Race #8 - Rating = 3

#10 Kitten's Point - Fair odds 2/1 **#2 Queen of the Sand** - Fair odds 2/1

Exactas: 2,10 over 2,3,6,8,9,10 Optionally, reverse the best above as well. #3 is Warren's Veneda, #6 is Bound for Eden, #8 is Wishing Gate and #9 is Gender Agenda.

With it appearing Kathleen Rose and Miss Ellany (both need-the-lead types) will battle through fast early fractions and tire, the race appears to be open to being won from far back, and the two that I think can finish fastest of all are **Kitten's Point** and **Queen of the Sand.**

Kitten's Point drops significantly in class, her last 3 races all Grade 1 or Grade 2 and this being a restricted stakes, with her very last being the First Lady Stakes, a KEY RACE From which winner Dayatthespa came back to win the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf and from which 3rd place finisher Filimbi came back to win the Grade 2 Goldikova Stakes on Sunday. Additionally, runner-up Better Lucky ran HUGE to finish 2nd in the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint last Saturday. As such, with no horses of the caliber of those she's faced recently entered here, Kitten's Point should be rolling by the field to win.

Queen of the Sand can get the last quarter in 23.5 so she too should be coming on strongly, as she was winning back-to-back in June and August, the latter here at Del Mar. She finished 7th in the G1 Rodeo Drive, from which the runners didn't perform nearly as well in the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf last weekend as those coming out of the First Lady Stakes, but with Smith getting back on after a one race absence and being responsible for her 2 wins she should also be a factor at the wire, noting she scratched out of the Goldikova Stakes on Sunday for this easier spot.

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