hopes that a strong effort will lead them to the G1 Breeders' Cup Classic. The question with these runners has always been to gauge what they faced. He did beat 95 foes in 8 starts there. Has tactical speed and that should allow a good spot. His dam won \$500k and was multiple G1 placed.

3RD: 9 NAVAJO WARRIOR

Another miracle project for Saffie Joseph. He seems to have this kind more and more lately. This one has won 10 of his last 13 starts. His last two wins came rather easily in Grade 3 company at Laurel and Prairie Meadows. 6th beaten 11 last out in the Cornhusker came back to win an opt clm 100k at Saratoga at 10-1 (98 Beyer). He's gone to the lead in the last two starts but might be comfortable sitting just behind the early speed, a great spot to be. Can't discount based on form.

4TH: 7 HIT SHOW

Must always respect a high class runner for Brad Box. This one upset in the 2025 Dubai World Cup which accounts for much of his money won. He was a decent 5th in the Mage Ky Derby and beaten just two lengths when fourth in the next start in the Belmont Stakes behind Archangelo. Comes from far back and could get a dream pace scenario with speed in this race. Last two starts have been a bit pedestrian by his standards. He figures to be closing at underlaid odds today.

VALUE: 3 FINGER

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