



RACE BY RACE SELECTIONS

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RACE 1:

9 MOUNTAIN BREEZE, now in the Joe Orseno barn, is going back to the turf after following the solid 2nd place finish on the grass vs similar quality with a troubled starting 6th in a race moved from the lawn to a mile on the main track. **7 SENZAZIONE** is plunging to the \$16,000 level after setting the pace and tiring when tussling with \$65,000 maidens going a mile on the turf. Trainer Tom Albertrani has Hector Berrios handling the class relief. **1 AMANGALLA** is a gelded son of Super Saver debuting for trainer George Weaver with Lasix, and a solid work tab showing at Palm Beach Downs. The barn, 23% with first-time starters, has Edgard Zayas handling the inside post.

SELECTIONS: 9-7-1

RACE 2:

5 BAILEY is stretching out to this distance after getting shuffled back early when finishing 5th in his 4 ½-furlong debut. Note that trainer Juan Alvarado already has a trio of 2-year-old winners at the meeting. **8 CARSON CITY KID**, a half-brother to Catherinethegreat, who was a Grade 3 winner at age 2, goes from the rail to the outside after dueling throughout and finishing 2nd in his 4 ½ furlong debut. Trainer Mark Casse has Emisael Jaramillo named to ride. **1 PEPPI**, the most accomplished runner in the field, stretches out to five-eighths of a mile after finishing an improved 2nd in his start going 4 ½ furlongs. Trainer Mike Yates has Leonel Reyes handling the tough inside post.

SELECTIONS: 5-8-1

RACE 3:

1 PAINT THE CORNERS is dropping to the \$12,500 level, and will try to make it 2 in a row, after dueling throughout and holding on gamely to defeat \$16,000 claimers going a mile and a sixteenth last out. Trainer Murat Sancal has Emisael Jaramillo returning on the 5-time turf winner.

8 BEACH DREAMING, who defeated the top choice going 7 ½ furlongs during January, turns back, and tries to do the same at a mile, after finishing a late-closing 3rd behind her going 8 ½ furlongs last out. Trainer Jose Gallegos has Edgard Zayas in the irons. **5 YAKO**, who defeated both Paint the Corners, and Beach Dreaming, before she was disqualified from the victory during March, renews the rivalry after coming up empty when trying the main track last out.

SELECTIONS: 1-8-5

RACE 4:

8 TROUBLED AFFAIR is a son of Munnings debuting for trainer Danny Gargan with Lasix, and a series of sharp morning workouts showing at Palm Meadows; Paco Lopez rides.

4 AMERICAN PHENOM, a \$340,000 son of American Pharoah, moves to the Rohan Crichton barn via the claim, and steps up to face special weight competition, after finishing a late-closing 4th in his \$50,000 debut at the distance. The barn, 29% with a limited number of claims, has Nik Juarez named to ride. **9 SAIL AT SUNRISE** will be outfitted with blinkers after finishing a workman-like 5th in his career turf debut at this level and distance. Samy Camacho rides.

SELECTIONS: 8-4-9

RACE 5:

2 BIBIANA moved to the Jose D'Angelo barn via the claim, and steps up the competition, after drawing clear to defeat a trio of next-out winners in a \$16,000 maiden sprint contested at 5 ½ furlongs. The barn, 35% with new claims, has Samy Camacho atop the daughter of Stay Thirsty.

1 MOMENTO kept her record at 6 furlongs unblemished when she shipped the Fair Grounds to Tampa and defeated \$25,000 '2-lifetime' claimers with a 5-wide late run. Trainer Kelsey Danner has Nik Juarez handling the inside draw.

5 ONE HOT DRAMA, who defeated this familiar competition at the \$30,000 level 2 races back, drops after showing some early interest and fading when facing \$50,000 starter optional claimers going 6 panels last out.

SELECTIONS: 2-1-5

RACE 6:

8 AZRAEL, now in the Larry Rivelli barn, who was sharp breaking his maiden going a mile on the turf, is going back to the grass with blinkers added after showing some early interest and tiring to finish a distant 4th going a 1-turn mile on sealed sloppy track. The new connections tab Victor Lebron to ride.

6 HERO OF THE HOUR is debuting locally for the hot Louie Roussel barn in the first start since reeling off back-to-back turf victories at the Fair Grounds during January and February. The gelding will try Florida state-bred competition with Cristian Torres in the saddle. **9 OVER THE CHANNEL** is turning back to a mile in the first start since stalking the pace and finishing 2nd going a mile and a sixteenth, vs this level of competition, in his last race. Trainer David Fawkes has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle.

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RACE 7:

2 MAGICAL MIKE is going back to the dirt, and dropping to this level after the clunker vs \$12,500 '2-lifetime' claimers on the turf. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Paco handling the surface switch.

8 DARDANELLOS gets a tepid nod in this wide-open affair after making a 5-wide bid to finish 2nd at this level and distance. Trainer Luis Duco has Miguel Vazquez in the saddle again. **4 RED FOG** moved to the Bobby Dibona barn via the claim, and wheels back, after tracking the action and finishing 4th behind similar when they competed at this level and distance last out. The new connections tab Victor Lebron to ride. **5 DAZZLING PROSE** is making the usually positive 3rd start back from the layoff after making a middle move and settling for the 3rd behind Dardanellos last out; Rajiv Maragh rides.

SELECTIONS: 2-8-4-5

RACE 8:

8 WHAT'S INSIDE is dropping to the \$25,000 level again after following the 2nd-place finish to 5-furlong turf specialist Tiger Blood at this level, with a 4th place finish behind him when they competed at the \$62,500 optional claiming level last out. Trainer Jane Cibelli has Paco Lopez in the saddle. **7 QUARKY** has a trio of solid morning workouts showing at Tampa in preparation for the first start since returning from the layoff here and finishing a press-the-pace-and-fade 8th and last at this level and distance. Trainer Mike Dini has Samy Camacho named to ride. **3 NEW YORK'S FINEST** is stepping up the competition after drawing clear to defeat \$16,000 claimers in driving fashion. Trainer Luis Ramirez has Marcos Meneses in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 8-7-3

RACE 9:

7 LOVE NEST is stepping up, and stretching out, after returning from the layoff for trainer Rasharn Creque and proceeding to crush a field of \$6,250 claimers – going a mile – by 15 ½ lengths; Hector Berrios rides again. **1 THE ROBERT** is stretching out to his best distance (10-3-2-2) after returning from Parx to finish a 6-wide 2nd – beaten three-quarters of a length – going a mile vs this caliber of competition. Trainer Guadalupe Preciado has strong finisher Paco Lopez named to ride.

3 SHE TAKES HEART is stretching out an additional 16th of a mile after breaking from a tough post (11), tracking the pace, and finishing 4th at 50-1 last out. She's worth a flyer if she goes off at big odds again.

SELECTIONS: 7-1-3

BEST BET: RACE 5 – 2 BIBIANA

LONGSHOT: RACE 2 – 5 BAILEY

