



# JASON BLEWITT'S

## Race Analysis

*Saturday, May 25, 2019*

### Liam's Map, Khozan See Early Action Early

RACE 1: 8 – 3 – 7 – 9

RACE 2: 5 – 3 – 6 – 7

RACE 3: 2 – 5 – 6 – 8

RACE 4: 3 – 6 – 1 – 7

RACE 5: 4 – 1 – 6 – 3

RACE 6: 6 – 1 – 7 – 3

RACE 7: 4 – 3 – 6 – 5

RACE 8: 3 – 11 – 5 – 12

RACE 9: 6 – 1 – 2 – 7

RACE 10: 6 – 8 – 9 – 11

RACE 11: 5 – 1 – 7 – 2

RACE 12: 3 – 12 – 11 – 6

Gulfstream Park's 12-race Saturday card seemingly has something for everyone. There is a late afternoon \$75,000 stakes race, the Ana T, as well as a pair of two-year-old maiden special weights on the undercard (they go as races 3 and 5.) In fact, the cast of race 3-bound juvenile fillies immediately grabbed my attention. And the gang's all here! Gulfstream's all-time leading trainer, Todd Pletcher, has a first-time starter in the mix (Integral) as do fellow South Florida heavy hitters Saffie Joseph Jr., Kathleen O'Connell, Stanley Gold and Eddie Plesa Jr. Actually, Plesa sends out my top selection in the 3<sup>rd</sup>, a gray filly named Choose to Be Happy. I was a big fan of the mega-talented, if frustratingly fragile Liam's Map a few years back. And I wholeheartedly believe he's going to prove a top-class, elite level stallion. Well, Choose to Be Happy is the first starter at stud for Liam's Map, who capped his career with an authoritative victory in the 2015 Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile. This filly, owned by Karl and Cathi Glassman, proved a 57k "RNA buyback" the first time she was offered at auction last year but later sold for 90k at OBS '18. Her Yes It's True dam, Kelwynne, won three races; Choose to Be Happy is her second foal. As luck would have it, Pletcher saddles Integral against Choose to Be Happy. Integral, who attracted GP's leading rider, Edgard Zayas, goes from post 2 in this field of eight fillies. Her Street Boss dam started only once on-track and this is her first foal. South Florida's Khozan has already sired a pair of juvenile winners this meet at Gulfstream Park and aims for a third with the Kathleen O'Connell-trained Lovely Lady Lexi. Later on, trainer Mark Casse – fresh off a Preakness 144 victory with War of Will – saddles Classic Girl in race 5. She's related to five (multiple) winning siblings, including Classic Empire, Casse's two-year-old champion of 2016.

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