



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

8 TALKING POINT is dropping to the \$10,000 level after finishing a workman-like 4th in his \$25,000 career debut vs state-bred maidens. **6 XIROMA** is plummeting to the bottom, and cutting back to 6 ½ furlongs, after getting beat double-digit lengths when facing \$50,000 maidens going a mile on December 8th. **5 CUCHITO** should be ready to offer more after chasing the pace and finishing 4th vs similar in his first race in 9-plus months. Trainer Francisco D'Angelo has apprentice Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 8-6-5

RACE 2:

10 TOO STORMY will depart from the outside after making a move to get the lead before finishing 2nd in front of a pair of next-out winners at this level and distance last out. **3 TRACKING STOCK** is dropping a notch in the first start since stalking the pace and finishing 4th behind Too Stormy when they hooked up on April 21st. Trainer Angel Rodriguez is a solid 27% with the 31-60 days layoff. **4 COCO IS LOCO** is hoping to get away from gate trouble free after bumping hard at the start and fading to finish 10th behind Too Stormy last out; Carlos Montalvo rides.

SELECTIONS: 10-3-4

RACE 3:

5 ITSMYLUCKYCHARM will be outfitted with blinkers after responding to the dropdown in competition with a 2nd place finish at this level and distance. **7 POESIA** is a daughter of Super Saver debuting for trainer Antonio Sano with Lasix and Edgard Zayas named to ride. The tote action should tell us more about her chances to win at first asking. **1 SHE'S UNBRIDLED** has her claiming tag sliced in half, and gets Lasix, after chasing the pace and fading in her \$50,000 career debut at the distance. Trainer Anna Varsi has journeyman Eduardo Nunez handling the inside post.

SELECTIONS: 5-7-1

RACE 4:

7 STORMIN CHARLOTTE is turning back slightly to 7 ½ furlongs after returning from the freshening to set the pace and tire late when finishing in a dead heat for 3rd going a mile last out. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Miguel Vasquez in the saddle. **3 TIUNA** is back on the turf after returning from the 2-month layoff to draw clear and defeat this level of competition in a race moved from the grass to 7 furlongs on the main track.

9 COLLEGE HOLLY is dropping a notch after dueling for the lead and finishing 2nd vs \$12,500 open-claimers going a mile. Trainer Ruben Gracida keeps it light with apprentice Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 7-3-9

RACE 5:

1 PEACE POINTS is dropping to the \$6,250 level after returning from the 6-month layoff to track the pace and finish 4th in a \$12,500 conditioned claimer going a mile and a sixteenth on a 'good' main track.

7 MR. SULTANA is stretching out to a mile and a sixteenth after breaking from the outside, dueling for the lead, and holding sway to defeat \$6,250 conditioned claimers going a 1-turn mile on a sealed 'sloppy' track. **5 SAMBROOK EDGE** is stretching out an additional 1/16th of mile after rallying from far back to finish 3rd going a mile on a sealed 'sloppy' track. Trainer Howard Mills has Jeffrey Sanchez named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 1-7-5

RACE 6:

6 CROWN TO THE GOLD is dropping to the \$10,000 level after getting carried wide at the top of the stretch when finishing 5th in a 'key' \$16,000 conditioned claimer that has produced a pair of next-out winners. Trainer Reid Nagle has Samy Camacho named to ride. **2 HARDENED** should be part of early pace when stretching out around 2-turns after showing speed and fading to finish 4th in back-to-back 5-furlong turf sprints. **3 FAST FACT** is turning back to 7 ½ furlongs after making a middle move and fading when facing similar going a mile and a sixteenth last out. Trainer Sandra Slivka has Luis Reyes in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 6-2-3

RACE 7:

9 LUZ ESTRELLA moved to the Tammy Levy barn via the claim, and is stretching out to a mile, after encountering traffic problems and finishing 6th vs this level of competition going 7 furlongs. Trainer Levy, 31% with new claims, has Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle. **7 OPTIMISTIC SHOT** is hoping to rebound at a mile after following back-to-back 2nd place finishes with slow starting clunker vs \$12,500 conditioned claimers going 7 furlongs. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr has Emisael Jaramillo handling the drop to the \$6,250 level. **3 APPEALING LALIBELA** is hoping to save more for the stretch drive after surrendering a late lead when finishing 2nd at this level and distance last out.

SELECTIONS: 9-7-3**RACE 8: THE SOLDIER'S DANCER**

3 GALLEON MAST is turning back to a mile and a sixteenth after following the 2nd place finish here in the 1-mile Grade 3 Canadian Turf with a nose defeat in the 9-furlong \$100,000 Turf Classic at Tampa. The 6-time local turf winner should sit in the catbird seat behind the torrid pace expected. **7 DRIVEN BY THUNDER** is making his stakes debut after keeping his record on this course unblemished (4-4-0-0) when notching his 2nd consecutive victory when defeating \$25,000 optional claimers last out. Trainer Todd Pletcher has Emisael Jaramillo atop the speedy son of Overdriven. **9 CLASS AND CASH** is breaking from the outside, and stretching out to a mile and a sixteenth, with the speed need to clear and make every call a winning one. Trainer Jane Cibelli has Nik Juarez atop the 4-time local turf winner.

SELECTIONS: 3-7-9**RACE 9:**

1 FRONT LOADED is stretching out to 7 furlongs after just getting edged at the wire by repeat winner Reason to Soar in a \$25,000 optional claimer going 6 ½ furlongs. **3 TELL ME A STORY** is stretching out to seven-eighths of a mile after rallying to finish 2nd in a 6-furlong allowance last out. Trainer Mark Casse has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle. **5 PRINCE TITO** will try to make it three in a row after drawing clear to crush a field on \$25,000 optional claimers going 7 furlongs on wet surface listed as 'good'. Trainer Gustavo Delgado has Jonathan Gonzales going for the hat trick.

SELECTIONS: 1-3-5**RACE 10:**

3 TALE OF FANCY, a solid 2nd on the turf vs \$12,500 conditioned claimers 2 starts back, shifts back to the lawn after finishing 2nd again in a race moved from the grass to 7 furlongs on a sealed 'sloppy' track. Trainer Bobby Dibona has Luis Sanchez atop the 5-time turf winner. **9 CAPTAIN KITT** will face open competition at the \$10,000 level after posting back-to-back turf victories vs \$12,500 'non-winners of 2 and 3-lifetime' conditioned claimers in front running fashion.

7 SON OF OAHU is making his first start since pressing the pace and edging away when defeating \$16,000 'non-winners of 3-lifetime' competition here on February 21st.

SELECTIONS: 3-9-7**RACE 11:**

8 RETHINKME is dropping to the \$6,250 level after following her \$10,000 maiden victory at three-quarters of a mile by getting beat a nose vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers going 5 furlongs on a wet surface listed as 'good'. **6 PEART** is another getting some class relief after setting the pace and fading to finish 3rd vs \$12,500 conditioned claimers going seven-eighths of a mile. The turnback to 5 ½ furlongs should help her cause.

7 MISS CASUARINA is stepping up to face winners after stalking early, and drawing clear late, when defeating \$10,000 maidens at this distance.

SELECTIONS: 8-6-7**RACE 12:**

9 LITTLE MISS MAY is stretching out around 2-turns on the turf after responding to the dropdown to this level on the dirt with a 3rd-place finish going 5 furlongs in the 'slop' last out, and 2nd going 7 furlongs on a 'fast' surface 2 starts back. **12 KATIE'S CHAMP** is dropping to the \$12,500 level after rallying to 'hit the board' in 1 of 2 turf outings vs \$20,000 maidens. Trainer Dennis Manning has Miguel Vasquez named to ride.

4 UNA LUNA, a daughter of Dunkirk, is turning back slightly after finishing a useful 4th in her career debut going a mile on the turf. Trainer Rodolfo Garcia has Carlos Olivero in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 9-12-4**BEST BET: RACE 9 – 1 FRONT LOADED****LONGSHOT: RACE 4 – 7 STORMIN CHARLOTTE**