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RACE 1:
1 – Ultimate Cause
6 – Sun of Tara
7 – Kenitra
SELECTIONS: 1-6-7-5

RACE 2:
6 – Agujero
1 – Transistor
5 – Jail House
SELECTIONS: 6-1-5-4

RACE 3:
2 – Browns Gap
7 – Recalibrating
6 – Fort Dixie
SELECTIONS: 2-7-6-4

RACE 4:
5 – Mi Chiquita
1 – Materium
6 – Dixielicious
SELECTIONS: 5-1-6-2

RACE 5:
4 – Honey Hearts
8 – Jubilant
2 – Lil Moresummertime
SELECTIONS: 4-8-2-6

RACE 6:
1 – Battle of Blenheim
8 – Daddy's Cozy
5 – The Great Scatsby
SELECTIONS: 1-8-5-6

RACE 7:
2 – Super Spender
4 – Platinum Prince
3 – Little Chesney
SELECTIONS: 2-4-3-6

RACE 8:
7 – Venezuelan Forever
6 – L. A. House
11 – Drama Run
SELECTIONS: 7-6-11-2

RACE 9:
3 – Little Matt
1 – Hangry
6 – Indian Scout
SELECTIONS: 3-1-6-7

RACE 10:
5 – Captain Carol
11 – Order In
12 – Sweet Inspiration
SELECTIONS: 5-11-12-4

BEST BET: Race 7 - #2 Super Spender
I have been chasing this horse in his last few starts, and while it has been a while since he's seen the winners circle, I'm hoping he gets some better racing luck today. Two back he was stuck with an impossible outside post in the Claiming Crown Canterbury, which was won by top sprinter Pay Any Price and has proved to be a monster key race. Last out, he was stuck 7-wide in the stretch with absolutely no place to go. He should get some pace to run at today.

LONGSHOT: Race 9 - #1 Hangry
This will be a real litmus test for how productive the 3rd race on January 21 was, as it was won by an 80-1 shot in a 4-way photo, which included Hangry and Indian Scout, who is also in this field. While Indian Scout is 9-2 on the morning line, Hangry will be a much bigger price and his late-closing running style might fit even better in this field, which seems to have a fair bit of speed signed on. I think jockey Miguel Vasquez handles this horse well, and he stays aboard today.