

GULFSTREAM ANALYSIS

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BEST BET: Da' Tara (8th race)

First Race: 1. Skip the Deposit 2. Mymissjuliac 3. Trippin' Easy

SKIP THE DEPOSIT flashed a little improved speed in her last while earning career best Beyer in the process. Turns back a sixteenth off series of longer races. Should trip out nicely behind speed of Girl Glitter and Blues Singer. MYMISSJULIAC the logical choice coming off a couple of sharp outings on the turf, the most recent when pitted against the boys. Another who figures forwardly placed throughout. TRIPPIN' EASY sheds the shades, turns back to perhaps her most effective distance. May have the best late kick of the bunch.

Second Race: 1. Dirty During 2. Frolic On Home 3. Antick Gold

DIRTY DURING drops to the bottom for the first time after holding own vs. tougher 18 days earlier. Could be ready to graduate. FROLIC ON HOME led late, faltered when sent a mile in his local bow but idle 10 weeks with only two published works on his resume'. ANTICK GOLD another getting some much needed glass relief. Finished third from off slow pace last month.

Third Race: 1. Mama's Wonder Boy 2. Three Miracles 3. Wardyan

MAMA'S WONDER BOY could return quick dividends off the claim especially if able to shake loose to relax on the lead after battling through some extremely fast fractions trying to stay nine furlongs a couple of weeks earlier. THREE MIRACLES dueled, faded battle for nearly twice this tag when trying nine furlongs for the first time earlier in the session. Suit conditions nicely having won eight races lifetime but none in '09. WARDYAN a bit overmatched trying starter company in his last pair following surprise N3L win on 3/6. Has kept a busy schedule this winter.

Fourth Race: 1. City Wife 2. Miss Lulu Belle 3. Girl Bar

The season's first 2-year-old race. CITY WIFE brought \$25K last fall at OBS and the most expensive member of this lineup. Gets shaky nod over Wesley Ward duo of MISS LULU BELLE and GIRL BAR only one of whom is expected to start. Barn excels at this early season juvenile dashes and usually bet accordingly.

Fifth Race: 1. Never Lie 2. Triqueta 3. Entertaining

NEVER LIE comes up tagged for the first time after being overmatched in all starts since graduation day over Arlington in August. Might exert her class to run down this group at the end. TRIQUETA hopefully getting back on the grass after tiring badly against allowance opposition over a sloppy main. Repeat of maiden tally makes her too good for these. ENTERTAINING hard to fault in her present form. Beaten a neck by this same kind two back.

Sixth Race: 1. Barge 2. Working Class Hero 3. Fundy

BARGE a \$280K yearling purchase with a pair of bullets in the holster in preparation for his debut. Could be another good one from top barn. WORKING CLASS HERO encountered some trouble following a slow start when debuting earlier in the session. Looking for improvement at a square price. FUNDY appears to be working forwardly for his bow. Kin to SW Come Hither. Tab board for clues on the several other triple digit sale purchases who'll launch their career in this event.

Seventh Race: 1. Abe Is Honest 2. Maccarib Pass 3. Hit a Homer

ABE IS HONEST gets shaky not in wide open 3yo turf claimer. Finished with good interest after encountering some early trouble in his lone turf start on the grass this winter. Can be along with clean sailing. MACCARIB PASS back for a straight tag after holding his own with better in his last. Another late striding sort who'll need some help with the pace. HIT A HOMER Stas put off the claim. Returns to turf for the first time since encountering trouble, finishing behind Maccarib Pass early this winter.

Eighth Race: 1. Da' Tara 2. Fancy Runner 3. Dream Maestro

DA' TARA, the day's best, comes off nice sprint tightener now stretches out and should be able to set up shop in his favorite position on the front end ala Belmont Stakes success. Ready to finally get back on winning track if able to clear off as expected. FANCY RUNNER has turned in a couple of nice mile tries here this winter now stretch out to a distance he's handle extremely well in the past. Well posted from the fence. DREAM MAESTRO rarely run a poor one although winless since early August. Should be a long for at least a share once again.

Ninth Race: 1. Holiday Trip 2. Polo Argentina 3. Singing Rock

HOLIDAY TRIP gets some needed class relief dropping in against conditioned claimers off a third place finish against wide open rivals for the same tag. Can be along with another forward move. POLO ARGENTINA comes up tagged for the first time while making second start following a long hiatus. Once stakes placed sort drilled a near bullet over PM sod for this. SINGING ROCK continues to hold his form well at this level. Should be along to grab another minor share..