

WOODBINE "PLAY OF THE DAY"

12.2.23

R9, Shady Well Stakes, 2yo Fillies, 6f

#5 Vandoo 6-1 ML

The stablemate in here does look tough, and Kimura is riding there, but Patrick Husbands is a top jock, as well and this miss might well benefit should a pace duel, including her Onella, materialize. This filly has been so honest – won the debut on the front end, then set the pace before tiring in the 6.5f Muskoka – took on an OC40 – which was her first start with Lasix. Ended up getting the show dough and the winner, a gelding named Siesta Beach, next ran second in the Frost King Stakes. They put Vandoo back in against fillies next in OC40/N2L and she rewarded connections with a 2-1/4 lengths score. This is a tougher group, but reason to hope.