

SHA TIN SELECTIONS

(Wednesday, July 1, 2020)

Race 1: #8 Corre Rapido, #3 Joy Avenue, #6 Rochford, #11 Fairy Floss

Race 2: #11 Treasure Chest, #2 Yes We Can, #12 Royal Chocolate, #8 Shanghai Rusky

Race 3: #13 Stock Legend, #2 Triple Triple, #6 Lady First, #1 Street Scream

Race 4: #8 Bulb Elite, #14 Ka Ying Brilliance, #10 Beauty Angel, #5 Natural Storm

Race 5: #4 Monkey Jewellery, #9 So Awesome, #1 Honest Way, #2 True Legend

Race 6: #6 All Best Friends, #5 Elite Boy, #10 Resolute, #1 Namjong Sings

Race 7: #2 Mig Energy, #1 Excellent Proposal, #5 Falcon Turbo, #8 Loriz

Race 8: #8 High Rev, #3 Columbus County, #5 Nicconi Express, #7 Righteous Doctrine

Race 9: #7 Cheerful Leader, #2 Jolly Honour, #12 Decisive Action, #1 Easy Go Easy Win

Race 10: #14 Winning Dreamer, #1 Seven Heavens, #4 War Of Courage, #2 Storm Warnings

Race 1: Racing Goes On 1200m Handicap

#8 Corre Rapido hasn't been far away all campaign and he appears now to have returned to a winning mark. He's a two-time course and distance winner who is capable of adding a third here before the season comes to a close. #3 Joy Avenue hasn't shown a great deal but the drop down to Class 5 could be what he needs to spark sharp improvement. Chances are he rolls forward for young Alfred Chan and from there, plays catch me if you can. He's value. #6 Rochford won well first-up this season but then since put in a shocker at the tail of the field in January. He's a chance to turn his form around. #11 Fairy Floss has shown very little but does now get the services of Zac Purton for the first time. He bears close watching.

Race 2: World-Class Leadership 1400m Handicap

#11 Treasure Chest tried to make all last start however faded out of contention to finish sixth. Suspect he'll try the same again here with Alfred Chan's seven pound claim and his previous record suggests that he prefers Sha Tin to Happy Valley. #2 Yes We Can gets the services of Zac Purton for the first time. He steps down to Class 5 which is suitable and the reigning champion jockey's booking commands respect. #12 Royal Chocolate steps out for Tony Millard. The South African handler has an imposing record with stable transfers and this galloper isn't hopeless even with a winless record of 26 starts. #8 Shanghai Rusky turned his form around to grab second last time out. He's drawn to get the right run and another competitive performance would not surprise.

Race 3: Uncompromising Integrity 1400m Handicap

#13 Stock Legend closed off strongly for third last time out and if he can replicate that performance here, he's going to prove difficult to beat. He'll relish the step up in trip and this contest appears more than suitable. #2 Triple Triple is a course and distance winner. He returns to Class 4 here which suits and the booking of Zac Purton now suggests that he is ready to win. #6 Lady First is racing well for Tony Cruz, though, is still winless across 31 starts. His day will come and the step up in trip now might be just what he is after. #1 Street Scream is another who steps down to Class 4. Joao Moreira hops up now and from the inside gate he should be able to give himself every opportunity to showcase his best.

Race 4: Serving The Community 1800m Handicap

#8 Bulb Elite has drawn ideally for this contest and it wouldn't surprise to see him turn his form around from last start here, especially as that was over an unsuitable distance. Alfred Chan takes seven pounds off his back again which suits and this contest appears well within his reach. #14 Ka Ying Brilliance is hard to catch but is capable of surprising here. The draw is ideal for him to roll forward and lead and if he can do so without spending too much petrol, then he's a leading player in this. #10 Beauty Angel has shown steady improvement across his nine-start career. Joao Moreira hops up now and if he can offset the wide ally, then he's a chance to go on with it. #5 Natural Storm has shown plenty of ability across his short career. It's only a matter of time before he does get the job done but, the wide draw in this makes things tricky.

Race 5: Continuous Development 1200m Handicap

#4 Monkey Jewellery appears to have returned a winning mark and with race experience on his side, he can take this contest out. The inside gate suits and the retention of Joao Moreira only enhances his claims. #9 So Awesome kept on for second last start behind the runaway Mighty Valor. He gapped the third horse by over five lengths and with that run under his belt, he looks primed for this. He's only a small galloper weighing in at just over 1000 pounds but with the right run, he can figure. #1 Honest Way gets the services of Zac Purton. He's the veteran of the field who closed off nicely for a narrow defeat last time out. #2 True Legend is on the up and it wouldn't surprise to see him in the finish.

Race 6: Riding High Together 1200m Handicap

#6 All Best Friends is top form at the moment and it wouldn't surprise to see him go on with it here. The inside gate suits and his previous runs on the dirt have been good, especially as a course and distance winner two years ago. #5 Elite Boy is nothing short of consistent and he can be rewarded here as he breaks from the inside gate with Alfred Chan aboard. #10 Resolute kept on well last start for third and it wouldn't surprise to see him improve off that performance here. #1 Namjong Sings steps down to Class 4 and gets Zac Purton on for the first time. He bears close watching.

Race 7: The Guangdong-Hong Kong Cup (Handicap)

#2 Mig Energy closed for a close-up second to stablemate California Gungho last start. Still, he displayed plenty of early toe that day and with further improvement here, he can register a breakthrough success. Strong push with Zac Purton retaining the ride again. #1 Excellent Proposal led and crossed the line first in a recent barrier trial. He was a three-time winner pre-import in Australia and if he can hit the ground running here, then he's going to take a fair bit of catching on debut. #5 Falcon Turbo can figure with the right run from the good draw. #8 Loriz is next best.

Race 8: The Hong Kong Reunification Cup (Handicap)

#8 High Rev actually made good ground last start from the tail of the field and if he's held his condition out of that run, chances are he's going to be fighting out the finish here. He's drawn ideally for this contest and it wouldn't surprise to see him take it out. #3 Columbus County has done well across his short six-start career albeit without a win. He's racing consistently has proven that it's only a matter of time before he takes out a Class 2 contest such as this. #5 Nicconi Express returned from a lengthy break last start, though did find himself fading

poorly to fifth. Still, he does race better second up and this distance is his ideal trip. #7 Righteous Doctrine has gone to a new level this term with three wins to his name. Still, he's done a lot of racing and this is another step up here, although, in his favour is the booking of Joao Moreira.

Race 9: Sportsmanship 1600m Handicap

#7 Cheerful leader won well in Class 4 and since then has gone close on a number of occasions up in grade. He's clearly capable of winning at this level and this doesn't appear to be a very strong contest. #2 Jolly Honour is a two-time winner already this campaign and his consistency can reward him again here. He's drawn ideally for Matthew Poon who should be able to find a nice spot from the soft gate. #12 Decisive Action slots in light with only 114lb on his back. He has ability and the inside draw is going suit him here. #1 Easy Go Easy Win receives a welcome drop to Class 3 here where he is a two-time winner. Jerry Chau takes 10 pounds off and he won't be too far away throughout.

Race 10: Better Future 1000m Handicap

#14 Winning Dreamer cruised to a comfortable debut win and although he steps up to Class 3 now, he still rates as the one they all have to beat, especially as he'll only carry 115 pounds on his back. #1 Seven Heavens is a classy horse on his day and he does run well down the straight. He's been consistent all term and another solid run here is expected. #4 War Of Courage is an excellent horse having never finished outside of the top three with two wins to his name. He's still on the up and the retention of Joao Moreira is a good push toward his chances. #2 Storm Warnings grabbed fifth on debut behind the runaway Baltic Whisper. He will have gained plenty of experience from that run.