

Ellis Park Selections August 31, 2018

Race 1: Cha Mono hasn't won a race since October of 2016, but is in against a very soft bunch. He has been third in his last two and should be on or near the lead. **Biggest Littlecity** out finished my top pick two races back and looks to be a major contender. **Ray's Away** owns a win locally and ran right behind the top two.

Selections: 1-2-5

Race 2: Headland is taking a class drop and gets the blinkers on. She ran well on debut and figures to be close to the pace. **Lake Girl** debuts here for Lyster and has an outside chance to upset this field. **Take Aletter Maria** finished second against straight maiden company in Indiana last time and comes from the white hot Hartman stable.

Selections: 2-8-3

Race 3: Now Power was beaten just over four lengths in the Preview Ladies Turf here last start. She won at this level the race before and rates a slight edge. **Valentine Wish** always tries hard and just missed at this level in her last race. **C Islandsurprise** is coming off a layoff but has some back class and should show speed from the fence.

Selections: 3-2-1

Race 4: Jet Away Sue has been the beaten favorite in each of her last two starts here locally. She lands in a spot today where she should make amends. **Faith Healer** hasn't raced since last year but was impressive then, if she can regain her sophomore form, she has a big chance. **Misseventhirteen** is the best of the rest.

Selections: 3-4-7

Race 5: Mini Chunk is riding a three race win streak and should flash speed from that inner draw. **Two If By Sea** will be rolling late and may be a decent price on the board. **Sandhill Sammy** has some speed, and although he doesn't carry it far, he may hang around for a piece of the minors.

Selections: 2-9-3

Race 6: Henry's Honey drops in class here for Hartman and gets Robby taking the return call. **Don't Stop Maria** is also taking a class drop and will be the main danger to my top choice. **Molly's Game** comes into the race with a consistent form, gets class relief and lands hot riding Graham in the saddle.

Selections: 7-3-2

Race 7: In Charge Annie has been training very well and nobody is hotter at this track than Cox. He wins at a very high percentage with firsters and has the most logical winner in here. **Champagne Anyone** came flying to be third on debut. She should move forward off of that effort. **Philanthropic** races for the team of Gary & Mary West and Steve is always dangerous with the two years olds.

Selections: 3-6-7

Race 8: Great Sky was claimed two back when finishing third for ten thousand. He takes the plunge here and has to be considered. **Kiss My Note** ran out of racetrack in his last race. He stretches out to a mile and should be closer to the pace. **Shanghai Point** was claimed out of his last race and gets leading rider Lanerie.

Selections: 8-7-6