



Parx Racing – 12/29/21
 Philly Big 5 Mandatory Payout Day

With over \$346,000 carried over into a mandatory payout of today’s Late Pick 5, we’ll look at suggestions for runners to back. First up, the Value Plays Menu algorithm’s take on which entries rank as worthy of contention. Next, we’ll look to supplement those rankings with Dustin’s (@predicteform on Twitter) thoughts after handicapping with our Advanced Pace Figures menu.

Race 6

Dirt – 7 Furlongs
 \$5K Starter Allowance – 3YOs+

Value Plays

The algorithm has chosen a Top Contender with no Fringe Contenders here and outside of these 4, the other 12 entries were labelled as “Too Slow” Play Types.

P#	HORSE	RACES	LAST RACE	VALUE -	PLAY TYPE	PATTERN	AVG. FINAL	AVG. 4F	LAST FINAL	LAST 4F	TOP FINAL	ML	PP
1	DOUBLE THE HEART (ONT-C)	16	40	1	TOP CONTENDER		69.4	74.0	71.4	74.7	74.2	8	1
5	FAST NEGOTIATIONS	25	16	2	REGRESSOR		69.3	71.9	63.1	75.6	77.5	10	5
14	D T GOODIE	74	7	3	REGRESSOR		67.7	70.5	63.8	61.1	75.6	4	14
6	DIDNT DO IT	25	23	4	REGRESSOR		68.1	72.1	61.7	72.0	78.4	8	6

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I’ll nominate the “must include” label to #6 DIDNT DO IT (8/1) having spent a couple years on turf, he prompted an NPT in first main track try since 2019 which then prompted a break. In the return, was a much more evenly-distributed 70/66 and while the last try at two turns came back with a bit of a forward spent dirt spread, it acts as a good conditioning move to set back down to one turn now going 3rd off the layoff. Has a good combination of competitive 4F Figure at the track but also good enough compression to have some late energy against these so I see this one with a shot no matter how this surface turns up.

Race 7

Dirt – 6.5 Furlongs

\$5K Starter Allowance – F&M 3YOs+

Value Plays

Pretty decisive stand here taking a Top Value Pick while giving a nod to the morning line favorite. The other 14 original entries were given the “Too Slow” label.

P#	HORSE	RACES	LAST RACE	VALUE	PLAY TYPE	PATTERN	AVG. FINAL	AVG. 4F	LAST FINAL	LAST 4F	TOP FINAL	ML	PP
12	PIQUET	27	26	1	TOP CONTENDER		69.8	67.4	67.9	73.2	80.5	6	12
6	INDIAN BELLA	37	45	2	AVERAGE		65.4	66.3	64.8*	70.9	74.9	2	6

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If you have a room for a shot on your ticket, consider #10 DIAL A LADY (10/1) here. Set the NPT 2 back on a “good” rated track which can be tiring on many days. Couple that with consideration that NPT just missed her prompting a DTOP and you have a good excuse to run that dud next out. While NPTs produce big runs next time out most often, it’s the 2nd off the NPT with an intervening bad race that churn out surprise longshots more often than you’d think.

DIAL A LADY
 PROGRAM NUMBER: 10
 POST POSITION: 10
 WEIGHT: 121
 LAST RACE: 19 DAYS
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F	59.7	62.3	56.6	56.8	57.2	56.5	56.5	54.9	57.8	60.1	56.2	52.2*
4F	67.7	70.0	66.6	64.9	58.3	66.8	69.9	67.3	66.1	68.2	64.9	64.5
P	NPT						NPT					
6F			~~				56.6		57.7			
2F	70.1	68.8	69.6	63.2		71.0	70.7	59.0	62.9	61.5		63.8
T	PEN	PEN	PRX									
S	DIRT	DIRT	DIRT	DIRT	TURF	DIRT						
L	6	6	6	6	7 1/2	6	6	7	6	6	8	6
C	FAST	GOOD	FAST	FAST	FIRM	FAST						
B/M	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L	B L
D	12/10/21	11/12/21	10/20/21	09/29/21	09/22/21	09/14/21	08/25/21	08/03/21	07/13/21	06/08/21	05/12/21	04/28/21

If going deeper, I’d consider #4 ATLANTIC AVENUE (12/1) with her 72/63h running line 2 races back featuring one of the few performances in this field that has set a 70+ 4F Figure as well as the #5 TERPEYE (9/2) who if running back to her 65 Final in October, should be best of the Parx regulars at the very least if not overall winner.

Race 8

Dirt – 7 Furlongs

\$100K Parx Futurity - 2YO Fillies

Value Plays

The computer sees this one more competitive than the first couple legs as we now get some Fringe Contenders listed for the first time. Runners assigned “Too Slow” not pictured.

P#	HORSE	RACES	LAST RACE	VALUE	PLAY TYPE	PATTERN	AVG. FINAL	AVG. 4F	LAST FINAL	LAST 4F	TOP FINAL	ML	PP
8	CAPTAINSDAUGHTER	8	38	1	TOP CONTENDER	NPT	63.7	64.2	64.9	69.7	66.3	9/2	8
12	BUY THE BEST	6	3	2	FRINGE CONTENDER	SOFT	69.7	75.0	W65.2	71.9	76.7	9/5	12
2	ALICE HARPER	3	16	3	FRINGE CONTENDER	NPT	65.5	75.1	63.1	78.5	66.8	5	2
9	TWODOGSFOURCATS	3	16	4	AVERAGE	DTOP	62.1	72.7	64.8	75.2	64.8	8	9

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#3 STAND UP COMIC (6/1) comes out of a pair of turf spins despite a bloodline that includes the sire's foals being winless on turf and the dam's foals not even with a show on turf while both sides have excellent dirt sprint stats (as well as wet dirt if that be the case). She's 2 for 2 on the main track and was never going to show up in those grass tries. Deserves inclusion.

Race 9

Dirt – 7 Furlongs

\$100K Parx Juvenile – 2YOs

Value Plays

The algorithm is going to side with a lone NPT as Top Contender a high percentage of the time. It's a very strong form cycle pattern and always worth consideration of backing. We are, however, dealing with lightly-raced runners here though so without "defined ceilings" on most of this field, we're going to be up against a good deal of variance compared to a more predictable field. With a more established field, an NPT Top Contender is certainly a "must include" and furthermore always worth consideration as a possible single. Unfortunately, we have to go deeper in a race like this though.

P#	HORSE	RACES	LAST RACE	VALUE	PLAY TYPE	PATTERN	AVG. FINAL	AVG. 4F	LAST FINAL	LAST 4F	TOP FINAL	ML	PP
13	SMARTEN UP	3	37	1	TOP CONTENDER	NPT	66.8	70.6	W67.2	75.3	68.2	10	13
1	LAST ROMANCE	3	3	2	REGRESSOR		70.9	71.6	68.2	71.8	75.0	4	1
12	WITTY	3	22	3	AVERAGE	SOFT	67.8	74.3	W64.6	76.4	71.1	9/2	12
7	PRACTICAL COACH	4	49	4	AVERAGE		68.3	76.8	68.5	76.5	70.9	6	7
8	SCRIPT	2	25	5	AVERAGE	SOFT	66.7	67.1	W64.5*	66.4	68.9	3	8
11	MR. MOX	7	11	6	AVERAGE		66.6	74.1	66.0	72.3	70.7	5	11
6	SPEAKING	3	52	7	REGRESSOR		68.0	76.6	55.8	71.6	74.8	6	6

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#1 should scratch here and for the most part think Value Plays has a solid collection of contenders ranked. However, before drawing your line how deep you'll go, I'd upgrade #8 SCRIPT (3/1) on this list who stands out as the most professional lightly-raced runner on the sheet. He's only 1 of 3 entered that began their careers on a COMP designation and was smart enough to stay compressed and take the SOFT win 2nd out. My order of preference: 8-13-12-11.

Race 10

Dirt – 6.5 Furlongs

\$7.5K Claiming – 3YO+ NW4

Value Plays

The menu stays confident into the payoff leg with yet another full field that has been mostly labelled “Too Slow.” A pair of NPT contenders with solid odds headlines the nightcap.

P#	HORSE	RACES	LAST RACE	VALUE	PLAY TYPE	PATTERN	AVG. FINAL	AVG. 4F	LAST FINAL	LAST 4F	TOP FINAL	ML	PP
1	MOON PISTOL	36	16	1	TOP CONTENDER	NPT	64.9	72.6	69.3	79.5	82.7	6	1
3	GLACIER EXPRESS	25	16	2	BREAKOUT	NPT	63.6	64.1	67.1	72.9	70.9	15	3
12	TWIXY CAT	25	8	3	AVERAGE		66.2	72.5	W67.8	71.5	71.7	5/2	12
6	NO FOOLING DUDE	26	21	4	AVERAGE		64.1	73.1	63.3	69.4	72.9	10	6

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I have #12 TWIXY CAT (5/2) as the most likely winner. Has been consistent on the running lines for some time locally and showed some class (for a low claimer) by handling pressure in traffic no problem last out for the new barn and rider. The NPT contenders make nice compliments to each other with the #1 by far owning the field's fastest Last 4F Figure while the #3 covers a more compressed scenario off a dirt spread of +5.

Good racing luck everyone and Happy NYE!