## SHA TIN SELECTIONS

(Sunday, February 05, 2023)

Race 1: #4 Chiron, #9 Encore, #2 Asian One, #7 Beauty Nova
Race 2: #11 Perfetto, #10 Mach Ten, #13 Ha Lee Charm, #2 The Hulk
Race 3: #14 Savvy Delight, #4 We Are Hero, #3 Super Fortune, #6 Happy Mission
Race 4: #3 Daring Pursuit, #2 Universal Horizon, #6 D Star, #1 Publicist
Race 5: #4 Happy Fat Cat, #1 Chilli Baba, #9 Super Highway, #3 Galvanic
Race 6: #12 King Of The Court, #1 Supreme Lucky, #3 Excellent Fighter, #2 Brave Dreams
Race 7: #5 Running Glory, #3 Money Catcher, #1 Glorious Dragon, #6 Looking Great
Race 8: #6 Courier Wonder, #1 Wellington, #2 Lucky Sweynesse, #7 Duke Wai
Race 9: #9 Happy Together, #5 Drombeg Banner, #8 Celtic Times, #13 Casa Cosmo
Race 10: #11 Ready To Win, #12 Golden Express, #6 Mighty Stride, #8 Dragon's Luck

## **Race 1: Lung Yat Handicap**

#4 Chiron gets a rise in distance and favourable draw. He can save ground from there which should prove decisive in the finish. One to beat. #9 Encore is closing in on a first win and his pairing with Karis Teetan catches the eye. He looks capable of improving again following his last-start effort for fourth. #2 Asian One is after back-to-back wins. He was impressive last time out and he retains the services of Silvestre de Sousa here. #7 Beauty Nova has taken time but is on the cusp of a first win. Keep safe.

## Race 2: On Ting Handicap

#11 Perfetto gets an excellent chance here to atone for that luckless defeat he endured last start. Zac Purton sticks aboard and he can make sure of things here, especially from and inside draw. #10 Mach Ten also raced without luck last start, finishing fourth. He still had plenty up his sleeve that day and does shape as a big threat with Vincent Ho up. #13 Ha Lee Charm can improve again. He was caught way too far back last time out. #2 The Hulk does little wrong. Expect him to be charging home late for Karis Teetan.

### Race 3: Po Tin Handicap

#14 Savvy Delight slots in light and should get a nice run down the outside. He was scratched at the gates last start due to becoming fractious, however, his best form is better than that and he is still open to a stack more improvement. #4 We Are Hero will likely be a deserved favourite. He has to shoulder more weight now but he should still be thereabouts again. #3 Super Fortune appears fit and ready to win again. He could take a bit of reeling in. #6 Happy Mission is improving. Keep safe.

### **Race 4: Sam Shing Handicap**

#3 Daring Pursuit was ultra-impressive last start and he is more than capable of winning again. This race isn't too bad but the manner of his last-start effort suggests that he's destined for bigger and better things. #2 Universal Horizon closed nicely last start. He shapes as the main danger and a horse who has also shown that he's on the rise. #6 D Star is chasing back-to-back wins. He's a big threat. #1 Publicist is racing well. He is another who continues to develop with each run.

# Race 5: Yan Oi Tong Cup Handicap

#4 Happy Fat Cat maps to get a soft lead and from there he can take running down. Angus Chung takes 10lb off his back with the apprentice claim and the inside gate should see him do next to no work early on. One to catch. #1 Chilli Baba was impressive first-up. He appeared to have plenty in hand that day and getting around a bend this time will be of little concern. #9 Super Highway is consistent and should put in another big effort. #3 Galvanic can improve again. Big watch.

## Race 6: Tai Hing Handicap

#12 King Of The Court can improve drastically this weekend for his second run back following a decent break. He has the ability and gets one of his best chances yet to nail an overdue win with a light weight and Karis Teetan up. #1 Supreme Lucky is chasing back-toback wins. The inside gate will suit. #3 Excellent Fighter has the class and was an eyecatching winner on debut. Expect he's held his condition, however, he will need to offset the wide draw. #2 Brave Dreams is consistent and warrants respect.

## Race 7: G3 Centenary Vase Handicap

Tricky Group 3 contest with a small field going to post. #5 Running Glory appeals with no weight on his back. He's a gifted little talent in his spot and the nine furlongs is by far and away his best trip. He can win. #3 Money Catcher is the likely leader and favourite to win the race. He'll take catching but he won't be value to do so. #1 Glorious Dragon can improve in his second run back following a lengthy stint on the sideline. #6 Looking Great slots in light and can make his presence felt.

### **Race 8: G1 Centenary Sprint Cup**

Taking a chance on #6 Courier Wonder at a price in a tricky affair. He finished a competitive fourth in the LONGINES Hong Kong Sprint and his best holds him in very, very good stead. Expect he can improve again and it wouldn't shock to see him win. #1 Wellington is chasing a fifth Group 1. He's classy and just needs luck to be fighting out the finish. #2 Lucky Sweynesse will be a deserved favourite. He's still rising and appears to have plenty more development to come. #7 Duke Wai will be closing late. He's value.

### **Race 9: Wu King Handicap**

#9 Happy Together flashed into second placing last start behind subsequent Hong Kong Classic Mile winner Voyage Bubble. He's in sound form and looks ready to win with four starts under his belt. #5 Drombeg Banner should roll forward and find the front. He's after back-to-back wins and he could take a bit of catching here. #8 Celtic Times closed off for an eye-catching third last start. If he can replicate that run then he's in with a chance. #13 Casa Cosmo is next best.

### Race 10: Yau Oi Handicap

Competitive finale but #11 Ready To Win has looked ready to go on with it for some time now. He's floating under the radar at present and with the right run he looks well placed to give connections an overdue second win. #12 Golden Express has the talent and is drawn ideally. #6 Mighty Stride was without luck last start. He can atone for that effort here and arguably he should still be unbeaten. #8 Dragon's Luck is improving. He draws well and is well-weighted for Lyle Hewitson.