LES ONAKA HANDICAPPERS' RACING REPORT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 05, 2017

REPORT SUMMARY

Always Check Program Numbers.

RACE	1 st PICK	2 nd PICK	3 rd PICK
1	(1) BELLA RAQUELLA	(5) SPLENDOR HOPE	(6) ALLAN'S BABY
2	(6) SECRETARY GENERAL ★	(1) SALAH'S DIAMOND	(4) CORN ON THE CODE
3	(3) WALK IT MAN	(2) DUAL CARTEL	(7) MR FAVORITE CARTEL
4	(5) VELLA	(4) APOLLITICAL BULL	(2) BARGAIN BOY
5	(2) DOCTOR FANTASTIC ✓	(1) RITE FAVORITE	(3) PRINCESA SIN TACHA
6	(1) SC VAPOR TRAIL ✓	(4) FIERY FURY	(7) KINDLY DUDE
7	(1) HEZA EAGLE	(2) HAZEL DAZEL	(7) FAVORITE HOT CARTEL
8	(7) APOLLITICAL STONE	(2) RITE QUICK	(3) R STURDY BOY
9	(1) SIZZLIN SASS	(7) JJ TOUGH	(6) COWGIRL N UP

✓ BEST BETS OF THE EVENING:	DOCTOR FANTASTIC	5TH RACE
	SC VAPOR TRAIL	6TH RACE
	APOLLITICAL STONE	8TH RACE
★ PRICE PLAY (Longshot):		
	SECRETARY GENERAL	2ND RACE

Abbreviations:

(Q) Qualifier/Workout (BTL) Better Than Looked

Note: Horses are listed in order of preference.

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RACE 1

(1) BELLA RAQUELLA	(5) SPLENDOR HOPE	(6) ALLAN'S BABY
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LES ONAKA'S EARLY PICK 4

SMALL TICKET

1st race (1,2,5,6) 2nd race (1,4,6) 3rd race (2,3,4,7) 4th race (5) TOTAL \$48.00

LARGE TICKET

1st race (1,2,5,6) 2nd race (1,4,6) 3rd race (2,3,4,7) 4th race (4,5) TOTAL \$ 96.00

HORSES TO WATCH:

BELLA RAQUELLA broke well, chased the 4-horse speed duel mid-backside (-7 lengths), -8 lengths near the far turn (22.45 opening quarter), -5 lengths mid-final turn (2-3 lanes wide), finished out with good energy (6.52 final 1/16). He definitely is headed in the right direction.

SPLENDOR HOPE broke out, bumped at the start, chased the dueling pair mid-backside (-2 lengths), lagged -6 lengths near the far turn (22.70 opening quarter), finished out with good energy (6.41 final 1/16). Prior effort she broke well, dueled 2-wide (part of the 4-horse speed duel) mid-backside, dropped back -2 lengths as the pace quickened near the far turn (22.45 opening quarter), angled out to clear at mid-stretch, finished well. Not high on winning but is racing in good form.

ALLAN'S BABY bumped at the start, shook loose (+1 length) mid-backside, dueled inside 2-rivals near the far turn (22.70 opening quarter), dueled inside the eventual winner entering the stretch, tired understandably at midstretch.

FLOWERSINMYHEART 4 year old makes her debut with a series of ordinary works. Hails from winning connections and the jockey/trainer combination is doing well.

OTHERS:

LEMON RIDGE class dropper flashed brief speed in last (5 1/2 furlongs). She fits much better here.

FAST CHICK broke -2 lengths slow, put in a good run early, chased the dueling pair mid-backside (-5 lengths), dropped back - 8 lengths as the pace quickened near the far turn (rail), lacked the needed response down the lane. She needed that one!

LADY SIF broke well, chased the lone speed runner mid-backside (-1 length), dueled outside 2-rivals near the far turn (22.70 opening quarter), dropped back -3 lengths as the pace quickened entering the stretch, lacked the needed response at the top of the lane (6.51 final 1/16). Prior effort she broke well, dueled inside the eventual winner mid-backside, dropped back - 2 lengths as the pace quickened entering the stretch, followed the winner's path, kept to her task holding 2nd.

SHE'S MOVIN ON broke well, raced in traffic (shuffled back) early, chased the dueling pair mid-backside (-8 lengths), dropped back -16 lengths near the far turn (22.18 opening quarter), finished out with good energy (6.41 final 1/16) She will be making only her 2nd start with the addition of the BLINKERS!

(6) SECRETARY GENERAL ★	(1) SALAH'S DIAMOND	(4) CORN ON THE CODE
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HORSES TO WATCH:

SECRETARY GENERAL bumped at the start, losing -2 lengths, chased the lone speed winner mid-backside (-12 lengths), -16 lengths near the far turn (22.15 opening quarter), raced 4-5 lanes wide mid-final turn, 5-6 lanes wide entering the stretch, finished out with good energy in a much needed outing. HE WILL BE FACING MORE SPEED IN THIS LINEUP (1-2-5).

SALAH'S DIAMOND broke well, chased the lone speed winner (-2 lengths), -3 lengths near the far turn (22.59 opening quarter), -2 lengths mid-far turn, 4-wide entering the stretch, traveled evenly down the lane (24.05 final 1/4) vs. maiden \$10,000-claimers. Prior effort he broke well, chased the dueling pair mid-backside (-3 lengths), -6 lengths mid-final turn (rail), rallied too late. He definitely got his speed sharpened and carries options.

CORN ON THE CODE broke well, chased the lone speed winner mid-backside (-3 lengths), -4 lengths near the far turn (22.15 opening quarter), rallied too late (6.70 final 1/16).

ZACHIAN arrives from the Fair Circuit (Pleasanton Fair). He flashed good speed when facing much better earlier. Class dropper figures within striking distance every step of the way.

T'S PLACE broke well, dueled outside one rival mid-backside, battled thru the 22.48 opening quarter, gained the slim advantage entering the stretch, losing lead at the top of the lane, finished out clearly 2nd best (6.10 final 1/16). Prior effort he broke well, dueled outside 2-rivals early, chased the lone speed winner mid-backside (-1 length), challenged 2-wide midfinal turn, 5-6 lanes wide entering the stretch, battled the length of the stretch, lacked the needed response in deep stretch.

RACE 3

(3) WALK IT MAN (2) DUAL CARTEL (7) MR FAVORITE CARTEL
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HORSES TO WATCH:

WALK IT MAN broke off balance, bumped at the start, drifted out, raced in traffic at the gap, losing path past the gap, not abused, STRANGLED DOWN thru the final 1/2 (9.82 final 1/8). Prior effort he broke out, bumped at the start, raced in tight quarters (bumped repeatedly) all the way past the gap, losing path, appeared full of run crossing the wire. He is capable of much better.

DUAL CARTEL broke -1 length slow, raced in traffic (losing path) at the gap, cleared midway, not abused, finished out full of run . Prior effort (15.76) he broke out, bumped at the start, losing - 1 1/2 length, raced -1 1/2 length past the gap, leveled midway, finished strong (9.87 final 1/8). Trouble prone performer posted a pair of "B+" works earlier.

MY FAVORITE CARTEL (Q) 07/22 BEST over BONA VENTO (12.1-12.4) Worked inside. Broke in at the start, quick in stride (lead), +1 1/2 length advantage midway, responding strong under light pressure. Winning by +2 lengths. GRADE: B+ DRILL (Q) 07/08 BEST over TRIPPYSROYALFAVORITE (12.3-12.1) Worked outside. Bobbled, drifted out 2-3 lanes shortly after the start, +1/2 length advantage midway, finished strong under light pressure. Winning by +1 length. GRADE: B+ DRILL

MR CAPTAIN AMERICA (15.54) broke -1 length slow, bumped repeatedly past the gap (-2 lengths), bumped midway, gamely kept to his task to the end (just missed 3rd) thru the 9.87 final 1/8. Prior effort he broke -1 1/2 length slow, caught in tight quarters (bumped) early, raced in traffic (losing path), finished out with good energy after losing his best chance.

DASH MICHAEL DASH (Q) 07/22 BEST over JESS FLASHIN EM (12.9-12.6) Worked outside. Broke in, bumped at the start, quick in stride (lead), responding strong under light pressure. Winning by +2 lengths. GRADE: B+ DRILL (Q) 07/08 BEST over

JESS FLASHIN EM (12.7-12.9) Worked inside. Broke off balance, bobbled, drifted in shortly after the start, quick in stride (lead), +1 length midway, never asked, finished out full of run. Winning by +1 1/2 length. GRADE B DRILL

FIERY COLT (15.64) broke -1/2 length slow, raced -1 1/2 length past the gap (chasing the winner), gamely kept to his task to the end (just missed 3rd) thru the 9.87 final 1/8 in his debut. (Q) 06/17 outworked (12.5-12.5-12.2) Worked inside. Broke off balance, drifted in shortly after the start, drifted in early, -1 length midway, never asked, finished out with good energy. Losing by -3 lengths. GRADE: C+ DRILL

CORONA THRU FIRE (15.85) broke well, quick in stride, right there past the gap, raced in traffic (took up) past the 1/16 pole, recovered too late (9.88 final 1/8). Prior effort he bumped repeatedly shortly after the start, losing -3/4 length, bumped (knocked off stride) early, raced -2 lengths past the gap, losing path midway, finished out with good energy.

RACE 4

(5) VELLA (4) APOLLITICAL BULL	(2) BARGAIN BOY
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HORSES TO WATCH:

VELLA (15.66) broke in at the start, losing -1/2 length, quick in stride, raced -3/4 length past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (9.87 final 1/8). Prior effort (17.97) she broke -1 length slow, quick in stride, drifted in early, -1 length past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (9.65 final 1/8). She carries the highest ratings based on adjusted clocking.

APOLLIITCAL BUFF broke off balance, drifted out, bumped shortly after the start, bumped at the gap, bumped midway (toss it out). Prior effort (17.92) he broke in (2-lanes) shortly after the start, losing -1 1/2 length, raced -1 1/2 length past the gap, kept to his task to the end (9.55 final 1/8).

BARGAIN BOY (15.79) broke in at the start, losing -1 length, quick in stride, raced -3/4 length past the gap, kept to his task to the end (rail trip) thru the 9.93 final 1/8. Prior effort (15.76) he broke well, quick in stride, right there at the gap, drifted out past the gap, swerved out (losing action) midway. He gets off the rail and don't overlook his solid "B+" work earlier (05/27).

ROYAL POLITICIAN (15.75) broke -1/2 length slow, quick in stride, -1 length past the gap, -1 1/2 length midway, kept to her task to the end (9.85 final 1/8) from the rail. Prior effort (17.99) she broke in at the start, losing -1 length, raced -2 1/2 lengths past the gap, kept to her task to the end vs. eventual Ed Burke Million Futurity winner KVN CORONA (17.57 winner).

STUDIOUS (15.90) broke off balance, drifted in shortly after the start, losing -1 length, quick in stride, right there past the gap, lacked the needed response thru the final 110 yards (rail trip) thru the 9.78 final 1/8. Prior effort (15.93) she broke in at the start, losing -1/2 length, quick in stride, close up past the gap, kept to her task to the end (9.74 final 1/8).

JUST A KID (Q) 07/18 outworked by BE QUICK (both 12.3) Worked outside. Broke well, quick in stride (lead), hand shoved, - 1/2 length midway, asked in spots thru the final 1/2, responding very well. Losing by a narrow margin. GRADE: B DRILL (Q) 07/04 outworked (12.3-12.5-12.214) Worked in the middle. Broke ok, asked immediately, - 1 1/2 length midway, pushed along, responding well. Losing by -2 lengths. GRADE: C+ DRILL

(2) DOCTOR FANTASTIC ✓ (1) RITE FAVORITE (3) PRINCESA SIN TACHA

MAJOR WIN PLAYER:

DOCTOR FANTASTIC (19.99) broke -1/2 length slow, drifted in early, raced -1 length past the gap, leveled midway, finished strongly (for 2nd) thru the 9.79 final 1/8. Prior effort (17.62) he broke off balance, bumped shortly after the start, losing -1 length, drifted in at the gap, raced -1 length past the gap, leveled too late (9.62 final 1/8). (Q) 07/22 worked solo (11.9) broke well, quick in stride, flashed big speed throughout, NEVER ASKED, finished out full of run (plenty left) GRADE: A DRILL

OTHERS:

RITE FAVORITE hesitated, bumped back (losing path) shortly after the start, not abused, finished out full of run (running behind horses) thru the 9.82 final 1/8. Prior effort (16.83) he broke off balance, drifted in shortly after the start, losing -1 length, gamely kept to his task to the end (9.62 final 1/8).

PRINCESA SIN TACHA (16.92) broke in at the start, losing -3/4 length, close up past the gap, finished strong for 2nd (9.62 final 1/8). Prior effort (15.60) she broke off balance, drifted in shortly after the start, losing -1/2 length, raced -2 lengths past the gap, leveled too late. Freshened since 05/19.....

GRAVITY RUMORS swerved out (5-6 lanes) shortly after the start, losing -1 1/2 length, raced -3 1/2 lengths past the gap, leveled too late (toss it out). Prior effort (15.72) he broke off balance at the start, quick in stride (lead), flashed good speed, held strong (9.93 final 1/8). (Q) 07/01 BEST (19.2-18.6-18.6) Worked outside. Broke well, quick in stride (lead), hand shoved, even up midway, responding well under light pressure. GRADE: B DRILL

RACE 6

(1) SC VAPOR TRAIL ✓	(4) FIERY FURY	(7) KINDLY DUDE	
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SMALL TICKET			

6th race (1) 7th race (1,2,4,7) 8th race (7) 9th race (1,2,6,7) TOTAL \$ 16.00

6th race (1,4) 7th race (1,2,4,7) 8th race (7) 9th race (1,2,6,7) TOTAL \$ 32.00

MAJOR WIN PLAYER:

LARGE TICKET

SC VAPOR TRAIL (17.72) broke in, bumped at the start, losing -1/2 length, quick stride, close up past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (9.55 final 1/8) in the Ed Burke Million Futurity vs. eventual Governor's Cup Futurity winner J FIRE UP. Prior effort (17.70) she broke out at the start, quick in stride (lead), losing lead past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (rapid 9.54 final 1/8). She carries the highest ratings for this distance!!

OTHERS:

FIERY FURY Utah invader posted a solid runner-up the Bee Hives Futurity! 2-time lifetime winner is blessed with terrific gate speed and looms a solid player while making her 1st start under the lights!

KINDLY DUDE broke off balance, bumped back shortly after the start, losing - 2 lengths, raced in traffic (losing path) at the gap (toss it out). Prior effort (15.80) he broke in at the start, losing -1/2 length, wide path, raced -1 1/2 length past the gap, traveled evenly thru the final 110 yards (9.70 final 1/8). (Q) 07/11 BEST (12.3-12.24-12.8) Worked inside. Broke in (2-lanes) shortly after the start, quick in stride, +1/2 length advantage midway, responding very well under light pressure. Winning by +1/2 length. GRADE: B+ DRILL TAKES OFF THE BLINKERS

ATYPICAL (17.24) broke in, bumped at the start, quick in stride (lead), drifted in early, shifted out midway, losing lead past the 1/16 pole, lacked the needed response thru the final 75 yards (9.90 final 1/8). Prior effort (15.49) she broke out (2-lanes) shortly after the start (lead), drifted in past the gap, held gamely (9.90) vs. maidens.

MY TWISTED SISTAR (16.03) hesitated, swerved out (2-lanes) shortly after the start, raced -1 1/2 length past the gap, lacked the needed response thru the final 110 yards (9.99 final 1/8).

INDIOS ZACTAG (17.04) broke off balance, drifted out, bumped shortly after the start, losing -3/4 length, quick in stride, right there past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (just missed 2nd) thru the 9.69 final 1/8. Prior effort (15.61) she broke off balance at the start, quick in stride (lead), losing lead midway, lacked the needed response thru the final 110 yards.

RACE 7

(1) HEZA EAGLE	(2) HAZEL DAZEL	(7) FAVORITE HOT CARTEL
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HORSES TO WATCH:

HEZA EAGLE broke -1 length slow, caught in tight quarters (bumped repeatedly/losing action), not abused, STRANGLED DOWN near the wire, appearing full of run! (Q) 07/01 BEST over THAT JESS GIRL (12.3-12.8) Worked inside. Broke well, quick in stride (lead), drifted in (3-4 lanes) early, +4 length advantage midway, finished out full of run under light pressure. Winning by +5 lengths. GRADE: B+ DRILL FRESH AND DANGEROUS FROM OFF THE BENCH!

HAZEL DAZEL (17.93) bumped at the start, quick in stride, raced -1 length past the gap, lacked the needed response thru the final 110 yards (9.63 final 1/8). Prior effort (17.91) she broke off balance, drifted out, bumped shortly after the start, losing -1/2 length, quick in stride, right there past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (not beaten badly for 2nd) thru the 9.62 final 1/8. Filly is much better than her record shows!

FAVORITE HOT CARTEL (15.58) broke well, quick in stride (lead), drifted out (2-lanes) early, lugged in (4-5 lanes) thru the final 1/2, held gamely (not was disqualified) thru the 9.88 final 1/8. Prior effort he broke in, bumped (cut off) shortly after the start. Makes his 1st start under R Zuaro.

PHOXX (16.96) broke in (2-lanes) shortly after the start, losing -1/2 length, quick in stride, -1 length past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (actually just missed 2nd) thru the 9.69 final 1/8. Prior effort (15.68) she broke in, bumped at the start, losing -1 length, drifted out (2-lanes) midway, kept to her task and just missed 2nd (9.84 final 1/8). Note she has lugged inward in all of her outings! One of two winners in this event.

OTHERS:

MISSMERIZING (15.63) broke off balance, bumped shortly after the start, losing -1/2 length, raced -3/4 length past the gap, leveled midway, finished strongly and just missed (9.87 final 1/8). Prior effort (15.53) she broke out, bumped at the start, losing -1/2 length, raced -1 1/2 length past the gap, leveled too late.

MC B VALIANT (15.83) broke -1 1/2 length slow, bumped repeatedly to the gap, -1 length past the gap, gamely kept to her task to the end (9.99 final 1/8) vs. maiden \$12,500-claimers. Prior effort (15.84) she broke off balance, bumped shortly after the start, losing- 1 length, raced -1 length past the gap, kept to her task to the end.

SPEEDY ELVIS (15.75) broke well, quick in stride, right there pas the gap, gamely kept to her task and proved best (9.94 final 1/8). She will be making his 2nd start under J Hernandez Jr.

RACE 8

(7) APOLLITICAL STONE ✓ (2) RITE QUICK (3) R STURDY BOY

MAJOR WIN PLAYER:

APOLLITICAL STONE (17.57) swerved in, bumped shortly after the start, losing -1 length, quick in stride, raced -3/4 length past the gap, gamely kept to his task to the end in the Ed Burke Million Futurity vs. eventual Governor's Cup Futurity winner J FIRE UP. Prior effort (17.63) he broke in, bumped at the start, quick in stride, gained the advantage past the gap, held gamely (9.54 final 1/8). STRICTLY THE ONE TO BEAT!

OTHERS:

RITE QUICK broke in, bumped back shortly after the start, losing path, not abused (toss it out). Prior effort (15.70) he balked at loading (again) at the start, broke in at the start, losing -3/4 length, raced -3/4 length past the gap, kept to his task to the end (just missed 3rd) thru the 9.91 final 1/8. He posted a solid "B+ work earlier (04/27).

R STURDY BOY (Q) 07/15 BEST SUMBEAMSCLASSIC (12.7-12.5) Worked outside. Swerved in, bumped shortly after the start, quick in stride (lead), +1 length advantage midway, responding strong under light pressure. Winning by + 2 1/2 lengths. GRADE: B + DRILL

PASOBILITY (15.68) broke -1/2 length slow, quick in stride, drifted out early, gained the advantage midway, flashed good speed, just missed (3-way photo) thru the 9.94 final 1/8.

SECRETIVE ROMANCE broke off balance, bumped (pushed in) shortly after the start, losing -2 lengths, never looked comfortable (toss it out). Filly took major betting support at New Mexico earlier!! She improves her post.

TWISTED SIFTER arrives from Idaho. Took good betting support in both of his outings. X factor for sure.

ROYAL TRICKY LADY (17.15) broke in at the start, losing -1 1/2 length, raced -2 lengths past the gap, finished out with good energy (9.73 final 1/8). She remains along the rail......

RACE 9

(1) SIZZLIN SASS	(7) JJ TOUGH	(6) COWGIRL N UP
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HORSES TO WATCH:

SIZZLIN SASS (15.65) bobbled at the start, drifted out (2-lanes) to the gap, drifted out (2-lanes) midway, gamely kept to her task to the end (should have been much closer) thru the 9.74 final 1/8. Prior effort (15.75) she broke well, quick in stride (lead), flashed good speed, losing lead midway, kept to her task and just missed. She posted a solid "A" work earlier (05/20) and is capable of terrific gate speed.

JJ TOUGH (15.56) broke off balance, swerved out (2-3 lanes) shortly after the start, losing -1 1/2 length, raced-2 lengths past the gap, leveled midway, finished strong (SHOULD HAVE WON) thru the 9.91 final 1/8. Prior effort he hesitated badly, swerved in (3-4 lanes) shortly after the start, drifted in at the gap, -2 1/2 lengths past the gap, finished strong (just missed 3rd) from the rail. Trouble prone performer draws a favorable post.

COWGIRL N UP brings with her an undefeated record (2 for 2). (Q) 07/18 worked solo (18.7) broke ok, drifted out (losing momentum) shortly after the start, one speed throughout, responding ok. GRADE: C DRILL

DOWN WITH DEBATE (15.54) broke in, bumped at the start, losing -3/4 length, raced -1 1/2 length past the gap, rallied strong (SHOULD HAVE WON) thru the 9.90 final 1/8. Prior effort he was moving as the gates opened (reared) at the start. He posted a solid "B+ work earlier (05/20).

OTHERS:

HONEYS POP A TAC (15.62) broke in, bumped at the start, quick in stride (lead), flashed good speed, losing lead midway, gamely kept to her task to the end (just missed) thru the 9.87 final 1/8. Prior effort (15.90) he broke well, quick in stride (lead), flashed good speed, losing lead past the 1/16 pole, kept to his task to the end (holding 3rd) thru the 9.91 final 1/8.

CROWN HIM TWICE arrives from Idaho. Hails from winning connections.

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