

## Happy Valley Selections

(Wednesday, October 15, 2025)

**Race 1:** #1 Courier Magic, #2 Ninja Derby, #11 The Way We Win, #6 Foremost Teddy

**Race 2:** #2 Northern Beast, #9 No Other Choice, #3 Chain Of Gold, #7 Prince Alex

**Race 3:** #1 Dancing Classics, #5 Peridot, #3 Argento Ocean, #4 Owners' Sunshine

**Race 4:** #7 Thunder Prince, #8 Incanto Star, #2 The Perfect Match, #12 Golden Friendship

**Race 5:** #4 Forever Glorious, #1 Sunday's Serenade, #7 Youth Power, #9 Young Fighter

**Race 6:** #3 Tourbillon Golfer, #5 Mr Desira, #1 Find My Love, #12 Zetta Force

**Race 7:** #9 Jumbo Legend, #3 Encountered, #5 Lo Rider, #8 Speed Dragon

**Race 8:** #6 King Miles, #1 Storm Rider, #3 Super Infinity, #2 La Forza

**Race 9:** #8 Excellence Value, #2 Joy Of Spring, #1 Cambridge, #6 Wrote A New Page

### **Race 1 - NGAU CHI WAN HANDICAP**

#1 Courier Magic ended last season with a fast-finishing third as he returned to Class 5, where he holds a strong record. His trial for return was encouraging and with Zac Purton taking the ride, he gets every chance to resume as a winner. #2 Ninja Derby was given a peach first-up to lead all the way and while he's drawn widest this time, he has the pace to offset it and is capable of giving another sight. #11 The Way We Win produced his best run yet when a closing second at Sha Tin and with the inside draw aiding his pattern, he's one who can take another step forward. #6 Foremost Teddy looked in need of the run first-up and can strip fitter here, with a minor gear tweak possibly sparking a sharper effort second-up.

### **Race 2 - HUNG LUEN HANDICAP**

#2 Northern Beast ticks plenty of boxes third-up, reuniting with Zac Purton and drawing ideally in barrier 1. This marks his fifth run back in Class 4 and he looks ready to strike. #9 No Other Choice pulled too hard last start and had nothing left late, but his first-up effort was much better and with a more controlled trip he can bounce back. #3 Chain Of Gold has been building nicely since dropping to this grade and his first-up run was a solid platform to improve from. #7 Prince Alex steps back to a more suitable trip and, while he'll need luck from the wide gate, he's shown he can finish off strongly when things fall into place.

### **Race 3 - FUNG MO HANDICAP**

#1 Dancing Classics should take good benefit from his first-up run where he sat on the pace before fading late in a genuinely run race. He comes into this second-up with barrier 1, 5lb off his back thanks to Ellis Wong's claim, and maps to get all the favours. He's right in the mix. #5 Peridot also looks a likely improver off his first-up effort and is trending the right way with more experience, though he'll need some luck early from

barrier 12. #3 Argento Ocean continues to improve with racing and the addition of cheekpieces plus a switch to the city circuit could unlock further improvement. #4 Owners' Sunshine steps up to 1200m after making solid ground late over the 1000m second-up and looks ready to peak now third-up.

#### **Race 4 - FUNG MO HANDICAP**

#7 Thunder Prince has dropped a long way in the ratings and now lines up for Jamie Richards following a stable switch and a strong trial. He gets his chance in a thin race to finally make his mark in Hong Kong. #8 Incanto Star caught the eye late when resuming over 1000m and now gets Zac Purton on for his third start, stepping up to 1200m which looks ideal. If he can use barrier 4 to hold a spot early, he'll be a great chance. #2 The Perfect Match returned soundly from a break with another second-place finish, and while the draw makes things trickier, he is on his way to another win. #12 Golden Friendship ran a much-improved race when resuming in Class 5 and can give another sight up on the speed with no weight on his back despite the rise in grade.

#### **Race 5 - HUNG LUEN HANDICAP**

#4 Forever Glorious resumes for Brett Crawford and brings two solid trials into this first-up run. Barrier 2 ensures a soft run on speed, which suits his pattern, and he's more than capable of giving a bold sight fresh. #1 Sunday's Serenade returns to his preferred course and distance with the benefit of two runs under his belt and Zac Purton now taking over. #7 Youth Power showed his usual tenacity when resuming over this course and trip, rolling forward to lead and sticking on gamely for third. He'll make his presence felt again. #9 Young Fighter has been finding his way, but the step up in trip suits based on his pedigree, and he draws to enjoy a smothered run from barrier 3, which can bring out further improvement.

#### **Race 6 - FUNG MO HANDICAP**

#3 Tourbillon Golfer looks ready to win after a solid first-up effort at Sha Tin where he worked early from a wide draw and faded late into fourth in a strong form race. He's drawn wide again but with little speed on paper, Purton may be able to cross and control. #5 Mr Desira made a promising return over 1000m when leading and sticking on gamely for second. He gets an ideal draw here and can dictate terms stepping up to 1200m. #1 Find My Love had no luck late when returning to this grade, held up inside the last 200m and finishing a length off the winner. He stays in the mix off that run. #12 Zetta Force has quietly trialled well since transferring to Dennis Yip and maps for a soft run from barrier 3. He's an each-way chance at odds.

#### **Race 7 - LEI YUE MUN HANDICAP**

#9 Jumbo Legend ran a strong race into fifth first-up over the extended mile and stepping to 1800m second-up is a good set-up for him to be hard to hold out. #3 Encountered also resumed in that same race, his first run for Brett Crawford, and made

a late dive to just miss. He maps well again from a middle draw and clearly has settled in well with the new yard. #5 Lo Rider won that race with a dream run from barrier 1 and while he won't get the same favours from gate 9, he remains a lightly raced talent with more upside. #8 Speed Dragon will drop back from his wide draw and be saved for one run; he's capable of charging home if the tempo suits.

#### **Race 8 - HOK YUEN HANDICAP**

#6 King Miles was frustrating last season, placing second in three of his five runs at this course and trip. He gets another shot here first-up from barrier 1, with Francis Lui applying blinkers which he trialled well in, no excuses. #1 Storm Rider, with blinkers back on, should improve sharply second-up after being eased back early first-up at Sha Tin before closing off well for fifth. #3 Super Infinity, for the in-form Mark Newnham yard, also draws nicely in gate 4 to map just off the speed. He's been consistent despite not winning in over a year, and while this marks his Happy Valley debut, he brings strong Sha Tin form that keeps him in the mix. #2 La Forza draws wide in barrier 11 but has the early speed to potentially overcome it, though running out a strong 1200m remains a query based on what he's shown so far.

#### **Race 9 - LUNG CHEUNG HANDICAP**

#8 Excellence Value resumed with a close-up fifth over 1650m and should come on for the run second-up stepping to 1800m, where although yet to win, he's been runner-up on both attempts. #2 Joy Of Spring is a two-time winner from three at the course and trip and has returned in good form, with his chances hinging on where he lands in the run. Last start he settled too far back and struck traffic in the straight but still finished close in eighth. #1 Cambridge gets the right conditions here with solid speed on to suit his pattern while getting back to Happy Valley, where he's well performed, should also help following a forgivable first-up run at Sha Tin. #6 Wrote A New Page can show tactical versatility and doesn't necessarily need to lead, while returning to the Valley, where he's three from three, gives his chances a lift.