

## Analysis By: **Dan Illman**

3 **JAXON TRAVELER** showed promise when a well-bet debut winner at Pimlico for Steve Asmussen. Munnings colt broke well, set a moderate pace while in between rivals, drew off on the turn and dropped the hammer on his foes while under an aggressive hand ride. This will likely be a tougher spot as he breaks in between two pretty fast 2-year-olds and will probably have to work a bit in the opening quarter. We'll learn more today. 7 **NOBODY KNEW** hasn't been challenged since being gelded and now makes his first start for Claudio Gonzalez as one of only two multiple-race winners in the field. Shook loose against weaker \$25,000 sellers last time and that trip might not be available with Sir Wellington, Jaxon Traveler and 4 **SHACKLED LOVE** also in this group. Toledo departs for SHACKLED LOVE, who was aided by a speed-favoring track at Delaware as all six of the dirt races that day were won by horses on or very close to the pace. He earned a competitive Beyer Speed Figure, however, and it's worth noting the top-two finishers were well clear of the rest. Drew outside the other main speeds and might settle into a tracking spot while clear of traffic. NEWYEARSBLOCKPARTY appears to dislike wet tracks so you can toss his non-effort as the favorite in the First State Dash at Delaware. He's the other two-time winner in the field and might benefit from a contested pace up front.