

HANDICAPER'S SELECTIONS - Les

Saturday August 11 (7:00 PM Post Time)

Race 1 4-7-1

Howmac Impeccable She's got a couple of wins this year, the only one in here that can attest to that and one of those was in a stakes event. Catches a vulnerable group here and if she brings her best she'll be hard to deny.

Avenue Road Katie The seven hole is a big obstacle to overcome but with a top three record approaching 80% she looks like she's got what it takes to do it.

Only One Star Rail control should ensure a ground saving trip fairly handy the front and that might be all that's required to put her on the ticket.

Race 2 4-3-2

Starcastic It's been a tough year for him but he makes his second start off the bench tonight and is lower on the class ladder than he's been in recent memory. Good spot for a wake up call.

Stonebridge Grand Except for that start on July 21 he's been very consistent since arriving here. No reason to think that form won't continue and if it does he'll be right in the hunt.

Windemere Johnny Still got that goose egg in the win column but he's cracked the top three in five of his last six so while you probably won't want to put him on top, he's still worth considering for a piece of it.

Race 3 8-6-1

Revenant The eight hole might curb your enthusiasm but he's barely broken a sweat in winning both of his local starts so we'll treat him as the one to beat.

Offshore Cowboy He's been charted in 1:56 in three of his last four starts and you gotta believe if he goes there again tonight he'll have some say in the outcome.

Weather Hanover Makes his first start in little over a month but he's got a good qualifier under his belt and rail control. Possible tri material.

Race 4 7-2-3

Twin B Shadow Tough post but it could be offset by being the only class dropper in the field. The road to the winners circle goes through him if he brings his "A" game.

Dees Boy We've been expecting more from this guy so maybe we're overestimating him. That being said, there's nothing too scary in here and he's got an excellent post to work from so he should make his presence felt.

Woodmere Soul Should have a fairly easy path to the front from here and if Ronnie can steal a fraction and have a little better luck than he did last week, he could be around at the finish.

Race 5 2-1-8

Artist List When you look at the horses he's been racing against the past month and how he's performed you gotta like his chances in here. Getting a much better post than last time doesn't hurt either.

Big Surf The return to familiar surroundings seems to have been the answer because he's been hinting at a return to past form. The drop in class coupled with rail control makes him a legitimate contender.

Hot Rock Star This stable had some impressive performances during OHW last year and for that reason alone, this guy at least merits consideration.

Longshot play J RS Hurricane

Race 6 3-1-2

All Out Had his latest been a fight it would have been stopped, that's how easily he won. Steps up slightly but that performance was so impressive we can't rule out a repeat.

Dividend Day He's really come into his own in the transition year from three to four pacing miles consistently in the 1:57-1:58 range. The rail just adds to his appeal.

Rockys World Hasn't looked totally out of his element against those he's been facing so the class relief should be most welcome. He's got some credibility.

Race 7 7-5-1

Sodwana Bay She's been assigned the outside post but that's the price you pay for going undefeated in your Maritime career. Looks like a race for place.

Ramblinglily Ho hum, just another year of nothing but top three finishes for this one and she was actually getting to our top choice last time. If that one somehow gets beat, this will likely be the mare to do it.

Collective Wisdom The trip she's likely to get from here coupled with her good late kick makes her one that shouldn't be taken lightly.

Most probable Sodwana Bay

Race 8 1-2-4

Nabber Again This one's wide open so the tote board may be your best friend. We'll go with a guy that was very impressive in his local debut, has tons of back class and a spot on the pylons.

Nogreatmischief You know this guy will be handy but until he finds his way back to the winners circle the best we can call for is the deuce.

Instant Shadow He's firing on all cylinders right now with three straight wins and despite the hike in class he may be sharp enough to overcome it.

Value play Nabber Again

Race 9 2-3-8

Whitemountain Nemo He's been going some pretty good miles over tracks that have to be a second or two slower than this one so he's quite possibly the one to beat.

Salmonier Storm Dropped and popped last time out and in the process earned a new speed badge. Any horse coming off a career best performance deserves respect.

Zero Rate The eight hole could hurt his chances significantly but he's a rallying threat so give him some live cover and see what happens.

Race 10 1-2-6

Euchred He was dominant earlier in the year and if you toss that start two back, where he never saw the pylons, you'll see he's pretty close to where he was. With rail control he could be the one to knock off.

Sucrose Hanover He's been racing on some pretty tough circuits the past couple of years and compiled a very impressive 38 top three finishes. He's a major threat barring anything unexpected.

Elm Grove Kaboom He's been on the board in five of his last six starts and with his rallying style all he needs is some live cover to put him in the thick of it again.

Race 11 5-6-1

Red Magician All he does is go out and pace in 1:55 every week. Do you think that would be good enough to win this one? We sure do.

Mando Fun He can kick home fairly well and there's a possibility of some early pace up front which would be right up his alley. He'll give a good account of himself.

Rash B Havior He's taken it up a notch in the past month hitting the board in three of his last four tries. When you couple that form with rail control you're looking at a solid tri candidate.

Race 12 3-4-6

Somewhere Fancy He's been going as fast over the half mile track as many of his rivals have over the bigger surface. Couple that fact with an ideal post to work from and there could be nothing to stand in his way.

Rockin In Heaven He's got a pair of sub 1:50 wins in the past couple of weeks and look at the closing quarters in his last two races, big track or not. He'll give them all they can handle.

Rose Run Quest He's gone from the bottom condition to the summit in little over a year, quite a story. Not sure what kind of trip he'll get from out here but the right one gives him a spot in the final.