

## Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Monday 07/08/19

### Race One:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(2B) WHISPER BARROW** – Winless in 23 tries but this is the cheapest she has ever run against. She weakened a little bit two starts back going six furlongs then forged to the lead before weakening last out going two turns. He drops back down in class and distance.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(1A) AFTER THE MONEY** – Speedball is winless in 37 tries here. He was outrun against maiden special weight company two starts back then was a good second last out. He drops down in class and his entymate showed late kick last out here.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **(6) LITTLE TEQUILLA** – Just missed two starts back then tired last out against one class level better.

### Race Two:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(2) PIZZA MAN PETE** – Was a good third two starts back against this state-bred allowance level then came back against the same group and held well for second going two turns. Glenn Wismer wins 26% with his route runners and 21% against allowance company.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(1) COLONEL MOORHEAD** – Has been racing on turf but shipped here for his Tapeta debut and was a good third going six furlongs. Jonathan Sheppard wins 20% with his synthetic-track starters. Mario Pinoo rides back – 20% with his route mounts.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **(3) MY FRIEND FRANK** – Went gate to wire last out on the turf at Penn National and tries Tapeta for the first time.

### Race Three:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(2) DR. KOY** – Horse for the course is 7 for 14 here and comes in off a gate to wire win against optional claimers. This is a tough group but the son of Blame has plenty of gate speed to get involved early. Joe Martin wins 11% first start after a win.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(3) BLUE SKY'S ABOVE** – Returned to the races with a close second against cheaper then raced evenly here last out going five furlongs. He has the perfect post position to stalk the early pace and Walber Alencar wins 23% riding for John Bourke.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **(1) KITCHEN FIRE** – Horse for the course has two good races up in Canada on the Tapeta at Woodbine but needs to break like a rocket from post one. Nick Caruso wins 22% first start after being beaten as the favorite and off medium rest.

### Race Four:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(6) CHIC N WILBUR** – Son of Animal Kingdom won his first three tries on Tapeta last year. He was racing on dirt at Finger Lakes before shipping here and rallying for second going a two-turn mile in good time. Pablo Morales rides back for Dan Conway, Jr.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(3) BOOMIN GOOSE** – Has won seven times here including a gate-to-wire win last out in his second start off the long layoff. He moves up in class for Katy Cheeks who wins 22% first start after a win and 15% with his synthetic-track starters.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **(2) LESS THAN PERFECT** – Missed by a length two starts back then rallied wide for second against stakes foes here.

### Race Five:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(3) ALPHADAR** – Showed good speed on the dirt at Thistledown against allowance foes there before shipping here and racing one-pace against much better. Jeff Rasosevich wins 27% first start after being beaten as the favorite and 26% with this dropdown.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(2) HERE COMES AVA** – Was a good third as the 11/10 favorite two starts back here in her second start off the long layoff then was a good second last out. Glenn Wismer wins 32% going short to long and 18% with his overall claimers.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **(1) DREAMS D'ARGENT** – Rallied from way back to miss by a nose two starts back then raced evenly last out.

### Race Six:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(6) JEN'S SONG** – Horse for the course just missed against this starter allowance level then raced evenly in his last two starts when moved way up in class. He drops back down here and even though Kim DePasquale only wins 6%, she is able to get Gallardo.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(1) PIPER HILL** – Beat the top choice against this level then had two close losses when moved up in class. He drops way down for Tim Girten who wins 24% with his sprinters and 21% with his synthetic-track starters. Pablo Morales rides back.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **(4) MR. PETE** – Dirt sprinter seems to be able to handle dry and wet so he will need that versatility for his Tapeta debut.

### Race Seven:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(5) NIPIGON** – Ran well here last year with two wins in three starts. He has not been able the move up to stakes company so he turns back in class second start off the layoff for Rachel Halden who wins 27% second start off the layoff and with her allowance runners.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(1) MOON OVER MONTANA** – Beat decent company here last year going two turns in good time. He returned this year and won on the synthetic-track at Arlington Park then raced evenly on the dirt last out. Larry Rivelli wins 31% third start off the layoff.

### Race Eight:

1<sup>st</sup>: **(10) NOBLE WEED** – Showed good speed going two turns in three career starts and weakened last out when blinkers were added. Ron Potts wins 24% with this maiden level and 19% with this turn back in distance. Huber Villa-Gomez rides back.  
2<sup>nd</sup>: **(11) SPINNING JOEY** – Rallied late behind traffic to miss by two lengths in his well-bet career debut here and meets the same level for Adam Rice who wins 15% second time out and 19% first start after being beaten as the favorite. Mario Pino rides back.  
3<sup>rd</sup>: **(3) GOOD ON YA** – First-time starter from Tim Girten who is 6 for 20 with his debut runners and is working well for this.