



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 February 7, 2025

Races	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Win%	WIN ROI	WPS%	WPS ROI	A	A%
272	88	64	30	32.4%	\$1.73	66.9%	\$5.52	141	51.8%

Saturday, February 15, 2025

	Race Feel	A	B	C
Race 1 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)	Trio of A's tough to split, but confident using them will lock it down.	6, 2, 9		7, 1, 10, 4
Race 2 – 50-cent PK 4	Pretty Mischievous little sister #1 has the most upside in this field.	1	2, 5	3, 4
Race 3 – 50-cent PK 3	Trio of A's tough to split, but confident using them will lock it down.	2, 1, 8	9	3
Race 4 – 50-cent PK 4	Trio of A's tough to split, but confident using them will lock it down. Adding lone B #1 should seal it.	9, 5, 2	1	3, 8
Race 5 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)	Tough to solo A here, but if #3 doesn't win, it could be nearly anyone.	3	12, 2, 6	11, 1, 8, 7, 5

Race 6 – 50-cent PK 3	WOW what a race. Tough to split A's & B's. Might get an Eight Belles horse or two out of here.	3, 1	8, 2, 4	
Race 7 – 50-cent PK 4	This doesn't appear to be a very strong race for the level & lone A #5 could be a good one.	5		9, 3, 8, 1
Race 8 – 50-cent PK 3	Not a lot of speed signed on her for a turf sprint, which appears to benefit the best two horses & my inside price shot.	6, 10, 3		4, 8
Race 9 – 50-cent PK 6 Carryover = \$3,612	#2 has run two huge races at the meet – adds blinkers. TAP has enjoyed much success at FG in maiden races -- #1 very logical.	2, 1	3, 5	7, 8
Race 10 – 50-cent PK 5 (15%)	#5 has a chance to be something special, but she hasn't run since Oct. #2 has excuses & an inside draw.	5, 2	8, 10, 14, 4	
Race 11 – 50-cent PK 4	#4 appears ready to take it to the next level. #5 should have plenty of pace to run at.	4, 5	2, 7, 6	1,3, 8
Race 12 – 50-cent PK 3	Trio of A's tough to split, but confident using them will lock it down.	8, 1, 2	5, 3	9
Race 13	#6 is the main threat, but she's iffy. Could be a walkover for #2	2	6, 4, 1	7, 5
Race 14	If #4 doesn't win, the C column could blow things up.	4		3, 9, 8, 12, 13

Thursday's Results: ABBABAXC

Most Likely Winner: Race 13 -- #2 Good Cheer (6-5 ML)

Best Bet: Race 2 -- #1 Pretty Sassy (3-1 ML)

Longshot: Race 4 -- #9 Sierra November (6-1 ML)

Favorite Against: Race 5 -- #7 Sicilian Defense (7-2 ML)

