



Today's playbook provided by Fair Grounds racing analyst Joe Kristufek, who has an extensive background in the horse racing industry as a handicapper, on-air talent, producer and fan development specialist. He is well recognized for his creative analysis and wagering tactics and he loves interacting with racing fans. **Follow on Twitter @JoeyDaKRacing**

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Joe's 25-26 Top Pick Stats thru 1-30-26

Races	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Win%	WIN ROI	WPS%
223	64	45	31	28.7%	\$1.74	62.8%

Saturday, January 31, 2026

Race 1 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)

#4 Revel Toast – Ran some big races against tougher competition at this level in KY. It's her race to lose.

Joe's Picks: 4/3-5-6/2-1

Race 2 – 50-cent PK 4

#4 Smart Mo – Failed to leave the starting gate when last seen in late November, but he's more than capable here.

Joe's Picks: 4-5/2-6-7

Race 3 – 50-cent PK3

#7 Clearly My Star – Finished a better than expected 2nd on debut and returns to face a very average field for the level.

Joe's Picks: 7-2/8-6-9-4

Race 4 – 50-cent CC 6 (15%)

Carryover = \$72,427

#1 Daiquiri Sommelier – Improved with every start and now returns off a layoff in a very logical spot. Should get the trip.

Joe's Picks: 1-5/3-2/6-7

Race 5 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)

#3 Zaffa – Scored a visually impressive maiden breaker in a PID sprint back in July. Bred to stretch out for a top team. Ready.

Joe's Picks: 3-10-2/6-4

Race 6 – 50-cent PK 4

#1 Synthetic – Smooth-moving Louisiana-bred eyes the 4th straight win to begin her career & this will be the toughest test to date. An alert break from the rail draw will be key.

Joe's Picks: 1/6-7/2-3

Race 7 – 50-cent PK3

#6 Al Muheerah – Finished a better than it looks 5th sprinting on turf in her debut. Bred to stretch out for a formidable team.

Joe's Picks: 6-10/5-12-2-7

Race 8

#3 Wizard of Yester – Just finished a solid 2nd in a \$30K maiden claiming sprint & now drops again. Should win, can we trust?

Joe's Picks: 3/7-4-9-10

Race 9

#10 Soul Coaxing – Old timer remains predictable & consistent. Drops back to the claim level & gets the edge in an open race.

Joe's Picks: 10-7-5-2-6/8-1

Best Bet: Race 4 -- #1 Daiquiri Sommelier (3-1 ML)

Likely Overlay: Race 7 -- #6 Al Muheerah (10-1 ML)

Favorite Against: Race 9 -- #5 Little Ditty (4-1 ML)

