

HANDICAPPER'S SELECTIONS - Les

Sunday, December 8 (12:00 PM Post Time)

Race 1 3-1-2

Harbourlite Jerry After being stuck on the outside for his last three he gets an ideal post today and the easiest opposition he's faced all year so we'll treat him as the one to beat.

Mayhem Man He's tailed off since the summer but he gets rail control today coupled with some class relief so he's a force to be reckoned with.

Woodmere Soul Gets a post that should have him in contention most of the way but until he actually wins another one the best we can call for is one of the runner up spots.

Race 2 1-2-3

E R Quinn Drops back to the level of his latest win but perhaps more importantly he gets the advantage of rail control. Top call.

Zero Rate Hasn't exactly been a model of consistency this year but if he brings his best he's still a threat so ignore him at your own peril.

Desired Treasure He's won two of his last three, the most recent at the same level he's at today so he looks like a solid tri candidate in here.

Race 3 2-4-3

Flowersonthebeach Draws inside in a compact field so we'd expect him to get away a little better than he has been. With his good late kick and possibly a trip fairly handy the front he's a potential sleeper.

Sports Royalty He's a little too camera shy to put on top but he does have a top three record north of 70% this year so he's certainly worth considering for a piece of it.

Selkirk Echo He was a good fourth last week in his first start at this level and if he can build off that effort he's possible tri material in here.

Value play Flowersonthebeach

Race 4 3-4-1

Flash In The Pang Had a solid third place finish last week and has been keeping company with much better than he meets here. Clearly the one to beat with anything close to his best.

Zingers Laugh He was just a length back last week in a class higher than this so the drop he takes for this one could put him right in the hunt.

Jetta Flys There's not a lot separating the remaining contenders so when in doubt go with the advantage of rail control.

Race 5 2-7-3

Silverhill Buddy A very uncharacteristic eighth place finish last time out but like all horses he's not immune to having one of those days. Be prepared for him to redeem himself in here.

Jetster The outside draw isn't a big deal because he doesn't leave that much anyway. With his come from behind style if there's some pace to make his late rally work he'll be right in the thick of it.

Jeb He's got 33 top three finishes over the past two years against some high calibre opposition so you'd have to think he'll give a good account of himself in here.

Race 6 2-3-4

Just A Professor Predictable result last time for his first start in over a year but it wasn't a bad effort at all. Catches a pretty soft field today and if he brings his best he'll be hard to deny.

Cyrax Not a bad performance last time out in his return engagement which has to be encouraging. Something similar today could put him right in the picture.

J N J Seems to fit this class pretty well as three straight third place finishes will attest to. We'll look for that trend to continue today.

Race 7 6-1-2

Three Truths Comes in off a bang up second against better than he meets here and he gets further class relief for this one. Not the greatest spot to work from but if Kenny can coax the best out of him he could get it all.

Coasttocoastshark He earned the silver last time when he dropped to this level despite a tough first over trip. If he doesn't go into shock today at this inside post he'll give them all they can handle.

Ramset Hasn't looked totally out of place against better than he meets here and if he matches any of his recent efforts he'll make his presence felt.

Longshot play Ramset

Race 8 3-2-5

Mick Dundee He's acquitted himself pretty well against the top class so you gotta like his chances against these. Having an ideal post to work from just adds to his appeal.

Phil Dorleans Steps up slightly but his current form is excellent and he should get a great trip from here. Loses Dave but Gilles isn't a bad replacement don't you think.

Eagle Jolt He's got a great finishing kick and in a compact field like this all he needs is some live cover to put him in position to exploit it. He's a legitimate contender.

Race 9 5-2-3

Rose Run Quest Back to back weeks without a win is an eternity for this guy and since the ones that managed to get the better of him in those starts are absent today there could be nothing to stand in his way.

Burn Out Hanover He's cracked the top three in four of his last five and with a favourable post to work from in here he has a pretty good shot at adding to those totals.

Creepin Went a tough trip last time out but to his credit he was still only three lengths back at the finish. With a smoother journey this time around he'll have some say in the outcome.

Most probable Rose Run Quest

Race 10 1-6-8

Forever Paradise The draw hurt his chances significantly last time out but it's a different story today. If he secures an uncontested lead there could be nothing but open road ahead.

Complete Player He's coming off two good efforts in a class higher than this and while it's hard to say what kind of trip he'll get from out here, he's dangerous with the right one.

Lil Beau Duke Meets tougher today and the post is a big obstacle to overcome but judging by his record in Ontario, he's more than capable of handling it with any kind of racing luck at all.