

The Big Horse Handicapper



Your guide to betting on the races at Northville Downs

Saturday, Dec. 3, 2022 • Fall Meet, Program No. 26

Race 3 NW \$5,000 Last 4 Starts, Opt. Clm. \$20,000 Pace

3 - FRED'S NIGHTMARE brought a solid mile in two weeks ago at large odds. Week off a plus, fresh and in good form. Manages the level well and draws a good slot. Strong nod and a banker candidate on tonight's card. **6 - JET'S SURESHOT** converted to a good win on a pocket stalk through much of the mile. It's interesting to note that in recent contests that even whenever he's behind a majority of rivals, he's always in striking range. It's a great indicator of tactical ability and an overall racing portability you would want. Good class angles and useful everywhere. **8 - HOOSIER HYPNOTIC** rises to a higher class and takes a tough post assignment, but there's recent proven local speed that can mitigate a good part of that. The right trip gives him a tremendous shot.

Race 6 NW \$3,751 Last 4 Starts, Opt. Clm. \$10,000 Pace

4 - IMA IRONMAN raced an even second throughout his last mile and has plenty of local success of late. Tough time in the off-going two prior that can be excused. Price drift seems likely. Narrow call. **1 - FG'S MONDU PACKRAT** won easily as the favourite on Thanksgiving weekend and nudges up a step tonight. Ideal draw. **5 - TRUE TO MACH** fits and plays well with these, narrowly collared last week, and much improved in the last pair overall. Trending the right way along. Far and away the class champ.

Race 9 Open Handicap Pace

5 - ANOCHE simply goes and goes with powerful miles this fall, including the two most recent that had speed to spare. Hard to argue the growing winning habit and seeks to be the king of the Northville hill this week. Tried the Open once before, appears much more ready now. **4 - LIBERAL** has been ranging around in the upper-half of NW company lately. This veteran campaigner's been a bit improved of late; price may be quite good. **7 - DON'TCALLMEFRANCIS** is a sensible addition for exotics value. Outer post challenges, but the gate departure last week was smooth and a lead was maintained all the way along.

Race 11 NW 1 (F&M 2) Race or \$6,000 Pace

7 - STABLECREEK MERLIN worked in the two-path and various slipstreams of the mile two weeks prior and saved third. Days off a plus, class a fine fit. Narrow nod in a race where trip could be the determinant. **3 - HARDT STACK** may well be favoured and deservingly so off the good improvement from last week. Has raw speed good enough to score tonight ... what's the gate plan? **5 - STOMRY PRINCESS** has reliable speed to finish miles in most at least to level outcomes, but will do best with some speed to chase after. There's a little bit to each side of him, mixes in well throughout many miles.

Full-Card Selections

Race 1	5-9-2
Race 2	3-1-6
Race 3	3-6-8
Race 4	5-3-6
Race 5	6-5-8
Race 6	4-1-5
Race 7	4-1-9
Race 8	3-5-7
Race 9	5-4-7
Race 10	4-6-2
Race 11	7-3-5

Exotic Combinations

\$1 Exacta

3-horse box	\$6
4-horse box	\$12
5-horse box	\$20
AB/ABC	\$4
AB/ABCD	\$6
AB/ABCDE	\$8
ABC/ABCD	\$9
ABC/ABCDE	\$12

50¢ Trifecta

3-horse box	\$3
4-horse box	\$12
5-horse box	\$30
A/BC/BCD	\$2
A/BC/BCDE	\$3
A/BCD/BCD	\$3
A/BCD/BCDE	\$4.50
AB/ABC/ABCD	\$4
AB/ABC/ABCDE	\$6
AB/ABC/ABCDEF	\$8
ABC/ABC/ABCD	\$6
ABC/ABC/ABCDE	\$9

10¢ Superfecta

4-horse box	\$2.40
5-horse box	\$12
6-horse box	\$36