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INTRODUCTION

Hi Folks

Welcome again to the BST Newsletter this is Edition 4&5 and is covering all the things that have happened on BST during the period June 7th to 20th. Plenty to get through, BST has been quite busy with three final reviews and four new ones too. But as promised I have included the Van Der Wheel Method in this Newsletter so there is no need to pay a certain website for this.

I have also included Betting Advice with an article on Keeping Records as part of Treating Your Betting like a Business series.

What can I say we have another New Sergeant his name is Thomas and another gentleman who has experience of various forms of betting. Welcome aboard Thomas and his first review is On Course for Profits, good luck with that one!

New Reviews

Tax Free Quid – The Pointer Software: This one is being reviewed by Sgt Brendan and actually started on the 5th June, so what is it? It is software designed for UK Horseracing and you input information found in the Racing Post and then selections are highlighted. Of course the downside is you have to be a member of the Racing Post so that's around 7 pounds per month and in addition to this you have to pay a subscription of 29.99 pounds per month to use the software. As per Sgt Brendan you could do ratings for backing or laying but, for the purpose of the review he will be reporting on Win only. Up to Day 16, June 20th the cumulative profit stands at +19.93 points for ISP and +22.01pts for BFSP, so a fair start to the review.

[http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Tax Free Quid/](http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/Tax_Free_Quid/)

Horse Betting Professor: A system that concentrates on US horse racing this one is being reviewed by Sgt Rob, now this one costs around 105 pounds approximately and for your money you get a 49 page PDF manual, 2 page hot sheet and 1 years worth of e-mail selections. It is just as well that you do have the 1 year of e-mails because as Sgt Rob discovered in order to find your own selections you need to be a member of the Daily Rating Form website (DRF). If you folks thought the Racing Post was expensive check this out, Basic Annual DRF Package is around 721 pounds and Deluxe Version is 902 pounds (Ouch!). So as you might have guessed Sgt Rob is doing the review from the e-mails received. So how is the system fairing? Well not so great but early days yet. Two banks of \$1000 were set up for Each Way and Exotic (Doubles, combinations etc) and as of June 20th (Day 12) the Each Way Bank is at \$896.20 (minus \$103.80) and Exotic at \$808 (minus \$1920).

http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/horse_betting_professor/

Profit from Systems: This one is being reviewed by Sgt Gerald and you are given plenty of selections to Back and Lay. Whether they are a definite bet is subject to the Betfair price and whether it fits into the ranges given and then your stakes are dependent on the number of systems which give the selection. Sgt Gerald recommends the use of a Bot due to the price requirement.

Cost of this service is 35 pounds for Backing and the same for Laying if you decide on both, it will cost you 55 pounds saving you 15 pounds. So how is it doing at Day 12 June 20th for Backs the bank stands at 967.78 (**minus 32.22**) and for Lays it is 1016.30 (+ **16.30**) both starting with 1000 points.

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

New Reviews continued

On Course for Profits: This one is the first review for our new Sgt, Sgt Thomas this is another SPW system this is supposed to be an improved version of 1000 point a Year System that was reviewed by Sgt Dave and was duly Jailed and Failed, so lets hope that this one fares better than that one. On Course for Profits follows a similar pattern i.e. trainers for course, races etc, it backing selections to win or each way, the system is available for 95 pounds. How is it progressing so far it started on June 11th and as of June 20th Day 10 it is **minus 6.75** points.

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

Final Reviews

Passed and Recommended

Favourites Phenomenon: Was reviewed by Sgt Dave and given four stars and a recommendation, the system performed well over the 84 days and made fair profits on two levels. Some are shocked as this is a recovery staking plan but as Sgt Dave said this is a very controllable one. Many safeguards are put in place especially on the FP Bot so that stakes do get out of control. Thoughts of staking 100 points to earn one point will not happen with this method if you follow the manual and set up you FP Bot correctly. Out of the 84 days , 21 days were no betting days due the races exceeding the Maximum Potential Loss Limits, or races to close together. There are 3 levels and as per the review the first 2 levels which have a smaller loss in the event of a losing day produced profits of **41.79 points** (Level 1) and **35.94 points** (Level 2). The FP Bot proved very reliable during the trial period and will cost you 35 pounds a month in addition to the 97 pound for the PDF manual and calculators if you prefer not to use the Bot.

This is a very consistent method of making steady long term profits but of course will not to be for everyone's taste, but this does not distract from the fact that it works. Thanks Sgt Dave for comprehensive final review which, unfortunately, I cannot put it all here to space limitations.

Click link to see the FP System <http://irecommend.com/favouritesphenomenon/>

Released On Bail (Neutral)

Just Lays – Formerly Martins Better Betting: Was placed in neutral by Sgt Brendan as it made less than 3 points profit over the 84 day review period. It lost points in March but made profits of 5 and 6 points respectively in April and May which was in line with the claims made by the service. The service was professionally run; e-mails always arrived before 11am plenty of time for everyone to place bets. The main concern of Sgt Brendan was that the service was not really suited to the average backer but to the larger staking professional one who could use this as part of a portfolio. The latest price for this service is 49.99 pounds per month and this includes football lays as well during the UK football season.

<http://irec.ommend.com/martinsbetterbetting/>

Failed and Jailed

Racing Revelations: This system was failed by Sgt Graeme on the grounds that it failed to live up to the promises made on the website and it **lost 2.84** points over the 84 day review period. Quoting “Sgt Graeme” looking back at the results over this period it had far too many long losing runs and with many winners being short prices then it was always going to be a struggle to make a profit. It did go through a good period and I thought maybe the bad run was due to the change from NH to Flat but over the last 2 weeks we have found many losers so for anyone to profit from this long term I think it would be very difficult considering the many long losing runs.” So thanks Sgt Graeme for your time on this one and another system making big claims bites the dust.

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 June 7th to June 20th inclusive.

All By The Book - Reviewer Sgt Dave

Well since the last BST Newsletter was sent out ABTB has made an additional **485.88** points up to and including Sunday 20th (Day 68) the cumulative profit now stands at an impressive **+1274.89** points. On Day 59 it hit its best winning day yet 117.79 points and during the 2 week period it only had 3 losing days. So far this method has been a great success, although it does take some efforts on the user and does require a fair amount of capital one can certainly not argue with the rewards.

See **All by the Book** here: <http://www.allbythebook.com/>

Betfair Pirate – Reviewer Sgt Marc

An interesting one for our new Sergeants to be reviewing as it has been a really roller coaster ride so far. On Day 3 it was + 9.70 points up and by Day 17 it was 23.50 points down and now at Day 20 its has made a fight back and now stands at **minus 8.20** points. There has been problems with some Blogger's not getting selections or even getting different ones most of this has been sorted out now by getting users to adjust the pc clock. On Day 9 Sgt Marc switched to the Sporting Bot platform and despite an initial hitch this seems to be getting the same selections as Jason the service operator. This one appears to be coming into form now, after a bad patch so the next few weeks could be interesting.

See **Betfair Pirate** here: <http://www.betfairpirate.com/>

Champion Lays - Reviewer Sgt Philip

Since Day 12 the service has made another 12.40 pounds. The last posting was made by Sgt Philip on June 13th (Day 15). There were 4 bets in total 3 of which won for the service during this period. The Running Bank now stands at 2257.00 pounds starting with a Bank of 2000, so a profit of **257 pounds** so far.

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

Combination System -Reviewer Sgt Tommy

A bit more activity for the last 2 weeks (Days 10 to 24) for this system it produced 11 selections but only 3 of them won so a loss of 4.13 points was recoded for this period. Cumulative Level Stakes now stands at **minus 7.46 points** and the Running Bank at 62.54 points (70 points start).

See Combination System here:

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

Follow the Fortune -Reviewer Sgt Ian

Well this one is due for the Final Review as it is now on Day 86 (June 16th) the last post made by Sgt Ian, he is awaiting the return of The Commissioner. Certainly for Day 76 to Day 86 the Back Bets have improved making **+10.42 points** during this time and actually out shone the Lays which only made **+4.44 points** profit, so this gave the Full System a +14.86 points profit. The Cumulative Banks stand at, for the Full System 197.22 points, Back Bets 105.13 points and for the Lays 192.09 points, each starting with 100 point banks so all are in profit. Interesting to see what the Final Verdict on this one is clearly it has made a profit but does have a lot of selections to lay and back and hopefully we will have the outcome in the next newsletter.

See Follow the Fortune here: <http://irec.ommend.com/follow-the-fortune/>

Football Betting Master- Reviewer Sgt Tommy

6 World Cup bets during the last 2 weeks resulting in 4 winning and 2 losing bets and a 21.50 points profit. So after Day 30 the bank stands at 1168.50 points, a profit of **168.50 points**.

See Football Betting Master here:

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

Free Profits- Reviewer Sgt Tony

Well last time I renamed this one Free Losses, given what has happened to this one in the last 2 weeks its more like Free Fall as a 1000 point bank has been completely wiped out and if you had been brave or silly enough to use another 1000 points this is on the verge of being wiped out as well. Here are the numbers from Day 38 to Day 51 it **lost 1018 points** and it was already **minus 882.40** on Day 37. These figures are to the laying systems recommended stakes of 20 points. Just using 1 point stakes you would still be minus 95.02 points. I should well imagine Sgt Tony will be glad to see the back of this one.

See Free Profits here: <http://irec.ommend.com/freeprofits>

Golden Key Method 2- Reviewer Sgt Dave

The Golden Key Method 2 continues to show steady profits from Day 4 to 17 it had 10 winning days and 4 losing ones which resulted in a +23.47 points profit for that period. The Cumulative Bank up to and including Day 17 now stands at 127.93 points so that's a **27.93 points** profit so far. Not so flamboyant as its stable companion ABTB but it is matching the websites claim of around 1 to 3 points per day profits. Anyway still early days so I will be watching this one with interest to see what develops.

Click here to see [The Golden Key Method 2](#)

Horse Betting Professor - Reviewer Sgt Rob

This one has already been covered under New Reviews earlier, so a quick recap it's a system backing US horse either Each Way or Exotic Bets (Doubles etc). The system never got off to a winning start and up to and including Day 12(June 20th) has never been in front on either method, Each Way Bank stands at \$896.20 (**minus \$103.80**) and for Exotic Bets \$808 (**minus \$192**). As you can imagine there is a lot of hype attached to this system but at the present time it is not delivering. Still a long way to go yet so let's see what occurs.

http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/horse_betting_professor/

Laying Odds On Favourites - Reviewer Sgt Dave

Not much to say on this except 14 days, 11 days with No Selections (9 consecutive) and of the remaining 3 days there was 5 selections and only 2 were winning ones for the service so for the 2 week period the Level Stakes made a **loss of 45.50 points** and 5% Bank Liability a **loss of 20.74 points**. The Level Stakes Running Bank up to Day 68 is at 1004 points and Bank Liability is at 933.37, both started with 1000 point Banks. Sgt Dave did inform me that the service operator did say it had been an exception period of late for short priced favourites and it was better to have No Selections than get hit with losers. Anyway I am not sure where this one is going and there is only 15 days left.

See Laying Odds on Favourites here: <http://irec.ommend.com/lof/>

On Course For Profits - Reviewer Sgt Thomas

Another new System which was mentioned earlier under New Reviews, this is a backing system either betting to win or each way, the author was in hospital from Day 3 to Day 6 so No Selections for that time. So up to Day 10 there was 16 selections of which only 3 won and a loss of **minus 6.70 points** was the result. Not the best of starts for the system or our new Sergeant but still early days yet.

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

One Good Bet- Reviewer Sgt Jon

Well another couple of exciting weeks for Sgt Jon he had 4 betting days the remainder were the usual No Betting Days, he even managed to get two place doubles unfortunately they still lost money so over the period the method was down 2.15 points. The Cumulative P/L up to Day 43 is **minus 10.12 points**. With 13 days remaining it is beginning not to look that hopeful for this one.

See One Good Bet here: http://bettingsystemtruths.com/review/one_good_bet/

Pin Point Lays - Reviewer Sgt Dave

Well still several days without any selections but the two week period did see Low Lays and Bankers have 4 out of 4 winning lays a piece so for this period Low Lays to Level Stakes made **3.80 points** profit and for 5% Bank Liability + **4.24 points** profit. Banker Lays also made **+3.80 points** to Level Stakes and **4.70 points** profit to 5 % Bank Liability. There was the usual

outside of the odds range selections 3 for Low Lays and 4 for Bankers which seem to affect this service. So the Cumulative Banks for Low Lays Level Stakes is 89.89 points and for Bank Liability 86.24 points. The Banker Level Stakes Cumulative Bank stands at 101.22 points and Bank Liability at 98.20 points, all of these started with 100 point Banks.

Bullet Lays did not fare so well during the fortnight with only 1 winning lay out of 5 so to Level Stakes it was showing **minus 3.01 points** and for 5% Bank Liability **minus 14.44 points**. The Cumulative Bank stands at 96.71 points for Level Stakes and 84.02 points for Bank Liability. All figures quoted are up to Day 63 June 20th.

See Pin Point lays here: <http://www.pinpointlays.com/>

Profit From Systems -Reviewer Sgt Gerald

Yet another new service which has already been given a mention under New Reviews, plenty of selections with this one up to Day 12 a total of 108 Backing Bets of which 24 were winners (Strike Rate 22.22%) and 41 Laying Bets with 35 being successful ones for the service (Strike Rate 85.47%). Profit wise the Back Bets Running Bank is at 967.78 points so it is **minus 32.22 points** and for the Lay Bets the Running Bank is 1016.30 points so it is **+16.30 points** in profit. A loss overall of 15.92 points so far taking the service as a whole, but still along way to go yet in this review.

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

The Pointer Software -Reviewer Sgt Brendan

The last of our New Reviews and this is UK Horseracing Software so far up to Day 16 (June 20th) it has given 29 selections with 13 of these winning (Strike Rate 44.84%). The worst spell happened between Days 6 to 9 inclusive when it had 8 consecutive losers, but certainly profit wise one cannot complain as it is **+ 19.93 points** up on ISP and **22.01 points** up to BFSP. Out of the 16 days so far only 2 days were Non Betting ones, although still along way to go in the review this one looks promising, could be a winner for Sgt Brendan.

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

Top Racing Bets - Reviewer Sgt Gerald

Things have not gone well for this service from Day 15 to 31. All three parts have made a loss, for the period Winning Post Tips minus 2.45 points, In Form Racing **minus 43.06 points** and Profitable Lays **minus 5.20 points**. So far for the trial the Running Banks are as follows: Winning Post Tips 100.87 points (+0.87), In Form Racing Tips 52.58 points (minus 47.42) and finally Profitable Lays 97.62 points (minus 2.38). If we take the service as a whole it certainly does not look particularly good but with 25 days remaining it could still make a comeback.

See Top Racing Bets here: http://www.bettingsystemtruths.com/review/top_racing_bets/

Tyche Windfall – Reviewer The Commissioner

The Commissioner has been trialling this one since the beginning of January this will be a long review. For May this system showed a loss of 5 points, overall from January 1st to May 31st it has made a loss of 1.02 points.

<http://irec.ommend.com/tyche/>

Winning Racing Tips – Reviewer Sgt Danny

Originally Sgt Mario was doing this review but the last that was heard from him was that he had a death in the family and this was on May 25th. The Commissioner took the job on of collecting the results from that date and also corrected some of the figures from the previous postings. Sgt Danny took over on Day 41 (June 11th) and that was his last posting. So all I can give you is the figures up to that date which using the recommended staking you would be + **162.12 points** in profit and to Level Stakes + **6.48 points** ahead.

<http://irec.ommend.com/wrt/>

Betting Advice

Treat your Betting Like a Business

Keeping Records

How important is keeping records well most professional backers would say it is a must, let's see what Clive Holt a well known professional backer and the author of Fineform had to say:

“Early on I saw that betting in singles was the way forward. This was the first business principle I learned. By March 1975, I was ready to earn my living as a full-time punter. I started betting simply because I needed more money to go along with all the commitments one takes on with getting married and having a family.”

“Initially, I used to bet in doubles, trebles and it was a haphazard approach dictated by my pocket but nevertheless I was sure I was well in front. In the beginning I had no proper record of my bets. I worked on a week to week basis; that is, being paid weekly and having regular outgoings and I was left with about the same amount every week to bet with.”

“There was no way I could work out what sort of percentage return I was achieving, so I decided to do the job properly and record all my bets. This was the first application of a business technique to my emerging betting enterprise and it was to point me in the right direction.”

“Looking back, it probably had the greatest influence on my future success. As the figures and the percentages built up before me, it was clear I was becoming more and more analytical. Having the figures before me allowed the easy calculation that betting in multiples had yielded me nearly 50 per cent clear profit on total outlay, whilst betting in singles would have yielded slightly over 60 per cent profit.”

“As there were fewer single bets compared with doubles, trebles and so on, increasing the outlay on single bets seemed a more lucrative and less time consuming option. Importantly, the losing runs were shorter and I was more in control of my money.”

So obviously keeping records is very important and is a key factor in Treating Your Betting like a Business. Of course every business should keep accounts, to see what profit or loss is being made, now do not forget to add the initial cost of your systems/methods or the monthly subscriptions to services, bots etc also if you are running your computer all day the cost of electric, these are all outgoings that should be covered by your profits.

What else can we use records for well list all your selections that you back add things like going, distance, last 6 form figures, was it amateur/apprentice ridden, type of race all these things may have a bearing when you analyze the data in a future date. I have noticed that some systems work better on different type of races or better in certain class of races. Yes it will take time to gather information but in the end it could save you money and make your betting more profitable. Back in 2001 I used a service that was producing around 40 % winners after a few months it was clear that the selections did better in classes 4 to 6 also that horses with more consistent form figures achieved better results, combining the two factors raised the strike rate to 50% plus.

As promised in the last newsletter I have posted the Van Der Wheel Method I have included the whole article because I believe it has a lot of sensible things to say. Where appropriate I have added notes because do not forget this article was posted in the early eighties, at the time in the now sadly departed Sporting Chronicle Handicap Book where it first surfaced it caused a lot of controversy, people either loved it or hated it. The reason why I have put it here because I see comments on BST asking about it, as one particular marketer is trying to sell it for 17 pounds, which is ridiculous because you can get it free of the internet.

Van Der Wheel Method

Racing is a highly complex subject, full of controversy and abounding in aspects amenable to infinite interpretation. And it is a world where an aspiration of millions is to find that pot of gold which will surely come when the infallible system falls into their lap!

Few ever reach their goal, not because it is unattainable but because they lack temperament and unwittingly stack the odds against themselves.

Every day huge sums of money are thrown away by the hoards who haphazardly select a horse from this meeting or that.

Not content with irrational selection they further put the odds against themselves by coupling a number of horses in multiple bets.

It may seem like fun to dream of a fabulous windfall, but I warrant it creates considerable frustration.

Little wonder is the common belief that only the bookmaker can win in the end.

This I know to be untrue, but success can only come by putting aside compulsive gambling ways and making a new beginning using logical and positive methods.

Initially it means coming to terms with yourself and creating that indispensable asset, temperament.

When you can view the situation completely without emotion and making judgment on real evidence something comes to the fore.

Intuition, know how, mentor call it what you will, the fact remains without it two plus two will make three, five or what have you, but seldom four as it should.

To a large extent the art of successful punting is dependent upon the ability to appraise odds and never go against them.

This does not mean never taking odds on price which is something completely different.

If the true calculated odds are 3-1 on and you can strike a wager at 6-4 on it is a value bet.

A single factor, time, form, class, etc, will not achieve consistent results.

Many rely heavily upon ratings, but there can be a high degree of variation between compilers.

You might assume, and probably expect the official ratings and Phil Bull's much respected Timeform to show a high degree of uniformity, but this is not the case.

Take just one example, the two Derby winners -and you can't get better class than that-Henbit and Blakeney.

The official figures show the latter to be 8lb superior, but Timeform go completely opposite making Henbit 7lb better.

Over a stone difference which makes nonsense of calculations.

Conclusions.....regard ratings only as a guide in association with other factors.

Form can be misleading.

Form, even though consistent, can mislead if taken alone when the horse is running against others with greater ability.

Class which in my view is a major factor, can throw you of course if the horse is out of form, so to establish a reliable measure a combination of elements must be used to achieve consistent results. To find elements which can be combined and used methodically requires considerable thought and each must be logical. There are numerous ways to approach the problem of winner finding methodically and the one which I demonstrate has proved highly successful and consistent for a considerable number of years. Each element was selected after a great deal of research and when used as intended will place the odds strongly in the backers' favour.

Form is considered a major factor to winner-finding and what is form if it is not that one performance is better than another?

Horses who consistently perform better than others should then command interest. My own extensive surveys show that a horse winning three races in a row is likely to extend the sequence by a further victory at a ratio of one to three.

Expressed as a percentage it is 33%, considerably better than 2% which is the representative odds of a horse that has failed to reach the hunt on its last three outings.

Consistent horses win races and to illustrate I will give some examples which show percentage wins next time out from various form combinations.....111 33%, 121 32%, 131 29%, 141 26%, 122 30%, 313 24%, 214 24%, 404 5%, 000 2%.

The figures show beyond reasonable doubt that consistent form does have an important part to play. If there are three horses each having won their last three races the figures indicate that it is almost certain one of them should win $33\%+33\%+33\%=99\%$.

Only about one chance in a hundred that the winner will come from elsewhere, so it would be going against the odds to select any other horse.

First 5 in betting

Taking all races other figures show that 83% of winners come from the first five quotes in the betting forecast. This also shows that selecting a horse which does not appear in this range is again tantamount to going against the odds. The only exception I make to this is when a highly consistent horse fails to show in this area of the forecast.

It may be that the horse is outclassed in the present company but a check should always be made.

The combination of these two factors narrows the field to an area which consistently produces a high percentage of winners. Calculating the three most consistent horses by adding together the last three form placings from the first five (non handicaps) and the first six (handicaps) center attention where it is positively alive with winners.

When making these calculations it is necessary to use a little judgment. Basically it is a simple addition of the last three form placings, but it does happen that a horse may have had only one or two outings.

In such cases assume that it would have performed at the same standard as its last form placing, i.e., a horse placed fourth and third would be considered to have run into third place once more giving a total of ten.

Other factors in the assessment will either support it or show it to be over compensated.

Form figures should be taken to the ninth place at par value but beyond this calculate it as 10 i.e., 3-16-4 = 17 (3+10+4). Horses shown as last should be given an assessment of 10 for this performance but do let common sense prevail. If it is last of 7 beaten five lengths there is a world of difference to one last of 20 beaten out of sight. Also use discretion in the case of a highly consistent horse that suddenly puts in, what might seem at first, a bad one. It could have been put into a race where it had no chance which is not the same as if it had blown its top.

If the former is the case, common sense should show how to deal with the situation.

Note From BSG

Check the form figures for the type of race its in now and the type of surface eg:

Horse has 111 for its last 3 form figures this could be for AW races and today's race is on turf and when you check its last 3 runs on turf it could read 506 which would give you 21 and not 3.

This is a methodical approach not a systematic one, so observe intelligent judgment.

A third factor which will further assist putting the odds in the backers favour is appraisal of the spoils involved. Figures show it can confidently be expected that a horse with the right qualifications will seldom fail to carry off the prize when it is big enough. Selecting races for application of the various factors must be methodical as well.

The basic method is to select the race from each card having the highest prize money but for obvious reasons it would not be wise to use a novice hurdle full of nondescript animals.

It often happens that other races on a card will lend themselves to this method especially at the principal meeting but endeavor to keep as far as possible to the upper limits. Moving away from the basic principle starts to put the odds against you.

Attention is going to be centered on the better class races, so it must follow that the better class horses should be looked for. There are many conflicting views as to what class really is and I have heard some strange definitions. I believe it is more realistic to base class on what a horse has actually done in public not by any other means.

Class should be defined as ability and to assess the merit of one against the other, it becomes necessary to compile a rating.

This can quickly and easily be done by considering the prize money won to date in hundreds of pounds and dividing it by the number of races won. For example a horse has won eight races worth a total of £20,000 (200 hundreds) so to find its ability rating divide 200 by 8 which equals 25. This rating gives one of the most reliable assessments of a horse but always remember it must be used as a guide in conjunction with other factors.

Note from BSG

When working out the class rating be careful it would be a good idea to have an overall rating then separate All Weather Wins from Turf Wins, in the early Eighties there was no All Weather. Also you could do this for the Class races and separate Stakes Win and other races this information is available in the Racing Post. For the National Hunt you could get an additional two ratings for Hurdles and Chases when you have a horse that has run under both types. The reason for this is logical you could get horse who have a high overall class rating but most of its valuable wins were on AW and yet today's race is turf.

It can be used methodically as the basic factor and when all other elements line up in support the horse concerned is seldom beaten. This point will be shown in an illustrated race, but always keep in mind it is a rating and as such, can and will prove false if used incorrectly.

To complete the working platform it is useful to have another measure giving some indication of the various horses chances in the present situation and which will assist in confirming other data. This can be time, handicap ratings, form ratings etc. but always keep in mind they are a guide. **I use two sets of ratings which are compiled on different lines so that I may judge the reliability of the figures but this is not essential.**

This whole concept may seem complex and beyond the capabilities of many, but in fact it is extremely simple and becomes quick and easy to perform providing it is done methodically. Taken step by step and starting with the principal meeting the agenda is:

- 1. Select the most valuable race on the card.**
- 2. Consider next most valuable race.**
- 3. Select most valuable race from other cards.**
- 4. Rate entire fields for ability.**

5. Select most consistent from the first 5 or 6 in the forecast.

6. Apply selected rating method to entire fields.

To illustrate the whole procedure I will demonstrate using the weekend cards for Saturday, March 7, 1981.

Always mark off the four highest ability ratings and the three most consistent from the forecast. In the illustrations this is done with an asterisk (*)

1.45 Haydock					
Previous Form	Horse	Ability	Most Consistent	Rating	Rating
11F/111	Little Owl	36*	3*	65	90
1/21211	Wayward Lad	23*	4*	52	64
22/1324	Fairy King	10	9*	53	75
1111UL	Mr.Kidd	13*	12	34	59

Forecast: Evens Wayward Lad, 5/4 Little Owl, 14 Fairy King, 20 Mr. Kidd

At this stage do not make any automatic assumptions. The required data has been put together and it is now necessary to establish if any of the three portables have good claims for support. Always start appraisal by looking at the horse with the highest ability rating and check how it balances with the other data.

In this race everything is straightforward. Little Owl has the highest ability rating and there is nothing in the other elements to suggest any upset, indeed all evidence shows it ought to be a good thing. To confirm what the figures say it is necessary to study the form of all concerned, taking particular note of class in which they ran, the course they ran on, the pace and going of the respective races, distances won or beaten by and most important how they performed in the later stages of each race.

When you have followed the method for some time it is easy to turn back to your records concerning a given horse and it will help to balance respective performances.

This race clearly shows that Little Owl is a racing certainty and when the true odds are calculated a price better than 3/1 on would represent value. Wayward Lad is obviously a false forecast favorite and if it were to remain so on course the chance of a very fine bet would be there.

Little Owl Won 4/5

Many racing certainties start at much better odds than this.

HAYDOCK 2.15					
PREVIOUS FORM	HORSE	ABILITY	MOST CONSISTENT	RATING	RATING
31111P	Tragus	24*	3*	57	85
L11/P/42	King or Country	19*	7*	52	82
231111	Sunset Cristo	24*	3*	61	90
218U23	The Vintner	23*	-	53	84
133/4U6	Fair View	25*	13	51	80
41L21F	Bobjob	12	13	53	84
211F21	Bregawn	18	-	51	83
513512	The Engineer	13	8*	54	86

Forecast: 7/2 King or Country, 9/2 Tragus, 11/2 Bobjob, 6 Sunset Cristo, 7 The Engineer, Fair View, 12 Bregawn, 14 The Vintner

Fair View with the highest ability rating is not at present consistent and the other data does not give any boost. Tragus made a mess of things and weakened to 12th in it's last race and was then pulled up before the 14th which tells it's own story.

Sunset Cristo, a close joint second on ability, super consistent and other data lends support. The form is impressive and note not only how it ran but what it had behind it, Silver Buck, Another Captain etc. The Engineer does not have the ability to gain the upper hand on the run in if it got into the hunt in the closing stages and King or Country does not have anything going for it.

Another case of a false forecast favorite so Sunset Cristo should be a good bet.

Sunset Cristo Won 5/1

MARKET RASEN 2.00					
PREVIOUS FORM	HORSE	ABILITY	MOST CONSISTENT	RATING	RATING
3/23231	KENLIS	11*	6*	65	88
2F1P11	MASTER BRUTUS	10*	3*	41	80
133653	BROWN BARMAN	9*	OFF COURSE TOO LONG		
123784	MAGIC TIPP	8	19	42	86
222133	GREENWAYS	12*	7*	60	85
L413L2	TURK	9*	15	41	83
5L/3443	SILBERTO	9*	11	39	72
5U4248	GAME LADDIE	11*	-	40	79
LL85/66	DALKET	10*	-	35	61

Forecast: 2 Kenlis, 9/4 Master Brutus, 4 Magic Tipp, 6 Turk, 13/2 Greenways, 12 Silberto, 16 Brown Barman, 25 others.

This procedure shows Kenlis to be a good thing but note how the relative ability of the whole field is like a blanket. Also note the penultimate race of Turk, last of seven, made no show and beaten out of sight. Calculate the performance as ten when totting up previous form figures. So far this is the only genuine forecast favorite.

Kenlis Won 11/4

The spade work is all complete and it can be seen there is a possible winner for each race but once again the odds must be weighed.

Providing a reasonable price can be obtained Little Owl will be taken because it is a racing certainty.

Sunset Cristo will also be taken as it is almost a certainty.

Remember it is all tied up with temperament and odds.

Next Week

Well we should have a final review for Follow the Fortunes and hopefully for Sgt Tony he can at last put Free Profits to rest as well. Some interesting systems and services still going well and making a profit, it will be interesting to watch the progress they are making. I would like to add another section next time it could be great horses from the past or even some articles on the legendary backers that kind of stuff.

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 June 29th. Till then folks take care and happy& successful punting.

Regards
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