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**Saturday, July 15, 2017**

**Race 1**

**#1 Dixie Lover** – Sharp as a tack; no reason to think she won't run another big race.  
**#6 Blonde in the City** – Fits like a glove on the drop; finds clear sailing from outside.  
**#2 Jury Wise** – Chased "Lover" around at Churchill; has tables to turn in this one.  
**#3 Thunder Wit** – Consistent recent form; needs her very best run to threaten here.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 1/6-2/3**

**Race 2**

**#4 Right On By** – Solid efforts with better; simply looks faster than today's opponents.  
**#6 Numbers Game** – Overmatched in last; major right to improve first time for a tag.  
**#2 Sales Call** – Major disappointment in last; blinkers bring out the best in her?  
**#5 Chasing the Buck** – Struggled in debut; drops with blinkers on looking for a spark.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 4/6-2/5**

**Race 3**

**#1 My Mystery** – No secret who looks best here; should smoke these at a short price.  
**#2 Greely's Striker** – Slow starts often cost her; looks like the best of the rest here.  
**#3 Sweet Betty** – Flashes speed on best days; can hang around for a share today.  
**#8 Starship Aquarius** – Forces the issue from the outside post; must dig deeper late.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 1/2/3-8**

**Race 4**

**#5 Justa Lady** – Visually impressive in recent runs; keeps getting better and up to task.  
**#4 Melaleuca** – Narrow loss to tough customer in last; go to whoa threat w/John.  
**#6 Clairenation** – Fell short in comeback run; tighter for this and is very capable.  
**#2 Simple Surprise** – Mr. Steve's other runner is proven at the trip; can't ignore.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 5-4-6-2-1-3**

### Race 5

**#5 Grantastica** – Tough loss in last; on top of her game and should handle this crew.  
**#6 Twinkles** – Sharp maiden breaker; better than ever and well-drawn on the outside.  
**#3 Timido** – Speedy filly drops in for tough team; should be prominent every step.  
**#2 Greely's Comet** – Alert gate break is key; willing finisher picks up lots of pieces late.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 5-6/3-2-1-4**

### Race 6

**#5 United Stand** – Took a huge step forward to just miss behind a legit rival.  
**#7 Hour City** – Has been running in tough luck; can upset top pick with a clean run.  
**#13 Harangue** – Runs well on everything; fits well for a share if he can draw in here.  
**#10 American Sea** – Hung wide but still closed in last on grass; on the improve.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 5-7/13-10-12/9-14-8**

### Race 7

**#7 Seven Trumpets** -- \$205K 2-year-old in training buy; dam a ½ to \$350K Black Bear.  
**#2 Big Iron** – Got discouraged battling Baffin in debut; major speed threat here.  
**#5 Fight On** – ½ to versatile \$250K Two Weeks off; must respect Mr. Steve baby.  
**#1 John Tippmann** – Bred to sprint on both sides of pedigree; rail tough on first timers.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 7-2-5-1/6-4**

### Race 8

**#7 Bonnie Arch** – Taking big steps forward on the grass; looks tough to beat today.  
**#8 Kaylen's Revenge** – Ran better than it looks in return; won debut race on grass.  
**#10 Oh Dear Lord** – Tough loss in first run for Lovell; surely earned the class hike.  
**#4 Egg Roll** – What you see is what you get; worthy of inclusion in gimmick equation.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 7/8-10-4/1-6-5-11**

### Race 9

**#3 Family Label** – Gets a fresh start in a soft spot; Calvin lured to the saddle...tough call.  
**#2 Social Icon** – Finds a slow bunch; may be fast enough to run them off their feet.  
**#1a Babe Rahman Jan** – Experienced on the grass; drops in for a tag fresh...two for one?  
**#5 Zemo** – Debuts for Buff with turf influences in the pedigree; fresh face might.

**Joe's SELECTIONS – 3-2-1-5-8**