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Track: Gulfstream Park

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BEST BET: Tropicality (2nd race)

First Race

1. Sammie Sunshine

2. Dancing Noelle

3. Nothins Free

SAMMIE SUNSHINE didn't fire in her latest but she was facing substantially tougher and if she runs back to her race two back w finished second to subsequent stakes winner Starcloud she's the winner. That is a big if, and the drop is a big concern, Nonetheless be considered the one to beat. **DANCING NOELLE** came up empty in her latest but she was coming off a layoff and could take t way if she breaks on top. Catch her if you can. **NOTHINS FREE** didn't break all that well and then steadied while going wide on her latest. With a better trip she could be dangerous from a stalking position.

Second Race

1. Tropicality

2. Expect an Entry

3. Lydia's Way

TROPICALITY ran like a horse that needed a race when she finished fourth going slightly longer April 14 and with a solid interi could be a handful coming back in a more reasonable time period. **EXPECT AN ENTRY** should also benefit from having a race t and has enough speed to take advantage of her inside post. Not sure she wants to go this far, though. **LYDIA'S WAY** received sor when she made her debut on the main track but didn't show much after breaking a step slow. She is a full-brother to 2-time turf wi Crown so if she has some talent she should show it here.

Third Race

1. Competitive Player

2. Coquivacoa

3. Italian Smile

COMPETITIVE PLAYER broke a step slow and got squeezed back at the start before finishing full of run in her latest at this lev that she was claimed out of the race by a trainer who is on fire at the meet and has solid numbers with fresh faces has us leaning in direction. **COQUIVACOA** got off to poor stars in her last two and should make her presence know with a better beginning. She is of stalking **ITALIAN SMILE** who has improved dramatically in her last two starts and might be good enough to stand the jump in

Fourth Race

1. No Sweat

2. She Takes Heart

3. Doritza

NO SWEAT looked good winning a first-level \$25K optional race two back and should appreciate the easier company after settin going 1 3/8 miles on the lawn in Soar Softly won by Grade 3 winner Summersault. Nice to see Gaffalione riding for Pletcher and s mind the cutback in distance while moving back to dirt. **SHE TAKES HEART** looks like the main speed, should move forward in start back, and could be tough to reel in if she breaks on top. **DORITZA** could bounce after earning a career-best Beyer coming of layoff, but she has had plenty of time to recover and she just might be an improved 4-year-old.

Fifth Race

1. Love and Lemons

2. Drinks On Maggie

3. Go Girl Gone

LOVE AND LEMONS is clearly the best of the ones that have started and both of her races over this surface would likely be good to win this. There are obviously some issues with the lightly-raced 4-year-old but she's had an interim work and it is nice to see her come forward this quickly with Gaffalione keeping the faith. **DRINKS ON MAGGIE** took them a long way coming off a layoff and could take them forward in her second start back. **GO GIRL GONE** is the first foal out of a turf winner and could shine with the surface switch. She finished in front of Drinks On Maggie last time but not sure what kind of trip she is going to get leaving from the outside post.

Sixth Race

1. Cajun Queen

2. Wild Chatter

3. Prado Vision

CAJUN QUEEN has been away for a while but she had a sharp work out of the gate April 29 and she's in very good hands with V Horse that beat her in her last start earned an 83 Beyer when she repeated in a \$62.5k optional. If **CAJUN QUEEN** runs her usual race will be tough to beat. **WILD CHATTER** had a rough trip in her latest and could be dangerous with Gaffalione riding for Ziadi; a 48 percent winning combination at Gulfstream since 2016. Blinkers come off **PRADO VISION** who set a fast pace before settling for fourth. **FINAL FLURRY** is trending in the right direction and if she runs back to her latest she could pick up a major share in what appears to be a contentious race.

Seventh Race

1. Mardi Gras Girl

2. Awesome Park

3. Lailoni

MARDI GRAS GIRL came back with a solid work following her strong debut where she set the pace and held on well to finish in a second. She could take a big step forward with Lasix being added and a race behind her. **AWESOME PARK** is by Awesome of California an excellent debut sire with roughly 20 percent of his 2-year-olds winning first time, plus, the past five years Nicks has a 27 percent with 2-year-olds debuting in MSW races. **LAILONI** has been working like she ran a bit and being out of an \$806K Grade 3 winner has produced five winners she probably can.

Eighth Race

1. Meant Tobe Mine

2. Unbridled Courage

3. Eila

MEANT TOBE MINE improved dramatically in her last two and it is encouraging to see her new connections run her back in a race to be claimed. There is other speed in the field, but she came from a stalking position when she won a \$16K n/2L in Dec. so Juarez has one option if she doesn't break on top. Also, note the strong numbers Crichton has with claimed horses running back the first time. **UNBRIDLED COURAGE** rallied from along the rail to win at this level in her last start and considering the way **MEANT TOBE MINE** drifted out in her last two she could get a similar trip here. **EILA** set fast fractions and almost took them all the way in **EILA'S** race but she is sitting on a peak performance in the third start of her current form cycle.

Ninth Race

1. Reason to Soar**2. Front Loaded****3. Small Fortune**

REASON TO SOAR is perfect here, owns the best last-race Beyer Speed Figure, and is eligible to move forward after a sharp performance in his first start following a lengthy layoff. **FRONT LOADED** didn't get beat by that much in the \$107K Tangelo last year and the work was good enough to finish third in the 2018 Pegasus World Cup. He can fire fresh and has been working like he's ready for a big effort start as a 4-year-old. **SMALL FORTUNE** has a better record on turf but he ran a big race on the main track in his first start for Ar and could show further improvement with the blinkers going back on.

Tenth Race

1. Wild in Red**2. Wishfully****3. Bright Venezuelan**

WILD IN RED is a bit suspect coming back for less than she was claimed for, especially considering the way she romped in her \$20K maiden claimer across town Oct. 20. Nonetheless, Antonucci is having a strong meet and this is a pretty soft spot for Red's career. **WISHFULLY** should move forward in her second start back, will appreciate the substantially easier company, and could be a contender. **BRIGHT VENEZUELAN** can get her into the mix early. **BRIGHT VENEZUELAN** is an improving 3-year-old who looked good winning a \$25K claimer in her last start. **PERFECT STATE** is hard to love on top with just a single win from 30 starts but she was the runner-up at her latest and at the least should be used in the exotics.