

Race Day Gazette

Place your bets!

The big race is here and it's time to place your bets with bookmaker Quinn Monroe! Who will win? Only time will tell, but we have the insider scoop on some horses that might help.

Old Ytterboe was the favorite to place first, that is until his jockey, Billy Cobbler, was found dead in Old Ytt's stall. Whether Old Ytt still has a chance will depend on whether his owners can find a replacement jockey.

Sources suggest Mailbox Mayhem, Lyon's Roar, and The Big Ell are poised to place, and underdogs include Kittlesby Kisses, Friday Flowers, and Christmas Fest.

Some horses run better in wet conditions and others run better in dry. Check with the Steward for today's weather forecast.

And of course, everything can change in the blink of an eye during the race!

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Letter to our Editor

“For fear of retribution, I must write this anonymously. However, I think it's vital that everyone knows the seriousness of what's going on behind the scenes at the Manitou Mile track at Olaf Downs. Whether by intention or negligence, track management has allowed conditions on and around the racetrack to deteriorate substantially. The drainage system has not been maintained, nor has the track surface been kept in good running condition. The stables are in desperate need of repairs, with loose boards and nails all over the place. And the starting gates haven't been oiled in ages. Some of them don't even open on their own anymore! The only way these issues will be addressed is if they're brought out into the open, and I hope that publishing this letter will accomplish just that.”—*Anonymous*

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Emerald Eagle strikes again!

If you haven't heard the news, the infamous jewel thief, "The Emerald Eagle" has struck again. Though the Eagle usually strikes the racing crown, their latest heist was a cache of jewels from a prestigious fashion show only a

few hours from Olaf Downs. This has led to worries that the Eagle's next target may be our very own race guests today! Law enforcement is seeking any help in trying to catch the Eagle, and asks guests to be on their guard against potential pickpocketing.

Trek for the Tulips competitors

Horse	Owner	Trainer
Christmas Fest	Charlie Channing	Hopper Rails
Friday Flowers	Bobbie Oldhut	Pat Fitzsimmons
Hundred Day March	P. Hoffmann*	P. Smiley*
Kittelsby Kisses	Charlie Channing	Hopper Rails
Lyon's Roar	Don & Judy Buntrock	Sven Skoglund
Mailbox Mayhem	Charlie Channing	Hopper Rails
Old Ytterboe	Don & Judy Buntrock	Sven Skoglund
Pastor Ben	Oak Dickerson	Pat Fitzsimmons
Prez Ball Dancer	Don & Judy Buntrock	Sven Skoglund
Safe Rider	Edi Ellingson	Pat Fitzsimmons
The Big Ell	E. Vork*	A. Rose*
Thorson Thunder	A. Carsten*	J. Gustafson*

* Not present in *Death at the Derby*

Race essentials

Here's what you need to know about today's star jockeys: **Billy Cobbler** is on a winning streak right now and won the Trek for the Tulips last year. **Red Wright** is an experienced jockey but has suffered from injuries recently. **Frankie Ramm** and **Toni Knight** are experienced jockeys keen to win their first big trophy.

Tulip Julep

Two ounces of blueberry vodka
mixed with an ounce of pink
lemonade.
Pour over ice.
Garnish with tulip petals.