



# Power Picks

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## Race-Day Overview

Welcome to 2024 Pegasus Day at Gulfstream Park!!! Due to the incredible stakes day in S. Florida, I decided this week to cover the ENTIRE FULL CARD at GP. The field sizes are amazing, and there are many horses at big prices that are fascinating. I will be tipping out a combination of lower price horses and bigger-odds choices. There are several different types of bets you can play today, vertically and horizontally. There are a plethora of P4's, P5's, the 20c-base Pick 6 (which has a mandatory payout tomorrow), and my newer favorite bet, the \$3 Tropical Park All-Turf Pick 3. I'll be displaying a grid for that sequence as well. The pool sizes tomorrow will be HUGE!! I would recommend you pick your spots carefully and don't feel like you have to bet every race!! There are 2 Grade 1's, 2 Grade 2's, and 3 Grade 3's on the card, plus many of high-class allowance and handicap races...what a day!! Good luck with your wagers, and as usual, CHECK FOR SCRATCHES AND CHANGES. It will be warm, dry, and sunny in S. Florida today.....fast and firm conditions.

For purposes of this week's Power Picks Tip Sheet, I'll display a GRID for EVERY RACE. In detail, we'll discuss in REVERSE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER the Late Pick 5, followed by the \$3 All-Turf Pick 3, and then the EARLY Pick 5 last. CRUSH YOUR BETS today!!

## Spot / Price Plays (National Avg. is \$1.60):

Overall ROI: \$2.21 (\$1,112.58 / 503)

YTD: \$1.06 (\$16.95 / 16)

Gulfstream Park; ABC Grids – Late Pick 5; R9 - 13 , Post 3:45pm EST

Howard Kravets' Grid: 5A (\$3) - 4A1B (\$30) - 3A2B (\$111) - 4A1C (\$55.50)

TOTAL (\$199.50)...gonna allow for a bigger ticket on this big day of racing.

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
9	9	1,3,8,10	2,7	3,8,9,10	\$0.50	\$96
10	4,7,9	5,6,12	2,8,11	4,5,6,7,8,9,11,12		
11	3,11	1,4,6,12	7,8,9	3,11		
12	3	9	5,6,8,10,12	3		
13	8	6,7	1,2,3,4,5,9,10,11,12	6,7,8		



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**Paul Halloran's Grid: All A - \$1 - \$12 4A/1B - \$30 3A/2B - \$43.50 4A/1C - \$46 Total: \$131.50**

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
9	3,8,9		1,10	3,8,9,10	P5 - \$1	\$96
10	4,9	7	1,5,11,12	4,9	-	-
11	8	1	4,12	8	-	-
12	3,9	7	6,12	3,7,9	-	-
13	8	7,9,11	2,5	7,8	-	-

**Pete Visco's Grid: 5A (\$8) - 4A1B (\$32) - 3A2B (\$42) - 4A1C (\$68) - TOTAL (\$150)**

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
9	3,9	10	7,8	3,9,10	\$0.50	\$108
10	4,9	6,7	5,8	4,6,7,9	-	-
11	1	-	3,8,11,12	1	-	-
12	3,9	5	2,6,11	3,5,9	-	-
13	3,8	2,7,9,12	5,11	2,3,7,8,9,11	-	-

### P5 Analysis – Races 9 – 13

*If you're ever going to get involved in a Pick 5, today is the day, even for you players that prefer Pick 4's, or simple win, exacta, trifecta bets. The pool sizes are big and there's a lot of "bad" money out there. Any big favorites that lose will really bump up the payouts. My overall opinion, discussed on many videos/shows this week, is to spread in the first three legs and then take stands in the final two races. I just think R9-11, but especially 10 and 11, are VERY difficult with many logical contenders. And while #1 Hejazi in R11 will be a strong favorite, I believe he is very vulnerable and a play against at a short price, for better or worse. I will use him defensively and hope for a price in that race.*

*In the last two legs, I feel strongly about #3 Integration, and strong but not as confident with #8 First Mission in the Pegasus World Cup. If those two horses win the last two races (neither will be the favorite), I'm in line for a big day unless something completely unforeseen happens in R9-11. Any way you slice it, this is a great sequence that should be a main priority for you if you have the bankroll....even taking a sub-\$50 stab is well worth it. Go big or go home on special days like this!!*



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## Price/Spot Play(s)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
9	9	Maryquitecontrary	2-1	3	\$25 Win #9

**Notes**  
 I'll be tipping out a combination of shorter prices with mostly longer ones today. Any time you can cash on a day like today, it's good. I think #9 Maryquitecontrary will drift a bit off of that 2-1, hoping for 5-2, maybe even 3-1. I was very impressed with her visually last time, and I was there to see it in person. She's a beautiful, powerful filly who LOVES GP, and most importantly, will get a much faster pace to close into than last time, when she still won. This field is tougher, but not much more so....starting off the Pick 5 with this fan favorite at GP...and I'm a fan too.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
10	9	Didia	6-1	4	\$20 Win #9 BIG Exactas: 9 / 4,5,6,7,12 Smaller Exactas: 4,5,6,7,12 / 9

**Notes**  
 #9 Didia, unlike the last horse I tipped out in R9, will probably come down from that 6-1. I'm expecting around 7-2. For me, she's simply the classiest, fastest horse in the field. And, she's faced some complete monsters lately....horses such as Inspiral and Warm Heart, Anisette, Marketsegmentation, etc....She's tactical enough to be mid-pack in a race that projects to be fast. Jose Ortiz takes the mount, which is a jockey upgrade for sure. She's been pointed to here since the Breeders Cup and is one decent trip away from winning this race. Don't take too low a price on her, but with any luck, she's a likely winner in my book.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
11	6 AND 12	Gilmore AND Signator	15-1 / 15-1	4/4	Trifectas: 6,12 / 1,3,8 / All 1,3,8 / 6,12 / All 1,3,8 / All / 6,12

**Notes**  
 When you first look at this tip, you're wondering, "what is Howard doing here?!" It's pretty simple horseplayers....in a race that projects to meltdown late, I'm putting whom I think are two very good closers AND prices in all spots. I would play the first trifecta (which is not as expensive as you think) for 50c, then the other two for \$1. If I'm right, these trifectas will pay big. In general, I'm against the rail horse Hejazi. I recognized he's the fastest on paper and might blow this field away. Even if he does, I just need one of my two others two "clunk up" late, the trifecta will still pay. Now, if Hejazi loses, which I think is very possible...LOOK OUT!! I followed both of these horses, Gilmore and Signator, closely. They both have had excuses lately, their running lines are better than they look, and they're both live to me. For the ROI Spot/Price Plays, I'll do the unusual....\$1 WPS on each one, worth \$6 total.



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12	3	Integration	3-1	5+	As much as you're comfortable to WIN, #3 !!

### Notes

I can't say this strongly enough...I LOVE Integration today in the Pegasus Turf Invitational. I think this is my first 5+ rating on this Tip Sheet since it's inception. **Therefore, obviously, THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT GULFSTREAM PARK!!**

#9 Warm Heart will be the favorite, but I have a feeling not as much as people think. I'd say she'll be 7-5 and Integration around 2-1. I have a ton of respect for her and loved her effort, going longer, in the BC F & M Turf. But I think she's due for a slight regression for reasons I've discussed this week.

Integration is undefeated, really untested, progressive, fast, explosive, young, improving, etc....everything you look for in this spot. Yes, he's facing older and better than he's faced, but other than Warm Heart, nothing in here blows me away at all. If Integration gets a clean trip and is professional, both of which you never know, he's a winner. I love his turn of foot, and Tyler G. knows this course very well. He's the "now" horse and might be the next best thing in American turf racing. It's a horse race, but you have to take stands in this betting game we play. And I stand with Integration today!

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
13	8	First Mission	7-2	4	\$15 Win #8 BIG Exactas: 8 / 3,6 Smaller Exactas: 3,6 / 8

### Notes

This is the one we've all been waiting for, the \$3mil. Pegasus World Cup! It's not the most impressive field of horses this year, but a very balanced, competitive field. I think you could make a case for almost every horse in the field. I've been a fan of First Mission since his Lexington S. win at Keeneland in the spring of last year. Unfortunately, he got hurt before the Preakness and went on the shelf. I was ready to cash my ticket in the Clark S. last time at CD, but he got pressed the whole way and got run down late by an inch....galloped out in front however and didn't like tired to me. He's been training great at the Fair Grounds and is ready to take a step forward. I'm hoping he sits off the speed in a tracking position on the outside....the #8 hole is perfect for him based on the race complexion as I see it. He's not a superstar by any means...not yet. But I believe today is his breakthrough day on a big stage. He'll be around 3-1, and I'm happy to collect \$8.20 and run to the windows. This is a tough race and he'll need things to go his way, but I love his upside and potential, and think #7 National Treasure, the Baffert ML-fave, is vulnerable. I AM UPGRADING him from my podcast videos earlier this week.....I've seen his works lately and they are impressive on tape and by the clock in the mornings.



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ABC Grids – R1 - 8 , First Post is 11am EST

## Howard Kravets' Grid: Early P5, R1 - 5 \$90 Caveman (straight ticket)

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
1	1,3,7	2,4	10	1,3,7	\$0.50	\$90
2	2,3	4,5,11	8	2,3,4,5,11		
3	1,7,12	3,5,8	-	1,3,5,7,8,12		
4	3,4	5,7,9	2,8	3,4		
5	11	3,7	4,6,(13,14)	11		
6	1	3,4	-	2,5,6		
7	1,5,7	8	2,4,6,9	2,4,7,8		
8	1,3,7	8,9	2,(16)	7		

### Early P5 Analysis – Races 1 – 5

*What a fun way to start the card....a VERY challenging Early Pick 5 with a super maiden race full of talented runners in R2. I would take a stand in R5, singling the 11, but #3 Headline News is VERY interesting in there as well at a price. I would tend to spread early in the sequence and go skinny late, albeit without a ton of confidence. I know some handicappers are not fond of the Tapeta (not sure why), but there are some great races on all surfaces today.*

### Price/Spot Play(s)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
2	3	My True Colors	6-1	4	\$10 WP #3

#### Notes

In a loaded maiden race full of first-time starters, you need to do your homework. Now in fairness, once they spring the latch, you never really know with these types....but there's plenty of intel out there these days. #3 My True Colors is the "other" Pletcher...the one that does NOT have Irad on him and is a higher price morning line than the #1. But he's outworking him in the mornings (I've seen the video) and has the pedigree to be precocious. If he breaks well, I think he's got a big shot to run well...and we should get a decent price too. Tab the tote...if he's lower than his ML odds, look out! If he's cold on the board, probably a big no. Gotta feeling he'll take money today.



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Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
3	1	Sun Bee	12-1	3	\$10 Win #1 Small Exactas: 1 / 7,12 BIG Exactas: 7,12 / 1

### Notes

This 7.5f turf race is expected to have plenty of speed....so I'll be looking for a closer. Sun Bee is honest and improving....don't love the 5 2<sup>nd</sup> place finishes, but do like the inside draw where she can save ground. She ran very well last time vs. a good field and appears to be coming around...sometimes the English Channel's improve with age. Look for this one flying late....interesting prospect today....use at least underneath in your exotics...we'll use \$1 Place and Show for our stats.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
5	3	Headline News	15-1	5	\$10 WP #3 BIG Exacta: 11 - 3 Smaller Exacta: 3 - 11

### Notes

**One of Plays of the Day is here with Headline News....**this is a quickly improving 5 yr. old who beat my beloved Magistrate at Laurel in the fall. Since then she won well at GP, and has been working VERY WELL in the mornings. Other than the 11, there's many horses that are good but not really improving in this field. Headline News has a wicked late close and seems to be coming into his own. If he gets a clean trip, look out late. Upset special!!

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
6	4	Alpha Bella	8-1	4	BIG Exactas: 1,3 / 4 Smaller Exactas: 4 / 1,3

### Notes

#4 Alpha Bella figures to be loose on the lead here....always a dangerous proposition. She's royally bred and if she can stretch out, she'll be a factor here. Her last run off the layoff was by far her best effort yet, and is now a growing, maturing 4yo filly. The #1 and #3 are VERY good, so she'll have to run huge. She's worked well however and again, could be loose on the lead. Don't short change this one for Pletcher and Saez.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
8	3	Stone Age	7-2	5	\$25 Win #3

### Notes

**The other early card Play of the Day / strong opinion is here with #3 Stone Age.** FINALLY, he gets a firm turf course, which is what he's been craving. You can completely toss out the NY efforts on yielding turf, and last time ran better in a race too short for him with blinks on. Today he takes those off and gets Champion jock Ryan Moore. Now or never for this talented runner who's won over \$1mil.



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### \$3 Tropical Turf Pick 3 – R4, R7, and R11

This \$3 base bet covers Races 8,10, and 12 today. I'm excited because I have strong opinions in these races, something that does not always happen. In general, I'm going light in R8 and R12 and big-time spreading in a wide-open R10. That's the leg where I think something crazy could happen.

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
8	1,3,7	-	2,9,10,(16)	1,3,7	\$3	\$72
10	4,6,7,9	5,12	2,8,11	4,5,6,7,8,9,11,12	-	-
12	3	9	-	3	-	-

**Good luck with all of your wagers....CRUSH YOUR BETS!!!**

