

RACE #1

BANNON

1. HILDEGARDE
2. BONARDA
3. SHANNON
4. LOTUS FLOWER

ABERNATHY

1. SHANNON
2. HILDEGARDE
3. BONARDA
4. ANARUSA

ZIPPITY ZIP closed belatedly last time when coming from the rail post and gets the inside position again; she has had an interim work in 1.02.2 getting ready.

CALIXA drops out of Ontario sire maiden claiming company to go for \$11,500 in hopes of a wake up; she was just in behind Even Me last time; the third place finisher has since won.

SATIN P J'S made a couple of starts in October at Fort Erie but was ineffective at that time.

EVEN ME attended the pace in a route November 12th but stalled in the stretch and had run in a similar fashion in her previous event; the third place finisher from her latest has since won; she drops for \$12,500.

LOTUS FLOWER is one to consider; two starts ago, she was in a key race and finished third; most recently, she had a four wide approach from the second flight and finished fourth with Bonarda in second and that one is here; Garcia now rides.

WONN BRITE BAYB has been out of the money in recent events and drops back down after a failed Ontario sire maiden claiming appearance last time.

ANARUSA made a middle move last time to get into a challenging position but faltered in the same race where Bonarda was second.

ATARAH has not been a factor in either race since returning from time away; she backed away in her latest after early prominence.

BONARDA is worth considering; she was last to begin in her most recent try but came on to be second behind the 2-5 favourite with an outside advance and Lotus Flower was fourth.

SHANNON scratched from a race Saturday to go here; she was in a key race in fourth last time and Lotus Flower was a nose better in third; the winner has since been third and the runner up has since won.

HILDEGARDE debuted in the spring time but didn't keep up; an October 23rd return came on a yielding turf course and she didn't respond; the winner did come back to take a restricted stakes; she now drops for \$11,500; she worked recently in 1.01.

RACE #2

BANNON

1. BIGSTORMBREWIN'
2. BEAR'S TIZZ
3. MALIBU SKYLINE
4. HEY KILLER

ABERNATHY

1. BEAR'S TIZZ
2. JINX BUSTER
3. BIGSTORMBREWIN'
4. HEY KILLER

PRINCESSES RULE is a filly against the boys here; she came from Vancouver and started November 11th against her own gender and was wide off the turn and faltered in the stretch; she has since had a work in 1.02.3.

JINX BUSTER competed in an Ontario sire maiden event last time and was third at a route; he shortens to a sprint and moves into an open maiden event.

WIDMO was in an Ontario sire event last time and was aggressively trying to be up on the pace but he was fanned wide and lost his momentum.

JUSTICE IS SERVED was in for a minor sum last time and got a minor award; he jumps in value and shortens in distance for this race.

HEY KILLER is an interesting runner coming from California; he joined the John Mattine stable in early November and has had four local works including a move November 22nd at five furlongs; he was unplaced in two races at Del Mar in the summer time; Sutherland gets the call.

ROYAL COLWOOD returns as a gelding here; early speed was offered in a route last time but no stamina; he shortens to a sprint.

MALIBU SKYLINE is by the popular Malibu Moon; his poor actions at the gate in his February opener on turf ruined his chances; he looks to start all over now under the direction of Michael MacDonald; he had some good preps locally last month.

BIGSTORMBREWIN' was sent long in this category October 21st but was traveling too quickly on the pace and fatigued and finished fourth behind a top trio who rallied; he shortens to seven furlongs; he has been freshened and has been sharpening his speed with gate preps.

BEAR'S TIZZ was runner up November 10th in a B maiden event which was a quickly run race at six furlongs; he has since had a good work in 1.01 for Sid Attard.

SHELDONS CRUSADER was expected to wake up November 23rd when he went from an out of the money finish on turf to Poly track with a drop; as expected, he was second behind a preferred winner.

WITH ANY LUCK a debut runner for Ron Sadler, is well bred by Monarchos, a winner of the Kentucky Derby and this one is from a dam who was a five time sprint winner; he is a homebred for Linda Theil and will go seven furlongs with Ramsammy; he worked willingly December 1st in 48.3.

RACE #3

BANNON

1. SERIOUS INDEED
2. HELICOPTER
3. HANDY HAROLD
4. BIG BROWN BREWSKI

ABERNATHY

1. SERIOUS INDEED
2. FORTY CREEK
3. PROMISING DANCER
4. HELICOPTER

EAST POINT is a big galloping type who has occasional peak performances and that was the case October 28th for \$9,500 against non winners of three; he had a letdown performance last time after being fanned wide on the first turn and he was only sixth as the favourite against a dominating speed winner; he was claimed by Suzanne Drake.

HELICOPTER is a marathon expert who loves a synthetic surface; he has won here in the past; he had a letdown performance in the prep for the Valedictory when only fourth and Serious Indeed was much better in third on that occasion and he meets that one time winner here.

TAIERI RIVER is a run on type; two starts ago, he was fanned wide on the first turn and that seemed to take the enthusiasm away from him; most recently, he finished third for \$11,500 and the runner up has since won.

SERIOUS INDEED got a test of stamina on turf two starts ago and ran well to chase home the front runner; most recently, he finished third in the prep for the Valedictory at a quarter mile shorter than this but stayed well against a key top pair, Eagle Poise and Eye Of The Leopard and they are in the Valedictory today; he is just a one time winner and that victory came on turf while his rival Helicopter has scored nineteen times.

STOLONBOY is a stamina runner; he tried a mile and a half last time and finished third moving from the outside in the second flight against Handy Harold and Big Brown Brewski.

FORTY CREEK looked like he had a race won November 26th with an off the pace rally to be three lengths in front but he was beaten at the last instant by a late mover for \$10,000.

TRAJECTAMAX was in for only \$10,000 last time and finished a mild fourth in the non winners of two category; he faces some multiple winners here and gets a real test of class and stamina.

HANDY HAROLD won at a mile and a half last time in a determined fashion for \$15,000 beating Big Brown Brewski and Stolonboy; he goes three furlongs farther here against generally better.

BIG BROWN BREWSKI chased Handy Harold throughout the final revolution of the track last time and was still second at the end beaten two lengths while traveling a mile and a half.

PROMISING DANCER was fourth for \$15,000 two starts ago against Handy Harold; he has since had a letdown effort against non winners of two.

RACE #4

BANNON

1. INCREDICAT
2. LIFE FACTOR
3. CUTTING WIT
4. FORGOTTEN VOW

ABERNATHY

1. INCREDICAT
2. CUTTING WIT
3. LIFE FACTOR
4. CANADIAN NAVY

CUTTING WIT had an excuse last time; he was trying to settle off the pace but got out of sync; he is hoping for a more rewarding trip here in this second start but has drawn the rail; he came back to work nicely at five furlongs for Mike De Paulo.

BEAR HOLIDAY TWO a debut runner, is a homebred for Bear Stables and a half brother to champion, Bear Now; he prepped November 26th in 1.02.2bg getting ready for Reade Baker.

OSCAR SHRUGS a homebred for Bill McGowan, debuted with sharp early speed from the outside but faltered; the first and third place finishers have since won; blinkers are added.

LIFE FACTOR showed potential from off the pace in his opener; second time out, he went long and changed tactics and raced on the lead; he finally finished sixth of nine; following a work November 18th in 1.00, he now shortens to five and a half furlongs.

SHEER SOPHIE debuted November 19th and was within range early but faltered; she gets a better post but must go against the boys.

FINGERTIPS debuted November 6th and didn't have an impact; the first place finisher has come back to win again; blinkers and lasix are now used.

WAR GENERAL a homebred, will go for trainer John Mattine; he is by the popular, War Front, who was represented this season by a couple of sharp Grade 1 performers including The Factor; he has prepped regularly.

CANADIAN NAVY a debut runner for Josie Carroll, was an auction purchase; he is by the popular, Pulpit and is from a stakes placed dam; he had a quick work November 27th in 47.1.

INCREDICAT was getting ready to start earlier this season but was shelved and started up his training in the middle of October; he worked well November 13th in 59.3; he is a homebred for Kinghaven Farms and half brother to Stormy Lord, a multiple stakes winner on turf.

SUMMER AT TIFFANYS a debut runner for Bosco Buttigieg, is working with a significant pedigree being by the popular, Scat Daddy and from a dam who is a half sister to the local sire, Old Forrester; apprentice Reid gets the call.

FORGOTTEN VOW is one of two debuting here for Josie Carroll and this one is a homebred for Donver Stable who is bred to be a stayer by Broken Vow out of a stakes placed mare; he had a generous work November 24th in 1.14.1.

MIA'S ROCKET had the rider off pre race November 20th; once underway, his inside post resulted in some challenges and he finished fourth against Ontario sire rivals.

DIENUS had early speed November 20th but couldn't carry on in contention; he has a tough post.

MOLINARO FORT HEAL woke up third time out and carried his speed well at seven furlongs to be second; these are tougher.

VENTURE EXCHANGE has been in the money in all three races and got in against a key winner last time who won by six and a half lengths; Wilson has been named.

RACE #5

BANNON

1. SIR BERRINGER
2. GOVERNOR KHALIFA
3. STRIKE OIL
4. SALUTING STORMYE

ABERNATHY

1. SIR BERRINGER
2. WOOKINWICKED
3. GOVERNOR KHALIFA
4. LOUIS

BRITE SAMMY will be going from a series of routes to a seven furlong race; his lone win came at Fort Erie around two turns, two starts ago; he worked recently in 48.2 for Norm McKnight who had a winner on Thursday.

PHILJO had some good races at Fort Erie but an event here came in a protected spot and he was outrun; he now competes for \$10,000 on a big drop.

SALUTING STORMY stalled on the outside last time in eleventh in a field of fourteen; he has since prepped in 1.00.2 looking to regain his edge for a hot stable.

FRIDAY NIGHT GUY was bothered by a chain reaction at the gate last time and lost all chance; two starts ago for \$12,500, he weakened only late against a key winner; he blew out Friday morning in 35.2; he should be a pace contributor.

WOOKINWICKED had Husbands aboard for his maiden score two outings ago; most recently, this one was at the back early and didn't threaten in a letdown performance; a move is now made to Wilson with the drop for \$9,500.

SIR BERRINGER is one of two for Norm McKnight here and he exits a route win for maiden \$16,000 where he had a precise trip under Husbands; he shortens to seven furlongs.

SHACKLETON HILL made a five wide approach two starts ago when on the edges; most recently, he was inside then moved off the rail to go between runners; he finished third for \$9,500; he goes seven furlongs for new interests.

STRIKE OIL competed under the lights November 23rd; he was dropped for \$40,000 going long but he stalled; he now drops for \$10,000 and goes just seven furlongs for Mark Casse.

ONE THOUSAND PLUS dropped from an Ontario sire claiming event to go for \$11,500 last time and he won while close to the pace; the runner up has since won for \$16,000.

ROCKIN ON TOP rallied from eighth to get the lead last time in a premature move while inside he was then passed late and finished fourth with Governor Khalifa in front of him.

GOVERNOR KHALIFA was bothered at the break last time and may have been the best runner for \$10,000; he advanced to be third and when the runner up was disqualified for bothering him, he was elevated to second.

LOUIS had consecutive good races then stalled in his pursuit last time and finished out of the money; he has been freshened.

OROCOMO a winner at Fort Erie, was here last time where he had forward positioning around two turns but he faltered in the final furlong.

DUENDECILLO is getting his first start of the season at this belated date; he had a quick work November 23rd in 1.01.1.

PLEASURE PEAKS has been out of the money in three consecutive events; he was in against Ontario sire company last time behind a dominant winner; he takes significant drop to go for only \$10,000.

SMART EXECUTIVE experimented with his first route attempt November 25th but didn't stay the trip; he shortens to seven furlongs for this.

RACE #6

BANNON

- 1. CAPTAIN CROW
- 2. CONTROL
- 3. RUSH SEATS
- 4. BEIHAI PARK

ABERNATHY

- 1. CONTROL
- 2. CAPTAIN CROW
- 3. WILD JESTER
- 4. RUSH SEATS

BEIHAI PARK had a tentative approach starts ago when positioned inside in a race where blinkers were taken off; he was more enthusiastic when positioned outside by Husbands November 26th for his maiden victory in his twelfth lifetime start; he draws the rail here.

PERSECUTE will be going from three sprints to a route; he was beaten in double digits by a quick winner last time; he had pursued the pace at seven furlongs in his previous event; he is quite likely to have a position near the pace here.

SILENT RUNNING was in for just \$10,000 last time and made an interior move but couldn't sustain it when fifth of fourteen.

SIR ADIE was inconvenienced by the slow pace last time in a seven furlong race; she had run adequately in this category at a route two starts ago when fourth while Rush Seats was second.

CONTROL is a typical stayer who can have an influence here; he loomed up three wide in mid stretch last time but then hung finishing third beaten a length while Captain Crow was second; he has since had a work in 1.01.1.

CAPTAIN CROW got down along the inside in the stretch last time and battled for the advantage but lost narrowly while keeping Control about a length behind in third.

SCARLET'S DIAMOND was three wide at the quarter pole and moving last time; he reached the lead in the stretch but Beihai Park ran by him; he responded to that winner; that was a peak effort in his second race following time off; he remains a maiden.

VALLEY BREEZE was preferred last time when dropped down and he won narrowly against a key runner up who has already come back to score smartly; this one used a nice outside approach under Bahen and rallied precisely against much easier.

RUSH SEATS had a peak race following a claim October 23rd when returning from two months away; he couldn't reproduce that race three weeks later and finished on the edges in fourth when Captain Crow was second and Control was third; Garcia takes over in this spot for Pat Parente.

TAKE A PITCH beat Beihai Park two starts ago when taking his initial score; he was behind in double digits last time against some of these including the runner up, Captain Crow.

WILD JESTER was no factor last time in the same race where Captain Crow was second and Control was third.

RACE #7

BANNON

- 1. ITZHOWEROLL
- 2. ESCAPISM
- 3. MAVERICK MAN
- 4. LEMON VIEW

ABERNATHY

- 1. ESCAPISM
- 2. BATHSHEBA STATION
- 3. ZIP IT NANCE
- 4. MAVERICK MAN

FIRST RATE defeated non winners of two in a route race November 25th by changing his style to be the pace maker and he went all the way in strong fashion; he shortens to six and a half furlongs here and draws the rail.

ZIP IT NANCE ran thoroughly while at six furlongs last time in this category to be second beaten a length and a half; the winner has since been second and the fourth place finisher has since scored at this range.

BATHSHEBA STATION had McAleney aboard for good races September 23rd and October 5th in sprints; he did not react favourably to a route last time when the heavy favourite won and this one was at the back.

ROMAN GAMES has been plagued by poor posts in recent events with three consecutive out of the money finishes.

ITZHOWEROLL is one to consider; he has now won two in a row since returning from a freshening period; he defeated non winners of two for \$37,500 last time by commanding the late pace; he now drops for \$20,000 to face non winners of three.

LOOKS PURRRFECT will try and reprogram as a sprint runner here; he now switches to the stable of Darren Glennon and gets his first start since August and he had a work recently in 1.01.4 and an earlier trial in 48.

QUEEN OF BANDINI is a filly against the boys here; she suffered a significant loss November 25th in this category at seven furlongs against her own gender.

MAVERICK MAN has won two of his last three attempts since being converted to an off the pace sprinter; most recently, he beat a tough group for \$20,000 and overcame the inside post.

HARBOUR THE TRUTH is exiting a pair of five furlong races and now must go farther; he controlled the middle and late pace two starts ago to win; most recently, he opened up a lead in the stretch but was caught late against non winners of two and now he faces non winners of three.

BLUSHING BRAT was an aggressive part of the pace chasing fast fractions last time but wilted to fifth when an off the pace runner, beat Lemon View and that runner up is here.

CRAFTY MCNABB closed mildly on the inside last time at six furlongs and now goes farther with Duquet.

LEMON VIEW had a nice effort last time as he powered in the stretch but the winner came quicker right at the end and beat him narrowly in this category.

ESCAPISM was out of the money in the non winners of two category here October 30th at five furlongs; he went to Mountaineer last time where he earned an enormous performance rating with a first allowance win at six furlongs; he now goes six and a half furlongs and seeks his second win every on Poly track.

BORRACHITO is a one time winner and that was a score at 73-1 last time; he zealously guarded the lead under apprentice Reid at seven furlongs.

RACE #8

BANNON

1. BEAR TOUGH TIGER
2. JUNGLE WAVE
3. BIG BAND SOUND
4. GENERAL BROCK

ABERNATHY

1. BEAR TOUGH TIGER (MP)
2. LOVEYOUALLTHETIME
3. GENERAL BROCK
4. BIG BAND SOUND

JUNGLE WAVE a savvy veteran, took his ninth lifetime win November 19th at the expense of Bear Tough Guy, out finessing that one in the crucial final yards in a key clocking; he earned a substantial performance rating; he draws the rail post here and shortens to six furlongs.

IWILLGOTOTHEMOON had sharp early speed last time in a key race but was challenged from both sides and gave up momentum; he has come back from double digit losses in the past to run well.

DO THE MATH was out of the money in a first allowance event last time and is now facing runners at the second classification.

BIG BAND SOUND has developed nicely in recent events; he was aided by an ideal outside trip over a quick surface last time to win his second race since relocating here; he came back with a quick prep in 47.2 for Dan Vella.

GUITAR SOLO had three consecutive peak performances then a letdown effort October 16th; he was far off his best November 9th, when he used rating tactics in the early going; he has since had a quick work in 47.1 getting ready.

GENERAL BROCK faced key winners in a series of races; he then got in against reachable runners last time as one of the favourites but was a distant third at a level higher than this; he is dropping but facing key company here.

SHABAAB has been quick at peak intervals; this will be his first start since February in New Orleans; he now goes for Katerina Vassilieva; he prepped November 13th in 59.2 getting ready to come off the shelf.

BEAR TOUGH TIGER won his opening two races at six furlongs; he then stretched to seven furlongs last outing for a peak effort; he came outside as if he would beat Jungle Wave but that tough opponent reclaimed the advantage; he must shorten to six furlongs here.

LOVEYOUALLTHETIME was aggressively spotted to ensure a victory last time; he was claimed by Scott Fairlie and now goes at this elevated level; the fourth place finisher has since won big.

RACE #9

BANNON

1. KHULNA (BEST)
2. HAWK OVER HEATH
3. STORMIN WILLIE
4. OKIYAMA

ABERNATHY

1. KHULNA
2. WONDER PHIL
3. HAWK OVER HEATH
4. OKIYAMA

HAWK OVER HEATH gave up second position late in a six furlong race November 2nd after being embroiled in a pace battle; the challenge is even tougher here with the stretch to seven furlongs; he did have a nice work November 27th in 1.01.4.

TRAJECTORY'S DREAM stalked in traffic last time then faded out of contention against a key winner who was subsequently fifth in the Sir Barton Stakes on Wednesday.

KNAVE OF HEARTS fell out of contention early in a recent route against a key winner with Brite Sabbeth in second and he is here.

OKIYAMA has been in consecutive route events with positive results while on the edges; he was fourth last time against a key winner and Brite Sabbeth was the runner up; he had a four wide approach in that event and was poised; blinkers on is a positive trainer angle and he shortens to seven furlongs.

PIRATE'S LEGEND was in the prep for the Valedictory last time but was beaten a wide margin; he will shorten to seven furlongs and drop back to face Ontario sire company; he chased home a key winner at a route two starts ago.

STORMIN WILLIE is usually around the edges in this category; most recently running from off the pace and on the outside had him against the bias but he still ran a useful fourth; he lengths to seven furlongs and was second at this distance two starts ago; he prepped recently in 1.01.

BRITE SABBETH had such an improved performance last time when stepping up in value and running second behind a key winner; he just failed to guard the advantage in that race where blinkers were added; the winner came back to be on the edges in the Sir Barton on Wednesday; he now shortens to seven furlongs.

WONDER PHIL committed to a speed style inside last outing and faded to fifth with Brite Sabbeth in second; he shortens to a sprint for this.

KHULNA a runner with size and an effective style, has won the past two times he has competed on Poly track; in his latest, he beat non winners of two overcoming a slow pace structure at this distance; he has the outside post and fits nicely.

RACE #10

BANNON

1. EAGLE POISE
2. AFLEET AGAIN
3. EYE OF THE LEOPARD
4. HARRODS CREEK

ABERNATHY

1. EYE OF THE LEOPARD
2. AFLEET AGAIN
3. HARRODS CREEK
4. EAGLE POISE

ALPHA BETTOR was a developing three year old in the spring time with a peak effort in the Victoria Park; following time away from September 24th through November 13th, he returned with a peak performance to power by rivals in a second allowance score; he now gets a test of class and stamina.

EAGLE POISE was runner up in the Valedictory in 2009; after several interruptions in his career, he is now racing more regularly; when he came here for the prep for the Valedictory, he was delayed in the paddock; once underway, he had a patient approach under Husbands racing along side Eye Of The Leopard while a front runner establish too quick a pace; he rallied in consort with Eye Of The Leopard to that one's outside and won it narrowly; he is not unduly penalized and carries 117 lbs. for Graham Motion.

AFLEET AGAIN had the distinction of winning the Grade 2 Breeders' Cup Marathon November 5th at Churchill Downs at this exact distance and he was full of fire in the stretch closing widest; he was a rank outsider in that event but his stamina was ample; another who captured the Valedictory after running well in the Breeders' Cup Marathon was Cloudys Knight who did it in 2009; he comes in for Robert Reid Jr.

EYE OF THE LEOPARD a homebred for Sam-Son Farm, was second in the prep for this last year then finished a tight second behind the same rival, Pool Play, in the Valedictory; that one became a Grade 1 winner this year; he prepped for this by finishing second behind Eagle Poise and just to that one's inside last outing in a generous display; he worked well November 27th in 1.00.2 getting ready.

HARRODS CREEK comes in for Hall of Fame trainer Bill Mott; this one is a son of Langfuhr; in the Grade 2 Red Smith November 5th at Aqueduct, he made the pace and was beaten late; this will be just his second try on a synthetic surface.

GETTA RHYTHM is brought in by Melvin Kendrick; he was a marathon performer early in his career and has victories at two miles and beyond to his credit; this will be his second race off the shelf after a poor result at Keeneland last time when he was inconvenienced early.

RACE #11

BANNON

1. SIR LOWRY'S PASS
2. HAWK'S A BLUR
3. THE BULL GOT SHOT
4. CORBELLI

ABERNATHY

1. SIR LOWRY'S PASS
2. HAWK'S A BLUR
3. PARK PLACE
4. CORBELLI

PARK PLACE was dropped in for \$25,000 last time and attracted a claim when a close fifth beaten less than a length as the favourite; he shortens to six and a half furlongs.

JULIANSHOME returned from considerable time away and finished sixth of eight for maiden \$15,000 with lasix added.

SINKER had the difficult rail post when jumped up into this category last time; he was traveling long and was one paced when fifth of ten; he goes just seven furlongs here.

HAWK'S A BLUR can be a contender; he drew the rail post for the second time in a row November 19th and one again, it negatively impacted his effort; he is hoping for a more rewarding journey in this third start.

CORBELLI had a patient ride under Stein last time who rated him back and then moved him willingly on the outside through the stretch to be fourth just behind Sir Lowry's Pass and The Bull Got Shot; he now goes for Jerry Wasser and trainer Wayne Green.

MOUNT DIABLO came off the shelf and was expected to do well October 30th; he ran second behind a sharp winner who has since repeated in an allowance event.

THE BULL GOT SHOT was aggressive with his speed approach last time but was passed late and finished third with Sir Lowry's Pass in second; he remains a factor at a half furlong farther.

RODEO BOY will take the blinkers off for this event; he was far behind in a recent six furlong race with Sir Lowry's Pass in second.

O K SUGAR BAY is a half brother to the five time stakes winner, Sugar Bay; he is a debut runner going for Richard Morden who had a longshot winner on Thursday's card; he goes six and a half furlongs with Chris Griffith aboard; he put up some good clockings in November on the training track.

BARBASGO was in this category last time and was aggressive in his second race since returning from time away but he gave up positions late while inside.

HOTOFFTHEGATE an inexpensive auction purchase, debuts for Darren Glennon; he beat company in a prep November 13th in 1.02.3 and had a stamina trial November 30th getting ready.

SIR LOWRY'S PASS debuted November 19th at skimpy odds and was late getting motivated but closed well to be second with The Bull Got Shot in third and Corbelli closing quickly behind him in fourth.

JIMMY CHEW SHOOS returned from time away November 10th but wasn't a factor with lasix added; he goes farther here.

UNCATCHABLE FIRE has been dedicated to route racing in his last two events; he used a drafting approach last time and stayed willingly in fourth against Beihai Park who was entered in race six today.

FOREST FOUNTAIN is shareless to date; he competed Wednesday against the bias when trying to run from off the pace and finished ninth.

RACE #12

BANNON

1. APRES MIDI
2. ACTION PLAN
3. BEAR ON FIRE
4. DARK CLOUD DANCER

ABERNATHY

1. BIG FOOT PAPA
2. WAR RIDGE
3. OJIBWAY SIGNAL
4. BEAR ON FIRE

BOULDER SPRINGS had a terrific run late at the Fort Erie meeting winning three in a row; he is taking a significant class hike for this event; he seeks his first share at Woodbine.

APRES MIDI has been preferred in his last two events; he endured a difficult inside trip getting shuffled back last time but was good enough to recover and beat non winners of two for \$40,000; trainer Steven Chircop, had another winner with a claimed runner on Thursday's card, Langfuhr Country.

BIG FOOT PAPA competed at a mile and a quarter in a starter event last time and was one paced on the edges beaten only five lengths; he had stayed that same distance willingly two starts ago in third; he is shortening to just a mile and a sixteenth here.

DARK CLOUD DANCER is getting his first starter since International day in the middle of October; he was ineffective in a route attempt on that day; he had run well in a sprint the time before; Sutherland takes over.

HOLY SCHNEIKIES had a difficult experience November 11th in a marathon in the prep for the Valedictory; he has not had to bounce back from such a letdown this season and his resiliency is the question.

EUROVALENTINO was on a surface last time that was providing extra fast clockings; he came from the inside post and broke tenth and waited there; he got through on the inside to open up; he was finally beaten late in an inflated first allowance event; he will be experimenting here with his first two turn race on Poly track.

ACTION PLAN needed eighteen races to finally win a photo and take his maiden score November 18th; the one he beat came back to romp on Wednesday; he stays well enough to be a factor.

WAR RIDGE was second best for \$19,000 against non winners of three last time and the winner has repeated for \$20,000; he looks to jump to the first allowance level.

BEAR ON FIRE had two peak races October 23rd and November 11th in sprints; perhaps one can excuse his latest as he had such a wide post and a wide trip; he will be experimenting with a route for the initial time here and the blinkers are off.

BISCOTTO was introduced to this circuit November 11th but didn't threaten; most recently, he was outrun again while facing inflated company including Eurovalentino.

BRAIN POWER had trained well November 15th getting ready for a route eight days later and on a stretch out; he commanded the pace until deep stretch when beaten by Apres Midi; this will be just his second route.

OJIBWAY SIGNAL is trying to make his way back to top form; he returned from time away November 20th but didn't have much impact; perhaps second time off the shelf, he will surprise.

RACE #13

BANNON

- 1. LA REINE DE MOTS
- 2. CORAL SANDS
- 3. ROMANTIC SONG
- 4. HIGH TEE

ABERNATHY

- 1. KEENLY ENDURING
- 2. ROMANTIC SONG
- 3. LA REINE DE MOTS
- 4. KATHLEENS A CATCH

ROMANTIC SONG had the elements against her last time when racing from behind on the outside; she was finally fifth beaten two lengths; that race ended a mini layoff and perhaps she can build on that ok race today.

HIGH TEE is an obvious one to be a pace factor; she scored two starts ago at seven furlongs when in front throughout; most recently, she was involved in some bumping three and a half furlongs from home and lost her momentum; she drops down for this event.

CONESTRELLAS had such a good rally in a route two starts ago when second best; for new interests last time, she added front bandages and ran far below her best; she was pinned on the rail by the winner and didn't get to run her best race.

SILVER MINIKIN had a route win against Ontario sire maiden claiming company two starts ago but was behind in double digits last time in a protected race; she now drops for \$19,000 and shortens to seven furlongs.

HEY HEY MAMA departed turf and came off the shelf and went to Poly track with a drop November 11th but there was no progress; she hung at a crucial stage after making the lead; she shortens to a sprint.

VARIABLE RATE was late getting this season underway November 4th and finished tenth of eleven after an awkward departure from the gate; perhaps second time out, she will be able to wake up; she has been busy with works in the interim to bring her forward in form.

HIGHS AND LOWS had a good performance for the minimum two starts ago but most recently, was out of the money; both the second and fifth place finishers have since won at that price range.

LA REINE DE MOTS finished fourth against a key winner two starts ago; most recently, she was in this category at six and a half furlongs and benefitted from the speed bias with an inside trip and was beaten only late.

LARGO VERDE took the blinkers off last time and had a more relaxed approach under Contreras with a four wide move and took her initial win; Moreno takes over here.

SWEET MAY WEST drafted behind runners on the turn last time then stalled when the pace quickened; she was finally sixth of seven for \$15,000 against her own age group.

KATHLEENS A CATCH had no impact last time in a race where both the first and third place finishers have come back to win; she shortens to seven furlongs.

HARLEM PRINCESS has been ninth in three consecutive events while changing distances; she went around two turns last time; she became the early pace maker only to falter; the runner up has since won.

KEENLY ENDURING performed well first time for new interests November 2nd when fourth beaten a length in this category at six furlongs; she faded last time when La Reine de Mots was second.

BANG FOR THE BUCK will put the blinkers on; she has been out of the money in three consecutive events with her last pair coming at a lower level.

BLINDSIDEHIT broke behind last time then attempted to loop the field for \$9,500 going long and finished an ok fourth; she goes shorter here.

CORAL SANDS was called to win her opener; she was pinched back a furlong from home; second time out, she improved significantly to win for maiden \$20,000 and that makes her a factor here.