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# The Yonkers Hilltop Helper

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## \$1,000,000 YONKERS INTERNATIONAL TROT – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019 – AFTERNOON CARD

EARLY PICK 4 PLAY (RACES 3-6) - \$2 3&6 WITH 1&3&5 WITH 1&2&7 WITH 2= \$36

\*\*\*PICK 5 PLAY (RACES 7-11) - 50¢ 1&2 WITH 1&5 WITH 3&5 WITH 2&6&8 WITH 1&2&5 = \$36\*\*\*

LATE PICK 4 PLAY (RACES 5-8) - \$2 1&2&7 WITH 2 WITH 1&2 WITH 1&2&5 = \$36

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### Race 1: N/W \$10,000 L5/AE WINNERS LAST N/W \$7,500 L5

- 6 – MACH TIME – Sharp 7 hole win off q 1 level down; had been battling \$40k claimers & looks like layoff helped; JB's pick (#1/#7)
- 2 – LORD OF MISRULE – Yet to win at Hilltop in 2019 (1-23 overall); 2<sup>nd</sup> this level 3 back & tough posts last 2; should get good trip
- 1 – NASCAR SEELSTER – Good 1<sup>st</sup> over 2<sup>nd</sup>; 2-28/4-52; JB to #6
- 4 – MISTER DAYTONA – Disappointed last; won this level two back

### Race 2: N/W \$30,000 L5/AE 3&4 YO N/W 10 PM LT – TROT –

#### EARLY PICK 3 (2-4)

- 2 – MELADY'S MONET – Nice late foot in 2<sup>nd</sup> off layoff; has always been very tough when he gets this class relief & gets good post
- 1 – IM THE MUSCLE – No shot in 2 Open tries, but he's been strong winner both tries this level; expect big effort; needs some speed
- 4 – LORD CROMWELL – Nailed by good one last; won this level 9/7
- 5 – SWANSEA – Returns to YR at reduced level off 2 good NJ efforts

### Race 3: N/W \$10,000 L5/AE WINNERS LAST N/W \$7,500 – EARLY

#### PICK 4 (3-6)

- 3 – BORN OF FIRE – Winner at N/W \$5,000 2 back with 2<sup>nd</sup> over trip (over 1-5 shot); good late foot last; like claim by Auciello; 9-1 ML
- 6 – SLICK MICK – 0-15 on year, but all 3 here have been good, with 2<sup>nd</sup> to good one 3 back & 2 3<sup>rd</sup> over tries last 2; JB's pick (#1/#2)
- 2 – RUPP – EZ win 1 level down last & sneaks in via extra condition
- 1 – DRUNK ON YOUR LOVE – Can be close to action; paces race

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

- 1 – SWIFT AS A SHADOW – 2 for 2 for Cory despite successive class hikes; solid all year and can utilize rail draw seeking 4<sup>th</sup> straight
- 3 – NORMANDY BEACH – Nailed late by choice in last after wiring this class two back; speed always makes him a threat
- 5 – WINDSONG JACK – Big 8 hole win at \$30k level; proven this level
- 2 – SHOREVIEW – inexplicable stick win 2 back (1<sup>st</sup> 2019 win 24 tries)

### Race 5: N/W \$15,000 L5/AE WINNERS LAST N/W \$10,000 L5–

#### LATE PICK 4 (5-8)

- 7 – LUCIANO N – Steadily earning checks 1 level up despite mostly bad posts; won Levy eligible race; speed on the drop?; 8-1 ML
- 2 – RONNIES ROCKET – Chased home two good ones in last; wish he had some speed to work with, but this looks like a good spot
- 1 – TOPVILLE OLYMPIAN – Nice trip in last to win one level down
- 4 – ANNIHILATION – Largely facing better in PA; 30-4-10-4

### Race 6: OPEN HDP

- 2 – MAC'S JACKPOT – Open win 3 back and was tough trip 3<sup>rd</sup> in last; BH can take advantage of open draw and control the action
- 5 – THE REAL ONE – Former track record holder may get good trip
- 6 – THEARTOFCONFUSION A – Shocked he didn't use his newfound speed in last; needs to use speed to win; Dan Rooney next week
- 4 – BENHOPE RULZ N – On board last 3 Open tries; SNS has options

### Race 7: N/W \$20,000 L5/AE WINNERS LAST N/W \$15,000 L5 – PICK 5 (7-11)

- 2 – TIGER BARON – 3<sup>rd</sup> 2 back one level up; been facing tough company, & he should be tough with these with decent trip
- 1 – MCSPIDEY – Always factor when he can use his speed at this level; needs to get better trip than #2; Stratton's pick (#3)
- 3 – BETTING EXCHANGE – Poor this level from rail; wait for drop
- 4 – ARTMAGIC – Facing much better, but at least he's sharp

### Race 8: N/W \$20,000 L5/AE WINNERS LAST N/W \$15,000 L5 –

#### LATE PICK 3 (8-10)

- 5 – ALBERGO HANOVER – Big late close for 3<sup>rd</sup> in last in tough spot; versatile & capable of big efforts; Brennan's pick (#3)
- 1 – GUNPOWDER N – Steps up off 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1 1/16 distance; 3<sup>rd</sup> last two this level; Siegelman needs to be aggressive; JS to #6
- 2 – SOMEWHERE IN L A – Classy star had nice win 1 level down
- 6 – MILITARY MASTER A – Faded two back after fast 1/2; drops!

### Race 9: N/W \$30,000 L5/AE 3&4 YO N/W 10 PM LT

- 3 – DON DOMINGO N – Steps up again following 2 easy front end wins; can handle rise from this outpost w/ similar tactics
- 5 – SUNFIRE BLUE CHIP – No chance behind slow pace when 2 horses inside of him left; needs to be out in play here
- 2 – LUIS ALBERTO N – Disappointing last 2 despite good trips
- 6 – IDEAL FLIP – Tricky spot, but he's been sharp all summer

### Race 10: N/W \$31,000 L5/AE 3&4 YO N/W 10 PM LT

- 8 – MICKY GEE N – Unfortunate 8 hole draw; was completely out of it in last, but beast will roll one of these weeks; 7-1 ML
- 2 – GREAT VINTAGE – Big effort in last when edged by sharp horse who was well-meant; tactical edge over key rivals
- 6 – PRAIRIE PANTHER – Big late close for 3<sup>rd</sup>; can pounce if pace
- 3 – GRATIAN HANOVER – Game as they come and he and #2 duled themselves into submission in last; 1<sup>st</sup> up here?

### Race 11: N/W \$30,000 L5/AE 3&4 YO N/W 10 PM LT

- 5 – REBELLIOUS – Tried to make move into 57.2 half & retreated at 46-1; much softer group; 2 sharp Pocono wins; speed?
- 2 – BLUEBIRD RECON – Swift fractions 1<sup>st</sup> off claim from Burke & was nailed late by horse who was live on tote board; steps up
- 1 – SAULSBROOK DEPUTY – Tries condition; 1<sup>st</sup> for Banca; beware
- 6 – SHNEONUCRZYDIAMND A – No chance last; another poor draw

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