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RACE #1

BANNON

3 GLITTERING SNOW
7 PINK SCRIBBLES
4 CALL ME MRS. G
6 BROOKIES BEAR

SHE'S A TRUE FOX debuted October 27th and was mired down along the inside then advanced late in the race; she shortens from a route to a sprint.

EINSTEIN'S BABE has been in consecutive route races with a good result two starts ago but she went into a tougher type of maiden race last time and finished out of the money when fanned on the first turn; she should welcome the return to Ontario sire company at seven furlongs.

GLITTERING SNOW debuted in the summer time and finished third with, Pink Scribbles, much better in second; most recently she went to turf and failed to produce a good effort; she gets back to Tapeta remaining at seven furlongs.

CALL ME MRS. G had two runs last month and went from a five furlong race to a route October 27th and had enough speed to control the pace but was taken down by an aggressive stalker; she should welcome the cutback to seven furlongs for Santino DiPaola.

CARA LUCIA was last in the early going in her debut at five furlongs; she has had an easy recent prep getting ready and now stretches to seven furlongs.

BROOKIES BEAR debuted October 13th and gained relative to the pace in the stretch against a key winner with, Pink Scribbles, in third; she gets more room.

PINK SCRIBBLES attracted a claim two starts ago when she had a radical letdown in performance at 3-5; her new connections got her going again even better last time than she had performed earlier; she rallied substantially from eleventh to be third in this category; importantly she gets more room.

RACE #2

BANNON

2 NORTHERN SKY
3 AWSOME MOI
6 RUNNIN FOR DACE
4 SPEEDING BULLET

SEVENCOMINGOUT was competing at five and a half furlongs September 30th at Fort Erie and didn't threaten; he was moved to the stable of Tino Attard for his latest where he experimented with a route and attended the pace before faltering; he gets back to a shorter event here.

NORTHERN SKY was able to take a maiden win at five furlongs two starts ago with a smart rally; most recently, he was significantly overmatched in an event that proved too difficult for him; he gets back with more his own kind now and Johnson returns after a one race absence.

AWSOME MOI has been on the edges in recent events at six furlongs and will now shorten to five furlongs the distance of his only career win; he has closing power and should be running strongly at these in the stretch.

SPEEDING BULLET offered speed in an inexpensive race at Fort Erie last time at five and a half furlongs and did well to finish second.

STRETCH DANCER will now go for Sylvain Pion; he was dropped in for \$3,000 at Fort Erie last time and finished far behind after a slow beginning; he has had time for an interim work.

RUNNIN FOR DACE came from Presque Isle to compete here October 17th and he had an aggressive pre race warm up; he committed to a speed style in the race but was unable to keep up; the runner up has come back to win; he shortens to five furlongs.

REBELLION'S DREAM is without a win in recent times and opted to go up for \$19,000 for a chance to get on grass last time but the event instead was rescheduled for Tapeta and he didn't threaten; he did run well here at five furlongs three starts ago and that race gives him some standing.

TRUST IN SILVER was in for \$10,000 on a drop back to the level at which he was claimed last time and he didn't generate much speed after a slow departure from the gate; the blinkers are on.

RACE #3

BANNON

7 HIDDEN APPEAL - *BEST BET*

1 SLOVENIA

5 RASPBERRY WILD

4 KHAWLAH

SLOVENIA went from a sprint to a route off the shelf October 24th and had a good effort rallying from eight to be fourth beaten three lengths and about two lengths behind the runner up, Hidden Appeal, who is here; this will be her second race since returning.

CONQUER THE COURSE was at seven furlongs September 22nd and fell out of contention early; she now goes from a sprint to a route.

MEET YOU AT HOME has dedicated herself to three consecutive races at seven furlongs with some ok fringe results; she dropped back down to this price range last time and closed inside; she stretches out here.

KHAWLAH had quite a run last time at seven furlongs at this price range coming from the fourth flight on the outside to advance from tenth with a furlong remaining to be third finally; understandably she now transfers to a longer distance.

RASPBERRY WILD goes for John Cardella who had a nice winner Wednesday with, Shez A Ten I Know; this one will be going in a route for the second consecutive time; she followed the pace last time finishing fifth with Hidden Appeal second.

COURT REPORTER competed at Fort Erie late at the meeting there at a route when coming off a month of freshening and she finished third behind the two favourites including a strong front runner.

HIDDEN APPEAL is a logical one to consider here; she was a winner in the summer time going long; she gave away value October 24th to run at this reduced evaluation but the winner also dropped substantially; she chased that one home; the first place finisher has already come back with a good runner up finish; she is relatively fresh at this point.

MISGUIDED PASSION was in a seven furlong race last time where she was beaten only five lengths when, Khawlah, was better in third; she stretches to a route.

RACE #4

BANNON

3 MONEY TALKER

8 MONEY TALKS

2 THUNDER POINT

4 CAPT. ZIPPOUNAS

RED AT LAST went from a series of sprints to a route last time and was moving inside in the second flight into contention and got the lead late then was displaced at the last moment by both, Dupes, and Money Talks; Moran who took over last time retains the mount for William Armata.

THUNDER POINT went up to the first allowance race to run competitively on the edges two starts ago but when he came all the way down for \$12,500 last time he was let go at enormous odds and finished seventh; he comes down for \$6,250 here with blinkers off and Sunny Singh taking over in search of his second win of the year and his first victory at Woodbine this season.

MONEY TALKER finally ended his winless streak when dropped in for \$9,500 two starts ago; most recently, he missed narrowly with an inside rally and the fourth place finisher has come back to win; he has had an interim prep for Norm McKnight; Da Silva takes over.

CAPT. ZIPPOUNAS a ten year old made Presque Isle his home again this year; he has had countless wins on the Tapeta surface there over several seasons; he scored his eighteenth lifetime win September 30th when in for \$5,000 with a deep rally at a route; he then went to Maryland last time to compete on turf against a former Woodbine runner and he was only ninth on the yielding terrain; he drops in for \$6,250 with Wilson aboard.

DIAMOND BLUE is one of two Presque Isle runners for Gerald Brooks; he has been a frequent winner on the Tapeta surface there; he had a couple of stop off races at Laurel and was out of the money both times and now makes his way here and draws Hernandez.

BIG BAZINGA attracted a claim October 7th for \$10,000 and last time for \$12,500 he was aggressive on the pace until he grew weary late; he drops down below his claimed evaluation.

BOLD ANIMAUX was traveling too fast in front to continue effectively two starts ago and he was out of the money against a popular winner; most recently, he traveled in front then struggled late; Johnson takes over.

MONEY TALKS had a good opportunity to end his winless streak last time but he got delayed behind a wall of runners at a most crucial time and when he escaped his late bid left him diminishing inches behind, Dupes; he deserves another chance here with Campbell now aboard.

DUPES was out of the money on turf and dropped and went to Tapeta October 17th for a win; when he was put up in value last time he lost; tonight he uses the drop down angle that succeeded earlier.

RACE #5

BANNON

3 HEDEMAN

4 SOCIETY'S TIGER

2 IN GUS WE TRUST

5 GIDEON'S SWORD

KING KINGO debuted at short odds October 24th and that was understandable; he was driven up to be part of a crowded pace in what was a slowly run race and he backed away; the blinkers are off and he comes from the inside post.

IN GUS WE TRUST disappointed in both of his races while taking significant support; he has been moved to the stable of Norm McKnight and indicates a series of works getting ready to come off the layoff with Campbell now aboard and with a drop for just \$20,000.

HEDEMAN showed potential in his opener with a late close; second time out he remained at a short distance at a price lower and closed mildly on the outside while laying in; he is down another level and a furlong is added.

SOCIETY'S TIGER a debut runner is a homebred for Brian M. Wright going for Katrina Vassilieva; he is by the popular, Society's Chairman, and will travel six furlongs at first asking; he has worked at a half mile in a continuous series of preps getting ready and has attracted Hernandez.

GIDEON'S SWORD was in a key race two starts ago and was completely outrun; he dropped for \$25,000 last time but unfortunately got in against a key winner who was taking a big edge; he did ok finishing fifth with blinkers added; Contreras takes.

A MI DAT dropped in for \$32,000 last time and had the rider off behind the gate; once underway he didn't threaten but he does get to take a significant drop here.

FIVE MORE MINUTES was in a slowly run race for \$20,000 last time at six furlongs and was somewhat tentative driving up the rail but finally found the courage to move on and take second money as the favourite.

TRAVOLTA a debut runner for Mark Casse is by, Shakin It Up, a velocity source; he is trying six furlongs for only \$20,000 in this launch and has worked generally at a half mile with a recent prep at five furlongs getting set.

PAPA ROX came far outside with a rally last time for \$20,000 in what was a slowly run race and he finished fourth about four lengths behind, Five More Minutes, who is here.

MONDAYMORNINGMEMO was part of the early speed rush last time and was outside of the others and then retreated in the stretch.

RACE #6

BANNON

7 TOUCH OF EMMA

8 BEAR KITTY

6 TOMATO BISQUE

4 CINDERVELLA

AFLEET CONNECTION moved strongly on the outside two starts ago on turf for \$19,000 and was second; most recently, she didn't have the same type of dominant stretch kick in the same race where, Touch Of Emma, was somewhat better in fourth; she now moves over to Tapeta; she had consecutive wins on this footing earlier in the year.

TURBO DRIVEN DIVA dropped sharply for \$20,000 two starts ago and there was no improvement but she attracted a claim; she did run well for James Smith when moving back in value last time; she was no threat to the top two but she burst between runners late to be third behind, Bear Kitty, there is more room available here.

LOST POINT came from far back on the outside closing well last time on turf for \$20,000 and needed more distance but settled for third; she comes right back at six and a half furlongs for \$20,000 but now on Tapeta and she seeks her initial win on this footing.

CINDERVELLA took the biggest drop possible to ensure a victory October 24th and she succeeded by a short length; she attracted a claim and stepped up to a much tougher category last time where improvement was noticed; she was second against a front running winner in from Presque Isle.

JUPITER'S EAGLE has been fourth in consecutive races for \$20,000 including a run on turf last time behind a well regarded winner; she moved outside with some interest in the lane; she is a one time winner facing non winners of three.

TOMATO BISQUE was handed a win by the stewards September 19th when the first place finisher made an obvious mistake; most recently for \$20,000 against non winners of three she was hustled between rivals in contention and finished fourth beaten two lengths against, Bear Kitty, who is here.

TOUCH OF EMMA had an interruption in her campaign but came off the shelf September 26th where she went from a turf route to a Tapeta sprint and she was second beaten a length and coming on; most recently, she checked on the turn and finally finished fourth on turf as the favourite; she will perhaps welcome a return to Tapeta with this big drop for \$20,000.

BEAR KITTY was reclaimed August 31st and after a poor departure from the gate October 3rd she departed the gate more efficiently October 24th for \$20,000 against non winners of three; she made a dash up the inside to secure the victory; as a three year old she remains eligible for this event even though she already has three wins.

RACE #7

BANNON

3 COLONEL CANUCK

2 COLLEEN'S SAILOR

4 SOUTHERN GREATNESS

8 SPEIGHTSTOWN TIME

BLUEGRASS BALL comes in from his current location at Pimlico; he worked there on dirt recently but he was a regular at Presque Isle earlier in the year where he had winning form; he has attracted Hernandez in this local introduction as he seeks his sixth win on a synthetic surface; he was out of the money last time but when able to show speed two starts ago he won; this event is top heavy with speed.

COLLEEN'S SAILOR dropped in for \$6,250 last time and at low odds lacked any prominence and attracted a claim; he goes for Jim Ensom for \$8,000; his stalking ability could play a role here.

COLONEL CANUCK has his confidence sky high now that he has been able to get down to lower reaches and produce; he won first time off the claim October 21st for \$9,500 to make it three in a row and he drops below the winning evaluation of that race where he was aggressive at every pole.

SOUTHERN GREATNESS also likes a pace fight and that was the case October 21st at seven furlongs when he went a half in 44.2 and gave up the lead only late when closers had the advantage; his three wins this season have been collected with aggressive pace trips and, Colonel Canuck, also runs that way.

BUDDING drops down for this and he traditionally likes to be up chasing the pace and this event is already top heavy with aggressive types; he is a one time winner on the synthetic surface.

BE THE CHANGE is a former speedster who since changing hands has developed more of a patient approach but only fringe performances have resulted.

AWESOME FIVE raced in front two starts ago when returning home from a win at Pen National but he then faltered; he also faltered in a race where there was too much early speed last time.

SPEIGHTSTOWN TIME dropped down for \$8,000 at seven furlongs last time but he couldn't handle the speed of the front runner, Southern Greatness; he was bothered in the run down the backstretch and had to be steadied inside; he gets an outside post to run at the speed here.

RACE #8

BANNON

4 CRAZY ABOUT JAZZ

1 HUSH BUFFY

10 DANCE OR STROLL

12 ADOPTED FAMILY

8 LADY REBEL

HUSH BUFFY moved up to the \$10,000 mark last time and was running from just off the pace at the top of the lane when he drifted off the rail and he was disqualified for that indiscretion; he gets back down to the level at which he won two starts ago at five furlongs and he shortens to that very distance.

I'M WARNING YOU got down to the \$6,250 mark last time and was able to win at Fort Erie from just off the pace; he had won here at five furlongs early in the summer time; he comes off the shelf here for Bill Tharrenos.

BEL AYR BAY has launched speed attacks in recent events but with faltering results; he shortens to five furlongs.

CRAZY ABOUT JAZZ was traveling six furlongs for \$9,500 last time and embarked on a speed mission and while he was beaten out late by a smart winner she still galloped out with some vigour; she will shorten all the way to five furlongs with this drop for \$6,250 with Contreras taking over after a one race absence.

GET SAUCY was forced to scratch October 20th and came back October 28th with a run at this price when attending the pace only.

NORTHERN COLORS had a wake up race three starts ago and next time was heavily bet at low odds and finished out of the money; she was again unplaced last time when, Crazy About Jazz, was better in second.

IT'SNICETOBENICE moved from the far outside last time at six furlongs for \$9,500 to be beaten only six lengths with, Crazy About Jazz, second; she goes shorter with the drop in value.

LADY REBEL handled five furlongs well back in October; since that time she has doubled up at six furlongs and then ran fourth last time before being elevated to third through the disqualification of the first place finisher who has already come back to win again; she can contend with Simon Husbands aboard and Contreras is handling, Crazy About Jazz.

MADAME GIZMO was bumped hard in the stretch last time by the eventual first place finisher and that one was demoted for interference; she faded after the mid stretch collision.

DANCE OR STROLL is an interesting runner coming in for Gerald Brooks who has several on the card today; this one has already won five times this season and this will be her twentieth start of the campaign; her favourite surface seems to be the Tapeta at Presque Isle and she is dropping down sharply to get onto Tapeta here.

HEY HEY RUN AWAY broke poorly October 28th and that put her at an early disadvantaged and then she closed to be within six lengths.

ADOPTED FAMILY competed at five furlongs at one price higher last time and moved strongly late on the outside to narrowly miss at long odds; that race gives her standing here.