

INSIDER PICKS & POWER PLAYS™

Thistledown - 09/17/2025

Top 3 Selections ranks horses by the level of their overall past performance and by the estimated probability of repeating their most recent race. An asterisk (*) next to the program number identifies the top pick. The **Speed** picks are based solely on recent Speed Ratings of each horse. The **Class** picks are the horses that have run the best against the highest quality of competition. The **Pace** rankings predict today's likely front runners based on first call Pace Ratings of each horse. **3 STAR BEST BETS** offer the highest percentage plays available. A **3 STAR BEST BET** may not be found on every day.

Race 1	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 1m. 3&up. Alw \$28,000 (12:50/11:50/10:50/ 9:50 \$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 1-2-3) / \$.50 Pick 5 (Races 1-2-3-4-5) Top 3: 8-7-5 Speed: 7-8-6 Class: 8-7-3 Pace: 5-4-3					
	Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
	1	8/1	K Kid	Bracho J A	Zielinski R	1: <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i> <i>HotJockey</i>
2	5/1	Brighter Day	Bowen R	Hamm T E	2: <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>HotJockey</i> <i>HotTrn/JkyCombo</i>	
3	6/1	Law of the Jungle	Diaz A I	Calderon I	3: <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>HotTrn/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>	
4	15/1	Roundball Rock	Batista L A	Romero O	5: <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>ExitKeyRace</i> <i>HotJockey</i>	
5	3/1	Superwolf	Barbaran E	Gorham R M		
6	6/1	Patriarchal	Rodriguez A	Vecchio C	6: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>HotJockey</i>	
7	7/2	Private Moment	Chavez A	Hurley M L	7: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HotJockey</i>	
*8	9/2	Small Field	Rivera L R	Meyers S	8: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i>	

Race 2	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 5½f. 3&up. Mdn \$33,900 (1:20/12:20/11:20/10:20 \$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 2-3-4) / \$.50 Pick 4 (Races 2-3-4-5) Top 3: 3-5-4 Speed: 3-4-1 Class: 3-4-8 Pace: 4-3-8					
	Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
	1	8/1	Don't Tiz Max	Gonzalez K	Brown J T	2: <i>Clocker Special-4f</i> <i>ExitKeyRace</i>
2	15/1	Grits N Gravy	Diaz A I	Crumley J D		
*3	2/1	El Faite	Pilares C P	Genovese R L	3: <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i>	
4	4/1	Plum Tuff	Paucar E	Gonzalez D	4: <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i>	
5	3/1	Bold Windsor	Cedillo M	Lopez J	5: <i>Clocker Special-3f</i>	
6	8/1	Rivers Run Fast	Rodriguez A	Rettele R J	6: <i>HotJockey</i> <i>HotTrn/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>	
7	6/1	Guess Im Just Good	Fernandez V R	Flores I	First Time Lasix: Pg#8	
8	15/1	My for O One Kay	Martinez M L	Casalinova T		

Race 3	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 1m. 3&up. F & M. Clm \$7,500 (1:50/12:50/11:50/10:50)				
	\$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 3-4-5) /				
	\$.20 Pick 6 (Races 3-8) - 70% Carryover				
	Top 3: 2-3-4 Speed: 4-3-6 Class: 4-2-3 Pace: 3-1-2				
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	5/2	Slew Crown	Feliciano R	Rini A F	1: <i>HorseForCourse</i>
*2	7/2	Fiona	Parker D L	Jackson J R	2: <i>HotJockey</i>
3	4/1	Calendula	Gonzalez L A	Lopez Jr E	3: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HorseForCourse</i>
4	2/1	Gracie Dance	Mejias R	Skerrett J	5: <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i> <i>HotJockey</i>
5	12/1	Flashy Too	Diaz A I	Szczepanski E	
6	6/1	Pearlinthrough	Martinez M I	Genovese R I	

Race 4	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 6f. 3&up. Clm \$7,500 (2:20/ 1:20/12:20/11:20 \$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 4-5-6) / \$.50 Pick 5 (Races 4-8) Top 3: 6-2-4				
			Speed: 6-2-3	Class: 3-4-2	Pace: 2-5-6
	Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer
1	15/1	Royal Decadence	Rodriguez A	Schuster R	1: <i>HotJockey</i>
2	2/1	Tiz Ruddy Ben	Vigil N	Skerrett J	4: <i>HotTrainer</i> 5: <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i> 6: <i>SharpAndReady</i>
3	9/5	Golden Al	Swan K	Swan K	
4	6/1	Heart of an Angel	Houghton T D	Rettele R J	
5	5/1	Island Boss	Berrios H	Canegata J	5: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>
*6	4/1	Quarantino	Mejias R	Skerrett J	

Race 5	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 5½f. 3&up. Clm \$7,500 (2:50/ 1:50/12:50/11:50 \$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 5-6-7-8) \$.50 Pick 4 (Races 5-6-7-8) Top 3: 3-1-7 Speed: 2-7-3 Class: 3-7-1 Pace: 3-2-5					
	Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
	1	7/2	Mr. Thunderstruck	Rivera L R	Rone M L	2: DistanceSpecialist
	2	10/1	Fatih	Perez R A	Trevino S G	
*3	5/2	My Grass Is Blue	Aviles Y	West A M	5: DistanceSpecialist 6: HorseForCourse HotJockey	
4	6/1	Agnello's Dream	Haldar D J	Skerrett J		
5	8/1	Practical Man	Toledo J S	Puhl K A		
6	5/1	Star Weaver	Chavez A	Sondej A	7: HotJockey	
7	3/1	Poppy's Pride	Bracho J A	Vecchio C		
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Race 6	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 6f. 3&up, F & M. Clm \$16,000				(3:20/ 2:20/ 1:20/12:20
	\$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 6-7-8)				
	Top 3: 2-5-1		Speed: 2-5-1	Class: 2-5-6	Pace: 4-2-6
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	5/1	Val's Twinstar	Gonzalez L A	Shanyfelt V K	2: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i>
*2	9/5	Queenofthebuckeye	Feliciano R	Ruberto, Jr. L V	
3	6/1	Rosetta	Rivera L R	Radosevich J A	4: <i>HotTrainer</i> 5: <i>HoJockey</i> 6: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>HoJockey</i>
4	15/1	Kissing Medals	Fernandez V R	Juarez-Mendoza R	
5	5/2	Kettle Kiss	Barbaran E	Radosevich J A	
6	3/1	Angel I'm Not	Bracho J A	Cline R C	

Race 7	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 6f. 3&up. AlwOClm \$31,400 \$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta Top 3: 3-2-5 Speed: 3-5-6 Class: 3-5-4 Pace: 2-4-5				(3:50/ 2:50/ 1:50/12:50
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	12/1	So Dialed In	Barbaran E	Skerrett J	1: <i>HotJockey</i>
2	6/1	More Love	Keiser C	Wolochuk D	2: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HorseForCourse</i>
*3	5/2	Atkins	Chavez A	Vecchio C	3: <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>HotJockey</i> <i>HotTrn/JkyCombo</i>
4	9/2	Simply Valid	Fernandez V R	Atala J	4: <i>HorseForCourse</i>
5	7/2	Mighty Les	Parker D L	Castro R A	5: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>HotJockey</i>
6	4/1	Sweet as Sin	Gonzalez L A	Puhl K A	6: <i>HorseForCourse</i>
7	5/1	Midnight Majesty	Bowen R	Puhl K A	7: <i>HotJockey</i>

Race 8	TDN - 09/17 - Dirt 5½f. 3&up. Mdn \$33,900 (4:20)/ 3:20/ 2:20/ 1:20 \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.20 Buckeye 5 Top 3: 7-6-3 Speed: 7-5-3 Class: 7-5-3 Pace: 8-7-3					
	Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
	1	9/2	Crypto Chris	Jimenez S	Romero J A	2: <i>HotJockey</i>
2	15/1	Rich On the River	Chavez A	Winters M		
3	3/1	Truth N Soul	Rivera L R	Radosevich J A	4: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i> 5: <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i> <i>HotJockey</i> 6: <i>HotJockey</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>	
4	15/1	Bank On Frank	Perez R A	Urieta J		
5	6/1	Turkodancer	Bowen R	Langley J		
6	4/1	Curious Corn	Parker D L	Jarvis K		
*7	5/2	Heidi N Seek	Batista L A	Donjuan S		
8	10/1	Couple Beers Deep	Vigil N	Morales S M		

Track Bias

MEET(04/21-09/11)					WEEK(09/05-09/11)				
Distance	Races	% Wire	Preferred RunSty	Posts	Distance	Races	% Wire	Preferred RunSty	Posts
5½f Dirt	141	40%	E	Inside	5½f Dirt	7	29%	P	Middle
6f Dirt	314	32%	E/P	Rail	6f Dirt	15	20%	E/P	Middle
1m Dirt	150	31%	E	Rail	1m Dirt	10	40%	E	Rail/Ins

Blue Chip Trainer Plays

Identifies profitable, high win% trainer angles which are applicable to horses running today.

RaceHorse	Trainer	Angle	Sts	Win%	ltm%	\$2ROI
#1 Patriarchal	Vecchio Caryn	46-90daysAway	28	25%	79%	0.32
#1 Small Field	Meyers Shane	3rd off layoff	52	27%	56%	0.05
#6 Queenofthebuckeye	Ruberto, Jr. Louis V	46-90daysAway	13	38%	46%	0.35
#6 Angel I'm Not	Cline Robert C	Down 2+ classes	33	21%	45%	0.12
#8 Bank On Frank	Urieta Johanna	Sprnt-Rte-Sprnt	74	22%	42%	0.10

Clocker Specials Running Today

Lists the fastest workouts during the past 7 days based on age and distance.

RaceHorse	Age	Trk	Dis	Date	Time	Day	Age/Dis
#2 Grits N Gravy	3yo	TDN	4f	9/6	0:48 ⁴ B	2/16	2/26
#2 Bold Windsor	3yo	TDN	3f	9/8	0:36 Bg	1/7	1/10

Distance Specialists Running Today

Runners who have performed exceptionally well over the same distance as today's race.

RaceHorse	Win%	Sts	Wn	PI	Sh	DistSwitch	ClassRank
#1 Private Moment	50%	4	2	1	1	NO	1/8
#3 Calendula	35%	34	12	7	5	NO	3/6
#5 Fatih	50%	8	4	1	1	NO	4/7
#5 Practical Man	57%	7	4	0	0	YES	7/7
#7 More Love	36%	11	4	3	1	NO	5/7
#7 Mighty Les	33%	12	4	5	2	NO	2/7

Horses Exiting Key Races Today

Lists 'Key Races' - races that have produced multiple horses that won their next start and 'Possible Key Races' - one horse won its next start.

RaceHorse	Key Race	Class Level	WnNxtOut/Strs	Finish	Odds
#1 K Kid	27Aug257TDN ²	sCIm25000	1/1	2	5.9
#1 Superwolf	14Aug255TDN ⁶	sGvnrBkyCp100k	4/8	6	1.4
#2 Grits N Gravy	07Aug253TDN ⁷	sMdSpWt	2/6	7	16.6
#2 El Faite	01Sep253TDN ²	sMdSpWt	1/1	2	0.9
#2 Plum Tuff	21Aug255TDN ³	sMdSpWt	1/2	3	24.6
#4 Island Boss	27Aug253TDN ¹	Md7500	1/2	1	20.9
#8 Bank On Frank	28Aug252TDN ⁸	sMdSpWt	1/2	8	31.2
#8 Turkodancer	28Aug252TDN ³	sMdSpWt	1/2	3	18.6

Horses for Courses Running Today							
Runners who have performed exceptionally well over this track and surface.							
RaceHorse	Win%	Sts	Wn	Pl	Sh	TrkSwitch	ClassRank
#1 Brighter Day	50%	8 -	4 -	2 -	0	NO	6/8
#1 Law of the Jungle	50%	6 -	3 -	1 -	1	NO	3/8
#1 Superwolf	50%	4 -	2 -	1 -	0	NO	4/8
#3 Slew Crown	50%	6 -	3 -	2 -	0	NO	4/6
#3 Calendula	38%	24 -	9 -	4 -	1	NO	3/6
#5 Star Weaver	40%	5 -	2 -	1 -	2	NO	5/7
#7 More Love	33%	9 -	3 -	3 -	0	NO	5/7
#7 Atkins	50%	6 -	3 -	2 -	1	NO	1/7
#7 Simply Valid	36%	14 -	5 -	4 -	2	NO	3/7
#7 Mighty Les	36%	11 -	4 -	5 -	2	NO	2/7
#7 Sweet as Sin	33%	6 -	2 -	2 -	1	NO	4/7

Hot Jockeys with Mounts Today						
Jockeys with mounts today which have been hot in the past 7 days.						
Jockey	Race(Prg#)	Record Last 7 Days				
Barbaran Erik	1(#5),6(#5),7(#1)	10	3	3	4	
Bowen Rocco	1(#2),7(#7),8(#5)	10	4	3	1	
Bracho Jose A	1(#1),5(#7),6(#6)	11	4	0	3	
Chavez Alexander	1(#7),5(#6),7(#3),8(#2)	15	7	2	2	
Parker D L	3(#2),7(#5),8(#6)	6	3	1	0	
Rodriguez Anthony	1(#6),2(#6),4(#1)	8	3	2	0	

Hot Trainers with Starters Today					
Trainers with starters today which have been hot in the past 14 days.					
RaceHorse	Trainer	Record Last 14 Days			
#1 Law of the Jungle	Calderon Ivan	4	2	0	1
#2 Rivers Run Fast	Rettele Richard J	10	4	3	1
#4 Heart of an Angel	Rettele Richard J	10	4	3	1
#6 Kissing Medals	Juarez-Mendoza Rey	6	3	0	2
#8 Curious Corn	Jarvis Kathy	3	2	0	0

Hot Trainer/Jockey Combos Today					
T/J combos running today which have been hot in the past 14 days.					
RaceHorse	Combo	Record Last 14 Days			
#1 Law of the Jungle	Calderon Ivan /Diaz Angel I	3	2	0	1
#1 Brighter Day	Hamm Timothy E/Bowen Rocco	11	5	2	1
#2 Rivers Run Fast	Rettele Richard J/Rodriguez Anthony	7	3	3	0
#7 Atkins	Vecchio Caryn /Chavez Alexander	3	2	0	1

Sharp and Ready in Today			
Runners that hold a significant Speed and Class advantage in the race.			
RaceHorse	Lastout	Date-trk-#	FP
#4 Quarantino	C1m5000NW2L	02Sep25TDN5	2