



RACE BY RACE SELECTIONS

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RACE 1:

8 BLOODPROF should be primed and ready to score after returning from the layoff to finish a rallying 2nd behind repeat winner R Man Joe at this level and distance. Trainer Amador Sanchez has Hector Berrios in the saddle.

9 CATCH ON EMOTIONAL, a son of Uncaptured, is debuting on the turf after a solid 2-race sprint campaign vs \$50,000 maidens on the main track. His speed can be key when turning back to 5 furlongs. **7 SNOW JOB** is back locally for trainer Sarah Nagle after shipping up to Colonial and showing speed vs Md state-bred competition going 5 ½ furlongs: Samy Camacho rides.

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RACE 2:

6 VOICESINTHEDARKNEZ, now in the Mike Maker barn, the gelding turns back to a sprint distance after showing speed and getting caught late – as the big favorite - in a trio of races going a 1-turn mile: Edgard Zayas handles the turnback. **7 SIGNIFIED** is dropping to the \$12,500 level, and adding blinkers, after making a middle and finishing 3rd vs \$16,000 maidens going 6 ½ furlongs. Trainer Kathy Ritvo has Luca Panici atop the gelded son of Stay Thirsty.

5 SCOTCH WHISKEY has his claiming tag sliced in half after a classic chase-and-fade outing vs \$25,000 maidens going three-quarters of a mile. Trainer Kelsey Danner has Angel Arroyo named to ride.

SELECTIONS: 6-7-5

RACE 3:

2 MY MASTERPIECE, now in the Mauricio Fuentes barn, the hard-knocking mare will try to stretch her speed to the wire after setting the pace and yielding late to finish 3rd at this level and distance. She'll be playing catch me if you can on a course that's been favoring speed all summer long.

10 AQUAS COLORADAS is cutting back to a mile after breaking from Post 10, tracking the pace, and finishing 2nd vs similar going a mile and a sixteenth. She's the logical choice to pick up the pieces if the top choice fails to negotiate the distance again.

11 GENERIC MARK is a late-striding type who should be along to grab a share of the tri or super: Cristian Torres rides.

SELECTIONS: 2-10-11

RACE 4:

5 BOURBONROX is dropping to the \$14,000 level on the main track after chasing the pace and fading vs \$25,000 maidens going a mile and a sixteenth on the turf. Trainer Todd Pletcher, 26% with the grass to dirt angle, has Edgard Zayas atop the \$235,000 son of Lea. **8 NIMBLE BEAST** is dropping a notch, and stretching out to a mile again, after threatening to break his maiden in a trio of sprints vs a notch tougher. Trainer Kathleen O'Connell has Miguel Vazquez handling the added distance.

9 SKYLINE VIEW has been knocking on the door in consecutive races at this level and distance, and is a must-use on the ticket. However, the 19-0-2-3 record makes him look better on the bottom half of the ticket.

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RACE 5:

2 SHARM EL SHEIKH is turning back to 9 furlongs after prompting the pace and getting caught late by distance specialist Morning Stride in the mile & three-sixteenth Richard H Lee. Trainer Murat Sancal has Edgard Zayas in the saddle.

9 MORNING STRIDE is turning back to a mile and an eighth after a pair of impressive victories going long. The hard-knocking 5-year-old, 3 for 4 in the money at the distance, will have Hector Berrios going for the hat trick.

4 PROJECTED (GB) will try \$16,000 starter optional claimers after following his return victory at the \$18,000 claiming level with a late-closing 4th vs \$25,000 optional claimers going a mile last out. Trainer Carlos David has red-hot Emisael Jaramillo handling the stretchout to 9 furlongs (4-0-0-1).

SELECTIONS: 2-9-4

RACE 6:

2 BEAST OF WILDWOOD moved to the Gilberto Zerpa barn via the claim, and steps up the competition, after shifting into beast mode when defeating \$8,000 '3-lifetime' claimers by 8 widening lengths. The barn, 33% with new claims, tab leading jock Edgard Zayas to ride.

3 REGGAE REVOLUTION is another stepping up the competition after driving clear to defeat \$16,000 '2-lifetime' claimers by 5 lengths. Trainer David Fawkes has Miguel Vazquez going for 2 in a row.

6 IMA DAREDEVIL makes it a trio stepping up the competition after rocketing clear to defeat \$6,250 '2-lifetime' claimers by 5 ½ lengths: Joseph Trejos rides.

SELECTIONS: 2-3-6

RACE 7:

1 UNCLE PIP, a half-brother to turf superstar Extravagant Kid, debuts for trainer Armando De La Cerda with 10 GP West workouts showing in preparation for his 1-mile turf debut: 7-pound apprentice Mario Fuentes rides this longshot possibility. **4 LIAMS STAR** is a son of Flintshire (GB) debuting for trainer Mike Maker with an extensive work tab showing over the track in preparation to his 1-mile debut: Edgard Zayas rides. **11 GOLOVKIN** is wheeling back after a solid turf debut at this level and distance in which he rallied along the inside to finish 3rd. Trainer Carlos David adds 2nd-time blinkers, and first-time Samy Camacho to ride.

SELECTIONS: 1-4-11

RACE 8:

6 SOLID AS A ROCK moved to the Victor Barboza Jr barn via the claim, and stretches out to three-quarters of a mile, after opening and surrendering an early 2-length lead when finishing 3rd vs similar going 5 ½ furlongs. The barn, a whopping 51% with new claims, have Alberto Burgos named to ride.

3 SAY ADIOS moved to the Bob Hess Jr barn, and stretches out an additional half-furlong, after finishing 2nd in front of Solid as a Rock when they hooked up at 5 ½ furlongs last out. The rematch should be fun to watch. **7 VARSOVIA** is back vs \$8,000 '3-lifetime' competition looking to reap the spoils if the top 2 engage in another costly speed duel. Luca Panici rides for trainer Luis Duco.

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RACE 9:

3 GRAN OLD PARR, in for the \$50,000 tag, drops after responding in the first race after the \$16,000 claim by Mike Maker with a respectable, but wide, 4th place finish vs \$75,000 optional claimers.

9 REMASTER (IRE) will face \$50,000 starter optional claimers after rallying finish 3rd behind repeat winner R Man Joe in a \$75,000 optional claimer at the distance. Trainer Bobby Dibona has go-to jock Samy Camacho in the saddle.

1 IKEISGREAT is back locally after couple of solid sprint efforts in the Bluegrass State in which he was 2nd vs entry-level allowance company at Churchill, and 4th vs a tough group of allowance runners when sprinting on the Keeneland turf.

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RACE 10:

6 REITERATE moved to the Amador Sanchez barn via the claim, and drops to the \$12,500 level, after showing speed and fading vs \$16,000 claimers going 6 furlongs in the slop. **7 MATRACA** merits respect in the nightcap after responding to the surface switch from turf to dirt with a 2nd place finish at this level and distance. Trainer Fausto Gutierrez has Joe Trejos named to ride.

3 COMMANDING LADY will be outfitted with blinkers after tracking the pace and finishing 3rd behind Matraca last out: Victor Lebron rides.

1 MIAMI ROSE has speed, the rail, and a chance to steal the wide-open finale with solid front running jock Luca Panici in the irons.

SELECTIONS: 6-7-3-1

BEST BET: RACE 5 – 2 SHARM EL SHEIKH

LONGSHOT: RACE 7 – 1 UNCLE PIP