

Our national stable of correspondents and racing insiders have once again teamed to bring you insight on nearly 350 leading sophomores, helping you with those Vegas winter book plays or participation in the pari-mutuel Kentucky Derby Future Wager pools offered February 8-11, March 8-11 and April 12-15. All analysis and odds as of December 17 press deadline.

HORSE	MIKE'S LINE	SIRE	TRAINER	HORSEPLAYER'S COMMENTS
Arcata	500	Wagon Limit	H. Graham Motion	Outrun by Hard Spun sprinting, but romped at Del in first two-turn try; Dynaformer mare, turf?
Babcock Lake	500	Grand Slam	Jeff Bonde	\$100K 2YO buy took top NoCal'er Candy's Bro to the wire in sprint ALW.
Baltimore Drive	500	Silver Charm	Chris Paasch	NY-bred won debut easily at Saratoga before outrun in west coast tries.
Barilko	150	E Dubai	David Dwyer	Ex-MCL dominated WO baby races, including Swynford; \$30K Kee buy.
Base Commander	250	Officer	Todd Pletcher	Solid runner-up in TP quick MSW dash to Meet At Jacks; dam G1-placed in US and UK.
Belgravia	100	Mr. Greeley	Patrick Biancone	\$2M purchase scored on Poly & Cushion, taking Hol Prevue; female family of Afleet Alex.
Bella Shambrock	100	Grand Slam	Todd Pletcher	Crushed Mth maidens by 14 sprinting over summer; added 2 sprint stakes before disappearing.
Bianchi's Boy	300	Cryptoclearance	Dale Romans	Pedigree, running style to improve with distance; nibbling in KY, but could break out.
Big Chief	500	Cherokee Run	Dallas Stewart	Late-running KY sprinter; \$250K yearling out of Canadian champ Deputy Jane West.
Bilbo	500	Point Given	Laurie Silvera	Stakes-placed at WO short and long; out of Cal Cup Juvenile Fillies winner Incindress.
Birdbirdistheword	100	Pure Prize	Ken McPeek	Delta Jackpot win made BC Juvy 1-2-3 finish look even better - all from same Kee race.
Bitter Bill	300	Cobra King	Jeff Mullins	CA-bred won Hol ALW in sharp 1:09 flat in Nov. after relocated from Boise.
Black Hills	200	Judge TC	Jeff Mullins	Beat deep sprint field at Hol in late Nov. in quick 6.5F time; outrun twice at Dmr.
Black Seventeen	125	Is It True	Brian Koriner	Crushed Dmr maidens in 1:10-1/5, including Malt Magic; back strain sidelined all fall.
Blackfoot Trail	500	Menifee	Patrick Biancone	Half-bro to G1 winner First Samurai; showed very little in initial MSW attempts.
Bleniem	500	Graeme Hall	Bill White	Consistent hard-knocker has been 1-paced in Calder stakes routes.
Blue Bullet	500	Red Bullet	Allen Jerkens	Half-bro to sprint star Kelly Kip; left worktab in late Aug.
Blue Sky God	200	Stormy Atlantic	Kiaran McLaughlin	Rapid 6F MSW winner at Big A in Nov. from sprint family; sold to Sheikhs, next Henny?
Boaz	500	Fusaichi Pegasus	Frank Kirby	Half-bro to English G1-winning sprinter Nuclear Debate; flashed speed in Chicago MSW.
Bold Start	200	Jump Start	Ken McPeek	\$50K yearling beat Officer Rocket in maiden ranks before 3rd in Cradle; out since Oct.
Boogie Boggs	150	Dixie Union	Nick Zito	\$650K yearling won Spa debut over strong cast; SW dam is half-sis to G1 winner High Fly.
Boutrous	250	Tiznow	Craig Dollase	Hol MSW winner in mid-Nov. around 2 turns; from female family of Swiss Yodeler.
Brainy Benny	200	Barathea	Bill Mott	Lrl Futurity 3rd in US unveiling, but strong Polytrack tries overseas says Kee, TP.
Broad River	400	Broad Brush	H. Graham Motion	Couldn't hang with Chelokee in Del debut, but solid 2nd to stablemate Arcata next time.
Buddha Calling	300	Buddha	Bobby Frankel	Colt with strong worktab prior to lackluster Nov. debut at Hol; Phone Trick mare, distance?
Buffalo Man	150	El Prado	Cam Gambolati	NJ-based runner found waters deeper in NY; crushed 2-turn Med stakes cast.
Bullara	200	Holy Bull	Todd Pletcher	Nibbled minor awards in very tough MSW tries vs. Shobiz et al; out of Kris S. mare.
Cape Bird	250	Cape Town	Reynaldo Abreu	Whitney home-bred whose dam is half-sis to Birdstone and Bird Town.
C P West	100	Came Home	Nick Zito	Futurity runner-up high on trainer's list; change-of-plans sent him to BC where troubled 6th.
Cahill's Touch	200	Touch Gold	Rodney Jenkins	Legit Marylander dominated a solid Scott Lake sprinter in debut; also won route.
California Sky	300	Bertrando	Doug O'Neill	CA-bred chased fast, runaway winners in initial outings; out of Desert Wine mare.
Caped For Flight	200	Cape Town	Brian Koriner	\$200K 2YO purchase showed good speed at Del Mar and Oak Tree; distance, class?
Captivating Cat	300	Storm Cat	John Sherriffs	Out of G1 winner Exotic Wood; long, full tab before debuting a game third at Hol in Dec.
Carnacks Choice	400	Carson City	Greg Foley	Solid-finishing sprinter could be one of Turfway's best this winter; Tabasco Cat mare.
Caruso	300	Cape Canaveral	Richard Hazelton	Top IL-bred sprinter dominated local stakes around one turn; Meadowlake mare.
Cash Rich	300	Oriente	Tony Dutrow	Sharp DelPark sprinter no match for Hard Spun in stakes; likely stays short.
Cat Tour	200	Tour d'Or	J. David Braddy	10-length winner of 2-turn Seacliff at Calder; dam is half to two graded winners.
Chace City	100	Carson City	Steve Asmussen	Fleet Saratoga Special champ has gas genes both sides; put away for the fall.
Chelokee	200	Cherokee Run	Michael Matz	\$290K yearling drilled Del maidens by 13; proved class with strong 2nd at CD.
Cherokee Flare	200	Cherokee Run	Bobby Frankel	Half-bro to Latent Heat burned cash east and west at 2, but showed some promise on turf.
Chief Talketma	400	Chief Seattle	John Kimmel	Home-bred whose dam is half to G2 winner Bodacious Tatas; wide rally in Nov. debut.
Chief's Lake	200	Yonagaska	Steve Asmussen	Rolled to easy 8F Sleepy Hollow win vs. NY-breds; sprint pedigree.
Chief's Magic	300	Chief Seattle	Bob Baffert	Gelding's blowout Dmr sprint debut win followed with fades in Fpx and Hol stakes tries.
Circular Quay	30	Thunder Gulch	Todd Pletcher	Strong resume rates with any; question will be is he a 1-turn specialist like dam?
City Snitch	200	Carson City	Patrick Biancone	Turned heads with crushing MSW sprint win at Spa; sidelined until Nov. with ankle chip.
Clifton Park	225	Allen's Prospect	Bruce Jackson	Top MD-bred going short now training in FL; dam half-sis to Cornhusker winner.
Cobalt Blue	200	Golden Missile	Doug O'Neill	Sharp Hol summer debut winner never fired in Best Pal before going to the sidelines.
Codio	200	Doneraile Court	Steve Asmussen	Hammered to 6-5 in CD debut in Nov. when an even 4th; strong worker.
Colonel Chick	200	West Acre	Jeff Mullins	\$150K 2YO buy notched maiden sprint win at Hol in mid-Nov. in solid time; trainer likes.
Consecration	300	Pulpit	Shug McGaughey	First foal out of Bonnie Miss runner-up; out since Spa, when distance debut second.

MARCH

- 3 Fountain of Youth (GP)
- Hutcherson (GP)
- Battaglia (TP)
- 10 Gotham (Aqu)
- 17 San Felipe (SA)
- Rebel (OP)
- Tampa Bay Derby (Tam)
- 18 WinStar Derby (Sun)
- 24 Lane's End (TP)
- Rushaway (TP)
- 31 Florida Derby (GP)
- Aventura (GP)
- UAE Derby (Nad)

APRIL

- 7 Santa Anita Derby (SA)
- Wood Memorial (Aqu)
- Bay Shore (Aqu)
- Illinois Derby (Haw)
- 14 Arkansas Derby (OP)
- Blue Grass (Kee)
- 21 Lexington (Kee)
- 28 Withers (Aqu)
- Derby Trial (CD)

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