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Insider Guide

This year our expert team from our operations base in Lexington, Kentucky, review all the Signature Wager and Pick 6 Breeders' Cup races and hopefully this will help you in your exotic betting selections. We are also grateful to our partners at Sky Sports Racing in the UK, for providing an analysis of all 32 contenders from Europe.

Selections

As usual I focus on the turf races and the European hopefuls. It has to be said I feel it is not a vintage European raiding party this year, and I would not be hopeful of too many winners, especially with a strong US turf challenge and the quality of US turf racing improving a great deal in recent years.

Of the European challengers, the obvious go-to trainer is Aidan O'Brien from Ireland, although do note his recent lean streak in Breeders' Cup races, which currently stands at 0-37 in recent meetings. That said Arizona, Anthony Van Dyck, Circus Maximus, and Fleeting look to have good chances. Fleeting in particular catches the eye in the Fillies and Mares, she has been unlucky in recent races in Europe, and may give the strong USA favorite Sistercharlie a race, who is respected.

More speculative selections include the two French fillies – Castle Lady and Villa Marina in the Fillies and Mares Turf. Suedois in the Mile is also worthy a mention, as he always runs well in North America.

Of the jockeys Ryan Moore and Frankie Dettori have the book of the rides, especially the former. Watch out in particular for French jockeys in the turf races as they are different class to the US jockeys on the track.

Good luck from all at WatchandWager

Ed Comins, President

Friday, Race 6: The Grade 1, \$1 million BC Juvenile Turf

Two year-olds, 8 furlongs on the Turf

Post time: 4:52 p.m. ET / 1:52 p.m. PT

JUVENILE TURF-BREEDERS' CUP TURF DOUBLE - FIRST LEG

4- Decorated Invader ML 4-1

This Declaration of War colt broke his maiden at second asking going long over the Saratoga lawn and followed it up with a nearly two-length score in the Grade 1 Summer Stakes at Woodbine, covering a surface rated "yielding" in 1:36.34. Irad Ortiz, Jr., stays aboard after piloting him in the Summer Stakes, where he overcame a bumpy start and thus was rated further back than in his maiden score. He was still able to sit back off the pace before being ridden out to victory. He'll appreciate getting back on firmer turf for this trip, and the inside draw should be beneficial for Ortiz to navigate a trip from. Several of his rivals from the Summer come back to face him here. The Christophe Clement-trainee has been steady on the work tab since and turned in a sharp four-furlong drill last week at Belmont.

12- Arizona (IRE) ML 5-2

Aidan O'Brien and Ryan Moore have teamed up to win this race four times, most recently with Mendelssohn in 2017. They have a strong chance to add a fifth Juvenile Turf trophy to their collection with this No Nay Never colt by the English Channel mare Lady Ederle. He hasn't seen the winner's circle since taking the Group 2 Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot, but has steadily improved following a two-month break in his three subsequent starts. Most recently he was a two-length runner-up in the Group 1 Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket over seven-furlongs. In six career starts he has failed to hit the board once, and that came in a close fourth-place run in the Group 1 Morny Stakes at Deauville following his Royal Ascot triumph. He carried 127 pounds last out and drops to 122 here.

3- Peace Achieved ML 10-1

Another Declaration of War colt, this one trained by Mark Casse, enters the contest riding a three-race win streak, including last out in the Grade 3 Bourbon Stakes at Keeneland over a mile-and-one-sixteenth. He'll get a slight cutback in distance in this spot and he's two-for-two going eight-furlongs, which features a win in a \$500,000 black type stakes at Kentucky Downs at the end of August. His maiden was broken three starts back going a mile at Ellis Park as he led all the way and drew off for a nearly seven-length victory. Blinkers were added for this score and have stayed on since. His two most recent wins have come while sitting near the pace, which looks to be to his outside here. A sharp five-furlong drill was put in following the Bourbon Stakes and was followed up by a maintenance run last week at Churchill Downs.

Friday, Race 7: The Grade 1, \$2 million BC Juvenile Fillies

Two-year-old fillies, 8.5 furlongs over the Main Track

Post time: 5:32 p.m. ET / 2:32 p.m. PT

JUVENILE FILLIES-BREEDERS' CUP DISTAFF DOUBLE-- FIRST LEG

6- Bast ML 7-2

The daughter of Uncle Mo out of the Arch mare Laffina, Bast already has a pair of Grade 1 victories to her credit. She broke her maiden in the seven furlong, Grade 1 Del Mar Debutante, and was most recently seen edging longshot Comical by a neck in the mile-and-a-sixteenth, Grade 1 Chandelier Stakes at Santa Anita Park on Sept. 27. Bast has experience over this surface, and has showed that she can hold her own against decent-sized stakes fields. She retains John Velazquez for the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

4- British Idiom ML 7-2

After breaking her maiden at first asking in Saratoga, British Idiom graduated to graded stakes winner next time out in the mile-and-a-sixteenth, Grade 1 Darley Alcibiades at Keeneland on Oct. 4. The six-and-a-half length margin of victory is impressive; however, this will be her first test over the Santa Anita surface for conditioner Brad Cox. She certainly has the potential to win here if she enjoys the Santa Anita dirt.

1- Donna Veloce ML 3-1

Donna Veloce is the wild card. The daughter of Uncle Mo out of the Monjeu (IRE) mare Coin Broker (IRE) demolished the field by over nine lengths in her only career race, a six-and-a-half length maiden special weight at Santa Anita Park on Sept. 28. While visually impressive, she's jumping up in class and stretching out in length—all against some Grade 1 winners. That is a huge ask for such a filly by trainer Simon Callaghan. She may be the real deal, but we would prefer that Donna Veloce prove it before putting her at the top of the ticket. Use underneath.

Friday, Race 9: The Grade 1, \$2 million BC Juvenile

Two-year-olds, 8.5 furlongs over the Main Track

Post time: 7:03 p.m. ET / 4:03 p.m. PT

JUVENILE-BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC DOUBLE-- FIRST LEG

1- Dennis' Moment ML 8-5

This race looks straight-forward. Most people will use the two chalks and move along, while some will feel confident enough to single one of them. This son of Tiznow popped onto the scene in a big way, breaking his maiden by 19-lengths at Ellis Park back in July. Trainer Dale Romans then stretched the colt out to one-and-one-sixteenth miles in the Grade 3 Iroquois at Churchill Downs where he won geared down. This horse looks like the real deal and has been training lights out. We don't think the rail post should hamper his chances.

6- Eight Rings ML 2-1

Bob Baffert looks for his second Breeders' Cup Juvenile win in-a-row with this highly touted son of Empire Maker. Hall of Famer Johnny Velazquez retains the mount. They teamed up for win in the Grade 1 American Pharoah Stakes last out, going the same distance. This colt has the benefit of running on his home surface and looks to be very dangerous once again.

5- Scabbard ML 8-1

A first out winner for trainer Eddie Kenneally, this son of More Than Ready has since been second in his last two starts. He was soundly defeated by Dennis' Moment in the Grade 3 Iroquois last out. A pace collapse could swing things in Scabbard's favor as he will likely be closing late.

Saturday, Race 7: The Grade 1 \$2 million Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf

Fillies and Mares, Three years-old and up, 10 furlongs on the Turf

Post time: 4:54 p.m. ET / 1:54 p.m. PT

BREEDERS' CUP PICK 6-- FIRST LEG

2- Sistercharlie (IRE) ML 8-5

The defending champ in this race comes into this year's contest riding a six-race winning streak and has finished no worse than second in her nine U.S. starts dating back to July 2017. Trainer Chad Brown has won four of the previous seven runnings of this race, including two at Santa Anita with Zagora in 2012 and Dayatthespa in 2014. Her stablemate Thais (FR) should go right to the front and set the pace from the start, giving Sistercharlie a target to run towards coming for home like she has in her last three starts – all Grade 1 victories including two at this distance. She's one of the few proven contenders at the tenfurlong distance, going 3-2-0 from six career starts. Three times at Santa Anita has this race been won by off-the-pace types with only Dayatthespa going wire-to-wire. On this continent, the female turf division belongs to her and the European raiders have their work cut out for them.

7- Vasilika ML 8-1

The change of scenery which accompanied a move out west following a November 2017 claim at Aqueduct has worked wonders for this 5-year-old daughter of Skipshot. What was a middling career at mid-level claimers and allowance races up and down the East Coast has turned into multiple graded stakes victories at Santa Anita and Del Mar since February 2018. She'll be the top local contender, boasting an impressive 11-1-0 record from 12 starts over the Santa Anita lawn. While lethal at a mile, her stretch outs to nine furlongs have proven successful as well as she holds three graded victories at that distance. She captured last September's Grade 1 Rodeo Drive in her only try getting ten furlongs, giving her the rare experience with the dirt crossing as they come off the downhill turf course. The bullet work three back following a third-place finish in Keeneland's Grade 1 First Lady show she's ready to run.

3- Fleeting (IRE) ML 6-1

Aidan O'Brien has never won this race, but Fleeting (IRE) could give him a shot at getting his first if she gets a trip to run into. She shipped over to contest August's Grade 1 Beverly D. Stakes at Arlington Park and ran a respectable fourth but was lengths behind Sistercharlie. She was full of run in the final furlongs but was no match for the winner and had a fast pace to run into. Ryan Moore stays in the irons and it wouldn't be a shock to see him place Fleeting more tactically as Thais is expected to set a fast early pace, giving her less distance to close into. She enters off short rest following a close fourth in the Group 1 British Champions Filly & Mare Stakes two weeks ago but gets some distance relief after nearly covering 12 furlongs there. This battle-tested 3-year-old has a runner-up finish in the Group 1 Prix de l'Opera on Arc de Triomphe day on her resume.

Race 8: The Grade 1, \$2 million Breeders' Cup Sprint

Three-year-olds and up, 6 furlongs over the Main Track

Post time: 5:36 p.m. ET / 2:36 p.m. PT

LATE PICK 5—FIRST LEG

BREEDERS' CUP PICK 6—SECOND LEG

4 – Mitole

ML 9-5

Hard to argue with this colt who has been dominating the sprint division back East. Mitole has won five of six races in 2019, only missing in the six furlong, Grade 1 Alfred G. Vanderbilt Handicap at Saratoga in July. Other than that, he has won the Grade 1 Churchill Downs Stakes, the Grade 1 Metropolitan Handicap, as well as the Grade 1 Vosburgh at Saratoga in August. The son of Eskendereya out of the Indian Charlie mare Indian Miss has only fired one double-digit Beyer Speed Figure in the last 18 months, so it would be taking quite a stand to presume that he "might not bring his best" in the Sprint. With his regular rider of Ricardo Santana, Jr., in the irons, we're not willing to bet against him here.

6- Shancelot

ML 4-1

He's the least-raced of all the contenders here, but we're willing to give this son of Shanghai Bobby out of the Is It True mare True Kiss the benefit of the doubt in the Breeders' Cup Sprint. Shancelot just missed by a head to Omaha Beach last time out in the six furlong, Grade 1 Santa Anita Sprint Championship on Oct. 5 while posting a 102 Beyer Speed Figure. The last time that he posted that kind of number, he had an even better race (121 Beyer Speed Figure) next time out—suggesting that there may still be more left in his form cycle. The fact that he relished the Santa Anita dirt bodes well for him here. The only question is, can new jockey Jose L. Ortiz give him as good of a ride as regular jockey Emisael Jaramillo?

9- Imperial Hint

ML 4-1

Imperial Hint is making his second appearance in the Breeders' Cup Sprint, following his performance last year that included a sideways move at the break and running five-wide before finding his stride. The son of Imperialism out for the Lahint mare Royal Hint is the only horse to deny Mitole a trip to the winner's circle this year, when he won the Alfred Vanderbilt Handicap by four lengths. Javier Castellano retains the mount.

Race 9: The Grade 1 \$2 million Breeders' Cup Mile

Three-year-olds and up, 8 furlongs on the Turf

Post time: 6:20 p.m. ET / 3:20 p.m. PT

LATE PICK 4—FIRST LEG

LATE PICK 5—SECOND LEG

BREEDERS' CUP PICK 6—THIRD LEG

11- Uni (GB) ML 7-2

Chad Brown has been unstoppable at the Breeders' Cup in his short career and there's a good possibility that trend continues this year. This 5-year-old mare by More Than Ready comes off possibly her best career effort, a win in the Grade 1 First Lady Stakes at Keeneland. Her lone defeat from seven starts at this distance came against the other filly in here, Got Stormy. Joel Rosario retains the mount.

9- Circus Maximus (IRE) ML 3-1

Two-time European Group 1 winner Circus Maximus (IRE) enters this contest backed by some very strong connections. He was a very game winner last out in the Group 1 Prix du Moulin de Longchamp in France. We'll see what kind of turn of foot he can produce over this surface under the urging of jockey Ryan Moore.

3- Space Traveller (GB) ML 12-1

If you're looking for a price horse, we like this 3-year-old son of Bated Breath (GB) who comes in off a win after trying out the one-mile distance for the first time in his career. This will surely be his toughest challenge to date, but if he's able to improve again off his last effort then we would give him a shot at the upset.

Race 10: The Grade 1 \$2 million Breeders' Cup Distaff

Fillies and Mares, Three-year-olds and up, 9 furlongs on the Main Track

Post time: 7:00 p.m. ET / 4:00 p.m. PT

JUVENILE FILLIES-BREEDERS' CUP DISTAFF DOUBLE—SECOND LEG

LATE PICK 4—SECOND LEG

LATE PICK 5—THIRD LEG

BREEDERS' CUP PICK 6—FOURTH LEG

4- Midnight Bisou

The daughter of Midnight Lute out of the Repent mare Diva Delite, Midnight Bisou has been punishing the graded stakes company this year as she has strung together seven wins from seven starts. Among those wins are the Grade 1 Apple Blossom, the Grade 1 Ogden Phipps, and the Grade 1 Personal Ensign. The last time that Midnight Bisou was denied a trip to the winner's circle was last year's Breeders' Cup Distaff, when she was defeated by a filly named "Monomoy Girl". There's no shame in coming up short to Monomoy Girl, and there's no Monomoy Girl in the Distaff this year, so Midnight Bisou stands out as the best of this group. With Mike Smith back in the irons, it's her race to lose.

ML 6-5

5- Dunbar Road ML 6-1

It's tough to find a filly or mare who stands out as one to beat Midnight Bisou; however, Dunbar Road has put together a credible campaign in 2019 to earn a spot as a top contender here. Trained by Chad Brown, the 3-year-old daughter of Quality Road out of the Bernardini mare Gift List won the Grade 2 Mother Goose at Belmont before cruising to a two-and-three-quarter length win over the slop in the Grade 1 Alabama at Saratoga. Dunbar Road was recently third in the Grade 1 Spinster, where she was defeated by Blue Prize (ARG). Dunbar Road will be reunited with Jose L. Ortiz, who has piloted her to all four of her career wins.

9- Serengeti Empress ML 12-1

The longshot winner of the Grade 1 Kentucky Oaks, Serengeti Empress has struggled to repeat that effort over the rest of the summer. She was the best-of-the-rest behind Guarana in the Grade 1 Acorn, and ran a respectable second to Covfefe in the Grade 1 Test. Serengeti Empress came up empty in her most recent start, the Grade 2 Cotillion at Parx on Sept. 21. She will have Flavien Prat as her jockey for the first time. She is unlikely to win, but worth using underneath.

Race 11: The Grade 1 \$4 million Breeders' Cup Turf

Three-year-olds and up, 12 furlongs on the Hillside Turf Course

Post time: 7:40 p.m. ET / 4:40 p.m. PT

JUVENILE TURF-BREEDERS' CUP TURF DOUBLE—SECOND LEG

LATE PICK 4—THIRD LEG

LATE PICK 5—FOURTH LEG

BREEDERS' CUP PICK 6—FIFTH LEG

11- Arklow

ML 12-1

Part of a contingent of American closers, Brad Cox's 5-year-old son of Arch comes into this year's race off a half-length victory in Belmont's Grade 1 Turf Classic Invitational, routinely a strong prep for this championship race. Several of today's rivals finished behind him in the Turf Classic. He was fourth in this race last year at Churchill Downs, having to employ a wide move around the third and final turn — both to avoid traffic and the softer turf along the rail — before rallying down the middle of the track. He should be able to use the layout of the Santa Anita course to find a comfortable spot around the middle of the field as they come through the stretch the first time, and with firmer turf won't have to utilize such a wide move upon turning for home. With a 2-2-0 record from six starts at this distance, he should lead the American charge late.

5- Anthony Van Dyck (IRE) ML 3-1

Trainer Aidan O'Brien has won this race six times, including two at Santa Anita (2016 with Highland Reel (IRE) and Magician (IRE) in 2013). Ryan Moore had the mount aboard Magician and he'll be in the irons for O'Brien's top contender in this year's rendition. He has put forth a solid 2019 campaign thus far, going 2-1-1 from five starts with the only poor finish being tenth in the Group 1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot. The poor finish didn't deter this 3-year-old son of a European turf stalwart sire —Galileo-- as he came back to finish third behind Magical and Magic Wand in September's Group 1 Irish Champion Stakes. Like Old Persian, he's well-tested at this distance having gone 2-1-0 from four starts. Comes in lightly raced with plenty of pedigree.

10- Old Persian (GB) ML 4-1

This 4-year-old son of another turf stalwart—Dubawi--relishes the 12-furlong distance, going 5-1-0 from eight starts, including a win last time out in the Grade 1 Northern Dancer at Woodbine in September to prep for this. European-breds have excelled in this event, winning the last four editions and six of the last eight. He scored an impressive Group 1 victory on the world stage when he captured the Dubai Sheema Classic on World Cup day, covering the "good" turf in 2:27. Of the four winners of this race at Santa Anita, only one – Highland Reel in 2016 – was sent to the front from the opening. The other three have sat either off the pace in midpack or came from the rear of the field (Magician in 2013).

Race 12: The Grade 1 \$6 million Breeders' Cup Classic

Three-year-olds and up, 10 furlongs on the Main Track

Post time: 8:44 p.m. ET / 5:44 p.m. PT

JUVENILE-BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC DOUBLE—SECOND LEG

LATE PICK 4—FOURTH LEG

LATE PICK 5—FIFTH LEG

BREEDERS' CUP PICK 6—SIXTH LEG

10- Vino Rosso

ML 4-1

A fitting name for this 4-year-old son of Curlin as he seems to only be getting better with age. Rumor on the street is that the Todd Pletcher-trainee is training better than ever. He exits the Grade 1 Jockey Club Gold Cup at Belmont Park where he battled Code of Honor for a hard-fought nose victory--but was controversially disqualified after minor bumping in the stretch. His last official victory came back in May at this distance over this racetrack when he shipped in to win the Grade 1 Gold Cup. There is just too much to like about this one. Irad Ortiz, Jr., will be aboard.

5- Yoshida (JPN)

ML 8-1

You must admire this horse as a tough knocker who shows up to all the big dances. He hasn't found the winner's circle over a year, but his recent efforts seem to indicate he's rounding back into form. Joel Rosario and Mike Smith essentially swapped mounts. We'll see who got the better end of that deal.

6- Elate

ML 6-1

For months all the talk has been about Elate targeting the Classic over the Distaff and clearly the connections agreed because here we are. The 5-year-old Medaglia d'Oro mare is three-for-three lifetime going one-and-one-quarter miles. It does have to be fairly discouraging that she was soundly defeated by her own sex in the Grade 1 Juddmonte Spinster last out, but perhaps trainer Bill Mott did not have her fully cranked for that contest.

The European Challengers

Courtesy of Sky Sports TV

A'Ali (IRE) - Juvenile Turf Sprint

Trainer: Simon Crisford **Jockey**: Frankie Dettori

Stall: 10

Get the strong impression Frankie has turned down a couple of options from the Wesley Ward yard to keep the ride on Simon Crisford's charge, who has effectively been laid out for this since winning the Flying Childers in good style at Doncaster. It was fast ground that day on Town Moor and he'd already won twice in Group 2 company on soft – in the Norfolk Stakes and Prix Robert Papin – and perfectly understandable for connections to try and make hay while the sun shines. Plenty to suggest he can make it a perfect 4-for-4 under Dettori, but well found in the market.

Band Practice (IRE) - Juvenile Turf Sprint

Trainer: Archie Watson **Jockey**: Jamie Spencer

Stall: 2

Comes into this with a lower profile than last year's unlucky sixth, Soldier's Call, for the same connections but she's not too far off boasting a similar level of form. Made a good chunk of improvement to win a Listed race at Chantilly last month (her third win on the bounce), and she's evidently versatile in terms of ground. Well held by Al Raya on debut but clearly progressed since then and Archie Watson – who excels with juveniles – has been making the right noises in the build-up. Jamie Spencer on board ahead of the owner's retained rider Danny Tudhope on account of her low racing weight.

Dr Simpson (FR) - Juvenile Turf Sprint

Trainer: Tom Dascombe **Jockey**: Richard Kingscote

Stall: 8

Useful daughter of Dandy Man whose early gate speed and ability to travel on the pace should stand her in good stead. Will surely face significant competition for the lead here, though, and overall body of work leaves her looking exposed and ultimately vulnerable to classier types in the field.

Dream Shot (IRE) - Juvenile Turf Sprint

Trainer: James Tate **Jockey**: Chris Hayes

Stall: 4

Dream Ahead colt who strictly only has a length to find with A'Ali based on their Flying Childers form but looked in need of a sixth furlong when staying on for second behind Dr Simpson in Dundalk Group Three last time. Pretty exposed now after eight starts and hard to see him suddenly sprouting new wings and making his mark in this sort of company.

King Neptune - Juvenile Turf Sprint

Trainer: Aidan O'Brien **Jockey**: Ryan Moore

Stall: 11

Only on the periphery of things since making a winning debut over five furlongs at Dundalk in April and while arguably better than ever when two-and-a-half lengths fourth to Earthlight in the Group 1 Middle Park when last seen, he looks bound to be outpaced dropping back to five furlongs on fast ground. Same sire (War Front) as O'Brien's 2017 winner of what is now this event, Declarationofpeace.

Alligator Alley (GB) - Juvenile Turf Sprint

Trainer: Joseph O'Brien **Jockey**: Wayne Lordan

Stall: 6

Kingman colt who was on a real upward curve prior to bombing out when favorite for the Flying Childers at Doncaster. An awkward start there put paid to his chances so could be interesting if putting a line through that run, as he'd beaten Dr Simpson comfortably in Listed company at York's Ebor Festival. Needs to break on terms at least if he's to have a say at the business end in a race of this nature.

Arizona (IRE) - Juvenile Turf Trainer: Aidan O'Brien Jockey: Ryan Moore

Stall: 12

As things stand, he's already the clear form pick when it comes to Aidan O'Brien's best Guineas hopes and it was very encouraging to see how much closer he got to the superstar juvenile Pinatubo when second in the Group 1 Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket. The official BHA handicappers note he ran to a mark of 117 that day, which would have been enough to win the vast majority of previous editions of this race. Has already done it on the big stage, too, with victory in the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot so no chance of stage fright and (barring a brilliant American colt heading for this event) he's going to take the world of beating. Last time he ran on quick ground he won doing handstands and while stall 12 could cause issues, Moore got the job done on Hit It A Bomb from 13 a couple of years ago.

Fort Myers - Juvenile Turf Trainer: Aidan O'Brien Jockey: Wayne Lordan

Stall: 13

War Front colt whose two wins from seven starts so far this year have both come at Dundalk (six and seven furlongs). Clearly appreciated having his sights lowered when scoring at Listed level last time and he moves back into much deeper waters here. The first crack at a mile promises to be no issue and ground conditions look ideal but neither factor quite enough to recommend him for all he's going to be attractively priced given his connections.

Albigna (IRE) - Juvenile Fillies Turf

Trainer: Jessica Harrington

Jockey: Shane Foley

Stall: 9

Looks on course to emerge as Europe's top juvenile filly and legitimate excuses for her only defeat when reported to have been 'heavily in season' following the Moyglare. Two last-gasp wins over six furlongs prior to that show she has the requisite speed to lay up here and stamina for a mile also assured now following her Group 1 Marcel Boussac win on Arc weekend. Owners have a superb historical record at the Breeders' Cup and she should give an excellent account if getting the breaks from off the pace, having been given what could be a potentially tricky draw.

Daahyeh (GB)- Juvenile Fillies Turf

Trainer: Roger Varian **Jockey**: William Buick

Stall: 5

Strictly holds Albigna on their Moyglare running, though excuses have emerged for the latter subsequently. She has barely put a foot wrong all year and appeared to improve a touch more to win the Group 2 Rockfel Stakes in game fashion. Untried at a mile but stiff seven furlongs at Newmarket should translate perfectly well here and, given her attitude and rock-solid profile, she's arguably the one they've got to beat under William Buick, who will look to stalk and pounce from a favorable starting stall.

Etoile - Juvenile Fillies Turf and Juvenile Fillies

Trainer: Aidan O'Brien **Jockey**: Frankie Dettori

Stall: 14

Relatively inexperienced compared to most of the Ballydoyle 2-year-olds heading for this meeting, with just the two starts to date. Seemingly surprised a few with 12-1 debut win at Naas in May and not seen until only beating three home in the Group 1 Cheveley Park Stakes at the end of September. Hard to weigh up but dam's side of the pedigree suggests stamina will be her game into next season so the move up to a mile can't be a bad thing. Opposable on balance, mind, given the draw.

Living In The Past (IRE) - Juvenile Fillies Turf

Trainer: Karl Burke **Jockey**: Danny Tudhope

Stall: 1

Improved quite rapidly through her first three starts, culminating in Group 2 victory in the Sky Bet Lowther Stakes at York's Ebor Festival. Showed good early toe and stuck at it well to make all that day but first backward step when weakening fifth of 11 in the Cheveley Park last time. No guarantees on paper that a mile will be within her range but this kind of test around two turns on quick ground offers a good opportunity to test the notion. In terms of raw ability she's only a couple of pounds behind the pick of these on that Lowther form and, with the going seemingly ideal, a big run would not be a shock if breaking sharply from the inside gate. Karl Burke's horses are also having a particularly good end to the season in general which shouldn't be overlooked.

Shadn (IRE) - Juvenile Fillies Turf

Trainer: Andrew Balding **Jockey**: Jamie Spencer

Stall: 3

Tidy little strike-rate already of 3-for-6, including wins at Listed and Group 2 level. Obvious potential stumbling block here is the fast ground as she does appear to have appreciated a good dig, although two-length third to Pierre Lapin in the Mill Reef came on good to firm. Not hard to see the move up to a mile eking out a bit more improvement and, although not one to appeal for top honors, could give her trainer an interesting first taste of Breeders' Cup action.

Tango (IRE) - Juvenile Fillies Turf

Trainer: Aidan O'Brien **Jockey**: Ryan Moore

Stall: 8

Found life tough in top-class company since the spring time, when she pushed Albigna close on debut before winning a Navan maiden at short odds. Quite a promising run from the front in the Cheveley Park Stakes, though, and waltzed home when dropped to Listed level at the Curragh last time. Wouldn't be the first O'Brien-trained juvenile filly to find big improvement for a first try at a mile and she's bred for the job here being a daughter of No Nay Never and out of a Galileo mare. Draw not a nightmare and she could end up offering the best value in the race from a European perspective.

Unforgetable (IRE) - Juvenile Fillies Turf

Trainer: Joseph O'Brien **Jockey**: Wayne Lordan

Stall: 6

Yet to really find her feet in stakes company since winning her maiden in decent fashion at Fairyhouse in July. Didn't look particularly happy at York on her only previous outing on fast ground either so hard to get overly excited about her credentials for a test like this. The TVG Morning Line price of 20-1 could be even bigger on the day.

Ambassadorial – Dirt Mile Trainer: Jane Chapple-Hyam Jockey: Jamie Spencer

Stall: 6

Formerly with Mick Halford and bolted up on stable debut back in June but that came in a Chelmsford handicap from a mark of 95 and he has found life tougher since. Hard to know how he'll take this kind of test but he did run well on dirt out in South Korea on his penultimate start. Overall likely to struggle though could pick up a small piece of the pie as likely to be ridden to give him the best chance of getting home.

Billesdon Brook (GB) - Filly & Mare Turf

Trainer: Richard Hannon **Jockey**: Sean Levey

Stall: 4

Surprise winner of the 1000 Guineas last spring and back in the big-time with victory over Newmarket's Rowley Mile again in the Sun Chariot Stakes on Oct. 5. That came on the back of a Group 3 win at Goodwood so she's clearly thriving and Richard Hannon moving her from one of his yards to another seems to have just brought back the spark. She's also settling much better in her races which bodes well for the first try at a mile-and-a-quarter and she's also bred for a trip being a daughter of Champs Elysees. She wouldn't be a million miles off the level of form shown by last year's close second Wild Illusion and the ground will be fine too so clearly overlooked in terms of the market.

Castle Lady (IRE) - Filly & Mare Turf

Trainer: Henri-Alex Pantall **Jockey**: Mickael Barzalona

Stall: 8

French Guineas heroine, with an American pedigree, who has looked like a move up to 10 furlongs was required in her two starts since landing the Classic, getting caught a little out of her ground in the Coronation Stakes at Royal Ascot before a staying-on second in a Keeneland Grade 1 when returning from a break recently. Entitled to strip fitter for that run and dangerous to rule out under a confident jockey who is likely to want to play her late and fast.

Fanny Logan (IRE)- Filly & Mare Turf

Trainer: John Gosden **Jockey**: Frankie Dettori

Stall: 12

Clearly several stalls wider than ideal from a draw perspective and still has something to find in terms of bare form, though she has been a bit of a revelation since the hood went on. Didn't need to improve much to win fourth race on the bounce in weak-looking Newmarket Group 3 but very hard to know where the ceiling of her ability is as John Gosden's fillies can often get on a real roll. Versatile groundwise and no qualms over the trip. A lower draw and she'd have come into calculations.

Fleeting (IRE) - Filly & Mare Turf

Trainer: Aidan O'Brien **Jockey**: Ryan Moore

Stall: 3

Has all the guns to be competitive in a field of this nature, but they're not necessarily always locked and loaded. Constant eyecatcher all year really but no wins from eight 2019 outings and surely not many chances left and can't have too many excuses from what looks a perfect draw here.

Iridessa (IRE) - Filly & Mare Turf

Trainer: Joseph O'Brien **Jockey**: Wayne Lordan

Stall: 1

Daughter of a Derby winner and has now snared three Group1s including the Matron Stakes on her penultimate start. Staying-on third behind Billesdon Brook in the Sun Chariot last time out and there must be a danger here that she just gets a little too far behind and they don't come back to her. Slightly surprising she's now second-favorite.

Just Wonderful - Filly & Mare Turf

Trainer: Aidan O'Brien **Jockey**: William Buick

Stall: 11

Has always been considered a top prospect but looks to be punching above her weight a little. Encouragement can be taken from the fact one of her better efforts this season came on rattling fast ground at Belmont Park and she has looked in need of a return to this trip in two starts back over a mile since then. She'll need the breaks from stall 11 and there's seemingly too much to overcome.

Villa Marina (GB) - Filly & Mare Turf

Trainer: Carlos Laffon-Parias

Jockey: Olivier Peslier

Stall: 9

Enjoyed a good summer with back-to-back wins and, following a weak-finishing fourth over a mile-and-a-half in the Prix Vermeille, relished the drop back to 10 furlongs when causing a turn-up in the Prix de l'Opera over Arc weekend. Held off the fast-finishing Fleeting that day which brings her into the equation but she's never been out of France and will also be out of her comfort zone on firm ground.

Circus Maximus (IRE) – Mile

Trainer: Aidan O'Brien **Jockey**: Ryan Moore

Stall: 9

Thought to be a Derby prospect at the start of the year, but a mile-and-a-half proved beyond him and dropping right back to this trip has since proved fruitful. Won the St James's Palace and the Prix du Moulin last time, having not been utterly disgraced over a mile-and-a-quarter in the Juddmonte International. Mile division in Europe hardly red hot this year but he's just about the pick of the bunch and he's going to be particularly dangerous around here if able to pick up a handy position without using up too much gas from stall 9. Sweats up in the preliminaries but it doesn't seem to stop him and experience around Chester and Epsom counts for plenty at an event like this.

Hey Gaman (GB) - Mile Trainer: James Tate Jockey: Frankie Dettori

Stall: 13

Looks to have a rotten draw on the face of it as Dettori will surely have to use up too much juice if he's wanting to adopt the usual prominent position. Fast ground and seven furlongs seems to suit so he shouldn't have any issues with a mile around this sharp circuit given the conditions, but will need to pull something out of the fire and looks a shade below the very best of these anyway.

Lord Glitters (FR) - Mile **Trainer**: David O'Meara **Jockey**: Jamie Spencer

Stall: 12

Super servant for team O'Meara over the past few years and still performing at the peak of his powers this term. Loves Ascot and pounced late to land the Group 1 Queen Anne Stakes at the Royal meeting in the summer. The ground was quite soft on that occasion but he's perfectly adaptable in terms of conditions and would relish a strong gallop to aim at having been posted wider than ideal. Expect a late bid down the wide outside under Spencer.

Space Traveller (GB) - Mile Trainer: Richard Fahey Jockey: Danny Tudhope

Stall: 3

Burst a few bubbles when winning the Jersey Stakes at Royal Ascot and while that didn't look the most competitive edition of all time, he has since proved it to be no fluke with a close-run third at York and a taking success in the Group Two Boomerang Stakes at Leopardstown over Irish Champions Weekend. A more speed-orientated miler than some of his travelling companions and that should theoretically work out in his favor on a course like this. No forlorn hope by any means and could get a piece of the action if able to sit mid-pack or closer through the first half mile.

Suedois (FR) - Mile **Trainer**: David O'Meara **Jockey**: Javier Castellano

Stall: 1

Good on his travels in the past, winning the Shadwell Turf Mile at Keeneland in 2017 just before a good fourth in this race at Del Mar. Has developed a bit of a 'nearly horse' tag but Group 3 win at Goodwood in August this year showed he's still got the minerals when things drop his way and he caught the eye with a decent-looking finishing effort in the same Keeneland Grade 1 again last time. Jockey one of the best in the business in America with tons of West Coast experience. Looks over-priced.

Trais Fluors (GB) – Mile Trainer: Ken Condon Jockey: Billy Lee

Stall: 4

Interesting horse going forward but could be asking a bit much for him to strike on his first outing for a new yard in a race quite as warm as this. Has won a Group Three and a couple of Listed race in France for Andre Fabre although genuine fast ground form is in short supply. Long odds reflect his chance.