

Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Monday 06/24/19

Race One:

- 1st: **(6) U KNOW I B LION** – Showed little going five furlongs against much better company so she dropped down to this claiming price and won by a head. She draws outside and gets Pablo Morales back aboard – 18% with his sprint mounts this year.
- 2nd: **(1) RED STARLET** – Speedy mare has had two starts this year to get ready and improved last out. She drop down to this claiming level for the first time and draws the rail with Willie Martinez who will need to get away from the starting gate cleanly.
- 3rd: **(5) GLOBAL WARM ME** – He got good last year with racing so she might improve here in her fourth start of the year.

Race Two:

- 1st: **(3) REPLAY** – Horse for the course was a sharp winner here two starts back then he came right back to win again. He settles early before making his move and draws perfectly with Ron Allen, Jr. back aboard – 15% with his route mounts.
- 2nd: **(4) CAPT. ZIPPOUNAS** – Returned off a long layoff with a good third then came back and beat similar when he raced up near the pace. 11-year-old horse for the course goes for win number 15 here with Antonio Gallardo back aboard.
- 3rd: **(6) LAFLOWMYLAXBRO** – After two failed dirt races, he came here and was a good third despite traffic problems.

Race Three:

- 1st: **(6) DOMINANT STRANGER** – Just missed here in her Tapeta debut going this distance against this class level then she came back and made a huge move from way back to take the lead before weakening. Gerry Brooks wins 23% with his synthetic starters.
- 2nd: **(3) J'S HANDSOME FANA** – Winless in four starts here but has three placings. She was third two starts back behind the top choice then came back with a good second. Maria Bowersock wins 14% with his claiming starters and 13% with her synthetic starters.
- 3rd: **(5) THEYKEEPONCOMIN** – After four straight poor races, she suddenly woke up last out with a sharp win when stretched out.

Race Four:

- 1st: **(3) HART HALL** – Was beaten 56 lengths in his first 2 starts but improved some when blinkers were added. After running another poor race last out, he drops down in class for Claude Brownfield who wins 27% with this dropdown and is 3 for 5 removing blinkers.
- 2nd: **(6) LATE ACT JONES** – Did nothing in two starts at Oaklawn Park but has improved since shipping here and dropping down in class. He held his speed better last out here going 6 ½ furlongs and should benefit from the turnback to 5 ½ here.
- 3rd: **(4) THIS SPUD'S FOR U** – Firster from Field Commission (10% debut winners) is out of dam whose only foal to race has won.

Race Five:

- 1st: **(6) CHAOS KID** – Did nothing in his first two career starts on dirt at Gulfstream Park then came here and was a good second going 4 ½ furlongs. He tired some last out and should be tough again with Pablo Morales back aboard – 19% riding for Teresa Connelly.
- 2nd: **(1) HOMBRAZO** – Just missed in his career debut here ahead of the top choice when he rallied suddenly after being shuffled back from post one. He is going to have to break better than the last time since he drew the rail again.
- 3rd: **(3) BAGABUNDA** – First-time starter from Dave Markgraf (19% debut winners) is working extremely well here and gets Mario Pino.

Race Six:

- 1st: **(4) MAS CHIKILIN** – Added blinkers second time out and he broke his maiden here by a nose when racing up on the pace. He came back to beat first-level allowance foes last out from off the pace in fast time and is now exposed for \$50,000 by Teresa Connelly.
- 2nd: **(1A) CROSSTOWN SHOOTOUT** – Won his first two career starts here then raced against stakes company in his next four tries. He was second here in the Tom Ridge Stakes in fast time then missed by a neck against this class level last out.
- 3rd: **(2) HE IZ GONE** – Broke his maiden by 13 lengths when Lasix & blinkers were added. He came back here to beat mid-level claimers.

Race Seven:

- 1st: **(2) ENGLISH MINISTER** – Began the season with an even fourth going a mile on the turf at Laurel then he shipped here and beat this optional claiming level by three lengths. Mike Trombetta wheels him right back with Ron Allen, Jr. back aboard.
- 2nd: **(1) DOMISSME** – Horse for the course was a third against this level two starts back off a seven-month layoff then improved some last out going 6 ½ furlongs. He stretches out to two turns for Joe Cheeks who wins 27% third start off the layoff.
- 3rd: **(6) PASS THE BUTLER** – Went gate to wire to beat first-level allowance foes on the dirt at Thistledown and now tries Tapeta.

Race Eight:

- 1st: **(1) CAVE RUN** – Romped in his career debut on a sloppy track at Tampa Bay Downs then was third in a stakes race going seven furlongs. He made his synthetic debut at Arlington Park and was fourth with blinkers added for Eoin Harty – 20% with synthetic starters.
- 2nd: **(8) MIAMI SMUGGLER** – Didn't show much two starts back here against this level then rallied furiously to miss by a neck. Maria Bowersock wins 18% with her sprinters and she uses her regular rider Ron Allen, Jr.
- 3rd: **(2) SAVAGE NATION** – Horse for the course returned to the races off a long layoff and just missed with Addiel Ayala back aboard.