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Free expert race picks for harness racing at Rideau Carleton Raceway on Sunday, October 16th, from Melissa Keith.

Best Bet – (6) MAJOR HILL – Race 8

Spot Play – (5) HES GOT A VENDETTA – Race 9

20-cent Pick 5 – Race 6 – 3,6,7/2,3,4,5/6/5/1,3,5,6 = \$9.60

20-cent Early Pick 4 – Race 2 – 1,2,5,7/3,9/1,2/2,4,5,8 = \$12.80

20-cent Middle Pick 4 – Race 4 – 1,2/2,4,5,8/3,6,7/2,5 = \$9.60

20-cent Late Pick 4 – Race 7 – 2,3,4,5/6/5/ALL = \$6.40

Race 1 – Post relief for (3) EXIT SMILING; his quickest 2022 win was for Robert Shepherd at Rideau Carleton August 21, at higher classification. (5) MIDNIGHT MOOD also draws better post this week; left aggressively to make front from #7-hole Sunday; battle with No Time At All took late toll on both late in mile. Strong closer (4) HOOTER SHOOTER is back from Quebec Circuit Regional; looks like Guy Gagnon's choice over the #2; started the year in this track's Preferred, but has gone 0 for 5 here in 2022 for different drivers. (1) STONEBRIDGE HERMES unsuccessfully tried to bottom out field here Sunday; led through fast fractions; overtaken by closers in stretch drive.

Race 2 – Front-end-loving (5) DELICATE SOUND closed for place from challenging post on Sunday's class jump; co-field's-fastest 28.2 last quarter, closing from second-over behind free-legged (2) FLASH TOTHE FINISH; Pascal Berube has opted to stay with the back-to-back winner instead of Delicate Sound for the rematch; they faced each other in Sunday stretch drive, with Berube's horse making first-over move that carried him to the wire in new personal best; also came home in 28.2. (1) ROLLIN WITH ROCK's most recent victory was from trailing post in off-the-pace style four starts ago; three-wide and gaining down the stretch Sunday, also pacing 28.2 final quarter. (7) J J PATRICK led through early fractions that race; gave way under pressure from Flash Tothe Finish; post hurts.

Race 3 – (3) EATAAMS SPORTSBABY improved in second start for Stephane Brosseau here Sunday; class drop; won with perfect second-over trip behind favourite from same Rideau post,



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same claiming tag September 4 for Brosseau/John MacMillan. (9) JON SNOW's last two wins were at Kawartha Downs for Samuel Fillion/Mike Armstrong, back on May 28 and June 18; post/class relief; second tier. (2) ROCKNROLL NATION closed for show against similar company Sunday; lone three-year-old couldn't catch front-end winner Twomacsonemach; post relief. (1) ODDS ON WALKOVER is reunited with Jimmy Gagnon; his most recent victory was for different driver at Kawartha September 3; took new lifetime mark here June 9 for previous connections.

Race 4 – Class-dropping (1) SIGHTS ON YOU picks up catch driver Samuel Fillion and returns to Rideau Carleton rail; his latest front-end win was from same post here July 24. (2) ALWAYSOURWAY lost a shoe near the opening quarter October 2; still closed well for place behind Coin Flip; Stephane Brosseau inherits catch drive, as Fillion has opted for the #1. (4) MATTS TUITION has a remarkable 25 top-three finishes in 30 seasonal starts; infrequent winner for trainer/driver Guy Gagnon. (5) TWOMACSONEMACH won going away Sunday, at lower classification; class hike and larger field this week, so he's unlikely to get same gate-to-wire trip.

Race 5 – Post/class relief for (2) TIME TO DANCING; his most recent win was from same Rideau Carleton post September 11 for trainer/driver Stephane Pouliot; field's-fastest 2022 winner. (4) MICKEYMAKSOMESPEED steps up from Quebec Circuit Regional victory to join forces with Guy Gagnon; took 1:53.3 lifetime best here in July 2020; makes 2022 Rideau debut. (8) PERPETUAL ROCK looks like Pascal Berube's pick over the #3, despite outside post position; his four 2022 victories were all at Mohawk. (5) STAR DOG is a strong closer whose latest win was on front end at Kawartha; late speed; class jump.

Race 6 – (6) SOCIETY JILL gets second consecutive Rideau class jump, also exiting distaff company; winningest of this field this year; shuffled back and covered up October 6, she closed from second-over in co-field's-fastest 28.2 for show. (3) JUST PLAIN NEEDY gets driver upgrade and improved post position; swooped from #7-hole to circle fast-leaving J J Patrick here Sunday; boxed in and shuffled back; empty late in deeper company. (7) WHATS INTHE ESKY A left hard from rail Sunday, surrendering front end to Sunny Bo on first turn; gapped in pocket and faded late. (2) BET TILL DAWN gets driver upgrade/post relief. (4) DR JOE intrigues after winning October 9 qualifier here by more than 18 open lengths; qualified along with driver James Bailey; beaten 6/5 fave in last pari-mutuel start, jumping it off at the start.



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Race 7 – Playing back last Sunday's spot play (2) MONTYSGONEMARBLE; his three 2022 victories at Rideau Carleton were all for Stephane Brosseau/John MacMillan; won his November 4, 2021 debut at this track, the first of 6 wins in 8 late-season starts here. (5) REALRUBIES AT PLAY has back-to-back victories despite class hike; took new lifetime mark here October 2. (4) ROSE RUN VORTEX's last win was from Rideau rail June 12 for Clarke Steacy, at similar classification; launched from last on final turn Sunday, gaining ground late through traffic. (3) NIGHT CLUB HANOVER looks like Samuel Fillion's pick over the #1; class drop for infrequent winner.

Race 8 – (6) MAJOR HILL had overland journey for show from back of the field Sunday; advanced to challenge The Light Speed from first-over second at the half; gaining to the wire. (4) BLUE MOOSE and Robert Shepherd have quickly earned their way up to this track's Preferred Handicap; #8 is Isabelle Darveau stablemate. (7) THE LIGHT SPEED is always a factor; beaten 9/5 co-fave was edged out Sunday. (3) LOVEMYROCKINBIRD was caught wide going to opening quarter in Sunday's Rideau Preferred Handicap; backpedalled to fifth and got boxed in; second move from last on last turn; post relief.

Race 9 – (5) HES GOT A VENDETTA was mowing down Blue Moose late Sunday on drop from Rideau Preferred Handicap; sixth at the half, he was first to tip first-over; flushed out and closely shadowed Blue Moose; ran out of racetrack. Beaten 2/5 fave (2) GETYOURLICENSELIAM battled Make It Come True (#6 this race) from first-over early Sunday; made front but found himself under attack by persistent Candid Cameron (#4 here) and backing down in the stretch. (7) DAY DELIGHT closed impressively Sunday, missing by a nose behind winning front-end fave (8) FLASH CUBE, who now moves from rail to outside post; Robert Shepherd catch drives Guy Gagnon trainee.

Race 10 – (5) BS TYRRIFIC outperformed his 13/1 odds Sunday; Pascal Berube's apparent pick over the #3; sixth early in well-spaced field, he dodged bad cover, returned to rail and gained ground from impossible spot on last turn, using passing lane to full effect. (6) WESTERN PHIL hooked wheels with Cortez the Killer Sunday; July win streak at similar level for trainer/driver Guy Gagnon. Beaten 1/5 fave (3) UNIQUE BEACH's recent improvement was at lower level, for Berube; overland trip; flying three-wide for stretch drive in field's-fastest 29.3. (1) PRETTY BOY DUKE teamed up with Robert Shepherd to win on Sunday class jump; this was race in which beaten 1/5 fave Cortez the Killer and Western Phil took each other out of contention. Class-



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dropping (7) AIR STRIKE gets second consecutive driver change after wiring for Guy Gagnon; tough post.



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