



# RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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## RACE 1:

**6 MR. STARK** is dropping to the bottom on the turf after returning from the extended layoff to duel for the lead and finish 3<sup>rd</sup> behind repeat winner Nunc Pro Tunc in a \$20,000 maiden test going a mile.

**3 ACCOUNTANT Q** is another getting some class relief after rallying to finish 4<sup>th</sup> vs \$20,000 maidens at this mile and a sixteenth distance. **2 TIZ LUNA** is stretching out after responding to the dropdown in competition with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish vs \$12,500 maidens going 7 ½ furlongs.

**SELECTIONS: 6-3-2**

## RACE 2:

**1 POLAR JET** looked like a rocket when he returned from the layoff to crush a field of \$12,500 state-bred optional claimers by 6-plus lengths. Trainer Jorge Navarro has Jeffrey Sanchez named to ride.

**6 FLORIDA COTTON** is cutting back to three-quarters of a mile after drawing clear to defeat \$12,500 state-bred optional claimers – at 6 ½ furlongs – when finishing in a dead heat with hard-knocking Colormepompom. Trainer Elizabeth Dobles, winning races at a 38% clip, has leading jock Edgard Zayas going for 2 in a row. **5 SOLDOLLIE** is making his 4-year-old debut after ending his sophomore campaign last summer with impressive back-to-back sprint victories. Trainer Aubrey Maragh is 2 for 5 (40%) with the longer than 190 days layoff.

**SELECTIONS: 1-6-5**

## RACE 3:

**7 ZANNO** is making his turf debut at 5 furlongs after chasing the pace and weakening in a 'key' 4 ½-furlong dash on the dirt that's already produced next-out winners Cajun Casanova and Doubleturbo. Trainer Wesley Ward has the gelding working well on the Palm Meadows turf. **6 ROSAS WAY** is dropping a notch, and shifting to the grass, after finishing an improved 4<sup>th</sup> vs \$50,000 maidens going 5 furlongs on the main track.

**8 YES FOR LESS** is a gelded son of Kantharos debuting for trainer Fernando Abreu with Lasix, and apprentice Cristian Torres named to ride. The freshman is bred to respond favorably to the turf.

**SELECTIONS: 7-6-8**

## RACE 4:

**2 DEXTER** is dropping to the \$35,000 level after returning from the 11-month plus layoff to finish a workman-like 4<sup>th</sup> vs state-bred special weight competition. Trainer Ralph Nicks has Emisael Jaramillo named to ride. **1 BEAU TRACE** moved to the Saffie Joseph Jr barn via the claim, and returns to the main track, after responding to the dropdown in competition with a late-closing 4<sup>th</sup> vs \$35,000 maidens going a mile and a sixteenth on turf. The barn is 32% with new claims, and 21% with the turf-to-dirt move. **5 I STAND CORRECTED** is another shifting to the dirt after facing similar quality on the turf with less than stellar results.

**SELECTIONS: 2-1-5**

## RACE 5:

**7 UNCAPTURED ANGEL** will face winners at the \$12,500 level on the turf after leading every step of the way to defeat \$20,000 maidens in a race moved from the lawn to a 1-turn mile on a wet track listed as 'good'. **5 ENDUROS TIGRESS** is stretching out around 2-turns after finishing 2<sup>nd</sup>, before being placed first via a Steward's decision, in a \$12,500 maiden sprint contested at 5 furlongs.

**6 REGAL EMBRACE** is debuting locally after parlaying a stalk-and-clear \$16,000 maiden victory going a mile on the Tampa turf.

**SELECTIONS: 7-5-6**

## RACE 6:

**1 SASSY LASSY** is stretching out to 6 furlongs again after responding to the dropdown to the bottom with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish going 5 ½ furlongs. Trainer Kathy Ritvo has apprentice Cristian Torres handling the inside draw.

**2 NOT REGRET** is debuting locally at three-quarters of a mile after recovering from a slow start to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> in her \$16,000 debut going 5 ½ furlongs on the Tampa main track. **7 JENNA DAWN** is dropping to the bottom on dirt hoping the most recent karma change helps produce the elusive maiden victory (27-0-8-3).

**SELECTIONS: 1-2-7**

**RACE 7:**

**1 MAXIXE** is debuting locally for trainer Rohan Crichton after showing speed, on both turf and synthetic, when facing better at Woodbine last summer. The daughter of Badge of Sliver will have journeyman Chucky Lopez handling the inside speed play. **9 ANJALI** will depart from the outside after rallying to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, respectively, at this level and distance. The daughter Exclusive Quality should sit the 'trip' off the suspect speed to her inside. **6 OFF TO BROADWAY** is dropping to the \$12,500 level in the first start since finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> – at 19-1 – vs \$25,000 maidens during March. Trainer Jena Antonucci spots the daughter of Power Broker perfectly vs this level of opposition.

**SELECTIONS: 1-9-6**

**RACE 8:**

**10 MR LUCAS**, now in the Georgina Baxter barn, the gelded son of Bodemeister is making his first start since using his speed to defeat \$12,500 maidens here during January. The new connections have the sophomore training sharply over the track. **5 SOUPERY DUPERY** is stepping up to the next level after the hard-fought head victory vs \$10,000 maidens going 6 ½ furlongs. **1 SMOOTH AS** is plummeting to the \$6,250 'non-winners of 2-lifetime' level again after tilting windmills when finishing 6<sup>th</sup> and last vs \$35,000 optional claimers last out.

**SELECTIONS: 10-5-1**

**RACE 9:**

**8 DIAMOND MINT** will face open competition after responding in the first race after the claim by Jorge Delgado with a wire-to-wire victory vs \$12,500 conditioned claimers. Trainer Delgado, 35% winning back-to-back races, has Emisael Jaramillo going for 2 in a row. **11 DIAMOND MAJESTY** is dropping to this level after pressing the pace and finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> when tussling with \$25,000 optional claimers at this distance last out.

**12 SLEEPING GIANT** will break from the outside after returning from the layoff, breaking from the rail, and edging away to score at this level and distance last out; Edgard Zayas rides.

**SELECTIONS: 8-11-12**

**RACE 10: THE BIG RED**

**5 CEEVEE** will try to make it 3 in a row, and 2<sup>nd</sup> straight at the distance, with the speed needed to steal this race at a price. Trainer Happy Alter has the son of Tiznow firing bullets for this assignment.

**3 HY RIVERSIDE** is stretching out to 8 furlongs after returning from the layoff to finish a screw-tightening 5<sup>th</sup> in the 7-furlong \$100,000 Big Drama last out. Trainer Jorge Delgado has Miguel Vazquez atop the 5-time local winner. **1 JUST KIDDING** is stretching out to one of his most accomplished distances (23-4-5-5) after drawing clear to defeat \$20,000 starter allowance runners going 7 furlongs. Trainer Bob Hess Jr has Albin Jimenez named to ride.

**SELECTIONS: 5-3-1**

**RACE 11:**

**9 UNLIMITED DATA** is dropping a rung on the competition ladder after recovering from an awkward start to finish a 5-wide 2<sup>nd</sup> vs \$50,000 maidens at the distance. **5 BLUESKY KITTEN** is another dropping to the \$40,000 level after tracking the pace and finishing an even 4<sup>th</sup> behind late-closing Unlimited Data last out. Trainer Armando De La Cerda lightens the impost with 7-pound apprentice Cristian Torres at the controls. **10 HARD COUNT** moved to the Mike Maker barn via the claim after responding in the dropdown from special weight competition with a late moving 3<sup>rd</sup> vs \$35,000 maidens going 7 ½ furlongs.

**SELECTIONS: 9-5-10**

**BEST BET: RACE 10 – 5 CEEVEE**

**LONGSHOT: RACE 9 -8 DIAMOND MINT**