



# RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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## RACE 1:

4 PARTY TARDE is stepping up to the next level after drawing clear to defeat a field of \$6,250 2-lifetime claimers by 7-plus lengths. Trainer Gilberto Zerpa, winning races at a 42% clip, is also 28% winning consecutive races. 8 UN PO DI VINO is dropping to this level in the first start since finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in a \$12,500 '3-lifetime' claimer at Parx. Trainer Kelly Breen has Nik Juarez handling the local bow. 7 MISS STALWART moved to the Steve Budhoo barn via the claim, and steps up to the next level, after shipping in from Kentucky and defeating 2-lifetime claimers here while in the Dale Romans barn. The new connections tab Luis Saez to ride.

**SELECTIONS: 4-8-7** 

#### RACE 2:

**5 WILDCAT SAINT** is looking to find just a tad more after coming up only a nose shy of notching this condition last out. The son of Wildcat Heir, trained by Leo Gabriel, should sit a perfect stalking trip behind the suspect pace scenario expected.

**6 SMART DUDE** is hoping to saving something more for the stretch drive after setting the pace prior to fading and finishing 5<sup>th</sup> behind Wildcat Saint last out. **2 FROSTY THE DRAGON**, now in the Chuck Simon barn, the Finger Lakes shipper makes his turf debut the first since disputing the pace and tiring to finish 5<sup>th</sup> in a 'non-winners of 2-lifetime' allowance on the dirt, a race that also included Uncle Tbone, who won here on Sunday.

**SELECTIONS: 5-6-2** 

## RACE 3:

**3 R LITTLE SECRET** will face state-bred maiden special weight competition at 5 ½ furlongs after getting nailed late when beaten a neck vs \$50,000 open-maidens going three-quarters of a mile.

**5 FLASH ME NOT** is a daughter of Big Drama debuting for trainer David Fawkes with Lasix, and leading jockey Luis Saez named to ride. Trainer Fawkes, 19% with his first-time starters, has the sophomore training consistently for the debut.

**2 ONEBRETHATATIME** is going back to face state-bred competition again after finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> again when facing open special weight company at the distance. Trainer Stanley Gold has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle.

**SELECTIONS: 3-5-2** 

## RACE 4:

4 PICARA, a promising daughter of Turbo Compressor, is wheeling back at the same level and distance after following her debut maiden victory with a well-meant 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish last out. Trainer Francisco D'Angelo has Javier Castellano in the saddle. 9 MRS. RAMONA G. is getting both some class and distance relief when she turns back to 5 furlongs after following her debut victory going 6 furlongs on the Belmont turf with a poor showing in the 1-mile \$100,000 Chelsey Flower on the Aqueduct sod. Trainer Jeremiah Englehart, 26% with horses turning back in distance, has Luis Saez atop the \$250,000 daughter of Kantharos.

**2 RED DREAD** was solid in defeat when she shipped in from Churchill and rallied to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> in front of Picara last out. Trainer Bill Connelly has Miguel Vasquez in the saddle.

**SELECTIONS: 4-9-2** 

## RACE 5:

**6 NONNO NINO** is turning back slightly to about 7 ½ furlongs after making a middle move to duel for the lead before settling for 3<sup>rd</sup> going a mile vs \$25,000 maidens last out. **8 CASH CALL KITTEN** is a son of super turf sire Kitten's Joy debuting for trainer Mike Maker, and that should be more than enough to pique your interest. Jockey Jose Ortiz also adds to the appeal.



**9 PASCO ENSACO**, now in the Lilli Kurtinecz barn, the gelded son of Corfu (Malibu Moon) is stretching out around 2-turns after ending his sprint campaign at Gulfstream West with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish in a 5-furlong \$20,000 maiden sprint that has produced a couple of next-out winners.

**SELECTIONS: 6-8-9** 

#### RACE 6:

**5 SINGANOTHERSONG** moved to Jorge Navarro barn via the claim, and is back at the same level and distance, after finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> behind both repeat winner Alaskan Prince, and hard-knocking Swagger last out. The barn, 20% with new claims, has Emisael Jaramillo named to ride.

**8 BILLY THE BULL** is dropping to the \$16,000 level after shipping in from Laurel and failing to reel in track record holder, and repeat stakes winner Pay Any Price, in the Claiming Crown Canterbury. Trainer Mary Eppler has Nik Juarez named on the 11-time winner at the distance.

**1 ALL ABOUT YASOM**, who does his best running from 'off the pace' should sit in the catbird seat behind the speed. Trainer Joe Orseno has Irad Ortiz Jr in the saddle.

**SELECTIONS: 5-8-1** 

## RACE 7:

**8 SILVA QUEEN** is dropping to the \$12,500 level, and racing without the blinkers, after failing to handle \$50,000 maidens going 6 furlongs at Churchill during September. Trainer Larry Rivelli has Albin Jimenez handling the dropdown.

**4 GAMER GIRL** almost pulled off the 104-1 shocker when she returned from Gulfstream West to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> behind repeat winner Final Flurry at this level and distance last out. **7 QUACK QUACK** is turning back to 6 furlongs with blinkers added, after coming within three-quarters of a length of finally exiting the maiden ranks when going 7 furlongs last out.

**SELECTIONS: 8-4-7** 

## RACE 8:

**6 VALDOCCO** is stepping up to face winners locally after cruising on a wet track listed as 'good' to defeat a pair of next-out winners at Gulfstream West. Trainer Gustavo Delgado has Luis Saez in the irons.

**4 JERSEY STREET** is stretching out to 6 ½ furlongs after shipping in from Keeneland and finishing a useful 4<sup>th</sup> vs this caliber of competition when going three-quarters of a mile. Trainer Mike Tomlinson has Tyler Gaffalione penciled in for the return assignment. **9 THE ACCUSER** moved to the Pat Parente barn via the claim, and debuts locally, after the pair of late-closing 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes on the synthetic surface at Woodbine. He's worth a look at a price.

**SELECTIONS: 6-4-9** 

## RACE 9:

**3 PHANTOM OPENING** is dropping to the \$25,000 level after a pair of turf outings at Delmar in which she was 3<sup>rd</sup> vs \$40,000 optional claimers 2 starts back, and a troubled 7<sup>th</sup> (squeezed start) vs \$80,000 optional claimers going a mile in her last. **7 KRAZY KATHY** is making her local return after threatening to win at this level in back-to-back races on the Gulfstream West turf. Trainer David Fawkes has Tyler Gaffalione in the saddle.

**4 READY IN SUMMER** is debuting locally after stalking the pace throughout and getting beat only a half-length when facing straight \$25,000 claimers going a mile on the Aqueduct turf. Trainer Steve Klesaris has Irad Ortiz Jr in the saddle.

**SELECTIONS: 3-7-4** 

#### **RACE 10:**

**2 MIDNIGHTONBROADWAY** moved to Yvon Belsoeur barn via the claim, and returns at the same level and distance, after finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> vs a solid group of 2-lifetime foes. The new connections keep the status quo with Albin Jimenez in the saddle. **5 PRINCE OF ENGLAND** is looking to get away from the gate trouble free after bobbling and hopping at the start of his local return at this level and distance. **7 SUNSET CATCH** is hoping to find more for the stretch run after shifting from the Gulfstream West turf to finish 4<sup>th</sup> behind Midnightonbroadway last out. Trainer David Fawkes has Tyler Gaffalione in the irons again.

**SELECTIONS: 2-5-7** 

**BEST BET: RACE 9 - PHANTOM OPENING** 

LONGSHOT: RACE 4 – 6 DRAMA RUN