



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

1 CAPTURINI is dropping a notch in first race since finishing a track-the-pace 3rd vs \$16,000 maidens going 5 furlongs on the turf back in May. Georgina Baxter is 22% with similar layoffs.

11 EMPEROR'S SONG is another dropping to this level after returning from the layoff to finish a closing 2nd at the \$16,000 level. The concern is the zero-for-12 record. **5 TREASURED NIKKY** is cutting back to a sprint after showing speed and tiring late when facing similar quality going around 2-turns on the grass. Oscar Gonzalez has Emisael Jaramillo handling the turnback.

SELECTIONS: 1-11-5

RACE 2:

5 PRETTY RACHEL will try and make it 4 in a row after responding in the first race after the claim by the productive Saul Matos barn with a hard-fought score going a mile on a sealed 'sloppy' track.

3 I'M A COCO PEBBLES moves to the Juan C Avila barn via the claim after her 2-race win streak ended when she made a bid but had to settle for 2nd behind Pretty Rachel. The new connections tab Samy Camacho to handle the rematch. **1 TEN PIN ALLY** is plunging to the \$12,500 level after following the \$35,000 optional claiming score in the slop 2 starts back with a clunker at the \$25,000 level last out. The drop should help.

SELECTIONS: 5-3-1

RACE 3:

9 GLOBES is stretching out to a mile after encountering traffic at the 1/8th pole when finishing 3rd in his 7 1/2 furlong debut. Juan Alvarado has Edgard Zayas up. **11 T VILLE** will break from the outside after shaking off trouble at the 3/4 marker with a 3rd place finish in his 7 1/2 furlong debut. Leon McKanas has Chantal Sutherland handling the outside draw.

1 CREDIBILITY is a son of Nyquist debuting for Mark Casse, who leads all trainers in 2-year-old victories. Note the jock/trainer combo of Edwin Gonzalez/Casse is 47% together.

SELECTIONS: 9-11-1

RACE 4:

4 RAYO is dropping to the \$12,500 level after showing speed and fading in his maiden special weight debut going 4 1/2 furlongs during April. Trainer Angel Rodriguez has Jesus Rios handling the class relief.

10 PANORAMA TRUCK is a son of Tonalist debuting for Jose D'Angelo with a string of consistent workouts showing at Palm Meadows: Emisael Jaramillo rides.

9 PRAYIN ON CURRENCY is hoping to collect in his debut off the solid workouts showing on the farm. Robert Smith has Samy Camacho atop the son of a Songandaprayer.

SELECTIONS: 4-10-9

RACE 5:

7 GRAN MALBEC is stretching out to a mile after showing closing speed in 10 consecutive 5-furlong turf sprints. Armando De La Cerda, 23% with horses stretching out in distance, has Hector Berrios handling this part of the pace puzzle. **10 TIL THE END**, now in the Jorge Delgado barn, the 9-year-old drops to the \$12,500 level after facing tougher on the turf with some success. The barn is 27% with new additions to the shedrow. **6 GOLDEN DECISION** drops to this level in the first race since finishing 3rd vs \$16,000 dated claimers going a mile on the turf back in June. Peter Walder has Edgard Zayas atop the 5-time turf winner.

SELECTIONS: 7-10-6

RACE 6:

6 RUFA RED KNOT is back with maidens after encountering trouble at the start (hit gate), then rushing up to get the lead before settling for 3rd in the Desert Vixen Division of the Fla Sire Stakes.

11 LULI'S DANCER is stretching out to 7 furlongs after rallying to come within a neck of exiting the maiden ranks when 2nd going three-quarters of a mile. She may have tipped her hand with the 5-furlong bullet drill on Wednesday. **4 HARPER BE GOOD** is stretching out after tracking the pace and finishing an even 4th in her 6-furlong debut. Saffie Joseph Jr, 23% with maidens making their 2nd start, has Edwin Gonzalez named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 6-11-4



RACE 7:

7 LUDINGTON, 3 for 5 this year, will try to notch another after returning from the layoff to defeat 4 rivals at this level when going a mile on a sealed muddy track. Peter Walder has the gelding firing bullets for this assignment. **2 MY MANE MAN**, a lightly raced son of Bahamian Squall, is making his first start since posting back-to-back victories vs state-bred allowance level competition during April and May. Trainer John Vinson has the sophomore training sharply for the return: Emisael Jaramillo rides. **1 IRISH HONOR** is making his first start since rallying late to defeat state-bred allowance runners going 7 furlongs during January. Saffie Joseph Jr is a strong 27% with the with the 180 days-plus layoff.

SELECTIONS: 7-2-1

RACE 8:

5 TWIRLING GRACE will try to find a little more for the stretch run after getting nipped at the wire when 2nd at this level and distance last out. Dave Fawkes has Emisael Jaramillo trying to cure the current case of seconditis. **10 LOVE MY JOB** is dropping to the \$25,000 level after returning from the layoff to finish a press-the-pace-and-fade 6th vs maiden special weight competition. Ralph Nicks has Luca Panici returning on the daughter of California Chrome. **4 MADEIRA WINE** has been training forwardly on the Palm Meadows turf in preparation for the first start since the so-so grass campaign before going to the sidelines in June. Trainer Patrick Biancone has Chantal atop the daughter of English Channel.

SELECTIONS: 5-10-4

RACE 9:

8 DIVERT moves to the Victor Barboza Jr barn via the claim after notching his 2nd victory when scoring at this level and distance. The barn is a whopping 32% with new claims. **6 GREYZER** is dropping to the \$12,500 level after facing better with some success before going to the sidelines in May. Trainer Barry Croft has Jose Morelos named to ride. **9 BRACCIO DI FERRO**, 2nd behind Divert at this level and distance 2 starts back, renews the rivalry after rallying to finish a workman-like 4th vs \$20,000 conditioned claimers going 6 ½ furlongs. Jose D'Angelo has Emisael at the controls.

SELECTIONS: 8-6-9

RACE 10: *THE PROUD MAN*

5 ELDON'S PRINCE, a \$280,000 son of Cairo Prince, is stretching out to a mile after rallying to finish 2nd in his 7 ½ furlong debut. The colt faces winners for Saffie with Edgard in the saddle. **2 C MY MEISTER** will be outfitted with blinkers after showing a fondness for the turf when he raced greenly and still managed to break his maiden by 2 ½ lengths. Kelsey Danner has Miguel Vazquez returning on the son of Bodemeister.

9 WINGING IT, a \$200,000 son of Into Mischief, is debuting on the turf after coming within a neck of winning at first asking in a race moved from the turf to 7 furlongs on a good main track. Trainer Jena Antonucci has Samy Camacho returning on this regally bred freshman.

SELECTIONS: 5-2-9

RACE 11:

6 GAGA OH LA LA is dropping to the \$12,500 level after responding in the first race after the claim by Aubrey Maragh with a 2nd place finish vs \$20,000 claimers going 6 ½ furlongs. The turnback to 5 ½ furlongs should also help her cause.

11 WORLD GONE WILD moves to the Jorge Delgado barn via the claim after setting the pace and getting caught at the wire when 2nd at this level and distance last out. The barn, 30% with new claims, has Chantal handling the outside draw. **1 AWESOME VIEW** is stepping up to face winners after drawing clear like a 'good thing' to defeat \$12,500 maidens by almost 16 lengths. She'll be tested for class when breaking from the rail for Ralph Nicks and Jesus Rios.

SELECTIONS: 6-11-1

RACE 12:

9 DILIGENT will try to make it 2 in a row after returning from the 2-month freshening to defeat \$12,500 conditioned claimers at the distance. It's Plesa & Zayas. **1 CALABASH** is turning back to 7 ½ furlongs, and breaking from the rail, after departing from the outside (Post 10) and rallying to finish 2nd vs similar going a mile and a sixteenth. Saffie has J C Diaz Jr in the irons. **7 FARM STRONG** is going back to the turf after highlighting his versatility when he defeated this level of opposition in race moved from the turf to a mile on the dirt. Diane Morici has Leonel Reyes going for the hat trick.

SELECTIONS: 9-1-7

BEST BET: RACE 11 – 6 GAGA OH LA LA

LONGSHOT: RACE 10 – 5 ELDON'S PRINCE