

## RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS



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#### FIRST RACE:

**7 HEZ GONNA B FAMOUS**, a respectable second on a 'fast' track in his career debut vs. similar, is hoping the weather cooperates after showing speed and retreating in another 6-furlong affair vs. similar on a wet track listed as 'good'.

**3 BABY KING** makes his 3-year-old debut after showing promise vs. similar in his 5-race freshman campaign at Calder. Trainer Jose Pinchin, who has a positive \$3.25 ROI with the 61-180 day layoff, has Elvis Trujillo in the saddle.

**6 UPPER SCALE** is a son of Richter Scale who has trained consistently enough to be a factor in his career debut. Trainer Larry Pilotti adds Lasix and jockey Eduardo Nunez for this assignment. **5 LANDSDOWN STREET** will race with blinkers added after making a 5-wide bid and fading to finish sixth vs. similar at 5 ½ furlongs. Trainer John Pinnock tabs 10-pound bug T Simpson atop the son of Broken Vow.

**SELECTIONS: 7-3-6-5**

#### SECOND RACE:

**5 LAFFANS BRIDGE** is stepping up, and turning back, after a sharp inside move produced a solid \$20,000 'two-lifetime' claiming victory at a mile and a sixteenth on a 'firm' turf. Trainer Barclay Tagg, 22% with horses winning consecutive races, has Elvis Trujillo named to ride. **3 FIVEHAILMARYS**, a bit of a hunch play on Easter Weekend, debuts on the turf after following an impressive \$10,000 'two-lifetime' score with a second place finish vs. this caliber of competition at a mile on a sealed 'sloppy' track. Trainer Chad Brown, 22% with his debut turf runners, has leading jock Jose Lezcano handling the surface switch. **1 NICOLE'S SONG** moved to the Peter Walder barn via the claim after stalking the pace and retreating to finish fifth vs. similar on Feb. 20th. Trainer Walder, 31% with new claims, has Javier Castellano in the saddle. **6 PRINCESS WESTLY** is dropping to the \$20,000 level after showing some late interest in back-to-back \$35,000 'three-lifetime' claimers at the distance. Trainer Dale Romans has E T Baird in the saddle.

**SELECTIONS: 5-3-1-6**

#### THIRD RACE:

**6 SONZUL** is stretching out to 9 furlongs after disputing the pace and finishing second vs. similar in a 1-turn mile. Trainer Eddie Broome has Joe Bravo handling the stretchout. **7 JAZZAHOLIC**, second at this level and distance when breaking from a tough outside post (10), is hoping for a 'fast' track after making a middle move and finishing

fourth vs. multiple winners in a \$6,250 claimer at 9 furlongs on a sealed 'sloppy' track. **1 PANTHERAS CHARGE**, now in the Wayne Catalano barn, steps up, and skips a condition, with the distinction of being the only participant in the race with a previous victory at the distance (1-1-0-0). Trainer Catalano, 40% with new tenants to his shedrow, keeps the status quo with Elvis Trujillo in the saddle.

**SELECTIONS: 6-7-1**

#### FOURTH RACE:

**4 JOE FIVE** is turning back to a mile after a useful local return from an 8 ½ month layoff in which he stalked the pace and finished third vs. similar at a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Ed Plesa Jr. has Paco Lopez in the irons.

**2 COFFEE CAKE** will race with blinkers added after bumping at the start and finishing fourth behind Joe Five in their recent outing at a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Michael Matz, 20% with first-time blinkers, has Jose Lezcano at the controls. **5 TRUST THE DEPUTY** in hoping to find a little more after finishing third in front of a pair of next-out winners, at 69-1, in a 'key' outing at this level and distance. Trainer Henry Collazo teams with jockey Wilmer Galviz.

**7 WOULD AND COULD** is eligible to show more after bumping at the start and closing to finish fifth - beaten 4 ¼ lengths - at this level and distance on Feb. 22nd.

**SELECTIONS: 4-2-5-7**

#### FIFTH RACE:

**2 GREATBILLSOFFIRE** is stepping up a notch, and turning back a tad, after dueling from start to finish and holding on to finish second in a \$25,000 maiden test at 7 furlongs. Trainer Joe Orseno has Javier Castellano in the saddle.

**6 UNSTOPPABLE FORCE** drops to the \$30,000 level, and turns back to 6 ½ furlongs, after stalking the pace 4-wide and fading, as the favorite, vs. \$50,000 maidens at a mile on a sealed 'sloppy' track. Jose Lezcano rides. **7 TOP ROCK** will be treated with Lasix after an eventful debut at this level and distance in which he broke slowly, rushed up to dispute the pace, and faded to finish third when he apparently bled. Trainer Tony Reinstedler has E T Baird in the saddle.

**9 BYRON'S BEST** is a son of Vindication debuting for trainer Tom Albertrani with 11 Palm Meadows workouts showing. The Padua Stables homebred starts his campaign with Lasix and Elvis Trujillo added to the mix.

**SELECTIONS: 2-6-7-9**

**SIXTH RACE:**

**6 B B'S CONCORDE** drops to the \$20,000 level hoping the class relief produces the elusive second career victory for trainer Manny Tortora and jockey Manoel Cruz (19-1-3-5). The 4-year-olds current turf figures point him out vs. this caliber of competition. **1 MANHATTAN STAR** drops into this \$20,000 'two-lifetime' claimer after a useful ground saving performance produced a sixth place finish vs. \$35,000 'two-lifetime' claimers here on Jan. 4th. Trainer Mark Hennig has Javier Castellano in the saddle. **8 SAMMY'S TOY** will try to dole out his speed vs. this level of competition after tracking the action and fading to finish tenth vs. \$35,000 'two-lifetime' claimers at a mile and a sixteenth. **4 WHODIDNTKNOWTHAT** drops, and stretches out, after hitting the board in one of three 5-furlong turf sprints vs. better.

**SELECTIONS: 6-1-8-4**

**SEVENTH RACE:**

**1 KISSIMMEE KYLE**, a Louisiana-bred, debuts locally for trainer Greg Sacco after an eventful first-out maiden win at the Fair Grounds in which he veered at the start, lacked room, and still managed to get up at the wire to win by a head on a sealed 'sloppy' track. **2 HAVE ONE MORE**, a sharp \$50,000 maiden winner at the distance here on Feb. 11th, stretches out after encountering trouble at the start (pinched back) and finishing third vs. Florida-breds in a 'two-lifetime' allowance test at 5 ½ furlongs on a sealed 'sloppy' track. **5 CLAM BAKE** makes his allowance debut after a wild \$50,000 maiden victory at the distance in which he broke slowly, was steadied on the backstretch, and twice more on the turn, and still managed to score at 46-1. Trainer Joe Orseno adds second-time blinkers for this assignment.

**SELECTIONS: 1-2-5**

**EIGHTH RACE:**

**2 BECKHAM BEND**, an impressive previous winner at the distance, turns back after encountering traffic during the stretch run (waited for room) and finishing second - beaten a length by repeat winner Sudden War - in a 12-furlong stamina test vs. entry-level allowance runners. Trainer Diane Alvarado has Elvis Trujillo penciled in for the return assignment. **5 BIG AL**, who posted the highest Beyer figures in the field when beaten 2 lengths in back-to-back allowance tests at the distance (86 & 85), should sit a second flight trip behind the pace hoping to finally notch his second career victory (13-1-2-3). Trainer Tim Ritvo has Manoel Cruz atop the son of Repent. **1 YAROSLAV** is stepping up into the allowance ranks, and breaking from the rail, after finishing second in back-to-back turf outings vs. \$35,000 'two-lifetime' claimers when departing from Post 11. Peter Walder teams with E T Baird. **4 SPICY DUBAI**, a consistent son of E Dubai, would be 3 for 3 'in the money'

on the local turf if he wasn't disqualified from third and placed eighth in a \$40,000 starter allowance race on Feb. 20th. Trainer Michael Matz has Jose Lezcano riding for the fifth consecutive time.

**SELECTIONS: 2-5-1-4**

**NINTH RACE:**

**10 TOGETHER INDY** should be primed and ready to score after a useful career debut at the distance in which he broke slowly, rushed up to attend the pace, and tired from his earlier efforts to finish third. Trainer George Weaver, 22% with the 31-60 day freshening, has Joe Bravo returning on the \$325K son of Not For Love. **1 EUROPE**, a \$2.6-million dollar son of Unbridled's Song, has trained sharply at Palm Meadows in preparation for the first start since running into a buzz saw named Presto Change O when making his 5-furlong career debut on Feb. 21st. Trainer Todd Pletcher, 22% with horses making their second start, has Chris DeCarlo atop the regally bred sophomore. **11 SPEIGHT OF HAND** shows six Palm Meadows workouts, including the 5-furlong bullet on April 4 (1:01 H), in preparation for the first start since coming within a half-length of exiting the maiden ranks at a mile on the Aqueduct main track (Nov. 5th). Trainer Chad Brown has Jose Lezcano in the saddle.

**4 PROSPECTIVE LOVE** is turning back to 7 furlongs in the first start since making a middle move and finishing fourth in a 1-mile maiden test here on opening day (Jan. 3rd). Leading trainer Ken McPeck, 25% with the 61-180 day lay-off, has Manoel Cruz in the saddle.

**SELECTIONS: 10-1-11-4**

**BEST BET: RACE 5 - 2 GREATBILLSOFFIRE**

**LONG SHOT: RACE 8 - 9 AWESOME MICH**

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