

## Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Thursday 07/11/19

### Race One:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(2) TREASURE THE STORM** – Stretched out to two turns for the first time two starts back but tired after six furlongs. She came back against this maiden claiming level with a good second and returns from an inside post with Eddie Dominguez riding back.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(1) HALO'S FOR DUDE** – Was a distant second against better two starts back then showed better speed when dropped down in class. She draws the rail with Ron Allen, Jr. who wins 14% when he rides for Maria Bowersock.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(5) DEELITE TO MY EYES** – For some reason, she raced against much better in her first eight starts but improved some last out.

### Race Two:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(1) CLASSICAL LADY** – Improved to a good third two starts back when he made up ten lengths from the half-mile pole then just missed here last out with a similar run.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(7) ASK STACY** – After seven starts, she added Lasix two starts back and broke her maiden by 13 lengths. She did nothing going six furlongs last out and stretches out in distance while dropping down in class for Leland Hayes who wins 16% going short to long.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(6) LEAR AVIA** – Broke her maiden in her tenth try then came back and rallied for third here behind the top choice.

### Race Three:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(6) HELL'S A POPPIN** – Did little here last year against much better. She returned off a long layoff and held on for third then tired again when moved up in class. She drops back down in class and gets Willie Martinez.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(3) ALL IN GIRL** – Made her Tapeta debut two starts back in her 21<sup>st</sup> try to break her maiden. She won by almost four lengths then came back and just missed against this conditioned claiming level. Ed Rojas wins 19% with his synthetic-track starters.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(2) ELEGANTE** – Speedball breaking from the inside went gate-to-wire in her Tapeta debut then ran well next time out.

### Race Four:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(1) SUPERDUPER SKY** – Ran well last year on the Tapeta at Woodbine but her form has gone bad. She was a good second against \$8,000 claimers two starts back then after the claim ran the same race against state-breds. She drops down for Glenn Wismer.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(4) SIMPLYIRRESTIBLE** – Returned off a five-month layoff with a good third then just missed next out when she raced up on the pace. She ran essentially the same race next time out and tries them again for Eddie Clouston who wins 20% going long.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(6) ART OF WAR** – Tired badly two starts back against better then came back and beat this claiming level.

### Race Five:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(4) SHOWBOATING** – Very inconsistent filly either runs well or is up the track. She was soundly beaten on slop and turf but when she came here, she just missed going gate to wire from post nine when dropped down to this claiming level for Matt Kintz.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(5) DOMINANT STRANGER** – Showed good speed before being run down in her Tapeta debut then was an even fourth in her next two starts. Gerry Brooks wins 23% with his synthetic-track starters and 17% going long to short. Antonio Gallardo rides back.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(1) OUR GIRL SNICK** – Broke her maiden in her eighth try last out in slow time going six furlongs but she can save ground again.

### Race Six:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(8) TINTO MESA** – Horse for the course goes for win number 12 here at the age of seven. He had been racing against \$8,000 claimers the past three starts and now drops to the bottom for Ed Rojas who wins 20% with his route starters and with his overall claimers.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(2) TRAVEL TRUE** – Was in better form last year and started off this year in poor form but he woke up last out against better when he surged to the lead before weakening late. Now, he drops down to the bottom and gets Erin Walker.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(3) SMART BUT FOOLISH** – Was a good second here three starts back then won by seven lengths in the mud last out.

### Race Seven:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(1) BREVARD PLACE** – Won his lone Tapeta start last October has the meet was finishing. He did nothing in his next two starts so Jonathan Sheppard ships him back here. Sheppard wins 23% going from turf to synthetic and the son of Quality Road draws the rail.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(4) FIRST REWARD** – Beat solid open-company optional claimers two starts back here going nine furlongs in fast time then beat open allowance foes by two lengths. Ron Potts wins 19% first start after a win and 24% when he rides Huber Villa-Gomez.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(2) AFTERBURNER** – Raced evenly two starts back in a long sprint then just missed against cheap claimers last out.

### Race Eight:

- 1<sup>st</sup>: **(1) PRADO'S TRUST** – Did nothing in her first two starts going short but woke up when stretched out to two turns. She has been third and second for Joe Martin who wins 11% going long and 13% with his synthetic-track starters. Ron Allen, Jr. rides back.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: **(6) LOVELY ARABELLA** – Woke up with a good second two starts back when dropped down to this maiden claiming level then raced evenly last out when moved up in class. Daughter of Hat Trick can win this if she runs back to her prior effort.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: **(5) BILBERRY CHAMP** – Did nothing in her first three career starts then showed a tinge of improvement last out against these.