

## **2017 Track Trends**

### **7 / 21 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

86

Wind 6 to 9 MPH EAST

There was an edge to the rail on the Main Track. The turf courses appeared to play fairly with perhaps a slight inside advantage.

### **7 / 22 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

80

Wind 3 MPH NE

The rail was clearly strong on the Main Track. The turf courses appeared to play fairly though the inside may have been an edge on the Inner Turf course.

### **7 / 23 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

79

Wind 3 MPH WEST

The rail continues to be strong on the Main Track. The turf courses appeared to play fairly.

### **7 / 24 Track Trends**

Muddy / Good ( Only the 8th race was ON the Turf )

Showers/Cloudy

61

Wind 3 to 6 MPH WEST

The rail was clearly the place to be on the Main Track though no running style had an advantage. The turf race was run fairly and was no worse than Good.

### **7 / 26 Track Trends**

Good & Good

Clear

76

Wind 6 MPH N/NE

Both the Main Track and the turf courses played fairly. It did seem the turf sprints ( on the Mellon ) may have had a bit of an outside flow.

### **7 / 27 Track Trends**

Good ( sealed )/Good (

Showery/Clear 7-10

67

Wind 7 MPH NE

The Main Track was listed as Good but was actually Muddy. You may have been a bit better off outside but it's not clear. No inside bias for sure. The 8th was the only flat race on the turf ( sprint on the Mellon ) and it played with an outside flow with relatively logical results.

### **7 / 28 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

77

Wind 4 MPH SW

The Main Track was somewhat ambiguous, which means it was likely relatively fair, though as the day wore on the rail may have gotten strong. Not clear. The turf courses played very fairly.

### **7 / 29 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

75

Wind 8 MPH SW

The rail on the Main Track was very strong and it appeared difficult to do well without spending at least a significant portion of the race inside. The turf courses played fairly.

### **7 / 30 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

78

Wind 2 to 5 MPH S/SW

There were not enough dirt races to be sure about the track, but the rail appeared very good, and speed seemed dominant. The turf courses played fairly.

### **7 / 31 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

85

Wind 5 MPH NE

The rail was very strong on the Main Track and closing outside was virtually impossible. It was the strongest bias of the meet. The turf courses played fairly.

### **8 / 2 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

84

Wind 1 to 2 MPH N/NE

All courses, the main track and both turf courses, appeared to play fairly with no apparent biases.

### **8 / 3 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

83

Wind 1 to 2 MPH NE

The inside, and seemingly speed, were an advantage on the Main Track. Both turf courses appeared to play fairly.

### **8 / 4 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

83

Wind 1 to 2 MPH N/NE

The rail was good on the Main Track, but it may have been situational, as the dirt races appeared to be run fairly as the day went on. Speed seemed good on the turf, but that too may have been more situational, and overall, the courses appear fair.

### **8 / 5 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

78

Wind 1 to 2 MPH E/NE

All courses, the main track and both turf courses, appeared to play fairly with no apparent biases.

### **8 / 6 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

73

Wind 5 MPH EAST

Rail and speed were both good on the Main Track but it might have been situational. Both turf courses played fairly

### **8 / 7 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

72

Wind 4 to 5 MPH N/NE

The Main Track seemed to play fairly, though speed and the inside were good. The turf courses played fairly

### **8 / 9 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

80

Wind 4 MPH E/NE

Once again, speed and the inside were good on the Main Track, but hard to say it was a major advantage. The turf courses played fairly, though the inside on the Inner Turf may have been an advantage, but it may have been pace related.

### **8 / 10 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

84

Wind 2 MPH NORTH

The Main Track appeared to play fairly. The Mellon Turf was fair, while there may be an edge to inside runners on the Inner Turf course.

### **8 / 11 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

76

Wind 3 MPH NORTH

The rail was good on the Main Track, but the track overall seemed to play fairly. The rail continues to be an advantage on the Inner Turf course, while the Mellon course played fairly.

### **8 / 12 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm 1-7; Muddy and Sealed ( 9 & 11 ) Yielding ( 8 & 10 )

Showery early, heavy rains prior to the 8th race

78

Wind 3 to 5 MPH N/NE

The rail was a distinctive advantage on the Main Track, even after the rains came. The turf courses played fairly prior to the rain, while after the rains you may have been best towards the outside paths, though it can't be a conclusive opinion. The riders seemed to want to get outside for the last two turf races.

### **8 / 13 Track Trends**

Fast & Good ( 7 & 9 )

Clear

83

Wind 4 MPH SE

The inside and speed were a distinct advantage on the Main Track, while the turf courses, one race on each, played fairly.

### **8 / 14 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

80

Wind 2 MPH NE

The rail was very strong on the Main track, where even the one deep closer to win rallied inside. The turf courses played fairly. Speed, as has been the case throughout the meet, did not hold well in turf sprints ( always on the Mellon course ).

### **8 / 16 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

77

Wind 3 MPH South

The rail continued to be strong on the Main Track. The turf courses seemed to play fairly, and closers continue to have an advantage in the turf sprints.

### **8 / 17 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

77

Wind 1 MPH N/NE

The rail continued to be good on the Main Track, but you could argue the track played reasonably fairly. The turf courses seemed fair, though the inside was good on the Inner and speed a likely disadvantage in turf sprints.

### **8 / 18 Track Trends**

Good for races 1-2, muddy 3-7 ( sealed for the 4th only ), good 8-10 - Off the Turf

Rain early, cloudy later

73

Wind 3 to 5 MPH North

Given the weather and track conditions, it's hard to judge the racetrack as anything other than fair. The inside seemed fine, but not necessarily an advantage.

### **8 / 19 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

73

Wind 5 MPH EAST

The main track appeared to favor speed and the inside, though not necessarily as strong as earlier in the week ( meet ), as we did see one winner make a strong outside close. The turf courses were in great shape after the rain on Thursday night and Friday and appeared to play fairly.

### **8 / 20 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

78

Wind 7 MPH SE

The Main Track played fairly, the inside was good but we saw enough closers do well to say it was at least relatively fair. The turf courses played fairly.

### **8 / 21 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

80

Wind 5 MPH NE

The Main Track, as well as the turf courses, appeared to play fairly.

### **8 / 23 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

76

Wind 6 MPH East

The Main Track appeared to play fairly though the collapse of the speed in the 7th was due to a highly contested pace. The rails came down on the turf courses which made the inside paths preferably, as it was fresh ground. This trend continued through the week ( at least through 8/27 ).

### **8 / 24 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

74

Wind 4 MPH E/SE

The Main Track played fairly. The inside on the turf courses was a distinct advantage and speed may have been an edge on the Inner, though it tends to be pace related.

### **8 / 25 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

72

Wind 3 MPH SE

The Main Track was fair. The inside continues to be an advantage on the turf courses which seemed to play fairly depending on pace/race dynamics.

### **8 / 26 ( Travers Day ) Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

73

Wind 1 MPH East



The inside/rail on the Main Track appeared to be an advantage, but it wasn't nearly as strong as some days. The turf races played fairly on both courses, with the inside continuing to be an advantage.

### **8 / 27 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

72

Wind 2 MPH SW

The Main Track was fair. The inside paths were a significant advantage on both turf courses, which may make speed appear good, but it was more a path related bias than running style advantage.

### **8 / 28 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

76

Wind 1 MPH NW

The Main Track played fair. The inside paths, particularly on the Inner, were an advantage on both turf courses.

### **8 / 30 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

74

Wind 1 to 3 MPH South to East

The Main Track continues to play fairly. The inside paths continue to be an advantage on the turf courses, though the rail was moved out 9 feet on the Inner, while we continue to race on the hedge on the Mellon.

### **8 / 31 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Cloudy

72

Wind 10 MPH SE

The Main Track appeared to play fairly/evenly. The turf courses did not favor a running style as much as it was necessary, more on the Mellon but to some extent on the Inner, to save ground for at least a reasonable to significant portion of the race

### **9 / 1 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

67

Wind 10 to 12 MPH SE

The Main Track appeared to play fairly. You may ( very unclear ) have been slightly better off a bit off the rail, but two runners ( 1st and 8th ) did well enough on the rail to suggest it was fine. Inside position, not speed, continued to be important on the turf courses, perhaps a little more on the Mellon.

### **9 / 2 Track Trends**

Fast & Firm

Clear

71

Wind 1 to 4 MPH North

The Main Track was played fairly, though the rail was good and perhaps a slight advantage. Nothing significant based on results. Paces played a role in how the turf races were run, with horses saving ground for a portion of the race having an advantage.

### **9 / 3 Track Trends**

Sloppy ( Sealed )

Rain

55

Wind 1 to 2 MPH West to North

The track played fairly despite the rain. There is the possibility it was better not to be right on the rail, but it's at least somewhat ambiguous.

### **9 / 4 Track Trends**

Muddy ( Sealed ) Races 1-4, Good ( Harrowed ) 5-6-9-10 & Yielding ( Race 7 - Mellon, Race 8 - Inner )

Clear

77

Wind 7 to 11 MPH N/NE

Despite the changing conditions, the Main Track appeared to play fairly throughout the day as it dried out. The Mellon, while listed yielding, seemed to be much firmer, relatively speaking, than the Inner based on the times. The race on the Inner collapsed, but it may well have been situational, while speed held with the favorite winning on the Mellon.