



# RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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## RACE 1:

**4 SHIDOSHI** is dropping to the \$10,000 level after threatening to notch this condition in back-to-back turf outings at the \$12,500 level. Trainer Antonio Sano has leading jock Edgard Zayas in the saddle. **2 MOSCA**, 3<sup>rd</sup> behind Shidoshi 2 starts back, renews the rivalry after so-so performance from the rail vs better last out.

**8 AREYOUTALKINGTOME** is a late-striding type that breaks from the outside, and should be along to grab a share of the exotic wagers.

**SELECTIONS: 4-2-8**

## RACE 2:

**6 LEVY LAND** became the only 3-time winner in the field when the sophomore drew clear to defeat 3 of the 5 horses she faces today to win by 5 ½ lengths. **2 PEGGITY** will try to close the gap after stalking the pace and finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> to Levy Land last out. **5 TIKITACA** is hoping to recapture the form she displayed defeating 'non-winners of 2-lifetime' runners 2 starts back after the stalk-and-flatten outing behind Levy Land last out.

**SELECTIONS: 6-2-5**

## RACE 3:

**5 DELICIOUS PURSUIT** is turning back to what is definitely her best distance (12-5-1-0) after setting the pace and tiring when facing this caliber of competition going a mile last out. Trainer Rohan Crichton is 21% with the route-to-sprint angle. **2 CORDELE** who showed a pattern of win a race, then lose a race, before the freshening, returns looking to sit the 'trip' behind the hot pace expected.

**6 GRAN LETIZIA**, 1 of 2 in the field for Victor Barboza Jr (Elia), steps up the competition after posting her 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive victory at the distance when she defeated \$12,500 conditioned claimers last out; go-to jock Emisael Jaramillo rides.

**SELECTIONS: 5-2-6**

## RACE 4:

**6 FRIO** is a son of Frost Giant debuting for trainer Ron Spatz with Lasix, and a series of solid workouts over the track showing; Jairo Rendon rides. **9 VALIANT VIRTUE** is stretching out to 5 ½ furlongs after finishing a rallying 3<sup>rd</sup> in his 5-furlong debut at this \$25,000 level. **3 FORTLITE** is a son of Fort Larned debuting for trainer David Fawkes with 9 local workouts showing for the debut. The Peter Vegso homebred will have Victor Lebron in the irons.

**SELECTIONS: 6-9-3**

## RACE 5:

**6 VUYELWA** finds a good spot to flaunt her early interest after making a middle move to get the lead before fading to finish 6<sup>th</sup> vs better than she faces today; Samy Camacho rides the upset special for trainer Brian Lusk.

**10 JUDGE KITTEN** is hoping for a clean trip after encountering traffic problems and finishing 6<sup>th</sup> last out. Trainer Angel Quiroz lightens the impost with 10-pound apprentice Kennyel Suarez handling the outside draw.

**8 QUEEN SOLDAT** is another eligible to show more vs this caliber of opposition after dueling for the lead and fading in her career debut at the distance.

**SELECTIONS: 6-10-8**

**RACE 6:**

**3 NORTHERN** is stepping up, and stretching out to 6 furlongs (14-5-2-3), after drawing clear to defeat \$6,250 claimers going 5 ½ furlongs last out. Trainer Elizabeth Dobles, 11 for 26 (43%) at the meeting, has Jairo Rendon going for 2 in a row. **2 DR HARLAN** is turning back to his best distance (6-3-0-0) after dueling along the inside and finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> when facing this level of competition going 7 furlongs. Trainer Gustavo Delgado has Edgard Zayas handling the turnback. **4 PHISH FAN** is back in South Florida, and back from the 5-month layoff, looking to recapture the form he displayed when facing better here last summer. Trainer Monte Thomas has J J Gonzales named to ride.

**SELECTIONS: 3-2-4****RACE 7:**

**2 TWISTED LICORICE** is stepping up to the next level after the game score vs \$12,500 '2-lifetime' sophomores in which he repelled a couple of challenges to win as the 4-to-5 favorite. **1 ANOTHER SOFTBALL** is a major player from the rail after using his speed to break his maiden 2 starts back, and follow that with a front running victory vs \$12,500 '2-lifetime' claimers. The gelding, a perfect 2 for 2 at the distance, has Hector Berrios going for the hat trick. **9 EARTH** has been knocking on the door in consecutive races at the distance, and should be able to land a perfect stalking trip behind the plethora of speed in the field. Trainer Jena Antonucci has Angel Rodriguez handling the outside post.

**SELECTIONS: 2-1-9****RACE 8:**

**6 KING HUMOR** is returning from the 372-day layoff looking to recapture the form he displayed winning 3 consecutive sprint races, including the hard-fought victory in the \$75,000 Ocala Flame last June. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr has the son of Distorted Humor training sharply for his toughest task yet.

**4 FIELD TRIP** was ultra-game in defeat when he returned from the layoff to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> behind multiple graded stakes-placed Cautious Giant in a \$40,000 optional claimer contested at 5 ½ furlongs. **5 SOUTACHE**, listed as a gelding, returns from the 10-month layoff looking to rekindle the form he displayed winning both the In Reality, and Affirmed Divisions, of the 2017 Fla Sire Stakes.

**SELECTIONS: 6-4-5****RACE 9:**

**6 PRINCESS LATINA** is stepping up to the next level after returning from the 6-month layoff to wallop a field of \$10,000 maidens by almost 9 lengths. Trainer Gilberto Zerpa is 30% winning consecutive races. **11 ABACO DREAM** is dropping to the \$6,250 '2-lifetime' level on the dirt after shipping in for trainer Wesley Ward and finishing a track-and-fade 6<sup>th</sup> vs \$20,000 conditioned claimers going 7 ½ furlongs on the turf. **1 BIRD OF PEACE** is stretching out to 6 ½ furlongs after rallying to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> – beaten a half-length – at three-quarters of a mile. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr has Juan D. Lopez handling the 3<sup>rd</sup> start back from the layoff.

**SELECTIONS: 6-11-1****BEST BET: RACE 7 – 2 TWISTED LICORICE****LONGSHOT: RACE 5 – 6 VUYELWA**