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Joe's '18 Top Pick Stats through March 18

Races	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Win%	WPS%
461	127	93	74	27.5%	63.8%

Saturday, March 31, 2018

Race 1

- #4 **St. Louie Guy** – Tough loss in last; well-placed.
- #6 **Forevamo** – Signs of life in last; better in routes.
- #3 **Whiskey Ticket** – Came to life in slop; steps up.
- #2 **Cool Arrow** – Touch of class; could go either way.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 4-6-3-2/5-1

Race 2

- #6 **Splash Hit** – Big drop off bench; not much to beat.
- #5 **Dancing Dove** – Claim fits on the rise; respect.
- #8 **Lady Soul** – Drops in, turf to dirt; clear sailing.
- #3 **Miss Lucky** – In fine form; cut below best here?

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-5-8/3-4

Race 3

- #6 **Le Pin** – Big drop off bench for Mr. Brad; watch \$.
- #9 **Aggravator** – On the improve; clear sailing.
- #2 **Little Sarge** – Blinks off; fits like a glove this level.
- #7 **Dionysus** – Tired off the bench; tighter for this?

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-9-2/7-1/8-5

Race 4

- #3 **Timeslikethese** – Consistent runner; edge here.
- #9 **Sure Can Do** – Hung wide off bench; price shot.
- #11 **Uncommon Cat** – Better than he showed in last.
- #4 **Mack's Champ** – Delta claim in fine form; maybe.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 3/9-11-4/6

Race 5

- #6 **The Impostor** – Drops a notch; sprouts wings late.
- #12 **Vittorioso** – 2nd to sharpie this trip in last; fits.
- #4 **Cape Race** – Fits well off needed run; forward.
- #3 **Notimeforthat** – Runs on anything; earned hike.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6/12-4-3/8-10-11-7/5-1-2-9

Race 6

- #6 **Timuquana Place** – Maiden romper lowers price.
- #3 **Hopeful Joy** – Router cuts back & finishes.
- #9 **Dixie Jewel** – Tough loss in last; clear sailing.
- #2 **Dewyalovemenow** – Drops in; better on turf.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-3-9-2-1/10-5

Race 7

- #2 Colonel's Pride – Blinks on; sneaky turf pedigree.
- #8 Katie's Cowboy – Promising in sprints; tries route.
- #7 Power Song – Just missed in route debut; respect.
- #1 Achiever – Underachiever so far; big post shift.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 2/8-7-1-5-6-11/12-13-3

Race 8

- #3 Spring Value – Hot pace sets the table; late kick.
- #6 Snapper Bite – Claim climbing up class ladder.
- #7 Sea Vow – Speed of the speed; pressured.
- #10 My Pal Torres – Outside post helps, if he settles.

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

Race 9

- #12 Plug Catcher – In fine form; proven at distance.
- #6 Firespike – Welcome return to turf; trips out?
- #9 Minister's Strike – Tough team; likes marathon.
- #4 Boyfriend Brian – Fits like a glove; must consider.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 12-6-9-4/13-7-3-1a-10-5

Race 10

- #8 Mobile Bay – Millionaire trips out; tough to deny.
- #4 Morning Mischief – Legitimized himself; upside.
- #1 Mageez – Dangerous late kick; enough pace?
- #5 Grande Basin – Consistent & versatile; gimmicks.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 8-4-1/5-7-6/2/3

Race 11

- #8 Wild About Star – Tough loss to legit rival; edge.
- #10 D J Soul Sista – Won last two this trip vs. open.
- #2 Tensas Thought – Talented filly with upside.
- #3 Tough Kicks – Proven at the trip; gimmicks.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 8/10-2/3-5-4

Race 12

- #9 Carson's Prospect – Strong finish in last this level.
- #3 My Nilla – Knocking on the door; breaks through?
- #6 Twilight Star – Just missed in last; must consider.
- #2 Gone Pecan – Drops in for hot barn; awakens?

Joe's SELECTIONS – 9-3-6/2-1-7-13