

Fort Erie Selections: Tuesday, October 8th, 2024

The Tuesday card features seven races, two of which are starter optional claiming events on the dirt and additionally, there is an allowance optional claiming event for fillies and mares on the main track.

Good luck to today's connections and those wagering on the races! - Ashley Mailloux

Race 1:

- #1 A Sting For Love
- #2 Shes Hot to Trot
- #3 Dixie Morning

Race 2:

- #2 Mountain Sound
- #5 Donnarumma
- #3 Sweet Serenade

Race 3:

- #1 Shakoo Makoo
- #3 Blue Max
- #4 Courageous Copper

Race 4:

- #4 Street Serenade
- #6 Follow Me Home
- #3 Bill Needle

Race 5:

- #1 Tamana
- #3 Dreaming of Hope
- #5 Princess Bu Cherro

Race 6:

- #7 One Hell of a Girl
- #3 Wicken Cents
- #6 Kindofbluekitten

Race 7:

- #7 Executive Chairman
- #4 Collaborative
- #2 Santiago Salsa

Key Race of the Day – Race 3 – Starter Optional Claiming – 5 ½ Furlongs

Some talented dirt sprinters square off in today's third race, a starter optional claiming event at five and a half furlongs and at this specific distance, **#1 Shakoo Makoo** looks extremely tough to beat – this six-year-old gelding has been rock solid this season, winning each of his starts, but unfortunately was disqualified two starts back. He recorded a career best effort last time out when he won a five-furlong allowance event in a snappy 57.23. He is extremely quick from the gate and draws the inside, which figures to work well for him. His main rival is **#3 Blue Max**, who has been strong in his two dirt outings, winning both by open lengths, but the one thing that works against him today is the distance – he cuts back an eighth of a mile and the six-and-a-half-furlong distance has been perfect for him to this point. With that said, if someone can hook up with Shakoo Makoo early, this son of Silver Max will be in the perfect stalking position. **#4 Courageous Copper** only has one dirt start under his belt, and you must go far back to find it, but as of late, he's been competitive against some tough fields at Woodbine. He won his latest outing by half a length after being involved in a pace duel early on and that came at today's distance, but on the tapeta. His works over the training track aren't the sharpest, but with his fairly consistent form and early foot from the gate, he could be capable of earning a share against this group.