



Race by Race Analysis

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Monday, September 5

FIRST – QUALITY STREET showed a different running style when she was close to the pace, actually had the lead for most of the stretch run and was caught late to miss by just a neck. She draws another inside post today and similar tactics should give her a nice ground saving trip. PINK RUNFORTHECURE got the maiden win via disqualification two starts back then came back to disappoint as the favorite for twice today's claiming price; drop should help in a field where most have already run for the \$7500. MISS CHATT has been 3rd the last two races both here and both for today's price.

Selections 3-9-4-10

SECOND – Leaning toward BOURNIZE who was 2nd here a couple weeks ago when dropped to \$5000 claiming for the first time at Indiana. He was 4th in only start here this summer, against \$10,000 claimer he was well beaten behind a winner that won by almost ten lengths. Both races at Churchill this spring were solid against much tougher fields and June 19 race when 4th produced three next time out winners. This shapes up as paceless race with no clear early speed so expect him to be in stalking position from good inside post. ELLIO won here on the turf last month but more than capable on dirt, no worse than 3rd last three times on the main track at here and Churchill this year. PLAYING A JOKE has been 4th, then 3rd in two starts here both at a mile but come from behind running style seems more likely for a smaller piece.

Selections 4-6-1-7

THIRD – SHINY BADGE is one of only two in the field dropping from maiden special weight races into claiming and the other one – GUILTY STREAK – hasn't raced in over a year. BADGE was 5th beaten half dozen lengths against a decent field here three weeks ago; didn't take much betting action went off at 20/1 but showed he fits at this level with the debut race at \$40,000 level when he was good 3rd behind Lucky Ramsey who has turned out to be pretty good. Likely favorite is KING OF ALL MEDIA who has been 3rd then 2nd twice all at this level in three local starts; last two races on the grass was beaten less than a length. Surprise package could be QULLOB who was 3rd beaten less than a length here for a little cheaper price when making first start on grass. TWENTY GAUGE has been well bet each race since dropping into maiden claiming ranks but finished behind MEDIA in last two races.

Selections 6-8-4-1

FOURTH – LOOKING AT EDY makes her sixth start at the meet and today's race will make an even split, three on turf and three on dirt. Her best dirt race was going today's one mile trip. She draws the inside post and has enough speed to get a spot just behind a couple of sprinters in here who are stretching out. She got the maiden win on turf two races back for \$10,000 and have to respect the drop here down to \$5000. ELONA followed up the maiden win with two good tries for today's price, one sprinting and runner-up last time at a mile. GHOSTLY AGAIN was claimed for \$7500 and new connections waited to get 'out of jail' and drop in here for \$5000. Maiden win came sprinting and she'll be the one to catch.

Selections 1-3-2-4

FIFTH – Stakes race on closing day honors longtime Ellis supporter, local sportswriter and chart caller for the Daily Racing Form Cliff Williams; interesting field of seven includes two that have never run on turf before. PLEUVEN was a Grade 2 winner at Churchill two months ago then beaten favorite twice behind nice multiple stakes winner Watchyourownbobber. This is big class drop off last two and trainer Phil Sims has two nice works in him to prep for this spot; regular rider Channing Hill picks up the call. Six months ago FINANCIAL MODELING was beaten just three lengths in the Grade 1 Donn Handicap. He's only raced once since then an aborted try in the Grade 2 Oaklawn Handicap when he was pulled up. He won his only turf race last fall and won both previous starts after a layoff. Trainer Brad Cox now has him and he also entered ALLIED AIR RAID whose stakes placed last two races on the dirt and trying turf first time.

Selections **7-4-6-3**

SIXTH – RANSON makes his third start after a year layoff. Began 2016 running 4th, but just ½ length from being the runner-up in a dirt sprint at Churchill when he set a blistering early pace and tired. He followed that with a 2nd on the turf at Indiana. Even with only three lifetime starts has an experience edge on this field and expecting improvement. FIRST BANK OF PAPA improved in his second start when beaten just a couple lengths here on the grass. He's worked twice here since the last race and Uncle Mo colt should have no problem moving to the dirt. ONE GOOD EYE ran one time last fall at Keeneland. He was 2nd that day, should have won after being blocked in the stretch; if he can repeat the debut run has big chance here off the bench. ADMIRALITY was a \$600,000 yearling purchase. He draws tough rail post and trainer Bill Mott runners usually better after a couple of starts.

Selections **4-7-3-1**

SEVENTH – Full field of ten 2-year old maiden fillies line up for a mile on the turf. COLD HEARTED PEARL and PELONCILLO both ran one time here a month ago. They finished behind Lady Hansen who will go off as one of the favorites in a \$350,000 stakes race Saturday at Kentucky Downs. They were sprinting that day and stretch out today but PEARL was making up ground at the end and beaten just ½ length. PELONCILLO was up close and tired late but might get away with easier time up front today; none of the other fillies that have started have shown much early speed. FORESHADOW showed a lot more in her second start when adding blinkers. The top two figure to be up front and she should get a nice mid-pack trip.

Selections **6-5-3-2**

EIGHTH – BIRD SENSE and FORECAST both enter this first level allowance off maiden wins, both got the diploma with a front end run and both are drawn on the far outside, a tough spot for the one mile races here. BIRD SENSE win came here and was first time beyond 7/8th mile. Jockey Chris Landeros has been aboard last three races and not been worse than 3rd or beaten less than a length. Trainer Ian Wilkes having an awesome meet and even with the tough post going this way. FORECAST win came at Churchill six weeks ago but she's worked five times since then and should be sharp off the layoff. SEA LIGHT has been beaten favorite last two races including 5th here six weeks ago. She got the maiden win at Keeneland this spring and shows nice ½ mile bullet work six days ago.

Selections **11-10-5-8**

NINTH – Quick turnaround back in just one week for SUDDEN URGES who drops to \$7500 after a couple of narrow misses for twice this claiming price. He ran behind next out winners in both starts at Arlington and his last race was a 4th here with a wide trip. He gets the rail post today, should save ground with a cozy mid-pack trip. MICHAEL and LAND have both shown improvement since moving to the turf. MICHAEL closed a lot of ground late last two races both at this level. LAND was unlucky when 2nd here ten days ago when he was bumped in the stretch; he probably has the early lead here. BRO STROLL is another who just missed recently, 2nd here when stretched out to longer race after two sprints.

Selections **1-7-4-10**

