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Best Bet: **Counterstrike (9th race)**

8 **COUNTERSTRIKE** showed big promise last year when beaten a head after prolonged stretch drive by Fancy Liquor, now a G2 winner. Working steadily while returning as a new gelding for 2021 bow. 6 **SMALL TALK** knocking on door of late. May be ready for best yet here. 4 **VOODOO ZIP** a hanging sort and beaten favorite with same kind last time. Logical at another short price and likely very dangerous if shaking loose on front end turning back in distance here.