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## TODAY'S SELECTIONS FROM THE TMJC TEAM



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RACE 3:	6-1-4-7	7-3-4-1	6-2-1-4	7-5-3-6	6-4-2-11
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RACE 5:	6-3-7-8	8-10-9-4	3-8-6-2	8-6-10-4	6-3-2-1
RACE 6:	4-3-6-1	3-4-6-1	3-6-1-5	4-1-3-6	3-6-5-1
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RACE 8:	5-3-1-6	1-5-3-2	3-1-5-2	1-5-6-2	5-1-2-3
RACE 9:	5-8-1-9	3-6-11-12	1-8-2-5	1-5-4-12	1-5-10-11

## TODAY'S ANALYSIS - by Dan Illman

### >> RACE 1

#### 1. INTEL AGENT

#### 2. POZO

#### 3. TEA ROSE

First post is 12:10 ET with 12% takeout on "Value Pick 5" wagers. Note we are OFF THE TURF. **INTEL AGENT** makes first start of the year with solid wet-dirt firm. Wired over a sloppy track last time, he was outsprinted to race three wide/four path in midpack, made a four-wide bid on the turn, moved in a bit at the quarter pole, then flattened out late. **POZO** (\$12,000 RNA yearling) is by a sire that has limited, but positive data with both first-time starters and wet-track runners. The dam's lone win came at five furlongs on dirt, and this is the family of multiple Grade 1-winning dirt router Skimming. **TEA ROSE** earned solid Beyer the last time she raced on dirt, albeit while racing on the best part of the track. Outrun behind a fast pace, she cut the corner turning for home, and finished well with a solid gallop-out. Barn went 4 for the last 10 (40%) off the trainer switch. Chavez lands here instead of Map to the Moon. **BAD GIRL** **BETTY LOU** showed debut speed at Parx when finishing ahead of Go Alice Go, who returned to place in a dime maiden there with a 27 Beyer. Too early to give up on **PRINCESS CLEMMIE**, who debuted against Krissi N, a next-out 50 Beyer winner for the \$45,000 waiver. Big drop might work for **REHOBOTH AVENUE**, who was wired for the waiver. The third-finisher then scored at that level with a 47 Beyer.

### >> RACE 2

#### 1. FITNESS

#### 2. ANTONACCI GIRL

#### 3. FIRST PEARL

**FITNESS** was outrun three wide at the back behind a quick pace, cut the corner into the stretch, then passed some tired runners when turned back to a sprint. Repeats the sprint to route move that resulted in her most recent victory and can get a great deal closer to the pace this time around. Wouldn't mind a wet track for barn that sent out sprint to route winner Barbadian Runner at Laurel on 2/22 at 4-1 odds. **ANTONACCI GIRL** broke well over sloppy track at Mahoning, stalked three wide and in between behind a quick second quarter of 23.24, was placed on a hard chase on the second turn, then drew away despite being a bit green with her lead changes. The fourth-finisher then placed in a "non-two" allowance at Thistledown with a 54 Beyer. Kicks late for barn that went 8 for the last 22 (36%, \$2.30 ROI) with last-out winners. **FIRST PEARL** dueled with the 9-1 last-finisher through quick splits over a closer-friendly track before understandably tiring. Ran much better two back at this distance, and she might not have to work as hard to get to the front here.

### >> RACE 3

#### 1. PATTY CAKES

#### 2. LOUISE BROOKS

#### 3. AUDIBLY

**PATTY CAKES** stumbled at the start, then advanced along the inside to prompt the slow pace. Dropped back into the pocket on the turn, cut the corner in the stretch, then tried hard only to just miss to a big-priced winner. The third-finisher next scored for the \$25,000 claiming option at Penn National with a

73 Beyer. Expect her to get close to the pace. **LOUISE BROOKS** is a proven commodity after long layoffs, so not overly concerned about the 203-day layoff preceding today's start. Back at a more appropriate distance after shortening up over synthetic in most recent outing. Cedeno lands here instead of Audibly. **AUDIBLY** ran better than it looks last time, as she was the only horse making up ground in a slow-paced race dominated by the front-runners. Might get a better flow here. **WHITE LILACS** likely gained fitness from her last start, her first run in 398 days. Showed speed before finishing behind Cairo Dream, who next ran third in a Hawthorne allowance with a 73 Beyer. Expect good early foot stretching back out. **LULLABY LAND** was overmatched in dirt debut when wired at Parx. The sixth-finisher then hit the board in her next four starts with an 89 Beyer top.

#### >> RACE 4

##### 1. SPIRIT AND TRUTH

##### 2. GREAT MOON

##### 3. PAPERBACK EDITION

**SPIRIT AND TRUTH** found a great spot tracking a four-ply pace dispute, angled inside on the turn, eased out into the stretch, then only finished evenly in between rivals. Perhaps new blinkers will get her into the race a bit earlier, and she can track the leader while outside and in the clear. **GREAT MOON** (\$60,000 yearling) is the first foal out of multiple stakes-placed dirt router Moon Virginia (85 wet-dirt Beyer), herself a half-sister to multiple stakes-winning dirt performer Luna Belle (87 dirt Beyer) and stakes-placed dirt router The Poser (89 dirt Beyer). The second dam was a stakes-placed turf router (83 dirt Beyer). Seems well-entered for barn that went 7 for the last 29 (24%, \$3.31 ROI) with debut runners. **PAPERBACK EDITION** could be the one to catch after finishing ahead of the top pick. Pressed that four-ply pace from in between, altered three wide in the stretch, and never stopped trying behind She's a Gem, who returned to repeat in a dime "non-two" with a 51 Beyer. **LORRAINE'S WAY's** form is dirtied-up with turf and Timonium lines showing recently. Displays a late kick if this pace gets very hot.

#### >> RACE 5

##### 1. BALLROOM EYES

##### 2. ITS SATISFACTUAL

##### 3. MY DEAR ANTONIA

**BALLROOM EYES** broke slowly in most recent start, then was compromised by a slow pace while racing at the back. Made an inside advance entering the second turn, angled three wide turning for home, and showed some late life. With an alert break, she can get closer to the pace. **ITS SATISFACTUAL** deserves another chance on dirt as she was in against a 1-10 winner in lone previous outing over the surface. Wasn't away the best, pushed the moderate but pressured four-ply pace from in between horses, was placed on a hard chase on the second turn, and tired. Ruiz lands here instead of Tanka Tough. **MY DEAR ANTONIA** tracked four-wide at Colonial, prompted three wide under urging on the turn, then got up for second. The third-finisher then scored for \$20,000 at Parx with a 50 Beyer. **URBAN STAR** faced two next-out winners when beaten by 1-5 Overwish in lone dirt start with the third-finisher then winning a first-level allowance with an 80 Beyer.

#### >> RACE 6

##### 1. BELLE OFTHE WOOD

##### 2. MEG'S FOXY GREY

##### 3. PNEUMO WARRIOR

**BELLE OFTHE WOOD** gave a good try in debut at Colonial. Broke outward a bit, prompted the pace three wide over the speed-friendly track, then finished behind odds-on Keepsake, who next ran second in the Goldfinch at Prairie Meadows with an 85 Beyer. **MEG'S FOXY GREY** was outpaced behind quick fractions in two-turn Oaklawn heat, then rallied for third behind the two favorites. Didn't have the easiest trip that day, but must avoid being outrun early as she turns back drastically in distance for barn that went 3 for 14 (21%, \$2.52 ROI) between 4/26 and 5/8. **PNEUMO WARRIOR** chased a quick pace in

her debut, then finished behind Frosted Dreams, who returned to graduate by 10 1/4 lengths in a Laurel special weight with a 64 Beyer. MAIDA is a half-sister to stakes-placed dirt sprinter I'm Patriotic (72 dirt Beyer) out of Grade 3-winning dirt sprinter Eva Giselle (won first three starts, 99 dirt Beyer).

## >> RACE 7

### 1. TELL 'EM I'M COMIN

### 2. SOUPER CRUNCHY

### 3. BRIGHTLY

**TELL 'EM I'M COMIN** was entered Main Track Only, and gets his wish for Jose Corrales. Broke slow on dirt two back, rushed up to press the 2-1 pacesetter winner from the rail, poked a head in front in between calls, and stayed on gamely for second on the fence. The winner of that heat then ran third in a state-sired allowance with a 71 Beyer. **SOUPER CRUNCHY** stalked three path, made a three-wide bid on the second turn, then flattened out in between on Gulfstream's Tapeta. That race produced two next-out winners with War Officer repeating in a \$35,000 "beaten" on turf there with an 81 Beyer. Seems tactical enough to work out a fine stalking trip. **BRIGHTLY** had trouble at the start of recent dirt sprint, then was outrun behind a very fast opening quarter. Came with a nice to run to place behind White Series, who returned to take a \$16,000 starter at Penn National with a 64 Beyer. ARJAY might be the controlling speed in first off the claim. Finished behind Pastero last time, and that one then ran third in a \$30,000 maiden claimer on dirt at Keeneland with a 58 Beyer. Has some dirt pedigree as the dam was multiple stakes-placed on the surface (84 dirt and synthetic Beyer). Big class drop for MAUPANSANT, who was no match for hot first-time starter Lionel earlier in the month.

## >> RACE 8

### 1. BACKNTHEWOODS

### 2. CYBERTIME

### 3. FIVE DREAMS

**BACKNTHEWOODS** didn't run especially well last month, but perhaps he needed the race, his first run in seven months. Reclaimed out of that heat by Jose Corrales, he has sneaky early speed, and can get close to the pace for barn that went 7 for the last 31 (23%, \$3.86 ROI) off the claim. **CYBERTIME** is the obvious contender seeking his fourth straight win after big-Beyer score at Mahoning Valley. Tracked the 8-1 lone pacesetter, went on the attack on the turn, then was too good for that group. Can adapt to any pace scenario, and should be right there when they turn for home. **FIVE DREAMS** indicated a return to form when dropped in for \$20,000. Broke a bit high-headed, was urged to prompt the favored third-finisher from the rail, eased outside to attack that runner, then drew away. The sixth-finisher next won a \$7,500 "beaten" with a 75 Beyer, then ran third in a \$30,000 starter-option with an 83. New barn went 17 for the last 45 (38%, \$2.71 ROI) off the claim. DON'T WAIT UP had little chance last time when wired in a slow-paced race by odds-on Haileysfirstnotion. LITTLE LANCE goes route to sprint, drops in class, and poses a late threat.

## >> RACE 9

### 1. REASSESS

### 2. SHE'S A GEM

### 3. BOSSY KATE

**REASSESS** seems well-entered after facing arguably tougher over Gulfstream's Tapeta. Tracked outside in the second flight, was outpaced on the turn, then finished evenly. Shouldn't be too far away when they turn for home for barn that historically has big numbers over this circuit. **SHE'S A GEM**, entered Main Track Only, pressed the 19-1 seventh-finisher through a quick opening quarter over a speed-friendly wet track, then just had enough in the tank to hold sway. The runner-up then ran third in an open \$20,000 here with a 60 Beyer. She seeks a hat trick, and should appreciate the wet conditions. **BOSSY KATE** took advantage of intense speed-favoring track when scoring at Parx to kick off her season. Although her subsequent three dirt tries fail to inspire,

still think she's better on the main track than on turf. Cooked dueling through a quick opening quarter with the 17-1 sixth-finisher in most recent dirt try. The runner-up from that race then won a state-sired allowance with a 73 Beyer. FROSTY MAYA was wired last time at Charles Town, but poses a pace threat here stretching out with new blinkers. The third-finisher then ran third in a statebred nickel "beaten" there with a 31 Beyer.

## **KALI'S KEY – by Kali Francois**

### **Race 5, #10 Tanka Tough**

McDermott does a great job with the transfer from a jump race to a flat race, Tanka Tough being one of them. This horse is coming off of a 592-day layoff, and if you go back in her form, her flat efforts coming off the layoff have some excuses. In 2023, had enough of an excuse stumbling in the beginning and adjusting well to coming from off the pace for the first time. In 2022, let's be realistic, she was a different horse mentally at that point in her life. The old boss mare is ready for battle!

## **MACK'S FACTS – by Mackenzie Pfeiffer**

R1: First after the claim for Lass Sassenach and cuts back with a different group of friends, on or off the turf she seems likely.

R2: Plenty of next out winners from previous company, Antonacci Girl seems a deserving favorite and single who is asking for the extra ground.

R3: Inanna's Quest was competitive off the bench last year and may be more tactical with the cutback in distance....see 7/19/24 CNL effort.

R4: Hard to take 6-5 in this group on Paperback Edition but she seems the most prepared. Great Moon debuts for a versatile type of family, maybe the better price.

R5: Its Satisfactual will likely take a bit of play but looks to benefit from a new group of friends. Second back-to-back routing effort for My Dear Antonia could mount an improve.

R6: A Brittany Russell exacta? I land with Maida, the debut runner who hails from G3 winning dirt sprinter Eve Giselle.

R7: Likely to improve 3rd off the bench and looking to overcome troubled trips, Souper Crunchy could sit a perfect pocket trip from the 4 post.

R8: Looking for Laddie Dance to let the early pace evolve and run late, not entirely convinced we will see it. Cybertime has the ability to sit close and books Russell to find a sneaky inside trip.

R9: Not sure if we can trust the inside stalking Reassess at a short price. Maddie Ten seems likely to overcome troubled trips with F. Boyce booked, regardless of surface here.

## TODAY'S HOT TRAINER STATS

### RACE 1

#### #9 - Tea Rose

Trainer: W. Thomas McMahon  
First After Trainer Switch: 4 for the last 10 (40%, \$4.50 ROI)

### RACE 2

#### #5 - Antonacci Girl

Trainer: Anthony Farrior  
Last-Out Winners: 8 for the last 22 (36%, \$2.30 ROI)

### RACE 3

#### #6 - Patty Cakes

Trainer: Jamie Ness  
Dirt to Turf: 3 for the last 12 (25%, \$2.10 ROI)

### RACE 4

#### #3 - Great Moon

Trainer: Phil Capuano  
First-Time Starters: 7 for 29 (24%, \$3.31 ROI)

### RACE 6

#### #6 - Meg's Foxy Grey

Trainer: Greg Compton  
Between 4/26 and 5/8: 3 for 14 (21%, \$2.52 ROI)

### RACE 7

#### #7 - Tate's War Cry

Trainer: Tim Keefe  
Experienced Runners, First-Lasix: 7 for the last 23 (30%, \$3.99 ROI)

### RACE 8

#### #3 - Backnthewoods

Trainer: Jose Corrales  
First After Claim: 7 for the last 31 (23%, \$3.86 ROI)

### RACE 9

#### #5 - Five Dreams

Trainer: Tim Kreiser  
First After Claim: 17 for the last 45 (38%, \$2.71 ROI)

### RACE 9

#### #4 - Glossamer

Trainer: Lynn Ashby  
Route to Sprint: 6 for the last 25 (24%, \$5.32 ROI)

## TRIPS AND TIPS – by Will Humphrey, *In The Money Media*

For Will Humphrey's Post-Race Trip Notes, please visit <https://inthemoneypodcast.com/maryland-jockey-club-trip-notes/>.

### **Race 7: MC 25k, 3-6YO, 1 1/16m, Turf**

HORSE	RACE	TRIP NOTE
BRIGHTY	MC20k, Lrl, 7F, Fast, 12/14/24 – 2nd	As an outside foe broke violently inwards, 'BRIGHTY' was shut off at the start & forced back to last where he was patiently ridden ~11+L off the pace to the far turn. While being squeezed along, he then began to advance on the far turn & built good momentum to ~1/4 before he tipped out 6W into the centre of the track off the home turn & came under a ride. He was still ~6L off the pace ~3/16 pole but responded well to pressure & then rallied strongly into a clear 2 <sup>nd</sup> late. <b>Was impeded at the start which resulted in him getting too far behind, then rallied. As an off the pace runner, the interference was less significant to him than it would have been to other horses, &amp; it's unlikely he'd have beaten the winner in any case. However, he still did well to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; his effort can be marginally upgraded.</b>
AMAZING BERNIE	MC16k, Pen, 1m 70yds, Fast, 03/27/25 – 3rd	'AB' tracked the pace under a tight hold between foes to ~5/8 pole before he moved to the outside of horses 3W & came under slight encouragement. He was ~3L off the pace as the field hit the far turn & from there, he began to make minor headway under a ride, moving to be within ~1.5L of the pace in 3rd ~1/4 pole. He then swung 4-5W into the stretch & came under a stronger ride before finishing evenly to hold 3 <sup>rd</sup> but he lacked the pace to challenge the top two late. <b>Sat a clean trip though was wide on the far turn. Looked to try hard</b>

		<b>but just wasn't good enough. The switch to turf will need to help today because it was hard to see him improving massively upon this effort.</b>
TRIPLE SEC	MC45k, Lrl, 1 1/16M, Firm, 04/27/25 – 10th	Having broken from the wide outside gate, 'TS' raced in mid-pack 2-3W to ~1/2 mile pole. He then advanced to be within ~4L of the pace entering the far turn & loomed menacingly behind the leaders 3W on the bend, despite lugging out a touch, seemingly with good momentum behind him. However, having then come 3-4W into the lane, he came under a strong ride but could not go on & weakened quickly. <b>A clean trip though a touch wide. Traveled well into the race &amp; then looked dangerous on the far turn but then weakened quickly without a visible excuse. Lugged out a touch on the bend.</b>
SOUPER CRUNCHY	MC35k, GP, 1M 70yds, Synth, 03/26/25 – 5th	'SC' lacked speed from the gate & dropped to rear early, then took the first turn 3-4W before moving forward outside horses to race ~2L behind the modest pace in mid-pack. He traveled well to the far turn, then easily advanced ~4W on the bend to enter the stretch ~1L off the pace in 2nd. He then came under a strong ride between horses but failed to quicken off the modest pace & finished evenly, losing multiple positions late. <b>A wide but clean trip. Traveled well into the race &amp; looked dangerous turning for home but, not for the first time, he found little off the bridle late. A stronger pace, plus today's drop back down in class should help.</b>
MAUPANSANT	MSW, Lrl, 1M, Sloppy, 05/04/25 – 6th	'MAUPANSANT' wasn't rushed following a clean break from the rail post & raced in mid-division for the first two furlongs. He then became outpaced ~3/4 pole & dropped to last while being encouraged forward. From there, he remained in a distant last under a strong to the wire. He also made an early lead change on the far turn. <b>Dropped back to last early &amp; offered little. Not sure he was in love with the kickback – maybe the switch to turf today will help? Didn't like the fact he took the far turn in the wrong lead. Uninspiring.</b>
TRIP SWITCH	MC16k, Lrl, 1M, Firm, 04/18/25 – 6th	'TS' broke inwards but was quickly corrected & ridden hard from the gate. He showed brief speed heading into the first turn but not enough to establish the lead & dropped back to race in mid-pack to ~9/16 pole. From there, he began dropping back & came under a ride 3-4W but failed to respond & remained well back to the wire. <b>Sat a clean trip though was a touch wide far turn. Lacked early speed &amp; a finishing effort too. Uninspiring.</b>
TATE'S WAR CRY	MC45k, Lrl, 1 1/16M, Firm, 04/27/25 – 9th	'TWC' was bumped on both sides at the start but wasn't too badly impeded. He then dropped to the rail & chased the pace in mid-pack to the far turn. From there, as the pace quickened in front, he began struggling to keep up & dropped back under encouragement. He then swung for home under a strong ride ~8L off the pace & finished at one pace, never threatening. <b>Sat a clean trip but was never involved. Finished at one pace – looked like a true stayer who'd appreciate a fast pace to close into. Entitled to improve from this debut.</b>
LATIN REBEL	MSW, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Firm, 04/19/25 – 5th	'LR' broke on top but was then out sped for the lead & dropped back to chase the pace in a share of 2nd ~3W into the turn. A rival then came with a run on his outside & put him in tight between horses ~3/8 pole, forcing him to check sharply which lost him ~4L & significant momentum. He was given time to recover from there but having then come under a strong ride in the stretch, he failed to get back into the race & weakened. <b>Had an obvious excuse, however, he was 14/1 &amp; one would have liked to have seen him make more of a run in the stretch, even after the trouble. Not overly encouraging though today's stretch out in trip could help if getting loose on the lead. Finished like he may possibly get further.</b>
TELL 'EM I'M COMIN (MTO)	MC45k, Lrl, 1 1/16M, Firm, 04/27/25 – 11th	'TEIC' lacked speed from the gate & dropped to an isolated last early where he rained under patient handling ~12L off the pace to the far turn. He then tried to advance 2-4W on the far turn but failed to do so & remained well back to the wire. <b>Lacked early speed &amp; a finishing effort. Never involved. Uninspiring. MTO – a return to dirt today could help (it will need to).</b>
ARJAY	MC15k, TP, 1M, Synth, 03/13/25 – 8th	'ARJAY' was restless in the gate, then broke sharp, dove to the rail & set an even, uncontested pace under a tight hold to the far turn. He was then challenged & joined for the lead ~3/8 pole. From there, he came under a strong ride. He hung in there along the rail to ~3/16 pole but then made an early lead change & stopped in the stretch. He was not hard ridden late. <b>Had no visible excuse having set a modest, uncontested lead to the far turn. Made an early lead change entering the lane &amp; then stopped quickly (maybe something amiss?). Disappointing at 6/5 odds. Feel he's better than this.</b>
STORM FORCE	MC16k, Lrl, 1M, Firm, 04/18/25 – 6th	'SF' broke a beat slow & was then pinched between horses which caused him to stumble & get away towards rear. He was then caught 4W on the first turn before he settled into a nice rhythm ~6L off the slow pace 4W heading to the far turn. From there, as the pace quickened in front, he became outpaced & came under a strong ride. He then turned for home ~9L off the pace & failed to advance in the stretch. <b>Was troubled at the start, largely because he broke a beat slow. Raced well off a slow pace, then failed to quicken. A fairly uninspiring effort.</b>

ARMED N DANGEROUS (AE)	MC45k, Lrl, 1 1/16M, Firm, 04/27/25 – 7th	‘AND’ took a bump at the start but recovered & got away okay before settling into a tracking position along the rail ~5L off the pace early. He traveled well along the rail to the far turn, then became outpaced & came under a ride as the pace quickened in front. He turned for home ~6L off the pace & finished evenly, remaining in that position to the wire. <b>Perfect rail trip. Became a touch outpaced on the far turn &amp; then finished evenly. Ran like he’d appreciate a fast pace to run at.</b>
EARL OF GODIVA (AE)		DEBUTANT
BLACKTHORNE BRUSCA (AE)	MC20k, Lrl, 1M, Good, 09/22/24 – 7th	‘BB’ lacked speed from the gate & quickly dropped to a detached last early before gradually getting further & further behind. <b>Was never involved without a visible excuse. Extremely uninspiring. Effort followed by layoff.</b>
QUAHOG REPUBLIC (AE)	MSW, Lrl, 1M, Firm, 10/12/24 – 7th	Having broken from the outside gate, ‘QH’ raced in mid-pack, slightly behind the bridle, 3-4W around the first turn to ~1/2 mile pole. He then came under pressure heading into & around the far turn but couldn’t advance, instead just holding his position in 5 <sup>th</sup> . He then swung 4W into the lane under a strong ride & weakened. <b>Clean trip though a touch wide. Didn’t travel that well &amp; offered little late. Fairly uninspiring. Today’s drop in class will help.</b>

#### Race 8: OC 30k/SAL 16k, 3YO+, 6F, Dirt

HORSE	RACE	TRIP NOTE
CYBERTIME	Alw, MVR, 6F, Fast, 03/25/25 – 1st	‘CYBERTIME’ took a bump at the start but recovered well to chase the lone leader in a clear 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2W to the far turn. He then gradually reeled in the leader under gentle encouragement rounding the far turn & built good momentum to draw upside at the top of the stretch ~3W. From there, he came under a strong ride & drew off to score comfortably. <b>Perfect trip stalking &amp; pouncing upon the loose leader. Much the best at 3/5. Drew off well like he has more to offer.</b>
DON’T WAIT UP	Alw, Lrl, 6F, Sloppy, 04/26/25 – 5th	‘DWU’ broke cleanly but lacked speed & dropped back to rear early where he was patiently ridden chasing the slow pace to the far turn. He then came under a ride 3W on the bend but became outpaced as the pace quickened in front & failed to advance. Having then turned for home ~12L off the pace, he weakened to the wire. <b>Was in rear throughout &amp; never threatened without a visible excuse. Uninspiring.</b>
BACKNTHEWOODS	SA, Lrl, 6F, Good, 04/13/25 – 7th	Having broken cleanly from the outside gate, ‘BACKNTHEWOODS’ chased the pace in the clear 4W to the far turn before he advanced under minimal urging outside horses to be ~2L off the pace ~5/16 pole. He then began to struggle, came under a strong ride, got floated ~7W off the bend & weakened under a half-hearted ride to the wire. <b>Sat a wide trip though that likely didn’t make much difference. He traveled well into the race but then stopped fairly quickly in the stretch without a visible excuse.</b>
LITTLE LANCE	Alw, Lrl, 1M, Fast, 04/18/25 – 8th	‘LL’ was allowed to stride forward from the rail draw & raced ~1/2L off the pace in 2 <sup>nd</sup> to the far turn. He then eased back into the pocket as the leader dropped to the rail rounding the turn. He continued traveling well in the pocket to ~5/16 pole but then began struggling, dropped back & came under a ride. Having then turned for home ~8L off the lead with seemingly no chance, he weakened tamely under a ride in the stretch. <b>Perfect trip stalking the pace along the rail. Stopped quickly in the stretch without a visible excuse. Too bad to be true?</b>
FIVE DREAMS	SA, Lrl, 6F, Good, 04/13/25 – 1st	‘FD’ was hustled hard from the rail draw & worked into a pocket stalking position on the leader’s heels. She remained there to ~5/16 pole, then eased out into the 2P & comfortably drew upsides the leader ~1/4 pole, traveling best. She then drifted out 4-5W off the home turn, came under a strong ride & determinedly edged away to the wire. <b>Dream stalk &amp; pounce trip. Traveled best into the race &amp; then determinedly drew off. A likable victory, though the track was fast that day &amp; it’s hard to see how she improves.</b>
LADDIE DANCE	Alw, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Firm, 04/25/25 – 11th	‘LD’ was rushed up between horses to take the lead early & then crossed to the rail heading into the turn. Under encouragement, she then dueled for the lead around the turn into the stretch before coming under a strong ride at the top of the lane. From there, she gradually weakened back to 11 <sup>th</sup> , despite trying hard. <b>Went hard early, then stopped. Her 18/1 dueling partner held on for 4<sup>th</sup>, so her finish really was sub par. Will need to improve switched back to the dirt today.</b>

#### Race 9: Claiming 16k, 3YO+F, 5F, Turf

HORSE	RACE	TRIP NOTE
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REASSESS	Clm17k, GP, 5F, Synth, 04/17/25 – 4th	'REASSESS' was hustled hard from the gate, then stalked the pace ~2L behind the leader in the 2P while being encouraged to hold her position. She then came under a stronger ride when beginning to struggle rounding into the stretch, came 3W into the stretch & then faded at one pace. <b>Was ridden from start to finish &amp; looked a touch outpaced at the distance. Showed a nice attitude but off this effort, she needs further to score.</b>
BOSSY KATE	Clm25k, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Firm, 04/27/25 – 11th	'BK' lacked speed from the gate & dropped to rear, then quickly crossed to the rail. She then became outpaced ~1/2 mile pole & began losing further ground before she turned for home ~20L off the pace & came under a strong ride. From there, she failed to respond & came home a long way behind in last. <b>Lacked speed &amp; never factored without visible excuse. Uninspiring.</b>
SHARED AUTHORITY	Clm25k, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Firm, 04/27/25 – 4th	'SA' broke sharp, sped to the front, crossed to the rail & set an uncontested, honest pace to the far turn. She was then taken on for the lead rounding the bend into the stretch & came under a ride upon straightening. She responded to pressure & held her lead to ~1/8 <sup>th</sup> pole but then began struggling. Her rider then pulled her whip through & unbalanced the horse, resulting in a bump with a rival. From there, she weakened into an isolated 4 <sup>th</sup> . <b>Possibly did too much too soon but ran a likable race at 14/1 off the layoff regardless. Wasn't particularly helped by her rider in the stretch. Can improve.</b>
GLOSSAMER	Alw, Lrl, 1 1/16M, Firm, 10/24/25 – 8th	'GLOSS' showed good natural speed & adopted a comfortable rail stalking position early. Under a very tight hold, she then tipped out into the 2P down the back stretch before moving forward to pressure the leader heading into & around the far turn. She was within a neck of the lead, looming dangerously ~5/16 pole. She then came under a strong ride turning for home but failed to advance before being put in tight between foes ~3/16 pole. From there, she weakened quickly. <b>Traveled well into the race but found little off the bridle &amp; weakened. Wasn't helped by being put in tight late but that didn't really make much difference – she was a stopping at the time.</b>
MADDIE TEN	Clm12k, Lrl, 7F, Fast, 05/03/25 – 5th	'MT' broke okay but was then out sped in the opening furlong & side swiped by a rival which forced her to check back ~6L off the pace. She then gradually crept closer again 3W heading into the turn & maintained her progress to take 4 <sup>th</sup> ~3/8 pole. Her momentum then stalled somewhat though as the leading duo quickened away ~5/16 pole. From there, she came under a strong ride & weakened after being floated out 6W into the & only changed her lead ~1/8 <sup>th</sup> pole. <b>Was slightly impeded early &amp; floated wide but that certainly didn't cost her the race. This was a subpar performance from her with no obvious excuse. Didn't particularly like her late lead change.</b>
POLICE WOMAN	Clm25k, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Firm, 04/27/25 – 6th	Following a clean break, 'PW' eased back to rear ~10L off the pace heading into the far turn before she made a quick move on the bend & built eye-catching momentum to the top of the stretch. She turned for home ~7L off the pace, then came under a strong ride & moved to within 5L of the lead ~1/8 <sup>th</sup> pole, however, her run then flattened out & she simply held her position in 6 <sup>th</sup> at one pace late. <b>Clean trip. Made an eye-catching move on the bend but then flattened out. Ran like she'd appreciate today's cut back to a flat 5F, though she likely needs more.</b>
TITIAN TYRANT	Clm5k, CT, 7F, Muddy, 04/25/25 – 4th	'TT' chased the pace in mid-pack 2W to the first turn where she took a bump but was hardly impeded. She then continued chasing the pace to the back stretch before being taken into the clear 4W. From there, she made a move heading into & around the far turn & managed to advance into 3 <sup>rd</sup> ~3/16 pole but could not progress any further & then ran home at one pace in the stretch for a poor 4 <sup>th</sup> . <b>Took a minor bump early but that was inconsequential. Chased the pace, then faded late. Definitely didn't look to want a cut to 5F.</b>
DARK DUTCHESS	Clm7.5k, Prx, 6F, Fast, 01/30/25 – 7th	Having broken cleanly from the outside gate, 'DD' stalked the slow pace under a hold in the clear 5W heading into the turn. She then became outpaced as the pace quickened rounding the turn, dropping back & coming under a ride ~5/16 pole. From there, she swung 4W into the stretch & gradually faded. <b>Sat a wide trip through that didn't cost her the race. She ran a below par race from the start without a visible excuse. Effort followed by a layoff.</b>
ANY FOOLS GOLD	Clm40k, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Firm, 04/19/25 – 7th	'AFG' took a hefty bump & was in close quarters for the first 6-7 strides a of the race which resulted in her racing towards the rear early. She was patiently ridden in the 2-3P ~8L off the pace heading into & around the far turn before she came under a ride ~1/4 pole & swung 7W into the stretch. From there, she failed to menace. <b>Was bothered at the start &amp; then gave away a lot of ground on the bend, so this effort can be marked up somewhat. However, at 72/1, it's unlikely she'd have troubled the judge &amp; one would have liked to have seen a better finishing effort.</b>
NUWANDA	Clm25k, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Firm, 04/27/25 – 5th	'NUWANDA' traveled well tracking them pace 4W into & around the turn before coming under a ride when ~5L off the pace at the top of the stretch. From there, she ground out an even finish for 5th. <b>Clean trip though wide. Ignore the chart comment 'bumped start' – that hardly happened. Ran oaky, but didn't look to want a cut back to a flat 5F &amp; wasn't visually very impressive.</b>

SHE'S A GEM (MTO)	Clm12k, Lrl, 5 1/2F, Sloppy, 04/26/25 – 1st	'SAG' showed good natural speed & dueled for the lead under a tight hold into the bend 2W. She then pulled her rider into the lead ~3/8 pole. From there, she was allowed to go on with it & opened easily up by ~3L at the top of the stretch before coming under a ride. She didn't find much off the bridle & had her lead drastically reduced late but she had done enough early to hold on. <b>With 7lbs off her back, she showed great early speed &amp; managed to hold on late. Likable attitude. The cut back to a flat 5F today will suit.</b>
FROSTY MAYA (MTO)	Clm5k, CT, 4 1/2F, Sloppy, 04/10/25 – 4th	'FM' showed good speed from the outside gate & pressed the lead 2-3W into the turn before losing ground on the leader & coming under a strong ride ~3/16 pole. From there, she weakened quickly. <b>Flashed speed to the turn, then stopped quicker than one would have liked to see. Her finishing effort would raise concerns with today's 5F trip in mind.</b>

## Horses to Follow

### R7: BRIGHTY (5/1 ML)

Although not seen for 152-days, BRIGHTY deserves the upmost respect in today's seventh - a MC 25k over 1 1/16-miles on the turf. Milan Milosevic's trainee progressed nicely throughout 2024, capping the year off with two in the money finishes at odds of 16/1 and 5/1, despite an imperfect trip last time. Both of those efforts in particular earned her speed figures that make her competitive in this winnable looking spot, and as she returns to the track off an attractive work-tab featuring a sharp bullet workout on May 02, she looks an appealing option at a respectable price. She should sit a comfortable stalking trip from the rail and will also have no problem if the race is washed onto the main track.

### R8: CYBERTIME (3/5 ML)

The lightly raced 5-year-old CYBERTIME has taken his game to a new level recently and should be extremely tough to beat in today's eighth. Trained by Anthony Farrior, the son of NOT THIS TIME has won his last two starts at Mahoning Valley by clear margins, earning Beyer speed figures of 95 and 86 in the process. Those figures have been solidified by several horses he beat running well in later races. Per the trip notes, however, he still doesn't look to have peaked. With a lack of speed signed on in today's race, he should be able to adopt a forward position from the rail under Sheldon Russell - with whom he's to-for-two - and from there, he could be near impossible to stop once again.

### R9: SHARED AUTHORITY (7/2 ML)

Returning from a 106-day layoff, SHARED AUTHORITY ran a solid race at Laurel last time out, setting a fair pace at 14/1 into the final furlong before tiring late, likely due to needing the run. Trip notes mention her apprentice rider struggled with the crop late and became notably unbalanced, but she still finished just four lengths back, earning a 52 Beyer. With that effort behind her, she's likely to step forward today, especially dropping in class. The pace setup suggests she could get an easy lead again, and over a flat 5 furlongs, that could make her hard to catch. She should handle a switch to the main track if needed.

## FUTURE HORSES TO WATCH

### PERSIAN

**Trainer:** Linda Albert

**Last race:** Nov. 3, 4th

**Finish:** 4<sup>th</sup> by 7 1/4

Shuffled back to last on the rail behind a tiring pacesetter, she finished evenly along the fence in a race that produced three next-out winners.

### MISSED THE TURN

**Trainer:** Genevieve Londono

### OURDAYDREAMINGGIRL (*Breezed 4F – 49.45 at PRX on 4/15*)

**Trainer:** Lou Linder

**Last Race:** Feb. 22, 7th

**Finish:** 4<sup>th</sup> by 2 1/2

Steadied in opening stages of the Wide Country Stakes, angled out six wide entering the stretch, then closed willingly while drifting out.

### PACO THE TACO MAN

**Trainer:** Annette Eubanks

**Last Race:** March 30, 4th

**Finish:** 2<sup>nd</sup> by 4 3/4

3-year-old a different sort since gelded, adding Lasix and landing in Maryland. Gritty effort against the talented Slam Notion in latest, registering a 19-point jump on the Beyer scale.

### MIKES MO TOWN

**Trainer:** Carlos Mancilla

**Last Race:** Mar. 21, 5th

**Finish:** 6<sup>th</sup> by 13 3/4

Tracked in between rivals, dropped down to the pocket on the turn, then failed to threaten a pace-pressing runaway winner over a speed-friendly track. Perhaps he needs weaker company, so he's worth a follow at the dime maiden level here, or against nickel sellers at Charles Town.

### TWAIN *(Entered Preakness Day, Race 11)*

**Trainer:** Madison Meyers

**Last Race:** April 19, 3rd

**Finish:** 1st by 3/4

3-year-old Kitten's Joy colt brought a sustained run after being angled out for clear sailing in 5 1/2 MSW event. Added distance probably not out of the question.

### LEVISA

**Trainer:** Richard Sillaman

**Last Race:** April 4, 8th

**Finish:** 5<sup>th</sup> by 14

Set a pressured pace outside the 9-1 last-finisher, cleared to the rail to face a challenge from the 9-2 runner-up, then tired very badly as favorite in a race won by a deep closer. She's inconsistent, but she's also fast, and she fits in a conditioned \$7,500 claimer that lacks other early speed.

### GREY FLANNEL BOSS

**Trainer:** Kerry Hohlbein

**Last Race:** April 13, 4th

**Finish:** 4<sup>th</sup> by 4 3/4

Much-improved effort second off the claim. Got into extended pace scrum, then showed gritty comeback after looking beaten at the head of the lane going a one-turn mile.

### ADMIT NOTHING

**Trainer:** Carlos Mancilla

**Last Race:** March 29, 3rd

**Finish:** 2<sup>nd</sup> by head

**Last race:** Dec. 13, 1st

**Finish:** 4<sup>th</sup> by 4

Might have been too aggressive in the early stages of recent \$30,000 "beaten" seller as he battled for the lead in a race that went to closers. He's a proven commodity from off the pace and might opt for those tactics next time.

### LOVE ME TENDER

**Trainer:** Michael Trombetta

**Last race:** Nov. 30, 8th

**Finish:** 7<sup>th</sup> by 6 3/4

Raced 4 wide in the City of Laurel, stalking a duel (22.43, 44.97), then made a slight run with one furlong to go. Should be able to score with slight step back in class.

### ROYAL WINTOUR

**Trainer:** Graham Motion

**Last Race:** April 26, 10th

**Finish:** 6<sup>th</sup> by 4 3/4

Beaten favorite experienced a challenging journey in her 2025 debut. Raced in traffic and between horses at almost every juncture, angled out 4-5 wide turning for home, then wider in the final furlong. Hoping for better trip next start on turf.

### CUZ UR PRETTY

**Trainer:** Rodolfo Sanchez-Salomon

**Last Race:** April 19, 6th

**Finish:** 1st by 8 1/2

Sanchez-Salomon runner bounced back in a big way after troubled Colonial try. Right to the front against OCLM-NW2X F&M and rolled from there posting a 90 Beyer Speed Figure.

### ST PETE'S PASSION

**Trainer:** Clyde Martin Jr.

**Last Race:** April 4, 3rd

**Finish:** 4<sup>th</sup> by 3

Broke well in one-turn mile event but wound up tracking the pace three-four wide in a tight pack behind a gate-to-wire winner. Churned on evenly in the stretch as the beaten favorite. Fits at the \$45,000 level here, or in a maiden special weight out of town.

### BRIGHTNESS *(Entered Delaware Park – Sat 5/17, Race 3)*

**Trainer:** Jamie Ness

**Last Race:** April 18, 6th

**Finish:** 2<sup>nd</sup> by 3 1/2

Pressed the pace outside the 7-1 last-place finisher, made the front in between that one and the 3-1 fourth-finisher on the second turn, then gamely battled the good-setup, odds-on closer in the final furlong to just miss. In-form gray fits going middle-distances at the \$12,500 "non-three" level.

**WHENIGETTOHEAVEN** *(Breezed 4F - :52.40 at KEE on 5/13)*

**Trainer:** Nolan Ramsey

**Last Race:** April 19, 8th

**Finish:** 3rd by 2 3/4

Bumped at start, then sent up between horses while involved in a three-way pace skirmish around the turn. Stayed on through the stretch behind speedy Fore Harp and Maryland Champion Witty.

**CLASSIC JOKE**

**Trainer:** Anthony Farrior

**Last Race:** April 27, 5th

**Finish:** 2<sup>nd</sup> by neck

Got back to turf and ran a bang-up second despite trouble. Stymied along the rail from the far turn to upper stretch, the 4-year-old was altered out for clear sailing and came with a furious run to just miss to the fave. Claimed by Farrior, and the new connections catch a break with the "saved" NW3L condition.

**YO ADRIAN** *(Entered at Laurel – Fri 5/23, Race 4)*

**Trainer:** Brittany Russell

**Last Race:** April 25, 3rd

**Finish:** 2<sup>nd</sup> by 1/2

The Elkstone Group homebred got off to a rocky start (shuffled) in her debut, dropping 17 lengths off the early pace, and finished with a big flourish in the final sixteenth to the speedy winner. Appears to have some turf talent.

**THIS IS GOOD**

**Trainer:** Michael Trombetta

**Last Race:** April 26, 3rd

**Finish:** 3<sup>rd</sup> by 5

Off to an awkward break and pinched back at the start, yet demonstrated some grit and class while making up several lengths in the stretch run. Looking forward to his next turf sprint.

Improved performance when adding blinkers second out. Raced 4 deep early, then 3 wide around the far turn. Gave chase to energetic winner Ready For Magic in mid-stretch, then kept on gamely while well clear for place spot.

**MOPO**

**Trainer:** Phil Capuano

**Last Race:** April 25, 5th

**Finish:** 2nd by 3

3-year-old filly may have found her niche after being transferred to turf and sent long. Took pressure through solid internals and held well to the wire after being headed by a heavy favorite from the BTR barn.

**EFF THIRTY FIVE**

**Trainer:** Brittany Russell

**Last Race:** April 18, 9th

**Finish:** 1st by 3 3/4

BTR trainee excelling on grass right now. Dominated OCML-NW2X field with strong off the pace surge. Kept on eagerly through gallop. Stakes company might be next.

**CHESAPEAKE DREAM**

**Trainer:** Brittany Russell

**Last Race:** April 25, 4th

**Finish:** 3<sup>rd</sup> by 3

Sent up between horses early through a white-hot first quarter, then continued to duel through a strong half, tiring in the final sixteenth. Tab back in dirt allowance sprint up to 7 furlongs.

## JOCKEY CALLS

At Pimlico, jockeys can be named on more than one horse on the original overnight.

Race 1 - Andres Chavez: #2 - Map to the Moon; #9 - Tea Rose >>> **Chavez rides TEA ROSE**

Race 1 - Mychel Sanchez: #1 - Princess Brandy; #6 - Bad Girl Betty Lou >>> **Sanchez rides BAD GIRL BETTY LOU**

Race 3 - Carol Ceden0: #1 - Audibly; #2 - Louise Brooks >>> **Ceden0 rides LOUISE BROOKS**

Race 5 - Jorge Ruiz: # 8 - Its Satisfactual; #10 - Tanka Tough >>> **Ruiz rides ITS SATISFACTUAL**

Race 7 - Jorge Ruiz: #2 - Amazing Bernie; #8 - Latin Rebel >>> **Ruiz rides LATIN REBEL**

Race 8 - Xavier Perez: #4 - Little Lance; #6 - Laddie Dance >>> **Perez rides LITTLE LANCE**

## PAST TRACK TRENDS

### LAUREL:

Feb. 1 – SPEED BIAS

Feb. 2 – CLOSERS BIAS

Feb. 7 – SPEED BIAS

Feb. 8 – CLOSERS BIAS

Feb. 9 – Fair

Feb. 14 – Fair

Feb. 15 – SPEED BIAS

Feb. 16 – Fair

Feb. 21 – Fair

Feb. 22 – Fair

Feb. 23 – Fair

Feb. 28 –Fair

Mar. 1 – Fair

Mar. 2 – Fair

Mar. 7 – CLOSERS BIAS

Mar. 8 – Fair

Mar. 9 – Fair

Mar. 21– SPEED BIAS

Mar. 22– Fair

Mar. 23 – Fair

Mar. 28 – Fair

Mar. 29 – Fair

Mar. 30 – Fair

Apr. 4 – Fair

Apr. 5 – Fair

Apr. 6 – Fair

Apr. 11 –Fair

Apr. 12 – CLOSERS BIAS

Apr. 13 – SPEED BIAS

Apr. 18 – INSIDE BIAS

Apr. 19 - Fair

Apr. 25 - Fair

Apr. 26 – SPEED BIAS

Apr. 27 - Fair

May 2 – Fair

May 3 – CLOSERS BIAS

May 4 – CLOSERS BIAS

### PIMLICO:

May 9 – Fair

May 10 – CLOSERS BIAS

May 11 – Fair