

**LOS ALAMITOS HANDICAPPERS' RACING REPORT**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2002 • LES ONAKA – HANDICAPPER/CLOCKER

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**REPORT SUMMARY**

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9	(4) A BIG SHOT OF BRANDY ✓	(7) DSM RUMBLIN BAC	(3) HALLOWEEN MOON

<b>BEST BETS OF THE EVENING:</b>	(5) VISING	(4 <sup>TH</sup> RACE)
	(4) A BIG SHOT OF BRANDY	(9 <sup>TH</sup> RACE)

**Abbreviations:**

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

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## RACE 1

<b>(2) LUCKS FLYING HIGH</b>	<b>(6) I GOT HOT PANTS</b>	<b>(3) MOON EYES FOR YOU</b>
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**LUCKS FLYING HIGH** broke well, quick to gap, moved on top midway, responded gamely, but wasn't quite good enough late (final 1/8 clocked in 9.82) vs. winner dropping from a maiden \$10,000-claiming event. Prior effort he broke well, quick into stride, right there past the gap, gamely kept to his task and held 2<sup>nd</sup> late (winner's final 1/8 clocked in a rapid 9.71) vs. winner dropping from a maiden \$10,000-claiming event. 3-back he broke –1/2 length slow, wide path, close up past the gap, finished well and actually just missed 2<sup>nd</sup> vs. winner dropping from a maiden \$10,000-claiming event. Quick breaker gets his best chance as this field is lacking gate Quickness.

**I GOT HOT PANTS** broke inward at the start, still quick to lead, lost her advantage past the gap, gamely kept to her task and held 2<sup>nd</sup> late (favorably drawn). Note final 1/8 clocked in 9.71. Prior effort she hesitated at the start, losing –1 length, raced –2 lengths past the gap, finally leveled thru the final 75 yds, finished out full of run too late (final 1/8 clocked in 9.88). Improving filly is definitely getting closer to victory. Might she be the one to fear most?

**MOON EYES FOR YOU** hesitated at the start, losing –3/4 length, wide path, raced –1 ½ length past the gap, took hold midway, traveled evenly thru the final ½ vs. I Got Hot Pants and company. Worked okay previously (19.40). Better is forecast with that race under her belt.

**MY STRAWBERRY DASH** bumped at the start, recovered, gained the slim advantage mid-backside, dueled inside 2-rivals near the far turn, was hard pressed every step of the way, dropped back –1 length as the pace quickened at the top of the lane, tired understandably at midstretch (splits of 22.64, 47.05) at 870 yds. 3-back he was fractious in gate, swerved in, bumped shortly after the start and lost his best chance (exiting good clocking) vs. tougher rivals at 300 yds. Hails from a solid jockey/trainer combination. This gelding is better suited at this shorter distance. Follow up closely at this lower level.

**GILANA** hesitated, broke off balance at the start, losing –2 lengths, losing path, dropped back –2 ½ lengths past the gap, not abused thru the final 110 yds (toss it out) vs. productive field (Willy Fly Bayou and Babies Special came back to win). Prior effort she broke –3/4 length slow, drifted in at the gap, still –3/4 length past the gap, gamely kept to her task and should have been closer (running along the slow inner portion of the track) vs. Lucks Flying High and company. 3-back she broke inward (2-lane) shortly after the start, losing –1/2 length, accelerated nicely early, close up past the gap, finished out very well (should have been right there) vs. productive field (Proudest Goddess came back and captured a maiden \$6,250-claiming event in 17.95). This mare is capable of winning it all if she can put it all together.

**MAKING AMENDS** broke –1/2 length slow, accelerated nicely early, right there past the gap, kept to her task despite out finished thru the final 75 yds vs. Lucks Flying High and company  
Prior effort she balked at loading; broke well, raced –3/4 length past the gap, kept to her task despite out finished late (exiting night's 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest of 5 races) vs. productive field (Angel With Rhythm came back and captured a maiden \$5,000-claiming event in 18.12). Must improve her late speed.

**MY CHAMPAGNE ON ICE** broke in, bumped at the start, losing –1/2 length, wide path, raced –1 length past the gap, went steadily (no late kick) in this puzzling performance. Prior effort she  
Broke inward at the start, losing –2 lengths, drifted out early, dropped back –2 ½ lengths past the gap, finished out with good energy after losing her best chance. Worked real well prior to her debut. Better is forecast with more racing experience under her belt.

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## RACE 2

<b>(6) CONCORDE CS</b>	<b>(2) SHINING TSTAR</b>	<b>(5) LP STARDOM</b>
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**CONCORDE CS** broke well, chased the lone speed runner (Las Quick Silver) on the backside (-1 length), dropped back -3 lengths as the pace quickened around the far turn, closed the gap easily entering the stretch (-3/4 length at this point), rallied to the front at midstretch, gradually pulled clear late (solid comebacker). Runs super fresh and hails from that solid jockey/trainer combination (they teamed up for many wins a few years ago). The one to beat.

**SHINING TSTAR** broke well, chased the lone speed runner (Las Quick Silver) on the backside (-7 lengths), rallied 3-4 wide around the far turn, took aim at the leader at midstretch, gamely got up late for the score. 3-back he broke well, chased the lone speed runner on the backside (-8 lengths), angled out 3-wide to clear mid-final turn, 5-wide entering the stretch, split horses at midstretch, simply got rolling too late vs. Concorde CS. (Q) 03/14 WORKED UNOFFICIALLY (no time). Broke off -3 lengths behind worker from the pole, elected to race extremely wide throughout, was kept wide throughout, easily blew by that worker at midstretch, finished out full of run (never asked), solid BTL drill (note worker was timed in 41.74 for 3 furlongs). R Guce strings along (a good sign).

**LP STARDOM** broke well, dueled inside one rival on the backside, was hard pressed every step of the way, finally shook loose (+1 length) entering the stretch, lost his advantage at midstretch, Was out finished for 2<sup>nd</sup> late (4-way photo for 2<sup>nd</sup>). Prior effort he broke well, dueled inside one rival (Triumphs Ace) on the backside, put that one away around the far turn (+1 length), battled the length of the stretch, but couldn't hold off the fast closing winner late vs. productive field (Triumphs Ace and Mach 11 came back to win). (Q) 03/24 worked solo (1:11.0). Final ¼ clocked in 30.0. Never looked comfortable here. Was all out in this puzzling drill (final ¼ clocked in 30.0). (Q) 03/17 worked solo (54.2). Final ¼ clocked in 27.2. Asked in spots thru the lane, responding very well. Don't overlook that solid jockey/trainer combination (5 4-0-0).

**FS FLAME** broke off balance at the start, losing -1 length, rushed, chased the lone speed winner (Triumphs Ace) on the backside, challenged that one around the far turn, battled the length of the stretch and wasn't beaten badly for it all (exiting fast clocking). Prior effort he broke well, lagged -12 lengths on the backside (chasing the sizzling winner) while exiting fast clocking (57.3). Improving performer must be caught in this pace less field.

**AER VOLTYR** broke well, lagged -12 lengths on the backside (chasing the lone speed winner), Saved ground, finished out well too late (obvious hurt by the lone speed winner/fast splits). Prior effort he broke -1 length slow, lagged -14 lengths (chasing the sizzling winner Allegro AA) on the backside, rallied 5-wide turning for home, finished out with good interest. The late factor.

**VIRGULE** wasn't disgraced 2-back when facing a field combined for 48 lifetime wins. Lacks early speed.

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### RACE 3

<b>(2) PURE D COOL</b>	<b>(4) SUM FUN TO BET</b>	<b>(6) TIERRA FIRME</b>
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**PURE D COOL** broke –1 length slow, outrun early, raced –2 lengths past the gap, finished out with good energy (far back) vs. eventual Los Alamitos Derby runner-up Whosleavingwho. Prior effort he was bumped repeatedly shortly after the start, losing –1 ½ length, lost his path at the gap, raced –2 lengths past the gap, finally cleared thru the final 75 yds, flew too late and incredibly wasn't beaten badly for 2<sup>nd</sup> in the PCQHRA Breeders Derby. Faced derby winners Whosleavingwho, Make It Anywhere and Royal Dip. (Q) 03/15 worked solo (18.42). Under a big hold all the way, never allowed to run, finished out with tons of run left crossing the wire, much BTL drill. Returns to face non-winners. Only needs a trouble-free journey tonight.

**SUM FUN TO BET** broke off balance, drifted in, bumped shortly after the start, losing –1/2 length, never leveled (trying to lug in) thru the final ½, appeared loaded with run crossing the wire (was probably best). Note final 1/8 clocked in 9.80. Prior effort he swerved in, bumped at the start, losing –1/2 length, lugged in throughout (never leveled), appeared loaded with run crossing the wire (was probably best) vs. productive field (3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher Traffic Boss came back and captured a straight maiden event in 15.80). 3-back he broke well, raced –2 lengths past the gap, appeared rank and hard to ride thru the final ½, appeared to have much run left crossing the wire. This colt is much better than shown. Can win it all if he can put it all together.

**TIERRA FIRME** broke well, drifted inward at the gap, raced –3/4 length past the gap (chasing the eventual winner), finally leveled midway, finished out very well and held 2<sup>nd</sup> late (final 1/8 clocked in 9.91) while exiting fast clocking at 300 yds (15.62). Prior efforts were BTL.

**TRULY TIA** broke well, wide path, raced –3/4 length past the gap, traveled evenly thru the final ½ (holding 3<sup>rd</sup> late) while exiting fast clocking (17.82) at 350 yds (note final 1/8 was clocked in a sizzling 9.65) vs. talented maiden field. Prior effort he broke –3/4 lengths slow, was caught in tight quarters (losing path) past the gap (losing his action) in his comebacker. Definitely is headed in right direction.

**LEAVING THE FIRE** broke off balance, drifted in shortly after the start, losing –1/2 length, accelerated nicely early, close up past the gap, kept to his task to the end vs. eventual Los Alamitos Million Futurity Consolation finalist Harley Man. (Q) 03/17 worked solo (18.48). Off well, flashed good speed all the way, never asked, looked real good crossing the wire, good BTL Drill. Faced eventual stakes local winner Agouti (now a 4-time lifetime winner). Trainer C O'Dell is having a solid campaign.

**CHICKS DODI** wasn't disgraced against eventual Los Alamitos Winter Derby 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher Chiaracuro 2-back. Comebacker is facing a tough task.

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## RACE 4

<b>(5) VISING ✓</b>	<b>(3) OREO SPEEDWAGON HF</b>	<b>(6) POET CS</b>
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**VISING** broke –2 lengths slow, close up (fanned 7-8 wide) mid-backside (chasing his entry mate Virbahn), close up near the far turn (-2 lengths), rallied 5-wide around the far turn, was carried out 6-wide mid-final turn, was caught in tight quarters (steadied back) mid-final turn, angled inside to clear entering the stretch, flew too late (should have won), much BTL debut. Worked evenly with eventual maiden winner Home Bird on 11/14. Outworked eventual maiden runner-up Oncet on 01/06. (Q) 05/08 outworked 3-time winner Seyvilla Tri-Sam (1:08.0-1:07.2). Off well, flashed good speed all the way, toyed with workmate, finished out strongly under light pressure, solid BTL drill. (Q) 03/28 worked solo (1:10.0). Final ¼ clocked in 27.1. Off well, flashed good speed all the way, was well rated, finished big to pressure late, solid drill. Colt with much ability!

**OREO SPEEDWAGON HF** (Q) 03/10 worked solo (55.4). Final ¼ clocked in 27.3. Off well, picked up good speed thru the turn, let run at the top of the lane, finished out strongly under light pressure, solid drill. (Q) 02/26 worked solo (1:08.4). Final ¼ clocked in 28.4. Looked sharp here. Never asked for his best, finished out with much run left crossing the wire, good BTL drill (Q) 02/16 worked solo (53.2). Broke well, rated well on the backside, picked up big speed thru the turn, finished out in solid fashion under light pressure, solid drill. (Q) 02/06 outworked Noing (55.0-56.0). Final ¼ clocked in 27.4. Gradually pulled well clear late under light pressure.

**POET CS** broke well, lagged –6 lengths (chasing the lone speed winner Mandys Frenchmand) on the backside, raced –9 lengths near the far turn, found his best stride at the top of the lane, rallied too late vs. strong winner. Prior effort he broke well, chased the dueling leaders on the backside (-2 lengths), was caught in tight quarters (shuffled back) near the far turn, raced –6 lengths mid-final turn, finally cleared entering the stretch, rallied fastest of all too late. 10-time loser will be finishing.

**MOVE IT** broke well, 'used' early, chased the 4-horse speed duel on the backside (-5 lengths), Was caught in tight quarters (steadied back) near the far turn, dropped back –6 lengths around the far turn, finished out with good energy (should have been closer). Prior effort he broke –1 length slow, raced –6 lengths (chasing the lone speed winner) on the backside, was caught in tight quarters (hit railing) near the far turn, dropped well back mid-final turn, finished out with good energy after losing his best chance. This gelding is better than shown.

**KA RAFAT** broke well, chased the lone speed winner on the backside (-6 lengths), raced –7 lengths near the far turn, angled out 3-wide to clear entering the stretch, finished well despite out finished for 2<sup>nd</sup> late (by Poet CS). Must show more early speed.

**FIRE MT MACKIE** broke well, chased the lone speed winner (Mandys Frenchman) on the backside (-3 lengths), dropped back –5 lengths near the far turn, kept to his task and actually just missed 2<sup>nd</sup> vs. Poet CS and company. Carries good speed at times.

**OVER A MILE** (Q) 03/20 worked evenly with Amazing Proof (both 56.0). Off well, flashed good speed from the pole, was pushed along for more speed turning for home, appeared all out near the wire, okay drill. (Q) 03/12 worked evenly with Amazing Proof (both 42.3). Off slowly from the pole, picked up speed turning for home, responding well to pressure late (final ¼ clocked in 28.3).

**COUNT YOUR DREAMS** (Q) 03/22 worked solo (1:14.0). Final ¼ clocked in 29.0. Appeared all-out while tiring near the wire.

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## RACE 5

<b>(2) SEPERATE LANES</b>	<b>(5) GRANNY JANNY</b>	<b>(6) SHAKE N SHOUT</b>
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**SEPARATE LANE** sharp Idaho/Wyoming/Utah invader brings in an impressive overall record (6 4-2-0). Beat eventual 4-time lifetime winner Dash Ta Juan (3-time futurity finalist) in last strong showing. Beat eventual local 5<sup>th</sup> place stakes finisher Dustys Fame 5-back. (Q) 03/22 worked solo (18.50). Off well, accelerated nicely, straight all the way, finished out full of run under light pressure, solid drill. Will be facing her own sex for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.

**GRANNY JANNY** broke well, quick to lead, flashed good speed all the way, held strong for the score (final 1/8 clocked in 9.62) while posting the fastest of 4 races. Prior effort she broke well was carried out shortly after the start, lost her momentum past the gap (rider's whip accidentally hit her face), gamely kept to her task to the end vs. MALE RIVALS (Caliente Plente came back and captured a \$12,500-claiming event in 17.82). 3-back she broke well, moved on top past the gap, held strong for the score (final 1/8 clocked in 9.96) vs. productive field. 4-time lifetime winner looks ultra tough right back.

**SHAKE N SHOUT** broke well, quick into stride, moved to the front past the gap, got stronger late despite lugging out near the wire (final 1/8 clocked in 9.71) vs. productive field (Qualidash came back and captured a \$10,000-claiming event in 17.98 and Sables Dash came back and captured an allowance event in 15.56). Faced eventual local allowance winner Countmeinoyourdreams 5-back. Will get tested tonight.

**MY VICTORY CHICK** comebacker beat eventual Golden State Futurity runner-up Babe On The Beach 8-back. Wasn't disgraced against eventual major Futurity winners Check Him Out and Eventual Los Alamitos Million Futurity winner Your First Moon. (Q) 03/09 worked solo (19.50). Under a strong hold all the way, never allowed to run (over the slow racing surface), much BTL Drill. A win would come as no surprise.

**WHOLELOTTA DASH** Montana invader fresh off a dead heat win (posting a good final clocking). (Q) 03/16 outworked Sofisticated Lady (18.41-18.83). Broke well, quick into stride (lead), flashed good speed, finished out very well under light pressure, good drill.

**CHICKS TELL** competed in a no threat performance in last comeback outing. Prior effort she broke well, quick into stride, appeared ringy at the gap, still right there past the gap, moved on top midway, held gamely for the score (final 1/8 clocked in 9.94) vs. productive field (Trip Dlite Fantastic came back and captured an allowance event in 17.90).

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## RACE 6

<b>(6) KG JIM DANDY</b>	<b>(2) CABAWAY</b>	<b>(3) ASGOODASITGETS</b>
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**KG JIM DANDY** (Q) 03/19 worked solo (34.99). Off very fast from the pole, flashed big speed thru the turn, let run all the way, responding big to pressure late, and solid BTL drill. (Q) 01/23 worked solo (35.0). Final ¼ clocked in 23.4. Off well, traveled mostly on his own, never asked for his best, finished out well under light pressure, good drill. Race will set up nicely for this appy.

**CABAWAY** broke well, chased the lone speed runner on the backside (-5 lengths), closed the gap mid-final turn (only -4 lengths back at this point), lacked the needed response thru the lane (splits of 22.36, 47.35). Prior effort he broke well, chased the dueling pair on the backside (-4 lengths), closed the gap easily entering the stretch (-1 length back at this point), rallied 3-wide entering the stretch, loomed a bold threat at midstretch, couldn't quite get up late vs. 17-time lifetime winner Bob Ryon (splits of 22.17, 46.31). 15-time lifetime winner will pace to chase tonight.

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**ASGOODASITGETS** broke off balance at the start, close up mid-backside (-1 length) chasing the long speed runner, was caught in tight quarters (steadied back) around the far turn (losing -3 lengths), raced -6 lengths mid-final turn, lost his action entering the stretch (toss it out). Prior effort he was caught in tight quarters (bumped repeatedly) early, was fanned 5-6 wide mid-backside (-1 length), chased the eventual winner Fred Too near the far turn, gamely kept to his task thru the lane and held 3<sup>rd</sup> late (splits of 22.21, 45.93) vs. productive field (Amender came back and captured a \$2,000-claiming event in 46.50). Figures in the hunt with a trouble-free journey.

**HE CAN** broke well, rushed, chased the lone speed runner on the backside (-1 length), challenged briefly near the far turn (rail trip), was caught in tight quarters (steadied back) around the far turn, dropped back -3 lengths mid-final turn, hung badly thru the lane vs. appaloosas. Prior effort he bumped at the start, rushed, dueled outside 3-rivals on the backside, was carried out 5-6 wide around the far turn, 7-wide entering the stretch, gamely kept to his task thru the lane (should have been right there) vs. quarter horses. Splits of 22.18. 46.73. Can sit just off the pace.

**HOWIE BUNKO** broke in, bumped at the start, recovered, chased the lone speed runner on the backside (-2 lengths), was fanned 5-wide near the far turn, 5-wide turning for home, kept to his task thru the lane (should have been closer), BTL effort. Prior effort he broke well, rushed, close up (chasing the lone speed runner) on the backside (-2 lengths), lagged -4 lengths as the pace quickened at midstretch, hung badly in deep stretch. Figures for a share at best.

**NEON ELAN** broke thru the gate prior to start; reloaded, broke well, cleared mid-backside (+1 length), was hard pressed every step of the way, tired badly entering the stretch.

**SWEEP THE CARD** void of early speed/outside post are major concerns.

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## RACE 7

<b>(2) RYANS RIDGE</b>	<b>(6) SUPEROYAL SPECIAL</b>	<b>(5) MANHOOD</b>
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**RYANS RIDGE** broke off balance at the start, losing -3/4 length, ducked in (3-lanes) early, dropped back -1 1/2 length past the gap, finally leveled midway, finished out full of run (running along the deeper inside portion of the track) while exiting night's fastest clocking of 3 races (17.60). Prior effort he hesitated, broke off balance, drifted in (2-lanes) shortly after the start, losing -1 length, finally leveled midway, finished out well too late at 300 yds (15.50). Final 1/8 clocked in 9.89. 3-back he broke in, bumped repeatedly shortly after the start, losing -1/2 length, close up past the gap, lugged in (hard to ride) thru the final 75 yds (incredibly just missed) and should have won at 300 yds vs. productive field (Hallelujah Train came back and captured a \$16,000-claiming event). Hard to ride gelding returns to his claiming level (\$16,000-tag) and is long overdue for winning performance.

**SUPEROYAL SPECIAL** swerved in (2-lanes) shortly after the start, losing -1/2 length, accelerated nicely early, right there past the gap, gamely kept to his task thru the final 1/2 and should have been right there (final 1/8 clocked in 9.54). Prior effort he broke well, wide path, right there past the gap, gamely kept to his task to the end (final 1/8 clocked in 9.70) vs. winner dropping from a \$20,000-claiming event. Speedy performer gets off the rail.

**MANHOOD** (Q) 03/16 worked solo (18.51). Broke well, quick into stride, traveled mostly on his own throughout, finished out full of run, good drill. Comebacker returns to the same class level (\$16,000-claiming event). Conditioner does extremely well with his comebackers.

**GANSTER** broke well, wide path, close up all the way, gamely kept to his task and wasn't beaten badly for it all (final 1/8 clocked in 9.54) vs. Superoyal Special. Prior effort he broke -1/2 length slow, was caught in tight quarters to the gap, was bumped (knocked off stride) past the gap, kept to his task to the end (should have been right there) vs. productive field (2-returned to win). 17-time lifetime winner is long overdue for winning performance.

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**JUSTA LIVE WEAPON** swerved out (2-3 lanes) shortly after the start, losing  $-1/2$  length, accelerated nicely early, right there past the gap, finished well (clearly 3<sup>rd</sup> best) at 440 yds. Prior effort he hesitated squeezed back (took up) shortly after the start, losing path, was under a tight hold thru the final  $1/2$  (toss it out). Needs his best break.

**ROSCO BRISCO** broke well, quick to lead, lost his advantage at the gap, kept to his task thru the final  $1/2$  and actually just missed 2<sup>nd</sup> (3-way photo for 2<sup>nd</sup>) at 400 yds (final 1/8 clocked in 9.52). Prior effort he broke off balance at the start, losing  $-3/4$  length, raced  $-1$  length past the gap, lugged inward thru the final  $1/2$  (toss it out). Ran well at this class level 3-back. Now must flee the rail

**TRAFFIC BOSS** broke in, bumped at the start, still quick to lead, flashed good speed all the way, held gamely for his maiden score (final 1/8 clocked in 9.90). Will be facing experience winners for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.

**RUNNINGFORTHECHICKS** broke well; close up past the gap, kept to his task to the end (comebacker). Better is forecast with that race under his belt.

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## RACE 8

<b>(6) TEXAS CLASSY</b>	<b>(1) ROCKY ROYALE</b>	<b>(5) OLD EASY MONEY</b>
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**TEXAS CLASSY** broke off balance at the start, losing  $-1$  length, drifted inward early, lugged in at the gap, dropped back  $-2$  lengths past the gap, finally leveled midway, finished out full of run too late in the Los Alamitos Winter Championship vs. champion mare Corona Kool and company. Prior effort he broke  $-3/4$  length slow, was caught in tight quarters (steadied back) early (losing  $-2$  lengths), losing path, angled out to clear past the gap, finally leveled thru the final 110 yds, flew too late vs. much troubled field. Showing improvement since taking off the flipping halter 2-back. Exits by far the stronger races.

**ROCKY ROYALE** broke off balance, bobbed, drifted in (2-lanes) shortly after the start, losing  $-1 \frac{1}{2}$  length, lugged in (hard to ride) to the gap, finally leveled midway, finished out full of run too late (should have been right there) vs. eventual stakes 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher Ihempentobeasy. Prior effort he hesitated, broke off balance at the start, losing  $-1$  length, drifted out early, raced  $-2$  lengths past the gap, finished out with good energy after losing his best chance (exiting super clocking 17.59 (as allowance rival You Scare Me went in a slower 17.72 earlier in the evening) .3-back he broke  $-3/4$  length slow, wide path, drifted in to the gap, raced  $-1 \frac{1}{2}$  length past the gap, took hold midway, rallied too late. This gelding is capable of outrunning his current ratings in a big way.

**OLD EASY MONEY** competed in recent Kansas and Iowa derbies. Captured a 350 yds event 5-back while posting high-speed index ratings. Watch the toteboard for your best clues.

**OVERALL OVERALL (Q)** 02/20 worked solo (18.77). Off well, in hand mostly, traveled out on his own, okay drill. Texas/Oklahoma/Iowa invader was beaten by Old Easy Money narrowly 6-back.

**LEAVING CHESNUT** bobbed slightly, bumped shortly after the start, losing  $-1/2$  length, wide path, raced  $-1$  length past the gap, traveled evenly thru the final  $1/2$  (no factor). Prior effort he bumped at the start, losing  $-1/2$  length, accelerated nicely early, traveled evenly thru the final  $1/2$ . Must improve his late speed.

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## RACE 9

<b>(4) A BIG SHOT OF BRANDY ✓</b>	<b>(7) DSM RUMBLIN BAC</b>	<b>(3) HALLOWEEN MOON</b>
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**A BIG SHOT OF BRANDY** fractious in gate, broke  $-3/4$  length slow, wide path, raced  $-1 \frac{1}{2}$  length past the gap, was caught in tight quarters thru the final 75 yds (not properly ridden) while appearing full of run crossing the wire, much BTL performance. Prior effort he broke  $-1$  length slow, was caught in tight quarters early, put in a good run past the gap, finished strongly (clearly 2<sup>nd</sup> best) vs. tougher rivals. Class dropper crushed \$2,000-claimers 4-back (final 1/8 clocked in 9.70). Shouldn't miss at this lower level.

**DSM RUMBLIN BAC** broke off balance, bumped shortly after the start, losing  $-1/2$  length, drifted in at the gap, raced  $-3/4$  length past the gap, finally leveled midway, finished out well (should have been right there). Final 1/8 clocked in 9.82. Prior effort he broke well, accelerated nicely early, right there past the gap leveled thru the final 75 yds, finished strong for the score (final 1/8 clocked in 9.85). Outside post a real plus.

**HALLOWEEN MOON** broke well, quick into stride, right there past the gap, was caught in tight quarters (steadied back) near the wire at 550 yds. Prior effort he hesitated at the start, losing  $-1$  length, put in a good run past the gap, moved to the front midway, held gamely for the score (final 1/8 clocked in 10.04). Claimed from Blane 2-back. Returns to winning class level/distance!

**TST MR LINSTER** is coming off a troubled trip in last showing vs. winner dropping from a \$4,000-claiming event. Prior effort he hesitated bumped shortly after the start, still quick into stride, moved on top at the midway point, held strong for the score (final 1/8 clocked in 9.90). Claimed for J Nunez 2-back. A threat with a clean trip.

**JACKSONS COYOTE** broke well, quick into stride, moved on top past the gap, lost his advantage at the 1/16 pole, out finished late. Prior effort he broke in, bumped at the start, losing  $-1/2$  length, kept to his task to the end. Must improve recent form.

**RIO CHENG** is also coming off a troubled trip. Prior effort he hesitated at the start, losing  $-1/2$  length, wide path, right there past the gap, kept to his task and wasn't beaten badly for it all. Makes his 2<sup>nd</sup> start for J Flores.

**CJ GO FOR MORE** bumped at the start, losing  $-1/2$  length, wide path, right there past the gap, kept to his task and wasn't beaten badly for it all (winner's final 1/8 clocked in 9.82). Prior effort he broke in, bumped at the start, still quick into stride, right there past the gap, kept to his task to the end (good effort), Improving.