



Monday, April 29, 2024 • Race Day 9

Today's selections and commentary by: **Ray Cotolo**

Full-Card Selections

1	2-9-1-3	6	7-2-4-3	11	7-1-2-3
2	2-1-3-8	7	1-2-4-7	12	2-7-3-1
3	4-5-10-3	8	5-6-2-3	13	-
4	1-2-3-6	9	5-1-9-4	14	-
5	3-6-2-1	10	4-2-5-3	15	-

Early Pick 5 Ticket

Race 1: 1,2,9
 Race 2: 1,2
 Race 3: 4,5
 Race 4: 1,2
 Race 5: 1,2,3,6
 Total Stake: \$19.20 for \$.20

Late Pick 5 Ticket

Race 6: 2,7
 Race 7: 1,2
 Race 8: 2,5,6
 Race 9: 5
 Race 10: 2,4
 Total Stake: \$4.80 for \$.20

Race 1

1 Mile/Pace • USHDC NW \$3,000 L4 Opt. Claim \$8,000
 (2) PINWOOD JESSE got stuck behind a stacked field and finished evenly but did well following a strong pace. He takes a big drop in class here which could wake him. (9) SUNY DAYS GIRL enters off a good mile and moves into this race for a barn that has excelled in this class. Will have speed to chase because (1) LANESIDE LOGIC GB will go forward. And he only just got caught last out. Maybe he lasts? (3) BR EZLIKSNDMORNIN somehow survived on the rim for the whole mile last out, so maybe he has more in the lane with a better trip?

Race 2

1 Mile/Pace • NW \$9,000 L4 Opt. Claim \$20,000
 (2) ROBERT AGAIN ascends the class ladder again but does so off an authoritative win two levels below. He probably has more inside the tank. (1) SADDLE UP gets a good draw again and exits the Open off a good effort. He clearly belongs at this level and should work a better trip than when last here two starts ago. (3) MAC'S MARVEL may get involved now that he's out of the Open. (8) PD THE BIG EASY may try to launch for position and can grab a good chunk based on how the speed looks early.

Race 3

1 Mile/Pace • NW 1 EXT PM LT
 (4) FIGHTFORYOURRIGHT went a simple mile against a better horse last out and may be more aggressive based on this field and a good draw. (5) STANDING LEADER should do well here if he again goes forward early. (10) DESIGNATED FREAK is the best on paper but will have to find a trip from this post. (3) MIKI BELLE has some legs to him and should keep improving.

Race 4

1 Mile/Pace • USHDC NW \$4,200 L4 Opt. Claim \$12,000
 (1) STICK WITH CRAMER gets a good draw after weeks of showing life from off the speed. This could be the right field for him. (2) ROCKIN M is usually a factor and will work a trip but is moving up in class. He's in good form. (3) SHES A FIREBALL will go forward and maybe last the distance like she did last out. (6) TAPPED TEEN took a week off and could be ready to roll.

Race 5

1 Mile/Pace • NW \$6,500 L4 Opt. Claim \$15,000
 (3) SETH HANOVER takes another big drop in class and has been racing well when against tougher. Still finds a tough group but he fits. (6) LOUIE THE LOOPER sat a simple trip last out but should go a mile this week where he doesn't get locked at the pylons. (2) IFUD-NTNOMEBYNOW goes back on Lasix and should step forward off his effort in the Kentucky Sire Stakes. (1) CALIBER has been loaded both times he raced at this class and should be a factor presuming he goes forward from this spot.

Race 6

1 Mile/Pace • Fillies & Mares Open
 (7) SOUTHWIND BELLA returns from two week's rest and her blowout win last out. She's the one to beat. (2) YANKEE B SOMETHING appears to be getting real tight as she moves to the top level. She won off a perfect trip last out but should be forward again. (4) CANGETUOUTAMYMIND may have the best kick for a closer in this race and should hit the ticket. (3) ILLUSION SEELSTER likely sucks along for a trip and gets a good check.

Race 7

1 Mile/Pace • NW \$2,700 CD

(1) ROCK N REPUBLIC drops back to the class where he really developed solid form last season. He hasn't been bad against better but he should do well here. Same goes for (2) AYR BALMORAL GB, who escapes some killers from the NW2 class here. He should be primed for this type of race. (4) INCREDIBLE BOMBAY keeps closing into the mix in the late strides so he presumably should do the same here. (7) MAJOR LEAGUER may have an easier time getting into the mix in a race like this but seems more an underneath use.

Race 8

1 Mile/Pace • NW \$4,000 L4 Opt. Claim \$10,000

(5) ALWAYSSTELLTHETRUTH drops in class and raced well against the tougher level in his most recent. He should get a better spot in this race early. (6) THE GOOD DOCTOR exits the Kentucky Sire Stakes and will just have to translate that speed into a race like this. (2) TOPVILLE ROCKNLUCK finally gets a good draw to show what he can do after showing ability but going tough trips in each start locally. (3) TOXIC ROCK makes a big drop in class but also his first start of the year here. Tough to tell if he'll try to roll but he definitely was competitive against better.

Race 9

1 Mile/Trot • Maiden / NW 1 EXT PM LT

(5) READLY SUCCESS came short popping pocket last out but seems to be taking steps forward with each outing. She finds a good field to work a similar trip. (1) KENTUCKYDREAM ships from Hoosier off okay races and may be a good fit since he gets a good draw. (9) HAUTEUR is still learning but she can win. She just has the added task of getting into the race from the second tier. (4) ZORA MOON has finished better in her last few starts and could get a piece.

Race 10

1 Mile/Pace • NW 1 EXT PM CD

(4) PRETTY N SASSY has not had good finish in her last two starts but is capable of better. The drop in class might make her more competitive. (2) SO I LIKEIT DIRTY should be a factor here if he's ready to pick up where he left off last season with that win at Cumberland Run. (5) MAGICKINGDOM has a good kick for the finish but is super trip dependent. He's gotten better with each start though. (3) FLYING ON BAYOU gets a post not in the second tier and that might be enough.

Race 11

1 Mile/Pace • Fillies & Mares NW \$2,700 L4 CD

(7) MADISONS ANGEL finished second best to an obvious and strong winner last out. She escapes that rival and is then the most logical. (1) RACIN FOR ROYALTY gets a good draw to work from but will have to show more fight off a helmet than she's shown in her last two. (2) KIZZMELIKEUMISSME just gave chase last out but held well. She should again be involved. (3) FOUND MY ROCK finished as a surprise when third at 43-1 last out. She's been good at grabbing checks and could be a key underneath.

Race 12

1 Mile/Pace • Fillies & Mares NW 1 EXT PM LT

(2) ALWAYS BE BEACHIN emerged from a tough spot in post 10 to nearly win on her seasonal return. She impressed then and should be sharper at second asking. (7) TAMEUDOWN got bottled in the stretch last out and had more to offer than that fourth-place finish if given room. She just has to figure out a trip from a tough draw. (3) TAKE YOUR PICK is another steadily improving for trainer John Hughes and could be ready for a big-price landing on the ticket. (1) SPARKLING DIVA is super win shy and will likely get put in a spot where she has to climb into action again. But she can hit the board.

SHEET STATS

STATS (4/1/24- 4/23/24)	WINS	TOP PICK	2ND PICK	3RD PICK	4TH PICK	ALL PICKS
# OF RACES	96	28	28	9	10	75
WIN %		29.17%	29.17%	9.38%	10.42%	78.13%
RETURN	(\$192)	\$132.58	\$247.44	\$168.50	\$154.16	\$702.68
ROI %		-30.95%	28.88%	-12.24%	-19.71%	-8.51%
AVG RETURN		\$4.74	\$8.84	\$18.72	\$15.42	\$11.93
MEDIAN RETURN		\$3.93	\$5.45	\$12.42	\$9.40	\$5.52
AVG ODDS		3.87	5.64	9.45	13.72	8.17
MEDIAN ODDS		2.49	3.42	6.75	9.66	4.72
CORRECT PLACINGS	RACES	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	ALL
RACES	96	28	15	17	9	69
RATE		29.17%	15.63%	17.71%	9.38%	17.97%