

SMARTY JONES CONTENDERS



MARTINI BLU



PRO: Displayed fine turn of foot romping in career debut at 2-turns
CON: Hawthorne shipper faces serious class check vs stakes foes



LAWLESSNESS



PRO: Adds blinkers and has finished in the money in all three starts
CON: Looks too slow to challenge with a 73 career-best Brisnet Speed rating



COWAN



PRO: Class and experience edge for late-running Steve Asmussen trainee
CON: Gets part often (four stakes placings), seldom a serious win threat



BIG THORN



PRO: Florida-bred stakes winner switches to Asmussen
CON: Must show more after well-beaten sixth in Mucho Macho Man S.



HARDLY SWAYED



PRO: Medaglia d'Oro colt exits a pair of convincing wins
CON: Mahoning Valley shipper tries 2-turns with low Speed ratings



MOONLIT STRIKE



PRO: Brings two-race win streak to stakes debut, favored in all three starts
CON: Stretches to 2-turns after narrowly defeating suspect company



CADDO RIVER



PRO: Exciting 9 1/2-length maiden winner owns field-best 94 Speed figure
CON: Cox trainee must face winners and two turns for first time