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Joe's '18 Top Pick Stats through Feb. 10

Races	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Win%	WPS%
212	49	47	35	23.1%	61.8%

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Race 1

- #8 **Twilight Star** – Blinks on + drop = over the hump.
- #5 **My Nilla** – 2nd in career best effort last time out.
- #7 **Hannah Banana** – On the improve; stretch threat.
- #1 **Muscadine Wine** – Signs of life in last; 2 for 1.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 8-5-7/1-1a-6-4

Race 2

- #4 **Shaniko's Secret** – Found consistency; gets nod.
- #9 **Bowknot Billy** – Smoked softer foes; big threat.
- #5 **Cork Arm** – Usually runs his race; gimmick player.
- #6 **Il Est Vite** – Blinkers off; fits like a glove here.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 4-9/5-6/2-3/8

Race 3

- #6 **Reine des Animeaux** – 2nd best to big chalk in last.
- #4 **Eskenformore** – Big win off long vacation; danger.
- #1 **Temple Shadow** – Should sit a sweet trip; maybe.
- #7 **Jus Kevin** – Usually runs her race; gimmick player.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-4/1-7/8-5-3-2

Race 4

- #5 **Mayor Mac** – Can come to life on the drop.
- #3 **Superstar Leo** – In position to end dry spell.
- #2 **Infinite Magic** – Fits like a glove on the drop.
- #4 **Tarpy's Zapper** – Smoked easier with blinks on.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 5-3-2-4/1-6

Race 5

- #11 **The Imposter** – Ran over big chalk; real deal.
- #4 **Show Bound** – Respectable efforts with better.
- #7 **M C Squared** – Rates for Sharp team; go to whoa.
- #2 **Bushrod** – Proven at the trip; worth considering.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 11/4-7-2/12-3-1-6

Race 6

- #8 **Savvy Shipman** – Promising 3rd in debut; \$ Maker.
- #4 **Is Too** – Solid female family; go with the Flo?
- #5 **Seaside Armour** – Solid LA pedigree; tough team.
- #1a **Blue Suade Guitar** – Ran a big race first out; can.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 8-4-5-1a-9-1/7-3-2-6

Race 7

- #2 Longwing Lily** – Promising filly had a sprint prep.
- #7 Dontmesswithjoanne** – Accomplished; over bet?
- #3 Havana Dream** – Proven on turf; fires fresh shot?
- #4 Blasted Boss** – Put ‘em to sleep on lead in last.

Joe’s SELECTIONS – 2-7-3/4-9/6-1-8-5

Race 8

- #2 Spring Value** – 2nd to sharpie in last; tough here.
- #6 King Bandit** – Trouble in last; peak performance.
- #8 Sid Vicious** – Well posted; go to whoa threat.
- #9 Quality Production** – Fits well; gimmick player.

Joe’s SELECTIONS – 2-6/8-9-3-1/4-5/10-7

Race 9

- #13 Safari Kitten** – Bet down, lost all chance in last.
- #3 Heaven’s Creation** – Shuffled back w/better; fits.
- #14 Lucky Move** – Big trouble in last; can if gets in.
- #9 Proud Talike** – Set pace w/tougher; dangerous.

Joe’s SELECTIONS – 13-3-14-9-5/2-6-4