

Racing Flow Incorporated

Plod Boy Bonus Plays

April 2012

April 29, 2012

WOODBINE

Race 6

2 Acting On Impulse (12-1): debut two weeks ago was an upgraded effort at the difficult distance of 7f when she chased and faded behind the wire to wire of a ***Extreme Race for Speed (CFR 3)***. Again, we'll note that in order for a runner to be upgraded for chasing and fading behind a 'Plod' (Speed favoring), the winner should go wire to wire (BL12 0.0) and the horse in question should be at least one length off the leader (and eventual winner) at the first call. Looks of a no brainer for this Flow player.

Outrun at 38-1

Sometimes, too slow really means too slow.

That said, remember the running line, as it produced **Rough Winter (\$29.20)** in Sunday's finale at Belmont.

The ***DRF Formulator PPs*** of each are posted below.

-Plod Boy Phil
4/29/2012
12:00pm ET

April 28, 2012

CALDER

Race 7

5 Bessie M (5-1): returned off a two month freshening last out chasing the wire to wire winner of a Speed favoring CFR 6. Note that two of her four Calder wins came with the aid of Closer favoring CFRs - a situation that may present itself today.

\$5.20 WINNER

Race 10

1 Inagotable (4-1): see posting from April 21, 2012 below. *
Note - was entered that day sprinting 6f for \$10k.

2nd at 6/5

-Plod Boy Phil
4/28/2012
11:17am ET



April 27, 2012

CALDER

Race 5

6 Dreaming of Danny (3-1): chased the wire to wire winner of an *Extreme Race for Speed* (CFR 3) last out.

2nd at 2-1

No match for the even money favorite.

Race 10

10 She's a Ketch (6-1): chased the near wire to wire winner of an *Extreme Race **for** Speed* (CFR 1) last out in her second off the layoff. Note that 'Ketch's' three race turf sequence in the spring of 2011 impresses me - 4/24: vs a CFR 12, 5/11: vs a CFR 1, 6/12: Neutral Grade Win (the next best thing to an upgraded win). Turf capable mare handles these with the expected top performance.

\$13.20 WINNER

The Racing Flow™ enhanced **DRF Formulator PPs** for this beauty are posted below. Isn't she lovely ?

-Plod Boy Phil
4/27/2012
10:47am ET

April 26, 2012

Back on Friday.

-PBP

April 25, 2012

HAWTHORNE

Race 5

6 Instill (6-1): made a relatively hopeless, albeit impressive, rail bid last out from far back on the wrong side of a very ***Speed*** favoring ***CFR 4*** - that winner's BL12 was 2.0 while the runner-up, 2 Cartouche (entered here, 2-1 ML), was the unpressured, yet failed early leader.

3rd at 6-1

-Plod Boy Phil
4/24/2012
7:05pm ET.....my favorite time of the day April - September.

April 22, 2012

AQUEDUCT

Race 5

6 System Restore (6-1): recorded a solid **vs Plod Win** last out when running through a *Speed* favoring **CFR 9** race - his BL12 was more than 9 lengths. A lively pace scenario today will make this sharp gelding a serious repeat threat.

3rd at 12-1

Neutral CFR reduces this one to a neutral grade next out.

-Plod Boy Phil
4/22/2012
11:55am ET

April 21, 2012

CALDER

Race 5

7 Inagotable (4-1): upgrade the last behind the wire to wire winner of a a *Speed* favoring CFR 8. Two back finished a solid second under a neutral CFR. Three back was upgraded when on the wrong side of a Bias driven CFR 9 - that winner's BL12 was under 2. Pace scenario looks favorable today.

Scratched

-Plod Boy Phil
4/21/2012
10:18am ET

April 20, 2012

HAWTHORNE

Race 7

8 She's Gonna Float (5-1): will stretch out to two turns off a '**Quick to Zip**' upgrade on the wrong side of an **Extreme Race for Closers (CFR 98)**. Jock Felix must avoid this one running off early with blinkers on and a sizzling 4f work (Kee) in tow.

Off the board at 3-1

As feared, a very fast opening quarter had this one stopping to a walk in the lane. Beware a rapid return sprinting at Keeneland.

Racing Flow™ CFR = 100 - an Extreme Race for Closers.

Race 8

8 Deal of a Lifetime (15-1): turns back to a 6.5f sprint following an upgraded '**Quick to Zip**' move into the teeth of a Closer's **CFR 94** race - that winner's BL12 was more than 27 lengths. Not only was the winner far back after 3/4's of a mile, the 2nd and 3rd place finishers were even further back.

Off the board at 45-1

Curious strategy.....will check figs on Tuesday.

The CFR for the race was an 88. 'Deal' will remain on my radar for one more race.

-Plod Boy Phil
4/19/2012
8:38pm ET

April 19, 2012

Back on Friday.

-PBP

April 15, 2012

HAWTHORNE

Race 3

4 Golden Gift (4-1): debuted last September with a modestly upgraded 'Quick to' move into the teeth of a Closer favoring CFR 89 race (Flow +111). Note that the top two finishes were well behind 'GG' after a half mile, as were the 4th and 5th place finishers. Returns as a three yr old today for top connections with a reasonable expectation of improvement.

Scratched

-Plod Boy Phil

4/15/2012

8:18am ET

April 14, 2012

OAKLAWN

Race 1

1 Chef Eric (5/2): recorded solid 'vs Plod Win' last out when closing stoutly to get up despite an ***Extreme Race for Speed (CFR 1)***. Five year old son of Eddington is clearly getting better, no matter how you look at it.

\$3.20 WINNER

We'll take the \$16.00 return on a \$10 Win ticket and let it ride on.....

Race 5

2 Vigilante Law (6-1): upgrade the last when chasing the 1-2 finishers around the track in a Speed favoring **CFR 7** event. Two back, he encountered stretch trouble when closing nicely behind the wire to wire winner of a -107 Flow driven **CFR 12**. Versatility and inside draw add to the appeal of the second half of today's

'Asmussen Parlay'

\$6.80 WINNER

A \$10 Win Parlay nets readers \$54.40, or a whisker shy of **4.5 to 1 profit** on investment.

Plod Boy Phil

4/14/2012

8:16am ET

April 13, 2012

Back on Saturday.

-pbp

April 12, 2012

SANTA ANITA

Race 4

5 Backwood Belle (8/5): gets speed upgrades in her last two

races - CFRs of 100 and 97. Makes third start of the cycle and goes turf to dirt.

\$3.60 WINNER

Race 5

6 Fast Mast (12-1): upgrade his debut when on the wrong side of the wire to wire winner of a CFR 4. No shame in using an upgraded Mizzen Mast making turf debut.

Off the board at 40-1

7 Late Night Sky (8/5): makes his 3rd start off the gap with modestly upgraded frontrunning effort vs a CFR 85 and a clear cut upgrade last out as the open length pacesetter of a **CFR 97** - that winner's BL12 was more than 16!

\$3.20 WINNER

Daily Double: \$6.40

-Plod Boy Phil

4/11/2012

10:23pm ET

April 11, 2012

HAWTHORNE

Race 2

5 Casha (5-1): debut was an upgraded front-running effort of a Flow driven **Closer favoring CFR 92** race - that winner's BL12 was just under 4. The slow 4f work -4 days screams of wager worthy confidence for high win % barn.

\$5.20 WINNER

OAKLAWN

Race 10

11 Basalt (10-1): exhibits classic case of the chase and fade line behind the wire to wire winner of a very **Speed favoring CFR 5**. Oft discussed here, the *chasee* must be a length or more off the leader (and subsequent winner) at the first call to qualify. Has the look a no brainer in a head to head with Strasbourg.....the rest is gravy.

Off the board at 7-1

Lost head to head w/ Strasbourg (that one also 'otb')

-Plod Boy Phil
4/11/2012
8:56pm ET

April 7, 2012

GULFSTREAM

Race 6

6 Write When Ready (6-1): impressed in her last with a '**vs Plod Win**'. The original concept of the 'VPW' was a runner that closed through at least a -100 Flow to win with a BL12 of 10.0 or more. '*When Ready*' ran through a -160 Flow (**CFR 7**) and had a BL12 of 9.5, easily qualifying her. Expect at least a repeat of that effort today despite facing a salty bunch of Alw2x types.

3rd at 6-1

Bad beat for 2nd.....check the Flow figs on Monday night, but this sure had the look of a huge performance that went unrewarded.

NEUTRAL Grade: CFR 33

HAWTHORNE

Race 9

7 Saturday Launch (15-1): was given a bold upgrade in Keeneland's 9th yesterday (turf) on the basis of his '**vs Plod Win**' last out. '*Launch*' closed from 11 lengths back (BL12) despite the Speed favoring -152 Flow (CFR 8). Top notch connections choose this Derby prep on the dirt - his first dirt try following eight successful races on either the turf or the synthetics. Will use with modest upgrades 3 and 4.

4th at 18-1

From where I sit, everyone did their job except Chris Emigh, who chose to get off the rail at the half mile pole to go widest

around the field. Meanwhile, the winner stayed inside, saving valuable ground. Disappointing for all that were vested.

CRF: 87 - closer favoring, but nothing exceptional
The Racing Flow™ figure only confirms my opinion.

-Plod Boy Phil
4/7/2012
9:25am ET

April 6, 2012

Opening Day at Keeneland.
Are you on board with the Flow ?

Back on Saturday.

-pbp

April 5, 2012

AQUEDUCT

Race 4

3 Preach Tome Daddy (5/2): her turf debut last out is an upgraded closing run vs an ***Extreme Race for Speed (CFR 2)*** - that winner went wire to wire. Looks half an the hour the best.

\$4.60 WINNER

OAKLAWN

Race 9

8 Alot Like Boranda (5-1): impressed with upgrade debut on the wrong side of a *Speed favoring CFR 8* - that winner's BL12 was a mere 1.0. Have to believe that this one goes off at a best case 3-1.

Off the board at 3-1

Neither the groom, the trainer (not Todd Pletcher), the jock, the paddock judge, or the vet, noticed that this one was hungover like a big dog. Seriously ?

-Plod Boy Phil
4/4/2012
8:37pm ET

April 4, 2012

Back on Thursday.

-pbp

April 1, 2012

GULFSTREAM

Race 11

11 The Deaconator (10-1): both of his turf tries against better Md 75k runners combine for a modest upgrade, though neither of the efforts standing alone is worthy of an upgrade. The debut was a bit of a 'Quick to' move into the teeth of a CFR 94; his last was behind a speed friendly CFR 11. Gut says we'll see much more than the ML price with wide draw and switch to low percentage rider.

Off the board at 16-1

OAKLAWN

Race 4

6 Dr. Jajo (4-1): another one with two straight modest upgrades, neither of which if standing alone would raise an eyebrow. Two back, he return off an extended gap with an off the pace win through a -123 Flow (CFR 22) with a BL12 of nearly 6. Last out, he closed nicely despite a Bias driven speed friendly CFR 11. Note that even his debut run last year on this dirt course was an upgraded 'vs CFR 8' effort. Steps up in price off the claim today and should get a fair Flow today.

\$9.40 WINNER

-Plod Boy Phil

4/1/2012

12:53pm ET