

Picks for the 2023 Breeders' Cup

Day 2 – Saturday

Santa Anita Park



Race 1 – G2 Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance S. – 1:10 ET

Race 2 – G2 Twilight Derby – 11:05 a.m. ET

Race 3 - \$1 Million BC Dirt Mile – 2:30 ET

Race 4 - \$2 Million BC Filly & Turf – 3:10 ET

Race 5 - \$1 Million BC Filly & Mare Sprint – 3:50 ET

Race 6 - \$2 Million BC Mile – 4:30 ET

Race 7 - \$2 Million BC Distaff – 5:10 ET

Race 8 - \$4 Million BC Turf – 5:50 ET

Race 9 - \$6 Million BC Classic – 6:40 ET

Race 10 - \$1 Million BC Turf Sprint – 7:25 ET

Race 11 - \$2 Million BC Sprint – 8:00 ET

Race 12 – Allowance – 8:30 ET



Race 1:

Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance

Open - 3-Year Olds and Up

1 5/8 Miles - Purse \$250,000

My contenders are;

#6 **Kiss Today Goodbye** (5-1) –ran a very good 2nd last out in the Tokyo City S. last out – looks to be the pace setter in here (goes to the front & try to slow the pace down) – making 2nd start off layoff - gets jock change to Victor Espinoza (he does well in Route races) – his best Dirt speed is the fastest in here.

#5 **Salesman (Ire)** (5/2) – looks to have found a home on Dirt – ran a good 3rd in last race (it was his 1st on Dirt) – the French import is making his 4th start in the U.S. (all but his last race were on Turf) – trainer Mandella puts Flavien Prat on.

#3 **Siskany (GB)** (6/5) – this Euro import is making his 1st ever start on Dirt – top Euro trainer Appleby should know what he is doing – ran 3rd (only beaten 1 ½ lengths) in last race a G1 Stakes in Germany – he is the Bris Prime Power & Class leader – if he takes to the Dirt he will win easily – getting 6 lbs. off from last race – regular jock William Buick rides the Godolphin homebred!

#4 **Win the Day** (8-1) – is going Turf to Dirt (trainer hits @14/42%) – has good pedigree for distance races – making 3rd start off layoff (trainer hits @13/43%) - ran a very good 2nd (only beaten 1 ½ lengths on Turf) – gets a big jock change to Antonio Fresu (jock/trainer hits @20/47%).

If any of the above scratches out of the race, move everyone up and add in order #1.

Wagers:

Win bet on #6 **Kiss Today Goodbye** and a Bottom Wheel Exacta of ALL with #6

BEST Longshot: - #6 **Kiss Today Goodbye** (5-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

#6 with #5-3-4-1 = \$8

\$1 Exacta Box: (5-3-4-1) = \$12

\$1 Trifecta Wager :

BOX: (6-5-3-4) = \$24 or \$12 for 50CENT wager

6 with 5-3-4 with ALL = \$9 or \$4.50 for 50Cent wager

5-3-4 with 6 with ALL = \$9 or \$4.50 for 50Cent wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

BOX: (6-5-3-4-1) = \$12 for 10 Cent wager

6 with 5-3-4 with 5-3-4-1 with ALL = \$27 or \$2.40 for 10 Cent wager

5-3-4 with 6 with 5-3-4-1 with ALL = \$27 or \$2.40 for 10 Cent wager

\$1 Daily Double: 6-5-3-4 with 6-12-8-11 = \$16

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 6-5-3-4 with 6-12-8-11 with 6-3-5 = \$24

50 CENT Pick 5: 6-5-3 with 6-12-8 with 6-3-5 with 2-9-6 with 5-1-7 = \$121.50

Race 2:

G2 Twilight Derby

Open - 3-Year Olds

1 1/8 Miles Turf - Purse \$250,000

My contenders are;

#6 **Webslinger** (3-1) – ran a very good 2nd (only beaten a head) last out in the Saratoga Derby Inv. at Saratoga (it was on Yielding ground – should like getting back to Firm Turf) – has won 3 of last 5 races – is ranked 2nd on the Bris Prime Power & Class ratings – making 1st start off 2 month layoff (trainer hits @14/41%) – shows recent Bullet work - best Turf speed is one of the best in here – earned the best last out Bris Late Pace rating - under rated turf jock Castellanos rides back for trainer Casse.

#12 **Silver Knott (GB)** (4-1) – Euro shipper for Godolphin / Appleby - is the Bris Prim Power & Class leader –last 3 races have been in the U.S. – ran a very good 3rd (only beaten 2 lengths) last out in the G2 Secretariat S. at Colonial – making 1st start off a 3 month layoff (trainer hits @29/50%) – his been Gelded since last race (should be more focused on racing today!) – trainer does well in Graded Stakes (hits @43/75%) – main jock William Buick is here to ride.

#8 **Almendares (GB)** (8-1) – just missed last out in the Del Mar Derby finishing 3rd (only beaten 1 length) – he will be racing mid-pack – has a nice turn-of-foot for turf racing – making his 3rd start in the U.S. – good Turf jock Fresu returns for very good Turf trainer D’Amato (they hit @27/64%).

#11 **Mondego (GB)** (6-1) – ships in from New York for trainer Clement (hits @20/50%) – making 1st start off 7 week layoff (trainer hits @20/52%) – ran a decent 4th (beaten 4 lengths) last out in G3 Virginia Derby – jock change to Rosario (he won on this guy 4th & 5th races back).

#5 **Panic Alarm (Ire)** (6-1) – ran a good 4th (only beaten 1 ½ lengths) last out in G2 Del Mar Derby – making his 3rd start in the U.S. for trainer Sadler – making 1st start off a 2 month layoff (trainer hits @18/48%) – he likes to race near the back of the field and wait to make his move on the leaders late – big jock change to Frankie Dettori.

#2 **Be Your Best (Ire)** (12-1) – Filly ships in from New York for trainer De Paz – making 2nd start off 10 week layoff – last race was over a Yielding Turf (she did not like it) – getting back to Firm Turf will be much appreciated – she has 2 placings at this distance – ran a good 2nd 2 races back in the G1 Del Mar Oaks (only beaten 2 ¾ lengths) – big jock change to Irad Ortiz, Jr. (expect to see big effort).

If any of the above scratches out of the race, move everyone up and add in order #3 and #7.

Wagers:

Win/Place bet on #6 **Webslinger** and a Bottom Wheel Exacta of ALL with #6

BEST Longshot: #8 **Almendares (GB)** (8-1)

\$2 Exacta: 6 with 12-8-11-5-2-3-7 = \$14

\$2 Exacta Box: (12-8-11-5) = \$24

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

6 with 12-8-11-5 with 12-8-11-5-2-3-7 = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

12-8-11-5 with 6 with 12-8-11-5-2-3-7 = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

BOX: (6-12-8-11) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

6 with 12-8-11-5 with 12-8-11-5 with 12-8-11-5-2-3-7 = \$60 or \$6 for 10CENT
wager

12-8-11-5 with 6 with 12-8-11-5 with 12-8-11-5-2-3-7 = \$60 or \$6 for 10CENT
wager

BOX: (6-12-8-11) = \$12 for 10Cent wager

\$1 Daily Double: 6-12-8-11 with 6-3-5-4 = \$16

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 6-12-8-11 with 6-3-5 with 2-9-6-11 = \$24

50 CENT Early Pick 4 wager: 6-12-8-11 with 6-3-5 with 2-9-6-11 with 5-1-7 = \$72

Race 3:

BC Dirt Mile

Open - 3 Year Olds and Up

1 Mile - Purse \$1 Million

This will be the 17th running of this Division.

This year it has attracted a short field of 7 runners.

The Favorites have only won this Division five times!

This is a race where both speed and stamina are required. You can be sure there will be a hot pace up front and the winner will probably be a horse that can be within 4-5 lengths of the leaders and have the ability to kick into high gear to pass them by in the lane.

My contenders are;

#6 **Skippy Longstocking** (12-1) – we are going for the upset in here even though everyone will be cheering for Cody's Wish to repeat this year – Skippy is cutting back from Route races which is usually a winning move in this Div. – he has plenty of experience in 2-turn races (a lot of the others experience is at a 1-turn Mile) – he will be forwardly placed rating behind the pace setters – he earned the best last race Bris Late Pace Nos. – ranks 2nd on the Bris Prime Power & Class ratings – making 1st start off a 9 week layoff (trainer hits @23/52%) – shows 2 recent Bullet works – ships in from Florida for Saffie Joseph.

#3 **Cody's Wish** (9/5) – he will be the Odds-On Post Time favorite - he won last out in the G2 Vosburgh – he is perfect at this 1 Mile Dist. (7-7-0-0) – he runs his best in 1-turn mile races – he did win this race last year at Keeneland in a 2-turn race – looking to repeat in this Div. – he is the Lone Closer in here and will get the fast up front pace that he needs to prevail - has not been off the board this year in 15 career races (15-10-1-4) – he shows recent Bullet work and is looking good in the mornings – he earned the best last race Bris Late Pace nos. - trainer Mott has him ready for a big effort.

#5 **Charge It** (5-1) – has had success at the Mile Dist. (5-2-2-0) - ran a decent 4th last out (jock dropped the whip) in the G2 Woodward – is cutting back in distance from 1 1/8 and 1 1/4 mile races – has run to PAR for this level – looks like he can rate behind the pace setters - Johnny V. rides back for Pletcher.

#4 **Zozos** (6-1) – he is the speed of the field – he will be trying to go gate-to-wire hoping that no one can catch him – most of his Mile races are around 1-turn – 2 turns today may play against him carry his speed – he won the Ack Ack S. last out which is a BC Challenge race for this Div. – shows a recent Bullet work – Geroux & Cox team up (they hit @23/58%).

#9 **National Treasure** (8-1) – the Preakness Stakes winner will be cutting back in distance for

trainer Baffert – will be making his 2nd try at the Mile distance – ran a decent 4th last out in the 1 1/8 Mile G1 Awesome Again S. – he has early speed but that is usually in longer dist. races (not sure his early speed will be ther at this shorter dist.) – making 3rd start off layoff (trainer hits @28 /62%) – shows recent Bullet work – has the home track advantage - Prat rides for the 1st time.

If any of the above scratches out of the race, move everyone up and add in order #1.

Wagers:

Win and Place bet on #6 **Skippylongstocking** and a Bottom Wheel Exacta of ALL with #6 and #3

BEST Longshot: 6 **Skippylongstocking** (12-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

6 with ALL = \$14

\$1 Exacta Box: (3-5-4-9) = \$12

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

12 with 3-5-4 with ALL = \$20 or \$10 for 50Cent wager

3-5-4 with 12 with ALL = \$20 or \$10 for 50Cent wager

BOX: (6-3-5-4) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

6 with 3-5-4 with 3-5-4-9 with ALL = \$36 or \$3.60 for 10Cent wager

3-5-4 with 6 with 3-5-4-9 with ALL = \$36 or \$3.60 for 10Cent wager

BOX: (6-3-5-4-9) = \$12 for 10Cent wager

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 6-3-5-4 with 2-9-6-11 with 5-1-7-8 = \$32

50 CENT Pick 5 wager: 6-3-5 with 2-9-6 with 5-1-7 with 6-10-3 with 1-3-8 = \$121.50

\$1 Daily Double 6-3-5-4 with 2-9-6-1 = \$16

Race 4:

BC Filly & Mare Turf

Open – 3 Year Olds and Up

5 ½ Furlongs Turf – Purse \$2 Million

This now \$2 Million purse race was added to the Breeders Cup series in 1999 which makes this year the 23rd occurrence.

The distance of this race changes based on the turf course configuration of the host track. This year at Santa Anita it will be run at 1 1/4 Miles!

16 winners of this race were bred in Europe and Japan.

Runners that prepped in California are a BIG 0-for-48. A field of 12 runners are entered in this year's edition.

My contenders are;

#2 **Warm Heart (Ire)** (2-1) – looks to be the best of the Euros – she has won 5 of 7 races this year – won last race in the G1 Prix Vermeille at Longchamp – she is 2 for 2 at this distance – her last 3 races have all been Group 1 Stakes – she is improving with each race except for the one 3 back – she has a win in the Ribblesdale S. at Royal Ascot in June – the Ryan Moore/Aidian O'Brien team won this race last year.

#9 **Didia (Arg)** (8-1) – won the G2 Rodeo Drive S. last out over this course (it is a BC Challenge race) – she has 3 of last 4 races – likes this distance (4-3-1-0) – she was impressive in that last race how she was able to fend off the Closer Anisette and won by 1 ¾ lengths after rating behind the pace setters – she looks to be America's best chance to beat the Euros – good turf jock in Cheminaud.

#6 **Inspirial (GB)** (5/2) – looks to be a standout on form – connections decided to send her when the ground came too soft on British Champions day at Ascot – has won Group Stakes at 2, 3 and now 4 year-old campaigns (they were all at 1 mile) – the added ¼ mile today may be a disadvantage to her – trainer Godsen has not done well in this race (6-0-0-1) - gets her regular jock Frankie Dettori who has ridden her last 11 races!

#11 **Lumiere Rock (Ire)** (12-1) – Euro shipper for Joseph O'Brien (he won this race 4 years ago) – ran a very good 3rd last out (only beaten 1 1/4 lengths) in the G1 Prix de l'Opera at Longchamp (it is a BC Challenge race for this Div.) – outside Post could be a problem (but the Euros know how to save ground)- regular top McMonagle make the trip over.

#7 **Lindy (Fr)** (12-1) – making her 3rd U.S. start – ran very good 2nd (only beaten ½ length) in the QEII Cup at Keeneland – she a good turn-of-foot late as she earned the 2nd highest Bris Last Out Late Pace nos. – should be able to handle the extra furlong today – good Turf trainer in Walsh.

#1 **In Italian (GB)** (4-1) – ran 2nd in this race last year – she is the speed of the field and knows only one way to run – she will be trying to go wire-to-wire again just like she did last year – the

Euro Closers are just too good to get upset by a early speed runner – trainee Chad Brown is on the best Turf trainers in the U.S. - making 2nd start off the layoff (trainer hits @29/65%) – has never been off the board in 13 races (13-7-5-1) – be sure to use her in the Trifecta and Superfecta!

If any of the above scratches out of the race, move everyone up and add in order #8, #4.

Win/Place bet on #2 **Warm Heart (Ire)** and a bottom wheel Exacta All with #2

BEST Longshot: #9 **Didia (Arg)** (8-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

2 with 9-6-11-7-1-8-4 = \$14

\$1 Exacta Box: (9-6-11-7) = \$12

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

2 with 9-6-11-7 with 9-6-11-7-1-8-4 = \$24 or \$12 for 50CENT wager

9-6-11-7 with 2 with 9-6-11-7-1-8-4 = \$24 or \$12 for 50CENT wager

BOX: (2-9-6-11) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

Superfecta wager:

2 with 9-6-11-7 with 9-6-11-7-1 with 9-6-11-7-1-8-4 = \$80 for \$1 Wager or \$8 for 10 Cent wager

9-6-11-7 with 2 with 9-6-11-7-1 with 9-6-11-7-1-8-4 = \$80 for \$1 Wager or \$8 for 10 Cent wager

BOX: (2-9-6-11-7) = \$12 for 10Cent Wager

\$1 Daily Double 2-9-6-11 with 5-1-7-8 = \$16

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 2-9-6-11 with 5-1-7-8 with 6-10-3-14 = \$32

\$1 Pick 6 wager:2-9 with 1-7 with 6-10 with 4-8 with 9-5 with 2-3-8 = \$96

Race 5

BC Filly & Mare Sprint

Filly & Mares - 3-Year Olds and Up

7 Furlongs – Purse \$1Million

This is the 17th year for this Division.

This year it has attracted a small field of 9 runners.

Last year's edition featured Goodnight Olive beating the returning Champion Ce Ce who could only finish 4th.

6 Favorites have now won this Division!

Only three 3-year olds have won this race.

When there are larger fields a quicker pace up front occurs and it sets up for a Closer to Win!

My contenders are;

#5 **Kirstenbosch** (10-1) – upset potential here – last 2 races have shown big improvement in speed nos. since the Blinkers went On – won last race in the G3 Chillingworth S. on this track – she is the Lone Closer in here (should be enough early speed for her to close into) – shows recent Bullet work – earned a 100 Bris Late Pace no. in last race – jock/trainer team hitting @30/70%.

#1 **Goodnight Olive** (6/5) – last year's winner is back to defend her title (they do not fare well) – only 1 repeat champion (Groupie Doll 2012-13) – inside posts do not do well in this race (small field could help her) – favorites do not win often in this Div. but do finish in-the-money – she has never been off the board at this distance (8-6-1-1) –making 1st start off a 2 month layoff (trainer hits @24/59%) – shows recent Sharp works – she will be rated behind the pace setter.

#7 **Society** (5/2) – will be trying to go wire-to-wire (but pace setters do not win often in this Div.) - won both of her races this year (in wire-to-wire fashion) – she is the early speed in here and the other girls will have to chase after – is 3 for 4 at this distance last race – should hang on for a piece!

#8 **Three Witches** (30-1) – won last race in the Princess Rooney at Gulfstream (it is a BC Challenge race for this div.) – she likes this dist. (4-2-1-1) – making 3rd start off the layoff (trainer hits @20-49%) - ships in from Florida (trainer hits @18/47%) – trainer Joseph gets Saez to ride.

#9 **Yuugiri** (8-1) – won the T.C.A. at Keeneland last out (it is a BC Challenge race for this Div.)

– she will need to rate behind the pace setters – the added furlong today should only help here – trainer Brisset is winning at 25% this year.

If any of the above scratches out of the race, move everyone up and add in order #3.

Winand Place bet on #5 **Kirstenbosch**(10-1) and a bottom wheel Exacta All with #5

BEST Longshot: #5 **Kirstenbosch**(10-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

5 with 1-7-8-9-3 = \$10

\$1 Exacta Box: (1-7-8-9-3) = \$12

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

5 with 1-7-8-9 with 1-7-8-9-3 = \$16 or \$8 for 50CENT wager

1-7-8-9 with 5 with 1-7-8-9-3 = \$16 or \$8 for 50CENT wager

1-7 with ALL with 1-7 = \$14 or \$7 for 50CENT wager

BOX: (5-1-7-8) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

Superfecta wager:

5 with 1-7-8-9 with 1-7-8-9-3 with 1-7-8-9-3 = \$48 for \$1 Wager or \$4.80 for 10 Cent wager

1-7-8-9 with 5 with 1-7-8-9-3 with 1-7-8-9-3 = \$48 for \$1 Wager or \$4.80 for 10 Cent wager

1-7 with ALL with ALL with 1-7 = \$72 for \$1 Wager or \$7.20 for 10 Cent wager

BOX: (5-1-7-8-9) = \$12 for 10Cent Wager

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 5-1-7-8 with 6-10-3-14 with 4-3-8-5 = \$32

50 CENT Pick 4 wager: 5-1-7 with 6-10-3-14 with 4-3-8-5 with 9-5-8-2 = \$98

\$1 Daily Double #5-1-7-8 with 6-10-3-14 = \$16

50Cent All-Dirt Pick 4 (R5,7,9,11) wager:

5-1-7 with 4-8-5 with 2-3-12 with 4-6-9 = \$40.50

Race 6:

BC Mile Division

Open - 3-Year Olds & Up

1 Mile Turf – Purse \$2 Million

The most difficult race to handicap carries a \$2 Million purse. This race and has truly become a "world" championship race as runners from all over the world have won it!

The Mile sends mores horses to the gate than any other Breeders Cup race with an average of 13 over the 39 year time span. This makes for a very good betting opportunity. This year we a full field of 14 going to the gate!

Any horse that has run in a previous BC Mile has an advantage when they return!

Analysis:

This year it is a battle of the Euro invaders vs. the Americans!

With such a large field there will be a lot of early pressure on the front runners which should set things up for someone that comes from off the pace to win.

My contenders are;

#6 **Mawi (Ire)** (4-1) – this Euro invader for Godolohin and trained by Saeed bin Suroor is a super Filly – she will be taking on the boys for the 1st (girls have won this Div. 10 times) – she came over last month to run in the QEII at Keeneland and won it on the front end – prior to that race she won 3 consecutive including the 1000 Guineas at Newmarket – she is a hlf sister to Modern Games who won this race last year – Osin Murphy is here to ride.

#10 **Songline (Jpn)** (5/2) – Japan's super Mare made the trip over – she is a Mile specialist – just missed by a Nose in last race and won the 2 previous races – she won the Yasuda Kinen which was a BC Challenge race – the Japanese have been very dangerous over the last couple of years winning big races all over the Word including Breeders' Cup!

#3 **Casa Creed** (8-1) – this will be his 4th BCup with 3 in this Div. – the 7 year-old has not been off-the-board in 4 races this year (4-2-1-1) – won the Fourstardave last out and the Kelso in the prior- trainer Mott has him in top form – raced with Songline in Saudi Arabia last year and was only beaten a nose – will be racing in a Pressing style behind our top pick.

#14 **Master of The Seas (Ire)** (7/2) – 2nd Euro shipper for Godolphin another who came over in September to run in the Woodbine Mile which he won easily (BC Challenge race) then to the Turf Mile at Keeneland where he just missed by a nose as the favorite – he is well accustomed to the firmer Turf now – his main concern is the outside post position (he will have to work out a trip)– his trainer Appleby won this race of the last 2 years with his main jock William Buick up.

#5 **Lucky Score** (8-1) – ran a very good 2nd (beaten a Nose) last out in the Nearctic – ran 3rd in previous race the Woodbine Mile – has not been off-the-board this year (6-1-2-3) – trainer Casse ships in from Canada – gets big jock change to Irad Ortiz, Jr. (can only help) – should impact the superfecta.

#1 **Shirl's Speight** (30-1) – ships down from Canada for trainer Attfield – he ran a good 2nd (beaten 3 ¾ lengths) last out in the Woodbine Mile – shows recent Bullet works - he is a Closer from the back of the field (should save lot of ground coming out of Post 1) – count on him making one big move late to get the picture – he earned the best Bris Late Pace nos. last out – Johnny V. rides back.

If any of the above runners scratches, move everyone up and add in order #11 - #2

Win & Place bet on #6 **Mawi (Ire)** and a bottom wheel Exacta All with #6

Best Longshot: #3 **Casa Creed** (8-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

6 with 10-3-14-5-1-11-2 = \$14

\$1 Exacta Box: (10-3-14-5) = \$12

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

6 with 10-3-14-5 with 10-3-14-5-1-11-2 = \$24 or \$12 for 50Cent wager

10-3-14-5 with 6 with 10-3-14-5-1-11-2 = \$24 or \$12 for 50Cent wager

Trifecta Box: (6-10-3-14) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Cent Superfecta wager:

6 with 10-3-14-5 with 10-3-14-5-1 with 10-3-14-5-1-11-2 = \$80 or \$8.00 for 10 Cent wager

10-3-14-5 with 6 with 10-3-14-5-1 with 10-3-14-5-1-11-2 = \$80 or \$8.00 for 10 Cent wager

Box (6-10-3-14-5) = \$12 for 10 Cent wager

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 6-10-3-14 with 4-3-9-5 with 9-5-8-2 = \$32

50 CENT Pick 4 wager: 6-10-3-14 with 4-3-8-5 with 9-5-8 with 2-3-12-11 = \$96

\$1 Daily Double 6-10-3-14 with 14-3-8-5 = \$16

\$1 Pick 6: 6-14 with 4-8-5 with 9-5 with 2-3 with 14-5 with 4-6-9 = \$384

Race 7:

BC Distaff Division

Fillies and Mares – 3 Years Olds and Up
1 1/16 Miles – Purse \$2 Million

The Distaff race carries a Purse of \$2 Million! The Distaff winner has been named Champion of the Year 24 times in 38 years!

The Distaff usually draws the smallest field of all the Breeders Cup races, averaging only 8.5 runners. A full field of 14 horses has only gone to post twice in 38 years.

So it is no wonder that favorites tend to do very well in this race.

With the increase in purse money, we should start seeing this trend change to full fields which will lead to fewer favorites winning. This year we have a small field of just 8.

Long-shots have won 10 of the last 22 years. They won at 9-1, 7-1, 7-1, 8-1, 14-1, 30-1, 40-1, 55-1 and 12-1!

No European horse has ever won the Distaff.

California and New York based runners have won 29 of 39 races.

This years' race goes through Idiomatic (5/2) and Adare Manor (4-1).

My contenders are;

#4 **Idiomatic** (5/2) – won last race in the G1 Spinster S. (BC Challenge race) at Keeneland (trainer hits @ 29/62% nxt, out)– earned a 100 Beyer Speed no. – won last 4 races (all Graded S.) – trainer Cox looking for his 2nd win in this Div. – this 4-year old likes to be on the lead but can rate if need be – looks to be a good deal of speed in here – is the Bris Prime Power & Class leader – has never been off the board (11-8-1-2) – shows Sharp recent race – jock/trainer team hits @23/56%

#3 **Pretty Mischievous** (8-1) – ran a very good 2nd (only beaten ½ length) last out in the G1 Cotillion S. (key prep for this Div.) – the KY Oaks winner has never been off the board (10-7-2-1) – has a win at this distance – earned 100 Bris Late Pace no. last out – she is the type of runner that likes pass horses late – 3 year-olds tend to hit the Exacta in this race.

#8 **Randomized** (6-1) – is the top speed runner in here – won the Beldame S. last out (key prep for this Div.) –has paired career best 98 Beyer speed nos. – has won last 3 races in wire to wire fashion – has won at this distance and at 1 ¼ miles – will she get enough pressure for a late runner to catch her? Jose Ortiz rides for Chad Brown (they hit @50/63%).

#5 **Adare Manor** (4-1) – won the G2 Zenyatta by 5+ lengths last out at over this track (BC Challenge race) – 5 wins in 6 races this year for trainer Baffert – won all but 1 race gate-to-wire – will she get into a speed dual and allow a Closer to win?? Has the home track advantage – trainer jock team hits @31/59%.

#11 **Le Da Vida (Chi)** (20-1) – ran a good 2nd last out in the G1 Spinister– she is a late type of runner that will get a lot of pace to close into today (look for her to hit the Superfecta) – making 3rd start off the layoff – shows recent Bullet work.

If anyone scratches move everyone up and fill in with these in order: #6, #2

Wagering Strategy:

Win/Place bet on #4 **Idiomatic** and a Bottom Wheel Exacta - ALL with #4.

BEST Longshot: #3 **Pretty Mischievous** (8-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

4 with 3-8-5-11-6-2 = \$12

\$2 Exacta box: (3-8-5-11) = \$24

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

4 with 3-8-5-11 with 3-8-5-11-6-2 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

3-8-5-11 with 4 with 3-8-5-11-6-2 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

BOX: (4-3-8-5) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

4 with 3-8-5 with 3-8-5-11 with 3-8-5-11-6-2 = \$36 for or \$3.60 for 10Cent wager

3-8-5 with 4 with 3-8-5-11 with 3-8-5-11-6-2 = \$36 for or \$3.60 for 10Cent wager

Box: (4-3-8-5-11) = \$12 for 10CENT Wager

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 4-3-8-5 with 9-5-8-2 with 2-3-12-11 = \$32

\$1 Daily Double: 4-3-8-5 with 9-5-8-2 = \$16

50 CENT Pick 4 wager: 4-3-8-5 with 9-5-8-2 with 2-3-11 with 14-5-11 = \$72

Race 8:

BC Turf Division

Open - 3-Year Olds and Up

1 ½ Miles Turf – Purse \$4 Million

To win this you must have won at 1 ½ Miles. If you have not done that yet you will not win this race.

Analysis:

With such a large field there will be a lot of early pressure on the front runners which should set things up for someone that comes from off the pace to win.

My contenders are;

#9 **Mostahdaf (Ire)** (5/2) – Euro invader won his last 2 races – last out won the Juddmonte Int. at York on a left turn course (like we have in the U.S.) – gets weight advantage today taking 9 lbs. off from last race – won the Prince of Wales S. at Royal Ascot – trainer godsden win this race in 2018 with Enable – looks to be the best of a very good group shipping in..

#5 **Auguste Rodin (Ire)** (3-1) – one of 3 in here for trainer O’Brien - won 3 of last 4 races including the Irish Champions S. last out – won the Irish Derby 2 races back and the Epsom Derby 3 races back – was the post time favorite in 8 of 9 career races – Ryan Moore / Aidan O’Brien team is usually unbeatable when they come over!

#8 **Up to the Mark** (5-1) – looks to be the best hope for the U.S. runners – has won 5 of his last 6 races – won the Turf Mile (BC Challenge race for this Div.) at Keeneland coming from the back of the field to get up in time for the win – showed a good turn-of-foot – has won at a Mile 3/8 so a Mile and ½ should be no problem – making 2nd start off layoff (trainer hits @25/55%) – there will be enough pace for his Late run to matter – Irad Ortiz, Jr. rides for Pletcher.

#2 **Onesto (Ire)** (8-1) – French shipper for trainer Fabrice Chappet – ran a good 3rd (only beaten 1 ¾ lengths) last out in the Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe (has been a prep race for this Div.) – has a big turn-of-foot for coming on late – has won at this distance – big question is will he like the Firm Turf.

#11 **King of Steel** (4-1) – won last race in the Champion S at Ascot (BC Challenge race for this Div.) – has a very good turn-of-foot which kicks in when he makes his late move from the back of the field – he is a big horse and when he starts to roll late there is no stopping him – making a quick turn around for a Euro (last race 14 days ago) – connections even cross entered him in the Classic Div. – Frankie Dettori rides back for Roger Varian.

#1 **Shahrvar (Jpn)** (15-1) – this Japanese invader is the big unknown – has not run well in his 2 starts this year – won the Dubai Sheema Classic, Japanese Derby last year – he has talent but has not shown this year yet – so why are they sending him over?

If any of the above scratches out of the race, move everyone up and add in order #4 #10.

Win / Place bet on #9 **Mostahdaf (Ire)** and a bottom wheel Exacta All with #9

BEST Longshot: #8 **Up to the Mark** (5-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

9 with 5-8-2-11-1-4-10 = \$14

\$2 Exacta Box: (5-8-2-11) = \$24

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

9 with 5-8-2-11 with 5-8-2-11-1-4-10 = \$24 or \$12 for 50Cent wager

5-8-2-11 with 9 with 5-8-2-11-1-4-10 = \$24 or \$12 for 50Cent wager

BOX: (9-5-8-2) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

9 with 5-8-2-11 with 5-8-2-11-1 with 5-8-2-11-1-4-10 = \$80 or \$8 for 10Cent wager

5-8-2-11 with 9 with 5-8-2-11-1 with 5-8-2-11-1-4-10 = \$80 or \$8 for 10Cent wager

BOX: (9-5-8-2-11) = \$12 for 10Cent wager

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 9-5-8-2 with 2-3-12-11 with 14-5-11-3 = \$32

\$1 Daily Double 9-5-8-2 with 2-3-12-11 = \$16

50Cent: Pick 4: 9-5-8-2 with 2-3-12-11 with 14-5-3 with 4-6-9 = \$72

Race 9:

Breeders' Cup Classic

Open - 3-Year Olds and Up

1 1/4 Miles – Purse \$6 Million

With the BIG purse of now \$6 Million, the Classic is the main event on the card and has featured some wild and crazy results!

Last year we saw Flightline (3/5) Win and remain Undefeated.

Analysis:

This year we have no winners from the Triple Crown Series or the Travers S. winner but we do have the Jockey Club Gold Cup winner.

Usually the older horses have an edge over the 3-year olds. However, 4 of last 8 winners were 3-year olds. We have (3) 3 year-old and (9) older horses entered.

Every Classic winner (except for 2021, 2010 and 2009) had already raced at 1 1/4 Mile distance.

Europeans have now won this race twice with Arcangues in 1993 and paid \$268 for a \$2 win ticket and in 2008 with Raven's Pass. They have however finished in-the-money 9-times.

Only 5 winners have won this race coming off a career BEST Beyer speed rating.

All but two Classic winners had raced within the last 50 days.

Deep closers in this race do not fare well, unless her name is Zenyatta!

Early speed horses have only won seven times.

29 of 39 Classic winners have won a Grade I / Group I race within their last 3 races at a distance of at least a mile 1/8.

My contenders are;

#2 **Zandon** (12-1) – won the Woodward last out by 4+ lengths last out (key prep for this Div.) – has not been out of the Exacta this year in 4 races – has the Large-heart X-Chromosome pedigree trait – earned a Beyer 100 speed no. last out – has 100+ Beyers in last 4 races – earned a 107 Bris Late Pace no. in last race – will be racing mid-pack waiting for the pace setters to come back – trainer Chad Brown puts Frankie Dettori on (watch out)!

#3 **White Abarrio** (4-1) – won the G1 Whitney S. by 6+ lengths last out (Key prep for this race) – has shown big improvement since joining the Dutrow barn – earned a career best Beyer

110 in last race - has the Large-heart X-Chromosome pedigree trait – he will be pressing the pace setters – earned 100+ mid race and Late pace nos. in each of last 2 races – concern is that he has not raced in 3 months – shows series of Sharp works – hit the board.

#12 **Arabian Knight** (3-1) – won the Pacific Classic last out going wire-to-wire – has won 3 of 4 career races - could get into a speed battle with the other Early speed horses – he looks to be a “Need the Lead” type of runner - has the Large-heart X-Chromosome pedigree trait – earned his 1st triple digit Beyer in last race – has the home track advantage for Baffert.

#11 **Bright Future** (4-1) – won the Jockey Club Gold Cup last out earning a 103 Beyer speed no. – won 3 of 5 races this year – he either wins or comes in 3rd - has the Critical raise A Native sire side pedigree line - has the Large-heart X-Chromosome pedigree trait – making 1st start in 6 days (trainer hits @21/52%) – Pletcher ships in from NY and puts Johnny V. up for the 1st time.

#8 **Ushba Tesoro (Jpn)** (4-1) – Japanese invader has won last 6 races – the 6 year-old looks to be in form (no horse older 5 has won this race) – does well at this dist. (3-3-0-0) – he has distance pedigree – however he performs on Sat, will be a surprise!

If any of the above scratches out of the race, move everyone up and add in order #7 and #9

Wager Strategy:

Win bet on #2 **Zandon** and a \$2 **Bottom Wheel Exacta** ALL with #2

BEST Longshot: #2 **Zandon** (12-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

2 with 3-12-11-8-7-9 = \$12

\$2 **Exacta Box:** (3-12-11-8) - \$24

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

2 with 3-12-11-8 with 3-12-11-8-7-9 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

3-12-11-8 with 2 with 3-12-11-8-7-9 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

BOX: (3-12-11-8) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

2 with 3-12-11-8 with 3-12-11-8 with 3-12-11-8-7-9 = \$80 or \$8 for 10Cent wager

3-12-11-8 with with 2 3-12-11-8 with 3-12-11-8-7-9 = \$80 or \$8 for 10Cent wager

BOX: (2-3-12-11) = \$12

50 CENT Pick 3 wager: 2-3-12-11 with 14-5-11-3 with 4-6-9-7 = \$32

50 CENT Pick 4 wager: 2-3-12-11 with 14-5-11 with 4-6-9 with 7-8-10-12 = \$72

\$1 Daily Double: 2-3-12-11 with 14-5-11-3 = \$16

Race 10:

Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint

**Open 3-Year Olds and Up
5 Furlongs Turf - Purse \$1 Million**

This is the 16th year for this Division.

It has attracted a full field of 12 runners for this as the Division.

There are just (3) European and (1) Japanese invaders this year.

The distance this year is 5 Furlongs this year.

Last year Caravel Upset at (43-1) and has returned to defend her title.

The Euros have only won the Division once in 2020 at Keeneland.

The Contenders are:

#14 Beer Can Man (12-1) – draws into the field - 1 of 3 in here for D'Amato – ran a good 3rd (only beaten 2 lengths) last out in the G2 Woodford Keeneland – 6 of his 7 wins are at this distance – he likes to stalk the pace setters – show good Late Bris Pace nos. in last race – trainer does very well in Turf races – Prat rides back – jock/trainer team hits @40/60%.

#5 Live In The Dream (Ire) (9/2) – Euro invader came over last month to run in the Woodford S. and he finished 4th after setting the pace in the 5 ½ F event – will appreciate the slight cut back in distance here – he won the G1 Nunthorpe S. at York 2 races back - n 2018.

#11 Jasper Krone (12-1) – Japanese invader ran a solid 4th in last race beaten only 2 lengths (at 6 furlongs) – won a Stakes at this distance back in May - the runners from Japan have been running well all over the World – could surprise at a nice price.

#3 Caravel (5-1) – last year's Upset winner of this event is back to defend her title – ran a very good 2nd (only beaten a Neck) last out in the Franklin County S. which she won last year – won the G1 Jaipur S. 3 races back – she loves racing on the front end in these Sprints – the 6 year-old has won 12 of 21 races at this distance – out of the Brad Cox barn.

#10 Motorious (5-1) – won the Green Flash S. at Del Mar last out – is out of the D'Amato barn – earned career best Beyer of 103 in last race – he is a Closer that needs quick fractions up front – has done well at this distance (4-2-2-0) – Prat rides back.

#1 Big Invasion (15-1) – won last race in the G2 Nearctic S. at woodbine on a Yielding course – he closed just in time to win by a head – firm Goriund at Santa Anita should be appreciated – has done well at this distance (9-6-2-0) – this will be just his 3rd start in the U.S. – Rosario rides for Clement (they hit @40/60%).

If anyone scratches move everyone up and fill in with these: #9 and #4

Wagering Strategy:

Win & Place bet on #14 **Beer Can Man** and a \$2 Bottom Wheel Exacta ALL with #14

BEST Longshot: #11 Jasper Krone (12-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

14 with 5-11-3-10-1-9-4 = \$14

\$2 Exacta Box: (5-11-3-10) - \$24

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

14 with 5-11-3-10 with 5-11-3-10-1-9-4 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

5-11-3-10 with 14 with 5-11-3-10-1-9-4 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

BOX: (14-5-11-3) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

14 with 5-11-3-10 with 5-11-3-10-1 with 5-11-3-10-1-9-4 = \$80 or \$8 for 10Cent wager

5-11-3-10 with 14 with 5-11-3-10-1 with 5-11-3-10-1-9-4 = \$80 or \$8 for 10Cent wager

BOX: (14-5-11-3-10) = 10 CENT wager = \$12

\$1 Daily Double: 14-5-11-3 with 4-6-9-7 = \$16

50CENT Pick 3: 14-5-11-3 with 4-6-9-7 with 7-8-10-12 = \$32

Race 11:

Breeders' Sprint

Open - 3-Year Olds and Up

6 Furlongs – Purse \$2 Million

The Sprint has a purse of \$2 Million and brings together the FASTEST horses in the world! This race is one of the most challenging races to handicap. There are not many TOP Class horses that specialize in running 6 furlongs. The best speed horses are usually racing at 6 1/2 or 7 furlongs.

The Sprint usually attracts a full field of 14 runners but this year only 8 have entered.

With the \$2 Million prize there usually are no problems getting a full field.

Full fields are GREAT for handicappers because they usually have high pay-outs. This is a race where you want to be playing the Trifecta and Superfecta wagers!

Middle distance runners tend to do very well in the Sprint as opposed to those that specialize in 6 furlong races.

Pay attention to Friday's races to see how the early speed is holding!

My Contenders;

#4 **Dr. Schivel** (5-1) – won last race in the G2 Santa Anita Sprint Champ. (BC Challenge race) – earned 103 Beyer in last race – he rated behind the pace setter -he does have – he ran 2nd in this race 2 years ago at Del Mar (only neaten a Nose) – making 2nd start off layoff (trainer hits @ 18/52% - trainer also does wel with next out winners (hits @ 19/57%) – loves this distance (9-6-1-2) – Hernandez rides for Glatt (they hit @25/83%).

#6 **The Chosen Vron** (5-1) – won the G1 Bing Cosby last out – has won last 8 races – is 3 for 3 at this distance – has won 7 of 8 races at Santa Anita – making 1st start off a 3 month layoff (trainer hits @15/38%) – has won off the bench previously – shows Sharp recent works. willlooks to rides for Asmussen.

#9 **Gunite** (4-1) – ran 2nd last out in the Parx Dash (only beaten 1 3.4 lengths) (it was on a sloppy track(-won 2nd race back in the G1 Forego in wire to wire fashion – cutting back from a Mile to where he belongs – always on the board at this sprint dist. (6-3-2-1) – he has lots of Early speed but can rate if need be – he is the Bris Prime Power leader.

#7 **Speed Boat** (3-1) – ran a good 2nd last out in the Santa Anita Sprint Champ. (only beaten a Head) – this Baffert runner does his best running on Dirt where he has returned to in last race (his best speed nos. is on Dirt) – making 2nd start off a long layoff (trainer hits @33/60%) – shows recent Bullet work – Mike Smith gets on for the 1st time – earned a 103 Beyer Speed no. in last race.

#8 **Elite Power** (9/5) – won this race last year at 5-1 odds – Champions trying to repeat do not

do well (last 6 that tried are (0-1-0) – Favorites do not win many of these (only twice in last 14) – he has won 3 of 4 races this year – ran 2nd in last race (G1 Forego behind Gunite) – earned best last out Bris Late Pace no. – is the Bris Top Class leader.

If there are any scratches move everyone up and use the following: #1

Win bet on #4 **Dr. Schivel** and a Bottom Wheel Exacta ALL with #4

BEST Longshot: #6 **The Chosen Vron** (5-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

4 with ALL = \$14

\$2 Exacta Box: (4-6-9-7) = \$24

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

4 with 6-9-7-8 with 4-6-9-7-8-1 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

6-9-7-8 with 4 with 4-6-9-7-8-1 = \$20 or \$10 for 50 CENT wager

BOX: (4-6-9-7) = \$24 or \$12 for 50 CENT wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

\$1 Superfecta wager:

4 with 6-9-7-8 with 6-9-7-8 with 6-9-7-8-1 = \$36 or \$3.60 for 10Cent wager

6-9-7-8 with 4 with 6-9-7-8 with 6-9-7-8-1 = \$36 or \$3.60 for 10Cent wager

BOX: (4-6-9-7-8) = \$12

\$1 Daily Double: 4-6-9-7 with 7-8-10-12 = \$4

Race 12:

Allowance

Fillies & Mares - 3-Year Olds and Up

6 1/2 Furlongs Downhill Turf - Purse \$100,000

My contenders are;

#7 **Gem Mine** (7/2) – ran 2nd last out (only beaten 2 ¼ lengths) at 6 furlongs – should appreciate the added ½ furlong – making 3rd start off the layoff (trainer hits @26/43%) – gets big jock change to Frankie Dettori – best Turf speed is one of the fastest in here.

#8 **Real Fire** (6-1) – finished in 3rd behind our top pick in last race – making 3rd start off the layoff – shows recent Bullet work – has won over this course – she is a Closer and needs quick fractions up front and should get them in this field – top Turf jock Rispoli rides back for trainer Knapp.

#10 **Madiha** (8-1) – ran a good 2nd (only beaten 2 lengths) in last race which was over this course – she runs pressing the pace setters and close in on them late – ranks 2nd on the Bris Prime Power ratings – Victor Espinoza rides back for Craig Dollase.

#12 **Arinniti** (6-1) – Euro transfer to the Mandella barn – making 1st U.S. start – won last race in Ireland on the All Weather track – making 1st start 15 month layoff – shows good patter of works – good Turf pedigree – good turf jock Berrios rides 2nd – expect him to hit the board.

#4 **North East Star** (10-1) – broke her Maiden in last race (trainer hits @19/45% nxt, out) – shows recent Bullet work – jock Fresu rides back for D’Amato (they hit @27/64%) .

If anyone scratches move everyone up and fill in with these in order: #5.

Wagering Strategy:

Win bet on #7 **Gem Mine** and a Bottom Wheel Exacta ALL with #7

BEST Longshot: #10 **Madiha** (8-1)

\$2 Exacta Wager:

7 with 8-10-12-4-5 = \$10

\$2 Exacta BOX: (8-10-12-4) = \$24

\$1 Trifecta Wager:

7 with 8-10-12-4 with 8-10-12-4-5 = \$16 or \$8 for 8 CENT wager

8-10-12-4 with 7 with 8-10-12-4-5 = \$16 or \$8 for 8 CENT wager

Box: (7-8-10-12) = \$24 or \$12 for 50CENT Wager

\$1 Superfecta wager:

7 with 8-10-12 with 8-10-12-4-5 with 8-10-12-4-5 = \$36 or \$3.60 for 10Cent Wager

8-10-12 with 7 with 8-10-12-4-5 with 8-10-12-4-5 = \$36 or \$3.60 for 10Cent Wager

BOX: (7-8-10-12-4) = \$12 for 10 Cent Wager

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NOTE: Best way to play our selections is to remember that our Top 4 horses should be your primary focus.

You can use them to play the Exacta by Boxing the 4 runners as well as doing the same in the Trifecta and Superfecta.

Consider using ALL 4 in the Rolling Pick 3s and the Pick 4 as well as the Rolling Daily Doubles.

The cost of a 4 horse Exacta Box for a \$1 wager amount is \$12.

The cost of a 4 horse Trifecta Box for a \$1 wager amount is \$24 or \$12 for 50Cent wager..

The cost for a 4 horse Superfecta Box for \$1 amount is \$24 or \$2.40 for a 10 Cent wager amount.

The cost for using 4 horses in each leg of the Daily Double for a \$2 wager amount is \$32

The cost for using 4 horses in each leg of the Pick 3 for a \$1 wager is \$64 or \$32 for 50Cent wager

The cost for using 4 horses in each leg of the Pick 4 for a 50 Cent wager is \$128

The cost for using 2 horses in 2 legs and 4 in 2 legs of the Pick 4 for a 50 Cent wager is \$32

In case of SCRATCHES on any of our selections, just move everyone up to fill in.

ALL post times are Eastern Standard.

Wager Minimums:

\$2.00 - Win, Place, Show, Daily Double.

\$1.00 - Exacta, Special Doubles, Daily Double, Ultra Pick6

50 CENT - Trifecta, Pick 3, Pick 4, Pick 5, All Dirt Pick 3

10 CENT - Superfecta

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