



quick BETTING tips

A plethora of advice and selections from our expert handicappers

BEST ADVICE

DAVE BROWER: Many of tonight's favorites drew favorable post positions, unlike Friday. Hoping to key on several of them to hit a few nice exactas or trifectas.

GABE PREWITT: It's late in the year, pay attention to recent form and don't get roped in on short prices that may not be at their very best after a long season.

DERICK GIWNER: There are going to be a handful of races with heavy favorites on this card. Don't be afraid to take the short price and cash a smaller ticket.

GARNET BARNSDALE: As often happens on this night, there are likely to be several dominant favorites winning. To add value to your exotic wagers, look for horses that figure to leave quickly for position. Quite often they will ride the pylons to a high placing at big odds.

CHAD ROZEMA: Don't be afraid to include some longshots, these are the best of the best and they're all here because they're great horses.

ASHLEY MAILLOUX: Always trust your gut. The talent is abundant on these two nights of racing so if you like a horse and he/she is not taking a lot of play, don't let the toteboard talk you off that horse.

MONIQUE VAG: Don't overvalue horses off one big recent effort, and conversely don't count out horses that may not have raced like themselves last time out. One race could easily just be an outlier effort. It is more important to try and examine the full body of work.

MARK MCKELVIE: Finish strong. Take a look back at who finished their elimination races by passing rivals. They don't have to win, but passing horses is a good sign.

MICHAEL CARTER: Pick your spots. There is a good amount of value on the Saturday night card where money can be made. Utilize the horizontal wagers.

KEN MIDDLETON, JR.: There's a lot of sickness around this time of year, so if a barn had some sub-par performances last night it might be worth keeping that in mind with regards to their starters on tonight's card.

EMILY GASKIN: Identify two or three horses on the night that have a solid chance to win and may offer a price against some vulnerable favorites. Rather than chasing prices in every race, find spots you feel most confident in and focus your efforts there.

JASON PORTUONDO: Don't ignore horses that didn't win their elimination, some were simply prepping for tonight which obviously is the ultimate goal.

IF YOU ONLY HAVE \$20 TO WAGER

DAVE BROWER: In Race 3, let's key the best female trotter in training, 4 MANCHEGO on top with a pair of \$10 exactas using 3 PLUNGE BLUE CHIP and 5 DARLING MEARAS S underneath.

GABE PREWITT: \$20 win on 3 AMERICAN HISTORY in Race 4. He hooks up with a good field, but he's in deceptively good form right now. The price should be right as well. Take a chance, Columbus did!

DERICK GIWNER: You won't get rich playing a straight exacta of 4 MANCHEGO over 3 PLUNGE BLUE CHIP (RACE 3), but tripling or quadrupling your money is a good return on investment.

GARNET BARNSDALE: Take a shot with \$20 Win on Asiago in the Three-Year-Old Filly Trot. She was closing nicely late in her elimination and she should offer a square price here in a race where she has a good chance.

CHAD ROZEMA: Race 3 - \$5 Exacta Box 4 & 6 / RACE 6 \$5 Win Place #1

ASHLEY MAILLOUX: Race 6 - 7 DORSODURO HANOVER - \$1 exacta All with 7, \$1 exacta 7 with All and the other \$2 to win on #7.

MONIQUE VAG: \$5 WIN and \$15 PLACE on 10 CLASSIC PRO in Race 1.

MARK MCKELVIE: Make sure you enjoy the entire night. Spread your money out and enjoy harness racing's best.

MICHAEL CARTER: Race 9 \$20 to win on #3

KEN MIDDLETON, JR.: Race 5 - \$20 to win on #1 Beautyonthebeach

EMILY GASKIN: Race 5 \$20 to win on #5 Warrawee Ubeaut

JASON PORTUONDO: Pick a favourite number and bet \$2 to win on it in the first 10 races on the card.

The Experts SELECTIONS

LOCK OF THE NIGHT

DAVE BROWER
RACE 8 - 5 BETTOR'S WISH

GABE PREWITT
RACE 6 - 5 WARRAWEE UBEAUT

RACE

2

warm up pad:
BLUE

\$393,000



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MONIQUE VAG

SELECTIONS: 1 - 4 - 3 - 7

1 SHARTIN N - few horses of any age or gender have been as dominant, and her 14-of-16 record in 2019 speaks for itself. Her early speed is always an asset and in a field of many slower starters, she should be able to control the pace early.

4 YOUAREMYCANDYGIRL - flaunts two wins out of her last four starts; both victories in the preferred at Woodbine Mohawk Park. What's great to see is the final times, including a 1:48.3 mile on Sept. 21, and a win in 1:49:1 coming home in :25:3.

3 CAVIART ALLY - I'd argue her best effort this year was not a win, but instead a runner up finish at the Meadowlands in The Golden Girls where she blasted out of post 10 to work out a pocket trip behind Shartin N.

7 KISSIN IN THE SAND - got away a bit slower than ideal in the Milton two starts ago. She ended up working out a perfect second over trip, but the eventual winner Caviart Ally was just too good despite the super-fast fractions.



MICHAEL CARTER

SELECTIONS: 3 - 1 - 7 - 2

3 CAVIART ALLY - is rounding into form at the right time. She looked sharp in her most recent qualifier and was able to defeat Shartin N in Lexington.

1 SHARTIN N - is a top rated mare who is on her way to a second straight C\$1 million season. She has been almost flawless this season.

7 KISSIN IN THE SAND - is as consistent and versatile as they come, has two wins in her last five starts. She is worth a play underneath.

2 KENDALL SEELSTER - qualified well in preparation for this big test. I have a feeling she will get away better than she did in the Milton, she gets along well with Jamieson.

LONG BOMB PICK

DAVE BROWER

RACE 4 — 6 WINNDEVIE

GABE PREWITT

RACE 6 — 3 AMERICAN HISTORY

DERICK GIWNER

RACE 4 — 6 WINNDEVIE

GARNET BARNSDALE

RACE 9 — 3 MISSION ACCEPTED

CHAD ROZEMA

RACE 6 — 1 EASY LOVER HANOVER

ASHLEY MAILLOUX

RACE 6 — 7 DORSODURO HANOVER

MONIQUE VAG

RACE 4 — 6 WINNDEVIE

MARK MCKELVIE

RACE 9 — 7 LINDY THE GREAT

MICHAEL CARTER

RACE 6 — 7 DORSODURO HANOVER

KEN MIDDLETON, JR.

RACE 6 — 1 EASY LOVER HANOVER

EMILY GASKIN

RACE 6 — 6 ALWAYS A PRINCE

JASON PORTUONDO

RACE 1 — 2 NICKLE BAG

PICK5 & PICK4 TICKETS

There are three multi-race wagers on tonight's card that carry a \$100,000 guarantee — a Pick-5 that starts race 1, a Pick 4 that starts race 4 and a Pick 5 that starts race 6

	KEN MIDDLETON, JR.	CHAD ROZEMA	JASON PORTUONDO	MARK MCKELVIE	MONIQUE VAG
PICK-5 TICKET – RACES 1-5					
RACE 1	4	4, 8	2, 3, 4, 7	4, 5, 9	3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
RACE 2	1, 3	1	1	1, 3	1
RACE 3	3, 4	4, 6	3, 4	4	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10
RACE 4	1, 3, 5, 6, 9	1, 5, 6	1, 5, 9	1, 5, 6	1, 5, 6
RACE 5	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	5	5	4, 5	5
COST	\$100 (or \$20 for the \$0.20 option)	\$12 (or \$2.40 for the \$0.20 option)	\$24 (or \$4.80 for the \$0.20 option)	\$36 (or \$7.20 for the \$0.20 option)	\$168 (or \$33.60 for the \$0.20 option)
PICK-4 TICKET – RACES 4-7					
RACE 4	1, 3, 5, 6, 9	1, 5, 6	1, 5, 9	1, 5, 6	1, 5, 6
RACE 5	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	5	5	4, 5	5
RACE 6	1, 2, 3, 7, 8	1, 2, 5, 7, 8	5, 8	2, 3, 8	2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9
RACE 7	4	4, 8	4	4	1, 2, 4, 5, 8
COST	\$125 (or \$25 for the \$0.20 option)	\$30 (or \$6 for the \$0.20 option)	\$6 (or \$1.20 for the \$0.20 option)	\$18 (or \$3.60 for the \$0.20 option)	\$90 (or \$18 for the \$0.20 option)
PICK-5 TICKET – RACES 6-10					
RACE 6	1, 2, 3, 7, 8	1, 2, 5, 7, 8	5, 8	2, 3, 8	2, 4, 8, 9
RACE 7	4	4, 8	4	4	4
RACE 8	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	2, 4, 5, 6	1, 2, 4, 5	1, 2, 4, 5	1, 2, 4, 5
RACE 9	1, 3, 5, 6, 10	1, 5, 11	1, 11	1, 5, 6, 7, 11	1, 5, 6, 10
RACE 10	3	3	2, 3, 8	3	2, 3, 8
COST	cost \$150 (or \$30 for the \$0.20 option)	\$120 (or \$20.40 for the \$0.20 option)	\$48 (or \$9.60 for the \$0.20 option)	\$60 (or \$12 for the \$0.20 option)	\$192 (or \$38.40 for the \$0.20 option)

DERICK GIWNER
RACE 6 — 5 WARRAWEE UBEAUT

CHAD ROZEMA
RACE 10 — 3 STAG PARTY

MONIQUE VAG
RACE 2 — 1 SHARTIN N

MICHAEL CARTER
RACE 3 — 4 MANCHEGO

EMILY GASKIN
RACE 2 — 1 SHARTIN N

GARNET BARNSDALE
RACE 3 — 4 MANCHEGO

ASHLEY MAILLOUX
RACE 7 — 4 GREENSHOE

MARK MCKELVIE
RACE 3 — 4 MANCHEGO

KEN MIDDLETON, JR.
RACE 7 — 4 GREENSHOE

JASON PORTUONDO
RACE 7 — 4 GREENSHOE

RACE

3

warm up pad:
WHITE

\$425,750



MARE TROT



ASHLEY MAILLOUX

SELECTIONS: 4 - 3 - 10 - 5

4 MANCHEGO – this mare enters the final on a four-race win streak and looks to have found her best stride as of late. She was exceptional at Dayton, easily beating older males while setting her first of two world records this season.

3 PLUNGE BLUE CHIP – went off as the favorite in her elim and was flying late but was forced to settle for second. She's rattled off some big races, including a huge second-place finish behind Atlanta in the Charlie Hill Memorial, where she desperately needed racing room.

10 EMOTICON HANOVER – the draw was unkind to this mare, but this winner of over \$1.8 million is extremely talented. She'll be looking for her third consecutive win in this event. While she hasn't won in a while, she's stayed right with these mares.

5 DARLING MEARAS S – found herself in the perfect position in her elim to get the win. Since coming to North America, her earnings might not reflect her talent, but let's not forget she trotted sub-1:50 at the Big M in July.



DERICK GIWNER

SELECTIONS: 4 - 3 - 9 - 6

4 MANCHEGO – is the sharpest trotting mare in North America right now and she might even be the best older trotter, period, at this moment. There is no playing against her with confidence.

3 PLUNGE BLUE CHIP – had no chance in her elimination while rallying from last. She's the only mare in this group with the logical ability to upset.

9 CUSTOM CANTAB – has done her best work from off the pace so I'm not going to hold her elimination effort against her. She's worth using in the exotics.

6 HANNELORE HANOVER – doesn't appear to be the same mare she once was, but it is conceivable she could work out a decent trip and close for a board spot.

RACE**4**warm up pad:
GREEN**\$655,000****3YOFT****CHAD ROZEMA**

SELECTIONS: 6 - 1 - 5 - 3

- 6 WINNDEVIE** – Was a non-factor for most of her elim mile before unleashing a furious stretch rally and hitting the board. The NYSS star proved to me she can hang with this group. She should get the speed to chase tonight.
- 1 THE ICE DUTCHESS** – Has improved on Lasix and got a nice boost to her confidence with a front-end elim victory. She can be tricky at times and the rail may not be the best spot, but with a clean trip I'm confident she will be heard from again.
- 5 WHEN DOVESCRY** – Earned an ideal trip last week but when she pulled pocket in the lane, she cost herself a couple lengths by drifting. Her draw tonight is still favourable and she's yet to miss the board in 18 career starts.
- 8 ASIAGO** – Per Engblom trainee has been a solid player all season vs. the top fillies. She possesses plenty of early speed and should be put into play by Tetrick from this draw. She will fight hard for a good piece.

**DAVE BROWER**

SELECTIONS: 6 - 1 - 5 - 9

- 6 WINNDEVIE** – unleashed visually impressive bursts of speed in her last two. One at the Med, and then last week in the Crown elim from absolute last. Can she get a smooth trip and explode to pull the upset?
- 1 THE ICE DUTCHESS** – got away with thievery last week, simply stealing the race up front. It's not going to happen that way again, and I think the pole post is "tricky" for her. Needs a perfect Yannick steer!
- 5 WHEN DOVESCRY** – just doesn't seem to be as sharp as she was in the summer. The noticeable "drifting out" has continued, and it's costing her valuable position. She'll gun out, but I don't know how far she will go.
- 9 ONLY TAKE CASH** – had a very good elimination trip for Trevor Henry, but they will both be severely tested by this post drawn. She's probably best with one move from off the pace, but TH likes to leave and will, at least a little.

RACE**5**warm up pad:
BLACK**\$720,500****3YOFP****GABE PREWITT**

SELECTIONS: 5 - 3 - 8 - 4

- 5 WARRAWEE UBEAUT** – she's been incredible of late, easily putting away her rivals last time as a heavy favorite. She's in a league of her own right now, hard to go against.
- 8 TREACHEROUS REIGN** – roughed up from a tough post when we last saw her in Lexington, but she draws a nice slot tonight inside of her main rivals. Should be in line for a smooth journey. I'll look for her to be close.
- 8 STONEBRIDGE SOUL** – her elim was tough to gage, she appeared to have some pace in there with traffic trouble. Unleashed an eye-opening late kick in Lexington two starts back, I'll look for a similar late burst here.
- 4 TALL DRINK HANOVER** – she's been consistent all season, and parlayed a perfect trip into a close finish in behind #5 last week. She's proven she packs a powerful punch. Must respect.

**MONIQUE VAG**

SELECTIONS: 5 - 3 - 6 - 2

- 5 WARRAWEE UBEAUT** – she opted to race last week instead of taking the bye and she was rewarded mightily with a good post position. She came home in :26 flat in that effort opening up easily in deep stretch when called upon.
- 8 TREACHEROUS REIGN** – unlike my top selection, this filly opted to take the bye last week after a disappointing effort at the Red Mile. I'm not too concerned with that effort, as her other races have been solid.
- 6 IDEATION HANOVER** – most of her racing has been done at Woodbine Mohawk Park. Although she's been off to a bit of a slower start this year, she does have solid efforts last year. The potential is there, and I hope she can flaunt some of that :26.2 closing speed we have seen out of her in the past.
- 2 SUNNY DEE** – this filly has finished in the top three in 19-of-20 career starts. She's won races off slower than ideal starts, but lately she's been a filly that likes to control the tempo and flaunt early speed. Tall order here against Grand Circuit company.

RACE**6**warm up pad:
YELLOW**\$500,000****OPEN
PACE****DERICK GIWNER**

SELECTIONS: 3 - 6 - 8 - 5

- 8 AMERICAN HISTORY** – comes off a pair of throw-out lines from bad spots. He's in a perfect position this week from an inside post in a field loaded with early speed to set him up.
- 6 ALWAYS A PRINCE** – has insane speed but tends to come up short when it counts. This week David Miller is back in the bike and he drove him to a lifetime best earlier this year.
- 8 MCWICKED** – won the Dan Rooney despite a bad trip and wearing a bandage on his hoof. He's a war horse that can't be discounted but will be over-bet from the outside post.
- 5 COURTLY CHOICE** – returns to the scene of his biggest win this year. If he brings his best, he's a player.

**GABE PREWITT**

SELECTIONS: 3 - 8 - 2 - 7

- 8 AMERICAN HISTORY** – is in deceptively good form after a couple of impossible trips from tough posts in which he still had pace at the end of both miles. Gets an improved post tonight, likely going to fly under the radar a bit, send it in!
- 8 MCWICKED** – What a rock solid performer. He's put together yet another incredible campaign. He is often the last man standing if it turns into a street fight. Must respect his incredible resume, recently vaulting over the \$5M mark. Major player.
- 2 JIMMY FREIGHT** – has finally been drawing better posts of late with the big money on the line, and lands inside his main rivals again tonight. Should be forwardly placed off the wings, and I'll look for him to finish close once more for local connections.
- 7 DORSODURO HANOVER** – I thought bounced back very well with a nice acclimating mile over the track after being used hard on the lead in the Allerage at Lexington. He's been holding his own with top company all season, I'll consider him for a minor share.

RACE

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warm up pad:
PINK

\$655,000



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EMILY GASKIN

SELECTIONS: 4 - 1 - 8 - 2

- 4 **GREENSHOE** – speed is not the question. He has been wickedly impressive all season and his only two losses came when he was caught out of position. I don't see that happening here and think it will take a big effort to beat him.
- 1 **GREEN MANALISHI S** – thought he has looked a little flat in his last two, but could be in line for an optimal trip here. He's been a professional all season and his connections should have him back in top form
- 8 **FORBIDDEN TRADE** – home court advantage for the Hambletonian winner. On top of being supremely talented, he owns quite a bit of versatility and is consistent as they come. Will need the trip to set up for him from this post, but is coming into this race in top form.
- 2 **DON'T LETEM** – he's been a bit inconsistent all year but made up for that with an ultra-impressive elim win. If the Don't Letem we saw last week shows up, he can go right with this group.



MARK MCKELVIE

SELECTIONS: 4 - 6 - 2 - 8

- 4 **GREENSHOE** – just can't find a way to go against this monster. His Futurity win just showed how far ahead he is in this division. Anything can happen in a horse race, but I expect to see him add a Crown to his legacy.
- 6 **GIMPANZEE** – caught everyone's attention with a :26 final quarter in last week's elim. A Crown winner last year, he's had a tremendous season with domination in the NYSS and really proud efforts in all the classic events.
- 2 **DON'T LETEM** – has turned in two strong performances in a row and might finally be finding the consistency that he's lacked all-year. He's arguably as fast as any horse in this division. Expect to see him very involved.
- 8 **FORBIDDEN TRADE** – the hometown horse has upset my top choice before. No one saw it coming that day in the Hambletonian and can't imagine many, if any, see it happening tonight. That said, he will not disappoint, and I know we'll see a proud effort.

RACE

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warm up pad:
GREY

\$786,000



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KEN MIDDLETON, JR.

SELECTIONS: 5 - 2 - 4 - 6

- 5 **BETTORS WISH** – will aim to extend his winning streak to five-in-a-row. Even more impressively, he's in position to crack the top two for the 20th straight start. Trainer Chris Ryder has done a top-shelf job of managing him all year.
- 2 **CAPTAIN CRUNCH** – is paired up with driver Yannick Gingras after last week's third-place finish as a beaten favourite in his elimination. The Pepsi NA Cup champ hasn't won since early August, but I wouldn't count him out tonight.
- 4 **DANCIN LOU** – hasn't swam in the deep end until the last month and a bit, but he's more than proved he belongs. He powered up the rail in :25.4 last week to snag the 1:50.1 victory. McCarthy is reunited with the colt tonight.
- 6 **BEST IN SHOW** – hasn't won a race since the Meadowlands Pace, but he's been in the hunt nearly every week. He stormed home from last to be second in last week's elimination thanks to a final quarter clocked in :25.3. He merits respect.



JASON PORTUONDO

SELECTIONS: 4 - 5 - 2 - 1

- 4 **DANCIN LOU** – delivered an eye-popping performance last week with a :25.4 final burst. Andrew McCarthy takes over for the departed Dunn and will be seeking another favourable trip. He's peaking at the right time and is my dark horse to upset.
- 5 **BETTORS WISH** – just put the finishing touches on his 12th win of the year, and has now totalled a North American best \$1.36M in 2019. This guy is clearly the one to beat for the Kiwi connection of Dunn and Ryder.
- 2 **CAPTAIN CRUNCH** – is gunning for his first victory since taking the Cane Pace in early August. He was in striking position last week but was a disappointing 3rd as the favourite. Gingras takes over which might shake things up.
- 1 **SOUTHWIND OZZI** – had manageable splits to work with in his latest but simply couldn't hang on. It was still a nice prep and his good gate speed makes him a player. If you're looking for a wild card look no further.

RACE

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warm up pad:
PURPLE

\$655,000



OPEN
TROT



GARNET BARNSDALE

SELECTIONS: 3 - 1 - 6 - 1

- 3 **MISSION ACCEPTED** – I am going to take a huge swing for the fences here with this horse who has recorded stakes wins on Hambletonian Day and on the International Trot undercard. He seems to have a flair for the dramatic. Bombs away!
- 1 **BOLD EAGLE** – he is the obvious horse to beat shipping across the world with an impeccable resume and more than \$5 million on his card. The #1 post isn't always the greatest for trotters here.
- 6 **ATLANTA** – is capable of much better than what she showed at Yonkers and she has trotted some big miles over this track. She would be no surprise.
- 11 **MARION MARAUDER** – local here and 2016 Trotting Triple Crown winner is in a good spot here where he can follow Bold Eagle and he should work his way into the Super with a late rush.



ASHLEY MAILLOUX

SELECTIONS: 10 - 1 - 6 - 5

- 10 **SIX PACK** – was dominant in the Allerage at the Red Mile, where he set a world record. He was flying late in the Caesars Trotting Classic after battling illness, so he looks ready to roll for the final, but will have to overcome the draw.
- 1 **BOLD EAGLE** – has amassed over \$5.3 million in earnings and he's won 45 races in his career, 20 of which have been Group 1s. It'll be his first start outside of Europe and while traveling can take a toll, his accomplishments make him worthy of serious consideration.
- 6 **ATLANTA** – the 2018 Hambletonian winner has shown that she can face the boys on multiple occasions. She was a strong second to Guardian Angel As in the Maple Leaf Trot and looks poised to rebound after finishing seventh in the Yonkers International Trot.
- 5 **GUARDIAN ANGEL AS** – is the leading money earner for this group in 2019 and his career best was this year in the Maple Leaf Trot, where he beat both Atlanta and Marion Marauder. He's raced respectably since then and has seven wins this year.