

GOLDEN GATE ANALYSIS

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BEST BET: Seeking the Queen (1st race)

First Race: 1. Seeking the Queen 2. Washington Bridge 3. Hyperlink

Undeclared SEEKING THE QUEEN was nominated for the Golden Nugget, a sprint against males, but the barn gambled an allowance race would fill for her, and the gamble paid off. The speedster gets a perfect outside draw and has a solid work since her second wire-to-wire victory. Meeting many of the same runners she already beat as she takes advantage of her Cal-bred status to compete in this allowance spot for the second time. Ran well in her debut and was even better last time. With her lack of value in this spot, she becomes an obvious single in serial wagers. WASHINGTON BRIDGE turned in her best effort yet last time and fell three lengths short of the top pick when an easy second. She has talent but may only be second best again today. HYPERLINK is one of three of today's four rivals that met the top pick last time. She finished behind Notoriously after dueling with the top pick early and tiring. She'll have to gun a bit from the rail but has two solid works, including a five-furlong bullet, since that race and could hold on better here.

Second Race: 1. Beautiful Dixie 2. Mud Sweat 'n Tears 3. Last Thoughts

BEAUTIFUL DIXIE is a consistent sort that just lost a photo against similar. She likes this distance with exacta finishes in five of her six tries at it. Seems to be enough pace in this race that her closing kick can prove effective. MUD SWEAT 'N TEARS has hit the board in all five starts since shipping north and dropping to this level. Was the third nose in a photo behind the top pick last time and is still looking for her first win here, but she has won on synthetics down south. LAST THOUGHTS has speed and should be able to control the pace here. Will appreciate the slight turnback in distance. Has a dozen wins at this distance among her 21 career victories.

Third Race: 1. The Major 2. Mamoonya 3. E Street Federici

THE MAJOR has been involved in photos in his past two starts, winning one and then coming up just short last time. Has been at the top of his game in his past three starts and has four works while getting a month-long breather since his last start. MAMOONYA was the third head in the photo directly behind the top pick in his last start. Drops a notch here and shows a bullet half-mile drill among his three works since raced. Sharp barn picks up services of leading rider for this spot. E STREET FEDERICI beat better three back at Sacramento and was third for this tag at Santa Rosa. Showed mild improvement last time and drops another notch today.

Fourth Race: 1. Lookn Even Finer 2. Truckees Rose 3. Secret Shadow

LOOKN EVEN FINER has a good-looking work tab for high-percentage barn that shows a flat-bet profit with first-timers. She's by a solid win-early sire and her multiple stakes-winning dam was stakes-placed at age two. Is a full sister to dam's first foal, a winner of \$89,510. TRUCKEES ROSE also makes her debut here. Like the six-furlong works followed by a half-mile bullet from the gate. She's working well for that enjoys success with 2 YOs. SECRET SHADOW ran in midpack throughout her debut. Seemed to tire a bit late but has two works to build on since then. Expect improvement, and the fact she's dropping a notch doesn't hurt the cause.

Fifth Race: 1. Curvey Star 2. Executive Sweet 3. Roll Model

CURVEY STAR continues her descent down the claiming ladder and should be set for a good race as she reaches the bottom rung. Made first start in 3 1/2 months and had lead in lane before being outfinished. Should be tighter here and tougher to catch late. EXECUTIVE SWEET had been going longer of late before her last start. She closed all right and should be better prepared for the early goot needed sprinting. Note that she has won at this distance. ROLL MODEL won for the second condition at this level two back. She was a factor to the lane at this level last time. Has a pair of works since raced and is worth another look here.

Sixth Race: 1. Zozensual 2. Vicky Vale 3. Suetosuetosue

ZOZENSUAL has been showing improvement and has seemed to enjoy her past two starts when stretched out to this distance. She's run second both times, losing a photo in her last start after sticking her head in front in the lane. Has the speed to get a good position and looms the one they'll have to catch in the lane. VICKY VALE brings the best last-race Beyer into this as she closed strongly while losing a photo after a five-wide rally. Ran so well here that Social barn is bringing her back for another chance. SUETOSUETOSUE adds blinkers today, which is not a big money-making move by the barn. She is dropping for this and has enough pedigree to get a mile.

Seventh Race: 1. Vaderator 2. Lookn for the Lord 3. Comic Review

Old speedster VADERATOR has finished second in his past two starts, although he was moved up to first on a disqualification two back at Fresno. Will appreciate the outside draw as he drops to the lowest claiming level of his career. LOOKN FOR THE LORD has the blinkers returned today after a two-race trial without them. Making third start of the year and should be set for his best now. That best is plenty good. He has speed to challenge the top pick but will likely wind up stalking early. COMIC REVIEW makes his first start in 17 months. Had run all right against better. Something happened in or after his last start prompting the long vacation. Off he best, he could prove tough. Works are OK, and he should offer a bit of value.

Eighth Race: 1. Kelli O 2. Zanda Blue 3. Janlisa

KELLI O has been the runner-up her past two starts at this level. She stalked two back and made a big closing move last time so her versatility should be a plus. Has missed a check only in her career and never on the main track. Sharp rider stays aboard. ZANDA BLUE stretches out after earning checks in all three tries since coming north. Has a pair of decent works since her last start when she stalked only to hang a bit in the lane. JANLISA showed improvement in her second. That, in itself, is pretty normal, but she made her mark by improving when stretched out in a route, which could be even more significant. Has enough speed that outside draw shouldn't affect her.