

GOLDEN GATE ANALYSIS

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BEST BET: Yvett's Pride (1st race)

First Race: 1.Yvett's Pride 2.Bullish Yield 3.Direct Connect

YVETT'S PRIDE moves from one good barn to another after fading late as the 9-to-5 favorite in his last start. Has two maintenance works for barn that wins 31 percent off the claim. Has the speed to sit where he wants in the early going. BULLISH YIELD defeated the top pick two back and was claimed last time by the same barn that claimed the top pick. Has two wins, a second and third in four starts here. Needs some help up front but is capable of closing well. Drops to the lowest level since last spring. DIRECT CONNECT has been on the sidelines for nearly eight months. Came north and won that race and now cuts his claiming price in half for his comeback.

Second Race: 1.No Boundaries 2.Boy Howdy 3.So Whatabout

NO BOUNDARIES gets a big drop here as he cuts his claiming price in half. Rallied nicely with a wide trip last time and now makes his third start following a nearly four-month layoff. Doesn't have the greatest of speed. Picked up checks without really challenging in Seattle stakes this summer. BOY HOWDY gets a drop not only in claiming level but also into a conditioned claiming event. Did run in \$40,000 starter allowance races, earlier, but that's not quite the same thing despite the limitations to nonwinners of one race. SO WHATABOUT was a solid second when dropped to this level last time. He's another Emerald import but didn't meet the type of competition up there that the top pick did. Like the fact he seems to be improving.

Third Race: 1.Sunshine Alpine 2.Winning Tactics 3.Keyfargo

SUNSHINE ALPINE ran evenly in his first start in 13 months. Getting a big drop here, but showed enough to earn a look in start No. 2. When the drop is this big and is accompanied by a pair of workouts, including a good five-furlong move, the stakes-placed sprinter is worth an even longer look. WINNING TACTICS was unlucky to lose at this level last time, missing by a nose after a strong rally. Got drop in first start in Nocal. Has easy maintenance drill since that race. Has run well earlier this year and is capable of improvement. KEYFARGO set a pressured pace before fading in a route last time. Stalked but didn't have much left in his last sprint, but he should prove more effective against this easier company.

Fourth Race: 1.Sumo Power 2.Niner Genius 3.Dress Code

SUMO POWER should appreciate the switch to turf. By a solid turf sire, Dynaformer. First foal of 0-for-2 dam, who made both starts on the turf and had one runner-up finish. Been almost seven weeks since debut, where he close well, and has a pair of recent six-furlong drills. This is a choice based on breeding. NINER GENIUS has a decent turf debut sire. All three siblings are stakes winners, and family has run all right on the turf. Sat close but didn't have much left in first try around two turns. DRESS CODE is the first foal of a multiple stakes-winning dam. He's run second in both starts here at this distance. They came on the main track, and there are questions if he can transfer that form to the turf.

Fifth Race: 1.Lo Risquette 2.Halo's Angel 3.Storm Fleur

LO RISQUETTE gets another drop as barn seeks the right level for graduation. Has a pair of bullet drills since her last start and switches to the main track here. Has trained well on Tapeta. Those bullet works were geared at her showing a bit more speed early as she shortens up here. HALO'S ANGEL returned from a two-month layoff and ran second with a big drop. That was her best race yet, and barn shows confidence by moving her up a notch here. Does have a good half-mile work since raced. STORM FLEUR has been the runner-up in her past two starts and has hit the board in three of five starts here. Didn't show much in stretch last time but did dead heat for second. Dropping for this, which could be enough to make third time since layoff a charm.

Sixth Race: 1.A Daisyfield 2.Light Amour 3.Omi's Back

A DAISYFIELD returns to the main track with this big drop. She's scored two of her three career victories here and has enjoyed more success on the main track than on the grass. Has a nice combination of speed and willingness to stalk. Like the drills since raced and don't mind the drop because she has run well at lower levels in the past. LIGHT AMOUR is bidding for a hat trick as she makes her first start in nearly 11 months. Barn does well with long layoffs, and she's turned in some strong six-furlong works that should have plenty of air in here. She's never finished worse than second here. OMI'S BACK draws the outside post and may find herself a bit wide on the first turn. Had two-race win streak snapped last time when he moved up a notch. Won at this distance and level two back.

Seventh Race: 1.Leslie Lill 2. We Love L.A. 3.Excessive B and B

LESLIE LILL has run well in three widely spaced starts this year. Has twice won off layoffs, and she does have some good works for her comeback. She is meeting much tougher here, but she loves the distance and certainly runs well fresh. WE LOVE L. A. met better here two back. Got a double drop last time when she went too fast early before settling for second at this distance. Seems capable of running better if she can relax a bit more early. EXCESSIVE B AND B ran second for this tag at Santa Anita two back. Met better in her debut here. She set a pressured early pace and gave way a bit late. Should be factor based on this drop.

Eighth Race: 1.Papa'ssarahlín 2.Stanford Dolly 3.First Mate

PAPA'SSARAHLIN is still looking for her first win here after a pair of third-placed performances. Set pace after bobbing at the break last time at this level. Has nice maintenance drill since that race and could prove elusive target. STANFORD DOLLY won here at this distance last Friday. Back for same tag, but this is open race while last was nonwinner-of-three. Has won two of past three, including victory for new barn in last start. FIRST MATE had a two-race win streak snapped last time. Claiming level cut in half to same level where mini win streak began, but this is open, not conditioned company.