

GOLDEN GATE ANALYSIS

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BEST BET: Cortney's Fame (3rd race)

First Race: 1. Irish Harmony 2. Affirmator 3. Keynientos

IRISH HARMONY seems to have found the right level with a second and a third in his past two tries for this tag and condition. Was rank early while stalking last time and may have used himself up too much. Made the lead in the lane but had nothing left. Only needs to relax a bit here to earn trip to winner's circle. AFFIRMATOR chased the top pick two back. Ran second vs. easier last time but is capable of competing well here. Can use his tactical speed to save ground from the rail. KEYNIENTOS was thrown in against tougher last time when returning from a six-week layoff. Had been running on the turf prior to that. Should be a healthy price in exotics.

Second Race: 1. Mt. Orient 2. Kalookan Boss 3. Moscato

Turf specialist MT. ORIENT has never failed to pick up a check when running over the Lakeside Turf Course. Ran evenly behind a good one last time and sees his claiming price cut in half here. He's never run this cheap and should be a major pace factor with this rail draw. KALOOKAN BOSS turned in a strong effort at this level two back, proving himself clearly best in the stretch. Met tougher on the dirt in his last start and will appreciate both the drop and return to the grass. MOSCATO stalked nicely and scored a game win at this level and distance last out, getting up just in time to win his turf debut. Recorded a career-best Beyer in the process and is worth a long look here.

Third Race: 1. Cortney's Fame 2. Betterwinsome 3. Beautiful Dixie

CORTNEY'S FAME is bidding for a hat trick here. She has won three of her past four starts and was claimed from her win last time. Moves from one good barn to another, and new barn wins 29 percent off the claim. Slight drop in price here for runner that has won half her starts. BETTERWINSOME has been first under the wire in her past two starts but was disqualified two back in a conditioned heat at this level. Won against similar company last time. Should be sitting in a good spot to make a big move in the lane. BEAUTIFUL DIXIE has been the runner-up in her past two starts. She closed nicely but lost by one-half length to the second choice last time. She has done her best running on the Tapeta and should be a factor again today.

Fourth Race: 1. Ironmann 2. High N Deep 3. Twain's Titan

IRONMANN tries to become his sire's first turf winner today. Was a good second in his turf debut. Drops into the claiming ranks for the first time, and that is considered the biggest drop of any for young horses. Has run all right on the turf in the past so it's worth taking a shot as he meets easier. HIGH N DEEP has run exclusively on the turf and has notched seconds in his past two starts at this level. Showing improvement each time and has an easy maintenance drill since his last start. Note that barn shows a flat-bet profit with 2 YOs. TWAIN'S TITAN turned in the best race of his career when stretched out and placed on the turf last time. The way he closed going a mile suggests he should like this added distance.

Fifth Race: 1. Crimson Queen 2. My Secret Weapon 3. Raging Rose

CRIMSON QUEEN ran evenly in her debut before hanging a bit late. Sire does well with juveniles but doesn't have a good percentage with first times. Expect improvement with the race under her belt, additional works and a drop to the bottom level. MY SECRET WEAPON gets blinkers back on as she comes north for the first time and drops to the bottom level. Has a bit of speed, which will be handy given her rail draw. Has an easy work over the track to get acquainted with the surface here. RAGING ROSE was the runner-up in her lone start at this distance. She was disqualified for bumping and bothering other rivals at the break. She ran better last time despite being forced to race wide.

Sixth Race: 1. Crazy Tricia 2. Come On Mama 3. See Eye to Eye

CRAZY TRICIA saw her claiming price doubled last time as she shifted to the turf and pulled off a nice victory. Now she cuts her price in half and finds herself in a spot chasing several who beat her for this tag two back. She was in contention but got shuffled back turning for home before re-rallying. Expect a better effort this time. COME ON MAMA was one of those that beat the top pick last time while finishing a bit stronger. She has a bullet work since then and has not been rushed back into action. Barn does very well with this time pattern. SEE EYE TO EYE likes to win, scoring seven wins in 13 starts this year. Is currently on a pattern where she wins every other race so figures to be tough here. Moving into a new barn after running third when favored last time. Has a pair of works for barn that wins 32 percent first off a claim.

Seventh Race: 1. Lightnin' Up 2. Hearts Ablazin 3. Bold Prospector

LIGHTNIN' UP has run consistently against better throughout his career. His best effort came on this turf course. Been the beaten favorite in his past two starts but finds himself running for a tag for the first time here. He'll likely be favored again, but his turf form indicates he'll be tough to overhaul. HEARTS ABLAZIN showed improvement in his second start at this level last time. He's earned checks in both his turf starts while running at this level. Stalked last time after coming off the pace in his previous start. BOLD PROSPECTOR makes his third start off a fresher. He's run consistently in his two turf tries and has enough speed to sit where he wants. Check the fourth race which included several runners he has competed against. If they ran well, it could be a good sign for him.

Eighth Race: 1. Jaylo Marino 2. Would I Would I 3. Single Reason

JAYLO MARINO likes this track. He's scored both of his career victories here and hit the board in his other two starts. He's stepping up again as he goes for his third straight, but his steady improvement suggests he can complete the hat trick. WOULD I WOULD I has hit the board in every start. He has been running in starter allowance company, but this race is not necessarily a drop for him. Has stalking speed and should get a clean trip with his outside post. SINGLE REASON has won two of his three starts and run second the other time. Stepping up for this but has shown steady improvement and continues to work well.

Ninth Race: 1. All About You 2. River Breeze 3. Champali Lace

ALL ABOUT YOU showed enough at 34-to-1 in her debut to catch our eye here. Doubt she'll go off at that price, but she did fade after chasing a solid pace. She could find herself on the lead here or able to settle where she wants with this outside draw. Barn has fair success with second-timers. RIVER BREEZE returns to sprinting here and adds blinkers. Should be a factor off her recent route fractions, and the blinkers should have her focused early. CHAMPALI LACE ran second last time after getting mugged in the lane. Incident bothered her but she did hold on gamely in a three-way photo for second. Just needs a cleaner trip today.