Saturday, July 18, 2020

RACE 1:
7 MOZANO is sitting on a winning performance after responding to the dropdown to this level with a 2nd place finish – beaten a nose – at the distance.
2 ELITE MISSION is hoping to save more firepower for the stretch drive after opening a 3 ½ length lead before getting nailed at the wire by Bellas Fella and Mozano.
9 RICKY RUN is shortening it up to a 1-turn mile after dueling for the lead and finishing 2nd going a mile and 40 yards vs $10,000 maidens at Tampa.

SELECTIONS: 7-2-9

RACE 2:
1 LIPSLIKECHERRIES (GB) makes her North American debut on the turf, with Lasix added, after failing to fire on the synthetic surfaces at Kempton. Trainer Patrick Biancone has Luca Panici handling this intriguing possibility. **6 STARSHIP MALLOMAR** has been knocking on the door in back-to-back turf outings at the distance, and merits a spot on the ticket. Trainer Steve Dwoskin has Victor Lebron up. **5 HUMOR ME DIXIE** is stretching out to a mile for the first time after failing to get untracked going 5 furlongs on turf here last out. Trainer Mark Casse has the daughter of Distorted Humor working sharply for her first foray around 2-turns.

SELECTIONS: 1-6-5

RACE 3:
2 BEAST OF WILDWOOD is dropping to the $6,250 level, and removing the blinkers, after stalking the pace and retreating when facing $16,000 claimers at the distance. Trainer Peter Walder, who claimed her 2 starts back, has Miguel Vazquez named to ride.
5 GRAN BRANDY is returning from the layoff, and has her claiming tag sliced in half, after a couple of poor showings vs better before being sent to the sidelines by Victor Barboza Jr, who is 33% with the 61-180 days layoff.
7 SOCIALLY ASTRAY is stretching out to 6 ½ furlongs after rallying to finish 2nd vs similar going three-quarters of a mile; Samy Camacho rides for Antonio Sano.

SELECTIONS: 2-5-7

RACE 4:
2 HALLAJOORI is dropping to the $50,000 level after debuting locally for trainer Juan Avila and finishing a duel-for-the-lead 2nd in a 5-furlong special weight sprint moved from turf a sealed sloppy track.
3 MYCRAZYEXGIRLFRIEND is another dropping into this high-priced maiden claimer after pressing the pace and tiring to finish 6th behind a pair of next-out winners going 6 furlongs in the slop. Trainer Luis Ramirez removes the blinkers for her 2nd lifetime start.
5 K'S RUNNING FREE is a daughter of Uncaptured debuting for trainer David Fawkes with Lasix, and a couple of solid works over the track.; Emisael Jaramillo rides.

SELECTIONS: 2-3-5

RACE 5:
8 AUGUSTA MOON is turning back to a mile after the solid effort going 8 ½ furlongs in which she shook off early trouble to finish a rallying 2nd. Trainer Rohan Crichton has Miguel Vazquez named to ride. **3 CROWN AND SUGAR** is dropping into this $30,000 conditioned claimer after following her 2nd place finish vs state-bred runners in the $100,000 Ginger Punch with a poor showing in the $60,000 In the Breeze last out. The 5-time winner at the distance classes up nicely in this spot. **5 BIG TINA** is cutting back to her best distance thus far after stalking the action and finishing a nose behind Augusta Moon going a mile and a sixteenth last out.

SELECTIONS: 8-3-5

RACE 6:
5 WIN WITH PRIDE, in for the $62,500 tag, steps up the competition after drawing clear to wallop a pair of next-out winners in a $30,000 conditioned claimer contested at 7 furlongs. **3 FLASHY KYEM** proved he could compete at this level when he shipped down from Tampa and finished 2nd vs $62,500 optional claimers at the distance. Trainer Joe Taylor has Angel Arroyo in the saddle.
1 RUNNING FOR RIZ has speed, the rail, and a chance to make every call a winning one. Trainer Ralph Catanese has Cristian Torres handling the inside draw.

SELECTIONS: 5-3-1

RACE 7:

6 GRAN MICHELLE will face $6,250 '2-lifetime' claimers in the first start since breaking her maiden – at first asking – at the $25,000 level. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr has apprentice Joseph Trejos handling the suspicious drop.
1 CHIT CHAT GIRL is back locally after shipping up to Tampa, breaking from a tough post (12), and finishing 3rd behind a pair of next-out winners in a $8,000 '2-lifetime' claimer going 5 ½ furlongs. **4 MYSTIC COMIN HOME** will break from a better post after departing from Post 10, dueling for the lead, and weakening to finish 4th vs similar going 6 furlongs. Trainer Dan Pita has Miguel Vazquez up.

SELECTIONS: 6-1-4

RACE 8:

4 MAGNOLIA BLVD, 2nd at this 7-furlong distance upstate at Tampa, stretches out after following his 6 ½-furlong maiden breaker here 2 starts back with a duel-and-weaken 4th going 5 ½ furlongs last out. Trainer Juan Avila has Leonel Reyes handling the added real estate.
7 HARPER GO LUCKY moved to the Shamir Maragh barn via the claim, and stretches out to seven-eighths of a mile, after rallying to finish 2nd – beaten a length – going 5 ½ furlongs for the previous connections.
2 MOON PISTOL moved to the Diane Morici barn via the claim, and wears blinkers, after rallying to finish 2nd going 6 ½ furlongs vs $6,250 '2-lifetime' claimers; Luca Panici rides.

SELECTIONS: 4-7-2

RACE 9:

10 BIG SPENDER moved to the Jose D'Angelo barn via the claim after responding to a dropdown for the Calabrese/Saffie connection with a $6,250 '2-lifetime' score going 6 furlongs. The new connections tab 5-pound apprentice Joseph Trejos to ride. **6 BOLT** is stepping up to the next level after responding in the first race under the care of Shamir Maragh with a $6,250 '2-lifetime' victory. **5 BEAU TRACE** is turning back to 6 ½ furlongs after showing some early interest before fading in a pair going 8 and 8 ½-furlongs, respectively. Trainer Monica McGoey has Marcos Meneses in the irons.

SELECTIONS: 10-6-5

RACE 10:

1 SENSIBLE MYTH should be primed and ready to score after shipping in from the Fair Grounds and finishing 2nd behind next-out stakes' winner Belle Laura, and next-out winner Lovely Luvy, in a $25,000 optional claimer at the distance. **3 OBLIO'S WISH** will try to make it 2 in a row after prompting the pace and holding on gamely to score while drifting through the lane. Trainer Carlos David has Samuel Camacho Jr named to ride.

4 CLASSY OF COURSE was solid in defeat when she set a pressured pace before getting caught by Oblio's Wish last out. Trainer Monica McGoey has Samy Camacho in the saddle.

SELECTIONS: 1-3-4

RACE 11: *THE SEA OF TRANQUILITY*

1 RED CRESCENT is stretching out to a mile and a sixteenth (7-2-1-0), and breaking from the rail, with the speed needed to defeat this solid group of classy stakes winners. Trainer John Vinson has Samy Camacho atop the son of Overdriven. **4 KUKULKAN (MEX)** is back at one of his favorite racing venues (3-2-0-0) after failing to fire in the Grade 3 Louisiana Derby. The Mexican superstar has been training forwardly for Fausto Gutierrez. **7 IDENTIFIER**, who won the Grade 3 Hal's Hope here during March, returns after failing to show much in the 9-furlong Grade 2 Oaklawn Handicap. He'll be closing along with Noble Drama when trying to reel in the speed.

SELECTIONS: 1-4-7

RACE 12:

10 KALU, bred on both sides of the family tree to love the turf, moves to the Juan Arriagada barn via the claim after posting a 77 Beyer when 2nd to hard-knocking Northern in a $6,250 claimer on the dirt. **4 I'M CARDINAL** is dropping a level after using his speed to defeat $16,000 claimers – as the favorite – going 5 furlongs on the Tampa turf. Trainer Georgina Baxter has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle. **1 DIAMOND MINT** is another trying $12,500 claimers after returning from the 4-month-plus layoff to finish a duel-for-the-lead 3rd here vs $16,000 claimers. Trainer Monica McGoey lightens the impost with 5-pound apprentice Joe Trejos at the controls.

SELECTIONS: 10-4-1

BEST BET: RACE 10 -1 SENSIBLE MYTH

LONGSHOT: RACE 12 – 10 KALU

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