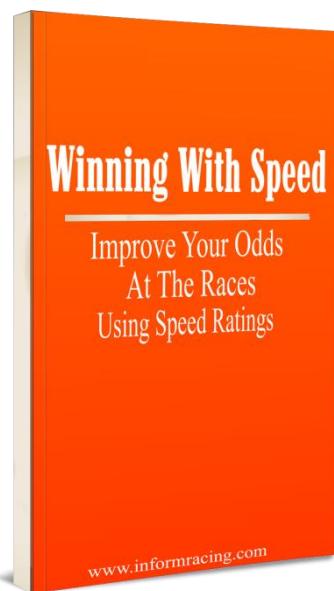


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Introduction

The idea behind speed ratings is simple:

The easiest way to measure one race horse against another is by how fast it runs and a speed rating translates performance into an easy to use number.

How fast horses run is the single most important factor in finding your winners and is the only place to start when looking at a race.

Normal ratings are compiled using judgement and basic opinion, using outdated and unreliable pounds per length as the variant.

Speed ratings on the other hand are measured by the actual time the horse took to run the race, using time to determine the beaten horses and is an absolute measure of a horse's ability that can be accurately compared to all the other runners in the race.

What's more, Inform Ratings are compiled manually by hand, using an old fashioned calculator, pen and paper as well as human experience and understanding, allowing for any discrepancies regarding goings, track conditions and race class etc. all ironed out at source and applied to the final ratings.

Most other speed ratings available are calculated using a computer programme, feeding in race times and basic track conditions and simply cannot be as accurate because it is the understanding of everything other than the clocked time that makes the rating so valuable.

Speed Ratings allow you to compare horses in a race that have run on different goings, (firm, good to firm, soft, etc.) at different courses and over different distances and this allows for a quick and reliable comparison.

Again normal ratings just rate the performance and take no account of course, distance and going etc..

If every horse ran over a standard surface at the same distance we could compare their speeds simply by looking at their finishing times and normally comparing these horses would be practically impossible but the use of this one speed rating number that encompasses everything required about a run, now allows you to do this.

For example, a horse that rates 80 over seven furlongs should theoretically run 80 going over a mile, assuming it can handle the extra distance and a horse that rates 76 over five furlongs on good ground at Sandown should theoretically get a similar rating over five furlongs on soft ground at Epsom, assuming the horse can handle the easier surface.

A speed rating of 77 from Windsor represents the same level of ability as a speed rating of 77 from York or anywhere else and so numbers can be compared.

You can now use identifiable and profitable patterns in the ratings to find value bets every day because they take into account how each rating in the past was run with regards to trip and track etc., allowing you a deeper look at the ratings and the race in question in an effort to predict what kind of rating the horse will run today.

Given the huge variety in British racecourses and goings throughout the year, most horses show preferences for some conditions and speed ratings are the best tool for uncovering these.

Some years ago I looked into all sorts of methods and systems to help me find winners in British horse racing and finally came across speed ratings.

Underused then and incredibly to me now still underused today, the most effective way of making it pay for me since then has always come from my speed ratings.

Over the years I have found ways to make my speed ratings profitable and every successful and professional punter I have come across at race meetings or those I know from the media, all use speed ratings as one of their main betting tools and that should inspire you to look into using the speed ratings already available or even begin to compile your own.

Initially I read all the books on the subject by Nick Mordin, Andy Beyer and other US books etc. and was immediately fascinated by the subject. I decided that this would be my route to success and set about mastering my own way of rating horses by speed.

I created my own methods after studying these books and I incorporated the main points of their various angles, especially those suggested by Beyer and at the end of the process I had a method for producing my unique speed ratings, which I believe are as accurate an assessment of a horse's performance that can be had.

Using the ratings has now paid every year since I began calculating with returns on investment ranging from 6% to 15% and I know many of my long term subscribers also make their racing pay, with many bettering those percentages.

I believe that anyone can pick a winner but it is difficult to keep on doing so and extremely hard to grind out a profit year after year but by looking for stand out bets especially – those 3 or more clear on the ratings, first suggested as a method by Andy Beyer – along with other recognised patterns and with minimal form reading to eliminate those that shouldn't win under the conditions, a profit can indeed be made long term.

Bearing in mind 98% of punters lose over the long term, breaking even or just losing a small percentage can be called an achievement these days when the average punter loses up to 20% of their bank every year according to reports.

Inform Racing speed ratings give you a unique angle and an edge to use throughout the year as well as our quick view race stats, form guides, advanced search features and more. In fact everything you need to win, all in one place.

One look at our Testimonials that go right back to when Inform Racing began in 2003 will show you how successful others have been in the past and perhaps genuine proof of how powerful the Inform Racing speed ratings really are.

Nothing can be guaranteed of course but intelligent use of the ratings following our suggestions on how best to use them, will certainly put the odds in your favour.

THE RATINGS THEMSELVES

So speed ratings allow us to analyse a horse's particular performance in a race simply and easily, without having to worry about what course the race was run at, or what the condition of the ground was during the race.

First however the calculation has to be made.

1. The first part we have is called the raw speed rating. This is simply calculated using the finishing time and the distance of the race. These are compared to standard times and par figures to determine how fast or slow the winner of the race actually ran.
2. The second adjustment to the raw speed rating is the going allowance which compensates for different surfaces through from hard/firm ground to heavy which can even vary during a meeting as conditions change, as well as having different goings on different parts of the same course.

It is not uncommon for example for the five furlong straight at Sandown to be quite different from the round course or the hurdle course at Carlisle not to be the same as on the chase course.

These factors combined together now produce a single figure which is the final speed rating.

Average Speed Ratings or 'Par' Figures

Every race type for each age group has a par figure or average winning speed rating which is the average rating required to win a race of that grade and helps us narrow down the field in an effort to find the selections with the best chance of winning the race.

Determining if the horse has previously raced to par or within two or three of the par will immediately eliminate those that cannot win.

Getting to see all past ratings for every horse, which you can do with Inform Racing, allows you to compare a horses best speed figure with the par for that race.

In this way you can actually rate the horse against itself to see if it can win that particular race rather than looking at it in relation the other horses ratings.

Par times help reveal certain patterns that evolve and understanding these patterns is a skill that will help make you a much more successful punter.

The ratings are either going up revealing an improving horse, or they are going down showing a horse that maybe going out of form. In the main you want to find horses that are on an improvement cycle, and not a declining one.

Many professional punters use speed figures to quickly identify the real contenders in a race, those horses that will run close to the average winning times for that race, or as I say within two or three of the par figures.

Below are three of the Inform Racing class pars for mature horses on the flat showing the difference between the highest and lowest rated horses.

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Standard Times

The first thing we need to establish when compiling our speed ratings are our standard times for each course and distance.

A horse running over the downhill five furlongs at Epsom will run a faster time than one running over the same distance on the uphill finish of the Rowley Mile at Newmarket so a different standard time for each course and distance is needed to level things up for the differences of each course.

The standard time is the median time from a large, constantly updated number of races, that have been run over a given course and distance on good or good to firm going.

It would be easy of course to just use the Racing Post standard times but I have found many discrepancies over the years with these and often no allowance is made when a rail is moved or the distance of a race is changed as it is on quite a few occasions which may surprise some.

Calculating the ratings manually myself every day allows me to take all of these changes into account and to make the ratings as accurate as possible.

The more race times you include the more effective your standard times will be. It's a time consuming process, but incredibly worth the effort and I update all standard times throughout the year when needed.

Once you have your standard times you can compare this time with the actual finish time for every runner in a race. This is when things get interesting because you can start to compare each horse against the time that would be expected and start to see the days racing you are working on come to life.

The Going Allowance

The second piece of the puzzle is to calculate the going allowance. Some tracks are inherently fast or slow, for instance Bath is a track that is a notoriously fast and is one of the few that will have the going as Hard during the course of a season, so a horse that runs five furlongs in sixty one seconds at Bath would have to have his figure adjusted downward to compensate for the fast track he is likely to be running on. Likewise, a horse running on a Heavy track at Ffos Las as an example would have his figure raised in compensation.

By taking the difference between the race times to standard times and pars you end up with an initial allowance for each race at a meeting.

It is normally the case that the fastest and slowest races thus far are discounted and an average of the remainder is used as the going allowance but this is not always the case.

I prefer to take what on paper were the most competitive races at first hand, quite often this will be the handicap races for older horses and races closest to a mile on the flat and competitive chases over three miles over the jumps are often the most truly run in my experience.

So rather than just mechanically looking at the results it is well worth delving a little deeper to see what type of race you are rating the days racing against.

You also need to look at certain courses where you will have different goings on different parts of the course and factor this into the calculations and final ratings, as well as different allowances for the Chase course and the Hurdle course on occasions as well as the straight course or round course at some tracks too.

This does mean calculating the ratings takes more time but is also very much worth the effort.

Speed ratings give you a far better understanding of the going too as you will find that good going at one course means something different at another and I have also seen how often the official going is 'wrong' compared to my final going allowances on the day and is one thing I would like improved in racing overall.

For example I have seen my going allowance at a meeting end up at -0.23 seconds per furlong, generally good racing ground, supposedly be called Soft as the official going.

Weight

Please note that Inform Ratings take no account of weight. All of the material and literature I came across in the early days ignored the weight carried and this is the way I have always gone.

In a survey I once came across, a large number of horses were looked at to see the affect that weight had on their speed figure performances for every pound more or less they carried on the previous run.

It turned out that for every one pound extra the horse ran a slower figure of 0.4 but interestingly for every one pound less that was carried the horses ran slower again but by 0.3.

Personally I believe that an increase of up to six or seven pounds to a horse makes no particular difference in most cases, more than this and I will consider it more of a burden but it also depends on the horse and the conditions of the race etc..

Horses running round a tight track can win carrying more weight because they are slowing down more often round the bends than those running on a flat, straight, speed track.

Horses are also very different in size and like humans can carry more or less weight because of their build and factoring any of this into a rating would be nigh on impossible.

Wind

There are some people who ask whether a strong headwind will slow down the horses or speed them up if it is coming up the straight behind the horses and if I make any allowance for this.

Well if there is any difference and I think it would have to be a hell of a wind to make any difference in the first place, it is actually factored into the going allowance automatically if you think about it.

USING THE RATINGS

The good thing about speed ratings is that they are used less frequently by punters here in the UK. This means that they are not factored into bookmaker's odds to the same extent as other ratings.

Therefore those who do use them correctly can gain a definite edge over other punters and value prices in many of the bets that they place

A genuinely high speed figure represents a fast performance irrespective of the conditions on the day, but one high speed figure should not be taken as evidence that the horse can run to this level every time, however if the horse in question has run only a couple of times a very good speed rating can often be relied upon.

Backing the top rated or top three rated horses is a good place to start and from these many good winners will be found.

The Inform Racing top rated horses win an average of 24% of the time, nearly one in every four races and the top three rated win over 50% of all races so if you want a quick method of narrowing down the field then this is certainly as good a place to start as any.

The top rated horses are taken from the Master column and if you bear in mind that this is simply the best rating for each runner from the last 12 months, irrespective of the course, distance and going where the rating was achieved and still we can achieve these excellent strike rates for the winners, then I'm sure you can see how successful you could be if you take a little time to look a little deeper into the ratings.

By weeding out those that shouldn't be winning or by following some of the patterns we suggest that you look out for on the following pages you will soon be able to see some improvement in your betting

So the top three rated horses is an excellent place to start but there are many other ways that you can find your winners from looking at speed ratings.

For example, speed ratings will highlight horses to you that the general punting public will not be looking at. Horses that ran down the field in fifth or worse perhaps but still ran a good speed rating will largely be ignored but these horses are a real potent source of winning bets, especially if they are one of the top three rated horses last time out too.

In fact the last time out figure (Lto), or latest rating for the horse is often considered to be the most relevant rating as it shows the current form of the horse, its well being and how fit it is, especially when the rating was from a recently run race.

If this latest rating is close to or above the par for this type of race then this horse would certainly be worth a closer look.

Better still if they have achieved this better than par figure more than once and it is much more significant if a horse has earned these high figures under similar conditions they will be encountering today, such as going and distance.

A disciplined approach to betting is the real key to being successful but when used properly, speed ratings can help make a positive impact to the fortunes of the shrewd punter.

The overall picture

Ideally you need more than just one single speed figure to give an overall picture of how the horse gained its ratings over the past year or from its full career.

This will give a far clearer picture and allow you to see whether the horse has preferences for a particular type of going, specific courses, field sizes, length of time between runs, class levels and race distances to name a few factors.

Some sites only provide one figure but it is helpful to have a full database of speed ratings which stretch back over at least one season for them to be most useful. Inform Racing provide the full career ratings for every horse running and a quick check can be done on a whole race or even a meeting in a matter of minutes.

Having a full set of speed ratings will enable you to see if there are any patterns in the horse's speed ratings and will make your decision on whether to back the horse much more informed and more valuable.

When you look at the ratings you may see a horse who regularly has ratings in the low 70's that is racing against runners in supposedly the same class but are always rating in the high 70's or 80's and you can usually throw this lower rated horse out.

This horse stands out in speed terms as a horse in a class below the horses its up against and some horses never earn a high speed rating and are mostly easily eliminated.

On a positive note, when a horse is consistently producing superior speed figures and its lowest rating from the last three runs is better than the best figure of the competition it will win 75% of the time.

Andy Beyer noted this as one his favoured early methods and it still picks good winners today.

In some races it will be relatively easy to separate the contenders from the non-contenders, but in other races you will not be able to separate them no matter what you do.

You will find there are just too many horses in the race that are capable of running similar figures, or you have over the half the race within two or three for their Master rating.

You can look for one that stands out on its latest rating, or try to separate them using the better jockey or trainer or some other method but there is no shame, indeed it is good practice, to give the race a miss.

If you are able to reduce the contenders in a race to a reasonable number, you can then look into the past speed figure patterns and look for something that wouldn't be obvious to other punters, otherwise you can bet your two or three contenders all to win or in a forecast or tricast bet that will make you a profit.

Digging deeper into past ratings

Sometimes a horse will have scored a high rating in the past at today's distance and class but the rating is buried back in the past performance lines by recent races in which the horse was running at the wrong distance or on a disliked going or even with a poor jockey on board perhaps.

Sometimes it takes some digging to discover these horses but they can be great winners at great prices and well worth the effort.

Inform Racing provide a full form guide for each race where all of the runners form is on one page and all past ratings can be seen.

We also provide our Advanced Search Feature which lets you select any of the main form criteria for today's race in question and see how the runners have fared under these conditions in the past and allows the often time consuming 'digging into past ratings and performances' to be done at the simple click of a mouse.

It does pay to look into the speed ratings for proven profitable patterns that produce value bets on a regular basis. There are of course times when the top rated horse is a good bet, but there are many more occasions it is not.

Perhaps a horse declining in form with a top rating from one good run ten or so months ago over a much longer distance.

An understanding of the patterns not only helps you understand when the favourite or top rated horse is a good or bad bet, it also reveals a heap of additional betting opportunities.

If you want to get serious about past performances then there are three questions you need to ask:

1. How were the past ratings achieved with regards to course, distance, going, class etc.?
2. How do the ratings relate to the horse's form cycle and overall speed rating pattern?
3. Taking the above into account, what rating is the horse most likely to run to under today's conditions?

After you have answered the above questions for each horse you can intelligently decide whether a horse is a contender or not.

If a high rating looks like it is out of sync with the horses other ratings, should it be considered suspect? For example did it get an unchallenged lead in a race full of hold up horses or was it dropped in class running against poorer horses with its most favoured conditions too?

Good speed ratings recorded by three year olds with only a few starts can be very deceiving and if I were to suggest any races to avoid it would be for this age group, especially early in the season.

These horses can and do improve dramatically as they mature and step up in distance plus it is these three year olds who have now run three times and get into handicaps for the first time and knowing how they will perform can often be anyone's guess.

Lifetime best ratings, especially last time out, recorded by older horses with established form in the book are much more reliable as an indicator of how a horse may now perform.

Interestingly I am quite keen on two year old form as these horses seem to run to form in their first season and do not step up or down so dramatically in distance as they do when they become three year olds, however be wary of horses or indeed races where this is only a small amount of form to go on.

Sometimes unusually high or low ratings will be hard to explain but in many cases the horse is simply going through its normal form cycle. These form cycles, which are many and varied, can be uncovered through deeper analysis of the speed ratings.

I find among mature horses that after three improving ratings in a row such as 65 68 72, the horse will often post a lower speed rating. After all, how long can a horse keep improving before peaking and declining in form?

An improving horse does not mean that the horse has finished 4th, then 2nd and then 1st, it may be that the finishing positions were 5th, then 2nd and then 6th. In fact I would personally rather back the horse with the second form lines than the one that had won its last race after three improving ratings.

It is the same if the horse has poor finishing positions but a high Average figure on the Inform Racing race cards, (the Avg column shows the average of the horses last three ratings), as whilst the horse has shown good recent form with its speed ratings, the form lines will often put most punters off and allow those using the ratings a decent value bet on this horse.

If time allows, analysing the overall pattern of a horse combined with a deeper look at how each rating was achieved will give you some amazing insights into the form, how the horse is likely to run and some excellent betting opportunities too, often in races that would normally be left alone on first inspection.

Occasionally you will find a horse you think is ready to cycle back up to or close to its best ever rating in the same race as a very short priced favourite with high recent ratings but who is unlikely to run up to its best due to the race conditions perhaps and this can make for a very lucrative betting opportunity.

In fact I can often spot a false favourite a mile away and this gives me a value edge on the other runners in the race.

Those who take the time to understand the ratings and how each horses patterns and cycles evolve will uncover one value bet after another. These bets won't always win however but they will win often enough to make you a profit.

The key is to find the horses cycling back into form at just the right time when they are ready to run up to their best at a nice price, when nobody else knows it except you.

You need to be aware of a horse that had a poor rating last time out but had been running consistently well before that as there could be a valid reason for this latest poor speed rating.

The horse may have been slowly away, maybe stumbled out of the stalls or been hampered by another horse just when it was about to make a positive forward move and was eased down when the chance had gone.

These horses can go off at some amazing prices and can win next time out very easily, just because other punters thought that it was now on a declining cycle after one poor run or poor rating.

I like to keep a look out for these horses and find out why they had a bad race last time out. If the horse has just one bad rating that is uncharacteristic, you can ignore that particular race and give the horse a second chance, as long as you feel there was a legitimate reason for this bad run.

However I am happy to discard any runner, (older horses only), that has not run to the par figure for a race in its career as I want to see it do this first before ‘guessing’ it may do today, whatever the recent form figures or price in the betting.

Understanding the ratings achieved

So how did the horse get its best rating?

Was it on soft ground or good ground, was it after a break of six weeks or more, going left or right handed perhaps or maybe when the race had more than twelve runners in the race. It is also worth looking out for when a horse runs its worst races too.

Only by looking at this data can you build up a picture of the horse to establish when they are most likely to run to their best previous rating figures.

Again looking at a horse’s cycle it is possible to see whether they perhaps rate progressively bigger speed figures before dropping right down and then building back up again.

Perhaps the horse in question gets a big rating then a smaller rating then a bigger rating again as it takes it a run to get over its previous exertions. Not all horses run to the same pattern or cycle so it is always worth looking to see where a horse is in its cycle before placing a bet.

Inform Racing provides users with many simple to use guides which can help look deeper into a horses form very easily

As mentioned previously, our form guides have the full past form for each runner in a race on the same page and all columns can be sorted to bring the best winning form to the top. Here you can easily see what conditions any horse has a preference for and it is simple from here to eliminate those without a chance.

Our Advanced Search feature can be used to find out how each horse has run at the distance, the course, on the going, even at the time of year and is an excellent way to start understanding how the race may be run and who is likely to be in the shake up at the end.

For example, if the race was at Southwell on the all-weather, over 5 furlongs in February, you can put in Southwell, 5 furlongs and February into the search and it will show you who has the best form, win percentage and ratings under these conditions.

I find the time of year search has unearthed some extraordinary bets, for example a horses cycle may not begin until the Spring and can be discarded from any shortlist quite readily when running earlier in the year, even when they may be short in the betting market or fancied to run well.

When you see a horse with no wins from all twelve previous runs in January for example, it is clear you have a horse that is very unlikely to win when it is running in that particular month.

Other search options on this feature are Left Handed or Right Handed, Race Class and Number of Runners in the race and you can search back over the past month, six months, twelve months or the full career of all of the runners.

I personally use this function more and more these days to find 'dark horses' likely to run well at a price and have found some superb bets at good prices because the real form and favoured condition of the runners is so well hidden in the past and would be too time consuming for other punters to be bothered to uncover.

PACE

Is the pace of the race, or how the race will unfold an important part?

Well the answer is yes and no because some races will have no pace, i.e. horses that will want to go on from the front and others won't, so you may want to look at how a race is likely to unfold if you want to take this into consideration.

Inform Racing provides Run Style Figures for every runner and this number shows how a horse ran in the early part of a race. We take the in running comments and turn this into a number that shows a 1 if the horse led or was prominent, a 2 if it ran behind the leaders, a 3 if it ran in midfield and a 4 if it was held up or slowly away.

A race where you have just one likely front runner, a horse with a majority of 1's and maybe the odd 2, running against horses with mostly or all 3's and 4's, is likely to suit this one horse.

If you have more than one of these front running horses then they are likely to make it a fast pace and this can suit the held up horses much more because the front runners are going to take each other on, run too fast too early and burn themselves out, allowing the horses who started out the back at a steadier pace to come through and win.

By hovering over each horse in a race with your mouse, the pop up that appears gives the last 15 run style figures for each horse, or you can see these in a separate table on the In Depth Form Tables link below each card which gives these figures and highlights those that have more 1's and 4's in their recent form.

From experience, if you find a top or highly rated horse that is either a lone front runner or the only horse likely to be held up then you have an excellent bet as the ratings suggest a good horse and the pace of the race that is likely to suit.

The fastest horses, those with the best ratings, need to save their energy for the business end of a race and when the pace is likely to suit their own particular run style, a good rating and run should be on the cards.

So a fast runner can control its own pace and kick when it has the reserves to do so at the right time, a fast held up horse can conserve its energy while the multiple front runners take each other on and tire towards the end.

I am sure you have seen both the scenarios when a few front runners lead and then weaken quickly as the horses from behind run through to take the lead close home, as well as a well timed ride by the jockey on a lone front runner who is given an easy lead and is allowed to dictate the pace and win almost unchallenged.

This is all down to how the pace of the race has been run and understanding how a race will be run will let you find those horses it is likely to suit and as I say, find a highly rated runner who will relish this pace of a race and you will uncover some excellent value bets.

So a quick look at the In Depth Form Table for the Run Style figures should become a habit for you and a good one at that because you can find the best pace races that have just one or two contenders, (either for those wanting to lead or those wanting to be held up) and you can do a whole days racing in no more than two or three minutes.

If you can find a favourite that is unlikely to have the pace of the race to suit it's normal run style, there is a good chance it will not be able to replicate its best speed figures and because most other punters will not know this you can look for another solid, value betting opportunity elsewhere in the race and take on this false favourite.

Most of the talented punters and professionals in this country are very adept and skilful with speed ratings and you should be too.

As you have seen there are many ways to use the ratings depending on what time you have available but there is so much to this fascinating subject that will give you a massive betting edge over other punters and a profit to your betting.

As a starting point our top and top three rated horses provide an average of 24% and 50% plus strike rates over a season and as I have said before, this is simply the best rating from the last 12 months irrespective of how and when this top rating was achieved.

These strike rates can only be increased by you if you delve into the ratings a little to see how they were achieved, by looking through a horses patterns and cycles, using our form guides, in depth tables and search features as well as the run style figures to see the pace of the race and much, much more.

Examples

During a week in December and a week after New Year whilst re writing this e-book, I noted a few of the winners that won either by simple stand out figures or by one of the methods given to subscribers to help use the ratings to their best advantage.

Here are some of these below, all found simply by looking at the race card. With a little form reading and delving deeper into the figures as explained above, you will find these sorts of winners and more almost daily.

December 5th 2014

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Munaawib, joint second top rated and top combined Course and Distance ratings, now running back at Wolverhampton over 7 furlongs, conditions he had won over on two previous occasions.

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December 9th 2014

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1.	-	Ballyheigue Bay	82	259	72	22												10	1
6.	-	Mrs Jordan	80	19	80	19													4
5.	-	King Of Glory	80	10	80	10													2
2.	-	Moss On The Mill	79	18	79	18													2
3.	-	Cabimas	77	56	1	22													-
4.	-	Letbeso	67	18	67	18													-

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Last 20 winners run style: 1, 20% 2, 80% 3, 0% 4, 0%

Top rated Ballyheigue Bay, was the only likely front runner in the field. Looking at the Run Style Figures table he has four 1's and three 2's from his seven previous races, with all the other runners having a mix of figures and run styles.

The in running comment says he made virtually all.

WON 4/1

December 11th 2014

1-00		WARWICK LH Sharp LEWIS BADGES NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP CHASE (0-135) (3) 4YO+										9 run 2m		VDW Ratings	
No.	Dr%	Horse	Master Lto		Avg		M+A	Cse	Dis	Ability	Form				
1.	-	Top Gamble	86	26	86	26	1 267	1 305	29	115			86		
2.	-	Jumps Road	85	285	73	12	73	36	77	250	74	159		75	
6.	-	Such A Legend	82	250	65	24	77	231	82	250	75	157		66	
8.	-	Hit The Top	81	243	1	21	64	39	49	49	38	119		49	
7.	-	Gone Too Far	79	234	64	24	1	33	79	234	48	127		64	
5.	-	O Maonlai	78	30	78	30					78	156			
9.	-	Arthur's Oak	75	305	74	261	75	305	51	329	67	142			
3.	-	My Oh Mount Brown	74	283	1	30	70	222	74	283	48	122			
4.	-	Dresden	74	272	1	208	72	214	74	272	49	123		74	

Top Gamble, simply 8 clear on the last time out rating which was also its best rating and the best distance rating for the race.

WON 4/1

December 11th 2014

3-30 Race 20	WARWICK LH Sharp RACINGUK.COM STANDARD OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (6) 4- 6YO Winner £1,559.52	10 run 2m	VDW Ratings								
No.	Dr.	Dr%	Horse	Master	Lto	Avg	M+A	Cse	Dis	Ability	Form
1.	-	-	Barters Hill	77 39	77 39		77	154		16	1
2.	-	-	Joe Farrell	77 19	77 19		77	154		16	1
10.	-	-	Lady Of Lamanver	67 36	67 36		67	134	67	0	4
6.	-	-	Samuel Mael Duin	33 28	33 28		33	66		0	10
3.	-	-	Morning Symphony							0	
4.	-	-	On The Road							0	
5.	-	-	Raising Cain							0	
7.	-	-	Sutton Mac							0	
8.	-	-	Windy Writer							0	
9.	-	-	Zephyros Bleu							0	

Barters Hill and Joe Farrell were both top rated and clear of the rest but despite having the same rating, Barters Hill went off at 5/1 compared to Joe Farrell the 13/8 favourite. Clearly the value bet, he won nicely by two and a half lengths.

WON 5/1

December 11th 2014

3-10 Race 18	TAUNTON RH Sharp STABLES BUSINESS PARK CLIENTS DAY OUT HANDICAP CHASE (0- 120) (4) 4YO+ Winner £3,898.80	7 run 2m 1f	VDW Ratings								
No.	Dr.	Dr%	Horse	Master	Lto	Avg	M+A	Cse	Dis	Ability	Form
1.	-	-	Un Anjou	82 338	81 13	66 21	81 43	76	158	55	6
4.	-	-	Come On Annie	79 317	41 14	1 250	59 266	34	113	31	19
7.	-	-	Faustina Pius	77 223	60 29	71 42	5 66	45	122	0	13
3.	-	-	Mr Muddle	73 322	54 220	70 255	42 286	55	128	26	19
5.	-	-	Money For Nothing	73 19	73 19	54 40	66 240	64	137	0	17
6.	-	-	Unforgettable	69 108	48 39	59 60	61 73	56	125	31	10
2.	-	-	Tribulation	42 331	1 36	42 331	46 -	30	72	0	27

Un Anjou, clear top rated, 8 clear last time out, 21 clear on the M+A and top Distance rating, beat the 13/8 favourite Money For Nothing whose ratings were far less impressive.

WON 9/2

January 6th 2015

2-20 Race 10			SOUTHWELL (A.W) LH Flat LADBROKES HANDICAP (0-75) (5) 4YO+ Winner £3,234.50								8 run 7f		VDW Ratings	
No.	Dr.	Dr%	Horse	Master	Lto		Avg	M+A	Cse	Dis	Ability	Form		
3.	8	11	Kung Hei Fat Choy	84	253	83 4	77 10	77 19	79	163	84	84	32	9
2.	1	9	Sakash	82	259	65 84	73 113	71 135	70	152	75	82	27	14
7.	6	15	Illustrious Prince	80	206	75 105	74 144	71 150	73	153	68	80	25	16
6.	3	15	Be Royale	79	49	77 36	78 43	79 49	78	157	79	79	16	9
5.	5	14	Burnhope	79	49	63 10	75 18	77 21	72	151	79	79	30	12
1.	2	10	Red Primo	79	280	67 19	70 90	67 138	68	147	79	78	23	22
4.	7	10	Best Tamayuz	78	10	78 10	70 21	78 42	75	153	78	76	21	6
8.	4	16	Madame Mirasol	75	148	54 18	66 39	49 46	56	131	54	75	22	26

Kung Hei Fat Choi was the favourite and clearly had better ratings than all of the other runners here but what stood out was the 83 rating last time out as it was only two less than the highest ever par rating for a class 5 all age handicap and that gave it a major chance for me.

WON 7/4

January 7th 2015

1-40 Race 3			TAUNTON RH Sharp ANNUAL MEMBERS 2015 MAIDEN HURDLE (5) 5YO+ Winner £2,737.60								7 run 3m 1f		VDW Ratings		
No.	Dr.	Dr%	Horse	Master	Lto		Avg	M+A	Cse	Dis	Ability	Form			
2.	-	-	Georgie Lad	78	91	1 64	78 91	61 250	47	125			0	17	
4.	-	-	Rathlin Rose	76	27	76 27				76	152	76	76	0	2
3.	-	-	Local Show	62	32	62 32	58 53			60	122			0	5
1.	-	-	Castle Cheetah	60	90	60 90	56 325	56 341	57	117			0	20	
5.	-	-	Riversbridge	51	20	51 20	39 56			45	96			0	15
6.	-	-	Stickers	5	34	5 34	33 -	1 -	13	18			0	27	
7.	-	-	The Chuckmeister										0		

Rathlin Rose was well clear on the last time out rating, 14 higher than the 2/1 favourite Local Show.

WON 9/2

January 10th 2015

1-00 Race 6	KEMPTON RH Flat, sharp WILLIAM HILL - DOWNLOAD THE APP HANDICAP CHASE (0-140) (3) 5YO+ Winner £6,498.00	5 run 2m 5f															
No.	Dr.	Dr%	Horse	Master	Lto	Avg	M+A	Cse	Dis	Ability	Form						
1.	-	-	Lost Legend	88	175	88	175	82	202	85	234	85	173	88	88	85	5
2.	-	-	Cocktails At Dawn	84	270	1	38	67	70	76	264	48	132	84	84	58	14
4.	-	-	Cold March	83	22	83	22					83	166			0	3
5.	-	-	Key To The West	72	32	57	22	72	32	1	56	43	115			34	16
3.	-	-	Ostland	63	28	63	28	19	-	49	-	44	107			53	21

Look at the ratings and tell me how Lost Legend was allowed to go off at 12/1! Massive, consistent figures compared to the rest of the field in every column yet was fourth favourite of five.

WON 12/1

January 12th 2015

3-55 Race 9	WOLVERHAMPTON (A.W) LH Flat DAILY ENHANCED "MAGIC MULTIPLES" AT UNIBET HANDICAP (DIV II) (TAPETA) (0-52) (6) 3YO+ Winner £2,587.60	9 run 5f															
No.	Dr.	Dr%	Horse	Master	Lto	Avg	M+A	Cse	Dis	Ability	Form						
3.	6	12	Quality Art	80	3	80	3	69	24	66	39	72	152	75	80	30	10
2.	8	7	Two Turtle Doves	79	157	64	16	73	24	65	68	67	146	73	79	23	21
5.	5	11	Rat Catcher	76	16	76	16	68	24	72	59	72	148	76	76	26	8
6.	2	13	Spic 'n Span	76	293	60	38	58	59	66	89	61	137	72	76	20	21
4.	9	8	Saved My Bacon	71	30	67	8	71	30	63	52	67	138	63	71	0	12
7.	4	12	Hellolini	69	215	61	76	51	154	54	190	55	124	61	69	0	24
8.	7	11	Equita	68	10	68	10	62	44	60	51	63	131	68	68	0	20
9.	1	14	Penalty Scorer	68	164	58	77	65	79	58	106	60	128	65	68	0	17
1.	3	13	Ability N Delivery			76	-	80	-	71	-	76	76			24	7

A competitive handicap but top rated Quality Art was clear on Lto, M+A and Distance ratings but his 80 last time out was equal to the best par rating for an all age, class 6 handicap and having achieved this rating just three days previously, proved his fitness and duly won at a more than decent price bearing all of this in mind.

WON 9/2

All of these winners were easy to find, no form reading was necessary, in fact no knowledge of finishing position, class of race, course, distance or even the going for the previous races was required, in the main just looking for horses with standout figures, clear on one of the main columns or more compared to their rivals

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