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Race 1: N/W \$10,000 L5

- 3 – CHACHING HANOVER – Disappointing fade to fourth after setting modest fractions one level up after Swamp win; expect good trip
- 1 – ROYAL HEART – 2nd 1 level up from rail in 2018 finale; 7 hole 2nd last try this level; no shot vs. \$40k claimers; big shot on drop/rail
- 4 – WARMINSTER – Nice Philly win in December; 4th this level from 8 hole in last; expect he'll be on the scene late for exotics players
- 5 – BUNGALOW BILL N – Racing well at end of year vs. better; drop

Race 2: N/W \$20,000 L5 – EARLY PICK 3 (2-4)

- 1 – HEEZ ORL BLACK N – 2-34 last year; makes 3rd start for new barn; 1st (this level) was good, but last not so much; Holland and rail
- 5 – ALL DOWN THE LINE – Pocket 2nd from rail in last (to potentially good winner) when he lacked room; on board last three this level
- 2 – DON'TCALLMEFRANCIS – Facing cheaper upstate; shot if ready
- 8 – GUNPOWDER N – Nice looking winner 1 level down in last; 8 hole

Race 3: \$40,000 CLAIMERS – EARLY PICK 4 (3-6)

- 3 – BLAYDE HANOVER – Much improved effort in last, his second win in a row after Allard claim; has another clear path to the top
- 6 – STOLEN CAR – Forced to drop in 4th & had even pace to grab 3rd; tough this class, but does best work on lead; Bartlett opts for #2
- 1 – ROLL AWAY JOE – 4th lone recent try this tag; rail = board factor
- 4 – CHEYENNE JEFFREY – Poor 2019 debut; expect improvement

Race 4: N/W \$20,000 L5 – MIDDLE PICK 3 (4-6)

- 4 – CITY HALL – On board last 2 this level, including strong belated rally in last after he found room late; versatile and back class
- 2 – THE WALL – Got board support in needed start; 7 2018 wins
- 1 – PERFECTLY CLOSE – Beat claimers 12/7 (1st YR win in 25 tries)
- 5 – KILLER MARTINI – 3rd 3 back this level; 7 or 8 hole in 7 of 8; late?

Race 5: N/W \$20,000 L5 – LATE PICK 4 (5-8)

- 3 – DON DOMINGO N – 2-2 in NA after powerful late close this level; draws well on the free ride & certainly has the right N connections
- 4 – SHADY CITY – No shot in 2018 debut, but he's a steady performer this level; can work out his kind of trip by following choice
- 5 – CAPOZZO – Sharp 2nd from this outpost this level in last; has been facing better in most of his recent starts and will likely be leaving
- 1 – TULLOW N – 2nd 1 level down in last; can secure another good trip

Race 6: OPEN HDP – TROT

- 4 – SMALLTOWNTHROWDOWN – Returned with big effort in 2019 debut (nailed late by #6); \$827k earner has class and speed
- 3 – WESLYNN DANCER – Open 2nd in 2018 finale & jumped it off in last after looking awkward; wins 3-5 draw; tough if he minds manners
- 6 – ANDY RAY – Rewarded backers as stick, rolling by choice in impressive effort; wins 6-8 draw, but has work to do from here
- 8 – MOSTINTERESTINGMAN – Big late move to almost grab second

Race 7: N/W \$30,000 L5 HDP – LATE PICK 5 (7-11)

- 6 – KHUN RATHA A – Nice Monti win in NA debut; had traffic trouble in 1st YR try 1 level down; moves outside; 6-1 ML
- 1 – BALLERAT BOOMERANG – Just missed on front end 1 level down in last; 46-10-9-7 in 2018; speed & rail makes him factor
- 4 – LIGHTNING ONMYFEET – Edged #1 after nice pocket trip; takes another step up, but he's been on board last four tries
- 5 – STARS ALIGN A – Disappointed last, but 3 thirds in 4 tries this level; remains late factor for share despite bad date (12/15)

Race 8: OPEN HDP – LATE PICK 3 (8-10)

- 4 – AIR STRIKE – Forced into pocket & was caught behind tiring leader; draws well and should control the action; 8-1 ML
- 1 – ASTON HILL DAVE – Picked up two 2^{nds} chasing choice when facing age restricted types; has speed to protect rail/pocket
- 8 – WEONNA SIZZLER A – Seeks 6th in a row, including Open win last try 2018; has to overcome 8 hole & layoff; 1st for Banca
- 2 – BETTORS FIRE N – Open 3rd from 8 hole in last; big post relief

Race 9: N/W \$30,000 L5

- 3 – LETSCHASETHEDREAMN – Impressive in both NA tries 1 level down; was entered in last Saturday's cancelled Open; respect
- 5 – HEREHECOMESAROCKIN – Surged late to just miss behind 2 good ones this level in last; may grab more good cover here
- 2 – COOPERSTOWN – 2019 debut off nice qualifier and won this level 12/15; gets good draw and is Bartlett's pick over #4
- 4 – BLACK CHEVRON N – Sharp front end winner one level down in 2019 debut; may have some upside; Bartlett opts for #2

Race 10: N/W \$31,250 L5

- 4 – CHESTNUT SCHOFIELD – Win & 2 3rds in 3 tries since arrival from Canada & switch to Allard, all from tough posts; 5-1 ML
- 1 – MEADOWBRANCH RICKY – 4 YO has been solid at N/W 8 PM level and nice Meadows win in last; rail, speed and Kakaley
- 5 – NEW HAVEN – Finished 2018 strong, including Open 3rd here; has very useful speed, but main concern is the month off
- 6 – CASH ME OUT – Spagnola trainee always acquits himself well when he makes trip down Thruway; outside main contenders

Race 11: N/W \$31,250 L5

- 7 – ANYTHINGFORLOVE A – Meadows invader blasted to top (55.3 half) for JB² from 7 hole and was impressive winner one level down; expect another send from same outpost tonight
- 1 – LOCKTON LUCK A – Ran down Bongiorno leader late in 2nd NA try; steps up, but lands another rail for Stratton/Hudson N
- 5 – CONTROL TOWER – Returns after Dover Open try; solid 2018 campaign (38-9-10-5 \$145,470); win & 2nd last 3 this level
- 6 – BLATANTLY BEST – Lacked room in lane behind good one & was 4th when dropped from Open to this level; late danger