

THE LINDO REPORT FOR LOS ALAMITOS

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1st race *** FIRST POST TIME 12:30 PM ***

Fair Odds

1. **Granada Flavor (#3)** 8/5
2. **Tahoe Secrets (#1)** 5/2
3. **Abadon (#2)** 5/1

Granada Flavor was hurt by slow pace last time. He gets rider switch to Fresu & class drop can only help. **Tahoe Secrets** loves Los Al but sporadic works since raced makes fitness a question. **Abadon** locally based for dangerous jockey/trainer combo.

2nd race

1. **Cheering for Layla (#5)** 6/1
2. **Moonlight Tryst (#1)** 3/1
3. **Zoom Zoom Zoya (#2)** 7/2

Cheering for Layla galloped out willingly in what appeared to be a debut prep. She drops in for tag & has upset potential. **Moonlight Tryst** back at claimed level returning from layoff. **Zoom Zoom Zoya** should improve dropping in class for return. **Miss Miche Lada** looks like the one to catch.

3rd race

1. **Gracie's Big Day (#4) **BEST BET**** 5/2
2. **Nostri Vires (#6)** 7/2
3. **Press Your Luck (#1)** 3/1

Gracie's Big Day figured out hot to win in first try for Ellis stable Oct 13 & has worked well since. **Nostri Vires** owns a local win and should fall into good outside stalking trip on the drop. **Press Your Luck** will have to gun early from rail post.

4th race *** PICK SIX CARRYOVER \$ ***

1. **Stellar Cap (#4)** 3/1
2. **Sweet Vengeance (#2)** 5/2
3. **Jai Ho (#3)** 7/2

Stellar Cap won debut here by daylight, so she likes track & can fire fresh. She gets off the rail for this. **Sweet Vengeance** is fit exiting a pair of route & only win came sprinting at Los Al. **Jai Ho** drops into restricted claimer, but ability to handle dirt unknown.

5th race

1. **Charmz Away (#1)** 2/1
2. **Frank Bullitt (#5)** 6/1
3. **Mr. Machupicchu (#3)** 4/1

The two first-time geldings get first look. **Charmz Away** has held his own vs. better company, gets back on dirt, & may have found field he can beat. **Frank Bullitt** adds blinkers & has trained well since racing greenly in Aug debut. **Mr. Machupicchu** has speed but needs to find a better finish.

6th race

Fair Odds

1. **Rio Del Sol (#1)** 8/5
2. **Polythene Pam (#7)** 7/2
3. **Prime and Ready (#6)** 4/1

Rio Del Sol cuts back to a sprint, gets rider switch to Hernandez, and looked very good in team drill at SA Nov 30. **Polythene Pam** has a work ready pattern and draws good outside post for barn now known for firing with first-time starters. **Prime and Ready** has local race experience and catches soft field for the level.

7th race

1. **Got Soul (#4)** 5/2
2. **Glass of Jameson (#9)** 4/1
3. **One Smokin Dude (#8)** 7/2

Got Soul was clear of the rest when 2nd vs. open company at PLN. He faces Cal-breds only here. **Glass of Jameson** has been holding his own in am team drills. He has tactical speed. **One Smokin Dude** should get nice stalking trip. Frey gets the call. **Nap** will be dead fit exiting a route.

8th race *** GRADE II LOS ALAMITOS FUTURITY ***

1. **Gaming (#1)** 3/5
2. **Journalism (#5)** 7/2
3. **Getaway Car (#3)** 5/2

Gaming was a solid 2nd in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile. Grade I winner can set or press the pace & has class edge on these. **Journalism** beat Maidens on the stretchout like a youngster with a future. Good works since. **Getaway Car** has chased the top choice home a couple of times. Best chance would be if he clears the field early.

9th race

1. **Arromax (#7)** 3/1
2. **Scorpion Shot (#4)** 5/1
3. **Battle Cruiser (#5)** 7/2

Arromax takes off the blinkers after getting into speed duel in last. Look for rating tactics today. **Scorpion Shot** should be forwardly placed in race without a ton of early zip. **Battle Cruiser** stretches back out, but he had no excuse for dull try sprinting vs. sophs only here Dec 6.

TODAY'S KEY PLAYS

Race 2

Exacta boxes keying **Cheering for Layla** to **Moonlight Tryst** & **Zoom Zoom Zoya**

Race 3

Daily Double using **Gracie's Big Day** (3rd) to **Stellar Cap** (4th)

\$1 PICK FOUR RACES 6-9 (\$16 Ticket):

6. **Rio Del Sol, Polythene Pam**
7. **Got Soul, Glass of Jameson, One Smokin Dude, Nap**
8. **Gaming**
9. **Arromax, Scorpion Shot**

*** SUGGESTED GULFSTREAM PARK LATE PICK FIVE TICKET AND NEWS AND NOTES ON BACK ***

***** GULFSTREAM PARK LATE PICK FIVE *****
(\$.50 minimum)

GULFSTREAM PARK RACE 7 (estimated post time 12:18 pm pacific)
#8 Gosger, #7 Majorca (7,8)

GULFSTREAM PARK RACE 8:
#12 In Our Time, #7 Life's an Audible, #5 See You Around, #6 Random Harvest, #10 Waskesiu, #8 Vive Veuve
(5,6,7,8,10,12)

GULFSTREAM PARK RACE 9:
#1 Rapture, #9 Vassimo (1,9)

GULFSTREAM PARK RACE 10:
#4 Swan Lake, #5 Uncle Armando, #9 Valentine Bug (4,5,9)

GULFSTREAM PARK RACE 11:
#10 Cugino, #9 Silent Heart (9,10)

Suggested Ticket: 2 x 6 x 2 x 3 x 2 x \$.50 = \$72

NEWS AND NOTES

There is no turf racing at Los Alamitos...The main track played fair on Friday...First post time is 12:30 pm...Leading jockey **Armando Ayuso** will miss Sunday's closing day card due to a one-day HISA whip violation suspension (one strike over the limit)...Tomorrow is closing day with mandatory payouts in all pools...

At Gulfstream Park, the turf rails are 45 feet out from their normal position on the turf course. Temperatures are expected to be in the high 70's with a 40% chance for rain, so check the late changes closely for track condition and to see if the turf races stay on turf...The first leg of the late \$.50 Pick Five is approximately 12:18 pm pacific...Jockey **Tyler Gaffalione** earned career win 2,500 aboard **Kiss Cam (\$15.80)** in the Friday opener.