



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**

Selections are ranked on an ABC scale from A – top selections (limited to double the number of races on the card), B – tough to toss, and C – use in multi-race wager spreads & minors in intra-race wagers. Subject to change due to track conditions and scratches. Tune into the paddock show for the most up-to-date information. Check program numbers for accuracy.

Joe's 24-25 Top Pick Season Stats thru January 17

Races	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Win%	WIN ROI	WPS%	WPS ROI	A	A%
182	72	35	14	39.6%	\$2.07	66.5%	\$5.83	103	56.6%

Saturday, January 18, 2025

DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS, THE "RACE FEEL" COLUMN WAS DELETED FOR TODAY, 3

	A	B	C
Race 1 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)	1, 3	6, 7	8
Race 2 – 50-cent PK 4	4, 6, 9, 3	10	
Race 3 – 50-cent PK 3	3, 2	4, 8, 11	
Race 4 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)	11	5, 9, 6, 10	
Race 5 – 50-cent PK 4	1, 8, 5	7, 11, 13	3
Race 6 – 50-cent PK 3	10, 11	3, 2	
Race 7 – \$1 PK6 (15%, no jackpot) Carryover = \$1,469	7, 1	9, 8	
Race 8 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)	11	4, 6, 1	
Race 9 – 50-cent PK 4	3	2, 1, 4	8, 7
Race 10 – 50-cent PK 3	5	4, 10, 7, 3	
Race 11	5	1, 2, 3	9, 4
Race 12	13, 11, 6	1	4, 2, 7

Thursday's Results: ABCCAAAAA

Most Likely Winner: Race 3 -- #15 My Noble Knight (6-1 MTO)

Best Bet: Race 7 -- #7 Cromwell (9-2 ML)

Longshot: Race 12 -- #6 Golden Afternoon (20-1 ML)

Favorite Against: Race 2 -- #10 C C Short Drive (7-2 ML)

