



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

10 PRECIOUS PEACH is dropping to the \$12,500 level, and turning back to 5 furlongs, in the first outing since setting the pace and fading to finish 5th vs \$30,000 conditioned claimers going 7 ½ furlongs. Trainer Sarah Nagle is 3 for 8 (38%) this year with her turf sprinters.

3 ICE SHOW is debuting on the turf for trainer Teresa Connelly after pair of solid sprint efforts on the Presque Isle synthetic surface, which includes the recent 2nd place finish going 6 furlongs vs this level of opposition.

1 CLOUDY DAY is dropping to this level in the first race since following her \$12,500 maiden victory 2 starts back with a late running 3rd vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers in her last.

SELECTIONS: 10-3-1

RACE 2:

5 ORGANIC JENNY is plunging to the \$16,000 level after following his \$35,000 maiden victory in July with 'out of the money' finishes in the \$125,000 Proud Man on the turf, and in the mile and a sixteenth in the \$400,000 In Reality.

2 FLAT OUT FLYING, now in the David Fawkes barn, the son of Flat Out debuts locally after drawing clear to defeat \$15,000 maidens at Belterra Park; Nik Juarez rides this unknown quantity. **4 SAN DIEGO SLUGGER** is stepping up to face winners after using his speed to defeat \$16,000 maidens here going 7 furlongs on a wet track listed as 'good'.

SELECTIONS: 5-2-4

RACE 3:

5 SUNSHINE SMILES is turning back to 5 furlongs on the turf after setting the pace and tiring late when finishing 3rd vs similar quality going 6 furlongs on the main track. Trainer Efren Loza Jr is 3 for 16 (19%) with his dirt-to-turf sprinters. **3 MAGIC MAKER** is dropping a notch on the maiden scale after tracking the pace and finishing 4th in her Gulfstream turf finale at the \$12,500 level. Trainer Tammy Levy tabs Paco Lopez to ride. **6 DRINKS ON MAGGIE** is going back to the turf after ending her summer campaign with a chase-and-fade 5th place finish vs \$20,000 maidens going 6 furlongs on the GP main track. Trainer Yvon Belsoeur has Luca Panici handling the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 5-3-6

RACE 4:

2 COSMIC SHIFT is dropping to the \$20,000 level on the main track after stalking the pace and fading when facing \$50,000 maidens here going 7 ½ furlongs on the turf. Trainer Marcus Vitali is 4 for 11 (36%) with horses dropping 50%, and returning to the main track.

7 GUERRERON is dropping to this level after switching from turf to dirt and finishing 3rd vs \$35,000 maidens going 5 ½ furlongs. Trainer Armando De la Cerda has Edgard Zayas handling the gelding's first trip around 2-turns on the dirt. **5 WHITECAP BAY** is dropping to this level after an ambitious 4-race campaign, which includes the poor showing in the \$200,000 Affirmed while still a maiden.

SELECTIONS: 2-7-5



RACE 5:

2 DOMINANCE, a daughter of Violence, is debuting on the turf in the first start since using her speed to defeat a pair of next-out winners in a 6-furlong sprint at Belmont. Trainer Jonathan Thomas, 6 for 16 (38%) with his first-time turf sprinters, has Emisael Jaramillo atop this lightning fast sophomore. **1 R HAPPY ENDING**, no slouch in the speed department, showed a new dimension when she came from 'off the pace' to defeat \$16,000 state-bred optional claimers at Gulfstream on June 21st. Trainer Georgina Baxter has Paco Lopez atop the 5-furlong turf specialist (3-2-1-0).

8 FIRST APPEAL is cutting back to 5 furlongs after returning from a layoff at Belmont and finishing a late-running 5th going three-quarters of a mile on a 'yielding' course. Trainer Linda Rice has Nik Juarez atop the 2-time winner at the distance (5-2-0-1).

SELECTIONS: 2-1-8

RACE 6:

4 MY POINT EXACTLY is dropping to this level, and turning back to seven-eighths of a mile on the main track, after setting the pace and fading late vs \$16,000 conditioned claimers going a 2-turn mile on the grass. Trainer Elizabeth Dobles has Paco Lopez handling my favorite turf-to-dirt angle. **7 ALLURSTRA** is dropping back to the \$12,500 level on the main track after his 2-race win streak on the dirt ended when he finished a lackluster 6th vs \$16,000 state-bred optional claimers going 5 panels on the grass. Trainer Terri Pompay has the 4-year-old firing bullets in preparation for the return to action.

3 ARISTTELES is cutting back to 7 furlongs (8-1-1-3) after rallying wide to come with a neck of defeating this level of competition going a 2-turn mile here last out.

SELECTIONS: 4-7-3

RACE 7:

5 HOUSE OF COMMONS moved to the Bobby Dibona barn via the claim after dueling for the lead and fading to finish 3rd behind repeat winner Strolling in a \$20,000 '2-lifetime' claimer at Keeneland. Trainer Dibona, 7 for 26 (27%) with new claims sprinting on the dirt, has Chucky Lopez named to ride.

7 FOR THE GIPPER is dropping to the \$30,000 level after dueling for the lead and fading to finish 5th behind repeat winner The Best Candy in a \$50,000 claimer going 6 ½ furlongs here on a sealed 'sloppy' track. Trainer Armando De la Cerda has Paco Lopez in the saddle.

4 POWERFUL VENEZUELA will be outfitted with blinkers after rallying late to finish 3rd and 2nd, respectively, in a pair of sprints at this level and distance. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr is 21% with first-time blinkers.

SELECTIONS: 5-7-4

RACE 8:

8 LOVE FLUTE, now in the Rasharn Creque barn, the 7-year-old mare is hoping to find more after rallying very wide to finish 2nd – at 23-1 – in her local return at the \$16,000 level. The new connections have Samy Camacho named to handle her 51st career start.

5 THE TWO NANCY'S, now in the Fernando Abreu barn, the daughter of Desert Party debuts locally after the solid turf campaign in Bean Town. Emisael Jaramillo rides the 2-time winner at the distance (4-2-1-0).

6 AWESOMENDENSOME is dropping to the \$12,500 level in the first start after trying unsuccessfully to run with speedy Fallen Leaf in her local return at the \$16,000 optional claiming level. Trainer Jena Antonucci has Miguel Vazquez handling the dropdown.

SELECTIONS: 8-5-6

BEST BET: RACE 7 – 5 HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONGSHOT: RACE 8: 8 LOVE FLUTE