

IN FOCUS:

DELAWARE PARK OWNERS DAY

RACE 4: DTHA GOVERNERS DAY

- **Race particulars: post time 2:36 p.m., \$75,000 purse, 1 mile 70 yards, three-year-olds and up that have started at DEL in 2017**
1. **#9 Fellowship (12-1):** Has been keeping better company than these in general, and when dropped into N2X last out, won easily; was one of five from the WV Governor's Stakes to win next-out; favorable pace scenario seems likely to develop here, and this Decker trainee could be tough to contain late
 2. **#1 Afleet Willy (7-2):** Returned running two back over the strip but faltered last out after setting the pace while wide into the turn; can improve on third off a layoff, and while loss of jockey Carrasco is a blow, Torres and trainer Gonzalez have done well together. Will be forwardly placed early.
 3. **#4 Tale of Life (6-1):** Looked to be uncomfortable up the backside in last, then on hold on the far turn before finishing willingly; shows three good works in the interim; improved effort here would be no surprise, and Cintron in the irons a plus

RACE 6: FIRST STATE DASH

- **Race particulars: Post time 3:30 p.m., \$75,000 purse, 5 1/2 furlongs, DEL-Bred/DEL-certified 2yo**
1. **#5 Prince Lucky (2-1):** Impressive debut despite a sub-optimal trip when he was on hold mid-turn before coming between horses to draw off without feeling the whip; made the DelPark clocker's report for his

- 9/25 work; could be a good one here and love that he won by stalking and pouncing
2. **#3 Whereshetoldmetogo (4-1):** Gave a pair of good efforts sprinting over the strip before getting thrashed against much better in the Sapling going a mile at MTH; the class relief here should help, and trainer Pecoraro is 31 percent when giving Lasix for the first time
 3. **#4 Just Flashy (10-1):** Third start in 32 days for this Wallace Neilson trainee who has run into a couple of the more impressive local winners in Prince Lucky (who's here) and Rivington

RACE 8: G. ROSENBERGER MEMORIAL S.

- **Race particulars: Post time 4:24 p.m., \$75,000 purse, 1 1/16 miles (turf), Fillies and mares three and up that have started at DEL in 2017**
1. **Lift Up (6-1):** Speed figs say Dickinson trainee's not good enough, but she's won all three of her turf tries; two defeated rivals from last are here, and her two-back win produced two next-out winners; note that rider Cintron jumps ship to Boreale
 2. **Boreale (9-2):** French import has just a couple of placings from two stakes tries but did best Enchanteresse, who's here, three back over the strip; last out was clear with run but faded to third
 3. **Bishop's Pond (7-2):** Enters off a decisive win on the main track and has run some big ones on the lawn; three back was beaten just two lengths by Grand Jete, who two races later was second in the G1 Beverly D; trainer Jason Servis has a good record going dirt to turf, and a return to best form puts this one right in the mix

RACE 9: SMALL WONDER STAKES

- **Race particulars: Post time 4:51 p.m., \$75,000 purse, 5 1/2 furlongs, DEL-Bred or DEL-Certified fillies, 2yo**

1. **Pikachu Princess (5-1):** Not inclined to judge last, in the White Clay Creek, too harshly; she was a bit slow into stride and then wide on the turn but stuck with it to just miss the show spot; just one of two mounts on the afternoon for veteran rider Mario Pino
2. **#1 Enchanted Star (4-1):** Thrashed maiden rivals last out in first try on Lasix; returns on just two weeks' rest, and good to see Torres remain aboard
3. **Monkey Mind (6-1):** Trainer Nations won the First State Dash last year with debut runner Our Rombauer, attempts same feat here with this one; Archarcharch filly is a half to useful Monkey's Medal, who's earned nearly \$300k in 47-race career; has been training forwardly

RACE 10: TAX FREE SHOPPING DISTAFF

- **Race particulars: Post time 5:18 p.m., \$100,000 purse, 6 furlongs, DEL-Bred or DEL-Certified fillies and mares, 3yo and up**

1. **#1 Hailey's Flip (2-1)** – Formful runner's never been worse than third at the trip and has two wins over the strip; won here two back in the slop and last out chased impressive repeat winner *Crabcakes*; shows bullet work in preparation
2. **#12 Lucky in Malibu (4-1)** – First-time visitor to Delaware Park owns two wins at the trip; was a well-beaten fourth behind *Hailey's Flip* two back but made amends with win last out; will be running late and could be compromised by possible lack of early pace
3. **#9 Sunshine Included (5-1)** – Two wins over the strip included a victory in last year's Small Wonder over *Hailey's Flip*, but that runner seems to have surpassed her this

year; Pecoraro trainee likely to gun for the early lead and hope for the best

RACE 11: NEW CASTLE STAKES

- **Race particulars: Post time 5:45 p.m., \$100,000 purse, 6 furlongs, DEL-Bred or DEL-Certified 3yo and up**

1. **#5 Winplaceorshowono (4-1)** – Spots rivals some experience but talent is there; has made all four career starts locally; winner of last returned to be fifth in G3 Gallant Bob; buried down inside in last on day when mid-track was preferred spot
2. **#4 Flying Alex (6-1)** – Now-injured jock V. Carrasco has made just 36 starts at PEN this year – three for this Mike Gorham trainee, who's won two of them; was eager to go when winning N1X last out, and two of his rivals have won next out; should be close up early
3. **#3 Final Prospect (8-1)** – Infrequent winner has kept some pretty tough company, including last out the improving *It's the Journey*; just missed in this event a year ago and in third start off a layoff, with a bit of class relief, rates a shot to run well here

MULTI-RACE WAGERS

- **Race 4: Double, Pick 3**
- **Race 6: Double, Pick 3**
- **Race 8: Double, Pick 3**
- **Race 9: Double, Pick 3**
- **Race 10: Double, Pick 3**
- **Race 11: Double**

Race 8 Pick 3

- 8. 1, 2, 9, 10
- 9. 1, 2, 8
- 10. 1, 12

Race 9 Pick 3

- 9. 1, 2, 8
- 10. 1, 9, 12
- 11. 4, 5