

INSIDER PICKS & POWER PLAYS™

Thistledown - 05/03/2025

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.

3 STAR BEST BETS

Race 1) #6 Half Birthday Race 2) #4 Atkins

Race 1	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 5½f. 3&up, F & M. Clm \$5,000				(12:20/11:20/10:20/ 9:20
	\$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: 5-1-6		Speed: 6-2-1	Class: 6-1-5	Pace: 4-1-2
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	9/2	Dance Step	Baista L A	Calderon I	1: <i>HotTrainer</i>
2	6/1	Theodoropoulos	Perez R A	Bailey R	
3	20/1	Blazing Zenna	Fernandez V R	Mahan J P	
4	8/1	Sabelle	Salazar Becerra F	Castro R A	4: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>
*5	2/1	H. T. Xena	Bowen R	Puhl K A	
***6	7/2	Half Birthday	Gonzalez L A	Shanyfelt V K	6: <i>Clocker Special-4f SharpAndReady</i>
7	12/1	Jen's Battle	Tavares J	Casalinova T	
8	5/1	Rowdy Daisy	Feliciano R	Canegata J	8: <i>HorseForCourse</i>

Race 2	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 1m. 3&up. Alw \$29,700 (12:50/11:50/10:50/ 9:50)				
	\$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: 4-5-3		Speed: 4-6-1	Class: 4-6-3	Pace: 3-4-5	
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	15/1	Big Popper	Batista L A	Romero J A	
2	3/1	Truly Legit	Barbaran E	Davis C	2: <i>Clocker's-4f (TP)</i>
3	5/1	Hidden Access	Bowen R	Hamm T E	<i>DistanceSpecialist</i>
***4	5/2	Atkins	Chavez A	Vecchio C	3: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>
					4: <i>ExitKeyRace</i>
					<i>HotJockey</i>
					<i>SharpAndReady</i>
5	9/5	Mission Control	Sosa L	Hamm T E	5: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>
6	6/1	Silence	Aviles Y	Skerrett J	6: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>

Race 3	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 5½f. 3&up. Clm \$5,000 (1:20/12:20/11:20/10:20)				
	\$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$5.00 Trifecta / \$2.00 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 3-4-5)				
	Top 3: 5-4-3		Speed: 5-2-3	Class: 3-5-2	
Pace: 2-4-5					
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	15/1	Kosciuszko	Simpson J	Brown G	
2	2/1	Dr Schuster	Chavez A	Schuster R	2: HotJockey
3	8/1	T Money	Tavares J	Johnson G L	
4	7/2	Hub	Berrios H	Bailey R	4: ExitPossibleKeyRace
*5	8/5	Stealththirtyfour	Toledo J S	Guciardo R	5: SharpAndReady
6	6/1	Mshindi	Feliciano R	Faulkner R C	6: ExitPossibleKeyRace

Race 4	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 6f. 3&up. Clm \$50,000 (1:50/12:50/11:50/10:50)				
	\$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 4-5-6) /				
	\$.20 Pick 6 (Races 4-9) - 70% Carryover				
	Top 3: 5-2-6		Speed: 5-2-6	Class: 2-5-6	
				Pace: 6-5-1	
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	7/2	Red Chili Pepper	Bowen R	Hamm T E	1: <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>ExitKeyRace</i>
2	3/1	Momma K's Boy	Bracho J A	Radosevich J A	
3	9/2	May Mayhem	Rivera L R	Radosevich J A	3: <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i>
4	12/1	Roll On Big O	Batista L A	Ibarra M	4: <i>HorseForCourse</i>
*5	5/2	Playing for Keeps	Feliciano R	Ruberto, Jr. L V	
6	4/1	Run Red Run	Fernandez V R	Cline R C	6: <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i>
7	20/1	Watchoutforweaver	Aviles Y	Juarez L	

Race 5	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 6f. 3&up. F & M. Alw \$35,800			(2:20/ 1:20/12:20/11:20	
	\$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 5-6-7) / \$.50 Pick 5 (Races 5-9)				
	Top 3: 6-3-5		Speed: 5-6-3	Class: 5-6-3 Pace: 6-2-3	
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	3/1	Extra Crafty	Toledo J S	Guciardo R	1: <i>Clocker Special-3f ExitKeyRace</i>
2	12/1	Lady Fortune	Chavez A	Zielinski R	2: <i>HotJockey</i>
3	5/2	National Diamond	Diaz A I	Rivera N R	3: <i>DistanceSpecialist HorseForCourse HotJockey HotTnr/JkyCombo</i>
4	4/1	Stick Around	Salazar Becerra F	Gorham R M	4: <i>HotTrainer</i>
5	9/5	Wonder World	Rivera L R	Gorham R M	5: <i>HotTrainer</i>
*6	10/1	Tale of the Lyon	Bracho J A	Poole J M	

Race 6	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 6f. 3&up. Clm \$16,000 (2:50/ 1:50/12:50/11:50 \$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$.50 Trifecta / \$.20 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 6-7-8) / \$.50 Pick 4 (Races 6-7-8-9)				
	Top 3: 5-2-7		Speed: 5-4-6	Class: 7-5-4	Pace: 2-6-5
	Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer
1	10/1	Cavaletto	Barbaran E	Gorham R M	1: <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>
2	6/1	Hotrod Bobby	Chavez A	Morales S M	2: <i>HotJockey</i>
3	8/1	Gift of Oak	Houghton T D	Norris S	
4	4/1	Country Ruckus	Gonzalez K	Maddox R	
*5	2/1	Into Gold	Rivera L R	Rone M L	
6	7/2	Party Pooper	Bowen R	Hamm T E	
7	5/1	Stone Cold Cat	Batista L A	Calderon I	7: <i>HotTrainer</i>

Race 7	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 1m. 38up. Alw \$28,000 (3:20/ 2:20/ 1:20/12:20				
	\$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$5.0 Trifecta / \$2.0 Superfecta / \$.50 Pick 3 (Races 7-8-9)				
	Top 3: 8-5-7	Speed: 6-7-8	Class: 8-6-5	Pace: 5-7-4	
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	20/1	Action Man	Perez R A	DaCosta J	1: BlueChipTrainerPlay
2	12/1	Call It a Night	Houghton T D	Radosevich J A	2: ExitPossibleKeyRace
3	15/1	Cant Be Doin That	Tapara B	Reed E R	
4	8/1	Streets of War	Nunez A Y	Rivera N R	
5	5/2	Divine Empire	Rivera L R	Rone M L	
6	2/1	Extradition	Bowen R	DaCosta J	
7	5/1	Blake James	Chavez A	Meyers S	7: HotJockey
*8	4/1	Brick Ambush	Bracho J A	Radosevich J A	

Race 8	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 1m. 3&up. F & M. OptCm \$16,000			(3:50)/ 2:50/ 1:50/12:50	
	\$1 Daily Double / \$1 Exacta / \$5.00 Trifecta / \$2.00 Superfecta				
	Top 3: 7-2-6	Speed: 5-3-6	Class: 7-5-1	Pace: 6-3-2	
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	7/2	Sacred Connection	Houghton T D	Bailey R	1: DistanceSpecialist
2	3/1	Divine Fashion	Rivera L R	Rivera N R	
3	5/1	Wicca Wisdom	Batista L A	Urieta J	
4	15/1	Magic Palace	Salazar Becerra F	Castro R A	4: ExitPossibleKeyRace
5	10/1	Tiz Independence	Chavez A	Skerrett J	5: HotJockey
6	6/1	Maliced	Bracho J A	Urieta J	
*7	2/1	Miranda's Rocky	Fernandez V R	Cline R C	7: DistanceSpecialist ExitPossibleKeyRace HotTnr/JkyCombo SharpAndReady

Race 9	TDN - 05/03 - Dirt 6f. 3&up. NG \$75,000 \$1 Exacta / \$5.00 Trifecta / \$2.00 Superfecta / \$.20 Buckeye 5 Top 3: 3-12-7 Speed: 3-12-6 Class: 7-8-3 Pace: 7-3-6			(4:20/ 3:20/ 2:20/ 1:20	
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	20/1	C V Dynamic	Salazar M	Gonzalez, Jr. A	3: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>
2	20/1	Dr. Zarnett	Bracho J A	Meyers S	
*3	6/1	Eagle Nest	Batista L A	Ibarra M	
4	30/1	Counteveryblessing	Fernandez V R	Vazquez I	
5	20/1	Little Toy Guns	Nunez A Y	Poole J M	6: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>ExitKeyRace</i>
6	12/1	Lust for Life	Aviles Y	Rone M L	
7	7/2	Shadowy	Barbaran E	Hamm T E	7: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>
8	5/1	Villian	Rivera L R	Hamm T E	8: <i>HorseForCourse</i>
9	20/1	Sammy and Shorty	Simpson J	Winters M	9: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HorseForCourse</i>
10	15/1	Reigning Dream	Chavez A	Zielinski R	10: <i>HotJockey</i>
11	30/1	Red Head Kid	Salazar Becerra F	Brown G	11: <i>ExitKeyRace</i>
12	4/1	Golden Flag	Bowen R	Hamm T E	12: <i>Clocker Special-5f</i> <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>ExitKeyRace</i>
13	8/1	Excitement	Stokes J	Hamm T E	13: <i>HorseForCourse</i> <i>ExitKeyRace</i>
14	20/1	Mister Mobil	Houghton T D	Bailey R	

Track Bias

MEET(04/21-04/28)						WEEK(04/22-04/28)					
Distance	Races	% Wire	Preferred RunSty	Posts		Distance	Races	% Wire	Preferred RunSty	Posts	
5½f Dirt	9	22%	P	Middle		5½f Dirt	8	25%	S	Middle	
6f Dirt	20	25%	E/P	Inside		6f Dirt	16	25%	E/P	Outside	
1m Dirt	11	27%	E	Rail		1m Dirt	8	13%	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%	ltn%	\$2ROI
#7 Action Man	DaCosta Jason	Sprnt-Sprnt-Rte	30	20%	47%	0.74

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
#1 Half Birthday	4&up	TDN	4f	4/26	0:48 ³ B	1/17
#2 Truly Legit	3yo	TP	4f	4/26	0:48 B	3/95
#5 Extra Crafty	4&up	TDN	3f	4/24	0:36 ¹ B	3/20
#9 Golden Flag	4&up	TDN	5f	4/24	1:00 B	1/9
						1/23

Distance Specialists Running Today

Runners who have performed exceptionally well over the same distance as today's race.						
RaceHorse	Win%	Sts	Wn	Pl	Sh	DistSwitch
#1 Sabelle	35%	17 -	6 -	2 -	3	NO
#2 Truly Legit	50%	4 -	2 -	0 -	1	NO
#2 Hidden Access	33%	12 -	4 -	3 -	1	NO
#2 Mission Control	100%	3 -	3 -	0 -	0	NO
#2 Silence	33%	12 -	4 -	2 -	2	NO
#5 National Diamond	36%	11 -	4 -	2 -	0	NO
#8 Sacred Connection	43%	14 -	6 -	3 -	2	NO
#8 Miranda's Rocky	50%	6 -	3 -	2 -	0	NO
#9 Eagle Nest	38%	13 -	5 -	2 -	1	NO
#9 Lust for Life	50%	6 -	3 -	0 -	2	YES
#9 Shadowy	60%	5 -	3 -	0 -	1	NO
#9 Sammy and Shorty	43%	14 -	6 -	1 -	5	NO
#9 Golden Flag	44%	9 -	4 -	2 -	1	NO

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	
#2 Atkins	26Mar252MVR ³	C1m15000c	2/3	3	3.1	
#3 Hub	10Apr255MVR ⁸	C1m7500n4l	1/2	8	3.1	
#3 Mshindi	10Apr255MVR ⁵	C1m7500n4l	1/2	5	19.1	
#4 Red Chili Pepper	16Jan257MVR ⁷	sAlw36200n4l	2/6	7	9.6	
#5 Extra Crafty	27Feb258MVR ⁶	fsAlw36200n4l	3/6	6	57.0	
#7 Call It a Night	24Mar258MVR ⁴	Alw25900n2l	1/2	4	11.4	
#8 Magic Palace	01Apr254MVR ⁵	fC1m25000	1/2	5	21.7	
#8 Miranda's Rocky	05Apr256MVR ¹	fOC15000n2x	1/2	1	1.5	
#9 Lust for Life	16Jan257MVR ¹	sAlw36200n4l	2/6	1	2.8	
#9 Red Head Kid	30Mar255MVR ⁸	sC1m15000	2/3	8	14.7	
#9 Golden Flag	30Oct248MVR ¹	Alw39900n1x	3/9	1	9.0	
#9 Excitement	09Jan2510MVR ⁵	Alw26900n1x	3/6	5	5.1	

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 Rowdy Daisy	36%	14 -	5 -	2 -	2	NO	4/8
#4 Red Chili Pepper	38%	8 -	3 -	5 -	0	YES	5/7
#4 Roll On Big O	33%	9 -	3 -	0 -	2	YES	7/7
#5 National Diamond	44%	9 -	4 -	1 -	0	NO	3/6
#9 Villian	71%	7 -	5 -	0 -	0	YES	2/14
#9 Sammy and Shorty	36%	14 -	5 -	2 -	5	YES	5/14
#9 Golden Flag	80%	5 -	4 -	1 -	0	YES	6/14
#9 Excitement	45%	11 -	5 -	2 -	1	YES	7/14

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		
Chavez Alexander	2(#4),3(#2),5(#2),6(#2),7(#7),8(#5),9(#10)	19	6	4
Diaz Angel I	5(#3)	15	4	2

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 Dance Step	Calderon Ivan	3	2	0	1
#5 Stick Around	Gorham Robert M	9	4	1	1
#5 Wonder World	Gorham Robert M	9	4	1	1
#6 Stone Cold Cat	Calderon Ivan	3	2	0	1
#6 Cavaletto	Gorham Robert M	9	4	1	1

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		
#4 Run Red Run	Cline Robert C/Fernandez Victor R	7	2	2
#4 May Mayhem	Radosevich Jeffrey A/Rivera Luis R	7	2	2
#5 National Diamond	Rivera Nestor R/Diaz Angel I	7	2	2
#6 Cavaletto	Gorham Robert M/Barbaran Erik	6	3	1
#8 Miranda's Rocky	Cline Robert C/Fernandez Victor R	7	2	2

Sharp and Ready in Today			
Runners that hold a significant Speed and Class advantage in the race.			
RaceHorse	Lastout	Date-trk-#	FP
#1 Half Birthday	fC1m5000NW16M	02Apr25MVR6	2
#2 Atkins	C1m15000c	26Mar25MVR2	3
#3 Stealththirtyfour	C1m4000NW2Y	30Mar25MVR3	1
#8 Miranda's Rocky	fOC15000NW2X	05Apr25MVR6	1