



RACE BY RACE SELECTIONS

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RACE 1:

6 UNCLE ANDREW is wheeling back after responding to the dropdown in competition with a duel-for-lead 3rd place finish – beaten less than a length – at this level and distance. Trainer Mike Maker has Miguel Vazquez named to ride.

1 MR TITO'S is turning back to a mile after rallying to finish in a dead heat for 2nd – beaten a neck – vs similar going 9 furlongs. Trainer Kent Swezey has Hector Berrios quarterbacking the inside draw. **5 CHAOS KID** is dropping to the \$12,500 level after rallying 4-wide to finish 2nd vs \$16,000 claimers going 8 ½ furlongs. He should sit the 'trip' behind the speed, but the 1-for-21 record is a concern.

SELECTIONS: 6-1-5

RACE 2:

5 BELIEVE INDEED is stepping up the competition after following a pair of so-so efforts on the turf with a dominating 6-length victory vs \$6,250 claimers going this 1-mile distance. Trainer Peter Walder has Miguel Vazquez going for 2 in a row. **3 VALLEY DATE** will try to score again after responding in a race moved from turf to a good main track with a late-closing victory at this level and distance. Trainer Rohan Crichton has Hector Berrios at the controls again.

1 PICASSO MOON is back on the main track after 'hitting the board' in 1 of 2 outings vs similar quality on the turf. Trainer Liz Dobles has Victor Lebron atop the 3-time winner on the dirt.

SELECTIONS: 5-3-1

RACE 3:

7 HARD COUNT is stepping up the competition after pressing the pace and coming within a neck of notching this '2-lifetime' condition at the \$12,500 level. Trainer Robert Falcone Jr has Samy Camacho named to ride.

5 WISE TO LISTEN, now in the David Fawkes barn, the gelding drops to the \$25,000 level in the first start since finishing 2nd vs \$40,000 '2-lifetime' foes going this distance in March; Miguel Vazquez rides. **4 EXTRA EXTRA** will get the blinkers back after returning from the layoff to set the pace and weaken when finishing 4th going a mile, sans the shades last out. Trainer Elizabeth Dobles has Ronnie Allen Jr rationing the gelding's speed.

SELECTIONS: 7-5-4

RACE 4:

4 NO GETTING OVER ME is back locally after tilting windmills when failing to fire in the 9-furlong Grade 3 Indiana Derby. Note the gelding was beaten on a neck at this level and distance 2 starts back. **2 TURN ON THE MAGIC** will try \$16,000 state-bred competition after returning from the extended layoff to finish 3rd - vs 4 rivals - in a \$75,000 optional claimer at the distance. Trainer Mike Yates has Miguel Vazquez returning on the lightly raced 3-year-old. **1 FRANK FIRST** moved to the Murat Sancal via the claim, and steps up the competition, after posting his 2nd consecutive victory – as the odds-on choice – vs \$12,500 claimers. The gelding, 6 for 7 'in the money' this year (7-3-1-2), gets a nod on the consistency angle.

SELECTIONS: 4-2-1

RACE 5:

7 CALENTITA (IRE) is stepping up to the next level after closing to notch her 2nd consecutive victory when she rallied to defeat \$12,500 '2-lifetime' claimers last out. The field is stocked with speed, so the 4-year-old should get more than enough pace needed to compliment her running style. **9 ZODIAC PRINCESS** will try to make it 2 in a row after leading every step of the way to defeat \$12,500 '2-lifetime' runners at the distance. Trainer Laura Cazares has strong front-running jock Samy Camacho in the irons again.

11 MISS MAY MACHO is another late-running type who can benefit from what looks like a swift early pace scenario.

SELECTIONS: 7-9-11**RACE 6:**

6 BIBIANA is back at the \$25,000 level after notching her 3rd consecutive victory when she drew clear to defeat \$35,000 claimers at the distance. Trainer Jose D'Angelo has Emisael Jaramillo in the saddle. **4 KOZY DREAMS**, no slouch in the win department either, the daughter of leading Florida sire Khozan is going for her 3rd straight victory after following her \$16,000 maiden victory vs older horses with much-the-best score vs \$12,500 sophomores going 6 panels on good track. **7 SOLID AS A ROCK** is candidate for a rebound performance after following a driving 5 ¾-length score at this level with a set-the-pace-and-weaken 3rd behind Bibiana last out.

SELECTIONS: 6-4-7**RACE 7:**

9 MEADOW BEAUTY is making her first journey around 2-turns after a pair of sharp performance going 5 furlongs, which includes the neck defeat vs \$75,000 optional claimers last out. Trainer Mark Casse has Hector Berrios returning on the daughter of Giant's Causeway, who is bred to love this distance and beyond.

8 DOLL COLLECTION, a regally bred daughter of Tapit, is debuting on the turf after rallying – as the favorite – to defeat a pair of next-out winners in a maiden special sprint contested at 7 furlongs. Trainer Ralph Nicks is 19% with the dirt-to-turf angle.

10 BIG TINA is going back to the turf after tracking the pace and finishing 3rd in a \$30,000 conditioned claimer moved from the grass to a mile on a sealed sloppy track. Trainer Armando De La Cerda has Edgard Zayas handling the surface switch.

SELECTIONS: 9-8-10**RACE 8:**

1 BRASSTOWN will depart from the rail after setting the pace and yielding late when finishing 2nd in a swiftly run \$16,000 claimer at the distance, in which he received a 96 Beyer figure for his runner-up performance. **2 CREA'S BKLYN LAW** will try for his 3rd consecutive victory after coming off the 'main track only' list to defeat 5 rivals in a \$25,000 optional claimer moved from turf to a good track. Trainer Peter Walder has Cristian Torres in the saddle. **7 SNAP HOOK** will try to notch his 3rd consecutive victory at the distance after following his \$8,000 '3-lifetime' score with a driving win at this level. Trainer Jorge Delgado has Emisael Jaramillo at the controls.

SELECTIONS: 1-2-7**RACE 9:**

1 MYSTICAL MOON is stretching out to a mile and an eighth, and breaking from the rail, after departing from a demanding outside post (11) and rallying to finish 2nd vs this level of competition going 8 ½ furlongs. Trainer Victor Barboza Jr has Emisael Jaramillo handling the added distance.

8 CRYPTO GOLD has his claiming tag carved in half after coming up empty vs \$25,000 and \$35,000 3-lifetime runners, respectively. Trainer Mike Maker has Miguel Vazquez named to ride.

6 DEVOTED KITTEN moved to the Cheryl Winebaugh barn via the claim, and stretches out to 9 panels, after running into traffic when finishing 6th going a mile and a sixteenth last out. The gelded son of Kitten's Joy can spring the upset with a clean trip.

SELECTIONS: 1-8-6**BEST BET: RACE 7 – 9 MEADOW BEAUTY****LONGSHOT: RACE 3 – 7 HARD COUNT**