



RACE BY RACE SELECTIONS

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RACE 1:

1 BOLT is dropping to the \$12,500 level after following his \$25,000 maiden victory with a duel-for-the-lead 4th in a \$25,000 starter optional claimer last out. Trainer Juan Alvarado has Emisael Jaramillo handling the inside post.

11 VENERATE is dropping to this level after facing stakes caliber turf sprinters before going to the sidelines last October. Trainer Antonio Sano has Tyler Gaffalione atop the Treasure Beach gelding. **9 GOLDENLINEOF** is returning to the turf after following the 2nd place finish vs \$16,000 '2-lifetime' claimers on the turf with a trouble starting 6th (hit gate, bumped) in a race moved from the grass to a fast-main track.

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RACE 2:

3 WITCH HUNTER is plunging to the \$12,500 level, and removing the blinkers, after returning from the layoff to finish a wide 3rd at the \$50,000 level. Simple handicapping logic points her out as the one to beat. **9 SIGNING BONUS** was solid in defeat when they removed the blinkers and she responded with an improved 2nd place finish at this level and distance. **1 NENITA** is stretching out to a mile after showing some early interest before finishing 4th going 5 ½ furlongs last out. She should be part of the pace scenario when going 8 furlongs.

SELECTIONS: 3-9-1

RACE 3:

5 CHILL HAZE moved to the Saffie Joseph Jr barn via the claim, and turns back to 6 furlongs, in the first start since dueling for the lead and finishing 3rd vs similar quality going a 1-turn mile during February. **7 WOODHAVEN KID** is 3-year-old son of Big Brown debuting for trainer Patrick Reynolds, who was the original trainer of superstar Big Brown. The sophomore is working well at Palm Meadows.

4 QUEEN'S MASON is dropping to the \$50,000 level after facing special weight competition, on both dirt and turf, during his 3-year-old season in Kentucky. Trainer Mike Tomlinson, 2 for 2 at the meet thus far, has Emisael Jaramillo named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 5-7-4

RACE 4:

2 FREE FLAYME is cutting back to three-quarters of a mile after setting the pace and finishing 2nd when facing similar going 6 ½ furlongs. Trainer Joe Orseno has Paco Lopez named to ride. **3 ENZOEXPRESS** is freefalling to the \$6,250 level after showing speed vs allowance level competition before the 6-month plus layoff. Trainer Larry Rivelli has Victor Lebron in the saddle. **5 AZKAREE** is stepping up to face winners after setting the pace and holding on to defeat \$12,500 maidens during January. Trainer Gilberto Zerpa has Alberto Burgos up.

SELECTIONS: 2-3-5

RACE 5:

6 LASHARA (GB) is a daughter of American Pharoah, out of the Smart Strike mare Marbre Rose, debuting on the turf after chasing the pace and tiring in her screw-tightening debut on the main track. The regally bred sophomore is working sharply on the Palm Meadows turf, and has Luis Saez in the saddle. **5 CHURCH ON TIME** is a daughter of Honor Code debuting for trainer Chad Brown with a solid morning work tab showing at Palm Meadows. Trainer Brown, 27% with his debut turf runners, adds Lasix, and Tyler Gaffalione to the equation. **12 TERRAZZA** is a daughter of Temple City who is firing bullets at Gulfstream West in preparation for the debut for trainer Tim Hills. The tote should tell us more.

SELECTIONS: 6-5-12

RACE 6:

7 DARK WEB is stretching out to 6 ½ furlongs after returning from the layoff to duel for the lead and finish 2nd – beaten a length – going three-quarters of a mile. Trainer Ian Wilkes has Joe Bravo in the saddle. **4 MISTER WINSTON** is a son of Lookin At Lucky debuting for trainer Chad Brown with a series of Payson Park bullet workouts showing in preparation for this assignment. The colt gets Lasix, and has Dylan Davis at the controls. **10 VICTORY TOWN** is stretching out after following a pair of sprints on the Woodbine Tapeta surface with late-closing 3rd here going 6 furlongs. Note if also-eligible **13 IMA PHAROAH** gets into the field, move him to the top of the ticket.

SELECTIONS: 7-4-10-13

RACE 7:

7 DERBY CHAMPAGNE is dropping to the \$16,000 level, and turning back to a mile, after returning from the layoff to get beat a neck when 2nd vs \$25,000 claimers going 8 ½ furlongs. Trainer Rusty Arnold has Tyler atop the son of Pulpit. **9 SOLAR WARMING** is going back to the turf after turning on the afterburners when defeating a trio of next-out winners in a 'non-winners of 3-lifetime' event moved from the turf to a mile and a sixteenth on a 'good' track.

6 NATIONAL HONOR is shortening up to a mile (9-2-1-1) after making a 6-wide charge to defeat similar going a mile and a sixteenth. Paco rides for Jane Cibelli.

SELECTIONS: 7-9-6**RACE 8:**

1 PER CAPITA is making his 4-year-old debut at a 1-turn mile after the so-so 2-race campaign vs special weight competition on the New York circuit. Trainer Chad Brown, 28% with the 180 days plus layoff, has the son of Tapit working well at Payson Park. **2 CORNBREAD KINGDOM** sports a pair of half-mile bullet workouts after returning from the layoff to finish a distant 4th behind impressive winner Extraordinary going a mile last out. Trainer Dale Romans has Emisael Jaramillo atop the son of Uncle Mo. **10 FUGITIVE** is stretching out after making a 4-wide bid to finish 4th in his promising 6-furlong debut. Trainer Mike Maker has Dylan Davis named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 1-2-10**RACE 9:**

9 MIAMI CROCKETT, a perfect 2-for-2 sprinting on the local turf, will depart from the outside looking to keep that record unblemished. Trainer Steve Klesaris has Emisael Jaramillo named to ride. **5 BAHAMIAN PRINCE** will try to turn the tables on the top choice after rallying along the inside to finish 3rd behind him last out. Trainer George Weaver has Luis Saez in the irons. **7 ZANNO** is making his sophomore debut for trainer Wesley Ward the first start since setting the pace and finishing 2nd vs allowance competition going 5 ½ furlongs on the Colonial turf. The gelding, firing bullets on the Palm Meadows turf, will race with blinkers off.

SELECTIONS: 9-5-7**RACE 10:**

7 LASTCHANCEFORLOVE is debuting locally for trainer Brendan Walsh after the impressive debut victory at the Fair Grounds in which she used her speed to dominate 4 rivals. Luis Saez will ride the \$190,000 daughter of Violence.

1 BOERNE is cutting back to three-quarters of a mile after returning from the layoff to break her maiden impressively at 6 ½ furlongs.

6 CHART, who showed she could stalk the pacesetters in her debut victory sprinting at Tampa, turns back after making a middle move and fading in her ambitious outing in the 1-mile Grade 2 Davona Dale. She can end up sitting the 'trip', especially if the top two choices hook up in a suicide duel.

SELECTIONS: 7-1-6**RACE 11:**

10 BATTLE OF BLENHEIM is dropping to the \$35,000 level, and returning from the freshening, after posting back-to-back turf victories here during January & February, which includes the last vs \$50,000 claimers. Trainer Mike Maker has Luis Saez in the saddle. **11 HONEY WON'T** is making his first start since using his speed to wallop a field of \$35,000 starter allowance runners by 5-plus lengths. Trainer Bill Mott has Marcos Meneses atop the son of Soldat.

1 SUBLIME APPEAL always run his race, is always sent off at double-digit odds, and just needs a push from Lady Luck to get back into the winner's circle.

SELECTIONS: 10-11-1**RACE 12:**

2 J P'S DELIGHT is back locally, and back in form, after following her disappointing effort in the Grade 2 Inside Information with an impressive \$40,000 Handicap score going 7 furlongs at Tampa. Trainer Kathleen O'Connell has Tyler Gaffalione handling the turnback to 6 furlongs.

9 PACIFIC GALE, a multiple Grade 3 stakes-placed performer locally, makes her local return with the ideal stalking style needed to sit the 'trip' behind what should be a solid early pace scenario. Trainer John Kimmel has strong finisher Luis Saez named to ride. **4 LIZA STAR**, a 9-time local winner, is stepping up the competition after putting it into overdrive and drawing clear to defeat \$62,500 optional claimers in impressive fashion.

SELECTIONS: 2-9-4**RACE 13:**

9 TWENTY FOUR SEVEN moved to the Saffie Joseph Jr barn via the claim after responding in his local debut with a hard-fought nose victory over this familiar competition. Note the barn is 40% with new claims. **4 FLYOFF**, beaten a nose by the top choice at this level and distance 2 starts back, drops after tracking the pace and fading to finish 6th – as the favorite – in a \$25,000 starter optional claimer at the distance. Trainer George Weaver has Edgard Zayas named to ride, as Luis Saez moves to the top choice.

3 KING OF SPADES his claiming tag carved in half after finishing a troubled 6th (lacked room stretch) – beaten less than 2 lengths – vs \$30,000 claimers. Trainer Kelly Breen has Dylan Davis named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 9-4-3**BEST BET: RACE 5 – 6 LASHARA (GB)****LONGSHOT: RACE 11 – SUBLIME APPEAL**