



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

9 HENNY'S TREASURE is dropping to the \$35,000 level in the first start since tracking the pace and finishing 5th when stepping up to maiden special weight competition last out. **4 SISTER GEMA** is hoping to save more for the stretch run after setting the pace and fading to finish 3rd at this level and distance last out. Trainer Jena Antonucci has Feargal Lynch rationing the sophomore's speed. **1 GENERAL JUNE** moved to the Angel Rodriguez barn via the claim, and turns back to a mile, after making a move to challenge for the lead before settling for 3rd vs \$20,000 maidens going a mile and a sixteenth.

SELECTIONS: 9-4-1

RACE 2:

3 PRETTY OVERDRIVEN is dropping to the \$6,250 level in the first start since setting the pace and finishing 2nd vs \$12,500 conditioned claimers during January. Trainer Kathleen O'Connell has Edgard Zayas named to ride. **2 R LUCKY DICE** moved to the Kelly Breen barn via the claim after failing to get untracked when bumping at the start and finishing 6th at this level and distance. Trainer Breen, 26% with new claims, has Paco Lopez named to ride. **7 BLUE MAGIC** will try to make it 2 in a row after shaking off pressure to defeat \$12,500 conditioned claimers in game fashion. Trainer Gilberto Zerpa has Emisael Jaramillo going for 2 in a row.

SELECTIONS: 3-2-7

RACE 3:

5 PAINT THE CORNERS moved to the Jorge Navarro barn via the claim, and turns back to a mile, after a consistent campaign vs \$16,000 claimers in back-to-back starts at a mile and a sixteenth. The barn, 28% with new claims, tabs Emisael Jaramillo to ride. **8 ALTHERA** moved to the Peter Walder barn via the claim, and renews the rivalry with Paint the Corners, after finishing 2nd in front of her as the 2-1 favorite last out. The hard-knocking mare loves the local sod (17-5-4-1).

3 INDYGITA is another changing hands, and dropping to this level, after prompting the pace and finishing 4th at the \$16,000 level. New trainer Gilberto Zerpa hopes to finally get her to notch the elusive victory on the GP turf (21-0-2-2).

SELECTIONS: 5-8-3

RACE 4:

5 DAZZLING PROSE is dropping a notch on the maiden scale after pressing the pace and finishing 2nd vs \$12,500 maidens at the distance. **2 BAGWELL** should be primed and ready to offer more after returning from the layoff to finish a dispute-the-pace 3rd at this level and distance. Trainer Oscar Gonzalez has Miguel Vazquez atop the gelded son of Brethren. **8 DEMPSEY** is diving to the bottom, and adding blinkers, after failing to show much in his \$16,000 debut. Trainer Ralph Nicks keeps it light with 10-pound bug Cristian Torres in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 5-2-8

RACE 5:

1 GALILEO'S AFFAIR will depart from the rail after failing to reel in repeat winner Special Council in back to back races at this level and distance. Trainer Angel Quiroz has Leonel Reyes named to ride. **6 DANCING STARLET** shows a positive 5-furlong work over the GP West main track in the first start since she was eased up at this level last out. Trainer Kathleen O'Connell has Edgard Zayas handling the rebound performance. **8 SCHMISS** is another whose connections must have rejoiced when they didn't see Special Council named in the entries. Trainer Gustavo Delgado has Jonathan Gonzales handling the outside draw.

SELECTIONS: 1-6-8

RACE 6:

4 KEEPING THE PEACE moved to the Jason Servis barn via the claim, and debuts on the turf, after tracking the pace and finishing 3rd behind repeat winner Jalen Journey in a 6-furlong \$50,000 maiden sprint on the dirt.

6 DECIDER will be outfitted with blinkers after a promising a 5-furlong debut in which he finished 2nd behind a sharp winner called Mr. Edgar. Trainer Ed Plesa Jr has Paco Lopez named to ride. **3 KID D'OR** is a son of Lemon Drop Kid debuting for trainer Jason Servis with Lasix, and Feargal Lynch named to ride. The tote action should tell us more about this half of the Servis uncoupled entry.

SELECTIONS: 4-6-3

RACE 7:

9 CADILLAC KITTEN is stepping up to the next level after shipping in off a win on the Turfway synthetic surface with a driving score vs \$12,500 '2-lifetime' claimers here going a mile and a sixteenth on the lawn. Trainer Mike Maker has Edgard Zayas atop the lightly raced son of Kitten's Joy. **3 TOO STORMY** is stretching out an additional 1/16th of a mile after making a 3-wide bid to finish 2nd – beaten a half-length as the favorite – going a mile. Trainer Ron Spatz has Miguel Vazquez handling the added distance. **2 ARPINELLA** is dropping a notch on the claiming scale after rallying to finish 4th in back-to-back \$16,000 '3-lifetime' claimers. Trainer Jose Garoffalo has Samy Camacho named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 9-3-2

RACE 8:

1 R KISS EM GOODBYE is returning from her latest layoff after following her debut victory at GP West during 2017 with a 2nd place finish vs this level of competition here during January. The lightly raced 4-year-old is a major player from the rail.

7 TRUE BOOTS is dropping a notch, and turning back, after dueling for the lead and fading to finish a distant 3rd going 7 furlongs last out. Trainer Jorge Navarro is 33% with the 2nd start after a 45-180 days layoff.

4 ON WITH GOD is going back to what looks like her best surface after failing to fire when facing \$20,000 claimers going 5 panels on the turf last out. Trainer Kathleen O'Connell is 22% with the grass-to-dirt angle.

SELECTIONS: 1-7-4

RACE 9:

9 LUCKY MIKE just ran out of luck when he set the pace throughout and was just caught at the wire when finishing 2nd – beaten a neck – at this level and distance. Trainer Lilli Kurtinecz has Emisael Jaramillo atop the son of Handsome Mike.

3 LAHINCH is a late-striding type who make a strong 5-wide bid to finish 3rd – only a neck behind Lucky Mike last out. The rematch sets up another classic clash between speed and closer. **1 TEN CARAT DADDY** is a beautifully bred son of Scat Daddy debuting for trainer Mark Casse with Lasix, and a solid morning work tab showing on both turf and dirt at Palm Meadows and Payson Park; Nik Juarez rides.

SELECTIONS: 9-3-1

RACE 10:

5 DIVA'S REVENGE is turning back to 6 furlongs vs state-bred optional claimers after following her commanding 14 ½-length maiden victory at 5 furlongs with a 2nd place finish behind much the best winner Anne Dupree in a \$40,000 open claimer going 7 furlongs. **1 FLORA FANTASY** will depart from the rail looking to sit behind the speed and make her patented late run, which produced back-to-back 3rd place finishes at the distance. It can be déjà vu all over again. **9 BODY HIGH** is stepping it up a notch after rallying to finish a very distant 2nd behind 19-length winner Starship Reina last out, but in front of a pair of next-out winners; Miguel Vazquez rides for Oscar Gonzalez.

SELECTIONS: 5-1-9

RACE 11:

3 SAUCY TEEN is dropping to the bottom on the grass in the first start since setting the pace and fading when facing \$20,000 maidens going 5 furlongs at the Championship Meet. Trainer Joe Orseno has Roberto Alvarado Jr named to ride. **2 JAMAICAN MAGICIAN**, who faced considerably tougher in her only previous turf sprint, is going back to the grass after returning from the layoff to stalk the pace and fade when facing this level of opposition going 5 furlongs in the 'slop'. Trainer Aubrey Maragh has Tony Maragh named to ride. **4 KANHOLDHERWINE**, a daughter of Kantharos, is dropping to the \$12,500 level, and turning back to 5 furlongs, after failing to show much in her \$35,000 career debut going 7 ½ furlongs on the GP West turf. Trainer Dave Fawkes has Miguel Vazquez named to handle the return to action.

SELECTIONS: 3-2-4

BEST BET: RACE 9 – 9 LUCKY MIKE

LONGSHOT: RACE 11 – 4 KANHOLDHERWINE