

Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Wednesday 09/23/20

Race One:

1st: **(4) ANNIE UP BUCK** – rallied from 13 lengths behind to win going away two starts back against one class better then dropped down to this bottom-level claiming level and rallied for second. James Hogue wins 18% with his route starters and Mario Pino wins 27% going long.
2nd: **(3) STRAIGHT MADNESS** – beat similar on the turf the last time she faced then but moved way up to state-bred allowance company in her last two starts. She raced evenly here last out and now drops down to a more realistic claiming level for Ed Rojas.
3rd: **(8) QUEEN ROLLER** – ships in from Finger Lakes off two good starts there for Anthony Ferraro who wins 31% when he uses Ayala.

Race Two:

1st: **(3) MAMMOTH** – ran well here in his Tapeta debut then moved up in class and rallied for third after being shuffled back from post one. He could not overcome post 11 last out and now drops down to bottom-level maiden claimers for Rojas who wins 31% with these.
2nd: **(2) EAGLE KEEPER** – did nothing on the turf and dirt but shipped to Woodbine and showed high speed before weakening on the Tapeta there against similar maiden claiming company. Gerry Brooks wins 15% second start out of his barn and 14% with Rodriguez.
3rd: **(8) ROBERTOS TICKET** – was beaten 90 lengths in his first four career starts on the dirt then ran well here against this level.

Race Three:

1st: **(3) BUSCH LATTE** – did nothing in two starts here last year but returned off the ten-month layoff with blinkers added and he just missed in his next two starts. Lance Stokes wins 35% third start off the layoff and 25% with his overall synthetic-track starters.
2nd: **(8) SOUPER ENERGIZER** – was too far back in a turf sprint at Saratoga two starts back then ran better in a similar race at Monmouth Park. Mike Trombetta wins 29% going from turf to synthetic and 17% with his maiden special weight starters.
3rd: **(6) MOONSHINE STEVE** – was an even 2nd going 6 furlongs in his well-bet career debut here but was beaten at odds-on at 2 turns.

Race Four:

1st: **(7) DAHOG** – returned off the long layoff with an even effort in a long sprint against open allowance foes. He came back with a similar effort last out and now takes a giant drop in class for Kevin Rice who wins 23% with his overall claimers.
2nd: **(8) UNFLAPPABLE MAX** – has been on a roll since coming here and competing against this conditioned claiming level. He missed by a head two starts in a row then won by a head in fast time last out when he raced closer to the pace.
3rd: **(1) BEN OF THE BUSH** – returned off a seven-month layoff with a good effort then won easily last out..

Race Five:

1st: **(4) LIDO LEGACY** – improved some in his second Tapeta start here against open company allowance foes then he was a good second as the 13-10 favorite against state-bred allowance foes. Kim Puhl wins 26% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
2nd: **(5) FOLTYNEWICZ** – raced evenly off an 8-month layoff in an off-the-turf event on a sloppy track at Penn National then went gate to wire here going 6 furlongs. He stretches out to 2 turns for Tim Girten who wins 26% first start after a win and 24% third start off the layoff.
3rd: **(7) AFLEET TRAXX** – tries Tapeta for the first time and two turns off a series of dirt sprints at Penn National.

Race Six:

1st: **(9) WHISPER SLOW** – missed by a half-length two starts back here going six furlongs in a slow-paced race then weakened late after chasing a faster pace last out. Tim Hamm wins 24% first start after being beaten as the favorite. Willie Martinez picks up the mount.
2nd: **(1) ROYAL COLLECTION** – has improved in each of her first three career starts. In her Tapeta debut here last out, she rallied from far back to win going away in fast time for Arnaud Delacour who wins 30% with his overall synthetic-track starters.
3rd: **(5) SONG OF INDY** – weakened here in her second start off the long layoff then she went gate to wire against cheaper company.

Race Seven:

1st: **(4) WATCH HER STRUT** – went gate to wire two starts back in good time going a two-turn mile then came back against the same optional claimers and rallied for second after being bumped at the start. Matt Kintz wins 24% with his route runners.
2nd: **(7) REAL FACTOR** – after 3 turf starts to begin the year, he romped here against first-level allowance foes for James Lawrence who is always dangerous shipping in from Fair Hill where he trains on the Tapeta there. Mario Pino rides back – 27% with his route mounts.
3rd: **(1) LANIER** – speedball breaking from the rail won here last year under similar circumstances.

Race Eight:

1st: **(1) RIVERSIDE WALK** – British turf mare ran well on it over here but she went to the sidelines for 14 months. She made her PID debut last out with a good second and now drops way down in class for Larry Hayes who is able to get Pablo Morales back aboard.
2nd: **(8) PEPPY** – was an even third two starts back here in her second start of the season then dropped down to this claiming level last out and ran poorly after a dull start. She adds blinkers today for Jonathan Sheppard who wins 12% with this equipment move.
3rd: **(2) A LITTLE FLATTERED** – was outrun against allowance foes two back here but was a good second from post 11 last out.

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