



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

1 SUDDEN LIGHT will be outfitted with blinkers after encountering traffic problems when finishing 4th – as the favorite – at this level and distance last out. Trainer Patrick Biancone has Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle. **2 MISS ANTONELLA** should be primed and ready to offer more after returning the 3-month layoff to finish 2nd at this level and distance. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Jalon Samuel atop the daughter of Tale of the Cat.

5 AGUAS COLORADAS is a daughter of productive turf sire Kitten's Joy debuting for trainer Victor Barboza Jr with Lasix, and Jose Batista named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 1-2-5

RACE 2:

5 NEWMANS FAST GIRL moved to the Jose D'Angelo barn via the claim, and drops to the \$6,250 level, after tracking the pace and finishing 2nd when facing \$12,500 '2-lifetime' claimers in a race moved from turf to 7 furlongs on a 'fast' track.

6 INFINITY SKY will depart from Post 6 after breaking from the outside (Post 11), setting the pace, and finishing 3rd at this level and distance. Trainer Bobby Dibona has Samy Camacho at the controls. **4 PAPA'S GIRL**, who has shown the ability to stalk the pace in the past, can end up sitting in the catbird seat behind the suspect pace scenario.

SELECTIONS: 5-6-4

RACE 3:

4 EILA is dropping to the \$16,000 level again after her 2-race win streak at the distance ended when she chased the pace and weakened to finish 3rd behind repeat winner Taylor's in Orbit in a \$25,000 optional claimer. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr has go-jock Emisael Jaramillo at the controls.

5 AWSUM ROAR is stepping up the competition after setting fractions of 21 & 1 and 43 & 4 on route to a hard-fought score vs \$10,000 open-claimers. **1 SAMURAI'SFIRSTLADY** is turning back to 5 furlongs after returning from the freshening to set the pace and finish 3rd vs \$12,500 claimers going 7 ½ furlongs. The 5-year-old mare should be able to stalk the swift fractions expected.

SELECTIONS: 4-5-1

RACE 4:

3 UPSY DAISY DO is freefalling to the \$20,000 level after following the 2nd place finish in her \$25,000 career debut with a 5th place finish vs \$50,000 maidens last out. Trainer Ralph Catanese has Jeffrey Sanchez named to ride.

5 GIRL GONE ASTRAY is expected to offer more after returning from the layoff, and responding to the dropdown to this level, with an improved 3rd place finish. Trainer Henry Collazo has Jose Alvarez returning on the daughter of Gone Astray. **2 MY SEBASTIANA** is hoping to show more after chasing the pace and flattening out when finishing 4th at this level and distance last out.

SELECTIONS: 3-5-2

RACE 5:

1 GOOD TIMING MAN will depart from the rail after coming oh so close to breaking his maiden when coming within a nose of scoring at the distance. Trainer Patrick Biancone has Jose Rendon handling the inside draw.

7 BLUESKY KITTEN is dropping to the \$12,500 level, and turning back to 7 ½ furlongs, after stalking the pace and weakening when 6th vs \$20,000 maidens going a mile and a sixteenth last out. Trainer Armando De La Cerda has Reylu Gutierrez handling the speedy gelding.

5 READY TO MINGLE can end up sitting the 'trip' behind the speed after responding to the dropdown in competition with a late-running 3rd – at 47-1 – last out.

SELECTIONS: 1-7-5

RACE 6:

7 WHY TRUST moved to the Victor Barboza Jr barn via the claim, and drops a notch, after vying for the lead and finishing 3rd vs \$12,500 conditioned claimers last out. The barn, 40%-plus with new claims, has leading apprentice Cristian Torres at the controls. **1 RATTLE'M** moved to the Saffie Joseph Jr barn via the claim, and faces \$10,000 conditioned claimers, after drawing clear to defeat \$20,000 maidens before the 4-month plus layoff; Edgard Zayas rides the Frank Calabrese dropdown. **5 RUPP** moved to the Peter Walder barn via the claim, and drops to this level, in the first race since finishing last of 5 runners in a \$30,000 '2-lifetime' claimer here last December.

SELECTIONS: 7-1-5

RACE 7:

7 LA AUSTRALIANA, who defeated older horses when breaking her maiden 2 starts back, cuts back to 7 ½ furlongs after tracking the pace and weakening to finish 5th vs 3-year-olds in the 1-mile \$100,000 Martha Washington last out. The lightly raced \$175,000 daughter of Australia (GB) has Edgard Zayas at the controls. **4 LADY NINA**, who has beaten older horses in 2 of her last 3 races, is back vs sophomores looking for her 2nd consecutive turf victory at the distance. Trainer Roger Laurin has Cristian Torres atop the consistent daughter of Uncaptured.

5 BELLO PORTE is turning back slightly after returning from the 2-month freshening to set the pace and weaken to finish 6th in the Martha Washington. She can get brave if left alone on the front end.

SELECTIONS: 7-4-5

RACE 8:

5 FIRE MISSION, a winner of 18 of 72 races, drops to the \$10,000 level, and returns to the main track, after rallying late to finish 5th vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers going 5 panels on the turf. Trainer Georgina Baxter has Reyly Gutierrez handling the combo dropdown/surface switch.

4 PACHANGA PARTY, no slouch in the win department either (13 for 54), gets the services of leading apprentice Cristian Torres after back-to-back 3rd place finishes at the distance vs hard-knocking \$6,250 open-claimers.

1 FOCUS ON ME moved to the Jorge Delgado barn via the claim after chasing the pace and fading when facing \$12,500 state-bred optional claimers going 6 furlongs last out. The gelding has the speed needed to steal this race from the inside post.

SELECTIONS: 5-4-1

RACE 9:

5 SOUTHERN SEA is stretching out around 2-turns after returning from the layoff to duel for the lead and finish 3rd in what should prove to be a perfect setup to steal this race from on or near the front end. **9 COLFEAR** is dropping to the \$10,000 level after 'hitting the board' in 1 of 2 turf outings at the \$16,000 level. The late-running 5-year-old can pick up the pieces of the top choice fails to negotiate the distance. **10 TANGIBLE** is another dropping to this level after taking the overland route when finishing a wide 5th at the \$16,000 level last out. Trainer Antonio Sano has Leonel Reyes at the controls.

SELECTIONS: 5-9-10

BEST BET: RACE 3 – 4 EILA

LONGSHOT: RACE 9 – 5 SOUTHERN SEA