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Track: Del Mar

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BEST BET: Ole Silver (6th race)

First Race

1. Revera	2. Stuffy Mist	3. Jewlz
<p>REVERA has trained like a 2yof that can fire first out in this 150k maiden-claiming sprint. She looked good working in company July 6 at Santa Anita (viewed online); her most recent work at Del Mar was a decent half-mile last week. Purchased this spring for \$85k, it makes sense for REVERA to run at this high claim level. Trainer John Sadler is 3-for-7 this season with debut 2yos. STUFFY MIST was a well-bet disappointment in her career debut vs. MSW rivals. She was hammered to 5-2 vs. odds-on Himika, sped to the lead inside, then folded and finished a distant fourth. 'MIST drops slightly in class, she certainly has speed, and is likely to improve second time out. JEWLZ debuts with fast works at San Luis Rey Downs, though Peter Miller-trained 2yo maidens generally run better second time out (7 percent debut, 23 percent second start, past five years).</p>		

Second Race

1. Ultimate Gamble	2. Lure Him In	3. Arrowthegreat
<p>ULTIMATE GAMBLE bobbled at the break and lost his chance last out in a similar N2X dirt route; he finished third of four. The race was won by Mirahmadi, a contender Saturday in the G2 San Diego Hcp. As for ULTIMATE GAMBLE, he has more speed than he was able to show last out, and with a clean break this time, he should get a front-running/pace-pressing trip outside the only other front-runner in the field. That is LURE HIM IN, an 11-time winner shipping from Florida and running for the optional \$80k claim tag. He won three of his last four starts, and meets a modest field of locals. LURE HIM IN is a threat up front, along with the top choice. ARROWTHEGREAT finished in front of ULTIMATE GAMBLE last out at SA; 'GREAT also has run well over the DMR surface.</p>		

Third Race

1. Dial a Friend	2. September Magic	3. Tam's Little Angel
<p>Speedster DIAL A FRIEND can run them off their feet in this \$32k claiming turf sprint. She ran well for fourth her only previous DMR turf sprint; she might be a better filly now at age 4. She has been running well at short distances on the Los Alamitos nighttime configuration, she is the speed of this field, and can be long gone. SEPTEMBER MAGIC missed by only a neck at this level her most recent start nearly three months ago. Her comeback works are quick, she has speed to be forwardly placed and would be among the first to pounce if the top choice falters on the lead. Late-runners TAM'S LITTLE ANGEL and INVINCIBLE MOLLY might prefer farther than five furlongs, but they will be rolling in the lane.</p>		

Fourth Race

1. Columnist	2. Wave With Envy	3. Rumpus in Paradise
<p>The 2yo first-time starter COLUMNIST has trained like he can fire first out in this Cal-bred maiden-50. His spring-summer works at SA were sharp; he posted a quick :47.60 half-mile last weekend over the DMR surface. WAVE WITH ENVY makes his second start, following a respectable runner-up debut in which he finished more than three lengths clear of third. 'ENVY shows two solid works since raced, and is likely to make a forward move with a race under his belt. RUMPUS IN PARADISE popped a :35.20 gate drill over the DMR track last weekend, and makes his debut for connections that can fire with firsters.</p>		

Fifth Race

1. Born to Rock	2. Won for Lou	3. Huber
<p>Maiden 2yos go a mile on turf; firster BORN TO ROCK gets the call for a stable that occasionally fires with 2yo rookies in turf routes. 'ROCK is by first-crop sire Rock Your World, whose debut progeny are 3-for-12; 'ROCK worked well enough in his July 20 work (according to socaslworkoutreport.com) to suggest he can fire first out for trainer Michael McCarthy. WON FOR LOU stretches out from a creditable third-place debut behind impressive winner Hay Nay Nay. 'LOU is trained by Doug O'Neill, who won a pair of 2yo MSW turf routes last summer going sprint to turf route (Ivan the Great, Tequilaandtherapy). HUBER was purchased for \$700k this spring; his</p>		

pedigree is fine for a route. Sired by Omaha Beach and produced by a Quiet American dam, HUBER might need the start. Third preference nonetheless. BOGARTS BUCHERRO, also trained by O'Neill, goes long off a pair of third-place maiden turf sprints at Gulfstream Park.

Sixth Race

1. Ole Silver

2. East Shore

3. Dorine's Wild Cat

OLE SILVER jumps multiple class levels to \$16k claiming after she crushed an \$8k claiming field by more than five lengths. The class hike is within reach; 'SILVER won at higher class levels early in her career. The triple-jump in class signals optimism, and she has speed to establish position from the outside post in this dirt mile. Kentucky shipper **EAST SHORE** drops in class only two starts after finishing second and being claimed from a \$32k claiming route. She has no speed at all, but she will be running late in a race that should unfold at an honest tempo. **DORINE'S WILD CAT** meets easier than the Cal-breds she finished fifth against last out; ZEYARAAT will be rolling from behind; MADEIRA WINE and AUDITORY are speed.

Seventh Race

1. Bit's Tiger Magic

2. Andiamo Ragazza

3. Can't Sleep

BIT'S TIGER MAGIC faces a potentially challenging pace scenario in this N1X turf sprint, but the front-runner has won three straight setting fast fractions and gets the call to make it four in a row. She handled Cal-breds two back on grass; she handled Cal-breds last out on dirt. In both wins, she ran her rivals off their feet. She can do the same here if she puts away the pace rival drawn directly to her outside. **ANDIAMO RAGAZZA** is a longshot late-runner in a turf sprint that should unfold at a fast pace. She won a turf sprint here last summer rallying from behind, and will get every chance to do the same here. She could start at a hint of a price. **CAN'T SLEEP** ran well last out, rallying to second after stumbling at the break and being away last. She finished more than three lengths behind the top choice, but the margin is misleading. 'SLEEP ran well despite the slow start; she is 2-for-3 on turf. THERMAL is the aforementioned pace rival drawn directly outside BIT'S TIGER MAGIC.

Eighth Race

1. Margarita Girl

2. A Friend of Mine

3. Cooeey

MARGARITA GIRL is due. The maiden filly's two starts this year were solid: runner-up in an allowance comeback, and runner-up last out in a highly rated maiden race in Kentucky. 'GIRL finished four lengths clear of third, and earned a figure that exceeds the speed-figure par for this class level by six points. 'GIRL has been favored all four starts, and probably will be favored again here. **A FRIEND OF MINE** ran super last out in a route at SA. She was wide start to finish, kept to her task, and finished clear of third while running much farther than the winner. Not sure about sprinting for 'MINE, but her route was better than it looks on paper. **COOEY** is speed, returning from a short layoff. Her two best races were when she ran fresh (debut, two-month layoff).

Ninth Race

1. Formidable Man

2. Cabo Spirit

3. Atitlan

Horse-for-course **FORMIDABLE MAN**, G1 winner and four-for-four on DMR turf, can make amends after finishing unplaced as the favorite in a G1 at SA. 'MAN dropped too far off the pace in the Shoemaker Mile, flew late, but had too much to make up. He stretches back to the mile and one-eighth trip at which he won the Hollywood Derby here last fall and Del Mar Derby last summer. 'MAN can be positioned closer to the lead than his last start, and if he is within striking range turning for home he can wear them down. However, **CABO SPIRIT** will get the jump. A front-runner/presser with only one pace rival in this field, 'SPIRIT could get a comfortable trip setting/pressing soft fractions. If he and front-running stablemate BALLADEER stay out of each other's way and slow it down, both could stick around late. **ATITLAN** did not care for the short distance of the Shoemaker Mile; he rallied from last to fifth while beaten only a length and a half. ATITLAN benefits by this nine-furlong distance; he won graded stakes two and three starts back at 10 and 12 furlongs. BALLADEER and CABO SPIRIT, stablemates, are the only front-runners. GOLD PHOENIX will be rolling late in this prep for the Aug. 30 Del Mar Handicap, a race 'PHOENIX won the last three years.

Tenth Race

1. Petite Ange

2. Tennesseehoneybee

3. Maria Tallchief

PETITE ANGE crushed maiden-20s last out by more than six lengths, and is realistically spotted at the \$10k claiming N2L lever for her first against winners. These N2L claiming sprints often are won by last-out maiden-claiming winners. **TENNESSEEHONEYBEE** was claimed three starts back in Kentucky, she was "protected" twice in starter allowance races from which she could not be claimed, and now drops for the money run. Her maiden win last summer at Indiana Grand and her claiming-race runner-up three back are plenty fast enough

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for this SoCal class level. Also-eligible **MARIA TALLCHIEF** will be among the favorites off her maiden-50 win last out; FLY A FANTASY fits off her runner-up try two back.

Eleventh Race

1. Goatski	2. Hello Kid O Kid O	3. Sparta F. C.
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Debut runner-Up **GOATSKI** or 10-start maiden **HELLO KID O KID O**? The call in this maiden turf route is GOATSKI, who finished well for second in her debut in a turf sprint. Two turns should not be an issue based on her pedigree; the speed figure she earned in the sprint is significantly higher than her main rival has earned in routes. But HELLO KID O KID O does have experience at two turns. In the money five of her last six starts, all turf routes, 'KID O takes off blinkers and should find as field she can handle sooner or later. **SPARTA F. C.** appears to have trained well since switching trainers. This is her first start since March 2024.