



The Fat Cowboy's Horsesheets



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The Fat Cowboy says... **Whoop it up today!**

My motto is “Live hard, love fast, die young, and make a beautiful corpse!” Of course that’s impossible in my case, as you can tell from my picture up there. Anyway, this sheet’s exactly what it says it is: a pile of horsesheet, so treat it accordingly.

How did we develop this edition of the winningest tip sheet of all time? (NOTE: that’s *bullsheet*) My computer (Halitosis), brain, mule (Vociferous), bird dog (Ol’ Blue), daughter, grandson (a little simple, but one of them savant things when it comes to horseracing), other grandson (kind of AHDD, but that’s a positive in this business), Loquacious (my Corgi), Carmac (you remember him), and my faithful old horse Euthanasia, got together (you should have been there) and decided what horses have the best chance of winnin’ us some money in each of these races.

We looked at the past performances, the weather, the trainers, the jockeys, the horses’ names, and the silk colors. We licked our finger and held it up. Then we took a handful of darts and let ‘em fly.

So you can see, we’re pretty scientific around here.

Anyway, whoop it up. Have fun. And if you win a little money, that puts you in an extra special category with about 5% of the people who bet on the horses. Remember, like they say: “you can’t beat a race, but you can’t beat the races, either.” Or something like that.

But first: Betting the horses should be for fun, not to make your fortune. So have fun. Put a couple of bucks on a horse for whatever reason just to have something to cheer for. And who knows? You might really get lucky. *If you’re new to this game, see the last page for some thoughts about betting.*

OKAY, buckle up. It’s going to be a bumpy ride. Here we go.

RACE #1. AN INEXPENSIVE BUNCH OF MAIDEN CLAIMERS THAT HAVEN'T WON TWO RACES YET.



“Loquacious – break out the darts!”

Oh, boy. A real headscratcher to start with. So far they’ve run 88 races among ‘em and have won exactly ten. That’s an overall win percentage of a little over ten percent. Well, lets’ give it a shot, anyway.

THE HORSES

We start off with one of my favorite angles: Pressed Pace from Outside and Tired (PPOT). #1 moves to the rail from the 12-hole. Didn’t exactly press the pace last race, but has done so in a couple of previous starts. Don’t think he really has much of a chance, but I will probably bet him very small across and kiss the money goodbye. Now to the real horses. #2 is third off, but that’s not good enough. #3 won his last, is also third off a layoff, and hasn’t raced for five months. #4 has the highest speed average in the race, so that’s pretty important, and is also third off a layoff. An early speed horse that also has been known to finish. Possible. Ignore #5’s race five back and he has the second best speed average in the race. Negative jockey switch for an iffy trainer. Possible. #6 drops in class, switches jockeys, is third off, and has fairly competitive figures. Possible. #7 beats everyone in his jock/trainer connections, who thought a lot about him two races back, entering him in a \$33k allowance, in which he ran like he was tied to a post. Today he runs off of a two-month layoff, and Stu Elliott chooses to stay on him rather than #8. Another possible. #8 is another horse that likes the front end, but has been known to close. He has the highest last speed rating, which was in his maiden breaker, which he won, which almost automatically rules him out for me, but I guess you have to rate him a Probable. #9 also ran his best race in his last, his maidenbreaker. No thank you. #10 broke his maiden two back with a number that would give the others in here a distant view of his disappearing backside. He got an easy lead in that one, though. Won’t be that easy tonight, and he hasn’t shown he knows how to close yet. Great connections, though, and decent works. Should go off the favorite, maybe odds as low as 9-5. Maybe the most likely winner, but not worth a bet for me at even money.

ANALYSIS

A bunch of possibles and no probables. I would pass this race if I were you, or bet a name, or silks color, or whatever. I will bet two horses for no good reason at all: I had a bet on Candystar when RP first opened because I liked the name. She paid \$224 to win. Since then I’ve been a softy for Candy horses. #4 is from Candy Ride, so he’ll get an homage bet from me, and we’ve already discussed #1, which I’m sure I will also bet at ridiculously high odds. *It’s quite possible #10 will win, just think his odds will be too low to make it a smart bet. At 3-1? Maybe.*

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 4,10,3,6

GRANDSON(Likes last race rating): 8,4,5,10

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 10,4,8,5

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed): 10,5,4,8

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 10,6,7,5

HALITOSIS(Uses some fancy algar uh, algyr uh, algorithm (Whew! Looked it up in my F&W): 10,6,7,5

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 2,4,7,10,1

OL’ BLUE (Likes the closers): 5,3,9,8

RACE NUMBER TWO: \$2K RESTRICTED CLAIMERS AT 6.5F

THE HORSES:

#1 drops to a new low level, has best dirt fig in this bunch, switches jocks, has okay works until the latest one, stretch gain last out, has highest overall speed average, You'd have to say Probable. Except he's 6 for 40 and in the one-hole with no early speed, which means he'll have to navigate around all the other horses to get to the wire. I don't trust Diego Ram to make that happen, but it certainly could. Love the name, though. #2's another six-year-old with no early speed, but decent speed figures. 5 for 35 and hasn't won since last year. Only been in the money twice in last ten races. Possible, I guess, but not with my money on him at 7-2. I do like David Cabrera, though, and the trainer has a great record (25%) first after claim, so... #3 has ok speed figures, a decent rider and good trainer, but also hasn't won since last year. Turf to dirt, which may be a plus, and is 5 for 13 at RP, which ain't bad. Possible, I guess, but probably not for me. #5 (a Candy Ride horse) is interesting because he had the highest last race speed rating of this bunch, and his overall numbers are okay. I think he recedes a little from his last, but still a Possible. #5 wired the field from the one-hole in his last. Steps up a bit in class today, has second best overall average figs, but can he repeat? Never has. Still, a possible. #6 gained in the stretch against cheaper in his last, in which he was claimed by Williams. Luis Quinonez, an older but goodie jockey, gets up. Works aren't inspiring and neither are speed figs. Small share if any. #7, despite the terrible name, has run races that would embarrass everyone else in here, but that was a while ago. Anyway, he drops in class, gets Luke Wetthey back, who obviously knows how to ride him, has some decent works, and that makes him a definite Possible. Problem: he's zero for six at RP. Oh, well. #8 is a bit short on average speed, but ran a decent race against tougher here a month ago. Will the drop wake him up? I probably won't bet on it.

ANALYSIS: I really don't see much in here to make me reach for my back pocket. I'll probably put a little money on #4, the Candy Ride horse, but I'll give a serious look at #7 as – for me – the most probable winner.

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 1,5,4,3

GRANDSON(Like last race rating): 4,5,8,1

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 7,5,4,1

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed): 4,7,5,1

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 7,1,5,4

HALITOSIS: 4,5,1,8

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 5,6,7,8,1

OL' BLUE (Likes the closers):4,3,2,1

RACE NUMBER THREE: \$30K RESTRICTED ALLOWANCE FOR OKLAHOMA BREDS AT 6F

THE HORSES

#1 steps up in class after a solid win against cheaper. Hasn't shown enough early speed to get out in front, so not a reasonable bet for me, even though he's 3rd off a layoff. Pretty good horse; I just don't like him in the one-hole. #2 pretty serious early speed, drops big in class for a good jockey and an even better trainer. His major problem might be #6, who also has showed serious early speed. #3 drops, has some decent figs, keeps Ramon, decent work since, and has shown an ability to close. Possible, maybe probable. #4 steps up in class, has yet to run a race that would win this, is 4 for 36, I don't see it. #5 ran some good races at Will Rogers earlier this year, and a very good race here last year. Can he repeat one of those? Turf to dirt, sometimes a good thing, but one for ten at RP. I think I'll pass. #6 has a lot going for him. Turf to dirt, top jockey, highest last fig and second high average figs, making substantial drop in class, good works since. Hasn't won in a year and a half, and that was at Will Rogers. Possible, maybe even Probable.

ANALYSIS

This race probably revolves around #2 and #6, the two main early speed horses, but it could be a free for all on the front, with the 1,2,3, and 6 all trying for the lead. If the track's playing fast, it might be a 2/6 exacta. If not, or if they wear each other out, then the three horse comes into the picture. Depending on how the odds shake out, I might take a chance on #3.

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 1,5,4,3

GRANDSON(Like last race rating): 4,5,8,1

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 7,5,4,1

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed): 4,7,5,1

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 7,1,5,4

HALITOSIS: 4,5,1,8

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 6,3,2,4

OL' BLUE (Likes the closers): 1,5,4,2

RACE NUMBER FOUR: 7F DIRT FOR GIRLS AND LADIES WHO HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES

THE HORSES

Be careful: three horses in here have never run this exact distance on this surface. #1 broke her maiden about a year ago and hasn't done much since, though she's been running against tougher horses most of the time. Took an enormous drop in class last out, went off as the favorite, and dropped anchor early. Steps back up in class a little today. Don't think so, even though she's third off. #2 also hasn't won since she broke her maiden a year ago. Second off the claim for Asmussen. Dropped to lowest level in last (on turf) and finished mid pack. Also third off, but has to get back last year's form to be a factor. Has the highest average speed overall, but has never run at this exact distance/surface. #3 drops to her lowest class level ever, and switches jockeys, from Vasquez to Wethey, a bit of a downward move. Broke her maiden three back after 10 tries. Has only run one figure that might win this, at Zia last year. Pass. #4 just broke her maiden in her second race, her first on dirt, against a reasonably tough crowd here at RP. Good connections, mediocre works. I don't bet maidens to repeat unless there's a really good reason, which I don't see here. Possible, though. #5 (a Candy Ride horse) another huge drop in class and a negative jockey switch from Junior to Valdez (sorry, Ernesto). 1 for 15 lifetime and 0 for 4 on dirt. Have to pass. #6 hasn't won since last year. Third off. Wants the lead, may get it, and if she does she may hang around for a while. Possible. #7 finished a decent second in her last, in a dirt mile at Will Rogers. Good works here lately. Wouldn't trust her to repeat that number, but won't say she can't. Possible.

ANALYSIS

I just don't see anything in here I'd trust with my money. Put a gun to my head and I might put nine cents on the six horse to win, and maybe pair her with the seven in an exact box. But there are so many questions in this race it's impossible to pick even a probable winner. So I won't.

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 2,6,5,4

GRANDSON(Like last race rating): 4,5,8,1

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 7,5,4,1

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed): 4,7,5,1

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 7,1,5,4

HALITOSIS: 6,4,7,5

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 6,2,7,3

OL' BLUE (Likes the closers): 4,1,5,3

RACE #5: \$10K RESTRICTED CLAIMING AT 5.5F FOR LASSIES WHO HAVE ONLY EVER WON ONE RACE

THE HORSES

While #1's name brings back fond memories, she's one for 21 lifetime, one for 14 at the distance, and one for ten here at RP. Even though she drops in class and gets a rider switch for her new trainer, I'll pass. #2 (another Candy Ride horse) broke her maiden after seven tries, jumped way up in class and got trampled, now drops back down to a more reasonable level. No published works since April. I do like Reyes on a closer, and this one has the highest average speed ATDS, so gotta say Possible. #3 hasn't been closer than 6th in her last six races. In fact, her only decent race ever was her maiden breaker at LAD in 2023. Pass. #4's last race was her lifetime best – in a six furlong dirt race here a month ago in which she ran second. Can she repeat or better that performance while taking the blinkers off and moving up in class? Bret Calhoun's pretty good with this angle so I'll give her a Barely Possible. #5 I see no hope for. #6 broke her maiden by a bunch a month and a half ago here after nine unsuccessful attempts. That's called a "big win" and often presages a win in the next race. Will it in this race? Maybe. But that win was against \$10k maiden claimers – about as low as you can go. I rarely back first-time winners, since their next race win ratio is about 15%. So while she's probably a possible, I'm passing. #7 looks pretty much like #6, except she's third off a layoff. She wired a cheaper field last out, posting a pretty low fig. Cabrera gets back on, but as I said, I don't like betting a maiden breaker to win its next out unless there's a pretty substantial reason to do so; I don't see that here. Those of you who know me know I have to bet the #8 horse, even though – or maybe because – she's been off almost two years. She could be an Improving Four Year Old, but she's running for an offer trainer. Looks pretty hopeless, even though she's running at resoundingly the lowest class level of her life. I'm not suggesting you bet on her. I certainly will, but because of personal reasons, not horse racing ones. #9 drops to her lowest level in over a year and is third off for a trainer who is 5% with that angle. She's also one for 17 with no works since. She's shown she can run with this group at times. Barely Possible. #10 has done nothing since breaking her maiden four starts back. She did run a competitive figure in her last out, a lifetime best, but still lost by over six lengths, placing 4th in a six-horse race. Will she repeat that figure today? I'm not betting on it. #11 looks hopeless, even with blinkers. #12 ran a decent figure in her last, gaining in the stretch for the show, a lifetime best on fast dirt. She's third off today, running against slightly better, and might qualify as a longshot. Barely Possible.

ANALYSIS

This is an inscrutable hodgepodge of inexpensive maiden claimers. Most likely winner might be #4, but will probably go off at very low odds. Too low for me. Almost impossible to say who will go to the front, truly impossible to say who will hit the wire first. It's often races like this that create longshots. That's why I'll probably just bet my longshots for above stated reasons. For purely nostalgic reasons I'll probably bet a tiny 1-12 exacta box, and maybe put a tiny bet amount on #4, depending on her odds, thinking I might just as well touch a match to the money.

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 4,9,8,5

GRANDSON(Like last race rating): 4,6,9,7

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 2,4,6,9

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed): 2,4,9,6

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 2,8,0,4

HALITOSIS: 2,1,3,4

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 3,7,4,8

OL' BLUE (Likes the closers): 10,5,6,12

RACE NUMBER SIX: A \$10K CLAIMER FOR OK BRED LASSIES THAT HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES

THE HORSES

#1 bears the same name as a very dear longtime friend, so there's that. She also won her second race last out, here at RP, registering a lifetime high fig (77), the highest last race fig of the bunch. Broke her maiden two years ago, and was horrible in the four races following that win until a month ago, when she won again. Can't bet her from the horse racing side, probably will from the personal. #2 is a must lead type, but usually falls apart toward the finish. She does drop in class here, and she has the best dirt fig of any of these, but that was at WD in her maiden win. Iffy, but Possible. #3's another early speed horse dropping in class and switching back to Wethey, who rode her into the ground in their only two races together. However, she's been off a year and shows some decent works, and runs for a pretty good trainer. Possible. #4 has the highest speed fig at this distance (earned at WD 7 races ago), drops in class for a trainer who is 33% at this angle, lost to a runaway winner in her last, and is a good closer. Possible, maybe Probable. I see no redeeming value in #5. #6, also an early speed horse, has run some races that might be competitive in this race, but not at RP, where she is 0 for 7. She's also 2 for 18 lifetime. Maybe Barely Possible. #7 appears to have run only one race in her life that might be competitive in this one, at RP 6 back. I see no reason to suspect she'll repeat that number. She did, however, close in both her two wins, and may have that opportunity again here. Got to say Possible Longshot. #8, another early speed horse, won her last, a dirt sprint at RP against cheaper, with a pretty good fig (73). She steps up a little bit here, is third off, and has never come remotely close to putting two wins in a row together, but you have to say she's a Possible, but probably not one I'll bet on. #9, still another early speed horse, looks pretty hopeless. Still, she's third off, which could mean she'll run a little better than her odds, which should be astronomical.

ANALYSIS

There are seven horses in here who like the front end. Not that the front end's a bad thing, but when that many want it, there's an opportunity for a closer to catch and pass them, and there aren't that many confirmed closers in here. I don't see anyone getting an easy lead, so I'll be looking at #4 for the win, and #1 and #8 as my potential longshots. If I had to pick a front runner out of this nondescript bunch I'd probably choose #2, possible dueling with #6 and #9.

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 4,8,3,9

GRANDSON(Like last race rating): 1,4,2,8

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 4,8,2,1

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed): 8,3,2,6

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 4,8,9,3

HALITOSIS: 4,8,1,2

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 6,2,1,4

OL' BLUE (Likes the closers): 3,7,5,8

RACE NUMBER 7: \$30K CLAIMER FOR HORSES WHO'VE NEVER WON THREE RACES

THE HORSES

#1 is an early speed horse who appears to be quicker on turf than on dirt. He has enough competition for the front end to make him an iffy proposition. He's also one for nine on dirt and offer at this distance. Yeah, Possible, but not bettable for me at 5-1. #2 is an early speed horse going up in class and shipping in from PRM, where he won his last race against much cheaper. 0 for 5 at RP, 0 for 7 ATDS. Fraid I'll have to pass. #3 is, God help us, another early speed horse who won his last race about two years ago. Been running against much tougher since then until his last, at ELP. Has the fastest speed figure ATDS and also on dirt, and has the highest average speed overall by a decent margin. Could he just run his regular old race and win this one? It's Possible. #4 drops to an alltime low class level, for an offer jockey and an offer trainer. Has a couple of races, two and three back, that might be competitive in here, but those were at Prairie Meadows. If he can run back to those he has a decent shot, but will he? I don't think so. #5 is another early speed horse. No, I'm not making this up. He's reasonably quick and ran his lifetime best at RP a year ago. Won his last against cheaper at Houston in February. Keeps Cabrera, who has won twice on him, one of those at RP three back against similar competition. Can he go up in class after a 7 month layoff and run his best? I'm doubting it, but I think he'll be a presence on the front end. #6 appears to be a closer who can't close. Pass. #7 has closed in most of his races, which might be a good thing. However, he won his last against somewhat cheaper and has never put two races together. He's been claimed out of three of his last four races, so someone obviously sees something in him. Can he repeat? Don't like to think so, but he's a Possible. #8 likes the front end, and when he can get it, he does pretty well. Ignore his last, on turf, and he's been running against much tougher all his life. Just don't see him getting the lead here. Another Barely Possible, maybe a Longshot. #9 is a presser, and won both his races on dirt, with pretty good figures. Connections are very good, so he should be ready to run. Don't love him, but if his odds hold at 15-1 or so I may have to recalibrate. Longshot, anyway. #10 (a Candy Ride horse) jumps up a bit in class after winning his last two, both at Ellis against much cheaper. Can he step up and win again? Certainly possible, and he can press the early speed and close, but I can't bet him at those odds. At five to one or more? Possibly. #11 did something new in his last: closed on the leader to win, here at RP against cheaper, with a mediocre figure. I've always like Luis, and Esqueda's a good trainer, but are they enough to win? Barely Possible.

ANALYSIS

Pretty indecipherable. Only one horse truly dropping in class – the four – and we're not crazy about his ability at this distance or the connections. At big odds, however, he might be worth a small bet. #3's been running good figures against much tougher, but without any success. Maybe he'll like RP. Might be worth it at 5-1 or so. #7 could be in for part, but probably not the win. I don't bet cheap horses to repeat, or to win three in a row, stepping up all the way. But if I could make myself do it, it would have to be #10. My Candy horse.

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 3,7,9,8

GRANDSON(Like last race rating): 7,5,2,3

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 3,7,10,4

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed):

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 4,5,7,3

HALITOSIS: 7,3,5,10,11

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 5,3,1,2

OL' BLUE (Likes the closers): 7,8,10,4

RACE NUMBER 8: A \$39K RESTRICTED ALLOWANCE AT 5.5F ON THE DIRT

THE HORSES

Six horses in this race, and they all prefer the front end, although there are some pressers in here, too.

#1 won his last, against slightly cheaper, wiring the field at Lone Star, then took 3 months off. He's pretty quick, and if Erik gets him out, he has a good chance to wire the field again. Possible. #2 has shown the ability to press and close, especially in his race two back, where he mangled the field at Will Rogers, winning by nine lengths and setting the top lifetime fig (98) of all the runners in here. He broke his maiden here in his first try, winning by six lengths. Definitely possible. #3 ran all of her last 10 races at Oaklawn, winning two of them, both on the front end, and both against cheaper. Hasn't run since May, and has never shown the ability to close. Seems to shut down if someone gets in front of him, so Luis should be whipping him from the get-go. Possible, but not likely. #4 is another horse who wants the front end, but has won both his lifetime races by closing. You'd think that's what he'll try to do here. His numbers are a little light, though. Possible but not bettable, at least for me. The only reason #5, another early speed horse, has ever closed is if he had trouble early. He'd much rather have the lead, but can be a threat even if he doesn't get it. Possible. #6 is a front runner wannabe who doesn't have much early speed. He does add blinkers today, and that might help, but probably not enough. #7, another early speed horse, has shown the ability to press and close. He spent his last ten races running against cheaper horses, and won three races doing it. You'd like to think he's outclassed here, but his very strong connections might have something to say about that. Possible.

ANALYSIS

In this bunch of early speed/presser types, #1 would seem to have the advantage if he gets out of the gate quickly enough. Erik was able to do that in his last two races, although considerably overmatched in the race two back, which was run in the slop. I think everyone will be chasing him from the start. Who might catch him is anyone's guess, but contenders might include the 2, 3, and/or 5.

PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC.

EUTHANASIA(Likes average speed): 5,3,6,1

GRANDSON(Like last race rating): 1,5,2,7

VOCIFEROUS (Likes Bris Power rating): 2,1,7,5

LOQUACIOUS(Likes last three average speed): 4,5,7,3

OTHER GRANDSON(Likes average speed at this exact distance on this surface): 5,3,6,2

HALITOSIS: 1,3,2,5

DAUGHTER(Likes early speed and lots of it): 1,5,3,7

OL' BLUE (Likes the closers): 6,2,4,7

RACE NUMBER NINE: \$38K MAIDEN TURF SPRINT FOR TWO YEAR OLDS

THE HORSES

Oh boy, our first turf race. Only one problem: none of these horses a) have ever won a race, and b) none have ever run on the grass. Close your eyes, stab the form with a finger, and bet whichever horse it lands on. That said, we'll take a look at stuff like connections, breeding, and works to see if we can pinpoint some kind of edge.

#1 has shown real quickness on the dirt and gets Vazquez, and has a turf winner in his background. I should think he'd be on the lead or near it. Possible, maybe even Probable. #2, a Candy Ride horse (LOL) is a first time starter and obviously a first time turfer. Candy Ride horses often run their best on the turf. Good connections in spite of Asmussen's terrible first time turf record. Some good dirt works. Possible. #3 went for the lead and died in her only race so far, but did show quickness. I see nothing to recommend #4. #5 ran the best of any in here in his last, in the slop at RP. Had a couple of good works before that race, not really bred for turf but still Possible. #6 is third off, has some decent turf breeding, and has not shown much on the dirt. No works since his last race. Passing. #7 has some decent turf breeding and some decent dirt works. Connections are a bit suspect. Pass. Don't see much to recommend #8 except the jock, who is 30% on turf. #9 had a good workout a week ago, on dirt of course, but doesn't show much in the way of turf breeding. #10 tried to wire a similar field from the two-hole in his last and dropped anchor at the halfway mark. #11 has two pretty awful races behind him, but has a little turf breeding and gets blinkers today, which might help. Comes in off a two-month layoff and might be a small play at huge odds. Don't know what to say about #12 except I'll probably pass.

ANALYSIS

Not much to analyze here. May be a good race to look for a longshot. I'm guessing #1 will be on the lead, maybe all the way to the wire. I'll obviously bet my Candy horse to do something, don't know what yet. The list of other possibles includes 5, 7, and 9. #11 might be a live longshot. That's it. I'm through. My little brain is aching. Have fun! Win some money!

NO PICKS FROM MULES, DOGS, GRANDCHILDREN, ETC. YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN!



That's it. hope you had fun and won some money!
Goodnight from *The Fat Cowboy!*

A word about betting.

If you haven't done this kind of parimutuel thing before, just know you're betting into a big pool with all the other folks out there, and that pool is split up according to what horses win, place, show, etc., and how much is bet on them. A few totally basic things:

Win means the horse comes in first. (Duh)

Place means the horse finishes second.

Show means the horse finishes third.

An exacta is the win and the place horse, in order. Or you can "box," which costs twice as much, but means they can finish one, two, in either order.

A trifecta means you have to pick the win, place, and show horses.

A superfecta means you have to pick the first four horses.

A double means you have to pick the winners of two races in a row.

A pick three means you have to pick the winners of three races in a row. Pick four, four races. Pick five, five races.

And so on.

The odds show you how much you'll win. If your 2-1 wins you'll get twice your bet back. 5-1 you get \$10 back plus your initial \$2 bet.

Bet any way you want, according to your wallet and personality. However, here's the way I like to play exactas: Take the horses you think have the best chance of winning and put 'em over themselves *and* your best longshots. Then put your best longshots and your potential win horses over your potential win horses, like so:

W1, W2, W3

W1, W2, W3, L1, L2, L3 That bet costs \$15.

W1, W2, W3, L1, L2, L3

W1, W2, W3 That bet also costs \$15.

This kind of bet gives you (I believe) the best way of hitting a big exacta. And if two of your low-odds favorites come in you've got it twice, so you'll hopefully get most if not all of your money back.