

Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Tuesday 08/13/19

Race One:

1st: **(3) LEBASI** – First-time starter from Teresa Connelly who wins 12% with her debut runners and 14% with her overall maiden claimers. By Adios Charlie (15% debut winners), he is out of a dam by Empire Maker (9% debut winners) that has produced 4 winners.
2nd: **(1A) ENJOY BASEBALL** – Was an even fourth in his well-bet career debut and now returns against the same maiden claiming level for Tim Hamm who wins 12% with his second-time starters and 27% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
3rd: **(5) MUST BE A MONSTER** – Improved a lot last out when dropped down to this class level and now adds blinkers.

Race Two:

1st: **(1) TRULY STELLAR** – Ran well here last year then went bad three starts in a row on the dirt to finish the year. He came back here to break his maiden off a six-month layoff and is well spotted here against conditioned \$25K claimers.
2nd: **(6) NEVERLOOKBACK** – Dropped down to maiden claimers two starts back and was an even second. He came back to break his maiden last out and now faces winners for Ed Rojas who wins 19% off medium rest and 29% first start after a maiden win.
3rd: **(3) LINNS BOY** – Took him 17 tries to break his maiden when he went gate to wire here in his second start on the Tapeta.

Race Three:

1st: **(5) BIONDETTA** – First-time starter from Jeff Radosevich who wins 21% with his debut runners and 27% when they debut at this maiden level. Daughter of Biondetti (12% debut winners) is out of a dam by With Distinction (11% debut winners).
2nd: **(3) WEED WACKER** – First-time starter from Lance Stokes who has yet to win with a debut runner. She has back-to-back 59 and change workouts from the gate for this and is a half-sister to five winners including a stakes winner.
3rd: **(2) PINE JUNCTION** – First-time starter is sired by Awesome of Course who sires 16% debut winners.

Race Four:

1st: **(3) THE FAZZ MAN** – Speedball was running well here this year then tried a turf sprint at Mountaineer Park and missed by a nose in blazing-fast time. Horse for the course returns to Pablo Morales – 22% with his sprint rides.
2nd: **(2) POLLARD STAR** – Has yet to win here in ten tries but he has five placings. He was a good second two starts back behind a repeat winner then tired last out after disputing the pace for a half-mile from post eight. Erin Walker picks up the mount.
3rd: **(6) EL CACIQUE** – Was a good winner on the dirt two starts back and returns to the races with Mike Allen aboard.

Race Five:

1st: **(1) SKY DIETY** – Winless in eight tries here but she has six placings and good early speed. She has finished in the money in all four starts here against this conditioned claiming level for Joe Martin who wins 14% with his sprinters and synthetic-track starters.
2nd: **(3) REAL FANCY** – Broke her maiden here going two turns then weakened late. Daughter of Munnings went to Belterra Park last out and showed good speed with Lasix added and now drops down in class and distance for John Bourke.
3rd: **(5) SHANGHAI JEWEL** – Has improved in all three starts here for Aldana Gonzalez who wins 20% with her synthetic starters.

Race Six:

1st: **(4) BUGLE BARRY** – Showed some speed two starts back going two turns then came back against this claiming level and missed by a nose. Ryan Walsh wins 14% with his synthetic-track starters and 17% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
2nd: **(1) THE KID ROCKS** – Just missed in his Tapeta debut against this level then moved up and beat open allowance foes. He came back and beat cheaper last out and can easily handle the move back up in class from post one with Antonio Gallardo.
3rd: **(2) BIG RIG** – Only 2 for 18 lifetime but he has plenty of back class and finished right behind the top choice last out.

Race Seven:

1st: **(1) REEDER** – Horse for the course won his Tapeta debut here then came right back to beat the same claiming level. He missed by a nose last out and now hides out against starter allowance foes for Darien Rodriguez who 8 for 16 when he rides Gallardo.
2nd: **(6) TURNER TIME** – Made his Tapeta debut a winning one here last out against this starter allowance level going this distance in fast time. Matt Shirer wins 17% first start after a win and 23% with his sprinters. Ron Allen, Jr. picks up the mount.
3rd: **(7) MUSICALITY** – Beat cheaper caliber horses by over four lengths in his Tapeta debut then came back and won again.

Race Eight:

1st: **(8) EMERALD CITADELLE** – Speedy mare breaking from the outside just missed going gate to wire last out when used hard from post one. Her trainer is winless this year with 24 starters and rider only wins 3% but she has the right spot here.
2nd: **(6) HENIN** – Horse for the course started the year out in good form but has been running one-paced lately going two turns. Larry Hayes wins 8% going long to short and his last 128 synthetic-track starters show a flat-bet profit.
3rd: **(1A) REGAL GHOST** – Ran well enough two starts back here to be a factor with Gallardo in the irons – 24% with his sprint rides.