Sunday, April 7, 2019

RACE 1:

3 QUICK CONNECT, undefeated in 3 previous races, looks strong in the opener after proving he could handle the turf when held on to win by a nose at this level and distance last out.
5 SOVEREIGN WARRIOR is stepping up to face winners after responding to the surface switch with a $20,000 maiden victory at the distance. Trainer Oscar Gonzalez is 30% winning consecutive races.
1 HOLLYWOOD OVERDOGS is hoping for clear sailing after getting shuffled back on the turn when finishing 4th behind undefeated Quick Connect last out.

SELECTIONS: 3-5-1

RACE 2:

5 BAGWELL is dropping to the $10,000 level and making the first start since finishing 3rd behind repeat winner Fightingirishtabit in a $12,500 maiden victory at the distance. Trainer Oscar Gonzalez has Miguel Vazquez in the saddle. **6 LITTLEROUGHJUSTICE**, a well-meant 2nd at the distance 2 starts back, is hoping to rebound after breaking inward at the start and dumping the rider last out. **8 KAIROS** is dropping to this level on the main track after failing to show much when facing $20,000 maidens going a 2-turn mile on the turf. Trainer David Fawkes is a strong 29% with the turf-to-dirt angle.

SELECTIONS: 5-6-8

RACE 3:

1 GRACIAS ADIOS will depart from the rail again after setting the pace and holding on to finish 2nd at this level and distance. The daughter of Adios Charlie has Miguel Vazquez handling the inside draw. **8 GLOTONASA** moved to the Marcial Navarro barn via the claim, and steps up, and stretches out, after drawing clear to defeat a field of $6,250 '2-lifetime' claimers at 5 ½ furlongs. Note that the barn is 27% with recent claims.

5 TUESDAY'S ROSE is hoping to find more for the stretch drive after a late rally along the rail produced a 3rd place finish behind Gracias Adios last out.

SELECTIONS: 1-8-5

RACE 4:

7 MR JOSHUA will tussle with $10,000 open-claimers after notching his 5th career victory when defeating $12,500 conditioned claimers at three-quarters of a mile. The big concern is his ability to handle the 7-furlong distance. **5 CHISELED** is a grizzled veteran turning back to seven-eighths of a mile after tracking the pace and flattening out when facing a seasoned group of $12,500 state-bred optional claimers going a 1-turn mile.
1 GIVE TO U.K. CATS moved to the Angel Quiroz barn via the claim, and cuts back to 7 furlongs on the dirt, after failing to show his usual early interest when finishing a wide 5th vs $16,000 claimers going a mile and a sixteenth on the turf.

SELECTIONS: 7-5-1

RACE 5:

3 PREMIUM MOTION is turning back slightly to 7 ½ furlongs after the promising career debut at a mile in which she recovered from a slow start to finish 3rd. Trainer John Servis has Miguel Vazquez named on the $100,000 daughter of Uncle Mo. **1 STYLE ICON** is making her 4-year-old debut the first start since showing promise on the turf vs maiden special weight competition last year (5-0-1-3). Trainer Graham Motion is 24% with the longer than 180 days layoff. **9 SUNNIVA**, a half-sister to multiple Grade 1 stakes-placed Toast of New York, should be primed and ready to offer more after shipping from the Fair Grounds into the Kathleen O'Connell barn and proceeding to finish a well-meant 3rd at this level and distance.

SELECTIONS: 3-1-9

GULFSTREAM PARK

RACE 6:
7 WILDCAT'S LEGACY is dropping to the $6,250 level, and removing the blinkers, after returning from the freshening to press the pace and tire when facing $12,500 conditioned claimers going 6 ½ furlongs. The gelding heads to uncharted territory when he tries a mile for the first time. **6 MCMANAMAN**, 6 for 11 'in the money' at the distance, albeit with only a single victory, drops to his best level after the stalk-and-fade outing vs $12,500 types last out.
8 ARTIST will try and paint a winning scenario at a mile after rallying to finish 3rd – at 46-1 – vs similar going 6 furlongs last out.

SELECTIONS: 7-6-8

RACE 7:
5 READYFORPRIMETIME, a $220,000 son of More Than Ready, is making his first start since finishing a needed 3rd in his maiden special weight debut here going a mile. Trainer Jonathan Thomas, 25% with maidens making their 2nd start, has Feargal Lynch named to ride. **2 EVERYONELOVESJAMES** is turning back slightly to 7 ½ furlongs after returning from the 11-month layoff to set the pace and finish 3rd in what will surely be a screw-tightening performance. Trainer Joe Catanese has Luca Panici atop the gelded son of Freud.
3 GET THE NEWS will write the news if he can parlay his recent 3rd place finish vs $35,000 maidens with a victory at the maiden special weight level. Trainer Mark Casse has Edgard Zayas named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 5-2-3

RACE 8:
7 BONDETTI is dropping a rung on the competition ladder after returning from the layoff, with blinkers added, to duel for the lead and finish 2nd best at this 1-mile distance. Trainer Barry Croft has Omar Hernandez named to ride. **6 MAX Q**, who broke his maiden on the dirt at this distance, albeit vs cheaper, is going back to the main track in the first start since dueling for the lead and fading vs $40,000 '2-lifetime' claimers on the turf. Trainer Brett McLellan has Luca Panici on this new gelding. **2 AEQUOR** is getting some needed class relief after facing tougher before the layoff with a modicum of success. Trainer Oscar Gonzalez has the colt working consistently the stretchout to a mile.

SELECTIONS: 7-6-2

RACE 9:
2 FAST TRACK KATHERN, now in the Mike Maker barn, drops a notch, and stretches out to 9 furlongs, after returning from the layoff to finish a late-closing 4th going a mile vs $50,000 starter allowance runners; Edgard Zayas rides. **4 NIKKI'S CAUSE** is debuting at this mile and an eighth distance after showing some late interest when facing tougher in a pair going a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Rohan Crichton, winning races at a 36% clip, has Luca Panici named to ride. **3 DRAMAMINA** is stepping up the competition after returning from the layoff to notch her 2nd consecutive turf victory at the $20,000 level. The daughter of Big Drama is bred to handle this 9-furlong distance.

SELECTIONS: 2-4-3

RACE 10:
5 MUCH ABOUT IT is dropping to the $12,500 level, and turning back to 7 ½ furlongs after setting the pace and getting beat a head vs $20,000 maidens going a mile and a sixteenth. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Feargal Lynch atop the one to fear in the nightcap. **8 RECONSIDER IT** is dropping a notch on the maiden scale after rallying to finish 2nd when tussling with $16,000 maidens on the Tampa turf; Edgard Zayas rides the daughter of War Chant.
7 MYFRANCESCA is another dropping to the $12,500 level after tracking the pace and finishing an even 5th at the $20,000 level. Trainer Terri Pompay has Miguel Vazquez handling the dropdown.

SELECTIONS: 5-8-7

BEST BET: RACE 7 – 5 READYFORPRIMETIME

LONGSHOT: RACE 9 –2 FAST TRACK KATHERN