



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

3 DREAMY MARTINI is dropping to the \$6,250 level after dueling for the lead and settling for 3rd in a \$12,500 going a 1-turn mile. **9 OVER LIMIT** is making his first start since an inconsistent 2-race campaign vs similar at GP West. Trainer Peter Walder has Paco Lopez handling the return to action.

6 THE MONEY TRAIN is cutting back to 7 furlongs looking to flaunt his speed in the first start back from the 7-month layoff. C C Lopez rides.

SELECTIONS: 3-9-6

RACE 2:

3 TEAK is dropping a notch on the competition scale after setting the pace and yielding late when finishing 3rd in front of a pair of next-out winners in a \$16,000 '2-lifetime' claimer at the distance. **9 SHANGHAI NOON** plunges to the \$12,500 level after returning from the layoff to track the pace and fade to 5th behind repeat winner Macho Blue in a \$30,000 '2-lifetime' claimer going 5 furlongs. **2 WILDCAT BLAST** moved to the Gilberto Zerpa barn via the claim, and steps up to face winners, after using his speed to wire a field of \$20,000 maidens; Edgard Zayas rides.

SELECTIONS: 3-9-2

RACE 3:

3 ART'S TABLE is dropping to the bottom on the dirt after showing speed and fading late when facing \$20,000 maidens going 5 furlongs on the turf. Trainer Antonio Sano has Edgard Zayas handling the combo dropdown/surface switch. **6 STARSHIP TAXI** is cutting back to 5 ½ furlongs after the fare performance going three-quarters of a mile in which he set the pace and weakened late. **7 ROSAS FOR JIMMY** is turning back to 5 ½ furlongs after disputing the pace and finishing 2nd vs similar going 6 panels.

SELECTIONS: 3-6-7

RACE 4:

1 THANKS MOM is turning back to 7 ½ furlongs, and breaking from the rail again, after the inconsistent pair going a mile in which she was a troubled 3rd 2 starts back, and a flat 4th last out. Trainer Mary Eppler has Paco Lopez named to handle the daughter of Majestic Warrior. **2 FAITHFUL SUE** is making her first start since coming within a nose of notching this '3-lifetime' condition vs \$8,000 claimers at GP West. Trainer Yvon Belsoeur is 24% with 61-180 days layoff. **5 DURVEN** hasn't been to the races since she defeated a pair of next-out winners in a \$10,000 '2-lifetime' claimer here last July. Trainer Sarah Nagle is 4 for 17 with this type of layoff.

SELECTIONS: 1-2-5

RACE 5:

5 W W CONCERTO moved to the Yvon Belsoeur barn via the claim, and turns back to a mile, after the 2-race win streak at this distance ended when he finished 2nd going a mile and a sixteenth. **8 GOTSOMEMOJO** moved to the Elizabeth Dobles barn via the claim after returning from the 2-month layoff to finish a late-closing 4th behind W W Concerto when they hooked up at a mile on March 17. **9 OH MY WARRIOR** moved to the Dan Hurtak barn via the claim, and is stretching out to a mile, after rallying wide to finish 3rd vs similar going three-quarters of a mile.

SELECTIONS: 5-8-9

RACE 6:

6 U S ACADEMY is dropping to the \$12,500 level after rallying to finish 3rd in a \$20,000 maiden test at the distance. The gelding should get the suspect pace needed to compliment his running style.

11 MON CHEVALIER is making his first start since rallying to finish 3rd in a \$20,000 maiden race at this mile and a sixteenth distance. **5 ROCKY STRANGE** is going back to the turf after returning from the 7-month layoff to break poorly and never getting untracked in a useful performance on the main track. Trainer Armando De La Cerda has Jonathan Gonzales handling the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 6-11-5

RACE 7:

9 BOW TIE AFFAIR, the former track record holder at this 7 ½ furlong distance, drops, and turns back, after failing to offer his best when facing \$16,000 claimers at a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Bobby Dibona has Edgard Zayas handling the dropdown to the \$12,500 level. **8 IT'S A NEW YEAR** is dropping to this level after responding in the first race after the claim by Norm Casse with a duel-and-fade 6th vs \$16,000 state-bred optional claimers going a mile. **6 ROMPIN REID** is hoping to find a little more firepower for the stretch run after rallying to finish 2nd vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers at this 7 ½-furlong distance.

SELECTIONS: 9-8-6

RACE 8:

10 QUIZZICAL CAJUN, now in the Jason Servis barn, the son of Cajun Breeze makes his first start since the consistent sprint campaign vs \$50,000 maidens at the Championship Meet. The new connections tab Nik Juarez to ride. **6 COMPANY STORE** is a son of Flashback debuting for trainer Saffie Joseph Jr with a string of bullet workouts showing in preparation for this assignment. **12 JAMAICAN** is turning back to three-quarters of a mile after returning from the layoff to set the pace and weakening to finish in a screw-tightening 4th at a mile.

SELECTIONS: 10-6-12

RACE 9:

5 FALLEN LEAF looked solid in her first race back from the layoff when she set fractions of 20 & 4 and 44 & 1 before yielding late to finish 3rd at the distance. Trainer Georgina Baxter has Paco Lopez handling the speed - of the abundance of speed - in the field.

4 ODRAMARK, who has dodged raindrops in her 3 previous races moved from the grass to the dirt, goes to the turf, and should ending up sitting in the catbird seat off what will be a torrid early pace scenario. Trainer Jorge Navarro has Edgard Zayas named to ride. **6 RICHIE'S SISTER** moved to the Jason Servis barn via the claim after highlighting her versatility when she used her speed to defeat \$16,000 state-bred optional claimers in the slop.

SELECTIONS: 5-4-6

RACE 10:

5 THEWAYIAM (FR), a multiple graded stakes winner, who was 2nd in the Grade 1 Belmont Oaks, who runs well fresh, makes her first start since failing to fire in the Grade 2 Lake Placid at the Spa. Trainer Graham Motion has Feargal Lynch atop the 3-time winner at the distance (6-3-2-0). **1 PSALMODY** will depart from the rail after well-meant outing at the distance in which she dueled throughout and finished 2nd – beaten a length. Trainer Kathleen O'Connell has Emisael Jaramillo in the irons. **11 VOW TO RECOVER** will break from the outside after the tough loss in the Sanibel Island in which she was beaten a head. The only 3-year-old in the field has Jairo Rendon in the irons.

SELECTIONS: 5-1-11

RACE 11:

5 CHARLIE THE GREEK, who does his best running at a mile, stretches out after stalking the pace and finishing an even 4th when going 7 furlongs in the mud last out. Trainer Joe Catanese has Edgard Zayas at the controls. **3 DIZZY GILLESPIE** will try to make it 2 in a row after blowing by the field to defeat this level of competition going a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Peter Walder has Miguel Vazquez named to ride.

8 BIG BOY BRUNO, another from Peter Walder, moved to his barn via the reclaim after failing to fire in a \$12,500 claimer going 6 furlongs last out; Paco Lopez rides.

SELECTIONS: 5-3-8

RACE 12:

1 DYNA PASSER, a half-sister to \$2.5 million earner Sadler's Joy, is turning back to a mile after making a 5-wide move to finish 2nd going 9 furlongs in her turf debut here during February. Trainer Tom Albertrani has Miguel Vazquez atop the daughter of Lemon Drop Kid.

11 DANCENSING, a half-sister to \$1.3 million earner Good Samaritan, is hoping for a clean trip after encountering trouble after the start when finishing 7th behind Dyna Passer. Trainer Bill Mott has Luca Panici handling her 2nd career start. **4 TO A FRIEND** is a beautifully bred daughter of Scat Daddy debuting for trainer Jonathan Thomas with Lasix, and series of solid workouts showing at Bridlewood Farm.

SELECTIONS: 1-11-4

BEST BET: RACE 8 – 10 QUIZZICAL CAJUN

LONGSHOT: RACE 7 – 9 BOW TIE AFFAIR