

Sha Tin Selections

(Saturday, July 05, 2025)

Race 1: #4 Motor, #9 Field Marshal, #12 Winning Champion, #1 Light Years Glory

Race 2: #1 Gimme Five, #6 Lucky Generations, #12 Flying Phantom, #10 Sonic Boom

Race 3: #1 Mr Energia, #2 Fashion Legend, #5 Sight Happy, #3 Smart Fighter

Race 4: #1 Beautiful Win, #6 Apolar Fighter, #5 Smart Beauty, #9 Family Fortune

Race 5: #1 Lucky Symphony, #2 Aerovolanic, #3 Patch Of Time, #8 Spicy Spangle

Race 6: #4 Endued, #7 Amazing Duck, #6 Strange Alert, #12 Colourful Winner

Race 7: #2 Szeryng, #1 Igor Stravinsky, #3 Tourbillon Golfer, #5 Winning Cigar

Race 8: #3 Fortune Boy, #2 Beauty Viva, #9 Celestial Patch, #1 Wukong Jewellery

Race 9: #6 Magnifique, #5 Righteous Arion, #3 Lifeline Express, #8 Akashvani

Race 10: #4 Masterofmyuniverse, #5 Colourful King, #2 Lady's Choice, #7 Call Me Glorious

Race 11: #1 Patch Of Stars, #10 Victory Sky, #3 Another World, #7 Armour War Eagle

Race 1 – THE PURVES QUAICH (PLATE)

#4 Motor looks ready to win after an unlucky second to The All Out last start over 1000m, where he was held up for room late. #9 Field Marshal, now third-up, should get every chance and looks the likely leader from barrier 1. #12 Winning Champion is also having his third start and is heading the right way. Back to 1200m looks ideal after a strong third over 1000m. #1 Light Years Glory surprised with a debut win at big odds and is worth respecting again despite the draw.

Race 2 – THE SWAINE CUP (HANDICAP)

#1 Gimme Five looks ready to break through. He resumes off a pair of solid trials and returns to a course and trip where he's placed twice from two starts. #6 Lucky Generations is unplaced from 12 but has run some encouraging races. Freshened with 35 days between runs and a nice trial under his belt, he's worth a look at each-way odds. #12 Flying Phantom hasn't broken through in 22 starts but is often thereabouts. He'll drop out early and look to finish over the top. #10 Sonic Boom was wide throughout first-up but wasn't beaten far. He's capable off this mark and in a race lacking tempo, he can roll forward and make his own luck.

Race 3 – THE WONG CUP (HANDICAP)

#1 Mr Energia returns to Class 4 after starting favourite in a deeper Class 3 contest, where he was shuffled back and did well to finish fourth. That form reads strongly for this and he looks ready to strike. #2 Fashion Legend is on the quick turnaround after a comfortable win over the extended mile. He now drops in trip, but two runs ago he stuck on well for third over this course and distance. #5 Sight Happy didn't have the best run last start from a wide draw when seeing this track and trip for the first time. He can settle closer from a better gate and is worth another look. #3 Smart Fighter is on debut on the all-weather under race conditions but brings in solid enough trial form to be considered.

Race 4 – THE LI CUP (HANDICAP)

#1 Beautiful Win has the speed map in his favour and looks set to control things from the front. He's posted back-to-back placings over this course and trip since dropping to Class 5 and is well placed to break through. #6 Apolar Fighter was third in the same race and had excuses after being held up for much of the straight. With clear running, he can give this a shake. #5 Smart

Beauty won that race and should map with every chance again. #9 Family Fortune closed well into sixth from a wide gate and the addition of blinkers for the first time catches the eye.

Race 5 – THE ARCULLI TROPHY (HANDICAP)

#1 Lucky Symphony had excuses last start after working hard from a wide draw to sit outside the leader in a strongly run race. He faded late into seventh but wasn't beaten far. Drawn slightly better this time helps. #2 Aerovolanic impressed on debut after some sharp trial work and looks to have more upside. #3 Patch Of Time is usually thereabouts and is better placed back at Sha Tin following a solid fourth at Happy Valley. #8 Spicy Spangle drops into a slightly weaker Class 4 and could show something here. He was caught wide last time, but his prior efforts over 1000m were sound and he's a past winner over this course and trip.

Race 6 – THE CHAN TROPHY (HANDICAP)

#4 Endued has been trending the right way since the switch to Benno Yung and a slide in the ratings. From barrier 12 last start he gave away a big head start but closed off strongly for fourth. He's knocking on the door. #7 Amazing Duck is back from a break and while he's hard to catch, his recent trial was encouraging. He looks the likely leader and will give a sight first-up. #6 Strange Alert was green and held up briefly on debut but showed enough to suggest he'll improve with that run under his belt. #12 Colourful Winner adds more speed and, despite being a maiden, has put up back-to-back placings over this course and trip.

Race 7 – THE STEVENSON CUP (HANDICAP)

#2 Szeryng made full use of barrier 1 to break through stylishly at his third start and did it with a bit in hand. He maps for another soft run and should be right in the finish again. #1 Igor Stravinsky produced his best effort yet with a close-up second following the drop in class and now gets Zac Purton aboard, which boosts his claims to go one better. #3 Tourbillon Golfer made the running on debut and was only collared late. A repeat performance looks likely from barrier 1. #5 Winning Cigar had the outside draw on debut at Happy Valley over 1000m and was given a quiet ride, but he found the line well. With a better gate and the step up to 1200m, he's one to keep safe.

Race 8 – THE IP JUG (HANDICAP)

#3 Fortune Boy is a three-year-old trending the right way and steps up to 1800m for the first time. He tends to get back and hit the line, as seen when narrowly missing back-to-back wins last start. #2 Beauty Viva has switched to Tony Cruz's yard and his close second over this course and trip two back is the run to go on. #9 Celestial Patch is improving with racing and his third over the extended mile at Happy Valley was backed up by a solid fourth. Drawn better here, he maps to settle closer and see out the trip. #1 Wukong Jewellery backs up quickly, drops in grade, and comes off his best run yet when closing hard into fourth on the all-weather.

Race 9 – THE CHOW SILVER PLATE (HANDICAP)

#6 Magnifique had genuine excuses when his winning streak ended in March, but his recent trials suggest he's returned in top order and can bounce back first-up. #5 Righteous Arion has been holding form well with back-to-back thirds over this course and trip in stronger races and remains a key player. #3 Lifeline Express will drift back as usual and if they go too hard up front, he'll be the one finishing over the top. #8 Akashvani was made to work from a wide draw in a

fast-run race last start and understandably faded late. Although drawn awkwardly in 10 again, he has the potential to improve.

Race 10 – THE PHILIP CHEN TROPHY (HANDICAP)

#4 Masterofmyuniverse steps into Class 2 after back-to-back wins that took his tally to four from nine, and he's trialled well between runs to suggest he can keep progressing. #5 Colourful King is a smart three-year-old from the David Eustace yard who lost no admirers with a narrow defeat on his first 1200m run. Back to Sha Tin presents a fresh test, but he's heading the right way. #2 Lady's Choice wasn't far away in Group 3 company behind Helios Express and now returns to a more suitable grade. #7 Call Me Glorious meets Masterofmyuniverse better at the weights and is worth another chance after a tough run wide throughout last time.

Race 11 – THE CHAIRMEN'S DAY HANDICAP

#1 Patch Of Stars is a three-year-old on the rise looking to extend his winning streak to four, and remains the clear benchmark. He made light work of them last start and while short in the market again, he'll take plenty of beating. #10 Victory Sky chased him home last time and boxed on honestly, and again looks well placed to run into the placings. #3 Another World is better suited returning to this course and distance after a fair effort at Happy Valley. #7 Armour War Eagle got too far back from a wide gate last time but made late inroads, and from a better draw he can settle closer and improve.