



Iron Maidens Thoroughbreds
Forward Gal Stakes (G-2)
7 furlongs, 3 YO Fillies
January 30, 2011



The Forward Gal Stakes (G-2) has been held since 1982 at Gulfstream Park, FL. Some highly regarded fillies, including the Turf Champion, Forever Together, have won this race. This year, R Heat Lightning will go to the post as the overwhelming favorite after her second place finish in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (G-1).



Forever Together

#1 [EVIL QUEEN](#) (Hear No Evil – Duchess Dor, by Tour D'Or) enters off of a two race win streak and improving speed figures, although it took her several attempts to win her maiden. Her dam was a local horse who won only once in 13 attempts, going a mile over the dirt. She's a full sister to the durable stakes warrior Tour The Hive, who won 21 of 91 starts. Evil Queen's only out of the money finishes have been against stakes company, but she seems to be picking it up now. A major concern is that she shows no works since her last race which was over a month ago.

#2 [POMEROYS PISTOL](#) (Pomeroy – Prettyatthetable, by Point Given) was a weakening second in her 2011 debut in the Old Hat Stakes (G-3). Her pedigree is filled with speed from her sire and second sire (Deposit Ticket), but Point Given lends some stamina. Pomeroy's Pistol's dam is a half-sister to a stakes placed runner and the second dam Swearingen is a multiple stakes winner. Grade 1 Vosburgh winner Harlan was produced from this distaff family. Pomeroy's Pistol fired a bullet three furlongs, indicating that she'll be on her toes here.

#3 [THIRD CHANCE](#) (Kafwain – Temporada, by Summer Squall) has been in the money all four starts including a dominating 6 ¾ length win in the Showtime Deb Stakes at Hawthorne. She's a half-sister to a stakes placed runner and her second dam Lemi Go was a multiple graded stakes winner. Third Chance's works have been average, but the Divito barn is 22% with graded stakes winners.



R Heat Lightning - Photo: Coglianesse

#4 [R HEAT LIGHTNING](#) (Trippi – Yellow Heat, by Gold Fever) is the class of the race. Second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, she won the Spinaway (G-1) and placed in the Frizette. R Heat Lightning's sire and damsire are sons of Forty Niner and R Heat Lightning is a full sister to stakes placed Hot Trip. She struck a bullet breeze last time out for top trainer Pletcher.

#5 [DEVILISH LADY](#) (Sweetsouthernstaint – Devilish Brunette, by Diablo) has won her last four starts by over 27 lengths, beating up on lesser fillies at Calder and Gulfstream. Devilish Lady is inbred to the blue hen Ballade through the full brothers Saint Ballado (sire of Sweetsouthernstaint) and Devil's Bag (sire of Diablo). Her dam won the Desert Vixen Stakes (6F) at Calder and a half brother was stakes placed. Devilish Lady is coming back on short rest after winning the Gasparilla Stakes 12 days ago.

#6 **DANCINGINHERDREAMS** (Tapit – Mayan Milagra, by Meniffee) is undefeated in two starts, including a cruising 5 ¼ length win in the Pocahontas last time out. Her dam was unplaced in three starts, but is a half-sister to two stakes winners and the second dam Dhaka was a stakes winner. The pretty gray filly has worked well at Palm Meadows and the Wesley Ward barn is 38% with last out winners.



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Photo: Eclipse Sportswire*

#7 **ALEXANDRA RYLEE** (Afleet Alex – Sira, by Capote) ran the best race of her career winning the Brandywine Stakes a month ago. By a Champion three year old out of a mare by a Champion two year old, Alexandra Rylee’s dam is inbred to the blue hen Too Bald. Her second dam was a multiple stakes winner in Florida and this family includes several nice stakes winning sprinters including Mach Ride.

SELECTIONS

How the track is playing: Speed dominates the seven furlong races. 60% have won on the lead and 40% have wired the field. The other winning 20% have been one run closers.

Four of the seven contestants like to run on or near the lead. **R HEAT LIGHTNING** is the undeniable class of the field and can run on or off of the pace. She has the speed to take them all of the way. **POMEROYS PISTOL** should be fit in her second race off of a layoff and her bullet three furlong “lung opener” has sharpened her speed. **THIRD CHANCE** and **ALEXANDRA RYLEE** have both blazed :21 first quarters and kept going, both have a shot if they don’t head into a speed duel. **DANCINGINHERDREAMS** doesn’t have a complimentary running style for this track but could be talented enough to overcome that, especially if the front runners exhaust themselves. It’s hard to ignore **DEVILISH LADY’S** four race win streak. She’s one of those tough Calder fillies who do well in local stakes races. **EVIL QUEEN** could be an interesting longshot, but her lack of works is worrisome.

R HEAT LIGHTNING

POMEROYS PISTOL

DANCINGINHERDREAMS

THIRD CHANCE – longshot selection