



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

7 GRAN DIAMOND is stretching out around 2-turns after showing good speed in a pair vs similar going 5 furlongs, which includes the 2nd place finish under '2-lifetime' conditions last out. **8 TAILADIOS** has her claiming tag sliced in half, and departs from the outside, after tracking the pace, and encountering traffic on the turn, when 6th vs \$20,000 claimers last out. **1 KANHOLDHERWINE** is dropping to the \$10,000 level after getting steadied at the 3/8th pole when 6th behind a pair of next-out winners in a \$16,000 claimer going 5 furlongs last out.

SELECTIONS: 7-8-1

RACE 2:

6 MYSTERY WITNESS moved to the Aubrey Maragh barn via the claim, and hopes to rebound in the new surroundings, after following a trio of sharp sprint efforts with a duel-and-fade outing – as the odds-on choice – going 6 ½ furlongs in his last.

1 VENEZUELAN WARRIOR moves to the Victor Barboza Jr barn after the claim, and cuts back to three-quarters of a mile, after vying for the lead and finishing 3rd vs similar going 6 ½ furlongs last out. The barn, over 40% with new claims, has Albin Jimenez named to ride. **2 SIGHTED**, listed as a gelding, is plummeting to the \$6,250 level after facing stakes competition during his sophomore season. Trainer Ralph Nicks has Cristian Torres atop this shaky proposition.

SELECTIONS: 6-1-2

RACE 3:

7 WAHOOWAH is plunging to the \$10,000 level after facing tougher on the turf before the layoff, which includes the \$20,000 maiden win, and the \$25,000 '2-lifetime' score during May. **8 CAN'TTAKEITWITHYOU** needs little improvement on his recent 2nd place finish at this level and distance to end up in the winner's circle. Trainer Steve Klesaris has Edgard Zayas atop the best stalk/closer in a sea of speed.

2 TWISTED LICORICE is another dropping to this level after setting the pace and weakening late to finish 4th vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers. The sophomore will be playing catch me if you can.

SELECTIONS: 7-8-2

RACE 4:

4 HARRYHEE is dropping to a level where he can carry his speed to the wire after a series of duel-and-fade outings vs tougher competition. Note the 7-year-old loves the 5 ½-furlong distance (7-4-2-1). **2 SALAMBO**, who has shown the past that he can stalk the pace, can end up sitting the 'trip' behind what should be a mad scramble for the lead. Trainer Liz Dobles has Edgard Zayas at the helm. **3 TAKE CHARGE DUDE** lived up to his name in consecutive sprints when he took charge leaving the gate and never looked back when posting back-to-back victories. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Jalon Samuel in the irons.

SELECTIONS: 4-2-3

RACE 5:

4 MISTER STORM needs a little kinder rating on or near the front end after setting taxing fractions of 21 & 3 and 44 & 4 and getting collared at the wire to lose by a neck last out. Trainer Francisco D'Angelo has Leonel Reyes named to ride. **5 MONEY COME** is making the 3rd start back from the layoff after setting the pace and finishing 3rd behind next-out winner Thorpe d'Oro at this level and distance. He needs to stay out of a duel with Mister Storm to offer his best.

3 UNNAMED SOLDIER, who does his best running from 'off the pace', can end up sitting the 'trip' if a suicide duel erupts on the front end.

SELECTIONS: 4-5-3

RACE 6:

5 LALALI is stretching out an additional furlong after the promising 5-furlong debut in which she pressed the pace and finished 3rd – beaten a length. Trainer Amador Sanchez has Hector Berrios at the controls.

1 MIN IT TO WIN IT is a daughter of Big Drama who leaves from the rail again after breaking slowly, rushing up to set the pace, and fading to finish a distant 3rd in her 5 ½-furlong debut. **7 RISKY LADY** is a daughter of Revolving debuting for Kathleen O'Connell with Lasix, and Jairo Rendon named to ride; don't ignore.

SELECTIONS: 5-1-7

RACE 7:

7 RAPID TRANSIT will try to keep her record unblemished after following her bottom level maiden victory with a \$10,000 '2-lifetime' score over a trio of next-out winners. Trainer Mike Maker has Miguel Vazquez named to ride. **9 ELIZABETH'S VOW** has been knocking on the door in consecutive races at this level and distance, and should get the pace needed to compliment her patient running style.

5 MUCH ABOUT IT is stepping up, and stretching out, after drawing clear to defeat \$10,000 '2-lifetime' claimers going a mile on the Tampa turf. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Samy Camacho named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 7-9-5**RACE 8:**

8 GETINTOMISCHIEF is stretching out to 6 ½ furlongs after returning from the layoff to finish 2nd vs similar quality going three-quarters of a mile.

1 SLAMMIN' MIKE is turning back to a sprint distance after responding to the dropdown in competition by showing improved speed before tiring to finish 7th vs \$20,000 maidens going a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Barry Croft has apprentice Cristian Torres handling the turnback move. **3 SARADAR** is a son of Duke of Mischief debuting for trainer Jorge Delgado with Lasix, and Reylu Gutierrez named to ride. The tote action should tell us more.

SELECTIONS: 8-1-3**RACE 9:**

9 UNA LUNA is back to a level where she posted back-to-back victories after rallying to come within a half-length of winning the \$75,000 Treasure Coast last out. The daughter of Dunkirk loves the local turf (11-5-3-1). **3 NIKKI'S CAUSE**, in for the \$25,000 tag in this optional claimer, the daughter of Creative Cause drops, and turns back, after the ambitious outing in the 12-furlong \$60,000 Home of the Brave in which she finished a troubled starting 7th. **6 TRILBY**, who does her best running in the latter stages of the race, was game in defeat when she rallied to finish 2nd to Una Luna when they competed together on June 20th.

SELECTIONS: 9-3-6**RACE 10:**

2 HIP HIP JORGE, listed as a gelding, the son of Tapit turns back to 5 ½ furlongs after the trio of 2nd place finishes from 6 to 6 ½ furlongs. Trainer Mark Casse has apprentice Cristian Torres in the saddle.

6 COMPANY STORE is turning back to this distance after surrendering a late lead when finishing 2nd – beaten a length at three-quarters of a mile. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle.

3 GRAND UNION is going back to the main track in the first race since rallying to finish 2nd vs maiden special weight runners going 5 furlongs on the turf. Trainer Juan Avila has Edgard Zayas handling the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 2-6-3**RACE 11:**

3 KROY is sitting on a winning performance after the perfect tune up at this level and distance in which he fought on gamely to finish 2nd. The Grade 2-stakes-placed son of The Factor has Edgard Zayas at the controls. **2 DRIVEN BY THUNDER**, who drove by Kroy to win by almost 3 lengths when they hooked up at this level and distance on June 23rd, renews the rivalry after stalking the pace, getting carried wide, and finishing 4th in the \$75,000 mile and a sixteenth Mecke.

4 GALLEON MAST should be primed and ready to offer more after returning from the 7-month plus layoff to finish 7th behind the top 2 during June. Trainer David Fawkes has Samy Camacho atop the classy 6-year-old.

SELECTIONS: 3-2-4**RACE 12:**

6 ALWAYS LUCKY is going back to the grass after following the duel for the lead 4th place finish on the grass 2 starts back with a clunker going a mile on a very sloppy track. Trainer Jena Antonucci has Jeffrey Sanchez handling the upset speed play.

2 TENNESSEE COTTON is stretching out to a mile and a sixteenth after responding to the dropdown to this level with a 2nd place finish going 7 ½ furlongs. Trainer Kendall Condie has Luca Panici in the saddle.

3 SUDDEN LIGHT is returning to what looks like her preferred surface after following the 4th place finish behind Tennessee Cotton 2 starts back with a 4th place finish going 7 furlongs on sealed sloppy surface.

SELECTIONS: 2-3-6**BEST BET: RACE 7 – 7 RAPID TRANSIT****LONGSHOT: RACE 12 – 6 ALWAYS LUCKY**