Race by Race with Ellis Park Analyst, Megan Devine

Race 1:
BOURBON FLIGHT led in his last race over the Ellis Park mile but was just outrun at the wire. SNARE, comes off of his best performance to date, a close second at Ellis Park on the turf. He switches back to dirt today for a trainer that hits at 13% when moving from turf. REGALSTONE seems to have a good work ethic in the morning, but hasn't translated his talent to the races. He drops in class a bit for Hall of Fame Trainer D. Wayne Lukas. CROSSING CANDY also drops in to make his first start on dirt. He's had some time to get fit since his last race, which will be important here.
Selections: 7-3-4-1

Race 2:
KATOOMBA, drops in class and comes off of a big layoff, not having raced since last October. She's been training well at this track and has experience sprinting on the turf. GYPSY already has a 2nd place going 5f on the turf, but her last start over the mud at Ellis Park was disappointing. STARSHIP LAUREN made her last two starts over this distance on the turf. She's been working over this track and should show early speed for a trainer that wins at 33% in these types of races. SUPERDUPERJUSTICE will need to improve during her first time on turf.
Selections: 9-1-3-2

Race 3:
SHIP DISTURBER was very game at this track a few weeks ago. He made a big effort to close over a speed-favoring track, which he'll need to do again today. HUNDRED YEARS moves up after an impressive 6 length win at Churchill Downs. He' had two slow works since then but should be competitive here. WARCRAFT takes a class drop and enters this race off a bullet 5f workout at Churchill Downs. He typically sits just off of the pace and returns off a 31-60 day break for a trainer that hits at 26% when doing so. CANYUTEL won impressively at Churchill Downs to break his maiden but flopped in his next start. His works have been fast so he may have speed.
Selections: 1-4-6-8

Race 4:
RUNMALIBURUN has finished in the top two in his most recent starts. He gets some distance relief at a track where he won over the turf last year. DETROIT COWBOY moves up in class after an 11 length win and finishing 2nd by a nose at Churchill Downs. He's had a speedy workout for trainer Earl Puckett. HUSH UP drops from Allowance levels in to this spot. Throw out that last race, as he broke badly from the gate. LEROI'S THRILL gets a good bit of class relief and may have needed that last race off a layoff. He's been competitive at other meets, like Keeneland, so he may fit.
Selections: 5-4-6-2

Race 5:

ARYA ran very well here a few weeks ago when races were taken off the turf. She looks to be very fast both in the mornings and while keeping up with some speedy horses. SENSUOUS PAT has never had a win on turf but drops in class after success on the polytrack and dirt. SEE THROUGH was very game last time to finished 2nd over the main track at Churchill Downs. She will close late to try to repeat the win she had over the turf mile last year. DISONES PRETTY ran well off the Ellis Park turf last time but will need to get back to where she was last fall to be successful here.

Selections: 10-2-1-6

Race 6:
CHANT FOR KITTEN comes off a big layoff after one start last year over the turf. Trainer Mike Maker wins at 17% with over 180 days off, 20% on the turf and 21% over route races. DYNADIN makes her first start in the US after two starts in France last. She'll get Lasix for the first time and is definitely bred for the turf. MEAN IRENE drops in class after one start on the dirt. She has been working very well at Churchill Downs and is well bred to go long on turf. Trainer Michael Tomlinson is successful moving from sprint to route races (20%) and with 31-60 days off (23%). TOP TIARA drops in class after two starts, one of which he lost the jockey. She may have needed that last race as an education.

Selections: 9-7-5-4

Race 7:
TRUTHFUL showed talent in her first start to finish 2nd by only 1 length. She shows earl speed and runs for a trainer who excels with young horses. BENNER ISLAND will also make her first start for trainer Brad Cox who is very successful with young horses. She seems to be working extremely well at Keeneland and is sired by a prominent sprinter. HONEY BUNNY showed a lot of speed in her last race where she finished 3rd by only a neck. She seems comfortable with speed and this level of racing, and trainer Bret Calhoun is winning this year at 22%. COAX starts for trainer Mark Casse who has brought nothing but runners to this year's meet. She will make her first start after a full set of workouts.

Selections: 6-2-11-7

Race 8:
RES IPSA, trained by Ian Wilkes, has an impressive closing style and besides her first start when she clipped heels, has done no worse than 3rd. She has turf experience and the breeding to go long on it. NANCY RIDE also shows a closing style and won here over the turf last year. Her trainer, Brendan Walsh, does very well with grass horses and seems to place this one carefully. MISS PINK DIVA seemed very talented last year and this spring, but hasn't been able to get back to herself after a hard bump two starts back. DEBBY D'ORO will try to lead during her first start on turf.

Selections: 2-9-8-1

Race 9:
PINK RUNFORTHECURE drops from the Maiden Special Weight ranks for a trainer that wins at 25% in Maiden Claiming races. She's hit the board almost every time, so she can definitely run. KELLY BELLY KID cuts back in distance a little after she ran out of room to run over the Ellis Park turf. She'll have to make her move earlier to score here. SECRET TRICK finished a good 3rd over a turf mile last time and gets the blinkers on today. LUCKY ME LUCKY YOU comes off a short layoff after a third place finish at Keeneland. She comes off of a bullet workout at Ellis Park.

Selections: 7-9-2-5