

HANDICAPER'S SELECTIONS - Les

Saturday, October 14, 2017 (6:00 PM Post Time)

Race 1 3-6-4

Zanzibar Hasn't made a dime this year but with him getting a post that might allow him to control his own destiny and a soft field it's time to put it all together.

Sanchez Blue Chip He can kick home fairly well but the trick is getting close enough to exploit that burst. We'll take a shot that Vince can get him there and if so, he's a legitimate contender.

Bad Break She's not the safest play on the page but she's got the speed to argue with these so if she can just hold it together she's possible tri material.

Race 2 3-2-4

Buckaroo Burned a lot of money with the early break last week but on the bright side he kept his perfect top three percentage intact. Be prepared for him to redeem himself tonight.

Ticked His tendency to make breaks makes him a risky play but there's no question the speed is there. Will he trot or won't he? If he does he looks like the best of the rest.

Buddy White His top three streak came to an end last time but still, six for seven on the season isn't too shabby. Should add another to that total tonight.

Race 3 4-6-8

Darth Bader He's about due for a wake up call and based on the calibre of the opposition he's been facing all along and what he meets here, this looks like the spot for it.

Textually Active He earned the silver on the drop in his latest, the second time he finished in that position in his last three tries at this level. The post could complicate matters but his best effort coupled with a bit of racing luck could put him right in the picture.

Someone Like You Came first up before the half last week which pretty much sealed her fate. If she can pick up some cover this time around instead of providing it she could be a tri candidate.

Race 4 3-2-4

Pappy Go Go Went right to his record last week despite not seeing the pylons and in the process remained perfect on the season. Looks like a race for place.

Mile Hill Mac He was sharp before coming up sick and missing his latest assignment but he should be over that by now and if he is, he could be second best.

Oceanview Deb She'd hit the board in five straight before missing last week but nothing lasts forever. Pretty good chance she'll be back on the ticket tonight.

Most probable Pappy Go Go

Race 5 3-5-9

Fool With Joe He's sitting on back to back wins and won each of those quite comfortably with what looked like plenty to spare. It might be tough for his rivals preventing a threepeat.

Silverhill Buddy He's sharp right now hitting the board in four of his last five but that 1 for 17 record in the win column is hard to overlook. That being said, he's still a top contender.

Desired Treasure Not a bad effort in his local debut in what turned out to be a pretty quick mile. We're not thrilled with the trailing post but it's better than being stuck on the outside so he's worth considering.

Race 6 2-1-5

Windemeredontuworry He offers a not worse than second record in four starts since teaming up with Gilles and in his latest earned a new speed badge and beat the track record holder. Clearly the one to beat.

A Pure Heart Other than that hiccup from Aug 5 it's nothing but clean lines and a 70% top three record for the year. The rail just adds to his appeal.

Daisy River Her early season problems appear to be a thing of the past as two easy wins from her last three starts will attest to. She'll make her presence felt.

Race 7 2-4-1

Hemingway He was obviously over matched in his last few starts so the return to the level of his most recent win should be most welcome. Having a favourable post to work from doesn't hurt either.

Thebestofme He was in a little tough his last few starts but prior to those he'd been quite competitive at levels comparable to this. With his best effort he could be a factor.

My Lucky Killean You gotta like the way he finished up in that qualifier and granted, the mile wasn't all that fast, it's a step in the right direction. He's got some credibility.

Longshot play Caughtfoolinaround

Race 8 2-1-5

Majian Tango He was a non factor last week, something we'll attribute to the tardy start. We would expect him to be closer to the front in this compact field and if he brings his "A" game he's quite possibly the one to beat.

Miss Neala Ridge With eight top three finishes from nine tries and rail control are you prepared to leave her out? We're not.

Wicked Nick Based on last years record this could be considered a sophomore jinx but there are lots who wouldn't mind having him and his \$10,000 seasons' bankroll in their barn. Don't underestimate him.

Value play Majian Tango

Race 9 4-6-5

Ramblinglily She's back. After going a couple of months without a win, an eternity for her, she showed last week she's not ready to be written off just yet. Don't rule out a repeat.

Prettydangerous A different approach was used last time out but the result was similar, another top three finish. She looks to be about as close to a must use as you're going to get.

Brodys Leona She's always had a dangerous finishing kick and in a compact field like this she should be close enough to exploit it, whether she gets away well or not.

Race 10 2-1-4

Doc Semalu Rebounded from that debacle in his local debut with an easy win last time out. He was the chalk in that one, a distinction he'll likely have again tonight but a short price is better than a long face.

Midnight Play He hasn't had a lot of luck in the trip department lately so landing on the pylons is a big break. We all know what he's capable of and with a much better beginning almost ensured he's a force to be reckoned with.

Dixie Flyer He's sitting on back to back thirds since teaming up with Marc and just went faster than he's ever gone. Look for that third place finish trend to continue.

Race 11 2-7-5

Best Risque She was a bang up second last time out and is rewarded with further class relief for this one. When you couple that with an ideal post to work from she could be the one to knock off.

Haunto He's just been on the edges against better than he meets here and while it's hard to say what kind of trip he's going to get, the right one makes him dangerous.

Mach Of Ballykeel He usually follows up a clunker with a solid effort and if he continues that trend in here he's got a shot at cracking the top three.

Race 12 2-6-1

Smiley Bayama Steps up in class but it's not somewhere he hasn't been before and with him getting Corey at the controls and a chance to control his own destiny there could be nothing to stand in his way.

Narragansett It's been a while since his last win but he's still racing pretty well. He'll most likely be coming from off the pace but he's a strong finisher so if he gets into some live flow he'll have some say in the outcome.

Harbourlite Jerry He was a non factor last time after drawing outside but he drops a notch for this one and lands on the pylons so a better beginning could be in the cards. Could be worth including in your exotics.

Race 13 4-3-5

Rose Run Quest He's been on a steady climb up the class ladder since OHW and has yet to find a spot that doesn't suit him and is sitting on back to back wins. We'll give him a slight edge but it's so wide open the tote board might be your best friend.

Elm Grove Kaboom He's won three straight, his latest a career best so that should tell you all you need to know about his current form. Loses Marc but the majority of his wins have come with Earl so there should be no surprises.

Carracci Hanover Made an untimely break last time out but those things can happen to the best of them. Had been rock solid prior to that so we'll look for him to get back in the thick of things tonight.

Race 14 2-5-7

Mozartspalace We're not thrilled with his win percentage but he's cracked the top three just under 90% of the time so that should ease the pain. If he's racing that well, he's deserving, and one of these times everything will go his way.

Give Em Heck He just missed the top three in his last two and that was against the bearcats. With the slight drop in class he gets for this one he should give a good account of himself.

Simon Said Landing out in the seven hole will likely force him to come from off the pace but he can kick home with the best of them so give him some live cover and see what happens.