

MEET THE CONTENDERS

2025

WITHERS STAKES

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GLOBAL STEVE



PRO: Enters with 2-for-2 mark for barn that won this race last year with Uncle Heavy.
CON: Both wins were on the slow side, and competition is deeper on this circuit.

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SURFSIDE MOON



PRO: Maiden win came in two-turn debut and enters fresh.
CON: No serious threat in either stakes try, one on dirt and the other on turf.

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CORVUS



PRO: Son of BC Classic (G1) winner Vino Rosso finally gets a chance at two turns.
CON: Recently lost NY-bred allowance by 12 lengths.

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UNCLE JIM



PRO: Remains with upside after allowance third to future Jerome S. winner.
CON: One of several here with no two-turn experience.

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MO QUALITY



PRO: Second in Smarty Jones S. at Oaklawn to dual Derby prep winner.
CON: Concedes familiarity with surface, though seems to carry his form.

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CAPTAIN COOK



PRO: Latest was a comfortable maiden win in the slop; more possibly to come.
CON: Inexperience facing winners a hurdle with a likely short price on offer.

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OMAHA OMAHA



PRO: Rallied for second in Jerome behind loose-on-the-lead winner.
CON: Pace dependent sort can't afford to fall too far behind.