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# Using Your Tools

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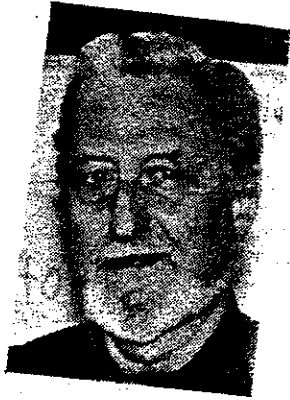
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# A NOTE FROM THE PUBLISHER.

We begin with giant sized kudos for GREG LAWLOR who orchestrated the recent EXPO '90, The 3rd International Conference on Thoroughbred Handicapping. Handicapping Expos are the brain child of James Quinn. The first was held in 1983. Its success was moderate, but it lost money. The second was in 1984, where I got my first mainstream exposure. It was a great conference but only 126 people attended. The financial loss was staggering. This year Quinn turned over the financing and promoting to San Diego entrepreneur Greg Lawlor.

WHAT A MAGNIFICENT JOB HE DID! First he took Tom Brohamer's (and a friend's) suggestion and held it in Las Vegas, at the new Mirage Hotel/Casino. Secondly he placed dynamic advertisements in the *Daily Racing Form* and in *Racing Action*. 3rd, he importuned everybody with a mailing list to send out brochures. I received 21 of them; which shows how many mailing lists I'm on.

63 of our own clients were there on my recommendation that all who could withstand controversy should attend. Each had some powerful and positive observations to make. We're not going to have many people at our own Las Vegas Seminar this year as a result of so many going to EXPO. But I really don't mind. These affairs are healthy for the handicapping fraternity and EXPO 84 gave me a public forum for the first time. At that conference, I was the only speaker there I'd never heard of. At this conference, not only I had heard of me, but so had a few others. Our presentations were fully attended. The bottom line is that 480 people showed up. A record high for ANY such event.

Every session of the conference was audio-taped and Lawlor will be hustling them soon, along with some video tapes. This year, no expense was spared to make dual-camera video tapes of certain selected sessions. I'm on two of them, along with Brohamer, Bradshaw, Pizzolla, Schmidt, Hambleton and Erika Holderith. William Scott also appeared on the video of our session and gave an unsolicited testimonial in behalf of ENERGY! All of our people were impressed with his graciousness; especially Jim "The Hat" Bradshaw who's still talking about Scott being such a "Class Act."

A highlight for me was meeting Len Ragozin, the Guru of Greenwich Village, who originated the famous "sheets." I guess I should have left it at meeting him since, in the opinion of virtually everyone who went, he was the lowlight of Expo. He began his session by knocking all the other experts

there. Then followed with a few nasty comments about "the Sartin Guys" who brag too much about their success. After this admonishment he spent an hour and forty-five minutes bragging about the superiority of his sheets over all other competitors.

The thrust of Ragozin's theme throughout the conference was that New York Players were getting too sophisticated. As a result no one can get a "price" anymore at Big Apple tracks. We know that this is a bunch of hooey. Ragozin, and sometimes even Beyer, don't seem to know the definition of sophistication. The word they want is "HIP." Hip is where YOU tell everyone how great you are. Sophistication is where you conduct yourself and convey your message in such a manner that, afterwards, everyone comes up and THEY tell you how great you are. There is a clear difference here.

Beyer is a most charming, likable and funny fellow. He is also the most famous among the names in our field. Some of his remarks, however, indicate that he does not equate fame with the responsibility of being a role-model. His funniest after dinner story: "We must remember that we are gambling. As you know I like to CRUSH a race. When people come up to me and ask how they can make a living grinding it out at the racetrack, my answer is, if you want to grind it out, go get a job." Very funny, but also conducive to Pathological Gambling.

With statements like these he is further arming the social order against the handicapping fraternity. When he said that, "Pace Methods don't work in the East as they do in California," he was using his implied authority figure status to discount something he admits to knowing nothing about. Pace works everywhere. We can prove it. It is hard for me to believe that someone of Beyer's genius status is serious when he says he doesn't understand Sartin's pace programs. I think he just wants to ignore the fact that something he didn't invent really works universally. Maybe he should have finished that course in Chaucer, after all.

The proposed highlight of the conference was to be a three hour symposium on Speed/Pace Figure Handicapping Today. Tom Brohamer was a featured panelist, along with The Man from Thoro-Graph, Scott Mc Mannis, Andrew Beyer, Ragozin and Jeff Siegel. Steve Davidowitz was the moderator. It was primarily a clash of egos with Ragozin's being the biggest. So large that he made the often flamboyant Beyer appear almost rational.

Everybody with an ax to grind or a sheet or book to sell went at each other proclaiming the infallibility of self. Tom Brohamer sat quietly by with such comments as "This Panel so far is about as much fun as my vasectomy." All of his other sane, rational and knowledgeable comments were drowned out. He was a valley of humility lying between mountains of conceit. Brohamer could have, given the opportunity, brought his colleagues and the audience up to date on the realities of figure handicapping, but alas he was drowned out.

I referred to the session as the "Clash of the Titans." You'll appreciate that title if you hear and watch the tapes. Assuming they're released. I personally enjoyed it immensely. I love controversy. My contention is that if one scratches an experts ego deeply enough we ALL will become TIGERS. The difference was Ragozin didn't need scratching. I personally still admire the genius of Ragozin and was honored to meet him.

I'm used to genius. Some of my best friends are geniuses and they tend to be seemingly rude, crass, overbearing, ego-maniacal jerks. But aside from that, they're really fun people. Trainer D. Wayne Lukas was tied up in court and couldn't make his scheduled appearance, which broke my heart. It really did upset some of the attendees. Apparently to mainstream "horseplayers," there is magic in meeting and hearing a top trainer.

Author Bill Murray was the true highlight of the banquet and a delight to be around. Charming, witty and so personable. He's like an Arthur Godfrey (Editor's note: Who?) with a education. You could swear he was talking just to you. Michael Pizzolla achieved a long held ambition by performing several magic tricks for Bill. Both Bill and his wife were knocked out by Michael.

At any rate James Quinn finally saw his cherished dream fulfilled to its highest expectation. For that I am very happy.

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There is still room at the Vegas Seminar. We're going to preview Synergetic Match-Up two with the Kinetic Generator Graphs, the closest thing to Energy at about half the price. If you miss Las Vegas you should go to Kansas City where we'll help to open a brand new Thoroughbred Track. See Dick Schmidt's article about late entries at Las Vegas.

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We have now increased our ENERGY! teaching cadre twofold. This means that we can allow more Energy! users without sacrificing hands on training; which is an essential part of our guarantee to make each ENERGY! user a consistent winner - IF they fulfill the contract they sign. Your acceptance as an ENERGY! client is based solely on your ATTITUDE, NOT your present handicapping ability.

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Dick Schmidt frowns on publishing kudo letters because they are advertisements for ourself. However, this one has double importance. At Expo '90 Ragozin said New York handicappers were TOO SOPHISTICATED to allow an average mutuel of much over \$7.00. Mr. Beyer stated that West Coast pace method purveyors should warn everyone that pace is effective ONLY on the West Coast.

This letter is from NEW YORK!

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To: Dr. Sartin

Enclosed are my first two Energy reports.

I was surprised at the immediate success I experienced. My first 21 races were divided between Meadowlands and the main track at Aqueduct. I won 16 of 21, or 76%, and had an average mutuel of \$11.68. Four of the bets were singles. This gave me a profit of 122% on my money bet.

The holidays and a heavy workload then caught up with me and I put racing aside for awhile. When I got back to it, Meadowlands was closed and Aqueduct had moved to the inner track.

I don't know whether it was the layoff or the switch to the inner track, but I found it much harder going. My second report, all from the inner track, shows 11 for 21, or a meager 52%. The profit, however, was 57.8%, more than enough to make a living on.

Together, the two cycles produced 27 winners in 42 races, a solid 64%. Average mutuel over 42 races was just under \$12.

Sprints were a weak spot. Better results with sprints would put me at 70% or better.

Exactas, boxing the top two horses from the appropriate paragon, have been absolutely outrageous. This produced 8 exactas in 42 races, or 19%. The profit is astronomical, 452%. Even without the giant \$579 exacta, the profit is well over 100%.

That 19% on a two-horse box, incidentally, is about equivalent to 57% on a three-horse box. I've found that the contra horse hasn't been doing well in the exactas. Perhaps this is a temporary quirk. The published energy reports seem to bear this out, however. I'm assuming that the contra horse in ENERGY in most cases is the top horse on the paragon that has not been predicted.

Problems I'm trying to solve are when to include a sprinter as a contender in a route; how to deal with extreme differences in track variant; and how to handle horses that look good but don't have a usable running line. I've won some and lost some in making these calls.

As to variants, I've been relying on ENERGY to make adjustments but more seems to be required in extreme circumstances, as when a chosen contender ran to a variant of 36 while others ranged from 15 to 20. I've tried the alternate adjustment, but this often seems strong medicine and reduces my confidence in the race.

Sincerely,

*Ed Kulkosky*  
Edward Kulkosky

# Editor's Column

by Dick Schmidt

This is a frantic time here at the hub of *The Follow Up's* massive publishing empire. Handicapper's Expo, the Las Vegas Seminar, and of course this issue of *The Follow Up* all land smack dab in the final weeks of Santa Anita. Anyway, I haven't had time to write my usual erudite and thoughtful editorial missive, so I'm just going to address some random things that have come up since last issue.

First off, concerning the Sprint-to-Route procedure and computer program that I put in the last issue. I have trouble believing that there are that many people out there who aspire to professionalism in handicapping yet who can't (or at least don't) read. I got half a dozen calls asking about the sprint to route article, saying that it was left out of their issue. They all sang the same song when I pointed it out to them: "Oh, I'm so stupid about computers, I just skipped The Computer Column." This article gives explicit instructions for doing the conversion by hand as well as using the program I wrote.

*The Follow Up* is not cheap; we have to charge a great deal for each issue. Don't you think you owe it to yourself to at least skim through each and every article? And for those of you who did skim the article and stopped at my warning that the program was specific to Southern California racing without reading on to see that I provided a clear procedure to tailor the program to any track, shame on you. Of course we aren't going to write an article about a procedure that can only be used at three tracks in the country.

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Mail on the article I printed on the Diamond Procedure has been running about 60-40. Against. Most of the people who tried it found it didn't work as well for them as what they were doing before. Some, on the other hand, found it was very helpful indeed. Just about what I expected. I am however, annoyed about two things. First off, that so many of you ignored my advice and started using it at the track instead of giving it a workout on paper first. Do you think I print warnings about doing this just to take up space? Anyone who takes any new program or procedure to the track without checking it out for 100 races or so on paper is a fool, and has only himself to blame for any losses. It's too much work, it takes too long, I don't have the time, the losers whine. Either make the time, do the work, or don't blame others when you fail.

The other thing that really disappointed me was that several people were pissed off because I dared to print a procedure that was not straight "party line." This isn't how the Doc teaches it, so it shouldn't be printed. An attitude that has stifled growth and progress throughout history. It isn't in the Bible, so it must be wrong. It isn't like I learned it, so it must be wrong. The "experts" don't do it like that, it must be wrong. Any deviation must be treason.

Howard is a most creative and brilliant individual, and I love him like a father, but he isn't perfect. He may be the touchstone of the Methodology, but even he doesn't know everything about even his own programs. If we are content to merely follow the "party line," we will limit ourselves to making progress only as fast as one man can work. If we all join in the spirit of exploration, and each try to make the Methodology just a little bit better, then our potential is unlimited.

All of which means that I'm going to continue to piss people off. In the past, I've pissed off some of the best. Howard for one; several times. Jim Bradshaw gets so mad at what I print sometimes, he can hardly talk. Bob Purdy threatened to shoot me. All in a day's work for a valiant crusading editor who believes his job is to keep expanding our horizons, to keep things exciting. From such controversies comes progress. Without it, there is only stagnation.

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## LAS VEGAS SEMINAR UPDATE

Apparently, we have scheduled just too much. What with New Orleans, Expo 90 (not ours, but lots of you attended), and the upcoming events in Kansas City and Saratoga, it appears Las Vegas will be a flop. Maybe flop is the wrong word. It will be very lightly attended. So far, we have only about 60 people signed up. This is great for those who do attend, as they will get lots of personal attention, but not so good for PIRCO. We'll definitely lose money on this, but of course Doc insists on carrying on. We may be forced to cancel the banquet, but the show goes on.

However, as we don't want to go to all the trouble of putting on one of these things if no one wants to come, Saratoga will be our last seminar of the year. We normally have a Las Vegas seminar in the fall, but we just decided to cancel it. If you live on the west coast and want to attend a seminar this year, this is your last chance. We still have lots of space available, and hotel rooms shouldn't be a problem. You can register up to the last minute, or even at the door. We will be introducing the new version of Synergism, one that uses many of the things we have learned developing ENERGY! and plan special ENERGY! workshops as well. I hope a few more of you decide to take advantage of this opportunity. Almost every winner in PIRCO will tell you that it was a seminar that turned them around and set them on the path of winning.

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Enough bitching and griping. Consider my spleen vented. I want to close with a short thought from Expo 90. When I walked into the demonstration room, my little laptop under my arm, to talk to anyone interested in the Methodology, I was startled to see all the heavyweight computers set up around the room. Huge 386 machines downloading information from national and local databases, multiple pass regression models fine tuning track profiles, betting recommendations down to the nearest dime. It seemed that "they" had caught up with, or even surpassed, the Methodology.

Then I got to talking with some of the other exhibitors. And more revealing, with some of their customers. Yes, some of these computer programs are very advanced. Many of them show a very significant flat bet profit. And almost no one is winning with them. In the end, it comes down to a lack of emphasis on the psychological aspects of investing at the races, together with a real dependence on the computers to make decisions for the user. After a while, I began to realize two things. We have little to fear from the various programs being so vigorously flogged out there, as few of their users will ever believe in them enough to hurt any prices. The second is that we are all so very fortunate to have stumbled across Howard and his magic method. Magic not because it is so much stronger at picking horses, but because it is so much stronger at making winners.



Announcing the  
**Brohamer Lecture Series**  
on the Basics of Thoroughbred Handicapping

Normally, I don't announce the upcoming Beaumont workshops in *The Follow Up* because most readers live too far away to attend, and once they are held, they are no longer news. I'm making an exception this time because I feel that this series of lectures will be the most important and valuable classroom sessions we have ever held.

Tom Brohamer, undoubtedly the most articulate speaker in PIRCO, is headlining a four session overview of pace handicapping. Tom plans to provide a complete "soup to nuts" handicapping course that will blend traditional concepts with the Methodology. Most of the course material will be generic to the handicapping puzzle, and not Methodology specific. Anyone who has ever heard Tom speak knows that this is an opportunity to learn handicapping from the beginning from a man who is probably the finest handicapper in the country today.

Tom plans to cover such diverse topics as: identifying contenders, paceline selection, ESP as a framework for analysis, form improvement/decline, par times, a mechanical variant, using the *Racing Form* variant, track to track adjustments, class rises/drops, age distinctions and much more. Tom will provide samples of each problem, and will also handicap several races "live" that are running that day; before they are run, naturally. This is your chance to look over the shoulder of a master in action, as he takes you through the handicapping process. In all, 24 hours of outstanding presentations

Tom asks that the students make a commitment to attend all the classes, and that for the first three sessions each student bring the Friday and Saturday *Racing Form* (and Sunday's if attending the Sunday sessions), and be prepared to complete the reading and work assignments from session to session. Much of the work will be done using the day's races as examples.

The fourth, and final session of the series will feature Doc, Dan Doran and Dick Schmidt on the Psychology of Winning and all aspects of money management, including win, place, show and exactas. They will present practical procedures that anyone can use to conquer fears and doubts. Learn how to master your impulses, control your betting and behave like a professional at the track. Without slighting Tom in the least, I can say that this will be the most valuable session you have ever attended.

The four sessions will be held on the following weekends: May 5-6, May 19-20, June 2-3 and June 23-24 (we'll pause for television coverage of the Derby and Preakness. Tom will go over both races, and satellite wagering will be available). As usual, the Sunday session will be a repeat of Saturday, though in this case, Tom will, of course, be going over different "live" races for the class. Because Tom will be structuring each class as a continuation of the previous lesson, the four part course will be offered only as a series until May 1st. The cost for all four sessions will be \$145. If space permits, individual sessions may be attended at our usual cost of \$45 each. Those buying the entire series will have absolute priority.

As always, the only way to reserve a spot is to send the PIRCO office a check. Because we anticipate an overwhelming demand, we are advising *Follow Up* subscribers before any notice goes out to any other clients. For those of you outside of the Southern California area, we will have the entire series professionally recorded, and tapes and workbooks will be available later in the year. The exact date of release and price will be announced in a future issue.

# Remembrance Of Things Past

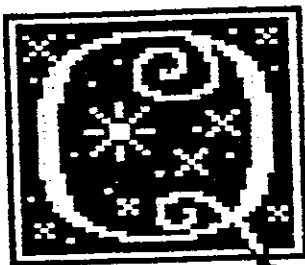
That Are Still Current

by Doc Sartin

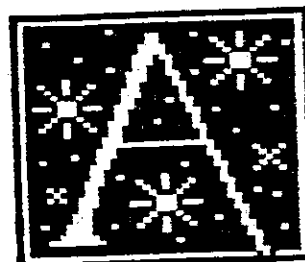
Buried in our original manual is our initial reference to PLACE & SHOW Wagering and some advice on handling those outstanding numerical 3rd Choice horses. I quote:

Proper use of this Methodology will produce an inordinately large number of PLACE & SHOW MUTUELS. On an average this method produces FIVE horses per 20 races that pay in excess of 9 to 1. Some just miss the win and produce PLACE prices of from 6 to 12 dollars with regularity. Each 20 races we also see a bevy of SHOW prices in excess of \$4.00. Clients who bet WIN ONLY are faced with the heartbreak of missing out on horse paying from 12 to 20 dollars to PLACE and 9.40 to SHOW. Therefore, we suggest that when one of your top two selections is going off at 9-2 or better that you back it up to Place & Show with a wager from a SEPARATE alternate bank.

OFTEN a close NUMERICAL THIRD CHOICE (especially 3-3-3 or 3-3-X line score horse, will win because your pace line selection on your NUMERICAL Number 1 horse represents a peak from which it will decline. Hence when a so-called 3rd choice is going off at 4 to 1 or better, we suggest a small ACROSS-THE-BOARD side bet from your alternate bank. Many demand 9 to 2 on such horses which is okay with me.



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## With the Doc

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The questions most asked over the past six weeks is: "How do I fill out the New ENERGY! Report Form?" and, "What do you mean, within ONE of the variegate?"

While this is presently an ENERGY! problem, I'll make the answer available to everyone because ENERGY! is our future, and more and more of you are realizing it.

The accuracy (within one) of the Variegate is one of the primary aspects of ENERGY'S superiority. By within one, we mean this:

The Variegate says:

### EARLY

Consider and Early/Presser or Presser or Sustained Presser if Early Ranking is 1,2, or 3.

### EARLY/PRESSER

Should be interpreted as: PRESSING THE EARLY PACE. A 1,1,3,4 horse is NOT Pressing itself. It is an Early horse that maintains its lead to the second call and then gives ground. A 3,2,2,1, IS pressing the Early Pace.

Within one is as described above, or an Early, or Sustained Presser. Also acceptable: #1 or 2 Hidden.

### PRESSER

This is the best Variegate of all, though unfortunately the race seldom sets up this way. Look for 4-3-2-2-2-x or even 5-4-3-2-2-x. You want the horses whose rankings descend from start to finish. Also acceptable: Early Presser, Sustained Presser and Sustained. Hidden 1 or 2 also a good prospect.



***ENERGY***

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WINS - MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MONTH \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Races Wagered	Number of Wins	Win % Accuracy of Variagate Within 1*	WINS Paragon A #1	WINS Paragon A #2	WINS Paragon B #1	WINS Paragon B #2
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\* see instruction sheet

WINS EXDC Early #1	WINS EXDC Early #2	WINS EXDC Late #1	WINS EXDC Late #2	Variagate In The Money	Energizer In The Money
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Average Mutual	R.O.I
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SUSTAINED/PRESSER

Focus on horses with 1 or 2 Hidden. 1 or 2 Late and a Factor X ranking in the top 3. Within one also includes top 2 Presser, Top 3 Sustained and horse with rankings that improve from Presser on to Late.

SUSTAINED

Can include any horse with no worse than a 3 Sustained, but top 2 Presser, Hidden and/or LATE. To a 3rd ranked Sustained demand higher rankings in Hidden and/or Presser or Late. Within one = Sustained Presser, Sustained & Hidden.

Look for horses ranked in the top 3 Factor X. Sometimes their other rankings may appear mediocre, so check top see WHERE the X was earned: first fraction? Third fraction? Factor X is a vital corollary. Horses with strong Sustained, Hidden or Late, whose UXR number is under .75 must be considered, especially when the Variegate says Sustained or Sustained Presser. Look for horses that have identical EMUV and SMUV numbers. They're in the money 90% of the time when their UXR is under .90. Now here are some examples from clients who have been sending us their reports on the new form. We include the Variegate within one numbers and their accompanying R.O.I.'s.

Thus far I have received 51 reports using the new format. The average Variegate (within 1) Win% is 73. Average mutuel \$10.80. Because clients may play horse other than those within one of the Variegate, the average win proficiency was 64%, with an R.O.I. of 172%.

Next issue, we'll release some Place/Show reports that demonstrate astounding profits from the back holes. I wish you could all listen in on some of the phone calls I get from clients blessing me for bulldozing them into dividing their bank in half, relegating 50% to Place/Show wagering. The results are so staggering that I'm forced to conclude that ONLY STUBBORNESS and clinging to ancient myths is keeping ALL of you from this lucrative venture. Wait till next time when you see some of the Place/Show reports for yourself.



SAMPLE <sup>TM</sup>  
**ENERGY**

WINS - MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORTS - WIN

Number of Races Wagered	Number of Wins	Win % Accuracy of Variagate Within 1*	WINS Paragon A #1	WINS Paragon A #2	WINS Paragon B #1	WINS Paragon B #2
54	34	84%	16	9	11	16
Average Mutual			R.O.I.			
12.21			1.92			

COMMENTS

Hi  
 Top 3 Paragon A - 69% (Left out 5)  
 " " " B - 76% winners  
 Top 3 EXDC early - 65%  
 " " " late - 73% First time using energy!  
 betting real money. My highest ROI  
 ever. Very pleased.

Low

Number of Races Wagered	Number of Wins	Win % Accuracy of Variagate Within 1*	WINS Paragon A #1	WINS Paragon A #2	WINS Paragon B #1	WINS Paragon B #2
21	9	11/32%	3	2	4	1
Average Mutual			R.O.I.			
\$10.80			157%			

COMMENTS

My Lowest 21 Races Ever!

2nd Hi

Number of Races Wagered	Number of Wins	Win % Accuracy of Variagate Within 1*	WINS Paragon A #1	WINS Paragon A #2	WINS Paragon B #1	WINS Paragon B #2
74	49	80	30	21	26	14
Average Mutual			R.O.I.			
11.20			1.85			

COMMENTS

HAD 66.2 ACTUAL WINS PASSED LOW ODDS  
 RACES - OTHERWISE WZ WOULD BE 80%

# The Psychology of Winning

By Howard G. Sartin, Ph.D.

## The Hypomanic Horseplayer

My colleague, Lars Erickson, a doctoral candidate in clinical psychology, elicited my aid in gaining admittance to graduate school so that he could carry on my work with Pathological Gamblers into future generations. For several years, he has accepted the fact that the pathology is NOT gambling. Gambling is merely the manifestation of a pathology. He works with my clients in a large metropolitan center. Like myself, he has enjoyed both success and frustration. But his CURE RATE, as mine, is FAR MORE POSITIVE than our psychiatric counterparts, who cling to the delusion that there is NO CURE, only amelioration through abstinence.

Indeed, mainstream mental health professionals, almost without exception, state that despite their efforts, the number of "problem" gamblers grows "frighteningly" each year. This fact alone should convince them that abstinence is a prescription with worse side effects than Valium. A number of psychiatrists have been indicted and lost their licenses to practice as a result of the indiscriminate prescribing of Valium. To date none have been called before any board for prescribing abstinence.

The dangerous side-effects of abstinence are the same as for any repression of a natural urge: aggression, usually the most unhealthy kind. Since the true disorder is not gambling but obsession-compulsion, repression of one outlet merely precipitates assertion from another; often violence and other anti-social behavioral manifestations far more dangerous to society than "problem gamblers." Try putting a kettle of water over a stove burner without allowing for any outlet of steam. You'll soon have an explosion in your kitchen.

Soon-to-be Dr. Erickson sent me several of his case histories with the following cover letter. References to names and places have been blanked out to insure Therapist-Patient confidentiality.

Mien Herr Doktor,

Autumn went reasonably well at the tracks. Starting with my customary fifty dollar bank on October 1, I managed by the end of the Yakima Meadows meet on December 17, to have amassed \$1,455.30. That's one more quarter's tuition, plus a C note for dinner at this great restaurant we found where you must eat on your trip up here. BEST Italian food north of San Francisco and west of New York.

I hit 62% winners over the entire Yakima meet and 65% at Playfair. (I'd hoped for 70%, but what the hell.) Significantly, though, my anxiety level - and thus my

proficiency - suffered as soon as I started betting big bucks. This stopped me from starting with a \$500 bank and escalating it to \$14,553, over the course of twelve weeks. Still, for a professorial wimp to net \$1,405.30 for twelve weeks on a \$50 bankroll is better than most of my professorial wimp colleagues can do tutoring on the side.

The struggle toward prescribed win proficiency for the group up here, (now numbering 36) continues. As far as I can determine, 14 of us are actually turning a profit. That's 38.8%. Another 13 (36%) are winning enough races but blowing all the money back through their refusal to use proper money management. It seems they cannot stand success. Their Guilt/Shame mechanism compels them to blow their profits on exotics and wild side-bets where they have no demonstrable skills.

Contact with the remaining 9 (25%) while minimal. (They're uneasy around winners) indicates that they are losing. Some of them in a big way, despite their hypomanic assertions to the contrary. My feeling is that, until they, (along with the 36% who are giving it all back through lousy money management,) come to grips with their Losing Gambler (LG) psychopathology - i.e., until their hypomanically-driven denial system can be broken down - they are unteachable.

On the bright side, having almost 39% of our clients, who were previously diagnosed by some well-meaning psychometrician as being pathological gamblers, winning is quite an achievement. About one thousand per cent better than our psychiatric colleagues getting all the big government grants for proving that "abstinence makes the heart grow fonder." You were correct. Most of the non-winners we have been able to convert (9 of the 14) to consistent winners, are schizoid types. Outwardly their behavior seem to parallel the Hypomanic, but their internal articulations are quite different; so when we script positive dialogue for their internal voices, we can turn them into positive expectancy candidates.

My sense is that our clients here do not require more information, although I can't really say that information overload has set in. As far as I'm concerned handicapping success is like success in any other endeavor. A la Winnicott, one's creative potential is tapped only through IMAGINATION born of the ability to access both FANTASY and REALITY - at once! A defect in the reality sense engenders magical omnipotence and hypomania (or worse). A defect in the fantasy sense produces the kind of person who is hidebound by the need for RULES: he wants to put all the horses in a race into the computer and have IT announce the winner. How do I teach them to use their insight (if any), intuition and IMAGINATION? Winnicott would have them in five times a week for intensive Psychotherapy over a



number of years. I am convinced that they CAN benefit from sessions with me. But, as you are well aware, the vast majority of "horseplayers," of which we have a surfeit here, just want you to show them how to cash a ticket in the fifth race.

Erickson's focus on HYPOMANIC relates directly to our assessment of the dysfunctional horseplayer. The term "Hypo" in front of the mania means that the mania is less than psychopathic. The individual can still function normally enough to stay within the bounds of social acceptance. Although his/her spouse, family and close friends openly accuse him/her of being crazy, since they are most often the victims of the mania. I don't find "Hypomaniac" in conventional dictionaries, so let's go to the psychiatric dictionary for a detailed definition of the term. (As usual I have chosen definitions from the classic era. I find them more representative of the BEHAVIORAL aspects with which we are dealing. Contemporary definitions tend to include the orthomolecular factors as favored by the purely medical branch of the psychiatric fraternity.)

**hypomania** (-mā'ni-à), *n.* [*<hypo-* + *mania.*]

[*<Gr. manía, madness, frenzy, mad desire for, <malnesthai, to rage, be furious, be mad.*] The term is commonly used today in conjunction with *melancholia*, since the two states are regarded as manifestations of a single disorder, called manic-depressive psychosis. The principal characteristics of mania are expressed in three fields; of ideas, feelings and motility. Each of the three shows pronounced exaggeration, in the sense that ideas are voluminous, feelings are intensely elevated and there is marked psycho-motor over-activity.

The first sub-definition links Hypomania with the opposite side of its coin, Melancholia, or depression. Many maniacs sustain their mania and are seldom overtly depressed. Others are found most often in the depressed state. It is virtually impossible for anyone to properly handicap and successfully wager in this state. Depression severely augments the fear/anxiety level that is inherent in all speculative ventures.

In the heightened, manic state, normal anxiety is pathologically suppressed and a flagrant disregard for ANY money management is pronounced. Logical handicapping is displaced by wild hunches. Combined, the two conditions produce the kinds of losses that can be permanently destructive to the "horseplayer" psyche. Ironically this conditions sets up the occasional "Big Hit." If this windfall occurs early in the horseplayer's experience, he/she may be doomed to fantasy-land for all time unless treatment is immediately forthcoming. The essence of the hypomaniac manifestations that Erickson refers to lies in this sub-definition:

*ideas of importance, grandiose ideas, the patient expressing delusions of greatness perhaps in all fields; the feelings of well-being are expressed also in the sphere of physical excellence. Often the ideas are reproductions of those relating to infantile sexuality.*

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Grandiosity. We discussed this previously at length in isolating the "dysfunctional horseplayer." Delusions of greatness, also symptomatic of paranoia, cause selective record keeping. The HYPOMANIC individual dwells publicly on his wins, big exactas, et al, and relegates all losses to obscurity. The opposite side of this behavioral coin is the depressed state of the mania wherein the individual focuses pathologically on each failure, discounting wins almost entirely.

One of my most proficient clients has this disorder. He wins regularly, but after any loss goes into a fugue in which he chastises himself as a failure. He then requires psychological rehabilitation from some source, be it from his insightful friends or myself. The final phrase of this textbook sub-definition: - "reproductions of those relating to infantile sexuality" take us back to our discussion of the dysfunctional horseplayer being arrested at the Oral-Narcissist level of behavioral growth.

Note Erickson's statement: "-until they come to grips with their losing gambler (LG) pathology -i.e. until their hypomanically driven DENIAL system breaks down - they are unteachable." He has touched here on the behavioral factor that is instrumental in keeping "horseplayers" in a state of false euphoria wherein they think that just one more piece of INFORMATION will turn them around. If all I'm saying offends you then you have a rigid denial system. A logic tight compartment protecting you against reality. No matter how much information - up to and including being GIVEN the actual winners by an outside authority - will save this kind of person from continuing to lose.

A pertinent example of this is cited by Dr. Mark Cramer. For an extended time period he offered his clients ACTUAL PICKS before the races. While his choices produced a positive return on investment of over 30%, his clients mostly eschewed them for horses that fit their own prejudicial system. Quite simply they did not bet HIS picks because they came as a result of logical, expert analysis rather than from fantasy.

The essence of Erickson's insights is in this paragraph:

My sense is that what our troops up here require is not more information (though I can't say that info overload has set in). As far as I'm concerned, success (whatever that is) in handicapping is like success in any other endeavor. A la Winnicott, one's creative potential is tapped only through imagination born of the ability to access both fantasy and reality - at once. A defect in the reality sense engenders magical omnipotence and hypomania (or worse). A defect in the fantasy sense renders the kind of guy who expects to follow a set of rules, put a race in the computer, and come up with the winner. How do I teach these guys to use imagination? Winnecott would have them in five-times-per-week therapy over a number of years. I'm convinced that, at least, they can benefit from sessions with —  
(me) But, as you're well aware, the vast majority of horse players - of which we suffer form a surfeit — here - just want you to show them how to cash a ticket in the third race. Sigh.

His words, "-the ability to access both fantasy AND reality- at once" is the key to winning. There is nothing wrong with fantasy, or to illusions of greatness, and all the other seemingly negative terminology IF the individual has a sufficient REALITY base to WILL his fantasies come true. Herein lies the difference between the truly GREAT madmen of history who refused to comply with social norms and ACTUALLY CHANGED the norm through their works, and the person with grandiose ideas and fantasies who merely verbalizes such changes. The "horseplayers" dreams can be very noble and healthy if he/she IMPLEMENTS them with procedures dedicated to making the dream come true.

This has conclusively been proved possible. But that possibility must be accompanied by both insight into the self and into the realities of successful handicapping. One of the basic problems stems from the fact that even at the "Expert Professional Level," the art and science of handicapping is permeated by MYTHS that are perpetuated with little change by the "Expert-writers and lecturers" themselves.

Erickson's last reference in the paragraph, seemingly an aside, puts the spotlight on one of a losing horseplayer's chief problems: "They just want you to show them how to cash a ticket in the fifth race." This kind of reasoning dominates contaminated "horseplayer" mentality. Tunnel vision focus on a SINGLE EVENT. They can't see the forest for the trees syndrome. Persons who manifest this disorder get so hung up on winning (or losing) a single event that the outcome dominates their emotions to such a degree that it warps their rational abilities and leaves them judgementally impotent in evaluating subsequent races. They cannot see beyond a single event, do not evaluate their proficiency by a prescribed 20 straight races. A domino effect ensues. The toppling of one event magnifies their contamination and dooms their handicapping skills for future events.

Some identifying characteristics of the "Hypomaniac Horseplayer" are:

1: Incessant conversation & discussion of horses & horseracing. i.e. Monomania.

2: A marked tendency to aggressively impose his/her diagnosis of an upcoming race; to rationalize away losses by saying the horse shoulda won but . . . "

3: An inability to resist the impulse to tout instead of teach. This person loudly proclaims prejudices in the guise of expert analysis. Some

favorite phrases: "I told you so, but you wouldn't listen." And, (after a failure) "Well, anyone with any brains knows why the horse woulda . . . if it weren't for . . . " Trainers, jockeys, track maintenance and stewards decisions are chief targets.

4: Extreme EGO INVOLVEMENT with A Race, as opposed to a series of events. The person acts like he/she is running the race instead of the horse. Typical Phrases: "I like that horse" and "My horse, this or that . . . "

5: An almost pathological need to PICK HORSES, (loudly) as opposed to handicapping and winning wagers on them. This person also has a bevy of reasons, usually backed up by statistics, for betting win only. "Place and show betting is for old women and sissies."

6: The final, tell-tale characteristic: this person seldom has any real hard cash. Borrows frequently, expounds on money matters ostensibly unrelated to racing activities; never picks up a tab and shows no economic evidence of his/her bragged about success at the race track or legal book. (I keep using his/her, but these characteristics are primarily male.);

In Win Therapy, or any other treatment program for Problem Gamblers, there are pertinent personality type distinctions as Erickson has noted.

The prototypical Manic TYPE is physically more muscular, stout and square featured. The Manic type tends to be more outgoing, extroverted and socially integrated. The hail fellow well-met type. The schizoid type, referred to by Erickson, is perceived as lean, angular and more sharp-featured. As a juggler might say, "it's all in the wrists." Maniacs with firm, thicker wrists. Schizoids with wrists thin enough to encircle using only the thumb and forefinger. Remember, these are "prototypical," only, and are based upon ancient physiological topology and any number of fact-based theories extant since the mid nineteenth century.

A more consistently valid distinction between the two types might be simply abstracted as:

Manic types are governed by voices from OUTSIDE themselves.

Schizoid types are governed by voices from WITHIN.

As an added word of caution, we are dealing here with TYPES, not with clinically diagnosed manic depressives or schizophrenics. This is why Erickson uses the term HYPO manic. Meaning less than true manic. Our references to both Manic and Schizoid types are specifically sub-psychotic and topological. No abnormality is even suggested.

Losing is NORMAL. So we are referring to those who fit a social norm. In wishing to deviate from that norm; to become a consistent winner of thoroughbred races AND money, you are seeking an non-normal state.

In distinguishing the two types by their auditory receptivity we cannot discount the great thinkers who were Manic types and SEEMINGLY produced acts and works of genius from internalization. A closer study of such historical geniuses demonstrates that they were prone to verbalize their concepts, "bouncing them off others," as it were, and then hearing it back from an

external voice, even if it was their own. Currie, Einstein, Edison were Manic TYPES. Cassius, the Roman Senator in Caesar's time, was described as having a "Lean and Hungry Look." Shakespeare's description has ever since been the classic definition of the SCHIZOID type.

History has produced many great examples of this type. One most recognizable to all was Jesus of Nazareth. Naturally there is no photographic proof but all descriptions of both words and deeds point to this conclusion. Others include: Francis Bacon, Shakespeare himself, Newton, John Stewart Mill, Machiavelli, Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln (also John Wilkes Booth).

Body topology aside, the hypomanic handicapper is somewhat disadvantaged by the inherent seeking of external voices. He/she is noted for marked alterations in the decision making process as a result of hearing outside opinions. This person is inclined to believe that HUMAN manipulations are more important to the outcome of a race than the ANIMAL factor. A part of the "superiority delusion" of grandiosity, as it applies to "horseplayers," is celebrating the physically expressed, vocalized HUMAN STATE as ultimately superior to all others; including the non-verbalized THINKING STATE. Hence comes the need to focus positively on the manipulative abilities of owners, trainers and jockey's, grooms and other backstretch workers. All this despite the firm statements of such personages as Eddy Arcaro - "Give me the chance to book jockey's bets and I'll be a millionaire." And Charles Whittingham, "The worse horse pickers in the world are in this order: owners, trainers, jockeys."

While heavily dependent on the alleged manipulations of jockeys and trainers, the hypomanic discounts the chart callers and track morning line makers. They are often described as incompetent, half blind and habitually drunk. The hypomanic overly credits one area of human involvement in racing while violently discounting another. But the end result is an inordinate exaggeration of the human influence on the outcome of races.

Since the voices listened to by the hypomanic are saying the same thing as he is, there is little hope for enlightenment or for any concept that might differ from this fixed position. The renewed fad of trip handicapping has accentuated the hypomanic stance. Visual analysis of trips is highly subjective and based on the premise that a perceived "Bad Trip" or "Perfect Trip" will not be repeated next time out. Thus one can grandiosely project something different happening next time based on the subjective illusions of the individual handicapper. If it were necessary to characterize the hypomanic horseplayer with a single phrase, it would be: "highly influenced by subjective, non-reality based, statistics."

Making insightful notes based on observing a race is one thing. Writing a whole new scenario is another and synonymous with creating a whole new universe of fantasy for facts.

To be continued next issue with an examination of the SCHIZOID TYPE.

# Track Records

by Dick Schmidt

By now, most of you are fully aware that the *Racing Form* overhauled the way they calculate their speed ratings. It was made abundantly clear to me at Handicapper's Expo 90 that most "serious" handicappers do not consider this a fit topic for discussion. Anyone using the speed ratings is such an amateur at handicapping that they can be dismissed out of hand.

Again, the Methodology goes its own way. We use the speed ratings, and the track records they were based on, in several ways. PBS numbers come immediately to mind. So does the track to track adjustments of the Match-Up. Starting last year, the *Racing Form* stopped using track records as the basis of their speed rating and variant calculations and began using the best time over the track in the previous three years.

While doing research for his upcoming book on Phase I of the Sartin Methodology that Tom Hambleton is writing with Dr. Sartin and me, he did an extensive comparison of the impact of the new speed ratings. Contrary to the immediate reaction of most clients that any change must be negative, Tom found that the new numbers were actually slightly better at predicting current track to track adjustments than the old track records.

Extensive experiments with PBS numbers also show that they just keep rolling along, the new numbers making them slightly more accurate. The best way to do track to track adjustments is still the procedure that Tom Brohamer developed (based on Andy Beyer's work) that I described in the Match-Up manual. Basically what Tom has you do is find a class level where the tracks on your circuit ship successfully back and forth, then build a par time for each. The difference in par times is your track to track adjustment.

This may be the best method, but what do you do when confronted by a shipper from a track you rarely see. You can't build par times for every track in the country, so using the track records, or three year best times is the next best procedure. As Jim Bradshaw says, it may look crude (as does Jim himself), but it durn sure works.

The use of 3 year bests eliminates the problem of the one exceptional race run years ago under unusual conditions haunting handicappers forever. An example would be the world's record 6 1/2 furlong time of 1:13.3 run at Del Mar a couple of years ago. The track rarely experiences the extreme weather conditions that made that record possible. We'll have to work around it for three years, but then it will fade into history. We still need to be careful, however. Santa Anita (for some reason known only to the *Racing Form* it is out of order on the list) has it's share of problems, for instance. Though the track has been slowed down considerably in the past few years, a new track record of 1:07.1 was set in December at 6 furlongs. This is definitely not a representative time. Even more troublesome was the new Santa Anita turf course, which produced track and world records in bunches for the first month it was in use.

Such problems aside, the track to track adjustments based on 3 year best times are still a viable method, provided a little care is used. Those of you in the East have the advantage here, as your edition of the *Form* prints a chart of the 3 year best times. For those living west of New York, here is a reprint of the times the *Form* is currently basing their speed ratings on.

### 3-YEAR BEST TIMES FOR SPEED RATINGS

Below are the best times for various distances during the past three years at selected tracks on which the Speed Ratings are based and incorporated into the Speed Index.

Track	5 Fur.	5½ Fur.	6 Fur.	6¼ Fur.	7 Fur.	1 Mile	1 Mile, 70 Yds.	1½ Miles	1¾ Miles	1½ Miles
AGUA CALIENTE	:55½	1:02½	1:07½	1:16½	1:23½	1:34	1:38½	1:41½	1:47½	2:02½
AK-SAR-BEN	:58½	1:03½	1:07½	—	—	1:38½	1:40½	1:42½	1:48½	—
ALBUQUERQUE	:57½	1:03½	1:09½	1:15½	1:22½	1:36½	—	1:44½	1:50	2:04½
ARLINGTON PARK	:57½	1:04½	1:09½	1:16½	1:22	1:34½	—	—	1:48½	2:02½
AQUEDUCT	—	—	1:08	1:15½	1:20½	1:32½	—	—	1:47½	2:00½
AQUEDUCT (Inner)	—	—	1:09½	—	—	—	1:41	1:41½	1:48½	2:03½
ASSINIBOIA DOWNS	:57½	1:03½	1:09	—	1:24½	1:36½	—	1:41½	1:49½	2:05½
ATLANTIC CITY	:56½	1:03½	1:08½	1:16	1:21½	—	—	1:41½	1:49½	2:03½
ATOKAD PARK	—	—	1:12½	1:18½	—	1:39½	1:43½	1:46½	1:51½	—
BELMONT PARK	:57½	1:03½	1:07½	1:15½	1:20½	1:33½	—	1:40½	1:46½	1:59½
BEULAH RACE TRACK	:56½	1:03½	1:08½	—	—	—	1:40½	1:41½	1:49	2:01½
BIRMINGHAM RACE COURSE	:57½	1:04	1:09½	—	—	1:37½	1:42	1:43½	1:49½	2:06
BAY MEADOWS	—	1:03½	1:08½	—	—	1:34½	—	1:39½	1:48½	2:01½
BAY MEADOWS FAIR	—	1:01½	1:08	—	—	1:34½	—	1:40	1:46	—
BALMORAL	—	1:05½	1:10½	1:15½	1:24½	1:36½	1:46½	1:44½	1:48½	2:04½
BOISE	:55½	—	—	1:17½	1:23½	1:36½	—	—	—	2:02½
BLUE RIBBON DOWNS	:57	1:03½	1:09½	—	1:24½	1:36½	—	1:44½	1:51½	2:05½
CANTERBURY DOWNS	:57½	1:02½	1:08½	1:14	—	1:35½	1:41½	1:41½	1:47½	2:05½
CHURCHILL DOWNS	:58½	1:04½	1:09½	1:16	1:22	1:35½	—	1:42½	1:49½	2:02½
COLUMBUS	—	—	1:12½	1:18½	—	—	1:44½	1:47½	—	—
CALDER RACE COURSE	:59½	1:05½	1:10	1:17	1:23	1:38½	1:42½	1:44½	1:51½	2:05½
CHARLES TOWN	—	—	—	1:18½	1:24½	—	—	1:44½	1:53	2:08
DELTA DOWNS	:59½	—	—	1:19½	1:26½	1:39½	—	1:45½	1:57½	2:11½
DELAWARE PARK	:58½	—	1:09½	—	—	1:36½	1:41½	1:42½	1:50	1:59½
DETROIT	:58	1:04½	1:09½	—	—	1:37½	1:41½	1:44	1:49½	2:08½
DEL MAR	—	1:02½	1:08	1:13½	1:20½	1:33½	1:40½	1:47	—	—
ELLIS PARK	:57½	1:03½	1:09½	1:15½	1:21½	1:34½	—	—	1:47½	2:03
EXHIBITION PARK	—	—	1:10½	1:15½	—	—	—	1:42½	1:48½	—
ERIE DOWNS	:58½	—	—	1:19½	1:25½	1:38½	—	1:46½	—	—
EUREKA	—	1:06½	1:12	1:18	1:25½	1:44½	1:46½	1:51½	1:56½	—
EVANGELINE DOWNS	:58½	1:05	1:11	—	—	1:40	1:43½	1:46½	1:54½	—
FORT ERIE	:57½	1:04½	1:10	1:17½	—	—	1:42½	1:44	1:53½	2:06
FERNDAL	:58½	—	1:15	1:19½	1:25½	—	—	1:47	1:53½	—
FAIR GROUNDS	—	1:04½	1:09½	—	—	—	—	1:43½	1:50	2:05½
FINGER LAKES	:57½	1:02½	1:09½	—	—	1:36½	1:41½	1:43½	1:50½	2:05½
FAIR MEADOWS TULSA	—	1:05½	1:13½	1:18½	—	1:39½	—	1:47½	—	—
FRESNO	:56½	1:02½	1:08½	—	—	1:35½	—	1:41½	1:47½	2:03½
FONNER PARK	—	—	1:10	1:17	—	1:37	1:40	1:45	1:51½	—
FAIRMOUNT PARK	:56½	1:03½	1:08½	—	—	—	1:39½	1:40½	1:47½	2:03
FAIRPLEX	—	—	1:09½	1:15½	1:23½	—	—	1:42½	1:49½	—
GREAT FALLS	1:00	—	—	—	1:25½	—	1:45½	1:48½	1:57½	—
GOLDEN GATE FIELDS	:57	1:02½	1:07½	—	—	1:33	—	1:39½	1:45	2:01
GULFSTREAM PARK	:59½	—	1:09	—	—	—	—	1:42½	1:47½	2:00½
GREENWOOD	—	—	—	1:17½	1:21½	1:34	—	—	—	2:03½
GRANTS PASS	1:02½	1:06	—	1:16½	—	—	—	1:46½	—	—
GARDEN STATE PARK	:57½	1:03½	1:08½	—	—	1:35½	1:40½	1:41½	1:49½	2:00½
HARBOR PARK	—	1:09½	1:15	1:23½	1:28	1:42½	—	—	—	—
HAWTHORNE	:58½	1:04½	1:08½	1:14½	—	—	1:39½	1:41½	1:49½	2:00½
HIALEAH PARK	:58½	1:02½	1:08½	—	1:20½	—	—	1:41½	1:47½	1:59½

HOLLYWOOD PARK	:56 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08	1:15	1:21	1:32 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:40	1:46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:59 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†JEFFERSON DOWNS	—	—	—	1:18	1:24 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	—	2:06 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
KEENELAND	—	—	1:08 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:15 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:21 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:41 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:08 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†LOS ALAMITOS	—	—	1:09 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:15	1:22 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:41	1:46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
LOUISIANA DOWNS	:57 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:04 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:16 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:22	—	1:41 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:42 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:50 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†LA MESA	:56 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:24 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:37	—	1:44 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:50 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
†NUEVO LAREDO	:57 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
LONGACRES	:57	1:02 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08	1:14 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:40 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:47 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:02 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†LINCOLN STATE FAIR	—	—	1:11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:37	1:40 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:44 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:53 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
LAUREL RACE COURSE	:58 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:05	1:09	1:15 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:21 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:35 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:42 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:48 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:01 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†MARLBORO	—	*1:08 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:21 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:42 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	*2:02 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†MARQUIS DOWNS	—	1:04 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:11	1:22	1:24 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:43 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:49 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
MEADOWLANDS	:56 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:08 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:35 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:39 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:41 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:47	1:58 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†METRA PARK	1:00	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:26 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:48 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:54 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
†MEXICO CITY	:56	1:03	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:24	1:38 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:44 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:50 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:02 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†MARSHFIELD FAIR	*1:02 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	*1:24 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	*1:53 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—
MOUNTAINEER PARK	:57 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:38	1:42 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:45 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:50	2:05 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†MT PLEASANT	1:01	1:07 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:14 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
MONMOUTH PARK	:57 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:39 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:41 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:47	2:02 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†NORTHHAMPTON	*:56	—	—	*1:21	—	—	—	1:49 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—
†NORTHLANDS PARK	—	1:05 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:36 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:43 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—
OAKLAWN PARK	—	1:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:34 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:40 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:46 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
PENN NATIONAL	:57 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:04	1:09	—	—	1:40 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:40 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:42	1:49 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:04 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
PHILADELPHIA PARK	:56 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:15 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:21 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:36 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:40 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:41 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:47 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
PIMLICO	:57 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:05	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:44 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:40 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:47 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:01 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†PLAYFAIR	—	—	1:09 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:35 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:39 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:42 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:49	—
PLEASANTON	—	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09	—	—	—	1:39 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:43	1:47 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
PORTLAND MEADOWS	—	1:06 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:45 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:52 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:06 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
PUERTO RICO	:59 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:05 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:22 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:43	1:51 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
†PRESCOTT DOWNS	:59 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:05	—	—	1:25 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:47 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:56 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
PRAIRIE MEADOWS	:57	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:35 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:41 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:43 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:48 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:05 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†QUEENSBURY	:59 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	1:26	—	—	1:45	1:53 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
RIVER DOWNS	:58	1:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:36 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:40 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:42 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:51 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:03 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†RILLITO	—	*1:06 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:17 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:23 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:38	—	1:45 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:52 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
ROCKINGHAM PARK	:58 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	—	1:43 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:52	2:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
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ROLLIE WHITE DOWNS	—	1:07 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:13 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:20 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:26 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:41 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	—
SANTA ANITA PARK	—	1:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:07 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:14	1:20 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:33 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:40 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:47 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:58 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
SACRAMENTO	:56 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:02 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:34 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:41	1:46 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:01
†SAGEBRUSH DOWNS	—	—	—	1:17 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:23 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:38 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	—	—
†SALEM	—	1:05 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	*1:12 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:39 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:47 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—
†SANDOWN PARK	—	—	1:11 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:18 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:44	1:46 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—
SARATOGA	:56 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:08 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:16 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:21	—	—	—	1:47 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:00 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
SANTA FE	:57 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:22 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:42 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:51 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:06 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
SAN JUAN DOWNS	—	—	1:11	1:16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:23 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:35 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:52 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:05 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
†SOLANO	—	1:02 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:35 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:41 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:50 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
†SPORTSMAN'S PARK	—	—	1:10 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:17	—	1:37 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:44 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:49 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
†SANTA ROSA	—	1:02 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:08	—	—	1:35 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:40 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:49 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	*1:59 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
STOCKTON	:56 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:36	—	1:41 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:50 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
†STAMPEDE PARK	—	1:05 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:35 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:42 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:47 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—
SUN DOWNS	—	1:10	1:14 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:19 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:28 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:41 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:41 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:59	—
SUFFOLK DOWNS	:59 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:04 <sup>4</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	—	1:37 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:41 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:42 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:49	2:07 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
SUNLAND PARK	:58 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:03 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:10	1:16 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:37 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:44 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:49 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:05 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
TAMPA BAY DOWNS	:57 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	—	1:23	—	—	1:43 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	1:50 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>	2:09 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>



### 3-YEAR BEST TIMES FOR TURF COURSE SPEED RATINGS

Below are the best times for various distances during the past three years at selected tracks on which the Speed Ratings are based and incorporated into the Speed Index.

Track	5 Fm.	5½ Fm.	7 Fm.	1 Mile	1 1/16 Miles	1 1/8 Miles	1 3/16 Miles	1 1/4 Miles	1 1/2 Miles	1 3/4 Miles
ARLINGTON PARK (Main)	—	—	—	1:35 2/5	1:41 1/5	1:48 1/5	1:55 1/5	2:02 2/5	—	2:29
ARLINGTON PARK (Inner)	—	—	—	1:36 1/5	1:43 1/5	1:50 1/5	—	—	—	—
AQUEDUCT	—	—	—	1:37 1/5	1:42 1/5	1:50 1/5	—	—	2:15 1/5	2:30 1/5
ATLANTIC CITY	—	1:01 1/5 *1:02 2/5	—	1:35 2/5 *1:36 1/5	1:42 *1:44 1/5	1:49 1/5 *1:52 1/5	1:52 1/5 *1:58 1/5	—	—	2:31
BELMONT PARK (Main)	—	—	1:21 1/5	1:33 1/5	1:40 1/5	—	—	—	2:14 2/5	2:26
BELMONT PARK (Inner)	—	—	—	—	1:41	—	—	2:00	2:12 1/5	—
BEULAH RACE TRACK	—	—	—	1:35 2/5	—	—	—	—	2:12 1/5	—
BAY MEADOWS	—	—	—	1:34 2/5	1:41	1:50 2/5	—	—	2:16 1/5	—
BAY MEADOWS FAIR	—	—	—	1:34 2/5	1:41 1/5	*1:46	—	—	*2:17 1/5	—
CANTERBURY DOWNS	—	—	—	1:34	1:41	—	—	—	2:15 1/5	—
CHURCHILL DOWNS	—	—	—	1:36 1/5	1:39 1/5	1:48 1/5	—	—	—	2:30
CALDER RACE COURSE	—	—	—	1:33 1/5	1:39 1/5	—	—	—	—	2:25 1/5
DELAWARE PARK	—	—	—	*1:34 1/5	*1:43	*1:43 1/5	—	—	—	*2:30 1/5
DEL MAR	:56 4/5 *56 2/5	—	—	1:35 1/5 *1:35 1/5	1:42 1/5 *1:41 1/5	1:48 1/5 *1:49 1/5	—	—	2:21 1/5	2:31 *2:30 1/5
FORT ERIE	1:00 1/5	—	*1:22 2/5	1:37 1/5	1:43 1/5	—	—	—	2:13 1/5	—
FAIR GROUNDS	—	*1:05	—	*1:38 1/5	*1:44 1/5	*1:50 1/5	—	—	*2:22 1/5	*2:36 1/5
GOLDEN GATE FIELDS	—	—	—	1:34 1/5	1:41 1/5	1:49 1/5	—	—	2:14 1/5	2:28
GULFSTREAM PARK	—	—	—	1:34 1/5 *1:35 1/5	1:40 1/5 *1:42 1/5	—	—	—	—	2:25 *2:29 1/5
GARDEN STATE PARK	:56 1/5	—	—	1:35 1/5	1:42 1/5	1:48 1/5	—	—	2:16	2:32 1/5
HAWTHORNE	—	—	1:23 2/5 *1:25	1:33 1/5 *1:37	1:41 1/5 *1:44 1/5	1:47 *1:50 1/5	1:59 1/5 *2:08 1/5	2:05 1/5 —	2:15 1/5	2:29
HIALEAH PARK	—	1:01 1/5 *1:03 1/5	—	—	1:39 1/5 *1:40 1/5	1:46 1/5 *1:47 1/5	1:53 1/5 *1:54 1/5	—	—	2:25 1/5 *2:29 1/5
HOLLYWOOD PARK	—	—	—	1:32 1/5	1:39	1:45 1/5	—	1:58 1/5	—	2:24 1/5
KEENELAND	—	—	—	1:38 1/5 *1:40	1:43 *1:43 1/5	1:48 1/5 *1:49 1/5	—	—	—	2:31 *2:32 1/5
LOUISIANA DOWNS	—	—	—	1:35 1/5 *1:33 1/5	1:41 1/5 *1:40	—	—	—	2:13 1/5 *2:17 1/5	— *2:30 1/5
LAUREL RACE COURSE	—	1:04	—	1:34 1/5	1:39 1/5	1:46 1/5	—	2:00 1/5	—	2:32 1/5
MEADOWLANDS (Main)	:56	—	—	1:34	1:39 1/5	—	—	—	2:14 1/5	—
MEADOWLANDS (Inner)	:55 2/5	—	—	1:34 1/5	1:40 2/5	—	—	—	2:16	—
MONMOUTH PARK (Main)	:56 *58 1/5	—	—	1:35 *1:37 1/5	1:41 1/5 *1:44 1/5	1:49 1/5	—	—	—	—
MONMOUTH PARK (Inner)	:55 1/5 *57	—	—	1:34 1/5 *1:36 1/5	1:41 1/5 *1:42	1:49 1/5 *1:49 1/5	—	—	2:21 1/5	—
PENN NATIONAL	:56 1/5	—	—	1:35 2/5	1:40 1/5	—	—	—	—	2:29 1/5
PHILADELPHIA PARK	:56 1/5 *56 1/5	—	—	1:36 *1:40	1:41 1/5 *1:44	1:50 *1:50 1/5	—	—	2:17	2:29 1/5 *2:31
PIMLICO	:57 1/5	—	—	1:35 1/5	1:41 1/5	—	—	—	—	2:28 1/5
RIVER DOWNS	:56 1/5	—	—	1:34 1/5	1:41 1/5	—	—	—	—	2:29 1/5
ROCKINGHAM PARK	—	—	—	1:37 1/5	1:42 1/5 *1:44 1/5	1:51 1/5 *1:47 1/5	—	—	—	—
REMINGTON PARK (Main)	—	—	—	1:36 1/5	1:42 1/5	1:47 1/5	—	—	—	—
SANTA ANITA PARK (Main)	—	—	—	1:32 1/5	—	1:45	—	1:57 1/5	—	2:22 1/5
SARATOGA (Main)	—	—	—	—	1:39 1/5	1:46	1:54	—	—	—
SARATOGA (Inner)	—	—	—	1:34 1/5	1:41 1/5	1:48 1/5	—	—	2:14 2/5	—
SUFFOLK DOWNS (Main)	*57 1/5	—	—	*1:39 1/5	*1:45 1/5	—	—	—	—	*2:33 1/5
TURF PARADISE (Main)	:57 *58 1/5	—	1:23 *1:25 1/5	1:35 1/5 *1:38 1/5	1:42 1/5 *1:45 1/5	1:48 *1:52 1/5	—	—	2:18 1/5 *2:22 1/5	2:29 1/5 *2:34 1/5

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Bally's Las Vegas	Katherine Manix	739-4111	3645 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Bally's Reno	Joy Olsen	789-2000	2500 E. 2nd Street; Reno, Nev. 89595
Barbary Coast	Robert Muniz	737-7111	3595 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Binion's	Eric St. Clair	382-1600	128 E. Fremont; Las Vegas, Nev. 89101
Caesars Palace	Lou D'Amico/Eddie Clark	731-7110	3570 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Caesars Tahoe	Gene Kivi	588-3515	P.O. Box 5800 Hwy. 50; Stateline, Nev. 89449
Club Cal Neva	Debbie Trombetti	323-1048	38 E. 2nd Street; Reno, Nevada 89501
Circus Circus	Don Lanners	734-0410	2880 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Desert Inn	John Van Rhyn	733-4444	3145 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Edgewater	Sid Diamond	298-2543	P.O. Box 642; Laughlin, Nev. 89029
El Cortez	Walt Wylczewski/ Jackie Gaughan	385-5200	600 E. Fremont; Las Vegas, Nev. 89101
El Rancho	Ted Shively	798-2222	2755 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89101
Fremont	Jeff Garrett	385-3232	200 Fremont Street; Las Vegas, Nev. 89101
Frontier	Lenny Del Genio/Bob Smith	794-8200	3120 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Gold Coast	Hank Heffron/Tom Timko	367-7111	4000 W. Flamingo; Las Vegas, Nev. 89103
Golden Nugget	Jimmy Vaccaro	385-7111	129 E. Fremont; Las Vegas, Nev. 89101
Harrah's Reno	Joe Bachmar/ Tex Singletary	786-3232	P.O. Box 10; Reno, Nev. 89520
Harrah's Tahoe	Dave Maloney	588-6611	P.O. Box 8 Hwy 50; Stateline, Nev. 89449
Harvey's Resort	Bryan Lowry/Mike Knapp	588-2411	P.O. Box 128 Hwy 50; Stateline, Nev. 89449
High Sierra	John Wallace	588-6211	P.O. Box C Hwy 50; Stateline, Nev. 89449
Holiday Casino	David Lee	369-5000	3475 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Imperial Palace	Kirk Brooks	731-3311	3535 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Jerry's Nugget	Tyke Karavas/Jim Stahl	399-3000	1821 N. Las Vegas Blvd.; N. Las Vegas, Nev. 89030
Las Vegas Hilton	Art Manteris/Roger Sims	732-5111	3000 Paradise Road; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
LeRoy's	Vic Salerno	382-1561	114 S. First Street; Las Vegas, Nev. 89101
Marina	Ranson Brown	739-1500	3805 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Palace Station	Keith Glantz/Jim Graziano	367-2411	2411 W. Sahara; Las Vegas, Nev. 89102
Poker Palace 89030	Mickey Coleman/Bob Sells	649-3799	2757 Las Vegas Blvd. N.; N. Las Vegas, Nev.
Reno Hilton	Gary Martin	322-1111	P.O. Box 2071; Reno, Nev. 89505
Reno Turf Club	Jeff Siri	329-6633	2901 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Riviera	Jack Lysaght	734-5110	2535 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Sahara	Frank Weatherholt	737-2111	5111 Boulder Hwy.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89122
Sam's Town	Tony Paonessa	456-7777	P.O. Box 2291; Laughlin, Nev. 89029
Sam's Gold River	John Cotton	298-2422	3355 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
Sands	Bob Gregorka	733-5000	2800 E. Fremont; Las Vegas, Nev. 89104
Showboat	Charlotte Riek	385-9123	3000 Las Vegas Blvd. S.; Las Vegas, Nev. 89109
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A Short History of 20th Century Handicapping as

# An Introduction To ENERGY!

by Doc Sartin

The efficiency of the Pari-Mutuel Market is determined by the Handicapping public's comprehension and use of effective handicapping procedures. The LESS efficient the public market, the more profit to the skilled, contemporary-thinking handicapper.

Since the turn of the century there have been six significant concepts that have affected this market. The first was the hand timing of races by Pittsburgh Phil. Since his information was not available to the public, Phil and his cohorts capitalized on the average bettor's ignorance. The market was inefficient and the owners of esoteric information thrived. When hand clocking and later the electric timer, were introduced, the public caught up. The market became relatively efficient. Phil & Co. lost their edge.

The next cycle was introduced by the Midwest "Speed Boys," Levine, Fink, et al. They capitalized on the public's inability to adjust raw speed times by the element of track surface variant. The market became inefficient. The "speed boys" cleaned up. The situation lasted only as long as it took for a few enterprising analysts to figure out how the adjustment figures were made. They capitalized on selling the information. The public bought and soon the market efficiency balance was restored.

Cycle number three came with the innovative class figures promoted by Robert Saunders Dowst. A Horse's earnings per start and win percentage relative to class level, were the foundation of Dowst's era. Until he published his concepts in several books, the followers of Dowst created an inefficient market in their favor. They profited hugely. Then the public caught on. The market again stabilized.

Ray Taulbot ushered in the fourth cycle when he introduced an element of PACE into his writings. Taulbot was not a pace purist. He still gave final time equal weight. But by incorporating second call time into his final time analysis, he led a following that once again created an inefficiency in the pari-mutuel market. When he introduced his pace calculator to the readership of the racing periodical, *American Turf Monthly*, he made the public aware of his edge and a relatively efficient market returned.

By now the race-going population had increased dramatically. More people were reading the old handicapping books and an age of eclecticism emerged. The public was divided between speed, class and pace influenced speed figures. The efficiency of the pari-mutuel market declined for almost a decade and the higher priced winners belonged to the BEST practitioners of the three procedures.

Tom Ainslie came along in the late 1960's wrote the first truly literate works on handicapping. He synthesized the basics of class, speed-with-variant and final time plus pace with statistical analysis and objective information. He contributed greatly to an era of better informed handicappers but not to the efficiency of the pari-mutuel market. He did, in fact, divide it further so the market remained moderately inefficient until the mid 1970's.

Andrew Beyer, a brash, articulate and charismatic Harvard drop-out literally burst upon the handicapping scene. He ignored class and repudiated pace entirely. He introduced a whole new concept of speed handicapping, gave new values to a length and created projected final times through a complex, self-wrought variant making process.

Beyer soon amassed a cult following who took advantage of the subsequent inefficiency in the pari-mutuel market. His work quite possibly did more to upset market efficiency than any of his pioneering predecessors. By 1982, as a result of Beyer's flamboyant monetary successes, his books and his adherents, the procedure for making his figures became public domain. Gradually the pari-mutuel market returned to a point of relative efficiency.

Concurrent with the rise of Beyer, a former NASA Space technician, Huey Mahl, was conceptualizing a pace hypothesis without any deference to final time. He became the first to introduce a PURE pace concept. He also debunked the ancient myth that a length equals a fifth-of-a-second rule and introduced rate of velocity. Instead of gauging velocity by the amount of time taken to run a given segment of a race, he measured the rate of that time in miles per hour, which we later transposed to feet-per-second.

In short, Mahl conceptualized a process that was directly opposite to Beyer's. But, since Mahl did not, as Beyer had done, present a specific process for IMPLEMENTING his ideas, they had no impact on the pari-mutuel market until 1982. At that time, sanctioned by Mahl, the Sartin Methodology appeared on the scene. At the outset, it synthesized Mahl's, hypothesis into a methodological procedure; advancing on its own to more sophisticated compounding of Incremental Velocity into unique formulae.

Since 1982 a variety of viable and bastardized versions of that methodological procedure have dominated the advertising pages of the Daily Racing Form and direct mail. As a result, incremental velocity, or pace will, in the next four years, become a dominant factor designated to become the sixth cycle of pari-mutuel market efficiency. Horses that paid double-digit figures in 1982 are slowing approaching the dreaded level of first and second favorites. \$6.80 payoffs lie in the future of strict velocity pace handicappers. The efficiency of the market is slowly gaining on the "Pace."

We have seen it coming and long ago prepared ourselves to deal with it. As we begin a new decade we must seek a seventh cycle ten years in advance of public acceptance and knowledge: an avante garde look at the same information available to the public but viewed from another mountain. Class, speed and incremental rate of velocity must still be acknowledged in a manner that optimizes their proven viability, yet they must be further interpolated to focus on the essence of their value as opposed to their current numerical significance.

All previous dominant handicapping procedures have been LINEAR-VISUAL. Their appeal lay in the "horseplayer's" demand for simplicity and a rule-oriented structure based on extant knowledge. The rules were based on Euclidian mathematics, Newtonian physics and contemporary linear logic.

With the proliferation of computer technology, mankind is now able, for the first time, to adapt the thought processes toward the NON-LINEAR. Two and two no longer have to logically equal four. One two may have a non-linear value in excess of the other two. Final time, incremental velocity, notions of variant and bias are subject to synergetic factors that disdain common logic and the accepted values of contemporary mathematics and physics.

The new era of handicapping will introduce procedures that are based on the circular dynamics of the Einsteinian energy hypothesis. Its creators and developers will refrain from writing books available to the handicapping public, foregoing fame and profit. The procedure has been copyrighted, trade-marked and patented as a means of protecting its users from the kind of carnage that has dissipated the profit potential of all previous handicapping milestones.

This new era procedure is called E N E R G Y ! (tm). It is an EXCLUSIVE property of PIRCO and the Inland Empire. Every legal means will be pursued to prevent ENERGY! from being pirated as were Phase III and Synergism. (Decoded and being peddled by cab drivers in Las Vegas.) ENERGY! has a small coterie of users at the moment. It has received many testimonials. Here is one from the simplest of men, a janitor in a post office in Virginia just outside Washington D.C.

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Dear Doc

"I Am a Winner!"

The Energy program has made  
~~a winner~~

I want to thank you for  
not giving me my money  
back.

I am now committed to  
the energy program.

Why I wanted my money  
back, my problem was money  
but the energy has taking  
care of that.

I thank with all my heart.

I Am a winner

Yours truly  
Michael Enamato

# Book Review

by Doc Sartin

## The Silva Mind Control Method 3 Contiguous Volumes

About three years ago I made reference to a popular self-help therapy technique that, diligently applied, could work wonders in attuning the individual to higher mental resources, utilizing intuition, insight and right brain cognition for selecting contenders and pace lines with little or no effort. It was the *Silva Mind Control Method*.

Influenced by my brief description of this method, Rev. Bert Mayne entered into training, and has subsequently become a certified Silva instructor. In early 1990, he offered classes on both coasts to our clients, in which he stressed the power of the Silva Method as an aid to handicapping. Some of our clients availed themselves of this training and testified to its IMMEDIATE effectiveness. (One client wrote that while it didn't help his handicapping, it made him stop beating his wife.)

Some clients are still receiving direct handicapping benefits from their training because they continued practicing Silva techniques long after the Rev. Bert's departure. For others the experience was ephemeral simply because after the glow of the seminars wore off, they became their old left-brain, non meditating selves. A few called me to ask how they could tell if they were in alpha, a vital aspect of Silva training. My answer was if you have to ask or even think about it, you are not in it.

One purpose of Silva is to teach one how to get into the alpha meditation state and to achieve right brain perceptions at will. The scientific term for this is hemisync. It means that both left brain cognition and right brain ethereality are functioning to the maximum benefit of the individual. In such a state cognitive and intuitive powers are unleashed and such decisions as contender and pace line selection abilities are optimally enhanced. We are essentially a left brained nation functioning on beta brain waves. Elementary and high school curriculums are built around us being in this state. It is essential for driving on the expressways and protecting ourselves in a basically predatory society.

We're constantly on guard and victims of what Wilhelm Reich called: ARMORING. Inflexibility: Rigidity of both mind and body characterizes our mass behavior. Armoring is the chief cause of arthritis, heart disease, hypertension, stomach disorders, hemorrhoids and some cancers. Non structural disorders such as alcoholism, narcotics addiction, functional psychosis and gambling neurosis (losing) can also be traced to this source.

In his three volumes, Silva tries to lead us toward a life-style in which we can avoid as much as possible, considering the social demands of our

culture, all stress related malfunctions of both mind and body. His procedure is designed to put us in tune with "The Other." For some, "the other" may be an anthropomorphic God, the Cosmos or the God that lurks deeply in the psyche of most of us.

I say most of us because there is a condition, described in medical terminology as C.P.I., Constitutional Psychopathic Inferior, in which the individual is totally incapable of accessing "The Other," is not responsive to moral, spiritual or any other value system beyond pure stimulus and response. All men (women) are NOT created equal, except perhaps, in the eyes of the creator.

Silva is geared to the Western Culture mind. Because of this, Eastern (Asia, et al) mind orientations are prone to discount it in favor of Transcendental type meditation. Its Western mind set makes it comparable to Harvard Medical School's Dr. Herbert Benson's *Relaxation Response*, also discounted by Eastern Philosophers. Ironically, women respond far more readily to Silva and Silva type procedures.

It is NOT true that women are inherently more intuitive than men. Centuries of male dominated societies have made it essential for women to sharpen their intuitive powers in self-defense. Except for those very few female clients who came to us to wallow in therapy, manifesting the old "gee you're wonderful, doctor" syndrome, our female clients have had little trouble in utilizing the right brain or getting into an Alpha state to pick contenders and pace lines. As a result, our female clients are statistically far more proficient than their male counterparts.

Why is this? The answer can be summed up in two words: MALE MACHO. Macho or machismo is decidedly a left brain, beta wave condition. It creates a condition in which the client subjectively argues against vital areas of the Methodology; A.P.V. being foremost. Males are more prone to accept the words of right brained, beta wave male authority figures. Consequently they are more susceptible to trainer, jockey, Andy Beyer, Tom Ainslie, etc., concepts than to our own alpha, right brain, non-linear conceptualizations. They buy the Methodology, but start fighting it at the outset and then wonder why they cannot win as prescribed. I make out the prescription, but they don't bother to get it filled. We cannot place blame on a medicine we refuse to take.

I heartily recommend that you explore the Silva Mind Control Method through reading the three contiguous Silva books. They are available in most bookstores. If Silva turns you off, try reading Dr. Robert Anthony's *Success Therapy* books. They sell at a rate of almost a million copies a year in paperback. Anthony is a colleague of ours, a client and a very successful handicapper. For more detailed information of Silva Mind Control and its direct applications to handicapping, write Rev. Bert Mayne. P.O. Box 103, Carlisle, N.Y. 12031. Phone (518)234-4953.

Editor's Note: Bert is planning at least one more Silva course designed with the handicapper in mind later this year if enough people are interested. Contact him if you would like to attend.



THE TRACK PROGRAM MORNING LINE  
Five Lowest Odds

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by Tony Walker

Here are the results of the 1989 Fall meet at Yakima (YM) in Washington. Seven weeks of Fall, 1989 racing. Good mutuels, good exotics, with good old Pacific Northwest track conditions: couple of days of fast tracks then to muddy tracks and then slow or good tracks then back to fast.

My Yakima track is called a "bush " track. It runs a couple of months in the spring and a couple of months in the Fall. Our big track in Washington is Longacres (LGA) which is a medium class track. It runs all summer. Charter Member Ginny Butler and I handicap both tracks during the year. This article summarizes a project that I did at YM track with just one tool from Sartin Methodology.

Howard has given us many very good tools to work with. One of them is the "5 Lowest Morning Line Odds in the Race Program". Not the form, but the racing program. He states that "the Winner" is in the 5 lowest odds from 75% to 86% of the time throughout North America. He's correct, as usual.

The results here are amazing so let's look at them. 298 races run in seven weeks. I tracked the day, week, track condition, date, distance, Mon. races, claiming, and stakes, tabulating the horse, place horse and show horse; along with the daily double, exacta and trifecta. Here are the results:

298 Races Total: 5 lowest odds in program!

WIN HORSE =	248 RACES OUT OF 298 RACES = 83.2%
PLACE HORSE =	215 RACES OUT OF 298 RACES = 72.1%
SHOW HORSE =	206 RACES OUT OF 298 RACES = 69.1%
DAILY DOUBLE =	18 RACES OUT OF 28 RACES = 64.2%
EXACTA =	161 RACES OUT OF 271 RACES = 60%
TRIFECTA =	9 RACES OUT OF 28 RACES = 32.1%

So, Doc strikes again! Not only is the winner in the top 83%, but place, show, Daily Double, Exacta, and Trifecta are also within his prescribed parameters that the weather, class of race, or day or week had no real effect. Even distance didn't effect the results. All from the "5 Lowest Morning Line Odds in the Race Program"! Think about it next time you are throwing out horses in a race! (((((WARNING! THIS IS A TOOL AND NOT A RULE!)))))) You should experiment with this at your track. Keep records and find out for yourself what the percentage is.

Now what if you could put a few more tools together and handicap a race to get even better results! Maybe APV/CLASS, E-S-P, THE =/O's, PBS Numbers, and do Match-Up of the race for the right contenders. Just think of the results you could have. But you have to do the work and know what tools are most effective and how to use them properly.

The win, place and show horses do exceptionally well with this tool. Daily Double over half the time, exactas 161 out of 271 (not bad), but the trifecta 9 out of 28 races not exceptional. As I said it takes more than one tool and to get the right contenders. The tools do the work, but you have to know how to make them work for you. Howard and the PIRCO Teachers are always trying to find ways to teach us the tools but if we don't believe in ourselves when we use them or, God forbid, we know and use them correctly but forget our MONEY MANAGEMENT, we're in trouble. We can do it, Day in and day out. I do it every racing day; so can you. A little studying, work and understanding go along way.

Good handicapping to you! Have a profitable year! Joe Reay has Seminar audio tapes for sale so invest in some knowledge. I do and it pays at the track. Also the Follow-Up is a must if you plan to keep up with the current news, seminars and current news of PIRCO. It's just like The Wall Street Journal. You have to stay in tune to what is happening or you miss the boat!

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Dear Dick,

Here, as threatened, is the next epistle according to Thomas.  
(Doubting no more)

The example that I am trying to picture is the pace behavior of a horse as it is faced with various race paces. The basic fact-as put forth by the famous horse psychologist, Sartin- is that all horses try to do the same thing all the time. This means that an early horse will try to run in front of any horse, a presser will press any horse, and a sustained horse will ignore the race just as it ( he,she?) always does. So, when there is a difference in the performance of the horse, it is primarily due to the circumstances of the race that it has found itself in, and not due to jockey switches, trainer moves, dope cartels, or the tide. All of the required data is contained in the past performance lines in the racing form. The measure of performance is the Quickpace score based on the method presented in the matchup manual and rewritten by me in Follow Up Issue 15.

I have used as a basis the par time tables that accompany Tom Brohamer's excellent variants. It really doesn't matter what basis is used, as long as the relationship between third fractions is preserved within the sprint and route structure.

The accompanying graph shows a plot of the last five races for each of the contenders in a recent sprint race at Santa Anita. The vertical scale is Quickpace, a measure of the horse performance. The larger the number, the better the horse has run. The number is the sum of the second call score and the FFER of Tom Hambleton. The horizontal axis is race pace, the second call pace score that the horse faced when he produced his Quickpace. Each point represents a single race for each horse, so there are about twenty-five pace lines (five for each horse) plotted on the graph. This is not a handicapping tool, it is a tool for visualizing why pace is the only way to get the right answer to the handicapping problem.

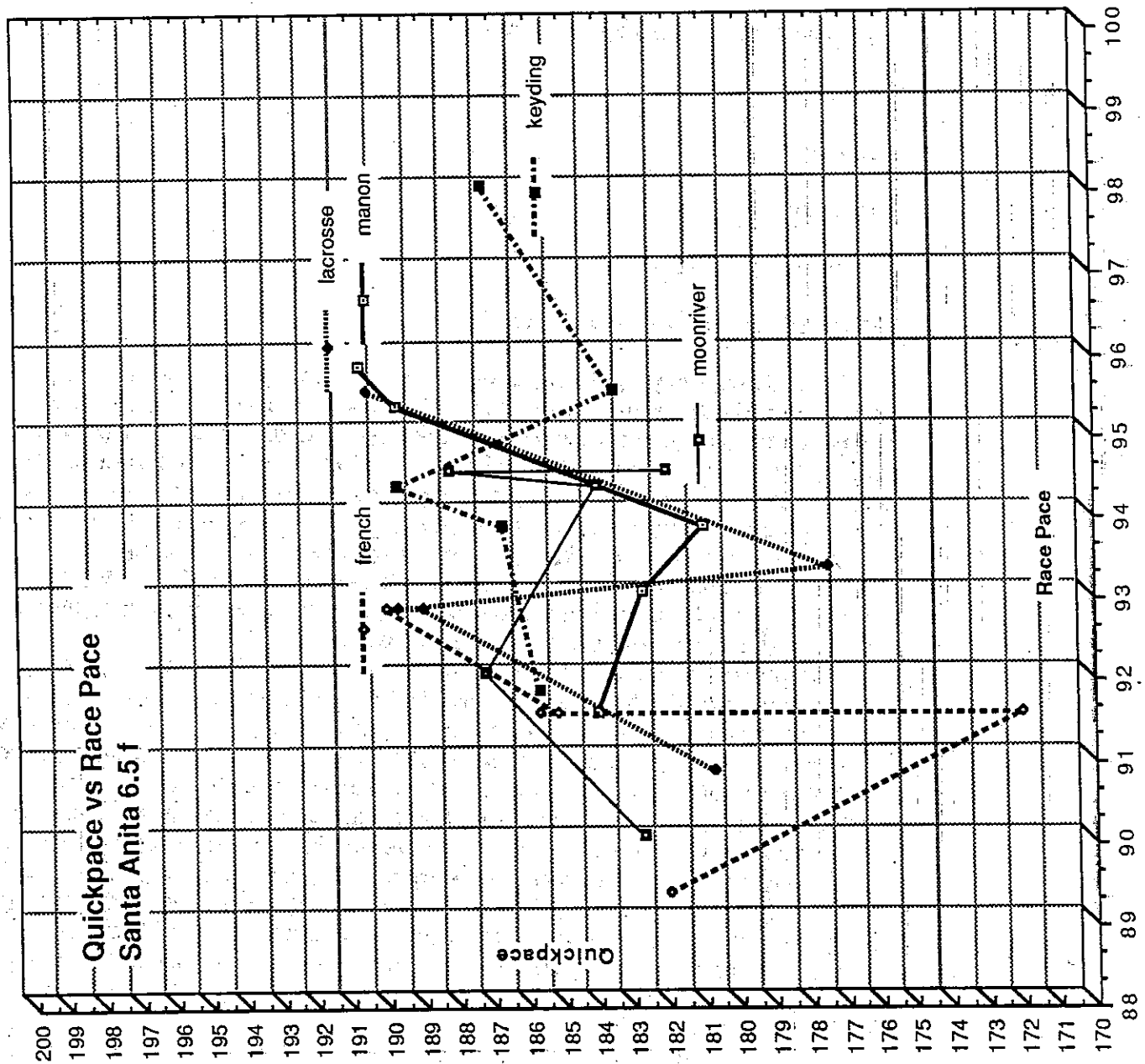
The lines are not smooth, and if they were, we would probably be cheating as my old lab instructor used to say. But they do tell a story for each horse. The fastest pace horse is keyding ,who has run a 98 with a Quickpace of 187. The highest Quickpace horse is manon

who achieves this rating at a race pace of just under 96. We can see that at any pace higher than 94.5, manon has the highest Quickpace. So if the race pace is 94.5 or higher, we would choose manon as the projected winner. How do we get the race pace? From the past performance lines, we note that manon is an early horse, and will dictate the pace of the race. From the procedures given by Pizzola, we can project a conservative estimate of today's pace as 95.5. So the race pace will be controlled by manon, who is also the highest Quickpace horse. But, you say, keyding has a higher race pace. Yes, and keyding also is a sustained presser, so it will run behind manon, and will never catch up because of its lower Quickpace.

The general shape of a given horse's Quickpace versus race pace graph is a tip-off as to the running style of the horse. If the line goes sharply up and to the right, the horse is an early horse, and will try to set the pace. If the line goes across the graph in a level fashion, then the horse is probably a sustained horse. This is due to the fact that an early horse runs a faster second call as the race pace increases, whereas the sustained pace horse runs essentially the same race irrespective of the race pace. There is a limit to the pace that a horse can sustain, and this will exhibit itself in an early or presser horses graph as a sharp dip at the right extreme of the graph. This is the type of early horse that can run a high Quickpace score if the pace is soft enough, but will collapse if faced with too fast a pace. French is an example of such a horse in the example race.

The race results showed that french went out to get the lead, and crumped completely in the stretch to let manon win, with lacrosse second and moonriver third.

*Yours Truly, Tom Barber*



## A Tribute to Bob Purdy

By a recent beneficiary of The Sean David Purdy Memorial Fund

### WINNERS

by Pat Coyle

(Summertime waiter at an Omaha restaurant three blocks from Aksarben.)

"How was your day at the track?"

"Terrible"

"Lousy"

"Bad footing"

"\*!@%\*& JOCKEY!"

"Corrupt track - the races are fixed!"

This was my typical question followed by some typical excuses I so often hear in the restaurant where I am a summertime waiter. After a day at the track, the masses filed in to get their fill of booze, food and consolation from each other. Virtually all of them told of misfortunes that they had encountered. I, being the unlucky person, was given the task of playing host to this motley crew of "horseplayers". They came in all shapes and sizes and from all over the country, with one thing in common, a seeming inability to enjoy themselves and accept the order in which the ponies finished. My job was to welcome them and try to soothe their mental anguish that seemed to fester like an open wound.

A brief introduction about myself would probably help one to understand my critical evaluation of the "horseplayer." At this time in my life, I spend the summer months trying to build up a money reserve for my college education. I attend a large school in Kansas and participated in college athletics. The cost of education being so high and the limited time I had to build up my bank account, forced me to hold two jobs and work up to 80 hours a week. Needless to say, I was often very tired and behind my mask of consoling, I had very little sympathy for the people that had lost due to any factor they could think of. Not to say that there aren't people who go to the track and simply enjoy themselves and are fun to be around. I enjoyed meeting many of these folks, but I developed a tainted vision of the "horseplayer." to me, the "horseplayers" were the people that put the word SORE in front of LOSER.

Then, just like anything else, when you try to write something off as a loss, someone appears to renew your faith in it. for me, this someone was Bob Purdy. It was just another Thursday night in Omaha, Nebraska. I had worked long hours in the sun and was now in the midst of my own race; the

track rush. the Drover, my place of employment, seemed to be the popular place for horsepeople and "horseplayers" from Ak-sar-ben. I was busy serving dinners and filing glasses when the hostess seated six gentlemen in my section. I remember hearing someone say they were "players", so I approached them with my prejudices in tact. When I reached this group, I quickly realized that my visions would be dropped and my prejudices forgotten. I was immediately introduced to them and impressed by their attitudes. These men were high on life, not bitter about their day at the track. In fact, there was little mention about the track. There was an absence of familiar complaints dealing with horses and jockeys alike. It was simply a group of successful people that enjoyed what they did and did very well at it. I remember this clearly, because some of the people I knew commented on how lucky I was to be associated at that time with the likes of these men. I was invited to sit with them and enjoy some conversation and lots of laughter.

There are three men I will never forget from that summer night in Omaha. Howard Sartin, the quiet statesman that was filled with seemingly endless knowledge; Jim Bradshaw, a charismatic man filled with strong beliefs, a teacher; and Bob Purdy, the confident leader, epitomizing life in its fullest. His glow of confidence seemed to touch everyone around him and make them feel better about themselves when with him. I sat there that night and absorbed a bit of what they were all about. They strive for excellence and they scorn defeat. They felt so strongly about themselves, and about each other, they dared anyone or anything to try to beat them. After sitting for awhile I could see why other people feel so strongly about them. The evening ended, and like the gentleman they are, they graciously awarded those of us who had served them with a very healthy gratuity. When they left the restaurant people commented on how classy a group they were. I'd said success is their suit and they wore it well.

In the days to follow, I became much closer to this group, especially Bob Purdy. Bob was an ex-marine that had fought for our country and was now happily married with two children living in California.. bob, being blessed with handsome looks and a confidence second to none, also had one of the biggest and most sincere hearts I have ever encountered. I learned a lot from Bob. He taught me that the measure of success was not strictly in your wallet size. He reassured me that your family and your friends are much more important than material worth. At the end of the weekend, we said our "good-days but not good-byes."

I have been able to keep in touch with Jim and Howard on an annual basis. Bob and I have been able to stay in touch on more of a regular basis. All of the thing that Bob told me showcased themselves when the loss of life struck Bob's son, Sean. He was killed in a senseless auto accident. A devastating blow to the Purdy family was realized by all who knew how close his family was. True to his words, his family's strength and the support of his friends held Bob and his family together. So strong was Bob and his family, they were able to have a graduation party at their home in memory of their son, so his friends could once again feel the Purdy spirit. I was never lucky enough to meet this young man, but I have continually heard that he was out of the same mold that Bob came from. His death was

truly a tragedy, not only for those who knew him, but for those of us who never got the chance to meet him.

It is truly a rarity that the likes of a Bob Purdy comes around. There has been a scholarship fund set up in the memory of Sean Purdy, to commemorate his life. And in true Purdy fashion, to help others who are in need of funds to realize their own dreams of success.

I have not been able to see Bob since the tragedy, but we have always kept in touch. I feel stronger than ever about the quality of Bob Purdy and those people who surround him. It is not often that one gets to call someone like Bob Purdy a friend, let alone just meet someone of his calibre. I feel that I have been blessed with this friendship and wish that everyone was fortunate enough to have the same.

Jim Bradshaw and Howard Sartin are nothing short of true gentlemen and scholars in my eyes. I have nothing less than an abundance of love and admiration for Bob Purdy. but the thing that I think will always register in my mind when recalling these men will be that they were true WINNERS, not only on the track, but more so in life. For this reason I take off my hat and pay them my respect, and hope that someday I will be able to give the same to some young man that these men have given to me.



# Making Winning Decisions

by Steve Panico

The reason why most people struggle with the Methodology, in particular the ENERGY! program, is because they cannot identify the true contenders. Concerning adjustments, things have not changed much since Ultra Scan. You lose one race, go back over it using manual adjustments for no good reason other than they are there and lo and behold, the program has the winner on top. So you start adjusting everything in sight. Naturally, you lose again, and find that the automatic adjustment would have produced the winner. You get yourself all screwed up, start a losing streak, get depressed and can't decide how to adjust (or not adjust) any race. Of course, you immediately start to blame the program.

The reality is that the program works just fine. It is you who cannot pick true contenders and pacelines. Wake up, leave Oz behind and get back to Kansas and reality. What amazes me is how people forget everything else they have learned and try to take shortcuts by throwing every horse in the race into their computer and expecting (hoping for?) a miracle. This is not only counterproductive, it's down right stupid. No race ever run ever had 7 or 8 true contenders (Breeder's Cup included). If you ever do find one, pass.

Let's review two races run at Aqueduct. I arranged to meet several ENERGY! users to try and correct some of the problems that they had been complaining about. Here are a couple of races they had problems with. I hope that you all can gain some benefit as well.

The first race was run over the Aqueduct main track on Nov. 27th. One of the first things I ask myself about every horse in any race I look at is: "What is its form cycle?" Is it improving or declining? What do I project it to do today? Believe it or not, this is much easier at the lower class claiming levels. One of the tools I use at this level is to record how many winners repeat a win in their next start. At the \$14,000 claiming level at Aqueduct, there were 23 races run, and 1 repeat winner. 4.3% repeaters.

When I first looked at this race, something leaped off the page at me. I remembered what Jim Bradshaw told me when we were handicapping a Saratoga race two years ago. He told me to always watch the first fraction. If a horse does not have to run as fast today, it will save that energy and use it later in the race.



# AQUEDUCT

1/8 MILES  
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START FINISH

1 1/8 MILES. (147) CLAIMING. Purse \$15,000. Fillies and mares, 3-year-olds and upward. Weights: 3-year-olds, 120 lbs. Older, 122 lbs. Non-winners of two races at a mile or over since November 1, allowed 3 lbs. Of such a race since then, allowed 5 lbs. Claiming price \$14,000; for each \$1,000 to \$12,000, allowed 2 lbs. (Races when entered to be claimed for \$10,000 or less not considered.)

Coupled—Francis Manor and Forlionjuli.

## L'il Princess Lisa

Own.—Schwartz Arlene

B. f. 4, by Princely Native—Pirate Den, by Big Spruce  
Br.—Schwartz Arlene (NY)  
Tr.—Schwartz Scott M

\$14,000

Lifetime	1989	13	1	2	1	\$17,420
37	3	7	5			\$74,040
117						\$20,860
68-18 Francis Manor 1131 L'il Princess Lisa 1131 Rapid Ryder 1172 Game try 6						
69-18 Daughter's Halo 1176 Knight Minstress 1081 Rapid Ryder 1172 Slow st. 10						
72-16 She's Available 1122 Concorde Cndy 1102 Dugher's Hlo 1172 Four wide 11						
56-27 OhHowWeDncd 1104 Grop 1171 L'il Princess Lisa 1141 Mild response 12						
70-20 L'il Princess Lisa 1122 Ain't Thl Wicked 11700 Finl Guerr 11700 Driving 14						
77-18 Dizzy Dixie 1171 Stief Stef 1171 Creme Royale 1171 No excuse 8						
58-18 Winter Lodge 1170 Legal Streak 1172 Cayman Queen 1170 Wide, tired 12						
53-22 Creme Royale 1089 Whata Femme 1154 Far Away Lassie 1130 Tired 7						
47-24 Olgiata 11217 L'il Princess Lisa 1131 Whata Femme 1102 2nd best 7						
73-21 Hi Chi 1195 Carnival Pursuit 1151 Roman Ruins 1091 Weakened 9						

Speed Index: Last Race: -14.0

3-Race Avg.: -13.0

6-Race Avg.: -16.5

Overall Avg.: -15.5

LATEST WORKOUTS Nov 20 Aqu 4f st: 50% B

Oct 15 Aqu 4f st: 48% H

Sep 28 Aqu 5f st: 1:01% H

## Francis Manor

Own.—Bauer R J

Dk. b. or br. m. 5, by Stone Manor—Francis Fair, by Bagdad  
Br.—Panorama Farms (NY)  
Tr.—Dutrow Anthony W

\$12,000

Lifetime	1989	18	2	3	4	\$27,625
46	8	7				\$85,750
1105						\$140,135
68-18 Francis Manor 1131 L'il Princess Lisa 1131 Rapid Ryder 1172 Driving 6						
70-16 She's Available 1122 Concorde Cndy 1102 Dugher's Hlo 1172 Outrun 11						
60-19 ShDonHimWrong 1174 Knight Minstress 1080 Mntly 1173 Fell back 11						
69-25 Ruler's Award 1134 Francis Manor 1113 Mattazad 1132 2nd best 9						
77-22 Francis Manor 1113 Stately 1151 Madam Magoo 1110 Driving 7						
73-21 Lady Charles 1158 Francis Manor 1113 Alcon's Friday 1111 Mild rally 8						
68-22 Significant Que 1172 Charmir Win 1123 Francis Manor 1117 Weakened 7						
68-16 The Real You 1153 Antiqua Wnds 1114 Francis Manor 1153 Belated bid 9						
52-23 In Dawn's Light 1133 Significant Que 1154 The Real You 1153 Tired 8						
69-17 Prattler 1133 Debutante Lady 1131 Far Away Lassie 1122 Lacked fin. bid 12						

Speed Index: Last Race: -13.0

3-Race Avg.: -16.0

10-Race Avg.: -12.6

Overall Avg.: -12.6

LATEST WORKOUTS Nov 19 Bel 4f st: 50% B

Nov 11 Bel 4f st: 50% B

Oct 23 Bel 4f st: 50% B

## Lady Ironside

Own.—Rathbun Mrs H T

Gr. m. 6, by Iron Constitution—Lady Nurse, by Run For Nurse  
Br.—Albert Dianne (NY)  
Tr.—Rathbun Gordon

\$14,000

Lifetime	1989	7	0	0	0	\$2,880
33	2	1	6			\$3,960
10710						\$3,510
68-18 Francis Manor 1131 L'il Princess Lisa 1131 Rapid Ryder 1172 Eased 10						
63-19 Dncing Socks 1171 Coo's Fether 1127 Pducu's Couch 1171 Gave way 7						
69-25 Ruler's Award 1134 Francis Manor 1113 Mattazad 1132 2nd best 9						
77-22 Francis Manor 1113 Stately 1151 Madam Magoo 1110 Driving 7						
73-21 Lady Charles 1158 Francis Manor 1113 Alcon's Friday 1111 Mild rally 8						
68-22 Significant Que 1172 Charmir Win 1123 Francis Manor 1117 Weakened 7						
68-16 The Real You 1153 Antiqua Wnds 1114 Francis Manor 1153 Belated bid 9						
52-23 In Dawn's Light 1133 Significant Que 1154 The Real You 1153 Tired 8						
69-17 Prattler 1133 Debutante Lady 1131 Far Away Lassie 1122 Lacked fin. bid 12						

Speed Index: Last Race: -18.0

3-Race Avg.: -29.3

5-Race Avg.: -34.6

Overall Avg.: -26.5

LATEST WORKOUTS Nov 19 Bel 4f st: 50% B

Nov 11 Bel 4f st: 50% B

Oct 23 Bel 4f st: 50% B

## Flashy

Own.—Handfield Alice J

Dk. b. or br. f. 3 (Mar), by Nasty And Bold—Ebony Necklace, by Droll Role  
Br.—Gallagher's Farm (NY)  
Tr.—Gross George F

\$13,000

Lifetime	1989	11	3	0	2	\$15,915
11	3	0	2			\$15,915
113						\$15,915
74-20 Flashy 11423 Elegant Sunshine 1143 Jet Beware 1140k Going away 8						
77-26 Flashy 11423 Candalera 11423 Mary Capulet 11614 Driving 8						
74-23 Spilled Wine 11443 Daring Dream 1102 Flashy 1153 Mild gain 9						
78-11 French Chic 11514 Queen Of The Ring 11317 Low H Affir 11513 No threat 9						
80-14 Flashy 11823 Entirely Yours 110k Kokomo Daydream 1142 Driving 11						
69-10 Danzarina 1182 Whirlwind Dignit 1182 I'm Marvelous 1093 Tired 12						
64-15 Flag Football 1178 Wonderand 1173 Bold Melanie 1170 No excuse 12						
68-11 Silverholme 11620 Old Diamond 10713 Externally Hopeful 11161 Outrun 11						
72-24 I'm In Celebration 1217 Orteen 1213 Flashy 1162 Wide, tired 7						
48-23 Holly Ball 11624 Peaceful Treasure 1133 Social Life 1167 No threat 12						

Speed Index: Last Race: -6.0

3-Race Avg.: -2.0

3-Race Avg.: -2.0

Overall Avg.: -11.9

LATEST WORKOUTS Nov 20 Bel tr. 5f st: 1:04 B

Nov 4 Bel tr. 3f st: 37% B

Oct 22 Bel tr. 6f st: 1:19 B

## Debutante Lady

Own.—Paccione Stella

Dk. b. or br. f. 4, by Raised Socially—Woodbine Lady, by Nearctic  
Br.—Turner Frank D (Ky)  
Tr.—Guillo Thomas J

\$12,000

Lifetime	1989	17	1	4	2	\$24,740
28	2	5	2			\$5,770
113						\$30,510
60-16 Francis Manor 1131 L'il Princess Lisa 1131 Rapid Ryder 1172 Outrun 6						
58-16 Daughter's Halo 1176 Knight Minstress 1081 Rapid Ryder 1172 Outrun 10						
61-19 ShDonHimWrong 1174 Knight Minstress 1080 Mntly 1173 Far back 11						
52-25 Ruler's Award 1134 Francis Manor 1113 Mattazad 1132 Duckd out str. 9						
74-22 OhHowWeDncd 1104 Dugher's Hlo 1083 Debutante Lady 1133 Off slowly 9						
64-28 Far Away Lassie 1130 Debutante Lady 1133 April Jovee 1143 Just missed 8						
52-26 Debutante Lady 1133 Far Away Lassie 1133 Gucci Gal 1172 Drew off 6						
63-20 April Jovee 1133 Debutante Lady 1133 Grand Knights Wife 1174 Gamely 9						
50-21 Knight Minstress 1104 Perjuror 1100 Gucci Gal 1152 Tired 11						
74-17 Prattler 1133 Debutante Lady 1133 Far Away Lassie 1122 Second best 12						

Speed Index: Last Race: -22.0

3-Race Avg.: -22.0

10-Race Avg.: -17.8

Overall Avg.: -17.8

LATEST WORKOUTS Nov 20 Bel tr. 5f st: 1:04 B

Nov 4 Bel tr. 3f st: 37% B

Oct 22 Bel tr. 6f st: 1:19 B

Oct 12 Bel tr. 5f st: 1:05 B



Well, folks, this is a textbook example. The first fraction of Lil' Princess Lisas' last race was exceptionally fast. They normally run about a 47 first fraction in these two turn routes. After I finished looking at the race, I was left with two contenders for win, and one other horse a possibility for place. Take that, Bradshaw! Anyway, let's go through the process I used to analyze the race.

First off, look over the race and the client's pacelines and readout (Printout #1). This is the kind of printout all too many of you are familiar with; every horse in the race is entered. Let's try to weed out the obvious junk first.

Starting from the bottom, Flashy, Bount and Lady have no 1's or 2's so, as Howard recommends, we'll throw them out. Their uXr's and Muv's are poor, which confirms our decision, and their Factor X rankings are low. Very rarely will a winner come from the bottom of the Factor X rankings at Aqueduct. Continuing on up the ladder, Knight is our best Presser and best Sustained. Of course, she stays in. Debutante has nothing to recommend her, so out she goes. Tzar we'll keep, as she is ranked second in both Presser and Sustained. She's Available is tied with Tzar for second Presser, but the flow of her rankings (3-2-6) indicates that she'll make a move in the second fraction, but fail to sustain it. Her uXr is quite good, but her adjusted Lex is the worst in the field. Out she goes. Lil and Fran have ones and twos in Early and Factor X, so of course they stay.

Now, we have eliminated all but four horses, so let's look at printout #2. ENERGY! variegates the race as Presser. We have Tzar and Knight as our two top pressers, and their uXr's look strong. So you bet your money and, hey surprise, you lose! Why? Because you still have non contenders in the machine. Remember our statistic on repeat winners at this level at Aqueduct? Francis Manor just won at this level, and doesn't figure to be able to repeat. Tzarade is also coming off a win, but is shipping in from the Meadowlands. This is a slightly different proposition, so I left him in, especially for exacta possibilities. We don't really need to run just two horses through the machine, but printout #3 shows you what you wind up with if you do.

We have all had the opportunity to learn the Match-Up. If you can match up fifths of a second in the Racing Form, why not velocity or energy figures in the dream race in your handicapping program. Don't shut off your brain once you load up the computer. ENERGY! is the closest thing to a panacea ever devised, but why make it strain? Help it out by studying your Racing Form. Keep the repeat winner stats for every class level at your track and see if it doesn't point you away from any number of low price false favorites. The client who attended the races with me started keeping this statistic when I showed him why I didn't feel Francis Manor would win.

#1

E N E R G Y  
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Race: 112789 Dist = 9.0 FURLONGS Comments: 1 AQU

Name	Total	RAW Median	Factor X
SHE	159.28	68.36	66.90
KNIGH	158.16	67.41	67.51
TZAR	157.46	67.61	67.75
LADY	156.53	68.57	66.94
BOUNT	155.88	69.04	65.91
LIL	154.51	68.15	70.09
FLASH	154.51	68.09	67.31
FRAN	154.42	67.90	70.02
DEBU	153.06	68.14	69.41

Name	Total	Automatic ADJUSTED Median	Lex
SHE	159.47	68.19	31.80
KNIGH	158.72	66.92	33.07
TZAR	158.25	66.92	33.07
LADY	157.63	67.60	32.39
BOUNT	157.18	67.88	32.11
LIL	156.25	66.61	33.38
FLASH	156.25	66.55	33.44
FRAN	156.19	66.34	33.65
DEBU	155.25	66.18	33.81

Face	F 1	Matchup F 2	F 3
LIL	37.38	33.51	32.35
FRAN	37.05	29.28	31.35
DEBU	36.47	29.70	30.92
SHE	35.17	33.01	31.55
LADY	35.01	32.59	30.98
TZAR	35.01	31.91	32.05
KNIGH	34.67	32.25	32.35
FLASH	34.61	31.94	31.17
BOUNT	34.36	33.51	30.43

Name	Variou Units of Energy Emuv	Smuv	uXr
KNIGH	0.111	0.111	0.222
TZAR	0.076	0.170	0.246
SHE	0.000	0.254	0.254
LIL	0.030	0.424	0.454
FRAN	0.069	0.388	0.456
LADY	0.091	0.527	0.618
DEBU	0.091	0.546	0.636
FLASH	0.157	0.533	0.689
BOUNT	0.046	0.659	0.705

PARAGON A	PARAGON B	ENERGIZER	VARIEGATE
LIL	KNIGH	LIL	Presser

RANKINGS  
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	E P	F R	H E	S P	L X	F X	Muv
	===	===	===	===	===	===	===
LIL	1	3	8	4	6	1	0.00
FRAN	2	3	7	3	4	2	0.96
SHE	3	2	2	6	3	6	3.89
TZAR	4	2	3	2	2	4	4.67
DEBU	5	7	7	7	8	3	2.97
KNIGHT	6	1	1	1	1	5	5.53
LADY	7	6	5	8	7	7	6.02
BOUNT	8	4	4	9	9	9	7.48
FLASHY	9	5	6	5	5	8	7.51

Paragon A

Paragon B

LIL  
FRAN  
TZAR

KNIGH  
TZAR  
FRAN

#2

ENERGY  
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Race: 112789 Dist = 9.0 FURLONGS Comments: 1 AQU

Name	Total	RAW		Automatic ADJUSTED	Name	Total	Median	Lex
		Median	Factor X					
KNIGH	158.16	67.41	67.51	KNIGH	158.46	67.15	32.84	
TZAR	157.46	67.61	67.75	TZAR	157.99	67.15	32.84	
LIL	154.51	68.15	70.09	LIL	156.00	66.83	33.16	
FRAN	154.42	67.90	70.02	FRAN	155.94	66.56	33.43	

Pace	Matchup		
	F 1	F 2	F 3
	37.50	32.36	32.45
LIL	37.51	29.32	31.22
FRAN	37.17	29.38	31.46
TZAR	35.13	32.02	32.16
KNIGH	34.78	32.36	32.45

Name	Varius		
	Units of Energy	Emuv	Smuv
KNIGH	0.081	0.081	0.162
TZAR	0.047	0.140	0.187
LIL	0.000	0.393	0.393
FRAN	0.039	0.357	0.395

PARAGON A	PARAGON B	ENERGIZER	VARIEGATE
LIL	KNIGH	LIL	Presser

RANKINGS  
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	E P	P R	H E	S P	L X	F X	Muv
	===	===	===	===	===	===	===
LIL	1	3	4	4	4	1	0.00
FRAN	2	3	3	3	3	2	0.96
TZAR	3	2	2	2	2	3	4.56
KNIGHT	4	1	1	1	1	4	5.54

Paragon A

LIL \_\_\_\_\_  
FRAN \_\_\_\_\_  
TZAR \_\_\_\_\_

Paragon B

KNIGH \_\_\_\_\_  
TZAR \_\_\_\_\_  
FRAN \_\_\_\_\_

#3

E N E R G Y

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Race: AQ1127 Dist = 9.0 FURLONGS Comments: 1 AQU

Name	Total	RAW Median	Factor X
KNIGH	158.16	67.41	67.51
TZAR	157.46	67.61	67.75
LIL	154.51	68.15	70.09

Pace	F 1	Matchup F 2	F 3
LIL	37.46	32.32	32.42
TZAR	35.08	31.98	32.12
KNIGH	34.74	32.32	32.42

Name	Total	Automatic ADJUSTED Median	Lex
KNIGH	158.56	67.07	32.92
TZAR	158.09	67.07	32.92
LIL	156.09	66.75	33.24

Name	Variou Units of Energy Emuv	Smuv	uXr
LIL	0.000	0.393	0.393
TZAR	0.046	0.140	0.187
KNIGH	0.081	0.081	0.162

PARAGON A	PARAGON B	ENERGIZER	VARIEGATE
LIL	KNIGH	LIL	Early

RANKINGS

	E P	P R	H E	S P	L X	F X	Muv
LIL	1	3	3	3	3	1	0.00
TZAR	2	2	2	2	2	2	4.66
KNIGHT	3	1	1	1	1	3	5.54

Paragon A	Paragon B
LIL	KNIGH
TZAR	TZAR
KNIGH	LIL

No one will force Lil to run 37% of her energy at the first call. She'll be able to save some and distribute it in the 2nd fraction.

Now, let's move on to the 3rd race on December 8, 1989, at Aqueduct's inner track. This time, we'll not only face the perpetual problem of true contenders, we'll also look at the biggest challenge facing the ENERGY! user, knowing when use the alternate adjustment. Let's start by picking our contenders and pace lines, taking the horses one by one.

Solemn Vows - Ran very poorly against a moderate pace following his last layoff. He figures to get pressured early, and seems to need an easy lead to win. This race figures to be a good "tightener," but it is doubtful he can win.

Sweet Stef - Ran last time on Dec. 3rd on a day when it was 10 degrees with 35 mph winds. That's at least 30 below wind chill. That's why they ran 49.1 and 1:28.4. This is not one of Jim Bradshaw's "durn slow horses." Look at her races on Sept. 4 and 10th. She ran well against 46 and 46.3 paces. Even if you didn't know the reason for the 49.1 second call last out, the track variant of 37 is a red flag.

Ain't That Wicked - Most of you would keep this horse in as a contender, but I tossed her right away. Many clients spoke to me about losing this race, and they all used this horse. Any of our programs will get this horse if you use it. Remember, we just got through discussing repeat winners. This mare is gong for four wins in a row. After her win on Oct. 21st, she moved up in class and won again. On Nov. 3rd, she's claimed and moved up again. This time, on Nov. 17th, she was all out to win by a very slim margin indeed.

Now, we must ask ourselves, can this horse repeat again? I didn't think so. She has been running every two weeks, and after her taxing effort last time out, her trainer waits three weeks to run her back at the same class. In fact, actually knocking \$2,500 off the price for a couple of pounds. Not the best pattern in the world. (Editor's Note: this horse is also a good example of why you must keep both statistics and common sense before you start blindly using rules like "winners don't repeat." This is a different class level than Steve was talking about earlier, and any horse that wins powerful, competitive manor is always a threat next time out.)

Noble Pat - She runs her best as an Early Presser. I figured she would be able to sit behind the pacesetters, Solemn and Bubba. Since the race seems to set up well for her, of course I used her in the computer.

Bubba - This filly has faces several faster times than she'll see today, albeit at faster tracks, and ran well facing higher class stock. A contender.

Winsome Act - Ran in the terribly slow tandem with Sweet Stef. She ran on the lead for the first quarter, running into a very dominate Sustained bias. She's 5 for 15 this year and 10





## AQUEDUCT

 6 FURLONGS  
 INNER DIRT TRACK  
 AQUEDUCT

6 FURLONGS (Inner Dirt). (100%) CLAIMING. Pure \$2,000. Fillies and mares, 3 years old and upward. Weights: 3-year-olds, 120 lbs.; older, 122 lbs. Non-winners of two races since November 1 allowed 3 lbs. of a race since then, 1 lb. Claiming price \$35,000, for each \$2,500 to \$30,000 allowed 2 lbs. (Races when entered to be claimed for \$25,000 or less not considered).

## Solemn Vows

B. f. 4, by Nasty And Bold—Engagement Ring, by Timeless Moment

\$32,500 Br.—Mansell &amp; Walden (Ky)

Tr.—Odintz Jeff

 Lifetime 1989 11 0 3 0 \$15,640  
 20 2 9 0 1988 9 2 6 0 \$65,040

Own.—Jewel-E Stables

26Nov89-1Agu fst 6f	.22%	.46	1:11%	3+	Clm c-25000	2 5 13 23 48 714	Chavez J F	117	4.40	68-25 Sparkling Hannah 10854	Heathers Arrest 11013	Sucy Bones 11723	Tired 11
19Jly89-1Bel fst 6f	.22	.46%	1:12%	3+	Clm 25000	5 3 23 13 48 618	Samyn J L	117	3.10	58-25 Land Between 11541	Cyclone Woman 11714	Noble Pat 1174	Tired 7
26Jun89-9Bel fst 6f	.22	.46	1:12%	3+	Clm 25000	1 1 13 13 21 23	Samyn J L	117	2.30	73-21 Decomater 1143	Spem 1172	In a Fortnight 1151	2nd best 9
16Jun89-3Bel my 6f	.22%	.45%	1:10%	3+	Clm 50000	6 2 2nd 1hd 67 613	Samyn J L	117	5.10	72-17 Max Banker 1134	On Alert 118	Matriarch 1172	Tired 7
27May89-7Bel sly 6f	.22	.45%	1:09%	3+	Alw 41000	4 2 2nd 3rd 44 611	Carle J D	112	2.60	79-18 Ira's Cat 119	Miss Angel T. 1139	Neatly Arranged 1191	Tired 7
5May89-5Agu fst 6f	.22%	.45	1:17%	3+	Alw 28000	2 1 13 12 21 22	Castaneda M	119	3.60	87-26 Tripl Strik 118	Solemn Vows 1137	Downs Advoc 11714	Weakened 7
23Apr89-2Agu fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:11%	3+	Clm 45000	3 4 11 12 12 23	Samyn J L	113	17.20	82-27 Crfty Mommy 1151	Solemn Vows 1137	Downs Advoc 11714	Weakened 7
10Mar89-8Hia fst 7f	.22%	.46%	1:24%	3+	Clm 50000	6 2 3rd 213 681 813	Samyn J L	117	27.50	65-24 Stormet Glory 117	Crfty Mommy 1171	Srchfr Tmmy 1151	Gave way 10
45Feb89-8GP fst 6f	.22%	.45%	1:11	3+	Alw 20000	10 1 413 43 612 716	Rodriguez W	122	14.00	68-27 Dance Teacher 1171	Code's Sister 1171	Sunny Slunner 122	Tired 10
25Jan89-7GP fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:12%	3+	Alw 18000	2 7 523 431 761 761	Samyn J L	122	2.20	70-28 Penny's Growl 1172	Crnet Down 1191	Lucky Lverne 1221	Checked turn 8

Speed Index: Last Race: -7.0

3-Race Avg.: -10.0

10-Race Avg.: -4.0

Overall Avg.: -4.0

LATEST WORKOUTS

Nov 12 Bel tr.t 6f fst 1:15% B

Nov 7 Bel tr.t 5f fst 1:02 H

Nov 2 Bel tr.t 5f fst 1:02% B

Oct 27 Bel tr.t 4f fst .49% B

## Sweet Stef

Gr. m. 5, by Paristo—Northern Pro, by Northern Jove

\$32,500 Br.—Luca Santo (Ky)

Tr.—Luca Santo

 Lifetime 1989 25 4 5 6 \$57,900  
 28 4 5 6 1988 3 M 2 8 \$4,400

Own.—Blu Diamond Stable

26Nov89-9Agu fst 7f	.24	.49%	1:28%	3+	Clm 25000	8 2 613 72d 11 2nd	Medero F	112	11.00	58-37 Dewans Advocate 117	Sweet Stef 11254	Winsome Act 117	Bore in 10
26Nov89-1Agu fst 6f	.22%	.46	1:11%	3+	Clm 25000	10 3 831 313 351 493	Morales A A7	110	12.90	72-25 Sparkling Hannah 10854	Heathers Arrest 11013	Sucy Bones 11723	Wide 11
3Nov89-2Agu fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:12%	3+	Clm 25000	2 7 34 43 43 343	Morales A A7	110	11.30	75-18 Ain't That Wicked 1121	Long Whiskers 1014	Sweet Stef 110	Evenly 9
23Oct89-6Agu fst 7f	.22%	.46%	1:23%	3+	Clm 25000	2 8 451 441 57 410	Samyn J L	117	6.90	95-16 Golden T. Dancer 117	Winsome Act 1134	Full Line 1154	Lacked fin. bid 10
30Oct89-6Bel fst 1 1/4	.47%	1:12%	1:44%	3+	Alw 32000	2 3 431 471 726 748	Samyn J L	117	8.20	31-32 Personal Business 1141	Devil's Cake 1144	Saratoga Tent 1423	Tired 8
10Sep89-3Bel fst 7f	.23%	.46%	1:24%	3+	Clm 22500	9 4 423 323 2hd 123	Morales A A7	108	6.50	78-14 Sweet Stef 1092	Dizzy Dixie 115	Smiling Tune 1172	Driving 10
4Sep89-1Bel fst 6f	.22%	.46	1:11%	3+	Clm 17500	7 6 861 45 39 21	Samyn J L	117	7.70	81-18 Dizzy Dixie 117	Sweet Stef 1171	Ernie Royale 1171	Wide 8
30Jly89-3Bel fst 7f	.22%	.46%	1:27%	3+	Clm 14000	5 7 911 681 21 11	Samyn J L	117	12.90	65-33 Sweet Stef 117	Specil Achiever 1174	Oh How We Dnced 106	Driving 10
20Jly89-2Bel gd 6f	.22%	.47%	1:13%	3+	Clm 13000	2 5 6 423 34 351	Samyn J L	115	3.20	65-26 Oh How We Dnced 1064	Hatina 1432	Sweet Stef 1151	Hung 6
14Jly89-3Bel fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:18%	3+	Clm 15500	7 7 731 851 913 8181	Rodriguez E M	113	22.40	63-25 Mia Casa 1083	Mrs Otani 1124	Her Way 1172	Outrun 10

Speed Index: Last Race: -5.0

3-Race Avg.: -5.0

9-Race Avg.: -6.2

Overall Avg.: -9.3

LATEST WORKOUTS

Nov 18 Lri 4f fst :51 B

## Ain't That Wicked

Dk. b. or br. m. 5, by Gold Stage—Jack's Ruby, by Northern Jove

\$32,500 Br.—Sabiston James T (Ont-C)

Tr.—Martin Jose

 Lifetime 1989 24 6 5 2 \$31,980  
 74 12 13 15 1988 25 3 4 5 \$70,880

Own.—Dorman K M

17Nov89-4Agu fst 7f	.22%	.45%	1:23	3+	Clm 19000	5 1 11 1hd 113 1no	Martinez JR Jr 5 b 112	2.30	67-13 Ain't That Wicked 112	Tee Tatum 1174	Gentle World 1151	Driving 7	
3Nov89-2Agu fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:12%	3+	Clm c-25000	4 2 23 223 123 13	Martinez JR Jr 5 b 112	*501	79-18 Ain't That Wicked 1123	Long Whiskers 1101	Sweet Stef 110	Driving 9	
21Oct89-2Agu fst 6f	.22%	.45	1:09%	3+	Clm 17500	9 1 2nd 1hd 12 14	Martinez JR Jr 5 b 112	3.60	92-10 Ain't That Wicked 112	Sparkling Hannah 110	Heathers Arrest 112	Driving 9	
11Oct89-3Bel fst 7f	.23	.47%	1:26%	3+	Clm 17500	6 1 31 113 1hd 21	Martinez JR Jr 5 b 112	2.80	97-25 She's A Belle 1141	Ain't That Wicked 112	Oh How We Dnced 1061	Fin. well 8	
29Sep89-1Bel fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:11%	3+	Clm 17500	2 7 1hd 21 1hd 23	Martinez JR Jr 5 b 112	6.00	80-20 Winsome Act 1134	Ain't That Wicked 1124	Thine Fine 115	Drifted out 7	
13Sep89-9Bel fst 7f	.22%	.46	1:26%	3+	Clm c-14000	5 13 74 66 213 2nd	Santagata N	b 117	10.80	70-20 L'il Princess 112	Ain't That Wicked 112	Finil Guerr 117	Gamely 14
20Aug89-3Sar fst 7f	.22%	.45%	1:25	3+	Clm 25000	8 2 431 423 111 11123	Fox W I Jr	b 117	9.60	64-18 Noble Pat 1171	M. Stolly Night 1124	Shon Him Wrong 1131	Wide, tired 11
6Aug89-3Sar fst 6f	.22%	.45%	1:11	3+	Clm 30000	11 1 43 313 633 65	Carle J D 5	108	4.30e	80-19 Land Between 1131	Max Banker 1171	Final Road 1123	Wide, tired 11
24Jly89-1Bel fst 7f	.22%	.46%	1:25%	3+	Clm 17500	9 8 75 743 523 423	Carle J D 5	112	10.00	71-22 Her Way 117	Magical 1171	Henna Girl 1131	Raced wide 12
14Jly89-3Bel fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:18%	3+	Clm 17500	5 1 21 513 561 493	Cordero A Jr	117	5.40	72-25 Mia Casa 1083	Miss Otani 1124	Her Way 1172	Tired 10

Speed Index: Last Race: 0.0

3-Race Avg.: -0.3

10-Race Avg.: -4.5

Overall Avg.: -4.5

LATEST WORKOUTS

Dec 2 Bel tr.t 4f fst :47% H

## Noble Pat

Dk. b. or br. f. 4, by Noble Nashua—Here Comes Patsy, by Spanish Riddle

\$30,000 Br.—Brown &amp; Nielson (NY)

Tr.—Elder Andrew

 Lifetime 1989 15 3 2 3 \$55,840  
 33 5 7 7 1988 15 2 5 3 \$65,040

Own.—Brown Patricia

2Nov89-1Agu fst 6f	.22%	.46	1:11%	3+	Clm 30000	3 4 32 423 54 443	McCauley W H	113	7.30	77-17 Land Between 117	Final Road 1121	Lovely Charis 112	Wide 7
16Oct89-3Bel fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:11%	3+	Clm 45000	4 5 423 55 611 6151	Lovato F Jr	115	9.90	65-25 My Caravann 1172	Matriarch 1173	My Conquistador 1151	Fell back 6
15Sep89-4Bel my 6f	.22%	.45%	1:11%	3+	Clm 32500	1 2 23 31 31 23	Lovato F Jr	115	10.70	82-14 Max Banker 1171	Noble Pat 1151	Minwaki 117	Rallied 7
3Sep89-1Bel fst 7f	.22%	.46%	1:24%	3+	Clm 35000	8 1 12 13 54 763	Lovato F Jr	117	18.70	94-19 On Alert 117	Tee Tatum 1171	Max Banker 1172	Set pace 8
20Aug89-3Sar fst 7f	.22%	.45%	1:25	3+	Clm 25000	10 1 313 31 123 13	McCauley W H	117	*2.00	77-18 Noble Pat 1171	M. Stolly Night 1124	Shon Him Wrong 1131	Driving 11
10Aug89-9Sar fst 6f	.22%	.46%	1:11%	3+	Clm 25000	7 2 213 213 21 22	McCauley W H	117	16.70	79-18 Decomater 1172	Noble Pat 1172	Affy 117	Prompted pace 11
19Jly89-1Bel fst 6f	.22	.46%	1:12%	3+	Clm 25000	4 2 443 33 363 310	McCauley W H	117	15.50	66-25 Land Between 1154	Cyclone Woman 1171	Noble Pat 1174	Evenly 7
7Jly89-1Bel fst 7f	.22%	.46%	1:25	3+	Clm 25000	6 3 21 21 451 5123	McCauley W H	117	4.40	64-23 Happy Dapple 1171	Smiling Tune 1171	Heathers Arrest 1192	Weakened 9
15Jun89-2Bel sly 7f	.22%	.45%	1:25	3+	Clm 25000	7 3 223 213 323 35	Castillo R E 5	112	12.30	72-22 Heathers Arrest 115	Dizzy Dixie 1122	Noble Pat 1121	Weakened 9
3Jun89-2Bel fst 6f	.22%	.47%	1:13	3+	Clm 17500	2 2 3rd 1hd 1hd 113	McCauley W H	117	10.30	74-23 Noble Pat 1171	Her Way 1172	Katie Cabrini 1171	Drifted out, clear 9

Speed Index: Last Race: -6.0

3-Race Avg.: -6.6

10-Race Avg.: -6.6

Overall Avg.: -6.6



for 36 lifetime. I chose to leave her in, though her ability to handle \$35,000 horses is suspect.

Lovely Charis - Ran well in the recent past, but the last two were poor, and there is no excuse for either; especially the last at today's class level. I thought she was going out of form and chose to leave her out. Not a difficult decision.

Sparkling Hannah - Another horse who shows she can repeat wins. Her last race was a powerful win, but she was contested and didn't simply run away with the race. A definite contender.

Now that we have our contenders, let's run this race through the computer. The results are shown on printout #4. But wait a minute. We made Sweet Stef and Winsome Act legitimate contenders, but the slow races we took them from give them absolutely no chance using the automatic adjustment. Even after adjusting the pace lines, they both have huge deficiencies in Total Energy. These horses aren't slow, they just ran over very slow surfaces.

This is where we should use the new alternate adjustment. (Editor's note: enter the suggested automatic adjustment as the manual adjustment) Where we have horses from slow surfaces or different distances, not when we let slow horses into the machine. If you put slow horses, or horses going out of form, into your machine, you're not going to cash many tickets.

I find that the Automatic adjustment will work 95% of the time. Only very unusual circumstances, like the race just shown, warrant using the manual adjustment. Look at printout #5 and the results chart. The correct adjustment gives you the race.

We all need to resolve that we are going to be dedicated to doing the work necessary to win. Discipline yourself and follow a rational money management plan. If you lose a few races in a row, don't start frantically changing your complete approach to handicapping. Focus on learning to project whether a horse is going to run a good race today. Paying close attention to the Match-Up and form cycle analysis using +'s and O's.

I wish I could give you some easy and steadfast rules for projecting form. The reality is that it takes hard work over a great many races. You will not gain the confidence needed to eliminate horses like Ain't That Wicked if you're going to come home and watch television or make excuses every night. Going over your losses is the only way to learn and improve. You'll soon have confidence in your decisions and believe totally in the Methodology. If you do the work, it will happen for you.

Just remember, there are no impossibilities in racing, just a few difficulties.

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Race: 12083A Dist = 6.0 FURLONGS Comments:

Name	Total	RAW Median	Factor X	Name	Total	Automatic ADJUSTED Median	Lex
BUBBA	168.02	68.88	66.66	BUBBA	167.13	69.60	30.39
SPARK	166.41	69.01	66.33	SPARK	166.07	69.29	30.70
NOBLE	165.67	69.08	66.26	NOBLE	165.58	69.16	30.83
SWEET	157.32	68.23	66.53	SWEET	159.91	65.97	34.02
WINSU	156.46	68.47	66.67	WINSU	159.31	65.96	34.03

Pace	F 1	Matchup F 2	F 3	Name	Units of Energy Emuv	Smuv	uXr
BUBBA	35.92	33.68	31.44	BUBBA	0.000	0.000	0.000
SPARK	35.50	33.79	31.11	SPARK	0.083	0.193	0.276
NOBLE	35.39	33.77	30.94	NOBLE	0.132	0.296	0.428
WINSU	33.86	32.10	30.35	WINSU	0.644	1.003	1.647
SWEET	33.62	32.35	30.70	SWEET	0.670	0.912	1.582

PARAGON A

PARAGON B

ENERGIZER

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Early

RANKINGS

	E F	P R	H E	S P	L X	F X	Muv
BUBBA	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.00
SPARK	2	2	2	2	2	2	1.44
NOBLE	3	3	3	3	3	3	2.27
SWEET	4	4	4	4	4	4	9.71
WINSU	5	5	5	5	5	5	9.76

Paragon A

Paragon B

BUBBA \_\_\_\_\_  
SPARK \_\_\_\_\_  
NOBLE \_\_\_\_\_

BUBBA \_\_\_\_\_  
SPARK \_\_\_\_\_  
NOBLE \_\_\_\_\_

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Race: 12083A Dist = 6.0 FURLONGS Comments:

Name	Total	RAW Median	Factor X	Name	Manually Total	ADJUSTED Median	Lex
BUBBA	168.02	68.88	66.66	BUBBA	165.41	68.92	31.07
SPARK	166.41	69.01	66.33	NOBLE	165.40	69.09	30.90
NOBLE	165.67	69.08	66.26	WINSU	165.40	68.38	31.61
SWEET	157.32	68.23	66.53	SPARK	165.39	69.02	30.97
WINSU	156.46	68.47	66.67	SWEET	165.39	68.15	31.84

Pace	F 1	Matchup F 2	F 3	Name	Variis Units of Energy Emuv	Smuv	uXr
BUBBA	35.58	33.73	31.84	SWEET	0.218	0.218	0.436
SPARK	35.36	33.66	30.96	WINSU	0.153	0.227	0.381
NOBLE	35.35	33.73	30.90	BUBBA	0.020	0.272	0.292
WINSU	35.05	33.32	31.61	SPARK	0.036	0.325	0.361
SWEET	34.70	33.45	31.84	NOBLE	0.052	0.361	0.413

PARAGON A	PARAGON B	ENERGIZER	VARIEGATE
SWEET	SWEET	BUBBA	Sustained

RANKINGS

	E P	P R	H E	S P	L X	F X	Muv
SPARK	1	2	4	3	4	3	0.30
BUBBA	2	4	5	4	3	1	0.00
NOBLE	3	5	3	5	5	4	0.58
SWEET	4	1	1	1	1	2	1.76
WINSU	5	3	2	2	2	1	1.16

Paragon A

SWEET \_\_\_\_\_  
SPARK \_\_\_\_\_  
BUBBA \_\_\_\_\_

Paragon B

SWEET \_\_\_\_\_  
WINSU \_\_\_\_\_  
SPARK \_\_\_\_\_

# **FIRST RACE** **Aqueduct** NOVEMBER 27, 1989

1 1/2 MILES. (147) CLAIMING. Purse \$15,000. Fillies and mares, 3-year-olds and upward. Weights: 3-year-olds, 120 lbs. Older, 122 lbs. Non-winners of two races at a mile or over since November 1, allowed 3 lbs. Of such a race since then, allowed 5 lbs. Claiming price \$14,000; for each \$1,000 to \$12,000, allowed 2 lbs. (Races when entered to be claimed for \$10,000 or less not considered.) (36TH DAY. WEATHER CLEAR. TEMPERATURE

46 DEGREES)

Value of race \$15,000; value to winner \$3,000; second \$3,300; third \$1,800; fourth \$900. Mutuel pool \$148,153. Exacta Pool \$267,223.

Last Raced	Horse	EqL.A.Wt	PP	St	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds \$1
7Nov89 1Aqu2	L'il Princess Lisa	4117	1	3	21 1/2	22 1/2	11	14	17	Santagata N	14000	5.70
18Nov89 3Aqu2	Knight Minstress	4110	7	9	84	4hd	3hd	28	25 1/2	Aguila G E7	14000	3.40
15Nov89 9Aqu6	Bountiful Pleasure	3115	9	7	6 1/2	62 1/2	4 1/2	44 1/2	3nk	Goossens L	14000	24.90
7Nov89 1Aqu1	Francis Manor	5110	2	1	4hd	33	54 1/2	3hd	47 1/2	Medero F5	12000	7.40
28Oct89 1Aqu	Lady Ironside	6107	3	2	1hd	1 1/2	22	52	52	Singh D10	14000	51.00
3Nov89 3Med1	Flashy	3113	4	4	31	5 1/2	6 1/2	63	67	Chavez J F	13000	4.70
10Nov89 1Med1	Tzarade	8117	6	5	51	7 1/2	81	84	73	Ferrer J C	14000	1.60
7Nov89 1Aqu6	Debutante Lady	4113	5	8	9	8hd	74	71	81 1/2	Rojas R I	12000	19.60
15Nov89 9Aqu9	She's Available	3109	8	6	7	9	9	9	9	Beitia A O5	12000	17.90

OFF AT 12:30 Start good, Won ridden out. Time, :24 1/2, :49 1/2, 1:14 1/2, 1:54 1/2 Track fast.

Official Program Numbers\

## **\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

1-(A)-L'IL PRINCESS LISA	13.40	6.20	3.80
7-(H)-KNIGHT MINSTRESS		4.40	3.60
9-(J)-BOUNTIFUL PLEASURE			12.60
\$2 EXACTA 1-7 PAID \$59.80.			

B. L. by Princely Native—Pirate Den, by Big Spruce. Trainer Schwartz Scott M. Bred by Schwartz Arlene (NY). L'IL PRINCESS LISA, rated on the early pace inside LADY IRONSIDE, wrested command when asked on the far turn, then drew off to win going away under a hand ride. KNIGHT MINSTRESS broke slowly advanced along the inside on the far turn was no match for the winner in the drive but was clearly second best. BOUNTIFUL PLEASURE, outside KNIGHT MINSTRESS on the far turn, came three wide into the stretch, then weakened. FRANCIS MANOR, in good position behind the leaders on the backstretch, raced outside BOUNTIFUL PLEASURE on the far turn, came four wide into the drive, then weakened. LADY IRONSIDE set the early pace on a short lead outside the winner then gave way after six furlongs. FLASHY was finished after six furlongs. TZARADE four wide on the clubhouse turn, dropped from contention early on the backstretch. DEBUTANTE LADY broke a bit slowly. SHE'S AVAILABLE was five wide into the clubhouse turn.

Owners— 1, Schwartz Arlene; 2, Last State Stable; 3, Lady Luck Stable; 4, Bauer R J; 5, Rathbun Mrs H T; 6, Handfield Alice J; 7, Stridacchio D F; 8, Paccone Stella; 9, Vogel M.

Trainers— 1, Schwartz Scott M; 2, Alvarez Louis C; 3, Schmitt William F; 4, Dutrow Anthony W; 5, Rathbun Gordon; 6, Gross George F; 7, Monaci David; 8, Gullo Thomas J; 9, Barrera Luis.

Overweight: She's Available 3 pounds.

Knight Minstress was claimed by Mara T D; trainer, Martin Carlos F; Flashy was claimed by Ortiz P O; trainer, Ortiz Paulino O.

Scratched—Fortionjuli (20Nov89 9Aqu3).

## **THIRD RACE** **Aqueduct** DECEMBER 2, 1989

6 FURLONGS. (Inner Dirt). (1.08%) CLAIMING. Purse \$22,000. Fillies and mares, 3 years old and upward. Weights: 3-year-olds, 120 lbs.; older, 122 lbs. Non-winners of two races since November 1 allowed 3 lbs.; of a race since then, 5 lbs. Claiming price \$35,000; for each \$2,500 to \$30,000 allowed 2 lbs. (Races when entered to be claimed for \$25,000 or less not considered).

Value of race \$22,000; value to winner \$13,200; second \$4,840; third \$2,640; fourth \$1,320. Mutuel pool \$195,918. Exacta Pool \$401,798.

Pool \$401,798.												
Last Raced	Horse	EqL.A.Wt	PP	St	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds \$1	
30Dec89 9Aqu2	Sweet Stef	5110	2	5	6hd	42 1/2	1 1/2	11 1/2	Medero F5	32500	10.70	
28Oct89 6Med5	Bubba Dulyah	4117	5	2	31	21	21	22	Migliore R	35000	4.20	
26Nov89 1Aqu1	Sparkling Hannah	b 4110	8	1	2nd	3nd	41 1/2	31 1/2	Collazo L7	35000	3.00	
17Nov89 4Aqu1	Ain't That Wicked	b 5117	3	4	41	52	53 1/2	42	Martinez J R Jr	32500	2.80	
26Nov89 1Aqu7	Solemn Vows	4115	1	3	11 1/2	11	31 1/2	51 1/2	Santos J A	32500	4.40	
3Dec89 9Aqu3	Winsome Act	b 5113	6	6	73	7hd	6hd	6nk	Santagata N	30000	15.40	
25Nov89 9Aqu6	Lovely Charis	4113	7	8	8	8	71 1/2	72 1/2	Chavez J F	30000	8.30	
2Nov89 1Aqu4	Noble Pat	4113	4	7	5 1/2	61	8	8	McCauley W H	30000	13.40	

OFF AT 1:19. Start good. Won driving. Time, :22 1/2, :46 1/2, 1:12 1/2 Track fast.

## **\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

2-(C)-SWEET STEF	23.40	9.60	4.60
5-(F)-BUBBA DULYAH		6.20	4.00
8-(I)-SPARKLING HANNAH			3.00
\$2 EXACTA 2-5 PAID \$168.60.			

Gr. m, by Paristo—Northern Pro, by Northern Jove. Trainer Luca Santo. Bred by Luca Santo (Ky).

SWEET STEF, outrun early, advanced along the inside on the far turn, slipped through the inner rail to challenge in the upper stretch, gained the lead nearing the furlong pole, then drew clear. BUBBA DULYAH, just off SOLEMN VOWS early, challenged outside that rival in the upper stretch but could not keep pace with the winner in the final furlong. SPARKLING HANNAH broke alertly, raced just outside BUBBA DULYAH, early, dropped back a bit on the stretch turn, then continued evenly. AIN'T THAT WICKED was outrun. SOLEMN VOWS sprinted clear early, then tired in the drive. LOVELY CHARIS was never a factor.

Owners— 1, Blu Diamond Stable; 2, Polin Charlotte C; 3, John Dom Stable; 4, Dorman K N; 5, Jewel-E Stables; 6, Quick P J; 7, Trejo R T; 8, Brown Patricia M.

Trainers— 1, Luca Santo; 2, Enright P Brian; 3, Ferraro James W; 4, Martin Jose; 5, Odintz Jeff; 6, Quick Patrick J; 7, Trejo Richard T; 8, Elder Andrew.

Scratched—Land Between (29Nov89 5Aqu5).

# ANALYSIS OF A PROBLEM RACE

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By Dick Schmidt

Steve Panico, in his article, talked some about the one serious, lingering problem many of us still have with the ENERGY! program: when to make adjustments. He also talked about the problem that ENERGY! shares with all our other programs: putting in too many that aren't true contenders.

In this edition of the Problem Race, we will have the chance to make both mistakes. This was a race that I handicapped in Las Vegas during Expo 90. It came at the end of a long day, but was most welcome.

Michael Pizzolla and I handicapped together most of the week. We started out like a house afire, but once the Expo started and distracted us, we turned cold. Win two, lose two, lose two, hit a quinella, then lose another. Between the Expo and lack of sleep, by Saturday we were zombies. On Sunday (March 25) poor Michael had to get up early and handicap the Aqueduct card with Paul Mellos for the crowd. He did quite well, as always, hitting 4 of 6, but he was whipped when it was over.

I chose to sleep in Sunday, and arrived at the book about noon. Michael and I piddled around a bit with the last couple at Aqueduct, then made a casual effort at Santa Anita and Golden Gate. He was tired, I hadn't done my homework. Needless to say, we did not do well. A lesson for us all. No matter how good you may be, if you aren't prepared mentally and physically, you don't have much of a chance.

Anyway, after four or five races at Golden Gate, a track Michael and I had been killing all week, I was down about \$140 and suddenly realized that I had to clean up my act or quit. I decided to skip the next couple of races and get to work. After half an hour playing "beat the favorite" in the eighth race, I gave up and took even money. Won going away, but the \$4.00 payoff just got me a little bit ahead.

The next race, the ninth, looked interesting. Every horse in the race had some sort of defect, and Havana Brown, the favorite for most of the betting, was only 5-2. Seemed no one could figure out this one. I like races like this, because when I can gain some insight into the race with the Sartin toolkit, I am likely to be well rewarded.

As always, look at the clean copy of the race and work the entire thing from start to finish, writing down your choices for maximum benefit from the process. See you in an hour or so.

## 9th Golden Gate



1 1/16 MILES. (139%) CLAIMING. Purse \$10,000. 4-year-olds. Weight, 122 lbs. Non-winners of two races at a mile or over since January 1, allowed 3 lbs.; such a race then, 5 lbs. Claiming price \$10,000; if for \$3,000, allowed 2 lbs. (Maiden races, claiming, starter and classified handicap races for \$3,000 or less not considered.)

## Coupled—Cream To The Top and Northern Form.

## Pokarito

## ESPINDOLA M A

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B. c. 4, by Paker—Bald Counsel, by Good Counsel

Br.—Harkins-T I (Ky)

Tr.—Nelson Harry

1990 3 0 1 0

\$1,300

1989 7 2 1 0

\$15,211

Own.—Herryford S

10Mar90-5GG 6f :214 :451 1:11m 6 117 1093 883 34 21 Espindola M A 6250 81-16 The Chancellor, Pokarito, SnekyBill 12  
 17Feb90-9GG 6f :22 :45 1:114sy 6 117 58 783 68 623 Espindola M A 6250 75-15 PrinceZm, LuckyAdvance, HstyPster 11

17Feb90—Bumped break

7Jan90-2SA 6f :214 :444 1:101ft 19 116 86 1063 1012 10103 Pedroza M A 11 20000 74-09 HwySny, StlwrExpress, GoStdyLd 12  
 10Dec89-7Hol 6f :222 :453 1:103ft 9 119 423 523 43 453 Pedroza M A 5 20000 83-15 SamoanDancer, Keenkite, FourLords 7

10Dec89—Checked late

21Oct89-8AC 6f :223 :452 1:103ft 6-5 117 4nk 4nk 23 1no Lopez A D 7 Aw6000 86-15 Pokrito, RedHughes, SunriseSermon 7  
 9Sep89-8AC 6f :22 :444 1:091ft 2-5 116 68 711 523 53 Flores D R 3 Aw6120 90-12 RumbosBoy, NtyRlty, CountDBucks 9

27Aug89-8AC 1 :46 1:10 1:36 ft 4-5 119 23 2nd 2nd 24 FlorsDR5 10 Cal Mle H 86-17 Hapigrin, Pokarito, Zarulli 7

10Aug89-10LA 1 1/16 :461 1:112 1:414ft 7 117 1hd 32 610 6133 PedrozaMA2 O C Derby 82-13 Annual Date, Arc OffTawa, OneDrink 6

29Jly89-3Dmr 6f :22 :45 1:153ft 7 113 513 41 54 410 Pedroza MA 6 Aw36000 80-10 Olympic Native, Balote, Watch'nWin 6

29Jly89—Wide 3/8 turn

15Jly89-8AC 6f :222 :44 1:084ft 3-5 114 443 433 113 113 Flores D R 7 Aw4500 95-11 Pokarito, Zarulli, Bye Bye 7

Speed Index: Last Race: +3.0 2-Race Avg.: -1.0 2-Race Avg.: -1.0 Overall Avg.: -3.4

Mar 4 BM 5f 1:021 H

Feb 12 BM 5f 1:05 H

Feb 5 BM 5f 1:011 H

## Cream To The Top

## BAZE G

117

Ch. c. 4, by Topsider—Sumac, by Dancing Moss

Br.—Mamakes J (Ky)

Tr.—Mason Lloyd C

1990 3 0 1 0

\$3,300

1989 14 2 0 4

\$33,401

Own.—Two Rivers Farm &amp; Klinger

14Mar90-6GG 1 1/16 :471 1:113 1:44 ft 6 117 43 433 453 45 Baze G 12500 73-26 Roni Bo, Goldonrube, NorthernForm 8  
 24Feb90-5GG 1 1/16 :454 1:11 1:432ft 9 117 1hd 23 323 610 Baze G 1 16000 71-18 NostalgicWine, MonteCarlo, Nanbob 9

11Feb90-10GG 1 1/16 :461 1:094 1:421ft 17 117 24 26 26 28 Baze G 7 12500 79-18 Bdnstrvlsfst, CrmTThTp, DstntSpr 8

22Dec89-9Hol 1 :451 1:10 1:362ft 21 116 23 523 543 963 Black C A 6 16000 75-24 PlymmrLm, BldrStrtg, RightOvrFct 11

8Dec89-5Hol 6f :221 :45 1:102ft 51 116 1211 1212 1083 993 Cedeno A 2 16000 79-12 KngOfThByo, GrnEmbrs, MorGoldn 12

30Aug89-5Dmr 1 :444 1:093 1:36 ft 37 1095 773 88 711 6143 Castanon J L 1 35000 71-13 AskThMn, BtOutOfHl, Bonni'sMrk 10

30Aug89—Wide

11Aug89-2Dmr 1 :462 1:11 1:371ft 11 115 13 13 2nd 1hd Nakalani C S 4 20000 80-19 CremToTheTop, SuchAWger, Joropo 9

31Jly89-10Dmr 1 :453 1:11 1:371ft 24 116 53 743 653 6123 Baze R A 7 40000 67-16 DimeTime, SnowsInPris, FettleKettl 7

31Jly89—Wide 3/8 turn

8Jly89-9Pin 1 1/16 :471 1:113 1:403ft 9 115 33 2nd 413 363 ChapmanTM7 Aw17000 84-18 BinOfic, MySonnyBoy, CrmToThTop 7

17Jun89-3GG 1 :46 1:111 1:354ft 11 120 573 453 49 4173 Warren RJJr5 Aw21000 68-19 M'sEgl, RoyllyDcortd, GoldImprson 6

Speed Index: Last Race: -1.0 3-Race Avg.: -5.0 9-Race Avg.: -6.7 Overall Avg.: -7.0

Mar 20 GG 3f :364 H

Mar 9 GG 5f 1:013 H

Feb 20 GG 4f :45 H

Feb 4 GG 7f 1:312 H

## Sucha Martini

## HUMMEL C R

117

Dk. b. or br. c. 4, by Sucha Pleasure—Real Good Martini, by Third Martini

Br.—Smith &amp; Teutjian (Cal)

Tr.—Foster Charles C

1990 3 0 1 1

\$4,275

1989 12 1 2 1

\$10,762

Own.—Smith &amp; Teutjian

3Mar90-10GG 1 1/16 :48 1:124 1:462m 6 117 11 2nd 23 23 Hummel C R 2 10000 65-31 Roni Bo, Sucha Martini, ClassyBoss 9  
 15Feb90-7GG 6f :214 :444 1:102sy 9 117 42 423 433 423 MartinezOAJr 10 12500 83-18 Vote, G'sHattyLd, SensitiveProgrm 11

22Jan90-8BM 6f :221 :45 1:10 ft 6 115 33 2nd 2nd 313 Lambert J 1 12500 88-16 GretEmpror, Chsnckrks, SuchMartini 6

10Dec89-18M 6f :222 :45 1:094ft 6 117 65 56 553 433 Kaenel J L 1 12500 89-06 ExBeu, RunningProspect, SteadySilvr 8

25Nov89-2BM 6f :22 :441 1:091ft 8 117 33 34 433 533 Kaenel J L 5 10000 93-04 Smokin Guy, Ex Beau, Chaldean 11

2Nov89-9BM 6f :221 :444 1:102ft 13 117 633 65 33 2nd Kaenel J L 3 10000 90-13 RannPrspt, SchMrtn, Prtorsnstch 12

23Sep89-9BM 6f :22 :451 1:102ft 10 117 843 843 733 433 Kaenel J L 5 12500 83-14 HownMldy, StdySlvr, Bdnwstrvlsfst 12

8Sep89-6BM 6f :221 :451 1:102ft 5 117 42 42 313 23 Judice J C 5 10000 86-12 WaveToFlo, SuchaMrtini, Woodiness 8

12Aug89-8Mf 6f :22 :443 1:091ft 14 115 433 633 893 711 Patterson A 8 12500 82-08 RipCurl, RyanBaker, BrightestGalaxy 8

18Jly89-9Sol 6f :22 :442 1:104ft 13 115 653 66 533 823 Noguez A M 3 16000 84-20 Pia Man, Ex Beau, Coka 10

Speed Index: Last Race: -4.0 1-Race Avg.: -4.0 1-Race Avg.: -4.0 Overall Avg.: -1.5

Mar 22 GG 4f :473 H

Mar 14 BM 6f 1:154 H

Mar 1 BM 4f :512 H

Feb 24 BM 5f :533 H

## Media Man

## GONZALEZ R M

117

Dk. b. or br. g. 4, by Peregrinator (Ire)—Discourse, by Speak John

Br.—Rancho Jenata (Cal)

Tr.—Greenman Walter

1990 5 1 1 2

\$2,288

1989 18 0 1 5

\$13,160

Own.—Taffel A E

7Mar90-9GG 1 1/16 :472 1:121 1:444ft 4 117 31 3nk 13 18 Gonzalez R M 5 6250 74-31 MdiMn, TodMountain, HistoricallyRoyl 9  
 23Feb90-4GG 1 1/16 :464 1:11 1:441ft 3 117 11 1hd 2nd 23 Gonzalez R M 1 6250 76-22 Sir M. And M., Media Man, I.C.Slip 7

8Feb90-6GG 1 1/16 :461 1:103 1:482ft 7 115 21 2nd 44 47 Gonzalez R M 5 7000 76-18 NostlgicWine, BirthdayRoss, SixPnny 7

19Jan90-3BM 1 1/16 :481 1:133 1:462sl 6 115 31 21 22 33 Gonzalez R M 4 7000 62-37 Nanbob, Birthday Roses, MediaMan 8

11Jan90-9BM 1 1/16 :47 1:114 1:444ft 5 117 74 623 543 333 Chapman T M 5 6250 70-28 Royal Bolide, Nanbob, Media Man 10

11Jan90—Lacked room 5/16

30Dec89-4BM 1 1/16 :46 1:102 1:43 ft 10 117 54 45 453 333 Chapman T M 6 6250 78-10 Royal Bolide, Chakoti, Media Man 11

13Dec89-5BM 1 1/16 :462 1:111 1:444ft 7-5 117 23 22 56 643 Gonzalez R M 2 6250 68-14 DupliciteLight, TktiveOn, RoylBolid 10

7Dec89-9BM 1 1/16 :46 1:103 1:434ft 11 117 33 33 34 333 Gonzalez R M 6 6250 74-19 MyPictureTime, Hohoss, MediaMan 12

29Oct89-10BM 1 1/16 :46 1:104 1:432ft 5 117 77 1112 1114 12153 Cortez A C 1 10000 65-13 Bdnwstrvlsfst, JrcoJk, HppyMik 12

8Oct89-7BM 1 1/16 :473 1:123 1:49 fm 27 110 593 57 593 553 Cortez A C 5 H12500 80-21 Flying Over, EgoDrive, Bear'sPizazz 7

Speed Index: Last Race: +5.0 3-Race Avg.: -1.0 9-Race Avg.: -7.2 Overall Avg.: -6.4

Mar 21 BM 5f 1:003 H

Mar 15 BM 5f 1:013 H

Mar 3 BM 5f 1:05 H

Feb 28 BM 3f :361 H



## Classy Boss

**DIAZ I G**

## Northern Form

**Nostalgia Weekend****PRIVITERA R****117**

Own.—Chandler J M

16Mar90-3GG 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :47 1:112 1:503ft 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  117  
 13Oct89-3BM 1:46 1:11 1:364ft 54 117  
 18Nov89-7BM a1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :4721:40 2:183fm 31 115  
 9Nov89-8BM 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :4831:1311:46 fm 55 107  
 29Oct89-18M 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :473 1:123 1:511ft 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  119  
 9Oct89-58M 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :462 1:114 1:45 ft \*3 $\frac{1}{2}$  118  
 27Sep89-58M 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :474 1:131 1:514ft 11 118  
 13Sep89-28M 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :464 1:114 1:442ft 10 118  
 2Sep89-58M 1:453 1:101 1:351ft 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  118

2Sep89—Steadied 1st turn

16Aug89-7Bmf 6f :22 :444 1:103ft 15 118 11121112 87 32 GonzlzM 10 [5]M12500 84-11 RcordHtr,Hdwn'sAck,NstlgWknd 12

Speed Index: Last Race: -18.0 3-Race Avg.: -10.3 7-Race Avg.: -10.4 Overall Avg.: -9.7

Feb 21 GG 4ft :50 H

Feb 8 GG 3ft :36 H

Dk. b. or br. g. 4, by Nostalgia—Wild Weekend, by Que Bravo

Br.—Chandler J M (Cal)

1990 1 0 0 0

Tr.—Chandler J M

\$10,000

1989 9 1 0 3

\$6,425

Lifetime 11 1 0 3 \$6,425

Turf 2 0 0 0

22 22 611 619 Privitera R 5 8000 53-23 Tabago, Six Penny, Birthday Roses 6  
 43 $\frac{1}{2}$  55 78 $\frac{1}{2}$  713 Gonzalez R M 4 20000 75-14 WlcmPrnc,RdMyMnd,SnstvPrgrm 8  
 1017 67 614 917 $\frac{1}{2}$  Judice J C 1 M12500 78-14 Flying Over, Jim Price, Go Go Art 10  
 76 $\frac{1}{2}$  79 711 710 $\frac{1}{2}$  Privitera R 5 Hcp0 64-25 Porcupine Ridge, Jetskier, Irish 7  
 61 $\frac{1}{2}$  52 $\frac{1}{2}$  2nd 13 Judice J C 2 M12500 85-13 NostalgiaWeekend,GoDirect,Arkie 12  
 1010 86 $\frac{1}{2}$  78 $\frac{1}{2}$  711 $\frac{1}{2}$  Judice J C 1 M12500 55-26 Son Of Bingo, Arkie, Marsides 12  
 52 32 32 34 Gonzalez R M 2 M12500 68-25 NostlgWn,Mr.Impssbl,NstlgWknd 12  
 88 $\frac{1}{2}$  74 $\frac{1}{2}$  33 $\frac{1}{2}$  33 $\frac{1}{2}$  GonzlzM 11 [5]M12500 67-30 Dr.Rourke,Dvin'sBuy,NstlgWknd 12  
 66 611 716 719 GonzlzM 2 [5]M20000 73-14 FstyBmbno,GypsNtv,NonSlpRcky 10

**Conquistador Comet****GAVIDIA W****117**

Own.—Alvarez III &amp; Smith

7Mar90-2GG 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :47 1:112 1:454ft 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  119  
 24Feb90-4GG 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :464 1:112 1:433ft 6 117  
 24Feb90—Bumped 1/16  
 27Dec89-58M 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :46 1:104 1:45 ft \*2 $\frac{1}{2}$  119  
 10Dec89-28M 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :463 1:111 1:442ft 13 119  
 11Nov89-18M 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :463 1:121 1:45 ft 7 119  
 14Oct89-48M 6f :222 :45 1:103ft 19 118  
 21Aug89-20mr 6f :221 :46 1:111ft 23 1095  
 26Jly89-40mr 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ :453 1:12 1:444ft 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  115

26Jly89—Wide into stretch

8Jly89-6Hol 7f :221 :452 1:223ft 52 116 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  2nd 811 916 $\frac{1}{2}$  Desilva A J 3 Mdn 74-12 Runaway Prince, Petrel'sFlight, Ole' 9

8Jly89—Lugged out

18Feb89-6SA 7f :221 :451 1:241ft 53 117 66 $\frac{1}{2}$  912 923 935 Black C A 3 Mdn 44-19 RcordBoom,LuckyLuckyYo,TryTrst 9

Speed Index: Last Race: 0.0

3-Race Avg.: -7.6

6-Race Avg.: -14.5

Overall Avg.: -17.0

Mar 23 GG 4ft :474 H

Mar 16 GG 4ft :492 H

Mar 5 GG 4m :493 H

Feb 19 GG 4gd :49 H

B. g. 4, by Conquistador Cleo—Milagres (Chi), by Mr Long

Br.—Alvarez &amp; Smith (Ky)

1990 2 1 0 0

Tr.—Sanchez Adrian

\$10,000

1989 8 M 2 0

\$2,600

Lifetime 10 1 2 0 \$6,712

13 12 14 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  Gavidia W4 M12500 69-31 CnqstdrCmt,CrissOfDngr,BstnBid 11  
 11 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  26 515 $\frac{1}{2}$  Gavidia W4 M18000 64-18 AstrDimond,TitnPrid,L'AustYouth 12  
 21 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  14 2nd Judice J C 5 M12500 72-23 StrtOfSmthn,CnstdrCmt,DrmctMc 12  
 12 13 1nd 23 $\frac{1}{2}$  Judice J C 6 M12500 71-18 Chkot,ConqstdrComt,Bnn'sOImm 12  
 23 11 $\frac{1}{2}$  34 613 Castanon AL 12 M12500 59-23 VisionOfClass,Untrmelled,Lesport 12  
 53 74 $\frac{1}{2}$  89 $\frac{1}{2}$  81 $\frac{1}{2}$  Castanon A L 3 M20000 75-10 Doolittle,AmaSharif,Zaida'sBestMn 9  
 76 $\frac{1}{2}$  96 $\frac{1}{2}$  10131015 Castanon J L 4 M28000 67-16 DolphnStrl,StgDrPrnc,StndngPrd 12  
 25 34 11191127 $\frac{1}{2}$  McCarron CJ 11 M32000 49-16 B. J. Bucks, Four Smiles, Morwell 12

This is a photocopy of my actual Form that I brought back from Las Vegas. For once it is neat enough to read. Besides, I was handicapped by having only one color pen with me in the book. Anyway, as you can see, I first did APV and Class numbers on every horse in the race, then started on PBS.

It seems there is still some confusion over PBS numbers, especially among our newer clients. For a complete description, see Michael's article in *Follow Up #11*. I'll go through the process quickly. First off, I try to pick the horse I think will set the pace, using each horse's last pace line. In this case, Conquistador Comet "looms" up at us, having gone wire to wire at today's distance in 47, 1:11.2. We'll use 1:11.2 as our projected pace for today, and use it to balance our second fractions against. Since we have a couple of sprinters in the race, this is especially important.

PBS numbers are simple, once you have your pacesetter. Start with the *Racing Form's* speed rating. For every fifth of a second that the pace of a horse's race is faster or slower than the projected pace, add or subtract one point. Also add or subtract one point for every 1/2 furlong the distance of the race differs from today's distance. We'll get to sprint to route in a bit; for now, just follow along as we go through the race. You'll pick it up in a hurry. Since our pacesetter is the bottom horse, we'll work bottom to top.

Conquistador Comet - Should have the lead at the first call, and maybe the second. The third fraction is dismal, but I almost always use my pacesetter in the machine. Otherwise, you aren't giving ENERGY! a fair shot at establishing the Variegate. Of course, we'll use the last line.

Nostalgia Weekend - Bad PBS, bad APV, bad, Class, four bad races in a row. The last race clearly demonstrates he can't run against today's probable pace. Out.

Northern Form - Poor Class, OK PBS. Again, his last race shows that he really can't run against today's probable pace. Since he hasn't won for a while, it is hard to say exactly what he can win against. I chose to leave him out.

Havana Brown - Our morning line favorite. A little weak in Class, but the last race was run into a faster pace than we expect today, and the horse won. Stepping up two levels, but that is a positive sign in this case. Use the last line.

Classy Boss - OK Class, but poor PBS. The second back shows what he can do against today's projected pace. Out.

Media Man - My "Eyeball Scan" top pick. The last was against a 31 variant, so I'll go one back (Not on PBS! There I use the last line except in case of atomic attack) and use that line. Again, moving up two levels is a positive sign coming off a powerful win. What you don't want to see is a horse like this coming back at \$6,250. If he's that good, he should move up.

Such a Martini - "Martini" horses were the bane of Howard's existence when he was just starting out. There were dozens of them back in the late 70's, and he was always handicapping one and betting on another. Drove him

mad. Now, we have many more sires in California, and they don't come up so often. This was the toughest horse in the race for me to handle. His last is slow, but it was in the mud and the horse almost won. All his other lines are sprints, mostly very good races. His APV was OK, but his Class Factor was poor. I finally compared Sucha's race on a 31 variant with Media Man's top race, also on a 31 track, and decided that Sucha just didn't want to go two turns. What nailed down my decision was that the trainer decided to keep the horse at \$10,000, despite its success at slightly higher in the past, and its second place at ten last time out. I just can't figure out why he kept the horse in routes, or entered him there in the first place.

During the handicapping process, we are always going to be faced with horses like Sucha. Horses that are "on the bubble," almost a contender, but not quite. The temptation is so strong to pass the buck to the computer and let it try to sort the horse out. All the computer can do is analyze the pace characteristics of horses, it can't make value judgments about them. Until you learn to make the tough decisions, and live with the results when you are wrong (which you will be), then you are never going to make much progress as a handicapper.

Cream To The Top - Our top class horse, tied for second best PBS number. Another tough choice. In this case, doubly so for me, do to the circumstances I was handicapping under. I had just decided that Cream, along with the other horses from the Roni Bo tandem, had just demonstrated an inability to win against today's expected pace when Jim Bradshaw, who was sitting next to me (the circumstance I referred to), leaned over and told me he liked the horse.

The chasm opened at my feet. Who am I to pit my pitiful Match-Up skills against The Master of the Match-Up? For two days, Jim had sat in the book with his hat and bolo tie and blown the Expo Experts into the weeds. Paul Melos was in awe. Len Ragozin was impressed. I was just barely even for the last two days, and Jim was puttin' on a show. And he likes a horse I just tossed out as not meeting the Match-Up. The lesson, of course, is that not only must you live and die with the tough decisions, but you must never, ever let anyone talk you out of one. No matter who it is. No matter how bad you've been going. No matter even if he's wearing a cowboy hat, or is as articulate as Tom Brohamer. Schmidt's Law: If you listen, you will hear the only mistake the expert makes all day.

Cream To The Top stayed out.

Pokarito - Good APV, OK Class, the best PBS in the field. Also another horse moving up two levels off a good performance, and a sprinter to boot. Nice easy horse. Before we look any deeper, let's look at PBS sprint to route for a second. Pokarito had an 81 speed rating in his last sprint. Take away 5 points for the five half furlongs difference between 6 and 8.5 and you are left with 76. And that's all there is to it. Looks too simple to work, but it does.

OK, now back to the question at hand. Is Pokarito a contender or not. I decided that his last two races since coming to Golden Gate demonstrated an improving pattern, and chose to accept the last line. The double jump in class tells me that the trainer must agree with me. He can easily meet the Match-Up off that last line. Now, lets look at a printout.

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Nice clean analysis. We have the winner and the place horse in the machine, and ENERGY! confirms what I thought when I first looked at the race: that Media Man is the horse to beat. So now we can confidently march up to the window, bet on Conquistador Comet and Media Man and calmly watch the race. And calmly lose another one. The Variegate is wrong.

Now, ENERGY! is a wonder, don't get me wrong. Wouldn't go racing without it. But it isn't perfect. This time, I think we asked it to do just a little too much. Of course, with mixed sprinters and routers in the machine, we used the alternate adjustment (the new alternate, where you use the suggested automatic adjustment as the manual adjustment). That much is obvious. Pokarito, the sprinter, has more than a 5 point advantage in Total Energy. If you run the race with the automatic adjustment only, you get Pokarito with all ones. If you use Sucha Martini, you get him with all ones. In fact, ENERGY! tends to put most sprinters on top using the automatic adjustment. That's why Jim developed the new alternate adjustment. ENERGY! does its best, but it just can't handle the fast sprinters it sees out West and still function in the rest of the country.

Now, take a look at the next printout. This time, I ran Pokarito through the Sprint to Route process that Howard developed just to take care of horses like this one. I used the computer program I printed in the last *Follow Up* to derive an 8.5 line of 45.4, 112, 145.2 from Pokarito's 6 furlong line. Howard has more faith in ENERGY! than anyone, but even he recognizes its limits. That's why he developed the sprint to route adjustment procedure. Again on this printout, I used the new alternate adjustment, because Media Man was still coming from a different distance, and three of the horses are coming off 25+ variants while Pokarito comes from a 16 track.

The results aren't much different. Just enough to give you the winner. This time we wind up with the other two horses in the race, Pokarito and Havana Brown. These were the two horses I bet, and cashed a lovely ticket that at last made the cashiers wince.

Note that either printout has the quinella in the top three. The only thing wrong was I didn't get to rub Jim's nose it, as he was sitting there holding a winning quinella ticket, licking cream (to the top) off his lips. What's the point of being right if you can't rub salt into the open wounds of a good friend? I just had to settle for mere money.

Early on, I mentioned the Sartin Methodology toolkit. What we all want to keep in mind is that the computer is just one part of the kit. Admittedly a big part, but still just a part. We need to keep the entire toolkit in action, and not get lazy. Dump 'um in and see what comes out is easy, and ENERGY! is good enough that it works some of the time. Using all the tools that Howard, Jim, Tom Brohamer and all the rest of the PIRCO teaching staff have provided, together with our own insights, is the optimum way to go.

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Race: 03259r Dist = 6.0 FURLONGS Comments:

Name	Total	RAW	
		Median	Factor X
MEDIA	160.54	69.11	66.02
CONQU	158.23	69.68	65.81
HAVAN	158.10	68.81	66.43
POK-R	157.03	67.80	67.81

Name	Total	Manually ADJUSTED	
		Median	Lex
POK-R	160.00	67.78	32.21
CONQU	160.00	69.65	30.34
MEDIA	160.00	69.12	30.87
HAVAN	159.99	68.78	31.21

Pace	Matchup		
	F 1	F 2	F 3
	35.58	34.18	32.22
POK-R	35.58	32.20	32.22
CONQU	35.47	34.18	30.34
HAVAN	35.22	33.55	31.21
MEDIA	35.14	33.97	30.87

Name	Various Units of Energy		
	Emuv	Smuv	uXr
POK-R	0.152	0.152	0.304
HAVAN	0.111	0.434	0.545
MEDIA	0.046	0.475	0.521
CONQU	0.000	0.599	0.599

PARAGON A	PARAGON B	ENERGIZER	VARIEGATE
POK-R	POK-R	MEDIA	Sustained

RANKINGS

	E P	P R	H E	S P	L X	F X	Muv
CONQU	1	2	3	4	4	4	0.19
MEDIA	2	1	1	3	3	3	0.94
POK-R	3	3	4	1	1	1	0.00
HAVANA	4	4	2	2	2	2	1.31

Paragon A

POK-R 00000000000000000000  
CONQU 00000000000000000000  
MEDIA 00000000000000000000

Paragon B

POK-R 00000000000000000000  
HAVAN 00000000000000000000  
MEDIA 00000000000000000000

## 9th Golden Gate



1 1/2 MILES. (1.39%) CLAIMING. Purse \$10,000. 4-year-olds. Weight, 122 lbs. Non-winners of two races at a mile or over since January 1, allowed 3 lbs.; such a race since then, 5 lbs. Claiming price \$10,000; if for \$3,000, allowed 2 lbs. (Maiden races, claiming, starter and classified handicap races for \$3,000 or less not considered.)

## Coupled—Cream To The Top and Northern Form.

## Pokarito

ESPINDOLA M A

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Own.—Heryford S

10Mar90-9GG	6f	:214	:451	1:11m	6	117	1093	883	34	21	Espondola M A5	c6250	81-16	The Chancellor, Pokarito, SnekyBill	12
17Feb90-9GG	6f	:22	:45	1:114sy	6	117	58	74	64	62	Espondola M A9	6250	76-15	PrinceZm, LuckyAdvance, HstyPster	11
17Feb90—Bumped break															
7Jan90-2SA	6f	:214	:444	1:101ft	19	116	86	106	1012	1010	Pedroza M A11	20000	74-09	HwySnay, StlwrtExprss, GoStdyLd	12
1Dec89-7Hol	6f	:222	:453	1:103ft	9	119	42	52	43	45	Pedroza M A5	20000	83-15	SamoaDancer, Keenkite, FourLords	7
1Dec89—Checked late															
21Oct89-8AC	6f	:223	:452	1:103ft	6-5	117	4nk	4nk	2	1no	Lopez A D7	Aw6000	86-15	Pokrito, RedHughes, SunriseSermon	7
9Sep89-8AC	6f	:22	:444	1:091ft	2-5	116	58	711	52	53	Flores D R3	Aw6120	90-12	Rumbo'sBoy, NtrRlty, CountDBucks	9
27Aug89-8AC	1	:46	1:10	1:36 ft	4-5	119	2	2nd	2nd	24	FlorsDR5	@Cal Mile H	86-17	Hapigrin, Pokarito, Zarutli	7
10Aug89-10LA	1 1/2	:461	1:112	1:414ft	7	117	1hd	32	610	613	PedrozMA2	O C Derby	82-13	Annual Date, Arc OfTawa, OneDrink	6
29Jly89-3Dmr	6f	:22	:45	1:153ft	7	113	51	41	54	410	Pedroza MA6	Aw36000	80-10	Olympic Native, Balote, Watch'nWin	6
28Jly89—Wide 3/8 turn															
15Jly89-8AC	6f	:222	:44	1:084ft	3-5	114	44	43	11	11	Flores D R7	Aw4500	95-11	Pokarito, Zarutli, Bye Bye	7
Speed Index: Last Race: +3.0 2-Race Avg.: -1.0 2-Race Avg.: -1.0 Overall Avg.: -3.4															
Mar 4 BM 5f 1:02 1/2 H Feb 12 BM 5f 1:05 H Feb 5 BM 5f 1:01 1/2 H															

## Cream To The Top

BAZE G

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Own.—Two Rivers Farm &amp; Klinger

14Mar90-9GG	1 1/2	:471	1:113	1:44 ft	6	117	43	43	43	45	Baze G3	12500	73-26	Roni Bo, Goldenrube, NorthernForm	8
24Feb90-9GG	1 1/2	:454	1:11	1:432ft	9	117	1hd	2	32	610	Baze G1	16000	71-18	NostalgicWine, MonteCarlo, Nanbob	9
11Feb90-10GG	1 1/2	:461	1:094	1:421ft	17	117	24	26	26	28	Baze G7	12500	79-18	Bdnstrvlst, CrmTThTp, DstntSpbr	8
22Dec89-9Hol	1	:451	1:10	1:362ft	21	116	2	52	54	96	Black C A6	16000	75-24	Plymmrtm, BldrStlrg, RightOvrFct	11
8Dec89-5Hol	6f	:221	:45	1:102ft	51	116	121	112	108	99	Cedeno A2	16000	79-12	KnqOfThByo, GrnEmbrs, MorGoldn	12
30Aug89-5Dmr	1	:444	1:093	1:36 ft	37	1095	77	88	711	614	Castanon J L8	35000	71-13	AskThMn, BtOutOfHll, Bonni'sMrk	10
30Aug89—Wide															
11Aug89-2Dmr	1	:462	1:11	1:371ft	11	115	1	1	2nd	1hd	Nakatani C S4	20000	80-19	CremToTheTop, SuchAWger, Joropo	9
31Jly89-10Dmr	1	:453	1:11	1:371ft	24	116	53	74	85	612	Baze R A7	40000	67-16	DimeTime, SnowsInPris, FettleKettl	7
31Jly89—Wide 3/8 turn															
8Jly89-3Pin	170	:471	1:113	1:403ft	9	115	3	2nd	41	26	ChapmanTM7	Aw17000	84-18	BinOfic, MySonnyBoy, CrmToThTop	7
17Jun89-3GG	1	:46	1:11	1:354ft	11	120	57	45	49	417	Warren R Jr5	Aw21000	68-19	M'sEgl, RoyllyDcortd, GoldImprssn	6
Speed Index: Last Race: -1.0 3-Race Avg.: -5.0 9-Race Avg.: -6.7 Overall Avg.: -7.0															
Mar 20 GG 3f 1:35 1/2 H Mar 9 GG 5f 1:01 1/2 H Feb 20 GG 4f 1:43 H Feb 4 GG 7f 1:31 1/2 H															

## Sucha Martini

HUMMEL C R

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Own.—Smith &amp; Tautjian

3Mar90-10GG	1 1/2	:48	1:124	1:462m	6	117	11	2nd	2	2	Hummel C R1	10000	65-31	Roni Bo, Sucha Martini, ClassyBoss	9
16Feb90-7GG	6f	:214	:444	1:102sy	9	117	42	42	43	42	MartinezOA Jr 10	12500	83-18	Vote G's, NattyLd, SensitivePrgrm	11
22Jan90-6BM	6f	:221	:45	1:10 ft	6	115	3	2nd	2nd	31	Lambert J8	12500	88-16	GretEmpror, Chsnrcrks, SuchMrtini	8
10Oct89-18M	6f	:222	:45	1:094ft	6	117	65	56	55	43	Kaenel J L1	12500	89-06	ExBeu, RunningProspect, SteadySilvr	6
25Nov89-28M	6f	:22	:441	1:091ft	8	117	3	34	43	53	Kaenel J L6	10000	93-04	Smokin Guy, Ex Beau, Chaldean	11
2Nov89-38M	6f	:221	:444	1:102ft	13	117	63	65	3	2nd	Kaenel J L3	10000	90-13	RnnnPrspct, SchMrtln, Prtnrsnstch	12
23Sep89-38M	6f	:22	:451	1:102ft	10	117	84	84	73	43	Kaenel J L5	12500	83-14	HdnMldy, StdySlvr, Bdnstrvlst	12
8Sep89-6BM	6f	:221	:451	1:102ft	5	117	42	42	31	2	Judice J C5	10000	86-12	WaveToFlo, SuchaMartini, Woodiness	8
12Aug89-8Bmf	6f	:22	:443	1:091ft	14	115	43	63	89	711	Patterson A8	12500	82-08	RipCurl, RyanBaker, BrightestGalaxy	8
18Jly89-9Sol	6f	:22	:442	1:104ft	13	115	65	66	53	82	Noguez A M3	16000	84-20	Pia Man, Ex Beau, Coca	10
Speed Index: Last Race: -4.0 1-Race Avg.: -4.0 1-Race Avg.: -4.0 Overall Avg.: -1.5															
Mar 22 GG 4f 1:47 1/2 H Mar 14 BM 6f 1:15 1/2 H Mar 1 BM 4f 1:12 H Feb 24 BM 5f 1:53 H															

## Media Man

GONZALEZ R M

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Own.—Tofel A E

7Mar90-9GG	1 1/2	:472	1:121	1:444ft	4	117	31	3nk	13	18	Gonzalez R M5	6250	74-31	MdMn, TodMountin, HistoricallyRoyl	9
23Feb90-4GG	1 1/2	:464	1:11	1:441ft	3	117	11	1hd	2nd	2	Gonzalez R M1	6250	76-22	Sir M. And M., Media Man, L.C.Slip	7
8Feb90-6GG	1 1/2	:461	1:103	1:482ft	7	115	21	2nd	44	47	Gonzalez R M5	7000	76-18	NostlgicWine, BirthdayRoss, SixPnny	7
19Jan90-38M	1 1/2	:481	1:133	1:462ft	6	115	31	21	22	33	Gonzalez R M4	7000	62-37	Nanbob, Birthday Roses, MediaMan	8
11Jan90-38M	1 1/2	:47	1:114	1:444ft	5	117	74	62	54	33	Chapman T M5	6250	70-28	Royal Bolide, Nanbob, Media Man	10
11Jan90—Lacked room 5/16															
30Dec89-48M	1 1/2	:46	1:102	1:43 ft	10	117	54	45	45	33	Chapman T M6	6250	78-10	Royal Bolide, Chakoti, Media Man	11
13Dec89-58M	1 1/2	:462	1:111	1:444ft	7-5	117	2	22	56	64	Gonzalez R M2	6250	68-14	DuplicateLight, TikliveOn, RoylBolid	10
7Dec89-98M	1 1/2	:46	1:103	1:434ft	11	117	33	33	34	33	Gonzalez R M5	6250	74-19	MyPictureTime, Hohoss, MediaMan	12
29Oct89-108M	1 1/2	:46	1:104	1:432ft	5	117	77	112	114	121	Cortez A C1	10000	65-13	Bdnstrvlstfst, JrcoJk, HppyMik	12
8Oct89-78M	at 1 1/2	:473	1:123	1:49 fm	27	110	59	57	59	55	Cortez A C4	H12500	80-21	Flying Over, EgoDrive, Bear'sPizazz	7
Speed Index: Last Race: +5.0 3-Race Avg.: -1.0 9-Race Avg.: -7.2 Overall Avg.: -6.4															
Mar 21 BM 5f 1:00 1/2 H Mar 15 BM 5f 1:01 1/2 H Mar 3 BM 5f 1:05 H Feb 20 BM 3f 1:36 1/2 H															





**Nostalgia Weekend****PRIVITERA R**

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Own.—Chandler J M

DL. b. or br. g. 4, by Nostalgia—Wild Weekend, by Que Bravo	1990	1	0	0	0	64
Br.—Chandler J M (Cal)	1989	9	1	0	3	71
Tr.—Chandler J M	\$10,000	54				\$6,425
Lifetime	11	1	0	3		\$6,425
16Mar90-3GG	1 1/4	47	1:11 1/2	1:50 3/4	7 1/2	117
13Dec89-3B M	1	46	1:11	1:36 4/5	54	117
18Nov89-7B M	at 1 1/4	47:21.40	2:18 3/4	fm	31	115
9Nov89-5B M	1 1/4	48:31	1:31 1/4	46 fm	55	107
29Oct89-1B M	1 1/4	47 1/2	1:12 3/4	1:51 1/4	7 1/2	119
9Oct89-5B M	1 1/4	46 1/2	1:11 1/4	1:45 ft	53 1/2	118
27Sep89-5B M	1 1/4	47 1/4	1:13 1/4	1:51 4/5	11	118
13Sep89-2B M	1 1/4	46 1/4	1:11 1/4	1:44 2/5	10	118
2Sep89-5B M	1	45 1/2	1:10 1/4	1:35 1/4	8 1/2	118

2Sep89—Steadied 1st turn

16Aug89-7B mf 6f :22 :44 1:10 3/4 15 118 1121112 87 32 Gonzl2RM 19 M12500 84-11 RcordHttR, Hdw'nAck, NstlgWknd 12

Speed Index: Last Race: -18.0 3-Race Avg.: -10.3 7-Race Avg.: -10.4 Overall Avg.: -9.7

Feb 21 GG 4 ft :50 H Feb 8 GG 3 ft :36 1/2 H

**Conquistador Comet**

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Own.—Alvarez III &amp; Smith

B. g. 4, by Conquistador Cielo—Milagres (Chi), by Mr Long	1990	2	1	0	0	64
Br.—Alvarez & Smith (Ky)	1989	8	M	2	0	77
Tr.—Sanchez Adrian	\$10,000	69				\$2,600
Lifetime	10	1	2	0		\$5,712
7Mar90-2GG	1 1/4	47	1:12 1/4	1:45 4/5	7 1/2	119
24Feb90-4GG	1 1/4	46 1/4	1:12 1/4	1:43 1/4	5	117
24Feb90—Bumped 1/16						
27Dec89-5B M	1 1/4	46	1:10 1/4	1:45 ft	23	119
10Dec89-2B M	1 1/4	46 1/2	1:11 1/4	1:44 2/5	13	119
11Nov89-1B M	1 1/4	46 1/2	1:12 1/4	1:45 ft	7	119
14Oct89-4B M	6f	22 1/2	:45	1:10 3/4	19	118
21Aug89-2D mr	6f	22 1/2	:46	1:11 1/4	23	109 1/2
26Jly89-4D mr	1 1/4	45 1/2	1:12	1:44 4/5	7 1/2	115

26Jly89—Wide into stretch

8Jly89-6Hol 7f :22 1/2 :45 1:22 3/4 52 116 1 1/2 2nd 811 916 1/2 Desilva A J 3 Mdn 74-12 Runaway Prince, Petrel's Flight, Ole' 9

8Jly89—Lugged out

18Feb89-6SA 7f :22 1/2 :45 1:24 1/4 53 117 66 1/2 912 923 935 Black C A 3 Mdn 44-19 RcordBoom, Lucky Lucky Yo, Try Trst 9

Speed Index: Last Race: 0.0 3-Race Avg.: -7.6 6-Race Avg.: -14.5 Overall Avg.: -17.0

Mar 23 GG 4 ft :47 1/4 H Mar 16 GG 4 ft :49 1/2 H Mar 5 GG 4 ft :49 1/2 H Feb 19 GG 4 ft :49 H

**NINTH RACE**  
**Golden Gate**

MARCH 25, 1990

1 1/4 MILES. (1.39%) CLAIMING. Purse \$10,000. 4-year-olds. Weight, 122 lbs. Non-winners of two races at a mile or over since January 1, allowed 3 lbs.; such a race since then, 5 lbs. Claiming price \$10,000; if for \$9,000, allowed 2 lbs. (Maiden races, claiming, starter and classified handicap races for \$8,000 or less not considered.)

Value of race \$10,000; value to winner \$5,500; second \$2,000; third \$1,500; fourth \$750; fifth \$250. Mutuel pool \$141,746. Exacta Pool \$250,375.

Last Raced	Horse	EqL	A	Wt	PP	St	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds \$1
10Mar90 5GG2	Pokarito		4	117	1	5	56	53	33	23	1 1/2	Espindola M A	10000	9.70
7Mar90 3GG1	Media Man	b	4	117	4	4	41	31 1/2	1 1/2	1st	29	Gonzalez R M	10000	2.70
14Mar90 5GG3	Northern Form		4	117	7	6	6nd	76	51 1/2	34	37	Steiner J J	10000	a-5.30
16Mar90 3GG6	Nostalgia Weekend	b	4	117	8	9	9	9	7 1/2	4nd	41	Privitera R	10000	35.70
3Mar90 10GG3	Classy Boss		4	112	5	7	74	6nd	82	6 1/2	5nd	Diaz J G 5	10000	6.20
14Mar90 6GG4	Cream To The Top		4	117	2	2	1nd	2 1/2	4nd	53	62	Baze G	10000	a-5.30
14Mar90 9GG1	Havana Brown	b	4	117	6	8	82	8 1/2	9	82	76	Hansen R D	10000	2.90
7Mar90 2GG1	Conquistador Comet		4	117	9	3	2 1/2	11	2nd	7 1/2	82	Gavidia W	10000	14.80
3Mar90 10GG2	Sucha Martini	b	4	117	3	1	33	42	6 1/2	9	9	Hummel C R	10000	4.60

a-Coupled: Northern Form and Cream To The Top.

OFF AT 4:46. Start good. Won driving. Time: :22 1/4, :46 1/4, 1:11 1/4, 1:37 1/4, 1:44 1/4 Track fast.

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

2-POKARITO	21.40	8.80	6.00
4-MEDIA MAN		4.20	3.00
1-NORTHERN FORM (a-entry)			3.20
\$2 EXACTA 2-4 PAID \$114.00.			

B. c. by Pokar—Bold Counsel, by Good Counsel. Trainer Nelson Harry. Sired by Harkins T I (Ky).

POKARITO, allowed to settle early, moved up willingly outside rivals on the second turn, responded to strong handling through the drive and edged MEDIA MAN. The latter, just off the early pace, moved to gain a short lead on the second turn and held on well in a long drive. NORTHERN FORM, reserved for six furlongs, rallied inside into the stretch and was slowly gaining. NOSTALGIA WEEKEND, outrun to the stretch, lacked the needed rally. CLASSY BOSS showed little. CREAM TO THE TOP dueled for the early lead and faltered. HAVANA BROWN was outrun. CONQUISTADOR COMET dueled for the lead for six furlongs and stopped. SUCHA MARTINI, just off the early pace, gave way after five furlongs.

Owners—1, Heryford S; 2, Toffel A E; 3, Two Rivers Farm & Klinger; 4, Chandler J M; 5, Aquilino & Martin; 6, Two Rivers Farm & Klinger; 7, Klutsenbaker B; 8, Alvarez III & Smith; 9, Smith & Toutjian.

Trainers—1, Nelson Harry; 2, Greenman Walter; 3, Mason Lloyd C; 4, Chandler J M; 5, Martin R L; 6, Mason Lloyd C; 7, Bellasis Tim; 8, Sanchez Adrian; 9, Foster Charles C.

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