

GULFSTREAM ANALYSIS

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BEST BET: Cantrushperfection (10th race)

First Race: 1. Splash of Colour 2. Street Gossip 3. Revel in the Win

SPLASH OF COLOUR an expensive 2yo purchase who never lived up to expectations but about ready to earn diploma turning back to five furlongs after making a little middle move behind 9-5 winner and next out MSW grad For Sally in her grass bow. Worked a bullet on the main to hone her speed for this. STREET GOSSIP did well to finish second behind runaway winner after being knocked about after the start of her debut. Returns 11 weeks later over a surface she should handle nicely being out of a mare who won seven of 23 starts on sod. REVEL IN THE WIN dons blinkers, turned in fairly sharp gate move for first try at a turf spring. Bred for the going being out of an eight time turf winning mare and a half to Snow Cone. Could get the wake up call here.

Second Race: 1. Thelma's Songcat 2. Doadeerafemaledeer 3.

Pocketpennies

THELMA'S SONGCAT no match for loose on the lead Fivehailmarys in her local bow but well spotted again an even weaker bunch to get her first win on conventional dirt. DOADEERAFEMALEDEER has done the bulk of her work on turf but showed enough in wet track 3yo finale to perhaps prove best of the rest. POCKETOPENNIES took up leaving the gate when dropped to this level for the first time earlier this month. One more chance with this kind.

Third Race: 1. With Flying Colors 2. Mattieandmorgan 3. Proven Right

WITH FLYING COLORS turned in a very promising grass bow when finishing with interest after getting shuffled a bit around the second turn. Should improve with that one under her belt. MATTIEANDMORGAN gets the nod on breeding switching to grass off very disappointing main track bow. Daughter of 14 time grass winner Lady Shirl is also a half to the likes of Shakespeare and Fantastic Shirl. Expecting a much improved showing on sod. PROVEN RIGHT joined the leaders, flattened out late while showing improvement in her second start of the meet. Gold d'Oro a half to Adriano by Medaglia d'Oro showed promise despite some unlucky trips at 2 but with a 26 day gap in her work resume' earlier this winter.

Fourth Race: 1. Forbidden Colony 2. Taking Over 3. Delaware Manor

FORBIDDEN COLONY had an equipment problem, was lucky to make it to the finish line at all when dropped to this level for the first time since switching to Standridge shed late last year. Good enough to handle open \$10K rivals in December and appears to have lured Marquez off Flint Mountain. TAKING OVER hard to fault in his present form. Withstood race long pace duel to beat \$10K foes in his last and with ample time to recuperate from the effort. DELAWARE MANOR back from Tampa where he just may not have handled the course as well as the local strip over which he turned in a career best effort beating conditioned claimers onn 1/29. Should trip out nicely stalking the early leaders from outside gate..

Fifth Race: 1. Ode to Revolution 2. Mymissjuliac 3. Dressed to Win

ODE TO REVOLUTION turns back to a sprint after showing speed, hanging in fairly well in a couple of two turn turf tries earlier in the session. Won his maiden going six furlongs on grass at 3, reunites with J.R. MYMISSJULIAC knocking on the door after getting necked under similar conditions here last month. DRESSED TO WIN figures to move forward off '09 bow around two turns at Tampa. Showed well on several occasions in N Y grass sprints for highly respected barn.

Sixth Race: 1. Ride a Wave 2. Britannia Rose 3. Angel Wave

This one as much a guess for us as anyone else except perhaps the clockers at Palm Meadows with the majority of the field debuting out of the training center. RIDE A WAVE actually has done her training in the relative anonymity at Palm Beach Downs and perhaps the best bred of the lot for the distance. Did ship down to get a feel for the track and gate working five eighths from the barrier earlier this month. BRITANNIA ROSE Has posted a steady stream of works dating back to December for top debut barn. ANGEL WAVE a \$200K whyo purchase from another outfit who usually has 'em ready off the pine. Watching board for any significant clues to this one.

Seventh Race: 1. Woodford Girl 2. Chorus Music 3. Pretty Elusive

WOODFORD GIRL has been idle since November but training forwardly for her return to a surface she handled quite nicely at 3 when second best behind Athenas Gift at Woodbine. Latter came out of that race to finish just four lengths behind I Lost My Choo in the Va Oaks. Fired fairly well off similar layoff this fall at Keeneland. CHORUS MUSIC down from Tampa where she was well clear for second money under similar N1X conditions. Much improved since switching to the inner earlier this winter. PRETTY ELUSIVE could be ready to break through to new Beyer topper after pairing up 74's in a couple of starts here early in the meet. Chased home only loose on the lead Bahia Girl last time.

Eighth Race: 1. Woodland 2. Flight to Eden 3. Kellys Rx

WOODLAND stays put off the claim for high percentage owner and trainer. Owns decided Beyer edge, need only trip out clean from somewhat precarious post to take another. FLIGHT TO EDEN withperhaps the best chance of upsetting the heavy favorite plunging back to level of game but somewhat bias aided win on 1/7. KELLYS RX no match for preferred choice after getting hung three wide dueling for the lead on 3/5.

Ninth Race: 1. Criticism 2. Dress Rehearsal 3. Lamentation

CRITICISM benefitted from an extremely slow pace to dominate much this same kind in The Very One and not likely to see a similar set up here but still may be too good for this bunch in her present form. DRESS REHEARSAL did well to be second best behind preferred choice in their previous encounter and perhaps the best suited to spring the upset with a little racing luck. LAMENTATION had little chance from off the slow pace in The Very One but an improving mare whose trainer has already won this race six times!

Tenth Race: 1. Cantrushperfection 2. Jazz Hands 3. Iswear Iswear

CANTRUSHPERFECTION, the day's best, back to the main after getting hung wide and fading late in two turn, turf bow. Finished fourth despite early trouble when debuting in a race that has since produced four next out grads. NEed only repeat that effort to be along in time. JAZZ HANDS drops to more suitable level after catching two of the better MSW dashes of the meet.. Did well to finish mid-pack in both heats now returns with blinkers added for plunge to selling ranks. ISWEAR ISWEAR had a somewhat adventurous trip when launching career at seven furlongs three weeks earlier and eligible for better with a little better racing luck. Worth a look at a square price.