

CATSKILL STEVE'S PICKS

MONTICELLO RACEWAY MONDAY, MAY 14, 2018
CHECKING UP ON CATSKILL STEVE (THURSDAY)
\$31.60 "LONG SHOT PLAY" WIRES THE FIELD!!!! ALL 9 WINNERS LISTED WITH 4 ON "TOP". 8 EXACTAS LISTED ALONG WITH 4 TRIFECTAS, ALL 6 PICK THREES AS WELL AS ALL 3 DDS. IN ADDITION, \$114.00 SUPERFECTA NAILED.

RACE 1

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	2	BILLBOARD KING	5-2
2	5	PROUD MOMENT	6-1
3	1	JUSTSINGALONG	7-2
4	4	MY COOL BREEZE	3-1

Comments

BILLBOARD KING game senior citizen has taken three of his last four, the latest a wire to wire score after being used hard to make the top past a quick opening half on afternoon that saw only three wire to wire winners. PROUD MOMENT returns from Maine for high percentage barn and has raced okay here in the past. JUSTSINGALONG rallied with strong trot last time from difficult spot. Gets the pole and will likely be forwardly placed.

RACE 2

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	4	SO CAM LUCKY*	4-1
2	1	PRIVATE ASHLEY	3-1
3	3	GOLD STAR DYNASTY	5-2
4	2	B N A STARR	5-1

Comments

SO CAM LUCKY uncorked a bold :28.2 third quarter panel making wide move, continued evenly to nail place, seems set now. PRIVATE ASHLEY returns from Tioga where she chased a quick pace and finished second in 1:54.4 mile behind old Mighty M favorite Rusty's Flying who came back to repeat on Saturday night pacing in 1:55.3 over sloppy track. Consistent mare gets the rail and figures to be right there.

RACE 3

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	2	SENTIMENTAL LADY	5-2
2	3	SPINWITHME	3-1
3	4	PRINCESS KATIE	7-2
4	7	BULLVILLE BREN	4-1

Comments

SENTIMENTAL LADY chased Open Company at Tioga last time after a no shot try from 8-hole here two back. Mare has had a solid year to date and figures to be tough at this level from good spot. SPINWITHME set a lively clip against bias and did well to hold show in quick mile, may be close to ending season long slump.

RACE 4

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	3	SHEZ A GOLD MINE	5-2
2	7	FLY TO THE ANGELS	9-2
3	2	BLUE BELL BEAUTY	7-2
4	1	CHECK MY PULSE	3-1

Comments

SHEZ A GOLD MINE takes key drop and should show early speed here. FLY TO THE ANGELS 14-year-old has had a disappointing year but can finish fast and may be price play if JD can get her into the race.

RACE 5

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	5	FLUKY'S GIRL**	5-2
2	4	MANDOLIN HANOVER	7-2
3	1	SHANDY GIRL	9-2
4	3	LIGHTNING MADISON	5-1

Comments

FLUKY'S GIRL made a huge :58.2 middle half move making up 8 lengths, continued gamely to miss by less than a length. Mare appears on edge now. MANDOLIN HANOVER had second tier, finished with even pace after being impeded past the quarter. Appears to be coming around again and could be a handful on best.

RACE 6

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	6	SPRING LUCK	5-2
2	4	VEGAS STRIP THREE	9-2
3	3	STATUS WARRIOR	3-1
4	7	SEAWIND KERRY	7-2

Comments

SPRING LUCK bottomed out the field carving out wicked fractions to score powerful win on afternoon that was unkind to front speed, right back.

RACE 7

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	4	JOKES JET	5-2
2	5	PEN DROP	6-1
3	3	SURE YOU ARE	3-1
4	6	SEAFOOD KOUKLA	9-2

Comments

JOKES JET returns to level she dominated at before a tough uncovered try against faster in 1:56.3 mile. Mare shoots for 23rd win over past 17 months and looks like another tough chalk.

RACE 8

	Horse No	Horse Name	Odds
1	5	CAVIAR COURT	5-2
2	2	LIVID LUKE	5-1

3	4	POP MY BUTTONS	7-2
4	1	TONTO GOLDBERG	3-1

Comments

CAVIAR COURT returns to The Catskills after being overmatched at The Meadowlands in 1:55.2 miles going off at 89-1 and 100-1 from inside posts. Should be tougher at this level and looks best.

Preferred Play

FLUKY'S GIRL 5TH RACE

Long Shot Play

SO CAM LUCKY 2ND RACE