

# GOLDEN GATE ANALYSIS

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## **BEST BET: Imadethecashcall (4th race)**

### **First Race: 1. Michael the Man 2. Swiss Memo 3. California Soldier**

**MICHAEL THE MAN** steps up following a strong effort in his debut against winners last time. He has run much better since stretching out. Sheds blinkers for the first time since his debut, but he has enough natural speed that he should be able to make the lead if he wants to. Led all the way until the closing strides last time when beaten by a good runner. Steps up a notch here, but he's on the improve and can handle the rise up the ladder. Stakes-placed **SWISS MEMO** set the pace in the Gold Rush before settling for third. Will probably try to take advantage of his speed with his rail draw. His losses have been to some good ones such as Haimish Hy, Sourdough Sam and Shuddacudawudya. Has never run for this low a tag and looms the possible favorite. **CALIFORNIA SOLDIER** drops back to more realistic territory here after having a two-race win streak snapped by Posse Power last time. Both wins came at the \$12,500 level so this represents tougher than he's previously beaten. Did have trouble before tiring last time in what is a better-than-looks effort.

### **Second Race: 1. Sarah's Melody 2. Whims and Fancies 3. Da Heat**

**SARAH'S MELODY** had her two-race win streak snapped when she did nothing at this level last time. She's brought back quickly by barn that had success with the move in the past. Had been showing improvement in races prior to last week's so will give her benefit of doubt considering she should offer some real value here. It's been some time since **WHIMS AND FANCIES** was any kind of a factor in a race, but this race is pretty weak on paper which could make her a contender. Has worked steadily since her last start and does have a bullet work. **DA HEAT** has hit the board in four straight and steps up here. She's sharp and likes the distance. Has a pair of easy maintenance drills since her last start.

### **Third Race: 1. Bear Market 2. Lewizzy 3. One for the Money**

Condition will be a question as **BEAR MARKET** returns from an almost three-month break. Showed improvement when stretched out, but those races were on turf. Runs for the same tag today, but it may be a bit deceptive since this is the bottom level on turf. Beaten favorite may offer some value here. **LEWIZZY** makes her first start for a tag, which is usually a strategy that moves runners up. She's always gone off at double-digit odds but showed improvement when she routed for the first time in her last start. Should get a stalking trip here and will have a much easier time in the lane. **ONE FOR THE MONEY** stretches out as she makes her third career start. The breeding suggests this is a distance that she'll love, and she should offer fair value in a wide-open race.

### **Fourth Race: 1. Imadethecashcall 2. Formally Yours 3. She Laughs an Flays**

**IMADETHECASHCALL** bids for her third straight win and fifth in her past six starts. She doubles her price after being claimed from the leading barn last time. She has beaten better and retains the rider that has guided her to victory in both her starts here. She's versatile enough to either lead or stalk. **FORMALLY YOURS** is also bidding for a hat trick today. She, too, loves the tack, scoring five of her six career victories here while hitting the board in nine of 11 starts. She'll be sitting close in a possible first-run spot. **SHE LAUGHS AN FLYS** is another stepping up. She moves up a notch here off a pair of decent tries. She's better on turf but is certainly a fit here.

### **Fifth Race: 1. There Goes Kevin 2. Golden Boy Mark 3. Get Your Shinebox**

**THERE GOES KEVIN** woke up when dropped last time and gets another even bigger drop today. Confidence should be flowing after cruising to a win while racing wide. Has two nice works since raced, including a half-mile bullet drill for hot barn. **GOLDEN BOY MARK** graduated at the bottom level in his debut here. It was a solid effort. Has a nice work since raced, and he's shown he's capable of improvement off his victory. Hot apprentice rides again. Though this is an open race, only the top pick has beaten winners. **GET YOUR SHINEBOX** dropped back to this level last time. Rallied well despite being fanned wide. Gets good post, and there seems to be enough pace in race that his close can be effective.

### **Sixth Race: 1. Pretorian Falls 2. Red Hot Charlotte 3. Tripulina Ridge**

**PRETORIAN FALLS** has hit the board in both starts since dropping to this level. Rail draw will allow closer to save all the ground before she unleashes her late kick. It's been some time since she's won, and that 2-for-26 record doesn't inspire unwavering confidence. Closed well to be second as the beaten favorite last time, and she gets the services of the leading rider again today. **RED HOT CHARLOTTE** stretched out off a confidence-building win as she chased the top pick in a troubled trip last time. Has been effective for this tag in the past and seems to love this track. **TRIPULINA RIDGE** doubles her claiming price and steps up a condition here after winning a conditioned her last time. Has decent speed, and outside draw should benefit her tactically.

### **Seventh Race: 1. Weekend Escape 2. Babs Moossa 3. Full Power Ahead**

**WEEKEND ESCAPE** has been right there of late, except a disappointing try when favored against Fort Funston two back. Was flying last time when he missed by a neck against better. Won his last start for this tag. **BABS MOOSSA** put together three straight stakes victories as a 2 YO. Didn't run that badly in his first start in 15 months last time. Dropping again here and gets a good apprentice. Has a pair of works since his comeback and don't expect a bounce here. **FULL POWER AHEAD** has earned over \$100 K at this track. He continues his descent down the ladder as barn looks for a win. Can't fault recent efforts by this consistent check earner.

### **Eighth Race: 1. Sheza Carchy 2. All About You 3. Jessie's Knockout**

**SHEZA CARCHY** has been the runner-up in her past two starts. Finds a good spot here, and rail draw should work perfectly for here. She set a pressured pace last time, opening up in the lane but got run down late. Seems a legitimate contender right back. **ALL ABOUT YOU** tries two turns for the first time. Has speed enough to get the lead and could prove tough to overhaul should she relax nicely up front. Draw means she can dictate the pace terms. **JESSIE'S KNOCKOUT** has run third behind the top pick in her past two starts. Was content to stalk last time and will probably get a similar trip here.