



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

4 BILOXI BAY is dropping to the \$10,000 level after returning from the layoff to finish 4th vs \$16,000 claimers going a mile. Trainer Ralph Nicks has Jeffrey Sanchez named to ride. **7 MORE MO**, 3 for 6 'in the money' on the turf, the gelded son of Uncle Mo is returning to the grass after notching his '2-lifetime' condition going 7 furlongs on the dirt 2 starts back, and finishing 3rd vs better going 7 furlongs on a 'good' track last out. **5 AMERICAN NINJA**, a 2-time winner on the turf, drops after failing to handle the jump up to the \$16,000 level before the layoff; Emisael Jaramillo rides.

SELECTIONS: 4-7-5

RACE 2:

6 JACKS CITY will race with the blinkers off after following a narrow defeat when beaten a nose going 7 furlongs 2 starts back with a set-the-pace-and-fade outing going a 1-turn mile last out. **2 ARCH STAR** is dropping into a competitive situation after following a 3rd place finish behind Jacks City going 7 furlongs with a poor showing vs \$20,000 maidens going a mile last out. **5 INDY RULES** is hoping to bounce back after following a 2nd place finish at this level and distance on a 'good' surface with a chase-and-fade performance going a mile in the 'slop' last out.

SELECTIONS: 6-2-5

RACE 3:

6 AWESOME STACK may have found the spot where he can shed the maiden tag after vying for the lead and finishing 3rd – beaten a half-length – vs tougher last out. **10 SCHILLER NAV**, bred to love the turf, the son of Artie Schiller debuts on the grass after the chase-and-fade debut in race that was moved from the lawn to 7 panels on a sealed 'sloppy' track. Trainer Jorge Navarro has Emisael Jaramillo handling the surface switch. **9 LIVE FOR THE DAY** will return to the turf with blinkers added after finishing 3rd and 2nd, respectively, in races moved from the grass to 7 furlongs on sealed 'sloppy' surfaces.

SELECTIONS: 6-10-9

RACE 4:

3 PINK is wheeling back after the respectable debut at this level and distance in which she set the pace and finished 2nd. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Jairo Rendon returning on the Arindel homebred daughter of Brethren. **6 COOKIN ROSES** is a daughter of Maltese Dog debuting for Armando De La Cerda with Lasix, and Emisael Jaramillo named to ride. **2 NAPA RULES** is stretching out to five-eighths of a mile after responding to the dropdown with an improved 3rd place finish vs \$25,000 maidens going 4 ½ furlongs.

SELECTIONS: 3-6-2

RACE 5:

3 OUR CLOSURE, who was 2nd at this level going a mile and a sixteenth 2 starts back, drops after taking the overland route when finishing a sightseeing 7th vs \$16,000 state-bred optional claimers going a mile on a softened turf listed as 'good'. **4 BEACH DREAMING** moved to the Barry Rose barn via the claim after posting her 2nd consecutive turf victory when defeating \$12,500 conditioned claimers last out. The 'now' horse will have Jairo Rendon trying to make it 3 in a row.

8 MI CUAIMA is stretching out to a mile after setting the pace prior to settling for 3rd – as the favorite – going 7 ½ furlongs last out. Trainer Oscar Gonzalez lightens the impost with 7-pound apprentice Cristian Torres at the controls.

SELECTIONS: 3-4-8

RACE 6:

4 MAGALIE is dropping to the \$6,250 level after returning from the layoff to duel for the lead and finish 3rd vs \$12,500 conditioned claimers going a mile on a sealed 'sloppy' track. **7 CUCKOO KENIA** is another dropping to the \$6,250 level, and will race with blinkers added, after setting the pace and fading to finish 4th vs \$12,500 claimers going a mile on a sealed 'sloppy' track. **5 RAINFALL** is dropping into a competitive situation after following a pair of victories at the \$6,250 level with a couple of 5th place finishes vs \$10,000 types. Trainer Armando De La Cerda tabs Jairo Rendon to ride.

SELECTIONS: 4-7-5

RACE 7:

9 CATHARSIS, a sharp winner sprinting on the grass 2 starts back, is returning to the lawn after responding in the first race after the claim by Aubrey Maragh with a 2nd place finish behind repeat stakes winner Lady's Island in the \$75,000 Nicole's Dream, which was moved to 5 furlongs on a sealed 'sloppy' track.

6 FALLEN LEAF returns from the layoff looking to flaunt her speed and make every call a winning one. Trainer Georgina Baxter has apprentice Cristian Torres named to ride. **10 R HAPPY ENDING**, another from Averill Racing and Georgina Baxter, breaks from the outside looking to close and reap the spoils in what is sure to be a torrid pace.

SELECTIONS: 9-6-10

RACE 8:

5 BLUE BLUE ICE is dropping a notch, and stretching out to three-quarters of a mile, after rallying to come within a nose of springing the 36-1 upset going 5 ½ furlongs vs \$12,500 maidens last out.

6 BALLIE'S DREAM is stretching out after dueling for the lead and finishing 3rd – at 20-1 – when facing similar quality at 5 furlongs last out.

7 ENOUGHANDTHENSOME is eligible to offer more at three-quarters of a mile after returning from the 3-month layoff to finish 5th at 5 ½ furlongs.

SELECTIONS: 5-6-7

RACE 9: THE TREASURE COAST

2 LAFTA, who won the \$77,000 Monroe when returning from a layoff last year, is making her first start since stalking the pace and weakening in the Grade 3 mile & three-sixteenths The Very One during March. The daughter of Kitten's Joy classes up perfectly in this spot. **4 MIDNIGHT SOREE** is back on her preferred surface, for trainer Lisa Lewis, after returning from the layoff to finish 2nd vs state-bred runners in the \$100,000 Ginger Punch, which was moved from the grass to a mile and a sixteenth on a 'good' main track.

1 UNA LUNA is making her stakes debut after returning from the layoff to post back-to-back \$25,000 starter optional claiming victories at the distance. Trainer Jose Gallegos has Emisael Jaramillo going for the hat trick.

SELECTIONS: 2-4-1

RACE 10:

3 JETTIN OUT is stretching out to 5 furlongs with Lasix added after shaking off trouble at the start (steadied) to finish 2nd vs state-bred competition going 4 ½ furlongs. Trainer Larry Rivelli has Albin Jimenez named to ride.

9 GANGLY will be outfitted with blinkers after chasing the pace and finishing a wide 4th in a strong 5-furlong dash that produced impressive next-out winner Chance It. **7 OUR TIME** is a \$190,000 son of Kantharos debuting for trainer David Fawkes with Lasix, and Emisael Jaramillo named to ride; don't ignore.

SELECTIONS: 3-9-7

RACE 11:

4 SMOOTH AS, who broke his maiden at this 6 ½-furlong distance, turns back after showing speed and fading when facing similar in back-to-back races at a 1-turn mile. **11 DYNAMIC DANCER** is stretching out to 6 ½ furlongs after responding in the first race after the claim by Gustavo Delgado, and the dropdown to this level on the dirt, with a 3rd place finish – as the favorite – going 5 ½ furlongs. **10 EL CORAZON** has his claiming tag sliced in half after rallying to finish 3rd vs \$12,500 '2-lifetime' claimers going a mile and a sixteenth on the turf.

SELECTIONS: 4-11-10

RACE 12:

7 MR. CESCO is dropping to the \$50,000 level after rallying to finish 4th when facing maiden special weight competition at this distance on the turf last out. He gets the tepid nod in a wide-open nightcap.

9 WHERE YA GOIN OWEN is dropping to the \$50,000 level again after following a 3rd place finish sprinting on the main track with a so-so 6th place finish vs special weight competition on the turf. **6 HUGOIGO** is a son of Cool Coal Man debut for trainer Elizabeth Dobles in a perfect spit for a first-time starter to succeed. The concern is the lack of strong turf breeding.

SELECTIONS: 7-9-6

BEST BET: RACE 7 – 9 CATHARSIS

LONGSHOT: RACE 11 – 4 SMOOTH AS