

TWINSPIRES TIPSHEET



CHURCHILL DOWNS

RIVER CITY HANDICAP

The River City Handicap (Gr 3)
1-1/8 Miles - Turf - PURSE \$100,000

POST	HORSE	ML ODDS
1	Master Merion	10-1
2	Postulation	5-1
3	Mr. Misunderstood	8-5
4	Oscar Nominated	4-1
5	Big Changes	5-1
6	Team Colors	12-1
7	Flatlined	15-1
8	Sir Dudley Digges	8-1

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TOP PICKS

3	Mr. Misunderstood
5	Big Changes
8	Sir Dudley Digges

\$20 WIN

3 (\$20)

\$20 EXACTA

3 with 5,8 (\$40)

\$2 TRIFECTA PART-WHEEL

3 with 5,8 with all (\$24)

Eight will go postward in the Saturday feature at Churchill Downs, the \$100,000 River City Handicap (G3). The race goes through favored MR. MISUNDERSTOOD and he will be tough to defeat with his best showing. Four-year-old son of Archrarch is a superb 10-for-15 lifetime on the lawn and has held his own with classy foes in preparation of today. Brad Cox trainee is perfect from a trio of tries on the Churchill Downs turf course and is training well at this venue currently. Gelding gets a pass for a sixth-place finish in the Shadwell Turf Mile (G1) at Keeneland from an impossible post. The Wise Dan Stakes (G2) winner on this sod in June will have Florent Geroux in the stirrups.

Cox has another live contender in BIG CHANGES. Chestnut son of Midshipman has not faced the caliber of opponents that he will today, though a five-race win streak is hard to ignore. Multiple stakes victor has speed and that trait can go a long way in a field with numerous marathoners cutting back in distance today. Florida-bred has hit the board in each of his previous trio of races on this turf and Julien Leparoux is a nice fit for his running style.

SIR DUDLEY DIGGES is one of two from the barn of Mike Maker and he draws widest in the field. Five-year-old son of Gio Ponti has an affinity for this course and the Ontario-bred comes in fresh for a very good layoff trainer. Dark bay shows a trio of bullet morning drills in his previous four works with a pilot change to Corey Lanerie. Three-time local winner will stalk early while getting in gear approaching the turn for home.