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PLACE PARLAY PLAY OF THE DAY

A featured daily wager meant to be fun and engaging, while also seeking to convert a small investment into a significant profit. Begin with a small place bet on the first race of the sequence – \$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00 or an amount within your budget. Roll any winnings forward with place bets on the subsequent races until the parlay loses or is completed successfully.

Race 7 (# 1) Monterey Bay
Race 9 (# 1) Movie Night
Race 12 (# 6) Sovereignty
Race 14 (# 4) Versailles Road

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Selections
5 - 7 - 8 - 3 - 4

Wagers & Race Notes

* No wagers on this race.

I'm on the backstretch at Saratoga watching horses train every morning and I have zero information on any of 9 first time starters in the opener. Even with my pedigree research, I cannot confidently suggest wagering on this type of race. I have made 5 selections, but with no conviction. There's 12 more betting opportunities on the day, so this race is a pass for me.

6 1/2 Furlongs. Dirt. 2 Year Olds.
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse:
\$115,000 Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50),
Super (.10), Double (\$1) 1 & 2, Pick 3
(\$1) (1-3) Early Pick 5 (.50) (1-5)

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Selections
8 - 9 - 10 - 3

Wagers & Race Notes

* No wagers on this race.

Race 2 is the split division of race 1 with 10 juvenile colts, all first timer starters. That's a combined 19 horses entered in the first 2 races who have never run to open the Whitney day program. Similar to the opener, I can't out of clear conscience suggest betting on either of these 2 races. I have not seen anything in some of the works of these colts to even remotely suggest a wager, nor have I received any useful information to take a shot with a horse. I have made 4 selections, but with no conviction. Passing an impossible race like these first 2, is even more important than betting and losing your money on a total crap shoot.

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MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse:
\$115,000 Exacta (\$1), Quinella (\$1),
Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double
(\$1) 2 & 3 Pick 3 (\$1) (2-4), Pick 4 (.50)
(2-5)



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Selections
3 - 4 - 1

Wagers & Race Notes

- * Win bet on (3) FULL SCREEN at 5-2 or higher
- * Exacta box 1-3-4 = \$12 for a \$2 wager
- * Trifecta 3-4 over 1-3-4 over ALL = \$16 for a \$1 wager
- * Trifecta 3-4 over 1-3-4 over 1-3-4 = \$4 for a \$1 wager

(4) Vibe will go to the lead with (3) Full Screen in close pursuit. Vibe pulled up and was vanned off after the Met Mile. Being way overmatched and racing without lasix clearly did him in. Expect big improvement dropping in class and getting lasix back today. Reeled off 3 straight wins prior to that debacle. Gets a rider change to Irad Ortiz for the hot Todd Pletcher. The main question I have with Vibe and the reason I picked him 2nd is he's attempting 1 1/8 miles and 2 turns for the first time. That's not the case for (3) Full Screen whose last 2 wins have come at this distance. He was claimed for \$110,000 back in June by Saffie Joseph Jr. returning from a layoff. In his first start for the barn on July 4, he finished a good 2nd as the 2-1 favorite. 2 works since on the main track and a good post should result in another improved effort.

1 1/8 Miles. Dirt. 4 Year Olds And Up. ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING(\$110,000). Purse: \$130,000 Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double (\$1) 3 & 4, Pick 3 (\$1) (3-5) Mandatory Pay Pick 5 (.50) (3-7)

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Selections
7 - 8 - 5 - 4 - 9

Wagers & Race Notes

- * Win bet on (7) SAIL THE WIND
- * Trifecta 7 over 4-5-8-9 over ALL = \$24 for a \$1 wager
- * Trifecta 7 over 4-5-8-9 over 4-5-8-9 = \$6 for a \$0.50 wager
- * Trifecta 4-5-8-9 over 7 over ALL = \$12 for a \$0.50 wager

(7) Sail With the Wind returned from leg surgery and 2 screws inserted off a 7 1/2 month layoff to run a career best race scoring easily June 21. She has not missed beat in her training since that race according to trainer Jeremiah Englehart. He's decided to try his hand in the entry level Allowance race in her first start against open company, instead of waiting for the Yaddo stakes at the end of the month. Has tactical speed to help overcome her outside post. With the late scratch of (1) Consumer Sentiment, I've decided to key my top pick in trifecta's in the first and second slots, with more with her on top.

1 1/16 Miles. Turf. 3 Year Olds And Up. ALLOWANCE. Purse: \$120,000 Exacta (\$1), Quinella (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double (\$1) 4 & 5 Pick 3 (\$1) (4-6), Pick 4 (.50) (4-7)



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Wagers & Race Notes

* Win bet on (6) PRETTY BOY MIAH

This is a tricky race because there's several horses who prefer to race up close to the lead. The beneficiary of the pace set up and race dynamics could come down to which horse can rate off the leaders, attack successfully and continue on well to the wire. I've landed on (6) Pretty Boy Miah, because I feel the cut back in distance after 3 distances races and drawing a good outside post, rider Santana can employ those tactics successfully. I prefer him around 2 turns, as his best races have come at 6 1/2 furlongs and a 1 turn mile. 7f could hit him between the eyes if he's able to sit off the early leaders. Since this is such a difficult race, I don't want to get very involved in other wagers than a simple win bet.

7 Furlongs. Dirt. 3 Year Olds And Up. ALLOWANCE. Purse: \$120,000
Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double (\$1) 5 & 6, Pick 3 (\$1) (5-7) Mandatory Pay Pick 5 (.50) (5-9)

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Wagers & Race Notes

- * Exactas 3 over 2-4-6, reverse for 1/4 as much
- * Trifecta 3 over 2-4-6 over ALL = \$18 for a \$1 wager
- * Trifecta 2-4-6 over 3 over ALL = \$9 for a \$0.50 wager

Unlike races 1 and 2 which are split divisions for 2 year old colts, this is the similar, race but for fillies and one that I do have an opinion on. My top selection (3) Red Poppy is a filly that I've seen work both at the Ocala April sale and again a few times on the Saratoga main track. I like what I've seen each time. Trained by Todd Pletcher, she was purchased for \$900,000 for high profile owners and breeder Spendthrift Farm. Pletcher scored with 2 impressive juveniles last Saturday and whose barn has been on fire of late after a slow start. Obviously when there are 7 other first time starters I've not seen work or heard any information on, we are the mercy of the unexpected. Nevertheless, I have enough of an opinion and insights into this race to suggest a wager. Of the other 3 horses I've selected under Red Poppy, 2 have run and both ran well in their debut. Today (2) Rum Twist and (6) Aerial Affair will be stretching out a furlong. Aerial Affair was well bet, making a sharp middle move into the lead of a very impressive winner. Rum Twist angled off the inside in deep stretch and finished very well late. The other first timer I picked as my 2nd selection (4) Stefania shows several very good works for her debut, 3 on the Saratoga main track. Appears well meant for trainer Danny Gargan, who likes to showcase his best 2 year olds on big days.

6 1/2 Furlongs. Dirt. 2 Year Olds. MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse: \$115,000
Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double (\$1) 6 & 7, Pick 3 (\$1) (6-8) Pick 4 (.50) (6-9)



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INNER TURF COURSE
1 3/8 MILES
FINISH
Selections
1 - 5 - 9 - 10
Off Turf 9 - 14 - 12 - 7

The Wizard's Crystal Ball Wagers & Race Notes

- * Win bet on (1) MONTEREY BAY
- * Exacta box 1-5 and 1-9
- * Exacta box 1-5-9 = \$12 for a \$2 wager
- * Trifecta 1 over 5-9-10 over ALL = \$12 for a \$0.50 wager
- * Trifecta 5-9-10 over 1 over ALL = \$12 for a \$0.50 wager
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OFF THE TURF

- * Exactas 9 over 7-12-14, reverse for 1/4 as much

It's not very often you see a Wesley Ward trained horse at any age, enjoying and improving going a distance of ground. Ward trains his young horses to show a lot speed and to run a winning race in their debut. If they stand up to his training regimen as a 3 and 4 year old, they are usually established as sprinters. (1) Monterey Bay is that rare exception who obviously began his career going short. When he was stretched out to 2 turns, he found his calling card. Even though his lone win was at 7f at Woodbine, it's his last start when stretched out to 1 3/8 miles over this turf course that he ran a career best race. Showed improved speed that day, stalking in 3rd for the first 6 furlongs. He moved to challenge for the lead entering the far turn for the second time. Quickly got into a duel with the pacesetter, which continued to deep stretch, but he was unable to hold off the late charge of Right to Vote, who came back to repeat on July 17 at the Spa. With very little early speed in this race and drawing the rail, expect jockey Jamie Rodriguez to have him on or near the lead right from the start. 6-1 on the morning line is a generous price for me to designate this race as a Wizard's Crystal Ball play.

1 3/8 Miles. Inner turf. 3 Year Olds
And Up. ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL
CLAIMING(\$55,000). Purse:
\$120,000 Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50),
Super (.10), Double (\$1) 7 & 8, Pick 3
(\$1) (7-9) Mandatory Pay Pick 5 (.50)
(7-11)

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MELLON TURF COURSE
1 1/16 MILES
START FINISH
Selections
4 - 5 - 9 - 11 - 12

Wagers & Race Notes Begin Pick 4 Play

- * Begin a PICK 4 play (turf or dirt) 2 suggested tickets = \$76
- Ticket 1: ALL / 1 / 1-5 / 1-3-4-6 = \$40 for a \$0.50 wager
- Ticket 2: 2-4-5-6-11-12 / 1-6-7 / 1-5 / 3-6 = \$36 for a \$0.50 wager

With the scratch of my top selection (7) Revenue Stream, I can make a case for any of these horses winning. For that reason, this race will be the start to a Pick 4 play, races 8-9-10-11. The 2 tickets equal \$76. If that's beyond your budget, I suggest just playing the first ticket which is \$40.

1 1/16 Miles. Turf. 2 Year Olds.
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse:
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Super (.10), Double (\$1) 8 & 9 Pick 3
(\$1) (8-10), Pick 4 (.50) (8-11)



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7 FURLONGS
Selections
1 - 6 - 7 - 3

The Wizard's Crystal Ball Wagers & Race Notes

- * Win bet on (1) MOVIE NIGHT
- * Exactas 1 over 6-7, reverse for 1/3 as much
- * Trifecta 1 over 3-6-7 over ALL = \$18 for a \$1 wager
- * Trifecta 3-6-7 over 1 over ALL = \$9 for a \$0.50 wager

(7) Explora will be the favorite at post time, but I'm going to look to defeat her with (1) Movie Night. She's one of the more lightly raced fillies in the Grade 1 Test. I feel she has the most upside and is ready to make another forward move today, which could land her in the winner's circle. I love her development ,showing steady improvement in all 3 starts. Movie Night broke her maiden impressively over a sloppy track at Churchill in her second start. Last time out she was even more impressive, scoring by 5 1/2 lengths, and switching to a dry track for the first time stretching out to 6.5 furlongs. I loved her stride, distancing herself from her 6 rivals. She then galloped out powerfully after the wire, suggesting she will handle 7f today successfully against tougher rivals. Movie Night gets a rider change to Jose Ortiz, as Prat who was aboard last time out, is back on the favorite for trainer Bob Baffert. Ortiz has won 3 races in 9 mounts for high % winning trainer Will Walden. The rail is always tricky to navigate at this distance, but this fillies versatility and a rider who is in zone right now, is enough for me to accept the risk reward in taking down to the favorite. Any moisture on the track would only enhance her chances. She shows 3 very good works at Churchill since her last start before shipping up to the Spa.

7 Furlongs. Dirt. 3 Year Olds. G1
Test S. Presented by Ticketmaster.
Purse: \$500,000 Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double (\$1) 9 & 10
Pick 3 (\$1) (9-11), Pick 6 (\$1) (9-14)



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Wagers & Race Notes

There's no doubt that (5) Deterministic is the horse to beat in the Grade 1 Fourstardave, but I have several reasons why I'm picking (1) Rhetorical to upset the favorite. He needed his return on April 10 off a layoff to wipe off any rust there was from a great 4 year old campaign. Finished 3rd that day in a tough Grade 1 stake at Keeneland. Rhetorical found himself on the lead early in the Grade 1 Turf Classic on Derby day at Churchill, when no one else wanted to the lead. Last time out he faded to 4th after once again setting the pace in another Grade 1. Today Rhetorical cuts back to 1 mile, which I feel is his best distance. Even though he's been on the lead his last 2 starts, his preferred running style is to have a target to run at, tactics I expect him to return to today. Draws the rail which only helps on the inner turf course. He's shown a fondness for the Saratoga turf course, with 3 wins in 5 starts here. (5) There's no way you can knock the quality, class and consistency of the favorite (5) Deterministic. He's looking for his 6th straight win today, all switching to Carmouche. He won this race last year and has won 3 races in 4 starts over Saratoga grass. I can see either of my top 2 selections, winning, but in the final analysis, I prefer Rhetorical at this distance and his inside draw, but only by a narrow margin. (3) Zulu Kingdom is another who loves this course and distance and it would not be a surprise if he were to win this stake for Chad Bown and Flavian Prat. I just feel he's a cut below my top 2 selections if they all bring their 'A' game. (6) Capital Hill and (7) Lagynos are the types of horses who can get a piece with their patented late run.

* Exacta 1-5, reverse for 1/2 as much
* Trifecta 1-5 over 1-5 over ALL = \$8 for a \$1 wager
* Trifecta 1-5 over ALL over 1-5 = \$4 for a \$0.50 wager
* Trifecta 1-5 over 1-5 over 3-6-7 = \$12 for a \$2 wager
* Trifecta 1-5 over 3-6-7 over 1-5 = \$6 for a \$1 wager
TOTAL TRIFECTA WAGERS = \$30

1 Mile. Inner turf. 3 Year Olds And Up. G1 Fourstardave S.. Purse: \$750,000 Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double (\$1) 10 & 11 Pick 3 (\$1) (10-12), Grand Slam (\$1) (10-13), Late Pick 5 (.50) (10-14)



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Wagers & Race Notes

- * Win bet on (6) GLACIUS
- * Exacta box 1-3-4-6 = \$12 for a \$1 wager
- * Trifecta 3-6 over 1-3-4-6-10 over 1-2-3-4-6-9-10 = \$20 for a \$0.50 wager

This is a very competitive race, but in my final analysis, I've landed on 2 horses whom I feel are the major danger to win this Grade 1 stake. My top selection is the stranger in the field (6) Glacius shipping in from England. His trainer Hugo Palmer has pointed for this race since this colt began his 3 year old campaign in mid June. He showed ability as a 2 year old. In his first start this year, Glacius checked in 3rd, beaten just 1 length. It's his last race, it clearly indicated that Palmer felt he needed 1 more run to have him dead fit to ship across the Atlantic for this race. He faced older horses for very little money, but that was by design. In his 3 starts as a juvenile, Glacius showed good speed. In both races this year, he was taken further back and then kicked on late. He wisely gets Luis Saez as his pilot today, who will be more aggressive with him early. It's important to note that he's the only horse in this field who is cutting back in distance. Palmer hasn't had much success shipping horses to the US, but all but one were running in very tough Breeders' Cup events at Del Mar. I feel he ships in horses who will be better suited to firmer ground. Palmer has won several Group 1 races, so he's more than capable springing the upset with a horse like this. I also feel, that the 3 year males in this division are not the strongest we've seen in past years, so a well meant and steadily developing horse can certainly make their presence felt. Glacius has also carried weight from 125 to 130 Lbs twice. In with 124 today. The main danger could be (3) Remember Mamba, who flew home too late last time out. He should love the added distance today. (1) Glavine is running here instead of Friday, which is a wise move. He's a long shot who has had excuses. With not much early speed in here, even with a flatfooted start, he will be forwardly placed breaking from the rail and switching riders to Kendrick Carmouche. Has galloped out strong past the wire in his last 2 starts indicating he should appreciate today's longer distance. (4) Title Role could be the pacesetter again with (10) West End Kind being aggressively ridden to take up the chase.

1 3/16 Miles. Turf. 3 Year Olds. G1
Saratoga Derby S. Presented by
Qatar Racing. Purse: \$750,000
Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super
(.10), Double (\$1) 11 & 12 Pick 3 (\$1)
(11-13), Pick 4 (.50) (11-14)



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1 1/8 MILES
START FROM
Selections
6 - 8 - 1

The Wizard's Crystal Ball Wagers & Race Notes

- * Win bet on (6) SOVEREIGNTY
- * Exactas 6 over 1-8, reverse for 1/3 as much
- * Trifecta 6 over 1-2-3-5-8 over 1-2-3-5-8 = \$20 for a \$1 wager
- * Trifecta 1-5-8 over 6 over 1-2-3-5-8 = \$12 for a \$1 wager

I never thought we would ever see (6) Sovereignty 3-1 on the morning line. He's been the odds on favorite in 4 straight races and today is the second choice behind (1) Magnitude who is the 9-5 morning line choice. It's obvious to me that Hall of Fame trainer Bill Mott would never be running in the Whitney if he didn't feel that redemption from his last 2 defeats was the likely outcome for him today. Sovereignty would be in the breeding shed, not here on this day. His return from an 8 month layoff in the Oaklawn handicap was a terrific effort in defeat. For the first time in his career, he got caught up in a cut throat pace battle right out of the gate, only to tire very late in the race. Last time out, Sovereignty caught a sealed sloppy track at Churchill that he simply didn't like. If you look back at all 11 of his starts, it's clear he needs a few races to reach peak form. He didn't break his maiden until 3rd time out. He did win the Fountain of Youth last year off 4 month break. As you can see, Sovereignty got better with every subsequent start, which concluded with one of the greatest performances you will ever see over this track in last year's Travers. I expect Junior Alvarado to place Sovereignty in perfect striking position entering the backstretch and then make his move on the far turn. He's won 3 races in 4 starts at the Spa. I expect Sovereignty to bring his 'A' game today and that would be enough to get his redemption. (8) Baeza is a danger to win the Whitney making his 3rd start off a layoff following 2 very good efforts despite breaking poorly each time, which has become as habit for him. Being the last one to load and breaking from an outside post, I feel it won't hurt him today, but rather help his cause. There's enough speed in here early on to ensure a solid pace. It's on the far turn when the real racing will begin and the fractions will heat up. Jockey Flavien Prat can bide his time and see all this developing from the rear. Prat will time his move to perfection like he always does, and in the late stages of the race, could be the one finishing best. Baeza lost to Sovereignty all 3 times they met last year, but he did beat Magnitude in the Pennsylvania Derby and Sovereignty last time out in the Stephen Foster. (1) Magnitude is the 9-5 morning line favorite looking to win his 5th straight race. He wired the field in the Dubai World Cup, defeating the best dirt horse in the world Forever Young. He then wired the field once again in the Stephen Foster last time out, benefitting by the sealed sloppy track. Depending on the track conditions leading up to the Whitney, if the track is wet, (5) White Abarrio will scratch and (4) Forged Steel will run. If the track is fast, White Abarrio will start and Forged Steel will scratch and point for the Pacific Classic at Del Mar. If that happens, and Forged Steel does not run, Magnitude will have an easier time on the front end, which would make him that more dangerous. (2) The filly Nitrogen will not allow Magnitude a free ride on the lead and will attack on the far turn as will Sovereignty. Magnitude would be no surprise if he were to win, but as the favorite, I'm going to look to defeat him.

1 1/8 Miles. Dirt. 3 Year Olds And Up. G1 Whitney S.. Purse: \$1,000,000 Exacta (\$1), Trifecta (.50), Super (.10), Double (\$1) 12 & 13 Pick 3 (\$1) (12-14)



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- * Win bet on (3) HELEN'S REVENGE
- * Exacta 3 over 2, reverse for 1/2 as much
- * Smaller exacta 3 over 1, reverse for 1/3 as much
- * Trifecta 3 over 1-2-5 over ALL = \$9 for a \$0.50 wager
- * Trifecta 1-2 over 3 over ALL = \$6 for a \$0.50 wager

With plenty of speed in this race, I feel that (3) Helen's Revenge will sit a perfect trip. She gets a major upgrade in riders to Flavian Prat for Linda Rice. When these 2 hook up, they win at a huge 31 %. She's won 6 of 14 starts and looks to notch her 4th win in 5 starts. She's also 2-2 at 7 furlongs. It's clear Rice pointed for this spot off a 2 month freshening following a very tough trip last time out after being bumped hard at the start and racing very wide throughout as the 5-2 beaten favorite. (2) Feminism has only run 3 times, but clearly has some upside. Exits a very good 2nd July 4 setting a pressured fast pace, but was no match for the winner, who returned to take down top prize in a stake at Colonial by 5 1/2 lengths. With an alert start, expect Jose Ortiz to hustle her to the lead and play 'catch me if you can'. (1) Romantic Dancer and (5) Will Not Be Swayed will both benefit closing late on the expected quick fractions. Romantic Dancer will be more forwardly placed than the latter.

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Selections

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**Off Turf 4 - 6 - 7 - 11 -
12**

The Wizard's Crystal Ball Wagers & Race Notes

* Win bet on (4) VERSAILLES

If race 14 is off the turf, I would make a small win bet on Versailles Road if trainer Todd Pletcher still runs him. If he's scratched any one of the other 4 picks would be used in a trifecta box for \$1.

The only horse I have any strong conviction on is (4) Versailles Road. He's an improving 3 year old for the blazing hot Todd Pletcher. He was switched back to the turf May 23 after shipping up from Gulfstream and stretched out to a marathon distance. Set the pace that day switching to Manny Franco and held on gamely to win by 3/4 of a length. Last time out, new rider Tyler Gaffalione took him back into another zip code. On the second turn of the 1 1/2 mile race, Versailles Road sustained a very strong rally making up nearly 12 lengths. Gaffalione wanted to angle out in the stretch, but he was unable to do so and had to alter course to the rail. He continued on gamely, finishing a very good 3rd and then galloped out strong past the winner soon after the wire. Draws a much better post today and gets reunited with Franco, who will have him more forwardly placed in the early stages of the race.

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