



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

4 MARKET DEVELOPMENT is a gelded son of Maclean's Music debuting for trainer Wesley Ward with a string of stamina-tweaking 5-furlong turf workouts showing in preparation for this assignment: Emisael Jaramillo rides. **8 TODAYSTHEDAY** is dropping to the \$25,000 level, and debuting on the turf, after following the 3rd place finish in his \$35,000 debut in the slop with a stalk-and-fade outing vs state-bred special weight competition last out. Trainer Carlos David, 22% with his debut turf runners, has Miguel Vazquez atop the son of Verrazano. **3 TWIRLING FIRE** is debuting locally after showing promise when sprinting on the Monmouth turf. The most seasoned turf runner in the field will have Paco Lopez in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 4-8-3

RACE 2:

11 RICH'S RAGS is eligible to take a winning step forward after returning from the 14-month layoff to finish a duel-and-weaken 6th at this level and distance. Trainer Armando De La Cerda has Luis Saez handling the lightly raced son of Union Rags. **4 MAKINALEGACY** will give it one more stab at trying to break maiden after finishing 2nd or 3rd in 6 consecutive races at the \$10,000 level. The gelding, zero-for-29 overall, will have Edgard Zayas in the irons. **7 TOOK A CAB** is going back to the dirt after splitting a pair of 'in the money' finishes on the turf with a 2nd place finish going 5 furlongs on the GP West main track. Trainer Dave Braddy has Edgar Prado atop the zero-for-19 maiden.

SELECTIONS: 11-4-7

RACE 3:

8 ANTIGONE, who faced considerably tougher in her previous turf races, is going back to the grass after finishing 3rd in back-to-back races on the GP West main track. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Edgard Zayas returning on the daughter of Carpe Diem. **2 JOSEFA** is making her first start since rallying to finish 2nd vs this caliber of competition going a mile on the GP West turf.

Trainer Antonio Sano has Paco Lopez named on the daughter of Treasure Beach. **3 ZANDREA'S** was given some time off after following her \$12,500 maiden turf victory here with a stalk-the-pace 5th going a mile and a sixteenth on the grass here in August. Trainer Peter Walder has Luis Saez handling the return to action.

SELECTIONS: 8-2-3

RACE 4:

1 CAIRO CAMPAIGN is making his local return after following his \$10,000 maiden victory here at the distance with a driving score, from a tough outside post (11), going 5 furlongs in a rained-out turf sprint on the GP West main track. **5 BON PRIX** is stepping up to the next level after rallying to defeat \$16,000 '2-lifetime' claimers going 6 furlongs across town. Trainer Luis Carvajal Jr has Paco going for 2 in a row. **2 DREAM D'ORO** is turning back to three-quarters of a mile after setting the pace and finishing 2nd vs similar quality going 6 ½ furlongs at GP West. Trainer Dan Pita as Cristian Torres returning on the son of Congrats, who is 7 for 11 'in the money' locally.

SELECTIONS: 1-5-2

RACE 5:

10 BABY GIRL, beaten a neck on the turf vs \$20,000 maidens at Monmouth, is going back to the grass after ending her campaign on the Jersey Shore with a set-the-pace and fade outing going a mile and a sixteenth on the main track. Trainer Kent Sweezey has Joe Bravo atop the speedy daughter of Goldencents. **6 TRULY**, who has run well in the past when returning from a layoff, makes her first start since finishing 2nd – as the favorite – vs \$20,000 maidens going a mile here in April. Trainer Mike Lerman has Luis Saez atop the daughter of Will Take Charge. **11 CAMELLIA GAL**, who is 2 for 4 'in the money' on the turf, is going back to the lawn after giving way grudgingly when finishing 2nd vs \$16,000 maidens in a race moved from the turf to a mile on a wet-fast GP West main track. Trainer Juan Avila has Edgard Zayas atop the 3-year-old daughter of Mizzen Mast.

SELECTIONS: 10-6-1



RACE 6:

6 SILVER DOLLAR CITY is making his local return the first start since setting the pace and finishing 3rd going 6 ½ furlongs on a west-fast surface across town. Trainer Ralph Nicks will have Emisael Jaramillo playing 'catch me if you can'. **8 EXXTOP** is stepping up, and stretching out, after rallying to finish 2nd – as the 3-to-5 favorite – vs \$12,500 maidens going 6 furlongs across town. Trainer Rohan Crichton has Paco Lopez in the irons again. **3 TRUE IDENTITY**, who closed to finish 2nd in front of Silver Dollar City last out, will be there to pick up the pieces if the top choice fails to negotiate the 6 ½-furlong distance again. Trainer Dan Pita has Miguel Vazquez named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 6-8-3

RACE 7:

6 CARK is making his first start since finishing 2nd in back-to-back turf outings vs similar quality here during August and September. Trainer Sarah Nagle, 21% with this type of layoff, has Hector Berrios named to ride. **1 SHINNING THROUGH**, now in the Kent Sweezey barn, the gelded son of Malibu Moon drops to the \$16,000 level after 'hitting the board' in 2 of 4 turf routes at the \$40,000 level: Paco Lopez will handle the late-running gelding. **3 SHARETHEBLAME**, a reclaim by Imaginary Stable, moves to the turf for trainer Antonio Sano after facing similar quality in a pair of races moved from the turf to the GP West main track. The gelding, who broke his maiden on this course, will have Edgard Zayas handling the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 6-1-3

RACE 8:

6 PALADIO, a 2-time winner here, and a 3-time winner overall, is making his local return the first start since rallying to defeat \$50,000 starter optional claimers going 6 furlongs on a sealed sloppy track across town. The son of Gone Astray gets the nod on the consistency angle. **3 CARSON CITY KID**, 3rd behind Paladio when they competed at 5 furlongs on October 23, and 2nd in front of him when they hooked up at this distance on October 4, will renew the rivalry locally looking for his 2nd career victory. Trainer Mark Casse has Emisael Jaramillo named to ride.

2 WARRIORS PRIDE is stepping up to face winners after posting a gaudy 80 Beyer figure when defeating maiden special weight runners going 5 ½ furlongs across town. Trainer Antonio Cioffi has Leonel Reyes going for 2 in a row.

SELECTIONS: 6-3-2

RACE 9:

4 JOLTING JOE is making his local return at the \$25,000 optional claiming level after 4 consecutive turf outings vs stakes competition, which includes the recent 2nd place finish in the \$60,000 Showing Up across town. Trainer Mike Maker has Joe Bravo named to ride. **1 FLOWMOTION**, a 5-time local winner, returns after the solid 2-race campaign on the Monmouth turf in which he followed a \$16,000 starter handicap victory with a slow starting 3rd vs allowance competition going 8 ½ furlongs on softened turf listed as 'good'. **8 MYAMANOI**, who was beaten only three-quarters of a length in the \$100,000 Dania Beach here in February, returns after ending his turf campaign up north with a 7th place finish vs allowance company at Saratoga. Trainer Danny Gargan has Luis Saez in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 4-1-8

RACE 10:

4 SOUPER JAGUAR moved to the Paul Kopaj barn via the claim, and returns locally, after setting the pace and tiring vs \$20,000 conditioned claimers going a mile on the GP West turf. The new connections tab Edgar Prado to handle this major speed threat in the nightcap. **7 TIME FOR TROUBLE**, a 2-time winner locally, who does his best running from 'off the pace', will be there to pick up the pieces of Souper Jaguar fails to negotiate the mile and a sixteenth distance. Trainer Mike Maker has Edgard Zayas atop the one to beat. **2 POSITIVE PHIL** lived up to his name when he rallied to get beat a neck when finishing 2nd vs similar quality going 8 ½ furlongs on the GP West turf. Trainer Juan Avila has Emisael Jaramillo named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 4-7-2

BEST BET: RACE 9 – 4 JOLTING JOE

LONGSHOT: RACE 10 – 4 SOUPER JAGUAR