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Race Analysis

Friday, June 15, 2018

RACE 1: 3 – 2 – 4 – 8

RACE 2: 5 – 7 – 1 – 6

RACE 3: 4 – 2 – 5 – 1

RACE 4: 5 – 4 – 1 – 8

RACE 5: 5 – 1 – 2 – 7

RACE 6: 6 – 3 – 7 – 4

RACE 7: 5 – 4 – 2 – 3

RACE 8: 6 – 1 – 2 – 4

RACE 9: 6 – 8 – 4 – 9

Twilight Friday Best Bet: I certainly had one eye on the forecast while doing the work for Friday's nine-race GP program. Friendly reminder that the action – rain or shine – begins a little later than your average day here with that first-race Twilight Friday post of 2:15 p.m. Eastern. With the chance of rain on the horizon (hopefully we'll be bone dry with fast and firm conditions) I've opted to go with race 8 (on dirt) contender **Weisser** as Friday's Blewitt Best Bet – or the Triple B if you want to sound hip! I'm viewing Weisser as a second-time starter late Friday afternoon at GP. A second-time starter, that is, that is stepping up in class off a big, comfortable and convincing maiden victory about five weeks ago. For the record, Weisser will be running for the third time in his young career Friday (race 8 is a Florida-bred allowance / optional claimer, by the way) but his December 23rd career debut is a complete throwout. Not only did Weisser face a salty crew of "open" maidens that afternoon – take a look at the eventual graded stakes winning Strike Power who won the race by daylight – he launched his career over a main track that was heavily biased towards inside speed. Needless to say, Strike Power coasted along the rail in front and earned a gigantic 102 Beyer Speed Figure in the process. Weisser trudged home, beaten nearly two dozen lengths. Yet, I liked everything I saw from this Arindel homebred last month when he scored an easy win in his second start. Reasonable thinking says Weisser will improve off that May 12th effort for trainer Stanley Gold. Gold, of course, has been on a strong run of late here at GP with nine spring meet wins through Sunday. The outside post, a big edge in these lengthy one-turn miles on the dirt at Gulfstream, seals the deal.

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Ziadie Trainer Change in R7: I plan on playing both Picks 5s Friday at GP (geez, a big shocker there) and am very interested in a "first-time Ziadie" runner in race 7. That Ralph Ziadie trainer change, **I'm Cardinal**, faces 11 foes in the 7th race, a race I feel is the deepest on the card. Now, there isn't much to go on with I'm Cardinal in the pedigree department – he's an 8yo gelding by Greatness out of an 0/16 The Name's Jimmy mare; he is her only foal – but I contend that Ziadie is one of, if not the best, five-furlong turf sprint trainers in South Florida. Reylu Gutierrez, the hot-riding seven-pound apprentice, completes a nice, neat, and not to mention, very speedy package here with I'm Cardinal. Sizing up race 7 early, I don't believe anyone has the kind of speed I'm Cardinal possesses. It's a competitive turf sprint for sure, but I'm calling it I'm Cardinal wire to wire over **Igo Foregreatness** (gets points n' props for his relative sharp consistency) and **Texas Rustler** (the field's elder statesman / senior as the lone 9yo in the mix.) Good race and, of course, good luck!