

GULFSTREAM ANALYSIS

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BEST BET: Call Me Now (2nd race)

First Race: 1. Twenty for Ten 2. Little Richie 3. Taco Pizza

TWENTY FOR TEN won from off a slow pace when graduating, this distance, at Calder and should be able to trip out nicely behind what figures to be an honest enough pace. Slight edge in wide open affair. LITTLE RICHIE gets some significant class relief while switching from turf to the dirt. Finished in front of recent, runaway N2L \$25K winner Starship Valor two back on the lawn. TACO PIZZA back to reality after being ambitiously placed off well graded maiden win up north. Respect the new barn but his ability to stay the distance the key question especially with speedy Built to Precision in the lineup.

Second Race: 1. Call Me Now 2. Perfect Officer 3. Amen and Amen

CALL ME NOW, the day's best, drops to weakest level yet, adds blinkers for local bow. Worked well over the strip with the shades. PERFECT OFFICER another getting some significant class relief after catching a relatively well graded dash when debuting in New York. Attracts Coa. Continues to plunge well below purchase price but perhaps eligible to wake up with these. AMEN AND AMEN debuts in a fairly soft spot and like the fact she shows a recent six furlong work on the resume'. Barn can win off the bench.

Third Race: 1. Dressmaker 2. More Memories 3. Morgan's Field

DRESSMAKER likely wanted no part of a muddy main track after showing much promise in her U.S. bow four weeks earlier over Belmont sod. Returns to her favorite surface while dropping into conditioned claiming ranks for the first time. Can be along over a course which favored closers during early stages of '08 session. MORE MEMORIES seconds best when dropped into the category for the first time in N.J. finale. Finished in front of a horse who returned to be third against N3L's in her next start. Another who should be running at the end. MORGAN'S FIELD drops into conditioned claimers for first time but perhaps better suited to a little more distance. Still must respect from this barn in this spot.

Fourth Race: 1. Lawless Falls 2. Light Green 3. Dame Ellen

LAWLESS FALLS ran a winning race in her debut only to catch Redreamit who ran to her backing and now returning later this afternoon as one of the choices in the Old Hat. Has been given ample time to recuperate from the effort while working forwardly up the road in Tampa. Hard to beat with a repeat of that first try. LIGHT GREEN disappointed at 1-2 at the Spa following bang up bow in the city and has been freshened for her 3yo bow. Speedy filly may ultimately prove one to catch. DAME ELLEN looks best of the new faces by Elusive Quality and kin to a Group 1 winner although this one's future may ultimately lie on the turf.

Fifth Race: 1. Kiss the Queen 2. Pastel Gal 3. Kristi With a K

KISS THE QUEEN hard to fault off either of her two previous grass outings. Just missed while well clear of the others under similar conditions in Ky. finale with third place finisher in that heat a recent N1X winner at Turfway. Has the right running style to fit the profile of the race. Slight edge in another turf toughie. PASTEL GAL might offer some value being a N Y bred stepping back into open company but note the big effort she turned in over this course last winter when second best behind 3-5 Paris Winds. Might come running late for a major share at a fair price. KRISTI WITH A K outfinished by red hot Flibberjibit who was registering her fifth straight when last postward on 10/30. Continues to improve although one of several speed types in this well matched lineup. Wouldn't dismiss Pretty Elusive despite the layoff. WAS a game winner of her career and local bow and caught a killer field in her only other start, a race which yielded trio of next out N1X grass winners at Belmont.

Sixth Race: 1. Magical Affair 2. Cades Bay 3. Our Dahlia

MAGICAL AFFAIR a \$1.5 million 2-year-old purchase who happened to run into another good young one in her debut, the 4-5 Shared Account from Motion barn. Was easily second best that day and eligible to improve with the race under her belt. CADES BAY forced pace from tough position between horses, faded late when stretched to a mile for the first time and should benefit from the experience. May ultimately prove the one to catch. OUR DAHLIA OUR DAHLIA a beaten favorite in her initial venture out of the mile chute and like Cades Bay another who should improve from the experience.

Seventh Race: 1. Flibberjibit 2. Rustic Flame 3. Impressionism

FLIBBERJIBIT had her five race win streak snap when inexplicably setting a very rapid pace, fading late on hike to N2X company Switches to hot local barn, looking for her to sit back and make one run off what figures to be an honest pace in yet another wide open turf event. RUSTIC FLAME has had each of her last several starts well separated but she does come off her best yet when narrowly missing at Churchill on 11/21. Working forwardly for local bow. IMPRESSIONISM easily ran by preferred choice in their previous encounter and holding her form extremely well at this time although has been narrowly defeated in four of her last five starts and perhaps vulnerable as the likely favorite once again today.

Eighth Race: 1. Gemswick Park 2. Elusive Heat 3. Redreamit

With all the hoopla surrounding some of the undefeated ones with the big Beyers in this lineup, a talented and speedy filly like GEMSWICK PARK might just offer some value in an excellent renewal of the Old Hat. Has the speed to hang with the favorites and should have the stamina to perhaps kick on late exiting a pair of mile tries. The lone member of the field to be placed in a Grade 1 at 2. ELUSIVE HEAT couldn't have been more impressive in her debut earning a huge Beyer figure despite racing greenly at the end but could have her hands full early in her with the equally fleet and talented Frolic's Dream. REDREAMIT another who was very impressive at first asking and already proven to be able to rate and run down horses at the end. Could benefit if Elusive H. and Frolic's D. end up knocking heads early.

Ninth Race: 1. Nickel Pickle 2. Doc Magovern 3. Storm Mandate

NICKEL PICKLE drops into conditioned claimer for the first time off solid enough N1X try at Churchill. Faded late after challenging through midstretch going nine furlongs now turns back to the distance at which she earned diploma four weeks earlier. Should be along with a clean trip. DOC MAGOVERN comes off his best yet on the main while returning from an extended vacation now returns to what figures to be his best surface considering he is by With Approval out of a mare who won four times on turf. Looking for his best yet on the sod. STORM MANDATE could not quite make up enough ground over somewhat speed favoring Calder inner in her return to south Fla. but may relish what last year was a closers paradise during the early stages of the meet. Looking for her to come running on late at a fair price.