

GULFSTREAM ANALYSIS

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BEST BET: No Speed Limit (8th race)

First Race: 1. Presto Change O 2. Europe 3. Mission Gap

PRESTO CHANGE O couldn't have had a more eventful trip in his debut but after he steadied back to last at the break and before he clipped heels and lost his rider nearing the far turn the son of Grand Slam showed a ton of speed and the outside draw and addition of blinkers should assure him of getting away much cleaner at second asking. Might not look back if he leaves a runnin'. EUROPE a \$2.6 million yearling purchase by Unbridled's Song, a combination which conjures up memories of Dunkirk and his two monster performances here at the meet. Does show a four weeks gap on the work tab between 1/7 and 2/1. Strictly the one to fear. MISSION GAP should improve on his debut when catching a field that produced a pair of next out winners including Alma d'Oro. Working well. Worth tossing in at a price.

Second Race: 1. Keep the Peace 2. Camara Oculta 3. Pious Ashley

KEEP THE PEACE will be too short a price coming off too long a layoff to play but she does appear to have enough of a class edge to handle this group if close to her best. Not how well she ran fresh in her career bow at 2. CAMARA OCULTA may have the best chance of springing the upset after extending well meant Onoragus before coming out second best in her last. Could prove tough customer in the final furlong on turn back to six furlongs. PIOUS ASHLEY no match for One Caroline who won her third race in as many tries going a mile under similar allowance conditions here last month. Another who should have some kick at the end at this distance.

Third Race: 1. Clandestine Fury 2. Excess Capital 3. Unaccountable

CLANDESTINE FURY victimized by a very unlucky trip when returning to the turf earlier this month. Should be along with cleaner sailing. EXCESS CAPITAL a non-winning type but did show some promise on the turf last summer at the Spa and exiting very well run dash here on 1/9. Could get brave if allowed to get loose on the lead. UNACCOUNTABLE UNACCOUNTABLE and Roman Silver both coming off solid tries over the lawn, the former apparently good enough to lure Lezzano off the top pick. Hard to ignore either in their current form.

Fourth Race: 1. Stormy Lake 2. Trippin' Easy 3. Skip the Deposit

STORMY LAKE back to the main off troubled outing on turf. Earned high marks albeit bias aided on graduation day although a repeat of that performance should be good enough to handle this bunch of mid-level conditioned claimers. TRIPPIN' EASY stays put off the claim after chasing home only Itobe when haltered on the 16th of January. Latter flattered the effort by returning to win right back. SKIP THE DEPOSIT chased home Itobe while skipping a condition 17 days earlier now back where she belongs with N2L's. Non-winning sort but usually in the thick of things at the end.

Fifth Race: 1. Rev It Up Rhonda 2. Wild Awake 3. Cinque Bella

REV IT UP RHONDA could return quick dividends off the claim. Rallied to finished second best behind stakes dropper Seminole Lass in her local bow while 1.25 lengths in front of next out \$50K winner Princess Town. Running style fits the profile of the race. WILD AWAKE another late running sort who turned in solid turf bow. Worked a neater bullet over PM turf for this. Can handle the hike at what may be another fair price. CINQUE BELLA back to the lawn for the first time since finishing distant fourth in well graded MSW affair across town. Has run extremely well over the main ever since.

Sixth Race: 1. Single Malt 2. Street Talk'n Man 3. No Detour

SINGLE MALT turned in a promising debut from tough post when a late running third behind well regarded Warriors Reward and with a couple of near bullets in the holster since that ry. Should catch enough pace to run down with any kind of forward move. STREET TALK'N MAN one of two intriguing looking firsters in this lineup along with Donaho Charlie. Former extremely well bred by Street Cry out of a Giant's Causeway mare although dam is unraced and this her first foal to hit the races. Barn certainly capable of having one ready off the bench. The same can be said for Donaho Charlie connections who have put a couple of sharp half mile drills into the Indian Charlie colt in preparation for his bow. NO DETOUR stumbled early, dued, retreated late in a race we're willing to toss here last month. Working like gangbusters ever since. May stand some catching if able to avoid early duel with Just a Coincidence.

Seventh Race: 1. In Classic Fashion 2. Art of Diplomacy 3. Indian Reef

IN CLASSIC FASHION turned in perhaps the best performance of his career despite finishing eighth stepping up against N2X allowance company and stretching to a mile for the first time on grass. Drops to a much softer spot for second try at the distance, need only avoid potentially disastrous early duel in a field loaded with speed types. ART OF DIPLOMACY and INDIAN REEF both return to their favorite surface after dull sprint tries over the main. Repeat of their best on turf put them right in the thick of this one especially if the race collapses at the end.

Eighth Race: 1. No Speed Limit 2. Tadisha 3. Serenity Girl

NO SPEED LIMIT, the day's best, turned in extremely well graded local bow and working bullets ever since. Should handle the hike in her present form. TADISHA did well to finish third despite having to check off howses into the far turn under similar \$25K starter conditions three weeks earlier. Capable of rating off, running down what could potentially turn out to be a very fast pace. SERENITY GIRL second best in her last after setting pace from inside over a track that did not produce a single wire to wire winner on 1/28. Still earned career best Beyer in the process. Looking for her to rate off the early speed today.

Ninth Race: 1. Spice Route 2. Presious Passion 3. Always First

Long distance specialist SPICE ROUTE turned back to nine furlongs to beat Soldier's Dancer in the Tropical Turf now back to what he does best going a mile and three furlongs today. Might get just enough help on the front end to be along at his best. PRESIOUS PASSION in peak form at the present time but probably better at this distance on the front end than chasing as he'll like have to do with Finallymadeit in the lineup and breaking from the rail. Still taken to ultimately inherit and prove one to catch at the end. ALWAYS FIRST another who would appreciate an honest pace scenario. Can reverse recent setback at hands of Presious P. in the McKnight with a little more help up front.

Tenth Race: 1. Berry Berry Bueno 2. Santana Six 3. Big Flirt

BERRY BERRY BUENO finished willingly enough in his debut, galloped out very impressively giving the impression he'll relish the added ground stretching to a mile for his second start. Training like a champion for this at Calder. SANTANA SIX disputed a very rapid pace before proving no match for Dunkirk who came back to show his heels to even stronger bunch on Thursday. Pace presser Ziegfield already exited this race to win his maiden at nine furlongs last weekend. May not look back. BIG FLIRT faltered badly after pressing early issue returning from a long layoff and trained too well prior to that outing not to expect improvement with one under his belt.