Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Wednesday 07/10/19

Race One:
1st: **(8) DIMATE** – Returned to the races off a ten-month layoff with a good second against maiden claimers then graduated last out by almost four lengths going two turns. Dave Markgraf wins 35% third start off the layoff and 18% with his overall claimers.
2nd: **(2) ART OF THE DREAM** – Dropped down to this claiming level two starts back and was a good third then went off as the 8/5 favorite last out and raced evenly in fourth. He draws post one today and picks up Pablo Morales who wins 22% with his route mounts.
3rd: **(4) COURAGEOUS BEN** – Has dangerous early speed against what could be a paceless race.

Race Two:
1st: **(1A) CHAOS KID** – Did nothing in his first two career starts on the dirt then he came back here and was a good second. He showed good speed next out then was only beaten a length last out going five furlongs in good time. Teresa Connelly wins 18% with Morales.
2nd: **(2B) SIR SWAYSALOT** – First-time starter from Tim Hamm who wins 12% with his debut runners and 16% with his maiden special weight starters. Son of Soldat (6% debut winners) is out of a dam by Stephen Got Even (3% debut winners) and is training well.
3rd: **(4) CHASING THE CANDY** – First-time starter from Tim Girten who wins 30% with his debut runners.

Race Three:
1st: **(4) ELYSIUM** – Has yet to win here in ten tries but had three narrow losses in a row here before moving way up in class last out. Gerry Brooks wins 25% with this class dropdown and 21% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
2nd: **(8) MISS MISSION** – Speedball breaking from the outside broke her maiden here then ran poorly four starts in a row. She dropped down to this claiming level last out and just missed in a wide trip for Louis Roberto who wins 23% first start out of his barn.
3rd: **(6) CASSINI'S PLUNGE** – did nothing in her first three career starts then improved measurably when blinkers were added.

Race Four:
1st: **(5) TINITUS** – Just missed after a poor start against an eleven-runner field then did okay when stretched out to two turns. He turned back to a sprint last out and missed by a length in a wide trip for Dave Markgraf who wins 18% with his claimers.
2nd: **(9) TACOMA PARK** – Horse for the course has been racing poorly on the dirt in Ohio and returns here against open $5,000 claimers for Dave Markgraf who wins 24% with this surface switch and 25% with his overall claimers. Scott Spieth picks up the mount.
3rd: **(3) NICEANDEZ** – Horse for the course goes for win number 16 for Shelly Radosevich who wins 14% with her claimers.

Race Five:
1st: **(4) PEGGY N JUDY** – Horse for the course went into a poor form cycle at the end of last year then dropped down to this claiming level and won going away for Matt Kintz who wins 26% second start off the layoff and 28% first start after a win.
2nd: **(5) ABBEY'S SNOW WHITE** – Won here second time out off the layoff then raced evenly when moved up in class. She dropped back to this claiming level with a good third and draws better here with Nate Vickers back aboard.
3rd: **(10) LULU'S PRIDE** – Horse for the course won again here last out for the 10th time at the age of nine.

Race Six:
1st: **(6) JILTED RUNAWAY** – Beat bottom-level claimers two starts back going two turns then came back here against this claiming level and won going gate to wire. Gerry Brooks wins 19% first start after a win and with his overall claimers.
2nd: **(1) MISS RICKLES** – Beat bottom-level claimers two starts back then was an even third behind the top choice when moved up in class. She has good stalking speed and gets Willie Martinez back aboard – 21% with his route mounts this year.
3rd: **(5) AUDREYS CHOICE** – Goes for win number eight here after just missing in her first start off the claim by Kevin Rice.

Race Seven:
1st: **(6) C THE KING** – One of the few in here that has been consistently racing against this allowance level. He was a good third last out going six furlongs in good time for Kim DePasquale who wins 10% against this level and Willie Martinez rides back.
2nd: **(8) CAPTAIN MAD JACK** – Horse for the course returned to the races off a freshening with a good win then just missed against state-bred allowance foes. He came back and won going away for Teresa Connelly who wins 29% first start after a win.
3rd: **(5) SAVAGE NATION** – Just missed here against this level in his first start off a long layoff then ran poorly last out.

Race Eight:
1st: **(1) AMIGO'S AFFAIR** – Beat this level two starts back then was outrun after showing good speed when moved way up in class going two turns. He turns back in class and distance for John Bourke who wins 13% going long to short and 18% with his overall claimers.
2nd: **(2) SAVE THE DRAMA** – Horse for the course did nothing two starts back against starter allowance foes then came back as the 2/1 favorite and missed going gate to wire by a head. Shelly Radosevich wins 30% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
3rd: **(7) CHARLIE CHARLIE** – Beat one level better here last out off a 12-month layoff for Larry Hayes. Mario Pino rides back.