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Joe's '18 Top Pick Stats through March 31

Races	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Win%	WPS%
503	141	101	80	28%	64%

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Race 1

- #4 Silver Giant – Speed towers over these?
- #2 Bank On Andy – Weight break + late kick
- #6 Sunrise Hawk – Runs on anything; gimmicks
- #3 Rollin Smoke – Capable of better; maybe

Joe's SELECTIONS – 4/2/6-3-1-5

Race 2

- #8 Tough Kicks – Huge runs this trip; slight edge
- #5 Mizzen Air – Versatile performer in fine form
- #10 Previous Honor – Veteran mare might trip out
- #9 Desert Image – Fits like a glove on the drop

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

Race 3

- #6 Yakadaddy – Slow start cost her in debut
- #2 He's No Bully – Fits on drop off needed run
- #1 No More for U – Held on for 3rd last out this level
- #4 Brush With Caution – Barn does well w/this kind

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-2-1-4-7/3-5

Race 4

- #3 Goddess of Kip – Seven-time winner still eligible
- #4 Divine Quality – Has done nothing wrong so far
- #1 Runninwiththewind – Consistent; pocket trip?
- #6 Don't Tell Marge – Blinks off; sure is capable

Joe's SELECTIONS – 3-4-1-6-2/8-5-7

Race 5

- #6 Release the Beast – Trouble cost him; edge here
- #4 Whistling Wind – Better on turf, but fits w/these
- #3 Jackpot Johnny – Lone win came at Fair Grounds
- #2 Brown's Monkey – Drop can only help the cause

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-4-3-2-7/1-5

Race 6

- #4 Brerry – Stretch out speed in absolute crapshoot
- #2 Wicked Stride – Came to life in last; back in form?
- #14 Baires Boy – Sneaky good turf form; draws in?
- #10 Gustnado – Back class to call on; good as any

Joe's SELECTIONS – 4-2-14-10-6-9-3-12-/5-7-8-1

Race 7

- #1 Oro de Tejano – Big drop w/blinks on; go time
- #5 He's a Climber – Willing finisher; too much to do?
- #3 Colombard – Ran huge against bias; repeats it?
- #4 Dad Said No – Should appreciate the stretch out

Joe's SELECTIONS – 1-5-3/4-6/8-7-2

Race 8

- #9 Ginny B – Edge to get over the hump, Boss
- #11 Khairiya – Rates on consistency; respect
- #8 Winandyourin Gin – Forces the issue; fits well
- #10 Lake Local – Classy family + hot team; debut

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

Race 9

- #6 Charge the Line – Finally breaks through this level
- #2 Flashy Brew – Speed proved he belongs; threat
- #4 Alex's Turn – Cuts back & finishes; best of rest
- #9 Discreetly D – Touch of class; disappointed in last

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-2/4-9/8-5-7/1-3

Race 10 – Magic City Classic

- #8 Buggin Out – Four-time defending champ
- #4 Babalight – Blinkers on; third last year
- #5 Menewa – All three wins have come on turf
- #3 Branchwater – In fine form with cheap foes

Joe's SELECTIONS – 8/4-5/3-1-9-/6-7-2