



# RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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## RACE 1:

**10 INFINITY SKY** is dropping to the \$12,500 level after the inconsistent campaign vs tougher before the layoff. The sophomore gets the tepid nod in a race that conjures up more questions than answers. **11 YES ITS FACTUAL** is eligible to offer more after rallying to finish 4<sup>th</sup> at this level and distance last out. **9 GET BACK HOME** is making her local return the first start since finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> vs \$16,000 maidens going a mile on a 'good' Tampa turf; Jesus Rios rides.

**SELECTIONS: 10-11-9**

## RACE 2:

**3 SANSA** is expected to take a positive step forward after tracking the action and finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in her 4 ½-furlong debut on a wet track listed as 'good'. Trainer Oscar Gonzalez has Edgard Zayas named to ride. **4 BAHAMIAN GIRL** is another eligible to score after rallying to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in her career debut at this level and distance. **5 FILLY JEAN KING**, who like the top choice is a daughter of Brethren from Arindel Farm, is hoping to get to the winner's circle after rallying to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> in front of her uncoupled stablemate last out; Emisael Jaramillo rides.

**SELECTIONS: 3-4-5**

## RACE 3:

**11 COCKTAIL SKIRT** moved to the Marcus Vitali barn via the claim, and stretches out to a mile and a sixteenth, after rallying to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> – as the favorite – going a mile last out. The barn, 19% with new claims, tabs Victor Lebron to ride.

**8 MADDY'S SALSA** is dropping to the \$12,500 level in the first start since finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> vs \$16,000 '3-lifetime' claimers going a mile on March 6. Trainer Yvon Belsoeur is 24% with the 61-180 days layoff. **7 LIBERALE (FR)**, 6 for 9 in the money at the distance, albeit without a victory (9-0-3-3), stretches out after chasing Cocktail Skirt around in consecutive races at a mile.

**SELECTIONS: 11-8-7**

## RACE 4:

**5 LIL B QUICK** is turning back to 6 ½ furlongs, and dropping into this conditioned claimer, after chasing the pace and fading to finish 4<sup>th</sup> vs 5 rivals in a \$12,500 state-bred optional claimer contested at 7 furlongs. **6 SKY CHASER** is stepping up, and stretching out, after putting a serious whooping on a field of \$10,000 maidens going 6 furlongs. Trainer Ron Spatz has Miguel Vasquez trying for 2 in a row. **1 BARGAINAIRE** is cutting back a half-furlong, and departing from the rail, after dueling for the lead and weakening to finish 4<sup>th</sup> behind 'much the best' winner I Like Archie going 7 furlongs on a 'good' main track.

**SELECTIONS: 5-6-1**

## RACE 5:

**1 LA AUSTRALIANA**, who finished a promising 3<sup>rd</sup> in her mile and a sixteen debut, is hoping to bounce back at a mile after failing to get rolling when facing maiden special weight runners at a mile and a sixteenth last out. Trainer Juan Avila has Edgard Zayas returning on the 3-year-old daughter of Australia (GB). **2 MEZCALITA** is stretching out slightly to a mile in the first start since setting the pace and fading to finish 4<sup>th</sup> in her 7 ½-furlong turf debut here during April. Trainer Todd Pletcher has Jeffrey Sanchez named on the \$375,000 daughter of Pioneerofthe Nile. **8 FINAL ADVENTURE** is cutting back to 8 furlongs after returning from the 9-month layoff to finish a sightseeing 9<sup>th</sup> behind the top choice. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Luca Panici named to ride.

**SELECTIONS: 1-2-8**

## RACE 6:

**8 LEGAL DEAL** is a son of promising first-year sire Khozan debuting for trainer Kathleen O'Connell with a steady work tab showing over the stamina tweaking GP West training track. The freshman gets Lasix, and has leading jock Edgard Zayas handling the outside draw.

**4 FRANK'S LEGACY** is a \$130,000 son of Kantharos, and a half-brother to Grade 1 stakes-placed Axelrod, debuting for trainer Ed Plesa Jr with 5 useful workouts over the track showing.

**6 CUCINA** is a son of Northern Afleet debuting for trainer Mark Casse with a string of flashy workouts showing on the farm in preparation for the debut.

**SELECTIONS: 8-4-6**

**RACE 7:**

**1 SUM OVERTURE** moved to the Bobby Dibona barn via the claim, and turns back to his best distance (4-2-0-2), after showing speed and weakening vs better in a pair of turf routes going a mile. **7 CRYOGENIC** is stepping up to the next level after parlaying an inside stalking trip into a \$12,500 'non-winners of 2-lifetime' victory at the distance. Trainer Mike Maker is solid (17%) winning consecutive races. **8 EARTH** is making the usually fruitful 3<sup>rd</sup> start back from the layoff after rallying to finish an improved 2<sup>nd</sup> at this level and distance. Trainer Jena Antonucci has Angel Rodriguez atop the son of Orb.

**SELECTIONS: 1-7-8**

**RACE 8: THE OPENING LEAD**

**7 CAUTIOUS GIANT** is stretching out to three-quarters of a mile after posting a 100 Beyer speed figure when defeating \$40,000 optional claimers going 5 ½ furlongs. The son of Giant's Causeway goes for his 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive win with Emisael Jaramillo in the irons. **6 HARRYHEE** is cutting back to what is definitely his best distance after the yeoman's try at 7 furlongs in which he set the pace and settled for 2<sup>nd</sup>. **1 SWEETONHELADIES** is a late-striding son of Twirling Candy who has parlayed his strong late kick into more than \$400,000 in earnings. The multiple Grade 3 stakes-placed 5-year-old belongs on all your tickets.

**SELECTIONS: 7-6-1**

**RACE 9:**

**4 KOKOKOMO** is a son of Uncle Mo debuting on the turf for trainer Todd Pletcher with Lasix, and Jeffrey Sanchez named to ride. The Palm Beach Downs workout pattern is consistent, if not on the swift side.

**9 REMASTER (IRE)** is a son of Kodiak (GB) debuting for trainer Wesley Ward, and that should be more than enough to pique your interest. The freshman shows back-to-back solid workouts on the Palm Meadows turf in preparation for this assignment. **7 KUDURO**, another from Todd Pletcher, the son of Danza (Street Boss) debuts with Lasix, and leading jock Edgard Zayas named to ride.

**SELECTIONS: 4-9-7**

**RACE 10:**

**6 SI ES GOYA** is dropping to the \$6,250 level after rallying to 'hit the board' in 1 of 2 recent races at the distance vs \$12,500 claimers. Trainer Marcial Navarro tabs apprentice Cristian Torres to ride.

**8 HIGH ROLLING DUDE** should be primed and ready to make amends after returning from the layoff to set the pace and weaken to finish 5<sup>th</sup> – as the favorite – at this level and distance last out.

**3 CAPE MARCO DRIVE** is hoping to finally notch his 2<sup>nd</sup> career victory (38-1-4-8) after the rejuvenated pair at this level in which he was disqualified from the victory to 2 races back, and was a well-meant 2<sup>nd</sup> last out.

**SELECTIONS: 6-8-3**

**RACE 11:**

**4 BOW TIE AFFAIR** is stretching out to a mile after making a solid 3-wide bid to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> vs similar going 7 ½ furlongs. Trainer Bobby Dibona has Samy Camacho named to ride. **7 LOVE CONQUERS** is dropping to the \$12,500 level in the first race since tracking the pace and finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers going 7 ½ furlongs during March.

Trainer Bob Hess Jr has Luca Panici atop the longshot special. **8 BILLY BIG (IRE)** moved to the Elizabeth Dobles barn via the claim looking to rebound from the stalk-and-fade clunker going a mile and a sixteenth last out. The barn, 28% with new claims, has Miguel Vazquez named to ride.

**SELECTIONS: 4-7-8**

**BEST BET: RACE 7 – 1 SUM OVERTURE**

**LONGSHOT: RACE 11 - 7 LOVE CONQUERS**