



RACE BY RACE ANALYSIS

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RACE 1:

5 FROSTED MISTRESS is making her 2nd career start, and adding blinkers, for a barn that is 18% with maidens making their 2nd start, and 33% with first-time blinkers. Trainer Ralph Nicks has Tyler Gaffalione in the saddle. **4 THE BIGGEST ONE** is an obvious choice to score in the opener after setting a pressured pace and finishing 2nd at this level and distance. Trainer Renaldo Richards has Rajiv Maragh atop the daughter of Gone Astray.

1 EXAGGERATED MOMENT is stepping up, stretching out, and trying the main track, after dueling for the lead and finishing 4th – as the odds-on choice – vs \$16,000 maidens going 5 furlongs on the turf: Leading jock Irad Ortiz Jr handles the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 5-4-1

RACE 2:

3 CALIBRATOR is stretching out to a mile and a sixteenth after using his speed to win 1 of 2 recent turf routes going a mile. Trainer Saffie Joseph Jr has Edgard Zayas returning on the swift son of Verrazano. **6 HIGH TIDE** is stepping to face winners after uncorking a strong late rally to defeat \$35,000 maidens at this distance. The son of Malibu Moon will be there to pick up the pieces if the top choice fails to negotiate the distance. **1 TURN OF EVENTS** is getting some class relief after showing speed and weakening late in back-to-back outings vs \$50,000 starter allowance runners. Trainer Mike Trombetta has Jose Ortiz top the inside speed.

SELECTIONS: 3-6-1

RACE 3:

1 LET THEM EAT CAKE is making her local return at five-eighths of a mile after ending her sophomore campaign by hitting the board in 1 of 2 sprints going 5 ½ furlongs on the Saratoga turf. Trainer Ian Wilkes has Irad Ortiz Jr atop the daughter of Animal Kingdom.

4 TOO SEXY, 1 of 2 in the field for trainer Christophe Clement, the daughter of Quality Road cuts back to 5 panels after ending her 3-year-old campaign with 2nd place finish – as the favorite – going 6 ½ furlongs at Kentucky Downs: Tyler Gaffalione rides.

5 MUMBAI, the other from the Clement barn, makes her first start since showing promise when sprinting on the grass at the Spa. Paco Lopez guides this half of the uncoupled entry.

SELECTIONS: 1-4-5

RACE 4:

6 EMOLGA should be primed and ready to score after returning from the layoff, switching from turf to dirt, and finishing a duel-for-the-lead 2nd at this level and distance. Trainer Armando De La Cerda has Irad Ortiz Jr named to ride. **8 DINNER AT FIVE** showed a definite fondness for the distance when she dueled early, got the lead, and ended up finishing 2nd at a whopping 65-1. Trainer Dave Braddy has Miguel Vazquez in the saddle again.

3 DIVINE MARTHA is dropping to the \$6,250 level, and stretching out to a mile, after showing speed and fading when facing better going 6 and 6 ½ furlongs, respectively. The daughter of Take Charge Indy should be a major piece of the pace when going a 1-turn mile.

SELECTIONS: 6-8-3

RACE 5:

6 FAST CATALINA is stepping up to the next level after returning from the 8-month layoff to defeat \$20,000 '2-lifetime' claimers with a solid late kick. Trainer Antonio Sano has Edgard Zayas named to ride. **5 CHARLOTTE THE BRIT**, who does her best running from a stalk/close position, is hoping for a clean trip after encountering early trouble (steadied) when finishing a closing 3rd vs \$16,000 state-bred optional claimers at the distance. Trainer Jorge Delgado has Irad in the saddle. **4 SAMMY'S TOWN** was game in defeat when she dueled throughout and finished 2nd at this level and distance. Trainer Padarath Lutchman has Rajiv Maragh up.

SELECTIONS: 6-5-4



RACE 6:

4 NEW YORK STYLE is turning back to 7 furlongs after returning from the 2-month freshening to set the pace and finish 3rd vs this caliber of competition going a mile. Trainer Happy Alter has Tyler Gaffalione atop the son of Malibu Moon.

6 NEVERSTOPDREAMING is debuting at the distance after rallying to finish 2nd in front of New York Style in their recent clash at a mile. Trainer Armando De La Cerda has Corey Lanerie handling the turnback to 7 furlongs. **1 MR TITO'S** is stepping up the competition after recovering from a stumbling incident at the start to finish a late-closing 2nd – beaten a head – vs \$6,250 '2-lifetime' claimers going a mile. Trainer Joe Catanese has Emisael Jaramillo handling the inside post.

SELECTIONS: 4-6-1

RACE 7:

4 GALLEON MAST, a multiple stakes winner, is dropping to the \$50,000 level after encountering traffic problems when finishing 9th behind repeat winner Venezuelan Hug in the Sunshine Turf Stakes. The classy 8-year-old, who may have seen better days, is spotted perfectly, and has Irad Ortiz Jr handling the class relief. **5 MOROCCO** was freshened after reeling off back-to-back victories at this level during December and January. Trainer Mike Maker, who has won 33 of 157 (21%) turf races at the meeting thus far, has Paco Lopez named to ride. **2 THUNDER RIDE** is dropping to the \$50,000 level with the great equalizer on his side – Speed! Strong front-running jock Emisael Jaramillo adds to the appeal.

SELECTIONS: 4-5-2

RACE 8:

6 PREVALENCE is stepping up to face winners after the head-swirling debut in which he drew clear in handy fashion to win his 7-furlong debut by 8 ½ lengths. Trainer Brendan Walsh has Tyler Gaffalione returning on the Godolphin homebred son of Medaglia d'Oro. **2 CAXAMBAS CANDY** proved he could run well going a mile on the dirt when he drew clear to win his debut in a race moved from the turf to a 1-turn mile on a fast track. Trainer David Fawkes is 24% winning consecutive races.

5 TIO MAGICO, a son of Uncle Mo, is making his debut on a dirt surface after racing exclusively on the Tapeta surface at Woodbine, which includes the 2nd-place finish in the 9-furlong \$250,000 Coronation Futurity. Trainer Gail Cox has the sophomore firing bullets on the dirt at Payson Park in preparation for the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 6-2-5

RACE 9:

1 CHARGE ACCOUNT moved to the Kelly Breen barn via the claim, and returns to the turf, after dueling for the lead and finishing 4th in a \$25,000 optional claimer going a mile on the dirt. The barn, 25% with new claims, has Paco Lopez named to ride. **3 LITTLE BIT GOOD** is stepping up, and stretching out, after rallying to defeat this familiar competition when they competed in a \$20,000 '3-lifetime' claimer going a mile. Trainer Ron Spatz has Irad going for 2 in a row. **8 LEA RO**, a previous winner at the distance, stretches out after finishing a game 2nd behind Little Bit Good going 8 panels last out. Trainer Brian Lynch has Tyler in the saddle again.

SELECTIONS: 1-3-8

RACE 10:

7 AESTHETICALLY is stepping up the competition after setting the pace and finishing 2nd behind repeat winner Breaking Alone in a \$25,000 maiden test at the distance. The colt's ability to be in the first-flight, with a chance to steal the finale, makes him worth a look at double-digit odds. **10 FUTURE VICTORY** is dropping to the \$50,000 level after making a middle move and fading vs maiden special weight runners going a mile and an eighth. Leading trainer Todd Pletcher has leading jock Irad Ortiz Jr handling the dropdown. Need we say more? **6 INDOCTRINATE** breaks from and improved post, and gets the blinkers off, after setting the pace and holding on to finish 2nd going a mile and a sixteenth last out. Trainer Mark Casse has Rajiv Maragh handling the turnback to a mile.

SELECTIONS: 7-10-6

BEST BET: RACE 7 – 4 GALLEON MAST

LONGSHOT: RACE 10 – 7 AESTHETICALLY