



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

2 MR DEWEY is cutting back to 5 furlongs in the first start since setting the pace and holding on gamely to defeat \$10,000 '2-lifetime' claimers going 7 ½ furlongs here during July. Trainer Antonio Sano, who has 2 in the field (Thorpe d'Or), readied the gelding for this shorter distance with a series of sharp 5-furlong workouts. **8 TWISTED LICORICE** will break from the outside with the tactical speed needed to set or stalk the pace for the trainer/jock combo of Fawkes and Jaramillo. **3 CAN'TTAKEITWITHYOU**, who does his best running from 'off the pace', can end up sitting in the catbird seat behind when should be a solid early pace situation.

SELECTIONS: 2-8-3

RACE 2:

3 KAUFY FUTURES is looking to bounce back after following a well-meant 2nd place finish 2 starts back with a chase-and-weaken 4th – as the odds-on choice – at this level and distance. Trainer Tammy Levy has Paco Lopez named to ride.

6 LOOKING FOR MORE, 2nd at this level and distance when the blinkers were on, gets the shades back after surrendering a late lead when 2nd going 6 ½ furlongs last out; Emisael Jaramillo rides.

4 TWO STEP BEAT is stretching out to a mile again after running out of real estate when finishing a distant 4th behind Looking for More when they hooked up at 6 ½ furlongs.

SELECTIONS: 3-6-4

RACE 3:

3 SLOT RECEIVER, now in the Robert Falcone Jr barn, the gelding drops to this level on the main track after failing to launch a rally when finishing 5th vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers going 9 furlongs on the Monmouth turf. Trainer Falcone, 27% with new additions to the shedrow, has Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle.

4 DREAMY MARTINI is hoping to save more for the stretch drive after setting the pace and getting caught late when finishing 2nd at this level and distance. **5 TELL ME A STORY** moved to the Gilberto Zerpa barn via the claim, and stretches out to a mile, after coming up empty when facing this level of competition going 7 furlongs in the slop. The barn, over 40% with new claims, has go-to jock Emisael Jaramillo named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 3-4-5

RACE 4:

3 DUBAIAN is stretching out to a mile after breaking from a demanding outside post (11) and finishing a late-charging 2nd going 7 ½ furlongs. Trainer Mike Maker, winning races at a 39% clip, has Reylu Gutierrez atop the daughter of Hansen.

6 TROPICALITY is dropping to the \$10,000 level, and stretching out to a mile, after dueling for the lead and finishing 3rd vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers going 7 ½ furlongs on a 'good' turf. Trainer Susan Ditter has Samy Camacho handling the class relief.

8 SECRET O'LIFE has her claiming tag sliced in half after making a failed 4-wide bid when finishing 9th and last vs \$20,000 claimers last out. Trainer Rohan Crichton has Miguel Vazquez in the saddle again.

SELECTIONS: 3-6-8

RACE 5:

7 SHUDDAWUDDACUDDA is dropping to the \$10,000 level after returning from the 11-month layoff to finish 4th in a \$20,000 maiden test moved to 5 furlongs on a good main track. Trainer Mike Maker, is 9/34 (26%) with a 50% drop in claiming price, has Reylu Gutierrez named to ride.

6 JUST FOR CHUCKLES is turning back to 5 ½ furlongs after stalking the pace and finishing 5th in a fruitful 6-furlong sprint that's produced a pair of next-out winners.

1 TAYLORSINITIATION is shortening up to this distance, and breaking from the rail, after departing from an outside post (12), dueling for the lead, and finishing 3rd going 6 ½ furlongs.

SELECTIONS: 7-6-1

RACE 6:

5 ROBINTAKINCHARGE moved to the Bobby Dibona barn via the claim after using his speed to defeat \$35,000 conditioned claimers – as the odds-on choice. The new connections keep the status quo with hard-riding Samy Camacho at the controls.

8 MANTRA drops, and turns back to 7 ½ furlongs, after finishing 5th in a 'key' \$50,000 starter optional claimer that's produced 3 next-out winners from 5 starters. Trainer Carlo Vaccarezza has Albin Jimenez in the saddle. **2 MOZO BELLO** is stepping up the competition after responding to both a surface switch, and the dropdown, with a rousing 5-length score on the turf vs \$16,000 claimers.

SELECTIONS: 5-8-2

RACE 7:

9 KOZY KAT is a daughter of productive first-year sire Khozan debuting for trainer Ralph Nicks with Lasix, and Emisael Jaramillo named to ride.

8 HECHIZADA is daughter of Kantharos who is stretching out to 6 ½ furlongs after rallying late to finish 4th in her 6-furlong career debut. Trainer Antonio Sano has leading jock Edgard Zayas handling the added distance. **2 IRISH THUNDER** is turning back to a sprint distance on the main track after tracking the pace and finishing 4th vs \$50,000 maidens going 7 ½ furlongs on the turf. Trainer Dave Fawkes, 18% with his 2-year-olds making the grass-to-dirt move, has Jairo Rendon handling the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 9-8-2

RACE 8:

8 DIZZY is stretching out to a mile and a sixteenth after breaking from the rail prior to launching a 5-wide bid to finish 4th vs \$40,000 starter optional claimers going 7 ½ furlongs. Trainer Juan Alvarado has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle. **10 HERA**, a game winner going a mile on the turf 2 starts back, is shifting back to the grass after setting the pace and weakening to finish 4th vs state-bred optional claimers going a 1-turn mile on a 'good' main track.

2 CASSIDY'S SMILE was given some time off after following her maiden victory during April with a pair of 'out of the money' finishes vs similar quality. Red-hot trainer Joe Orseno has Paco Lopez handling the return to action.

SELECTIONS: 8-10-2

RACE 9:

2 GEMOLOGISTER, listed as a gelding, is stepping up to the next level after drawing clear at 5 ½ furlongs to defeat \$6,250 '2-lifetime' claimers by 3 widening lengths. **5 FOURTH DESIGN**, listed as a gelding, will try to make it 2 in a row after responding in his local return with a 'much-the-best' victory vs \$6,250 'non-winners of 2-lifetime' claimers at the distance. Trainer Georgina Baxter has Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle. **6 NAIROBI** is cutting back to three-quarters of a mile after holding on to defeat '2-lifetime' claimers going 6 ½ furlongs. Leading trainer Victor Barboza Jr has 7-pound apprentice Gaddiel Martinez in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 2-5-6

RACE 10:

7 KARENINA is looking to make amends at a mile after crossing the wire first before being disqualified and placed 2nd for drifting in the stretch when facing this level of competition going a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Rohan Crichton has Miguel Vazquez in the saddle again. **4 RIVER OF FIRE** will face winners after returning from the layoff at Monmouth to defeat \$16,000 maidens by 3 widening lengths. Trainer Todd Pletcher has Edgard Zayas atop the daughter of English Channel. **6 REGAL ROMANCE** is turning back to 8 furlongs after setting the pace and weakening to finish 5th behind Karenina when they competed at a mile and a sixteenth on July 28th. Trainer Armando De La Cerda has Reylu Gutierrez in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 7-4-6

BEST BET: RACE 10 – 7 KARENINA

LONGSHOT: RACE 8 – 8 DIZZY