

Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Monday 07/01/19

Race One:

1st: **(5) BLUE SKY'S ABOVE** – Horse for the course has been in the money in all 12 starts here. He went gate to wire to beat allowance foes last year then returned ten months later and just missed going it again versus similar claiming company.
2nd: **(4) PIPER HILL** – Rallied from just off the pace to get up in time two starts back then moved up in class and pressed the pace right from the start to miss by a head as the favorite. Tim Girten wins 26% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
3rd: **(2) JEN'S SONG** – Horse for the course goes for win number eight here and could take advantage if there is a pace meltdown.

Race Two:

1st: **(5) I ZOOM** – Has won 13 times here and shows no signs of letting up. Off a long rest, she just missed going gate to wire when used hard from post one for Ron Potts who wins 27% first start after being beaten as the favorite and 23% when he rides Huber Villa-Gomez.
2nd: **(1) EDDINGTON'S NOTE** – Has had two starts this year and they both were solid. Nine-year-old mare was a close third two starts back then ran a similar race here last out. She draws the rail and gets Pablo Morales back aboard – 19% with his sprinters.
3rd: **(3) KITTY'S RIGHT** – Rallied from ten lengths back to get up in time in a turf sprint at Laurel then could not overcome post 13 last out.

Race Three:

1st: **(2) SONG OF INDY** – Horse for the course held on for second two starts back going six furlongs in fast time then ran poorly next out. He drops down to claimers for the first time and draws well for Mike Rogers who wins 12% with his overall claimers.
2nd: **(3) STRAIGHT MADNESS** – After racing on the turf at Tampa Bay Downs this winter, she shipped here with a good second against this class level then came back and surged to the lead before being caught. Darien Rodriguez is 3 for 8 when he adds blinkers.
3rd: **(4) BEYONDELLE** – Finger Lakes shipper came here and beat cheaper by almost three lengths and moves up in class.

Race Four:

1st: **(3) KUKOO KUNUKU** – Still winless after eight tries here but she held on for third two starts back when dropped to this maiden claiming level then rallied for second last out. She seems to be on the improve and gets Arienne Cox back aboard.
2nd: **(5) MISS LADY VARGAS** – Her first five starts can be forgiven since they came against better. At least she sowed high speed last out for a half-mile and Mike Allen will try to coax some more out of her today.
3rd: **(1) OUR GIRL SNICK** – Dropped down to this class level for the first time two starts back and was a good second.

Race Five:

1st: **(4) TWIST 'N SHOUT** – Finger Lakes shipper came here last out for her Tapeta debut and was a close second against this claiming level despite running 1:09 and change. Dan Conway, Jr. wins 22% with his sprinters and 21% with his claimers.
2nd: **(2) THAT'S EXCITING** – Beat this claiming level by seven lengths on the dirt at Thistledown. He came back against the same group off the claim and won by five lengths and was re-claimed out of that race by Mike Pappada.
3rd: **(8) THIRTY NINE SEVEN** – Winless in four starts here but they all came against better company as she drops to the bottom here.

Race Six:

1st: **(2) MR GREY** – Was a good third against open allowance foes two starts back then dropped down some in class and won by two. She comes back against similar from an inside post for Claude Brownfield III who wins 16% with his route starters.
2nd: **(9) TAKIN THE SLOROAD** – Won his Tapeta debut here at the age of nine then came back against this class level and rallied some for second going nine furlongs. He stretches out another furlong with Mario Pino in the irons – 23% with his route mounts.
3rd: **(4) SEEKING THE BAY** – Moves up in class off an easy win against \$8,000 claimers with Scott Spieth back aboard.

Race Seven:

1st: **(4) STARDOZA** – Moved up off the claim two starts back and he won easily then could not handle another move up. She drops down to \$8,000 for Gerry Brooks who wins 23% with his synthetic-track starters and 28% when he rides Antonio Gallardo.
2nd: **(1) BEKKI'S DANCE** – Returned to the races off along layoff and was an even third then came back against this claiming level and won going away. Horse for the course goes for win number 13 here with Addiel Ayala back aboard.
3rd: **(5) GALES OF NOVEMBER** – Raced on the synthetic at Turfway Park this winter then came back here with a good second.

Race Eight:

1st: **(3) BRIDAL SHOWER** – Beat better on the turf at Tampa Bay Downs three starts back then was a distant third here when moved up in class. Last out, Nick Caruso added Lasix and she was a good third and he drops her farther down in class here.
2nd: **(1) HOXIE** – Shipped here off the turf at Tampa Bay Downs and she promptly won her Tapeta debut going 2 turns against this claiming price. She came back and just missed against these for Brett Santangelo who wins 26% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
3rd: **(7) J'S HANDSOME FANA** – Has prospered since dropping down to this claiming level for Maria Bowersock who wins 21% first start after a win.

