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Race 1

#4 Dos Cuernos – Has run in tough luck recently; hires Corey to get over the hump.
#2 Chester Mon – Fits like a glove on the drop; interchangeable with top choice.
#5 Ain't in No Hurry – Broke maiden here at first asking last summer; on comeback trail.
#6 Colonel Swanson – Steps up off of promising run; begging for a fast pace.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 4-2/5-6-1/7

Race 2

#1 Baby Run to Me – Just ran over similar foes; no reason to think she won't again.
#6 Ranger's Funny Girl – On top of her game; form converts to turf routing?
#2 Disones Pretty – Very competitive this might; might trip out from inside post.
#7 Fog Happens – 3rd behind top choice in last; gimmick player again in this one.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 1/6-2-7-4-3/5

Race 3

#9 Lonely Petunia – Deceivingly good 3rd in debut; edge in crapshoot of a horse race.
#7 B Deb's Fortune – Showed little with better in debut; longshot trainer...maybe.
#4 Gypsy Janie – Debuts for Ward; trainer good in all the applicable stat categories.
#8 Shaker Baker – Finished willing following slow start in debut; good as any in here.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 9-7-4-8-5-6-3-2-1

Race 4

#5 The Last Prophet – Arrow pointing up + Corey + sneaky good turf pedigree = edge.
#6 Thamaan – Got back in the win column last out; solid track record in routes too.
#4 Glitnir – Struggling since the claim; takes a significant drop hoping for a spark.
#3 Out of the Trappe – Gets a rare turf try, but fits like a glove with these; consider.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 5-6-4/3-1-7

Race 5

#6 Budget Cut – 3rd as big chalk in last; savvy rider helps him end winless streak?
#8 Natchez Pass – Finished in front of top choice in last; top 2 stand out in weak race.
#1 Tickety Boo – Respectable form on turf, but dirt runs leave plenty to be desired.
#5 Solid Red Ruby – Runaway maiden winner July 7; not much in two starts since.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-8/1-5-4

Race 6

#7 Crosswalk – His dam was a G3 winning sprinter and sire was a monster as 2yo.
#6 Tenkoz – 1/2 to Brazen Persuasion, who won G3 as 2yo; his dam won debut at 2.
#9 Drop Kick – ½ to Royal Song Dancer, who won twice at 2; well-drawn for top team.
#3 Dreamer's Point – ½ to classy Sweetgrass, also trained by Wilkes; later.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 7-6-9/3-4-5-8-1

Race 7

#4 Dujac – Drops in fresh with blinkers on; very well intended, go time with this crew.
#6 Lomcevak – Claim steps up on top of his game; may actually be better on the green.
#5 Mr. Chow – Game win in last and fits like a glove today; go to whoa threat can do.
#3 Mystery Train – Wild card tough to gauge on the drop; scratched with lesser.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 4-6-5-3/1-7

Race 8

#2 Tiz a Treasure – Bet down in debut and finished a sharp 2nd; edge with experience.
#6 Spanky – Her dam had a promising career cut short; top team sends ready.
#10 Good Omen – Debuts for formidable connections; pedigree says wait for route.
#4 Go – Her dam was stakes placed at 2; ready off works and flies under the radar.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 2-6-10-4/8-9-5-1-7

Race 9

#3 Lovell – Bet down in return and tired in route; cut back should work in his favor.
#1 Ours Again – Continues slide down class ladder for formidable team; one to beat.
#7 Army Grey – Chased tough winner in key race for the level in last; hot team can do.
#8 Dart Toss – Fits well off bench in turf debut; grass influences on dam's side.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 3-1-7-8/9-10