



Race by Race Analysis

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Sunday, September 4

FIRST – CAM AND CONS GIRL rates a slight edge here. She's won two of last three here this summer, once beating open \$5000 claimers, same as today, and once against \$7500 non-winners of three races. The three starts here, including a 4th between the two wins, were her first races since last year and repeat of any of the last three puts her right there; like that she can come from just off the pace in a race with plenty of early speed. OUR ADIEU failed in the chance for a three-peat last time, she had won here on dirt and turf and this might be a slight class drop off the last starter allowance race; her best races are on the lead and looks like 2-3 others will keep her company up front today. One of those is BLAKE BEAUTIES who comes in off a 2nd at Indiana on the dirt. Only one turf race in her resume but see her as early pace factor and likely underneath. TEN EASY STREET has half her lifetime wins on grass; like the distance turnback angle from recent mile race here when 3rd, but probably a minor spot.

Selections 4-8-2-5

SECOND – JUDY JUDY JUDY comes in off a sprint win here a month ago but looks like can handle the stretch out to one mile. She's won at the distance and 2nd two of last three starts going longer. The filly that was 3rd in her sprint victory here came back to win last weekend. She has versatile running style usually just off the early pace and gets the rail post usually a plus in the one mile races here. SUGAR KATE was runner-up as 7/5 favorite in a race with the same conditions as today. She has most wins in the field at a mile but recent races been settling for second and third; Channing Hill back to ride and he's been aboard for few of her best efforts this year. GUYANA STAR was 4th behind KATE here last race but beat her at Indiana back in April. I see her and HOPE TO SHINE as the pacesetters but a couple lengths behind the top pair.

Selections 1-5-6-2

THIRD – There are a couple of interesting first time starters in this 2-year old maiden claiming \$30,000 race but inclined to go with an experienced runner. BAJAN CASH has run twice, 2nd, then 3rd last time at Saratoga against a field for \$50,000 that likely much tougher than this group. Ramsey homebred shipped back to Kentucky after that race and shows a couple breezes at Keeneland, including nice 5/8th mile work last week. A repeat of either of his first two makes him a likely winner here. A couple of the first time starters are noteworthy. ENCHANTED RAMBAM is a Zayat Stables homebred debuting for trainer Brad Cox who is very good with 2-year olds and shows a super ½ mile work on August 27. PINSKI was a bargain \$1500 purchase as yearling who has been working most of the summer in Chicago; trainer Merrill Scherer does very well with first timers, especially at claiming level.

Selections 7-5-6-8

FOURTH – Going to play against likely favorite WOLF GOURMET and go with CHANT FOR KITTEN who was 4th here in the same type race six weeks ago when she had an outside post and rough trip. Trainer Mike Maker adds blinkers today, nice 18% win angle for him when adding equipment and she's worked three times since then. This will be just second career race and expecting her to improve. WOLF GOURMET is deserving favorite off the recent 2nd here a month ago. She's faced tough company in most of her races and just moved to turf a few races back. She races close to the lead and wouldn't be surprised if Lanerie sends her from the inside post but don't think there will be any value given she's hit the board five of nine lifetime starts without getting the job done. AWESOME BIRD debuted sprinting on the dirt and showed a late run after a poor start; nice 5/8th mile breeze last week at Churchill. Also expecting better effort from YAHTZEE QUEEN making her second lifetime start.

Selections 2-1-5-6

FIFTH – No clear cut choice here but leaning to DRAWBIDGE who makes his first start in nine months. He's made three starts at a mile and no worse than 2nd last year. Trainer Dane Kobiskie has won with two of these layoff runners at the meet and though tough to win going a route off the bench has nice running style on the lead and inside post without much other early speed. He won for \$12,500 and in against \$5000 claimers here; might get a nice price and taking a positive view. Likely favorite is DERBY FAN claimed in his last start when 2nd in a turf race here six weeks ago. He's run the best speed figs of anyone in this field and best race was going long on dirt at Churchill, but no published works since the last race. HARBOR BOUND has been the beaten favorite last two starts, both times for \$7500 tag. He was 2nd going a mile here two races back and puts blinkers back on today a try on the grass when he was much further back than usual.

Selections **1-4-5-2**

SIXTH – Lukewarm choice is DATTTTS OUR GUY making his second career start. He was 4th here three weeks ago when he missed the break, raced wide the entire trip and did make up some ground late. He adds Lasix today, not uncommon for trainer Bill Mott to run them once without and wins almost 20% when adding it. Homebred colt also gets a better post today. SUPERSTYLE is making his third start, 3rd in the same race as OUR GUY after a runner-up debut at LoneStar. No real excuse last race but gets a new rider today in David Flores. HORSE FLY also is making just his second start; he beat half the field in a different race the same day as the top two in here. DERECHO WARRIOR was 3rd here on the dirt and tries turf first time. His first race sprinting ended up key race with three next out winners and the mile race was pretty good time but barn doesn't have strong numbers on grass.

Selections **3-9-8-6**

SEVENTH – FLEET GOLD DIGGER faces the \$5000 claiming level for the first time and he was unlucky not to win last two starts here against tougher fields. Four of his last five races have been within a length of winning, the other two races at Churchill were against \$10,000 claimers. Albarado has been aboard for all those races and see him breaking through recent tough luck losses today. NO SMALL REWARDS fits this condition on the non-winners of four lifetime and recent form here, at Indiana, and Belterra has been good. No worse than 3rd in all but one of his last seven races, including 2nd beaten just a nose against open \$5000 claimers here two weeks ago; hard to separate the top two. Indiana-bred RENN LAKE has checked in 2nd and 3rd last two starts in the Hoosier state and looks more likely for similar spot today.

Selections **2-3-6-1**

EIGHTH – Usually would be looking for a recent maiden special winner in this first level allowance but only one horse in this field has never raced for a claiming price. SHUT THE BOX is in really good form right now with back-to-back wins after a long layoff. He got the maiden win at Churchill for a \$30,000 tag and followed up with a score here against \$30,000 starter horses in a race where he overcame bad start and still won going away. He's never been on the grass but bred for turf and running style from just off the pace should sit him a nice trip. HUSH UP was an impressive winner here a month ago in his first ever turf start. He finished well back of the top pick couple starts back on dirt but really took to the grass and have to respect the 2nd and 3rd place finishers in that race both came back to win. KING MAYNARD is the only horse in the race who hasn't raced for a claiming price. He got the maiden win here going a mile on dirt at 28/1 then was well beaten 4th against allowance company on the dirt. Breeding would say turf should be no problem and has a slight class edge over most of the field but expecting him in one of the underneath spots.

Selections **4-3-1-9**

NINTH – A HE'S AN O'PRADO has a couple of long gaps between races and shows up here after a two month break since running 2nd at Indiana as the favorite for twice today's \$7500 claiming price. He's worked four times for the return and a repeat of last race or the maiden win back in February most likely here but won't offer much value. MR HAIRE has shown improvement since moving to the turf. He got the maiden win over at Mountaineer and last race was here when 2nd in a similar race as today. His running style usually has him far back early and likely to come with a late run for a share. ALABAMA SLIM tries turf for the first time since last summer. 4-year old was

claimed from last race and he's been consistent getting minor checks sprinting on the dirt. I'd tab him as likely to be on the lead coming out of those shorter races and not much other early pace can hang around for a piece.

Selections **2-10-4-3**