

HANDICAPER'S SELECTIONS - Les

Saturday, August 12, 2017 (7:00 PM Post Time)

Race 1 2-4-3

Jetta Flys Looks like he should be able to secure the lead uncontested from here and with some rated fractions it could be all over.

Textually Active He's been struggling to make ends meet so the drop to the bottom of the class ladder could be just what the doctor ordered. He's a force to be reckoned with.

Laughing Terror Hasn't made a dime this year but with him returning to the track that produced some of his best results he could be worth including in your exotics.

Race 2 6-2-7

Bignprecious She's in dire need of a confidence boost and dropping to this level might provide it. The post might curb your enthusiasm but with her best effort and a bit of racing luck she could get it all.

New Boss In Town She got stung to the quarter last time, something that's not likely to happen tonight. The trip alone might be enough to make her a factor in a race like this.

Whitesand Artist The seven hole could complicate matters but it might be offset by the sizeable drop in class. She's possible tri material.

Longshot play Badlands Giovanna

Race 3 5-6-2

Perfect Escape Takes a big time drop in class and looks like he could have a fairly easy path to the front if that's the strategy Gilles chooses to employ. If he gets there, there could be nothing but open road ahead.

Euchred His five wins this year almost equals the rest of the field combined and to get you interested a little more, look what he did over this track last year. He'll give them all they can handle.

Alberta Sky This marks his third start back from the layoff which is often best and it's gotta be better than his first two. Good ones, which we think he still is can turn it around at any time.

Race 4 5-6-4

Jeb Made up a ton of ground last time to earn the smallest share after a tardy start from the seven hole. Moving a couple of spots to his left should provide a better beginning and make him quite possibly the one to beat.

Starcastic Hasn't been very photogenic this year but on the bright side he does have three second place finishes in his last four starts. Look for the trend to continue tonight.

Heart And Soul He's been a model of consistency through his three years of racing sporting a top three record north of 75%. He'll make his presence felt.

Race 5 1-7-5

Dees Boy Drops and draws the rail and that's often a recipe for success. His latest outing wasn't his best but we all know he's got a lot more than that. Beware.

I D K He's been holding his own against better than he meets here and while the seven hole is a big obstacle to overcome, his best effort coupled with a bit of trip luck could put him right in the thick of it.

Threestepstoheaven He can kick home with the best of them so give him some live cover when he makes his move and see what happens.

Value play Dees Boy

Race 6 7-5-4

Badlandia She's had a few starts against the top class at Truro and as her record indicates she's been holding her own. It won't be easy from out here but if she gets some live flow and a cover trip to bring her into it late her chances go way up.

Mach Of Ballykeel The last time he teamed up with Mark it was at this level and he delivered as the overwhelming favourite. Since this appears to be where he's best suited he should give a good account of himself.

DBS Rosco He's hit the board in half his starts the past two years against some high quality opposition. He doesn't always crack the top three but he's also one that you can never leave out with any confidence.

Race 7 5-3-6

Smiley Bayama He dominated from start to finish last week and remains at the same level for this one. Don't rule out a repeat.

Red Magician Continues to drop his times steadily and in his latest recorded his fastest win in a couple of years. He's a top contender.

Instant Shadow He's been charted in 57 in each of his last two starts and if he goes there again tonight he should get a good piece of this one.

Race 8 8-1-5

Ramblinglily She'll be the favourite and rightly so since she hasn't been beaten in a couple of months. She gets the eight hole again but does anyone think it really matters?

Woodmere Articblue She's got rail control and a good late kick which can be a dangerous combination. The trip she's likely to get from here should put her right in the picture.

Shadows Mystery Burned a lot of money last week which just goes to prove you can't be on top of your game every night. Be prepared for her to redeem herself.

Most probable Ramblinglily

Race 9 1-6-7

Zero Rate It doesn't seem to matter whether he's on the front or coming from the back, all he does is crack the top three week in and week out. With form like that and rail control he could be the one to knock off.

Catch Twenty Two He's won three straight as he steadily climbs the class ladder and while he meets tougher opposition this time around, he might just be sharp enough to overcome it.

Our Star Took his seasons' mark last time out but he's going to find it tougher from out here. Could be dangerous though, if he gets a trip.

Race 10 2-3-1

His Boy Elroy He's been a starter in all the Maritime invitationals and as you can see by his summary, he's been acquitting himself well. We'll give him a slight edge but it's wide open so the tote board might be your best friend.

Mr Irresistible Other than the Plate trial where he never saw the pylons he's been a factor in every start and should be one of the leading candidates again.

Nogreatmischief With back to back wins, one of them a career best and rail control we would expect him to be right in the hunt.

Race 11 1-8-5

Prettyndangerous Look at that start from July 9 and it should tell you just what this mare is capable of. Lily hasn't even gone that fast this year and with the all important rail advantage the road to the winners circle could go through her.

Nikes Cowgirl The partnership with Marc remains perfect and she's never been better than she was last week. Tougher post and opposition but she's still worth considering for a piece of it.

Dixie Lullaby Was the beneficiary of a perfect two hole trip last week but there's no guarantee she'll be as fortunate tonight. Regardless, she still looks like a tri candidate.

Race 12 6-3-2

Always At My Place When you look at the quality of opposition he's been facing on a weekly basis and how he's been performing against those, there looks like there could be nothing to stand in his way in here.

Shadow Place Seems to have his best results when he gets away handy the front, a likely scenario from this inside post. He's a strong finisher so if he gets room to stretch his legs in the lane he's a major danger.

Do Over Hanover He'd won three straight before crossing the border and the streak now stands at six. Form like that coupled with a post that should allow him to control his own destiny makes him pretty hard to leave out.