



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

4 MONEY COME is dropping to the \$10,000 level after returning from the 3-month layoff to stalk the pace and weaken vs \$25,000 claimers. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle. **1 MISTER STORM** is dropping a notch after rallying to finish 2nd when facing \$12,500 '2-lifetime' claimers at the distance.

7 HOLLYWOOD OVERDOGS is going back to the turf after dueling for the lead and finishing 2nd behind repeat winner Codeseventyseven going 5 furlongs on a sealed 'sloppy' track.

SELECTIONS: 4-1-7

RACE 2:

6 FAFA moved to the Victor Barboza Jr barn via the claim, drops to the \$6,250 level, and turns back to 6 furlongs, after making a middle move and fading to finish 4th behind repeat winner Piloting in a \$12,500 conditioned claimer contested at a 1-turn mile.

3 DUBULL is cutting back to three-quarters of a mile after making an outside bid and finishing 2nd vs this level of competition going 6 ½ furlongs.

4 GET EM UP SCOUT is stretching out slightly to 6 panels after dueling for the lead and finishing 2nd going 5 ½ furlongs.

SELECTIONS: 6-3-4

RACE 3:

6 ALPERES, entered to run on Friday, looks solid if the connections opt to try and get him out of 2nd gear vs this caliber of opposition today. Trainer Rohan Crichton has Jeffrey Sanchez named to ride.

3 MATURIN is going back to the turf after following the 3rd place finish on the grass 2 starts back with a stalk-the-pace 2nd in a race moved to a wet track listed as 'good'. **2 MY INTEREST** is a late-striding sophomore who took the overland route when finishing 3rd in his first-ever outing going a mile and a sixteenth on the turf.

SELECTIONS: 6-3-2

RACE 4:

3 HOMEDRILL, 2 for 3 'in the money' on a fast track, returns to the dirt after facing tougher on the turf with spotty results. Trainer David Fawkes is 25% with the turf-to-dirt angle. **1 AGHOST TO THE POST** is eligible to show more after returning from the 4-month layoff to finish 3rd at this level and distance.

2 CAPE MARCO DRIVE is wheeling back after making a solid bid to finish 2nd in front of Aghost to the Post last out. Trainer Alexis Cordero-Lopez lightens the impost with 10-pound apprentice Gaddiel Martinez in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 3-1-2

RACE 5:

6 SOUPER JAGUAR is cutting back to 7 ½ furlongs after returning from a stakes try at Tampa to stalk the pace and finish 2nd vs this level of competition going a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Mark Casse has Luca Panici returning on the lightly raced son of Quality Road. **2 TROPICAT**, in for the \$16,000 tag in this state-bred optional claimer, drops after tracking the pace and finishing an even 4th vs \$20,000 starter optional claimers going a mile. His winning performance 2 starts back vs \$12,500 claimers would be good enough to win here.

3 YOUSHOULDBESOLUCKY is stepping up to face winners after making a 4-wide charge to defeat state-bred maiden special weight competition at the distance. Trainer Ed Plesa Jr has Jairo Rendon atop the son of Itsmyluckyday.

SELECTIONS: 6-2-3

RACE 6:

1 IBERICO is cutting back to 4 ½ furlongs after surrendering a late lead to finish 2nd – as the 3-to-5 favorite – going 5 furlongs in the 'slop'.

2 GRAN CASIQUE is a son of Algorithms debuting for trainer Victor Barboza Jr, who has a 26%-win average with his freshman runners; Emisael Jaramillo rides. **6 DREAM D'ORO** is a \$50,000 son of Congrats debuting for trainer Dan Pita with a solid work tab showing over the stamina-tweaking GP

West training track. Tab the tote action for more clues about his chances to win at first asking.

SELECTIONS: 1-2-6

RACE 7: THE NOT SURPRISING

6 VOW ME NOW is returning to action after the stellar 4-race win streak, which included victories in the Sage of Monticello and the \$75,000 English Channel last out. Trainer Ed Plesa Jr has Jairo Rendon atop his rising superstar.

3 ART G IS BACK, beaten a nose by Vow Me Now in the English Channel, is going back to the turf after drawing clear to win the \$75,000 Thirsty Fish, which was moved from the turf to 7 furlongs on a sealed 'sloppy' track. **4 SCRAPS**, a troubled 8th in the English Channel (taken up stretch) cuts back to a mile trying to add to his otherwise consistent campaign on the local turf (8-1-5-0).

SELECTIONS: 6-3-4

RACE 8:

1 TWO SIXTY is a \$260,000 daughter of Uncaptured debuting for trainer Mark Casse with a solid morning work tab showing both on the farm and the Palm Meadows main track. **8 MIMINA'S TEAM** is a \$110,000 daughter of Uncle Mo debuting for trainer Francisco D'Angelo with a strong work tab showing at Palm Meadows, which includes the recent 3-furlong bullet in 36 & 1. **4 FUJAIRAH** is a daughter of Ghostzapper debuting for trainer Carlos David with Lasix, and a steady string of morning drills on both the turf and dirt at Palm Meadows.

SELECTIONS: 1-8-4

RACE 9: THE MARTHA WASHINGTON

2 VOW TO RECOVER is turning back to a mile after a really sharp score in the \$75,000 Honey Ryder going a mile and a sixteenth last out.

4 KELSEY'S CROSS is back in South Florida after following her 7 ½-length maiden victory here with a trouble starting (bobbled) 3rd in the 9-furlong Grade 3 Wonder Again on the Belmont turf.

8 LA AUSTRALIANA is stepping up to face stakes competition after drawing clear to defeat older horses in a maiden special weight test at the distance. The sophomore gets 2nd-time blinkers, and 2nd-time Edgar Zayas.

SELECTIONS: 2-4-8

RACE 10:

5 SALSA JACK is stretching out to a mile and a sixteenth after shaking off early pressure to defeat similar going a 1-turn mile in the slop.

9 NOMINAL DOLLARS is another stretching out to 8 ½ furlongs (8-2-2-0) after making a wide bid to finish 2nd behind Salsa Jack last out.

3 DREAMY MARTINI moved to the Angel Quiroz barn via the claim, and stretches out, after following the 3rd place finish behind the top 2 in the slop with another 3rd place finish going 8 furlongs on a fast track last out.

SELECTIONS: 5-9-3

RACE 11:

11 ALIEN INVASION is returning vs \$10,000 open-claimers after cruising through his \$12,500 conditioned claiming conditions in winning fashion. Trainer Mike Maker has Edgard Zayas handling the outside post. **1 BILLY BIG (IRE)** is dropping a notch, and turning back to 7 ½ furlongs, after encountering traffic problems (steadied, waiting for room) when finishing 4th vs \$12,500 claimers.

8 BIG MONEY MACHINE is turning back slightly after surrendering a late lead when finishing 3rd behind Billy Big going a mile on May 26th.

SELECTIONS: 11-1-8

RACE 12:

8 SCAM, now in the Jorge Delgado barn, the gelding drops to the \$6,250 level after showing improved speed before fading when dropped to the \$10,000 level last out. The new connections tab Miguel Vazquez to ride the hard-knocking 9-year-old.

3 DOWNRANGE is stretching out to 7 furlongs after returning from the 9-month layoff to defeat \$6,250 conditioned claimers going three-quarters of a mile. Trainer Rohan Crichton has Cristian Torres going for 2 in a row. **1 AVAST MATEY** is turning back to 7 furlongs (9-2-2-1) after setting the pace and finishing a game 2nd vs this level of competition going a 1-turn mile.

SELECTIONS: 8-3-1

BEST BET: RACE 7 – 6 VOW ME NOW

LONGSHOT: RACE 11 – 11 ALIEN INVASION