By Les Vagueness

"I don't dream much, my goals aren't big,

But for once I'd like the winning pig!"

Predicting the 2019 Nevis Pig Race is more difficult than picking the winners of the Super Bowl, World Series, Kentucky Derby, The Masters and the Cricket World Cup all in the same year. But let's give it a try.

1:05 Post Time

To start the day off **Built Rite** sponsored by North Country Structures, will nail it down in the Contractor's race. Unknown Legend Designs **Stitches** will sew up a win in the second race at Nevis Downs. In the third race, **Easy Money** from Citizens National Bank needs to win so my loan gets approved. Bet on it. It's a tough call in the fourth race: D.Q. or the Royal Bar? A great pork tenderloin vs. a great running pig; take **Royalty** by a nose.

In Race #5, when I need **Nuts and Bolts**, Ace is the place. Cease all doubt about betting on **Kaput** in the sixth race. I don't want to meet him. I really need a trim, and if Amielia's pig, **Run Away Toupee** wins, I get a free haircut, so that's where the smart money is in the seventh race. And in the race to determine the best comedy movie, I'm picking **Bushwood** from Caddyshack in a laugher.

3:05 Post Time

The first race after the intermission is the Resorts event, and this year I'm going with the **Babe** from Beauty Bay. I had a tough time picking between Tapper or Chris P Bacon in the second race; thirst won out so I am betting on **Tapper** from The Firefly. Hunger can be resolved by betting on **Fritter** from Chop and Pop's in the third race (I recommend the glazed croissant).

Last year the Shawshank Accounting Department won race #4, but this year I'm predicting our Sheriff will persevere with his pig **Busted**. He gets a trophy; I get a Get Out of Jail Free card. And if **Mercury** wins the Dorset competition in race #5, my pontoon gets service before yours! In race #6 I see T&M's **Gas Man** driving off with the win, and Tru Star Federal Credit Union is where to put your **C Note** in race #7.

In the last race between the branches of our Armed Services, it's just too close for me to call. I love 'em all!







You don't have to kiss the Nevis Study Group ladies for a cookie. Money well spent will buy you a delectable pig cookie. However, if your pig wins its race, you may have to kiss a pig! As Dear Flabby would say, "One has to kiss a few pigs in one's lifetime ..." Okay ladies, you can quit laughing now.

Race # - Sponsor - Racing Pig

1:05 Post Time Races

- Race 1: North Country Structures Built Rite
- Race 2: Unknown Legend Design Stitches
- Race 3: Citizens National Bank Easy Money
- Race 4: Royal Bar Royalty
- Race 5: Park Ace Hardware Nuts and Bolts
- Race 6: Cease Funeral Home Kaput
- Race 7: Amielia's Hair Salon Runaway Toupee
- Race 8: Caddyshack Bushwood

3:05 Post Time Races

- Race 1: Beauty Bay Lodge & Resort Babe
- Race 2: Firefly Event Barn Tapper
- Race 3: Chop 'n Pops Bakery Fritter
- Race 4: Sheriff Cory Aukes Busted
- Race 5: Johnson's on the Water Mercury
- Race 6: T&M Gas Man
- Race 7: Tru Star Credit Union C Note
- Race 8: U-pick 'em too close to call

Pig Race Etiquette

Cell phones

Cell phones must be muted in the race area. The School of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University reports that ringing sounds disrupt the focus of racing pigs. Race officials ask that all spectators' cell phones be muted or turned to vibrate only. The only exception allowed on race day is the special "oinking pig" ringtone app that you can purchase at pig race headquarters and have installed for just \$500. Also, no texting is allowed once a race has started, and no selfie photos are allowed unless there is a pig in the back ground. **Personal attire**

Ladies, the Nevis Pig Races are the perfect time to make a classy fashion statement, with so many high society debutantes in attendance to observe the running of the pigs. No blouses with holes in the shoulder. No jeans with worn through denim. Patch them up, or get some new ones. Skirts and high heels are fine, even preferred.

Guys, no hats on backwards. And it is okay to wear pink.

Anyone found to be in violation of these rules will have to soothe a pig by kissing it on the snout (tongue optional).

