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From Betting System Guru

INTRODUCTION

Hi Folks

Welcome to BST Newsletter Edition 13/14 double issue first of all I would like to apologise for not sending out a Newsletter last week this was due to ill-health. So what do we have in store for you this week? A new review, two final reviews, plus a new feature League tables.

Now I am not sure what you folks think of the idea of the League tables but it does give you a quick idea how each service /system is doing and is in an easy to read format. We also have the old favourites Betting Advice and this weeks Racing Personality was considered by many to be one of the greatest trainers in the World Vincent O' Brien.

New Reviews

The Wizard Of Odds - Reviewer Sgt Thomas

Another new product from Sportsworld Publishing this is a backing system claiming a 71.02 % strike rate and a profit to Level Stakes of 39.27 points since the systems inception on April 14th this year, the system also comes with a Staking Plan which would have increased these profits to 140.72 points as per the website.

The cost of the system is £95 and a tipping service is available at £40 a month. So what do you get an 8 page word document thankfully with no extra padding about how to place Bets etc and an excel sheet with previous results. As per Sgt Thomas the rules are simple to understand but a bit more difficult to execute, another downside is that you require the Racing Post newspaper to operate the system. The author claims to make his selections in just 5-10 minutes each day, Sgt Thomas finds this hard to believe having read the selection process. Anyway the review starts on Monday 23^{rd} August lets see how this one gets on.

See The Wizard Of Odds here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Wizard_Of_Odds/

Note and a Warning

We were hoping to have been trying out Arbitrage Spy before its release date. What is it? Well this is from the sales pitch: "Arbitrage Spy is an acclaimed unique betting software that lets you capitalize on the odd differences between different bookmakers". So the software selects the bets all you have to do is manually place them. It is due to launch on the 24th August and will come with the usual tricky sales pitch, please before you part with your hard earned cash wait until it has been reviewed on BST.

See Arbitrage Spy here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Arbitrage_Spy/

Final Reviews

We have 2 Final Reviews this week one in neutral and one in failed.

Passed 5*Highly Recommended

None for the period of August 9th to 22nd August

Passed! Minimum 84 day Review

None for the period of August 9th to 22nd August.

Released On Bail (Neutral)

Horse Betting Professor - Reviewer Sgt Rob

In the Final Review this system was given 1.5 stars and placed in neutral, mainly to see how the changes in the way the selections were indicated in the e-mail would affect the results. Unfortunately the changes happened towards the end of the review mind given the cost of the system £105 approximately plus you would need to subscribe to the DRF website for a further £721 per annum it would need to make some improvement. To be fair you could go for the up-sell and go for the Platinum Package at £359 approximately and get e-mails for life but this is a lot of outlay for most folks.

Sgt Rob mentioned that the system was a roller coaster ride and that on a good day it could easily make up the losses occurred during the review but unfortunately their does not appear to be enough of them. So to conclude Horse Betting Professor is on parole to see if the e-mail selection changes have any positive affect on results, if not it will be just another over hyped and expensive system that fails to achieve.

Upto day 56	This Period	Cumulative	
		\$1000 Start Bank	P/L
Each Way	N/A	\$941.80	-\$58.20
Exotic	N/A	\$828.00	-\$172.00

See Horse Racing Professor here:

http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/horse betting professor/

Failed and Jailed

Sports Betting Champ - Reviewer Sgt Philip

This was failed by Sgt Philip because of the continuous changing of rules and amendment to them by the operator to remove losses that had occurred. Also the operator wanted members to bet with BETUS and then for them to give him their account ID's so he could pass some of the profits he made each year on to his clients; as you can imagine Sgt Philip is still waiting for his money.

Upto day 14	This Period	Cumulative	
		\$1000 Start Bank	P/L
	N/A	\$974.64	-\$25.36

News About All The Reviews

This section covers all the current reviews being conducted and just gives a quick insight how each review is performing. All the figures quoted below cover the period August 9th to August 22nd inclusive.

Betfair Pirate – Reviewer Sgt Marc

Oh dear the last 14 days has set the service back, 7 winning days out of 14 only 2 clean sweeps and 27 losing Lays out of 114 selections resulted in a loss of 27.90 points. On Day 77 the operator launched a filtered version of the Betfair Pirate software currently after 7 days that is showing a loss of 11.60 points. Anyway the original versions trial is drawing to a close so we should have Sgt Marc's Final Review in our next edition.

Upto day 83	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	150 point Start	P/L
		Bank	
	-27.90	147.01 points	- 2.99 points

See Betfair Pirate here: http://www.betfairpirate.com/

Champion Lays - Reviewer Sgt Philip

Sgt Philip will be doing a Final Review for this one very soon.

Upto day 32	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	£2000 Start Bank	P/L
	N/A	£1424.00	-£576.00

See Champion Lays here: http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/champion_lays/

Champion Racing Lays - Reviewer Sgt Tommy

Not a good period for this service losing another 19.18 points it had 11 selections with 3 losing lays at 11.11, 10.00 and 7.78. So after 29 days the Start Bank is reduced by just over 60%. Will it have enough left to keep going to the end of the 56 day review?

Upto day 29	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	50 points Start Bank P/L	
	-19.18 points	19.71 points	-30.29 points

See Champion Race Lays here:

http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Champion Racing Lays/

<u>Dreamlays</u> - Reviewer Sgt Brendan

Days 8 to Day 22 gave 72 selections with 9 losing lays with a profit of £123.60. The first half of this period the service suffered but rallied strongly in the second half producing 5 clean sweeps.

Upto day 22	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	£1000 Start Bank	P/L
	+£123.60	£1159.40	+£159.40

See Dreamlays here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Dream_Lays/

Football Bets- Reviewer Sgt Tommy

During the fortnight we had the return of Tammyboy to the Football Bets fold he has had only 3 selections with 2 winners and profit of 1.50 points. As for the other 2 tipsters BettingLayClub had 15 selections with 8 winners and made a profit of 3.97 points. For 99 Reds things improved slightly with a total of 20 winners from 36 Selections resulting in a profit of 1.41 points.

Upto day 54	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L
BettingLayClub	+3.97points	104.45 points	+4.45 points
99 Reds	+1.41points	94.37 points	-5.63 points
Tammyboy	+1.50 points	101.50 points	+1.50 points

See Football Bets here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Football_Bets/

Football Bets Direct- Reviewer Sgt Philip

No selections since Day 11(July 5th) due to the author having a heart attack, no further updates since July 11th from Sgt Philip.

Upto day 11	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L
	N/A	123.02 points	+23.02 points

See Football Bets Direct here: http://irec.ommend.com/fbd/

The Full Circle System – Reviewer Sgt Dave

This had 34 selections for the 2 weeks producing only 3 winners and 6 E/W and 1 place only bets placed so not a very good period showing a loss of 10.50 points. It will certainly have to do better in the forthcoming weeks it has now lost nearly 25% of it Start Bank.

Upto day 21	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	40 point Start Bank	P/L
	-10.50 points	30.18 points	-9.82 points

To see Full Circle click here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Full_Circle/

Golden Key Method 2- Reviewer Sgt Dave

The method picked up a bit during the fortnight with 12 winning days out of 14 and a profit of 32.77 points. So after 80 days the overall profit stands at a healthy 176.32 points.

Upto day 80	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L
	+32.77 points	276.32 points	+176.32 points

See Golden Key Method 2 here: http://www.goldenkeymethod2.com/

Layers of Profit (Mk II) - Reviewer Sgt Rob

For the period Day 22 to 37 the service had only 6 selections and all were successful Lays and a profit of 5.70 points being made.

Upto day 37	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	35 point Start Bank P/L	
	+ 5.70	44.54 points	+ 9.54 points

See Layers of Profit here: http://irec.ommend.com/layersofprofit/

No1 Lay System - Reviewer Sgt Dave

Just 6 selections in the last fortnight with all of them being winning ones for the system, and producing a profit of 5.70 points. So in the last 3 weeks although it has had a total of only 10 selections all have been winning Lays so a very good start.

Upto day 21	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L
	+ 5.70	109.50 points	+ 9.50 points

See No1 Lay System here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Number_One_Lays/

On Course For Profits - Reviewer Sgt Thomas

For the period Days 59 to 72 the service/system produced 41 selections with 10 winning resulting in a slight loss of 0.58 points. So with 12 days to go the Bank stands at 98.03 a small loss of 1.97 points for the 72 days of the trial so far.

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Upto day 72	This Period	Cumulative		
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L	
	-0.58	98.03 points	- 1.97 points	

See On Course for Profits here:

http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/On_Course_For_Profits/

Planet Horseracing-Reviewer Sgt Tony

For the 14 day period the service had 9 selections with 6 being winning lays this showed a loss of £258.40, so after a good start to the review it now finds itself in the red.

Upto day 53	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	£2000 Start Bank	P/L
	-£258.40	£1916.00	-£84.00

See Planet Horseracing here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Planet_Horse_Racing/

Profit From Systems -Reviewer Sgt Dave

A static period for the service with the Backs making a slight loss of 0.18 points from the 17 winners out of the 94 qualifying selections. For the Lays it had 25 selections with 20 winning ones producing a slight profit of 0.29 points. With 9 days to go the Backs need a miracle to get back in profit and the Lays have been stuck in the 40s points profit for a while now.

Upto day 75	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L
Backs	-0.18 points	52.76 points	-47.24 points
Lays	+0.29 points	142.51 points	+42.51 points

See Profit from Systems here:

http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Profit_From_Systems/

Racing Secrets Exposed E-Book - Reviewer Sgt Rob

Sgt Rob is tackling this review this week and will provide a full appraisal of the highly rated Racing Secrets Exposed

See Racing Secrets Exposed here:

http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Racing-Secret-Exposed-Manual/

Racing Secrets Exposed (Tips) - Reviewer Sgt Rob

Not such a good period with 21 selections producing 5 losing Lays meaning that both Early Bird and BFSP showed a loss. After a good first week the service has suffered a slight setback in the next two, but still showing a profit overall on both types of bets.

Upto day 20	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L
Early Bird	-5.15points	101.50 points	+1.50 points
BFSP	- 2.50 points	104.15 points	+4.15 points

See Racing Secrets Exposed (Tips) here:

http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Racing-Secret-Exposed-Tips/

Racing Winners - Reviewer Sgt Thomas

4 winners from 26 selections for Days 9 to 22 and a loss of 5.50 points so it would appear that the system is adjusting its self after a flying start, bearing in mind the average strike rate is around 20% and not the 41.19% it was achieving in the first 8 days.

Upto day 22	This Period	Cumulative		
	P/L	100 point Start Bank P/L		
	-5.50 points	145.80 points	+45.80 points	

See Racing Winners here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Racing-Winners/

The Pointer Software -Reviewer Sgt Brendan

Last posting by Sgt Brendan was on August 11th and this covered Days 57 to 63 for this period 2 selections were given and no winners, so minus 2 points for both ISP and BSP.

Upto day 63	This Period	Cumulative		
	P/L	100 point Start Bank	P/L	
ISP	-2.00 points	110.81 points	+10.81 points	
BSP	-2.00 points	113.30 points	+13.30 points	

See The Pointer Software here:

http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Tax_Free_Quid/

<u>Tyche Windfall</u> -Reviewer The Commissioner

Next updates from the Commissioner at the end of this month.

Upto End of July	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	100 point Start Bank P/L	
BSP	N/A	101.97 points	+ 1.97 points

See Tyche Windfall here: http://irec.ommend.com/tyche/

Winning Racing Tips -Reviewer Sgt Danny

I have tried contacting Danny to no avail. BST was let down before on this review is it cursed?

Upto Day 84	This Period	Cumulative	
	P/L	1000 point Start Bank	P/L
	N/A	1182.00 points	+ 182.00 points

See Winning Racing Tips here: http://irec.ommend.com/wrt/

League Tables

I thought I would come up with this idea of using League Tables this week I am going to give the Lay League this basically covers the strike rate and P/L for the last 2 weeks and then an overall League table based on the service or systems ranking in the two previous tables. I would like to do similar for the Backs but due to E.W and % of bank staking it makes it a lot harder to set up.

Lay League Table for August 9th to 22nd (Strike Rate)

	Name of	No Of	Winning	% Strike	Position
Position	Service/System	Selections	Lays	Rate	L/W
1	Layers Of Profits	6	6	100	N/A
1	No 1 Lays	6	6	100	N/A
3	Dream Lays	72	63	87.56	N/A
4	Profit From Systems	25	20	80	N/A
5	Betfair Pirate	114	87	76.33	N/A
	Racing Secrets				
6	Exposed(Tips)	21	16	76.19	N/A
7	Champion Racing Lays	11	8	72.73	N/A
8	Planet Horseracing	9	6	66.66	N/A

Lay League Table for August 9th to 22nd (Profit and Loss)

,	,	Profit and	Position
Position	Name of Service/System	Loss	L/W
1	Dream Lays	12.36	N/A
2	Layers of Profit	5.7	N/A
2	No 1 Lays	5.7	N/A
4	Profit From Systems	0.29	N/A
5	Racing Secrets Exposed(Tips)	minus 2.50	N/A
6	Planet Horseracing	minus 6.46	N/A
7	Champion Racing Lays	minus 19.18	N/A
8	Betfair Pirate	minus 27.90	N/A

Lay League Table for August 9th to 22nd (Overall)

,	Name of	Points			Position
Position	Service/System	Points from S/R	from P/L	Total	L/W
1	Layers Of Profits	8	7	15	N/A
1	No 1 Lays	8	7	15	N/A
3	Dream Lays	6	8	14	N/A
4	Profit From Systems	5	5	10	N/A
	Racing Secrets				
5	Exposed(Tips)	3	4	7	N/A
6	Betfair Pirate	4	1	5	N/A
7	Champion Racing Lays	2	2	4	N/A
7	Planet Horseracing	1	3	4	N/A

Betting Advice

I have been searching for information for an article I wanted to publish this week but surprisingly I have drawn a blank, I thought that I would find plenty of articles but this was not the case, anyway I shall continue my quest. So for this week I just wanted to share a couple of points I have observed over the last few weeks.

- (1) A lot of folks on the BST have had restrictions placed on their accounts or even closed when they have increased the stakes on their bets. Now I suppose its human nature that when you find something that makes money you want to milk it for all its worth. But you might just kill the goose that lays the golden eggs, for example if you were betting £100 a race on ABTB and you increase it to £200 but now the bookies have spotted you, suddenly 4 bookies have restricted your accounts, because of this you can hardly get £50 on a race, now your profits are half what you were originally getting. So a question was it really worth it? Now by being greedy you have actually cost yourself money, if you are making steady profits be content with that you are doing far better than most.
- (2) Please when you spend your hard earned money on a system, read the manual properly, even go over it several times if you have to until you fully understand the rules. I have seen it so many times people asking questions which have already been answered in a manual and it is so obvious that in their rush to get started they have only flicked through the pages and only have an inkling what the system is about. Of course we can guess what happens next these folks dive straight in betting with hard earned cash, mess up because they did not read the rules properly. Then we get the posting on the BST site this system is crap, why did the sergeants recommend it etc, etc everyone else's fault but theirs.

If a system is a genuine one it should serve you a good few years but just a little preparation and patience at the start will stop it being just another junk file on your computer. Check if the system is on a long winning streak as by the law of averages it is due to have a couple of losers so do not jump in straight away, paper trade, this has two benefits it will save you money and give you the necessary practise to get used to the system.

Remember the four Ps in your betting:

P = Planning

P = Preparation

P = Practise

P = Patience

Using the four P's above should help lead to the most important P:

Profit!

Racing Personalities

Kind of a continuation from our last personality Lester Piggott this was the Maestro trainer that the Long Fellow had some of his greatest rides for Vincent O Brien.

Dr. Michael Vincent O'Brien (9 April 1917 - 1 June 2009)





Big Race Winners

Champion Hurdle: Hatton's Grace 1949, 1950, 1951.

Cheltenham Gold Cup: Cottage Rake 1948, 1949, 1950, Knock Hard 1953.

Grand National: Early Mist 1953, Royal Tan 1954, Quare Times 1955.

2,000 Guineas: Sir Ivor 1968, Nijinsky 1970, Lomond 1983, El Gran Senor 1984.

1,000 Guineas: Glad Rags 1966.

Oaks: Long Look 1965, Valoris 1966.

Derby: Larkspur 1962, Sir Ivor 1968, Nijinsky 1970, Roberto 1972, The Minstrel 1977, Golden Fleece 1982.

King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Stakes: Ballymoss 1958, Nijinsky 1970, The Minstrel 1977.

St Leger: Ballymoss 1957, Nijinsky 1970, Boucher 1972.

Irish 2,000 Guineas: El Toro 1959, Jaazeiro 1978, King's Lake 1981, Sadler's Wells 1984, Prince Of Birds 1988.

Irish 1,000 Guineas: Valoris 1966, Lady Capulet 1977, Godetia 1979.

Irish Derby: Chamier 1953, Ballymoss 1957, Nijinsky 1970, The Minstrel 1977, El Gran Senor 1984, Law Society 1985.

Irish Oaks: Ancasta 1964, Aurabella 1965, Gaia 1969, Godetia 1979.

Irish St Leger: Barclay 1959, White Gloves 1966, Reindeer 1969, Caucasus 1975, Meneval

1976, Transworld 1977, Gonzales 1980, Leading Counsel 1985, Dark Lomond 1988.

Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe: Ballymoss 1958, Alleged 1977, 1978.

Breeders' Cup Mile: Royal Academy 1990.

That is some record from being a successful National Hunt Trainer to become an even more successful Flat Trainer so how did it all begin:

The Early Years

Michael Vincent O'Brien was born at Churchtown, Co Cork, on April 9 1917, the eldest of the second family of Dan O'Brien, a farmer who was also a breeder and holder of a permit to train horses. By the time he was four, Vincent's "party piece" was to reel off the breeding of the horses kept at home. He left school at 15 to work with his father, but also had a sideline breeding and selling greyhounds to England, a trade that was ended by the outbreak of the Second World War. He decided he wanted to train racehorses.

In December 1943, following his father's death that summer, O'Brien visited England for the first time and, at Newmarket sales, paid just 130 guineas for Drybob, a three-year-old of little visible merit. At the same time Sidney McGregor, breeder of both a Derby and a Grand National winner, asked him to train a moderate four-year-old, Good Days. In 1944, his very first year as a trainer, O'Brien pulled off the Irish Autumn Double at the Curragh; Good Days

won the Cesarewitch and Drybob dead-heated for the Cambridgeshire — O'Brien had £2 each way the double at 800-1.

The horse that put O'Brien on the map, however, was Cottage Rake. The young trainer was in the lavatory of a Dublin hotel when he overheard two vets discussing this fine horse, whose sale had twice fallen through because it suffered from a respiratory problem. "But at his age, I don't think it will ever affect him," O'Brien heard one vet say to the other. The young trainer rushed to a telephone: "I immediately called Mr [Frank] Vickerman, the only man I knew with any money, and told him to buy the horse." Cottage Rake duly arrived at Churchtown, and in the autumn of 1947 won the Irish Cesarewitch. The following year he won the Cheltenham Gold Cup; on Easter Monday, at a party in Dublin, horse and trainer were toasted with pre-war vintage champagne.

In 1948 O'Brien bought for 18 guineas an insignificant-looking eight-year-old called Hatton's Grace. On his second visit to Cheltenham's National Hunt Festival, in 1949, O'Brien achieved a remarkable double: the Champion Hurdle with Hatton's Grace, and a second consecutive Gold Cup with Cottage Rake. He completed a Gold Cup hat-trick with "The Rake" in 1950, also taking three consecutive Champion Hurdles with Hatton's Grace (1949-51). His fourth Gold Cup winner was Knock Hard, in 1953.

O'Brien also won the Grand National in three successive years (1953-55) with Early Mist, Royal Tan and Quare Times.

In his early days as a National Hunt trainer, O'Brien habitually joined battle with the bookmakers. He needed to gamble simply to make the money to keep going; later, successful coups helped to finance expansion. Also, as he once explained: "Owners like Harry Keogh, who had Hatton's Grace and Knock Hard, loved a bet, and I had to come up with the goods to stay in business. It was me against the bookies and, though the pressure was enormous, we did all right." O'Brien bet only on his own horses. Later in his career he gave up — partly because he no longer needed the money, and partly because the bookmakers would offer him only restrictive odds.

In 1958 O'Brien was standing on the rails at York racecourse with Sir Noel Murless and Sir Cecil Boyd-Rochfort when the bookmaker William Hill stopped for a chat. Hill had been on the wrong end of many a spectacular gamble on O'Brien's horses, and the trainer recalled: "He turned to the other two and remarked that he would have saved thousands of pounds if he had had me done away with 10 years ago."

O'Brien's gambling successes helped him, in 1951, to set up at Ballydoyle near Cashel in Co Tipperary. This was a Georgian house set in 320 acres of parkland which he gradually turned into a top-class training establishment.

The Flat Years

Having conquered the jumping scene, O'Brien decided to concentrate on the Flat. He won the 1953 Irish Derby with Chamier; then, at Doncaster Sales, he met an American owner, John McShain, for whom he bought five yearlings. Among them was Ballymoss which, in 1957-58, came second in the English Derby and won the Irish Derby, the St Leger, Eclipse, Coronation Cup, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes and the Arc de Triomphe.

In 1962 O'Brien won the first of his six Epsom Derbies, with Larkspur. He won the Irish Oaks in 1964 and the following year the Oaks at Epsom with Long Look and the Irish Oaks with Aurabella. In 1966 he took the 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket with Glad Rags.

O'Brien was now deciding to book Lester Piggott as his jockey whenever possible, leading to an inevitable showdown with Piggott's retaining trainer, Sir Noel Murless. There was a sensation before the 1966 Oaks when the jockey insisted on riding O'Brien's Valoris instead of Murless's

Varinia; when Valoris won (Varinia finished third), Piggott announced that he was now a freelance jockey. O'Brien merely remarked: "He is the best jockey. It's as simple as that."

In 1968 O'Brien sent out the handsome bay Sir Ivor, owned by Raymond Guest, to win both the 2,000 Guineas and the Epsom Derby; the horse went on to win the Champion Stakes and the Washington International, earning Lester Piggott's accolade: "The best horse I have ever ridden". But this was also the year in which O'Brien was asked by the platinum magnate, Charles Engelhard, to go to Canada to inspect a colt by Ribot. Having seen the horse, O'Brien advised against a purchase — but recommended that Engelhard instead buy a son of the then untried stallion, Northern Dancer.

This was Nijinsky, who went on to make history in 1970, winning under Lester Piggott the Triple Crown (2,000 Guineas, Derby and St Leger); the horse also won the Irish Derby and the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes. There were various excuses for the colt's narrow defeat by Sassafras in the Arc — he swerved inside the distance; Lester dropped his whip... — but the disappointed O'Brien merely remarked: "A horse is like a car: he has only a certain mileage." Nijinsky later became a top-class sire.

Among O'Brien's owners was the Irish-American Jack Mulcahy; and it was he who told the trainer to "get a piece of the action" — that is, to become a part-owner in the horses he trained, thereby profiting from their prize money and, more importantly, their value at stud. O'Brien was to call this "the best advice I ever got", and he became a very rich man. This success was based particularly on his partnership with Robert Sangster and John Magnier (the husband of O'Brien's daughter Sue) in the Coolmore Stud.

For nearly a decade they dominated European racing. In 1975, the first year of their partnership, O'Brien and Sangster went to the Keeneland sales in Kentucky, where they bought several yearlings. These included The Minstrel, who won the Derby in 1977 under Lester Piggott. In the same year O'Brien trained Alleged to win the first of two consecutive Arcs.

O'Brien trained his sixth and final Epsom Derby winner, Golden Fleece, in 1982. He nearly attained a seventh two years later, when El Gran Senor was narrowly beaten in a sensational finish by Secreto — trained by his son, David O'Brien.

Vincent O'Brien retired from training in the 1990s after winning the 1990 Breeders' Cup Mile with Royal Academy. Aidan O'Brien was then employed by Coolmore to take over the training responsibilities of Vincent O'Brien. Unlike Vincent, who was involved in every stage of the horses' selecting, training and breeding, Aidan's role involves training whatever horses have been bought or bred for him by Coolmore. This narrow focus has allowed Aidan to produce a myriad of winners from Vincent's incredible bloodline of horses, maintaining Coolmore's status as the biggest bloodstock company in the world

Sadly the great trainer died at his Irish home in Straffan, County Kildare on 1 June 2009, aged 92.

Accolades

Vincent O'Brien was voted the greatest national hunt trainer of the 20th century, and was then voted the greatest flat trainer of the 20th century. In the vote for the greatest figure in the history of horseracing hosted by the Racing Post newspaper, Vincent O'Brien came first with 28% of the

total vote, with his long-time stable jockey Lester Piggott placed second out of a pool of 100 contenders who had been carefully selected by a panel of racing experts.

When his former stable jockey, Lester Piggott, was invited to locate O'Brien in racing's pantheon, he replied simply: "Of course Vincent was the greatest — look at the figures."

What made him so Special?

Some of the things that made him so great were attention to detail and planning some examples below:

As a trainer, O'Brien was meticulous in his attention to detail: when his horses were travelling to the races, he would always have a spare trailer ready in case the original one broke down; similarly, he would often book a reserve jockey for a big race in case anything untoward happened to his first choice.

When he thought that The Minstrel (winner of the 1977 Derby) would be upset by the noise of the Epsom crowd, he had cotton wool stuffed in the horse's ears. He was the first trainer to install all-weather gallops, commonplace today. And while it is now not unusual for a trainer to look after more than 200 horses in his yard, O'Brien seldom had more than 60 at a time: "It would have been impossible to give my attention to a large number of horses," he said.

Next Week

Once again apologies for last week, next week we should have Final Reviews of Betfair Pirate and Golden Key Method 2, also hopefully a new review Arbitrage Spy. As usual I shall be on the look out for any useful articles for the newsletter and any other products that may be useful to our cause of making profits.

Signing Off For Another Week

Well this is Betting System Guru signing off and I hope that you have enjoyed or found some of the content within this newsletter to be useful. I thank you for taking the time to read it and that you can see we are trying to expand the content every week. So take care and remember to look out for the BST newsletter in your e-mails on September 1st. Until then folks take care and happy & successful punting.

Regards Betting System Guru