Presque Isle Downs Selections and Analysis by Dick Powell Wednesday 09/30/20

Race One:
1st: **(10) BABY DRAGON** – ran into two repeat winners to begin this season then dropped down to the bottom and missed by a head from post 10. He was a good second last out when moved up in class for Mark Hoffman who wins 17% with his synthetic-track starters.
2nd: **(7) BLACK PATENT SHOES** – broke her maiden here going two turns two starts back then just missed against this conditioned claiming level. She turns back to a long sprint for Joe Martin who wins 11% with this move.
3rd: **(2) R CHERRY** – ran second three times in a row then broke her maiden going this distance last out.

Race Two:
1st: **(6) INVIGORATING** – one-dimensional closer broke her maiden here three starts back then ran second in his next two starts. He changes barns to Gerry Brooks who wins 16% in this spot and 21% first start after being beaten as the favorite.
2nd: **(8) HAY HAY MY MY** – was an even third as the even-money favorite when dropped down to this class level two starts back then showed good speed last out before weakening. Maria Bowersock wins 11% with her synthetic-track starters but has plenty in the money.
3rd: **(10) GRAN HOMBRE** – goes from turf to Tapeta while dropping way down in class but gets Pablo Morales.

Race Three:
1st: **(4) ENTHRONED** – returned to the races with an even third here despite being shuffled back from post one then stretched out to two turns and raced evenly in a wide trip from post seven. She draws better today and should be fit in her third start off the layoff.
2nd: **(7) BLESS THE RAINS** – didn't run bad in her Tapeta debut at 56-1 last out here going a two-turn mile. She drops way down in class for Lance Stokes who wins 29% with his overall maiden claimers. Mario Pino back to ride – 24% with his route mounts.
3rd: **(5) DISCRIMINATION** – showed good speed here in her Tapeta debut then hung on gamely going two turns.

Race Four:
1st: **(1) BEKKI'S DANCE** – horse for the course has won 13 times here. She was a game second two starts back here in fast time then she rallied from way back to get third last out. Tom Cooper wins 12% with his sprinters and 11% with his synthetic-track starters.
2nd: **(7) ALEXANDRA KAY** – bet this claiming level first start off the claim then ran second. She moved way up in class last out and now drops down to the right level for Kevin Rice who wins 23% with his overall claiming starters and the last 174 show a flat-bet profit.
3rd: **(2) U KNOW I B LION** – didn't run bad when stretched out in distance and now turns back to a sprint with Pablo Morales aboard.

Race Five:
1st: **(4) SOPHIE'S ANGEL** – ran second two starts in a row then was an even fourth last out when moved up in class. She drops back down for Kim Puhll who wins 15% with sprinters even though winless at the meet, is able to get leading rider Pablo Morales.
2nd: **(6) G Q GIRL** – versatile mare has won on dirt, wet dirt and turf and now tries Tapeta. She was in good form on the dirt at Thistledown but her last two starts there were terrible. Gary Johnson wins 19% with his sprinters and gets Scott Spieth to ride.
3rd: **(7) LACEE** – rallied from far back to win going two turns against cheaper then rallied last out going two turns.

Race Six:
1st: **(1) EPIC** – won three of four starts on the turf then shipped here and rallied from way back to get second in fast time going nine furlongs. He moves up a notch in class off the claim by Joe Martin who wins 25% with this move and 17% with his synthetic-track starters.
2nd: **(5) TURCO BRAVO** – game oldtimer has earned over $900K and is still going strong with a win at the Finger Lakes. He tries Tapeta for the first time in his 86th start for Mike Ferraro who wins 24% third start off the layoff and 23% first start after a win.
3rd: **(4) COOPER'S CRESCENT** – raced evenly in a long sprint here then came back at two turns and beat the top choice.

Race Seven:
1st: **(2) PUCA PENNY** – ran well here last year going two turns and has been racing on turf this year. He was a good winner two starts back then just missed in a state-bred stakes race at Park for Mike Stidham who wins 20% going from turf to synthetic.
2nd: **(6) FORGOTTEN PEACE** – speedy filly could be loose on the lead against this group. She went gate to wire in three of her last four starts here including a win against first-level allowance foes. Tim Girten wins 26% first start after a win and gets Nate Vickers back.
3rd: **(7) BE NIMBLE** – held well for second two starts back in her Tapeta debut then won here last out.

Race Eight:
1st: **(9) MR. CAT** – raced evenly in his second start of the year then he came back and ran virtually the same race. Mike Pappada wins 15% with his claimers and synthetic-track starters. Willie Martinez rides back – 20% with his sprint rides.
2nd: **(11) WORBOTHOR** – dropped down to this claiming level two starts back and rallied for third then was shuffled back from post one last out in a very fast race. Horse for the course draws well for Shelly Radosevich and gets Scott Spieth back.
3rd: **(7) TRAVEL TRUE** – just missed going this distance then weakened when stretched out to two turns.