



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

4 FRECKLE DE FRECK, who has shown the ability set or stalk the pace on the turf, can turn out to be a major part of the speed in a race that is devoid of any true pacesetter. Trainer Marcus Vitali has strong front running jock Nik Juarez named to ride.

1 BULLET THEBLUE SKY is cutting back to a mile after having top alter course when finishing 3rd – beaten a length by repeat winner Mo’s Ginny – going a mile and a sixteenth. **6 INSIDE TRIP** is making the 3rd start back from the layoff after getting forced to take the overland route with finishing 8th behind a pair of next-out winners in a competitive race at this level and distance.

SELECTIONS: 4-1-6

RACE 2:

6 FIRST OFF is dropping to the \$25,000 level after recovering from a slow start to finish 2nd in her career debut. Trainer Angel Rodriguez is 4 for 18 (22%) with maiden claimers making their 2nd start.

7 WINNING GAME is a 3-year-old daughter of Cal Nation (Distorted Humor) is debuting for trainer David Fawkes with 11 workouts showing in preparation for her long-awaited debut. The sophomore gets Lasix and has Tyler Gaffalione in the saddle. **2 NOT NICE** moved to the Yvon Belsoeur barn via the claim, and steps up the competition, after showing some speed and flattening out when finishing 7th in a \$12,500 maiden test going 5 furlongs on a sealed ‘sloppy’ track. The barn is 22% with their new claims.

SELECTIONS: 6-7-2

RACE 3:

5 TRAVY BOY will give the turf a try after a couple of strong outings on the dirt when he proved his open-length maiden victory wasn’t a one-shot deal when he came back to win his ‘2-lifetime’ condition by 6 widening lengths. Trainer David Fawkes is 18% with the dirt-to-turf angle.

1 DENEK, who has run well vs this caliber of competition during March & April, is dropping after losing all chance when breaking slowly from the rail in a \$16,000 conditioned claimer going 5 panels on the turf.

4 GOLDEN KANTHAROS was solid in defeat when he pressed the pace and finished 4th at this level and distance. Trainer Alexis-Cordero Lopez lightens the impost with apprentice Reylu Gutierrez.

SELECTIONS: 5-1-4

RACE 4:

6 FRIENDLY FELLA is a son of Hear No Evil making his 2nd start for trainer Kathleen O’Connell after rallying to finish 2nd in his state-bred debut at the distance. Trainer O’Connell, 11-23 (48%) with maidens making their 2nd start, has Edgard Zayas in the saddle. **4 CYRUS** is a son of Bodemeister debuting for trainer Stanley Gold with Lasix and go-to jock Jeffrey Sanchez named to ride. The tote action should tell us more. **3 HUNTERS DREAM**, another from trainer Kathleen O’Connell, is a gelded son of Treasure Beach making his debut off a steady work tab over the Gulfstream West training track.

SELECTIONS: 6-4-3

RACE 5:

1 DIAMOND MAJESTY is plunging to the \$10,000 level after following a 2nd place finish vs \$16,000 claimers with a 6th place showing vs \$20,000 starter allowance competition. He’s spotted perfectly to notch the elusive 2nd career victory. **4 GOING TO THE BEACH** is another getting some class relief after showing some early interest and fading to finish 5th vs a solid group of \$16,000 conditioned claimers. **3 SOLDAT’S STORM** is wheeling back after responding to the dropdown in competition with a respectable 4th place finish at this mile and a sixteenth distance.

SELECTIONS: 1-4-3

RACE 6:

7 RAINFALL is dropping a notch on the claiming scale after tracking the pace and finishing 2nd vs \$30,000 conditioned claimers at the distance. Trainer Armando De la Cerda has Jeffrey Sanchez handling the 3rd start back from the 9-month layoff. **6 APPEALING LALIBELA** became the only 2-time winner in the field when she stalked early and drew clear late to defeat \$6,250 ‘2-lifetime’ claimers at the distance. She’s worth a ‘flyer’ at a price.

8 VIOLENT NATURE is trying the dirt for the first time after a solid campaign on the turf, which includes the recent \$20,000 maiden victory going 7 ½ furlongs on the grass.

SELECTIONS: 7-6-8

RACE 7:

3 RUMBAGO should be ready to shed the maiden tag after showing a fondness for the turf when dueled throughout and finished 2nd going a mile. Trainer Ralph Nicks has Tyler Gaffalione handling the mini-turnback to 7 ½ furlongs. **1 BEACH TREASURE** is late-striding son of Treasure Beach who will be there to pick up the pieces if Rumbago gets hooked in another tough early duel with the abundance of speed in the field which includes

2 DYNAMIC DANCER. The latter is dropping a notch and is stretching out around 2-turns on the grass after following a set-the-pace 2nd at this distance on the turf with a duel-and-weaken outing going 6 furlongs on the dirt. The zero-for-17 record in a concern.

SELECTIONS: 3-1-2

RACE 8:

9 TIUNA moved to the Gilberto Zerpa barn via the claim, and stretches out to 7 furlongs, after setting the pace and finishing 2nd vs similar going 6 ½ furlongs. Trainer Zerpa, a mind-boggling 43% with new claims, has Emisael Jaramillo atop the 7-furlong specialist (2-2-0-0).

8 HIDDEN TO WIN moved to the Jorge Delgado barn after the claim, and cuts back to a sprint distance, after drawing clear in the 'slop' to defeat this level of competition going a mile. The new connections tab Tyler to ride as Emisael moves to Tiuna. **7 MILBRA** is stretching out after rallying to finish a distant 3rd behind Tiuna in the first start after the claim by Oscar Gonzalez; Leonel Reyes rides.

SELECTIONS: 9-8-7

RACE 9:

5 FALSE ACCUSATION is shortening up to a mile after dueling throughout and finishing a game 2nd vs this level of competition going a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer John Servis has Nik Juarez in the saddle. **9 MY RULES** moved to the Bobby Dibona barn via the claim after tracking the pace and finishing 2nd behind repeat winner Stay On Base last out. Trainer Dibona, 15% with first start after the claim, has Tyler Gaffalione at the controls.

4 PASCO ENSACO is another speedy type dropping into this conditioned claimer after setting a pressured pace and fading when facing \$16,000 state-bred optional claimers last out.

SELECTIONS: 5-9-4

RACE 10:

6 RICHEST GIFTS, now in the Saffie Joseph Jr barn, the gelding freefalls to the \$6,250 level after facing tougher at Woodbine, Penn National and Tampa. The back-to-back bullet workouts showing in preparation for this assignment is certainly appealing. **7 MASTER RORY** moved to the Alexis-Lopez Cordero barn via the claim and stretches out to three-quarters of a mile, after returning from the freshening to finish 3rd – as the odds-on choice – when going 5 ½ furlongs while in the Saffie Joseph Jr barn.

2 SECRET LIFE STYLE, who has shown progress since the addition of blinkers, is cutting back to three-quarters of a mile after finishing 3rd going 6 ½ furlongs last out.

SELECTIONS: 6-7-2

RACE 11:

2 MI CUAIMA is dropping a notch, and turning back a tad, after surrendering a late lead to finish 2nd vs \$25,000 optional claimers going a mile. Trainer Oscar Gonzalez has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle. **6 BALADA** is stretching out around 2 turns again after closing to be 3rd when facing this caliber of competition going 5 furlongs. However, she'll need to stay out of a ruinous duel with Mi Cuaima to offer her best. **7 SYMPATHETIC** moved to the Peter Walder barn via the claim, and wheels back at the same level, looking to sit the catbird seat behind the hot pace duel expected. Note the trainer/jockey combo of Peter & Tyler hits at a 23% rate at Gulfstream.

SELECTIONS: 2-6-7

RACE 12:

8 COOL MAIARA is cutting back to 7 furlongs on the main track after showing speed and weakening late when facing \$12,500 maidens going a mile and a sixteenth on the turf; Reyly Gutierrez rides. **2 FORLOVE** is dropping to the \$10,000 level showing early interest and fading to finish 4th in back-to-back 6-furlong sprints at the \$16,000 level. **9 WHITE BEAUTY** will be outfitted with blinkers after bumping at the start prior to finishing a late-closing 2nd going 6 ½ furlongs last out. Trainer Carlo Vaccarezza has Jeffrey Sanchez atop the daughter of Rattlesnake Bridge (Tapit).

SELECTIONS: 8-2-9

BEST BET: RACE 4 – 6 FRIENDLY FELLA

LONGSHOT: RACE 12 – 8 COOL MAIARA

