Handicapper's Journal – Doug McPherson Thursday, June 19th 2025

Race 1

#4 Her Obsession

#6 Noyzee Girl

#3 Brown Butter Sage

#1 Our Stella

#4 HER OBSESSION ran a decent third in her first start off of the bench but fail to fire after checking heading into the turn in her return on May 23. She could be live here with a clean trip. #6 NOYZEE GIRL stalked the pace but finished flat when finishing sixth on June 5. Fort Eriebased filly may have needed a start, especially after having to deal with shipping up. #3 BROWN BUTTER SAGE looks like she could be the main speed here. She dueld on the lead and kept on to be third by just ¾ lengths on June 5. She looks like the one to beat wheeling back in two weeks; lasix is added. #1 OUR STELLA ran on to be fourth, 1 ¼ lengths ahead of Brown Butter Sage on June 5 which was her best start to date; worth a look.

Race 2

#7 The Fiery One (GB) #6 Under Agreement (FR) #4 Radio Goo Goo #2 Super Serenade

#7 THE FIERY ONE (GB) was no match for the top two when finishing third for this price over the Tapeta on May 22. Her debut on the Gulfstream turf was not all bad. #6 UNDER AGREEMENT (FR) had a good third over this course back in October for \$25,000 with a solid 58 Beyer. Over the winter at Turfway she got beat for as cheap as \$5,000; we'll see if she can re-find her best form with the move back to turf. #4 RADIO GOO GOO broke slowly and never got involved for \$40,000 on May 29. Her pedigree suggests she won't have a problem with the turf as she plunges in for \$15,000. #2 SUPER SERENADE dueled on the lead and faded to be a distant fourth when coming off of the layoff on May 22; we'll see what she offers in her second start of the year.

Race 3

#1 Gizmo's B F F

#2 Ala Turka

#5 Shamra

#7 Summer Snow

#1 GIZMO'S B F F is a perfect three-for-three so far this season, with all three wins coming at this season. She figures to track Summer Snow before overtaking in this bid for four in a row. #2 ALA TURKA rallied after a slow break to be third by just a half-length at this level on May 22. She has raced well in both of her starts so far this

season; could be a threat if she breaks well. #5 SHAMRA chased the pacesetter from the outside and was able to prevail by a nose to win her local debut on May 22; figures to take some support. #7 SUMMER SNOW was not quick enough to make the lead on her own like she normally is and came up empty when racing for \$15,000 on May 3. She adds blinkers here and should be able to get loose early; we'll see how far she can carry the speed.

Race 4

#1 Poetic Amy

#4 Logistics

#8 Purrfect Girl

#6 English Jubilee

#1 POETIC AMY ran a decent third behind the pacesetting Magic Modie when kicking off the season in a Tapeta sprint on May 17. Her turf form is very solid, especially over this course, and she draws a good post. #4 LOGISTICS was pulled up at Oaklawn in February and failed to make a dent when returning to the races against allowance company on May 24. She plunges in for \$25,000; wild card. #8 PURRFECT GIRL made a big move on the far turn and proved best to break her maiden for \$15,000 on May 22. She had some good efforts on turf in New York last fall and should not be out of place here. #6 ENGLISH JUBILEE ran on to be fourth (placed third) in a Tapeta sprint on May 10 for \$15,000; should appreciate getting back to the grass.

Race 5

#5 Candid Candace #3 Gabby Squared #7 Laughing Out Loud

#6 Key Stroke

#5 CANDID CANDACE gets to face much easier conditioned \$7,500 company after running a decent fourth against starter/optional \$15,000 foes on May 29. Her consistency is a bit of a concern but at her best she should be able to handle these. #3 GABBY SQUARED takes advantage of the non-winners of a race since clause of this condition after failing to make a dent in three starters against Gizmo's B F F. She may be at a point in her career where she is more happy with the slower pace of a route. #7 LAUGHING OUT LOUD stalked from the outside and proved best to win a nontwo for this price over seven furlongs on May 16. Hopefully she will be able to save some ground with this stretch out. #6 KEY STROKE was able to beat a soft field of non-twos in her first start off of the layoff last year; could hit the ticket at a decent price.

Race 6

#7 Texas Holiday #6 Snatched #2 Cloud Rider #3 Secret Plan

#7 TEXAS HOLIDAY offered nothing against maiden special weight company in a Tapeta sprint on May 18. Her best races have been in turf races for claiming tags; should be live here. #6 SNATCHED has been secondbest in two starts so far this season. Both of her turf starts last year were poor but they both came over the outer course; perhaps she will like the inner turf better. #2 CLOUD RIDER will go without blinkers for the first time after finishing a one-paced fourth in a Tapeta sprint on May 25. She ran well on the outer turf in September. #3 SECRET PLAN is by 16% debut sire Twirling Candy, out of a dam who's only foal to try turf is a winner over it. She

was outworked by a stablemate from the gate on May 31.

Race 7

#1 Galley Head - Best Bet #7 Stolen #4 Katherine's Gem #2 Home for a Rest

#1 GALLEY HEAD won her last start in a starter/optional \$20,000 routing on the Gulfstream Tapeta in March. She had very good local sprint form last fall and figures to be a serious threat. #7 STOLEN wheels back in 12 days after finishing a credible fourth, beaten a half-length for place, in an N1X/\$32,000. She won comfortably at this level on May 3. #4 KATHERINE'S GEM secured an easy lead and coasted in to win at this level on May 29. She is pretty honest and is exiting a lifetime-best Beyer effort. #2 HOME FOR A REST found five furlongs a bit too short when finishing fourth behind Stolen and Katherine's Gem on May 3. She has been given lots of time between starts and could step forward in this spot.

Race 8

#9 Design Diva #1 Mobula #6 Just Magnificent #2 Spellcheck #5 Pat's Holiday

#9 DESIGN DIVA raced very wide in an off-turf sprint on May 29 and ran okay despite finishing seventh. She has been dying to get back to the turf; hopefully she can work out a trip from this post. #1 MOBULA closed to be second in a 5 ½ furlong dash to kick off her season on May 18. Both of her turf starts last year were solid; she could be a pace threat stretching out to 7 ½ furlongs. #6 JUST MAGNIFICENT was bumped hard at the break and ran evenly against maiden special weight company on May 25. She raced very well in two tries over this course last

year and should appreciate getting to face OS/\$40,000 foes. #2 SPELLCHECK will try turf for the first time. She finished fourth in the same race that Design Diva exits, 1 ½ lengths better than that foe. #5 PAT'S HOLIDAY chased the pace and gave way to be fourth in a Tapeta sprint to kick off her year on May 10; she raced well around two turns on this course in her career debut.