

SHA TIN SELECTIONS

(Sunday, July 12, 2020)

Race 1: #7 Kelmimi Wins, #10 Bravery And Power, #3 Speedy Dragon, #6 Adonis
Race 2: #9 Precious Sweetie, #2 Monkey Jewellery, #5 Mighty Valor, #10 Regency Poet
Race 3: #4 Mighty Power, #3 Circuit Hassler, #1 Good Shot, #6 Smart Wongchoy
Race 4: #8 General's Delight, #2 Fast Most Furious, #3 Helene Leadingstar, #7 Savvy Nine
Race 5: #13 Circuit Number One, #9 Cheerful Star, #11 Mcmunigal, #3 Jimmu
Race 6: #3 Sky Field, #2 Golden Link, #4 War Lord, #14 The Abraxas
Race 7: #8 Sumstreetsumwhere, #10 Destin, #2 Armor Star, #12 Super Red Dragon
Race 8: #13 Emerald Spur, #14 Decisive Action, #7 Entrusted, #8 Super Elegance
Race 9: #11 Young Legend, #10 Amazing Chocolate, #5 Water Diviner, #6 Beauty Applause
Race 10: #13 Ultimate Glory, #9 Flying Victory, #4 Flying Sword, #1 Lobo's Legend
Race 11: #7 President's Choice, #2 Good Luck Friend, #9 Winning Brew, #1 Quadruple Double

Race 1: Medic Kingdom Handicap

#7 Kelmimi Wins has shown steady improvement since switching to the John Moore stable, including a close-up second to Red Brick Fighter last time out. Joao Moreira hops up now and from the favourable draw he is shaping as the one to beat. #10 Bravery And Power is still winless across 12 outings. He's in Class 5 now which is a big drop from when he arrived to Hong Kong in Class 3 and he has shown glimpses of ability, suggesting that he isn't as hopeless as his form reads and down in class it won't shock to see him perform. He's capable of turning his form around. #3 Speedy Dragon won twice last season, the first time, off a mark of 42 and now in what will be his final run this season, steps out off a mark of 39 with reigning champion jockey Zac Purton hopping up. Gate 14 makes life hard but he is well in this, especially if he can offset that minor obstacle. #6 Adonis is consistent and he is a winner of this mark previously. He'll be thereabouts.

Race 2: Victory Marvel Handicap

#9 Precious Sweetie was well supported last start however just couldn't manage to get the right run and from there, found himself checking off heels to squeeze through for a gap. Still, he's won off this mark before and is a two-time winner over this distance, which he should relish. #2 Monkey Jewellery has been nothing short of consistent all term and although he hasn't managed to add a third win to his haul, he's still been an honest customer each time, including his narrow short-head defeat last start. #5 Mighty Valor demolished his opponent's two starts ago before struggling from the wide gate last time out, which saw him only manage to finish third. Still, he's a talent and the booking of Zac Purton bears close watching. #10 Regency Poet has shown steady improvement across his nine outings this term, narrowly missing on a number of occasions. He'll be around the mark again.

Race 3: All You Wish Handicap

#4 Mighty Power ran well two starts ago however appeared to lose his way a touch at his latest, fading to seventh. Still, he did a fair bit of work up on the pace and from there, was overhauled by the majority of the field. He's drawn a good gate here and with further improvement it would not surprise to see him be competitive. #3 Circuit Hassler is looking to snap a streak of two runner-up efforts. He's capable of snapping the run of outs here, as long as he can overcome the awkward gate. #1 Good Shot struggled on the dirt last time out and

should relish the return to the turf here. Zac Purton takes the reins and it would not shock to see him put that poor effort behind him. #6 Smart Wongchoy was narrowly beaten by a neck over this course and distance last time out. Another honest run is likely from him although, this does appear slightly more difficult.

Race 4: The Sha Tin Mile Trophy (Handicap)

#8 General's Delight ran a blinder last start in the G3 Lion Rock Trophy Handicap and if he manages to replicate that performance here, he's going to prove awfully hard to beat. He slots in light with only 118lb on his back in the form of Karis Teetan and from the good gate, against the small field, he appears the one to beat in this race. #2 Fast Most Furious comes out of the same race where he finished a close-up third. He'll carry 12 more pounds than General's Delight but still, he has the class to take out a contest such as this, especially as he won at the final Sha Tin race meeting of last season too. #3 Helene Leadingstar tallied back-to-back wins earlier this campaign. He can figure with the right run, as he has the class to be competitive. #7 Savvy Nine is still winless in Hong Kong. He'll need to improve sharply if he is to win this contest.

Race 5: Solar Hei Hei Handicap

#13 Circuit Number One closed impressively for second last start and the penny might be finally about to drop with him, after largely showing very little across his first 11 starts. #9 Cheerful Star has been consistent and is a course and distance winner already this term. Joao Moreira hops up now and with even luck he's going to find himself in the finish. #11 Mcmunigal is a two-time course and distance winner this term. He can find the front here and play catch me if you can from there. #3 Jimmu ran a blinder two starts ago, missing by just under a length over this course and distance. He can atone for his last-start struggles.

Race 6: Mr Award Handicap

Sky Field is a serious talent on the rise and with the right run, he can blow this field away. He owns a devastating turn of foot and if he produces his best here, he is the one to beat. #2 Golden Link is looking to snap a streak of two runner-up efforts. He's another who is a talent on the up and from the good draw, with Zac Purton engaged, he can make his presence known. #4 War Lord's a funny horse, after scoring impressively on debut he has since appeared to struggle. Still, he's been up at Conghua where he has appeared sound and he deserves another chance here. #14 The Abraxas slots in light with only 116lb on his back. He's twice missed by a short-head over 1200m this season and another one of those runs would see him challenging this bunch.

Race 7: Big Profit Handicap

#8 Sumstreetsumwhere grabbed third last start at his first run for trainer David Hall and with that performance under his belt, he is capable of making further improvement here. This is a suitable contest for the stable transfer who should relish the added furlong on offer here. #10 Destin closed for third last time out. He's returned to a winning mark and with the right run it would not surprise to see him get the job done, especially with only 118lb allotted. #2 Armor Star won well two starts ago before fading to sixth at his latest effort. Still, he deserves forgiveness for that outing as he tracked up wide throughout the run and from there struggled. He can return to form from gate one. #12 Super Red Dragon missed by a short-head last start. He's hard work as a horse but he has the runs on the board now and a win isn't too far away.

Race 8: Contentment Handicap

#13 Emerald Spur returns from a short getaway to Conghua. He can be a tricky horse at times but on his day he is every good, and he is already a two-time winner earlier this campaign. He slots in with the light weight and if he brings his best then he's going to be competitive. #14 Decisive Action is another who gets in light with 115lb on his back. He won easily over this course and distance three starts ago and remains a light weight chance here for Ben So, who readies for his final day of race-riding at Sha Tin. #7 Entrusted improved sharply last time over 1400m and he is open to further improvement here stepping out to 1600m. The inside gate suits as well as the booking of the in-form Karis Teetan who has 90 wins this term. #8 Super Elegance has been a conundrum but he does have the ability. Gate 14 makes life hard but he's honest. Keep safe.

Race 9: The Hong Kong Racehorse Owners Association Trophy (Handicap)

#11 Young Legend has been largely underestimated of late at both of his last start missing by a narrow margin at an unfancied price. He's well weighted in this contest and there's a likelihood of him going around at a big price and if so, he is definitely the value bet of the contest, especially as a leading player. #10 Amazing Chocolate has gone to a new level for trainer Tony Millard. He's searching for his third win for his fourth win from only his sixth start for the handler and once again, down in the weights he is a leading player, even if he does step into Class 2 for the first time. #5 Water Diviner snagged an impressive win last time out for Jack Wong and the pair look to have found themselves in another competitive contest here. The inside gate should see him do no work throughout and from there, get every opportunity to win. #6 Beauty Applause is still on the up. He can continue his climb up the ratings here.

Race 10: Pingwu Spark Handicap

#13 Ultimate Glory has been solid all season and again, rates as a leading hope in this contest. The inside gate suits and with only 115lb on his back he is expected to get every opportunity. #9 Flying Victory is a talent, although he has had his issues. He sets off from gate three which suits and the booking of Zac Purton warrants plenty of respect. #4 Flying Sword is looking for back-to-back wins. He remains in Class 3 off that win and it's no surprise to see him step out again as Tony Cruz launches his assault on the trainers' championship. He can figure. #1 Lobo's Legend sits on the cusp of Class 2. He's mixed his form but on his day he has the ability and it wouldn't surprise to see him finally piece it all together in Hong Kong, as he definitely has the ability to do so soon enough.

Race 11: Entrapment Handicap

With a stack of pace on paper in the final race of the season at Sha Tin it might be #7 President's Choice who can capitalise on this and finish over the top of the field. He's already a two-time winner and with a clean run he is capable of adding a third here. #2 Good Luck Friend is a serious talent with three wins already to his name and he does appear to still have a number of ratings points in hand. This is a tricky contest but his best holds him in good stead and it won't surprise to see him racing in Class 2 soon enough. #9 Winning Brew demolished his rivals last time out. He's another who can continue his ascent up the ratings here. #1 Quadruple Double is honest. He's next best as the likely pacesetter of the race.