

Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Tuesday 08/27/19

Race One:

1st: **(1) TEXAS MUSIC** – Speedball draws the rail and she went gate to wire last out going six furlongs to win by over four lengths. She won the race that makes her eligible for this and should be tough to catch with Pablo Morales back aboard.

2nd: **(4) MORGAN'S Z VA** – Horse for the course flattened out here two starts back then dropped down in class and won easily going this distance in fast time. Ron Potts wins 29% first start off the claim and Antonio Gallardo rides back.

Race Two:

1st: **(7) BAD MEDICINE** – Was running evenly going six furlongs until stretching out two starts back and was a good third. He was outrun last out back in a sprint after breaking poorly from an outside post and now goes back to two turns with Scott Spieth back.

2nd: **(3) JUNONIA** – After racing as a steeplechase horse for the past year, he switched to Tapeta and missed by a head against open company maiden claimers which is close to this state-bred maiden level. Neil Morris wins 17% second start off the layoff.

3rd: **(2) EBULLIENCE** – Was a good second here last out against this maiden level for Jonathan Sheppard.

Race Three:

1st: **(2) BUGLE BARRY** – Missed by a nose as the odds-on favorite two starts back against similar claiming company then he weakened late here against the same group. Ryan Walsh wins 13% with his claimers and he gets Antonio Gallardo.

2nd: **(3) SERVE REVENGE COLD** – Has been racing against much better company on the dirt then came here against this claiming level and missed going gate to wire by a head. Matt Kintz's barn has warmed up and he gets Mario Pino back – 29% together.

3rd: **(4) SAPPHIRE SHILLING** – Beat better here two starts back then raced evenly going this distance in fast time.

Race Four:

1st: **(6) ELIA** – Was a good 2nd after being shuffled back from post 1 in her well-bet career debut against this maiden claiming level. She comes back 16 days later for Lance Stokes who wins 21% first start after being beaten as the favorite & 33% with his maiden claimers.

2nd: **(3) BABY DRAGON** – Raced evenly in her well-bet career debut then she came back with a good second when moved up in class. Teresa Connelly wins 22% with her synthetic-track starters and 16% with his maiden dropdown. Antonio Gallardo rides.

3rd: **(2) SAYGODNIGHTGRACIE** – Was an even fourth in her career debut and returns against the same group for Maria Bowersock.

Race Five:

1st: **(6) PRETTY SURPRISE** – Was overmatched three starts back when moved up to state-bred allowance foes in her first start off the claim by Gerry Brooks then he brought her back against this claiming level and she raced evenly both times.

2nd: **(4) JIGGIN WITIT** – Horse for the course was an even third two starts back ahead of the top choice then just missed last out. She has some back class here and gets Willie Martinez – 12% with his sprint rides and 16% at the meet this year.

3rd: **(1) REGAL GHOST** – Has been stuck at this level for about two years but Erin Walker shows a flat-bet profit with her last 142 sprint rides.

Race Six:

1st: **(5) OXLEY GAP** – Won two races in a row on the dirt at Finger Lakes – one sprint and one going two turns – before shipping here and almost going gate to wire in good time. Dan Conway, Jr. wins 35% with his synthetic-track starters and he shows a bullet work for this.

2nd: **(7) GOLD WING** – Moved up to this allowance level here last out and rallied for third going nine furlongs in good time. He has plenty of placings here over the years and gets Addiel Ayala for one, big stretch run.

3rd: **(6) ROCHESTER** – Does very well when used hard on the front end and gets the right rider in Huber Villa-Gomez.

Race Seven:

1st: **(5) SILENT SOFIA** – Missed by a head two starts in a row then she raced evenly going six furlongs. She came back last out and beat open allowance foes by four lengths when she was allowed to set a slow pace. Glen Wismer wins 23% with his route starters.

2nd: **(4) DISTINCTIVE FLOWER** – Made her Tapeta debut here three starts back and missed by a neck after opening up a huge lead. She got caught the next two starts using similar tactics and now drops down some in class.

Race Eight:

1st: **(1A) FOX ROX** – Drops way down in class after racing evenly against much better claiming company. Mark Hoffman wins 17% with his overall claimers and is 4 for 11 when he rides Pablo Morales. Entrymate has good early speed.

2nd: **(4) POLLARD STAR** – Weakened some here two starts back then he broke well and held on grimly. Nick Caruso wins 16% with his overall claimers and 13% first start after a win. Erin Walker rides back.

3rd: **(6) MAN ABOUT TOWN** – Added blinkers 3 starts and showed good speed against better. Lance Stokes wins 15% with his sprinters.