





## **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

- 1. Fake Fast pace: Pace analysis tools will be incorrect in this situation because in 'fake fast' situations, pacesetters are CORRECTLY IGNORED by riders that identify a 'runoff leader' that is going too fast early. This results in a pack that is running "a race within a race." Don't be too quick to downgrade Closers in such situations!
- 2. Accordion Flow: An 'accordion flow' is a dynamic that mostly occurs in turf routes. When leaders are successful in "backing down the pace" to catch a breather before sprinting for home, the field can crunch together before stretching out again, sometimes causing traffic issues for the back markers. In the majority of these instances, speed types and ground savers are the runners to benefit.
- 3. L: This is merely an abbreviation for "length."
- 4. "Tight" in-between vs "Loose" in-between : In-between racing is common in larger fields. "Tight" in-between positions cause stress and leave runners with tough options: (1) Progress and run the risk of moving too early. (2) Idle to move backwards results in position and ground loss. (3) Remaining in the same spot will likely result in the burning of needed energy.
- 5. Gapped leaders: Imagine a runoff leader and then (1) or (2) more rivals with a big advantage to the rest of the pack. These leading runners are out of position and chasing a leader that is VERY LIKELY going too fast early. Situations with "gapped leaders" offer a HUGE advantage to the Closers

# **Gulfstream Park**

## DATE: 3/4/23 RACE: 12



**TRIP NOTE:** She had a very similar journey in the early stages to that of 'Undervalued Asset.' She was off a bit slow and then lost her path, which cost her 1-2L and important positions. She made a nice recovery on the backstretch and progressed nicely towards the lead, but ultimately landed in a tough 'in-between' spot and was forced to wait her turn. She looked to get to the outside in the turn but was beaten to the punch by 'Undervalued Asset,' and after finally getting out and to the outside, finished willingly through the stretch to almost reach place money. A tough trip for much of the race, she draws the rail a new rider takes over.



**TRIP NOTE:** She broke well and showed nice speed, landing in a tracking position near the inside. She raced in hand and was being herded inward on the backstretch, but received a nice rider to avoid a steady, and managed to take a tight pocket spot into the far turn. She raced in hand while others made wide moves through the far turn, received a gift at the fence when the pacesetter left room for her at the rail, and after slipping the inside, spurted nicely clear into the lane, and won going away while appearing to have more in the tank. A good trip overall, this win also seemed easy.



**TRIP NOTE:** Ignore the comment that she bobbled at the start - it's accurate, but deceitful as she broke VERY WELL. She showed nice speed and landed in a very good spot, sitting perched 3+W while stalking a contested lead. She advanced in the far turn without being asked, took control with a little more than 5/16 to go, and when confronted by her barnmate at the 1/4 pole, responded well to her jockey's request to kick for home. This was a good trip throughout.



**TRIP NOTE:** The PPs tell a good story for this runner. A slightly awkward and inward start leaving the gate cost her nearly 1L. She raced widest in the field down the backstretch, maintained a 4+ path through the far turn, and stayed on OK to pick up a few tiring runners through the lane. A 'move up' is likely needed as there are other common rivals that were better on this day that also show up in this race.

### HORSE NAME: Atomically DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal, the lead was pressured, and the A-B-C choices on the tote board finished 3-1-2. The 6th place finisher was a next-out winner vs 'State Bred' Alw 54000N1X foes.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Infinite Diamond DATE: 1/1/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slower than normal and

the winner scored from a stalking position.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Red Carpet Ready DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal, the lead was pressured, and the A-B-C choices on the tote board finished 3-1-2. The 6th place finisher was a next-out winner vs 'State Bred' Alw 54000N1X foes.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Positano Sunset DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal, the lead was pressured, and the A-B-C choices on the tote board finished 3-1-2. The 6th place finisher was a next-out winner vs 'State Bred' Alw 54000N1X foes.



**TRIP NOTE:** What was most important in this race is not mentioned in the PPs! She was off a touch slowly and then lost her path to recovery, which cost her 1-2L and important early positioning. She recovered well and rated kindly in midpack while wide on the backstretch, following 'Red Carpet Ready' down the backstretch. She followed that one's move through the turn while covering a little more ground, made a nice move to get within 1/2 length of the new leader (Red Carpet Ready), but was outfinished in the lane. This was a strong performance given the mistake at the start!



**TRIP NOTE:** She broke well and had no trouble moving to the outside to land in a VERY GOOD stalking position. She rated kindly and held a measured lead vs the rest of the pack as the pacesetter sped away by several lengths on the backstretch, gained on the backstretch while taking in plenty of open air, and after being urged to pick up the pace as the race favorite approached her outside, gained a short lead passing the 1/4 pole, and easily repelled her only challenger. A good trip throughout, she showed some greenness in the late stages, which offers upside as she figures things out.



**TRIP NOTE:** She made up about 3L on the backstretch, but landed in a tough, in-between spot and without any path forward. She did good work to progress while 3W through the far turn, and finished very well through the lane to barely miss place money, which given the tempo, is deserving of some praise!



**TRIP NOTE:** She was guided to the inside down the backstretch and took a ground saving trip through the far turn, but was never involved. Big improvement is needed.

### HORSE NAME: Undervalued Asset DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal, the lead was pressured, and the A-B-C choices on the tote board finished 3-1-2. The 6th place finisher was a next-out winner vs 'State Bred' Alw 54000N1X foes.

TRACK BIAS: Deep track

### HORSE NAME: Guns n' Graces DATE: 12/23/22 DISTANCE: 1 Mile 40 Yards SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** Was SCRATCHED from the 150K Suncoast Stakes at TAM to try here. (2) of the (7) runners were first time starters. The pace was normal and the A-B choices on the tote board finished 2-1 while well ahead of the rest.

TRACK BIAS: Deep track

HORSE NAME: Lynx DATE: 1/1/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Dirt

#### TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slower than normal and the winner scored from a stalking position.

### HORSE NAME: Adeliese's Smile DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal, the lead was pressured, and the A-B-C choices on the tote board finished 3-1-2. The 6th place finisher was a next-out winner vs 'State Bred' Alw 54000N1X foes.



TRIP NOTE: She was urged down the backstretch and dueled head and head with (2) rivals to her immediate outside; this was a bad spot. She continued to be sent to progress into the far turn, was overtaken by the outward flow, but actually stayed on gamely before finally abruptly faltering at the 1/16 pole. A tough trip throughout given the pace and early duel, expect a completely different journey today as she is drawn outside and has the ability to rate.



TRIP NOTE: She had to be sent to cross in front of so many runners, but this resulted in her being keen when put on hold after earning her stalking spot. She settled down on the backstretch while following a fast pace, did good work when it mattered in the far turn, taking a short lead at the 1/4 pole, and was predictably overtaken when a fresh challenger tipped off the rail and leveled to her outside. A tough trip given the post, early ask, keenness and tempo, this place finish is deserving of plenty of praise.

### HORSE NAME: Dorth Vader DATE: 1/14/23 **DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs** SURFACE: Dirt

RACE NOTE: The pace was honest and the lead was TRACK BIAS: N/A contested. The 4th place finisher was a next-out winner of the SuncoastL150k Stakes. The 5th place finisher was a next-out winner vs OC25k/SAL25k-N rivals.

HORSE NAME: Leave No Trace DATE: 11/4/22 **DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles** SURFACE: Dirt

TRACK BIAS: N/A

RACE NOTE: The pace was fast and Closers had the advantage and performed best.

# Santa Anita Park



**TRIP NOTE:** She raced covered up and targeted an in-between spot for most of the race. She raced 2-3W all the way around the track, advanced in the far turn while following the outside stalker, and when the pacesetter drifted wide into the lane, this had plenty of room to cut to the inside and level. A neutral trip overall, she meets several common rivals today.



**TRIP NOTE:** She received a thoughtful ride as the clubhouse turn neared, successfully tucking in a bit and avoiding getting stuck wide. She raced 2-3W through the clubhouse turn and down the backstretch (while covered up), and after putting in a solid run through the far turn while 3W, sustained the rally nicely all the way to the finish, and did so while only under light handling. A pace beneficiary on this day helped for sure, but it also appeared that she had more under the hood as well.



**TRIP NOTE:** An outward break and solid bump could have cost her some quickness despite it appearing to not mean a whole lot. She raced unopposed through the clubhouse turn, which was good, but when (2) rivals engaged her on the backstretch to create a 3-prong duel, she was allowed to quicken and clear off again. She raced in the clear into the far turn, was permitted to give the field the slip through the far turn, but after earning a healthy margin into the stretch, tired and checked in 3rd. A solid performance after carving out fast fractions, she cuts back in distance today.



**TRIP NOTE:** Boy was this a GREAT RIDE! She rated kindly while saving ground along the backstretch, taking control of what was in essence (if ignoring the runoff leader) the 'real pocket.' She was patiently handled and saved ground through the far turn, had clear sailing to ease off the rail into the stretch, and finished strongly to earn the win; a good trip throughout!

## DATE: 3/4/23 RACE: 5

HORSE NAME: Closing Remarks DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slow throughout and speed types had the obvious advantage.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Macadamia DATE: 2/3/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/8 Miles SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was fast and Closers had the edge and finished 1-2.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Tik Tok Famous DATE: 2/3/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/8 Miles SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was fast and Closers had the **TRACK BIAS:** N/A edge and finished 1-2.

HORSE NAME: Kitty Katana DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was 'fake fast' as a runoff leader was ignored by the rest of the pack. Stalkers had the advantage and when the leader also held firm, all speed held up; 1-2-3 early finished 2-3-1.



**TRIP NOTE:** The race didn't look like much, but when the pace is slow on turf, speed and ground savers are at a big advantage, and this runner had neither. She raced 3W through the first turn, uncovered and in midpack down the backstretch, and after attempting to gain while 3-4W through the far turn, was slightly outfinished. A tough turf trip on this day didn't give her a very good chance of success!



**TRIP NOTE:** She rated kindly and was guided to the rail early, securing her spot at the fence. She remained patiently handled in the far turn while easing 2+W and inching her way forward as the stretch drive neared, and after diving back the inside when finding a gap to level, finished with a flurry to run past several runners for the score! A big afer vs the pace is deserving of some praise!



**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slow throughout and speed types had the obvious advantage.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Quattroelle DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Turf

TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slow throughout and speed types had the obvious advantage.



**TRIP NOTE:** She raced in a stalking position early and was a bit 'gapped' to the rest of the pack through the clubhouse turn, but was thoughtfully allowed a breather as an 'accordion flow' arrived on the backstretch, which crunched the field together. She was correctly permitted to pick up the pace again when headed into the far turn and was ridden quietly and with confidence as she gained, but was just even in the lane, failing to get past a pacesetter that had done quite a bit of work throughout. A new rider takes over in her second try from off the bench.



**TRIP NOTE:** She rated kindly in a loose pocket throughout, was eventually urged to pick up the pace when the tempo quickened in the far turn, but was unable to take advantage of having plenty of room at the rail into the stretch. A good trip all the way around the track, it's possible she needed the race, and she makes start #2 off of the short break today.

### HORSE NAME: Annaghlasa DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Turf

#### TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was 'fake fast' as a runoff leader was ignored by the rest of the pack. Stalkers had the advantage and when the leader also held firm, all speed held up; 1-2-3 early finished 2-3-1.

### HORSE NAME: Nadette DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Turf

TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slow throughout and speed types had the obvious advantage.

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**TRIP NOTE:** He held a cozy pocket position while rating kindly all the way around the track, had plenty of room into the lane as the pacesetter had kicked away, and finished willingly to earn place money. This was a very good trip throughout.



**TRIP NOTE:** He was bumped inward and then the slightest of steadies off of heels to the runner at his inside could have cost him some quickness. A lag and rally journey thereafter, he was driven to gain through pretty much the entire far turn, and seemed to just be getting warmed up in the final furlong when the finish line arrived, barely missing show money to a host of others that he was gaining on; a neutral trip overall, the sneaky finish might be a tell that the added ground is going to help.



**TRIP NOTE:** We have nothing to add for this runner aside from this being a very good ride. he raced 2+W through the clubhouse and on the backstretch, received a thoughtful ride when the runner to inside gained as he was guided to the rail to follow that same rival, and after traveling at the rail through the far turn, was eased 2-3W into the lane, and finished willingly while not seriously threatening. A good trip overall, he'll need to improve.



**TRIP NOTE:** This was a strange trip for this runner. 1) He was rank and tossing his head back and forth while tough to handle in the first 1/4 mile, which is somewhat acknowledged by the chart caller. He was guided off the inside in his pass through the stretch, raced 3+W through the clubhouse turn, and was traveling 3-4W through the far turn when he began losing ground readly and seemed destined to finish way back, but somehow got back on track in the last 1/4 mile to finish quite decently, which was interesting. He takes on better after a bizarre performance.

HORSE NAME: Highest Honors DATE: 11/26/22 DISTANCE: 1 3/8 Miles SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal and all speed performed well; 1-2-3-4-5 early finished 1-3-2-5-4.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Master Piece DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/8 Miles SURFACE: Turf

RACE NOTE: The pace was normal.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Value Proposition DATE: 2/10/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Time for Trouble DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/2 Miles SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was VERY FAST and deep Closers DOMINATED!



**TRIP NOTE:** He raced under a snug hold for the first half of the race while 2+W; a neutral spot. Passing the finish the first time around he was eased to the outside and allowed to gain, traveling 3W through the clubhouse turn. He raced 3+W on the backstretch while continuing to gain, was put to work as the pace quickened into the far turn, and after earning a brief lead into the lane, was overhauled in the final furlong. A good trip in terms of his proximity to the slow pace and a slightly wide one overall, this trip leans towards "better than most."



**TRIP NOTE:** He targeted a very fast pace from a ground saving spot for the first half of the race; a very good spot. He eased off the rail into the far turn and was put to a drive to get around what appeared to be a stalling rival, and after angling 3-4-5+W several foes fanned into the lane, he finished up OK before coasting late, which very well could have cost him show money! A pace beneficiary off of the layoff, a new rider takes over.



**TRIP NOTE:** He raced under a long rein while unopposed throughout, was ridden quietly and with confidence through the far turn, and when asked to kick nearing the stretch, showed a big BURST to leave the others behind. A good trip on the front end, this was also a VERY STRONG performance!



TRIP NOTE: He targeted an honest pace from the back of the pack, and was never involved.

### HORSE NAME: Henley's Joy DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 3/8 Miles SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slower than normal.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Bemma's Boy DATE: 1/1/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** Was SCR from the 200K John Connally Turf Cup at Sam Houston to try here. The pace was very fast. The 9th place finisher was a next-out winner vs Clm 16000 foes.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Astronaut DATE: 11/26/22 DISTANCE: 1 3/8 Miles SURFACE: Turf

RACE NOTE: The pace was normal and all speed

performed well; 1-2-3-4-5 early finished 1-3-2-5-4.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Barberini DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Turf

RACE NOTE: The pace was honest and the lead was contested.



**TRIP NOTE:** When common rival 'Value Engineering' blew past him early, he was forced to slam on the brakes and lost 1-2L, which is correctly noted in the PPs. He lagged at the back for much of the race, was forced to wait patiently as the wide runners cleared leaving the backstretch, and after following the flow of others through the far turn, was able to shave before angling 3-4-5-6W into the lane. A trip that leans more towards the difficult side when all is considered, his rider sees fit to try again.



**TRIP NOTE:** He landed in a midpack position while with the outer flow early; a good spot considering the pace and clear shot. He rated kindly until the midway point of the backstretch, making a move as wide runners looked to gain, sprung this rider into action to gain and resist. He moved 3-4-5W as the far turn advanced, getting right up to the two dueling leaders as the stretch drive neared, but was unable to resist a winner that rolled him in the middle of the track. A good trip in terms of the pace and flow and a neutral one relating to ground covered, he draws a far outside post today.



**TRIP NOTE:** He held a clear lead early, but it didn't take long for another runner to press the issue and keep him working on the front end. He was pressed as the backstretch progressed and put to a drive into the far turn, but after being overhauled by several in the stretch, was allowed to jog in through the stretch. An obvious pace casualty on this day, the loss of his regular rider to another rival is an obvious negative.



**TRIP NOTE:** The bump in to the first turn was evident, but this was very minor in comparison to the wide journey that he'd have throughout. he traveled 4-3-2+W through the first turn, raced 3W though the clubhouse turn, and after.

### HORSE NAME: Shawdyshawdyshawdy DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/2 Miles SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was VERY FAST and deep **TRACK BIAS:** N/A Closers DOMINATED!

### HORSE NAME: Value Engineering DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/2 Miles SURFACE: Turf

TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was VERY FAST and deep Closers DOMINATED!

HORSE NAME: Abaan DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/2 Miles SURFACE: Turf

Closers DOMINATED!

RACE NOTE: The pace was VERY FAST and deep TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Wicked Fast DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/2 Miles SURFACE: Turf

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**TRIP NOTE:** ON SYNTHETIC: He raced in the middle of the pack while covered up down the backstretch, began to receive from coaxing to get his attention into the far turn, and after being put to increased pressure with 5/16 to go, made a nice split of runners and angled into the clear in the stretch. A neutral trip overall, he finished up strongly for the win and sees fit to give dirt a try today.



**TRIP NOTE:** He was urged away from the gate early, but was not quick enough to make the lead, and he cocked his head inward into the clubhouse turn while not appreciating his chasing spot. He raced covered up and behind a contested lead on the backstretch (a good spot), but after waiting his turn near the inside while in a similar spot in the far turn, he was finally urged to make a split of horses at the 1/4 pole, and he didn't make it through, which relegated him to keep chasing & angle outward in the lane. He leveled well and finished willingly to close the gap - a solid finish after some mild trouble when it mattered!



**TRIP NOTE:** He targeted open air and rated kindly while following the leader for much of the race, was ridden VERY QUIETLY through the far turn while deciding on where to launch his bid, and when the leader continued to leave room at the rail, this runner snuck up the inside and leveled very well for the score, moving away from the pack from the 3/16 pole to the finish. A good trip throughout, he's freshened for today's race.



**TRIP NOTE:** He broke well and showed nice speed down early, moving inward as the backstretch progressed. He raced unopposed for more than 3F, was finally approached in the far turn and urged to resist, and after responding well and maintaining a short lead into the stretch, was slightly outfinished in the very late stages by a runner that had snuck up the rail. A good trip overall, he is the only maiden in the field.

## DATE: 3/4/23 RACE: 6

HORSE NAME: Chase the Chaos DATE: 2/11/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/8 Miles SURFACE: Synth

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was 'fake fast' as a runoff leader was ignored by the rest of the pack.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: National Treasure DATE: 1/8/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal and a longshot went wire to wire. The place finisher was a next-out winner of the RBLewis-G3 Stakes. The 2-1 second choice on the tote board was eased in the stretch.

#### TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Practical Move DATE: 12/17/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slower than normal. The 4th place finisher was a next-out winner of the U.A.E. Two Thousand Guineas.

#### TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Bluegrass Go Go DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal and aside from a big longshot that showed speed and faded, all speed held up; 1-2-3-4 early finished 2-3-OUT-1.



**TRIP NOTE:** ON TURF: He showed big speed to clear off into the clubhouse turn, but this was also a very strung out field, which typically means the pace is FAST! he raced unopposed throughout, put away the stalker that approached him in the far turn, and re-broke at the top of the stretch to power away! A neutral trip on the front end, this was a very nice win in this first attempt in blinkers. He gives the Derby trail a try today and moves to dirt.



**TRIP NOTE:** He pressed the pace with (2) rivals to his inside throughout, was hard-sent to keep up as the field left the backstretch, and after being left behind by the top (2) speeds and appearing destined for a poor finish, stayed on quite well in the 1/4 mile, actually closing a bit of ground through the lane. Nothing at all wrong with this performance after a journey that we'll label as neutral.



**TRIP NOTE:** The PPs tell the story. He was off ~1L from the gate, but showed big speed to recover and earn a measured lead down the backstretch. He was attacked when he entered the far turn by the outside stalker and quickly picked up the pace to resist, and after repelling this first challenge, finished strongly through the lane to secure victory. A neutral journey given the slightly tardy break in combination with a "slowish" pace for the level, he returns to the route game today.



**TRIP NOTE:** Was 5-1 ML. He was prompted by the race favorite down the backstretch, began to inch away from that rival in the far turn while traveling sweetly, and drew off impressively before showing off strong body language on the gallop out. This was a promising debut winner after a trip that we'll label as neutral.

### HORSE NAME: Genius Jimmy DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/8 Miles SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** Aside from a 29-1 shot that finished last, speed types performed well; 1-2-3 early finished 1-OUT-2.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Crypto Ride DATE: 1/7/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The uncontested pacesetter went wire to wire and all speed and logical choices on the tote board performed best; 1-2-3-4 early finished 1-2-4-3, and the A-B-C choices on the tote board finished 2-1-3.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Hejazi DATE: 1/15/23 DISTANCE: 6 1/2 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** (3) of the (7) runners were first time starters. The pace was slower than normal and speed dominated; 1-2-3 early finished 1-3-2.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Geaux Rocket Ride DATE: 1/29/23 DISTANCE: 6 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** (2) of the (6) runners were first time starters. The pace was normal and there was no passing in this race; 1-2-3-4-5-6 early finished exactly 1-2-3-4-5-6. The place finisher was a next-out (dominant) winner vs the same level of competition.



**TRIP NOTE:** When the runner to his outside herded him inward just a hair, he was caught in a bad spot and crowded, steadying and losing about 2L overall; this obvious trouble is noted in the PPs. He landed at the back of the pack on the backstretch (not ideal given the slow tempo), raced 3W in the clear on the backstretch before journeying 3+W through the far turn, but weakened when it mattered. A poor trip given the obvious trouble in the early stages in combination with the pace, he's freshened for today's performance.



**TRIP NOTE:** After a 3-3+W trip through the first turn, he landed in a very good spot while targeting a lineup of (3) rivals that vied for command on the backstretch, and also traveling on the outside of the race favorite that was near the rail. After leaving the backstretch and 3W, he was SENT to circle the field and did not disappoint, showing off a big turn of foot to get around several runners after a 3+W journey through the far turn. A neutral trip and big effort vs MSW rivals, it's worth noting that his ears were up far before the finish line arrived - there might be more here!



**TRIP NOTE:** The outward break impeded another runner, but didn't seem to cost this runner too much. He saved ground through the first turn and landed in a comfortable stalking position near the inside on the backstretch, was driven to gain while remaining inside with 3F to go, and after being driven and not making and serious progress in the far turn, finished strongly through the stretch, easing off the inside with a little more than 1F remaining, and comfortable reeling in a barn mate that looked like a sure winner at the 1/4 pole. A good trip overall, he moves from the inside to the outside, and a new rider takes over.

### HORSE NAME: Fort Bragg DATE: 12/17/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slower than normal. The **TRACK BIAS:** N/A 4th place finisher was a next-out winner of the U.A.E. Two Thousand Guineas.

HORSE NAME: Skinner DATE: 2/12/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Dirt

TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace seemed normal.

HORSE NAME: Mr Fisk DATE: 1/2/23 DISTANCE: 1 Mile SURFACE: Dirt

TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal and the lead was contested. The place finisher was a next-out easy winner vs the same level of competition.

# **Gulfstream Park**

## DATE: 3/4/23 RACE: 14



**TRIP NOTE:** The bump that is noted in the PPs didn't seem to mean much. He targeted open air to a pair of leaders that were vying for command early; a good spot. When one of the pacesetters backed away early, this one was eased off the inside, moved past the tiring dueler into the far turn, and took aim on a leader that held a healthy margin vs the rest. He did good work to close the gap in the turn, and was driven past in the stretch; a solid performance in his try with blinkers, this was a neutral trip overall.



**TRIP NOTE:** He was asked into the first turn, and the request paid off as after a 3+W journey through the first turn, he landed in a cozy outside position while stalking a leader that set a soft pace for the distance. He moved for the lead and took control rather easily into the far turn, but when confronted by a rival to his outside, was unable to resist, and weakened through the stretch. A good trip throughout, the blinkers come off and a new rider takes over.



**TRIP NOTE:** He lagged well behind the field for much of the race. He raced in a neutral path on the backstretch before being guided wide to begin his rally into the far turn, and after launching a visually impressive rally while 4-5W throughout the far turn, did good work to sustain the bid to the finish and earn place money. A solid performance to cover the most ground while vs a slow pace, he meets several common rivals again today.



**TRIP NOTE:** He saved ground through the first turn and was eased off the rail and into a neutral path on the backstretch; this was a good beginning. He was patiently handled leaving the backstretch, did good work when finally asked to get moving, and after slipping up the inside and then angling 2-3-4+W from the 5/16 to the top of the stretch, finished strongly down the middle of the track to secure victory. This was a very good ride and smooth journey all the way around the track.

HORSE NAME: General Jim DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was honest and the A-B choices on the tote board DOMINATED, finishing 2-1 while well ahead of the rest.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Legacy Isle DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

RACE NOTE: The pace was slower than normal.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Shadow Dragon DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

RACE NOTE: The pace was slower than normal.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Forte DATE: 11/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal and logical runners performed best as the A-B-C-D choices finished 2-1-3-4. The 6th place finisher was a next-out winner vs OC 80k/N1X-N foes, and then finished 4th of (11) in the Rebel-G2 (as the favorite).



**TRIP NOTE:** He was involved in some brushing early that resulted in a cautious ride and concession of early position, which would set the table for a bad first 1/4. He recovered well into the clubhouse turn but dealt with bad spots and in-between spots, and ultimately had to slightly steady to the back of this congested group. He traveled well enough down the backstretch, attempted to gain while traveling 3-4-5W as the far turn progressed, and actually finished up OK despite not threatening. A bad trip throughout, a new rider takes over.



**TRIP NOTE:** He was off a touch slow and then bumped solidly outward, in total losing 1-2L; this is noted correctly in the PPs. He received a nice ride early to save ground through the first turn before easing off the rail and targeting open air on the backstretch, and when he left the backstretch he was given a thoughtful ride to follow the favorite up the inside before angling 3-4-5+W for a clear shot in the lane. A good ride and difficult trip when the bad start is considered, he's freshened for today's performance.



**TRIP NOTE:** Was 12-1 ML. There are three things worth noting here: 1) He was off nearly 1L slow, which exacerbated the fractions that he carved out on the front end. 2) When approached and beginning to receive pressure from an outside rival in the far turn, he was urged to kick away, and he responded VERY WELL, leaving the rest behind as he sprinted for home. 3) He showed off an EYE POPPING gallop out, maintaining high speed into the clubhouse turn before finally shutting it down - more distance should be no problem! Much upside for a runner that takes on winners and more ground.



**TRIP NOTE:** He traveled 5W into the clubhouse turn, raced similarly wide on the backstretch while in close enough proximity to the leaders, and after being urged to begin a rally into the far turn, took control at the 5/16 and sustained his bid all the way to the finish. A trip that covered a lot of ground on this day is deserving of some praise.

### HORSE NAME: II Miracolo DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slower than normal.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

### HORSE NAME: Blazing Sevens DATE: 11/4/22 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal and logical runners performed best as the A-B-C-D choices finished 2-1-3-4. The 6th place finisher was a next-out winner vs OC 80k/N1X-N foes, and then finished 4th of (11) in the Rebel-G2 (as the favorite).

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Mage DATE: 1/28/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Dirt

#### TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** Two common rivals from this race were scheduled to compete in Race 2; check back for clues. (3) of the (8) runners were first time starters. The pace was normal and the winner went wire to wire.

HORSE NAME: Rocket Can DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

TRACK BIAS: N/A

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was slower than normal.



**TRIP NOTE:** He broke well and could have shown more speed, but was rated to tuck behind horses into the first turn, but would never find a good spot! he raced a bit keenly while reserved and in a box through the clubhouse turn, remained without options and surrounded for the entire backstretch, and just when it seemed that he'd be able to get out and around in the far turn, a deep Closer circled and beat him to his spot, and he faltered thereafter. A tough trip throughout as he was never able to choose his own path should be excused and ignored COMPLETELY.



**TRIP NOTE:** He broke best and went straight to the lead, crossing over to the inside fairly easily. He held a measured lead vs this compact field leaving the backstretch, did good work to repel a brief bid from an outside rival in the far turn, and when the favorite that had enjoyed a sweet journey while in the pocket throughout tipped off the rail in the stretch, he was up to the task and comfortably outfinished him. A good trip on the lead, he draws poorly today.

### HORSE NAME: Cyclone Mischief DATE: 2/4/23 DISTANCE: 1 1/16 Miles SURFACE: Dirt

RACE NOTE: The pace was slower than normal.

TRACK BIAS: N/A

HORSE NAME: Dangerous Ride DATE: 1/29/23 DISTANCE: 7 Furlongs SURFACE: Turf

**RACE NOTE:** The pace was normal and the winner **TRACK BIAS:** N/A went wire to wire.