



DEL MAR POWER PICKS TIP SHEET

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Current ROI	N/A

Race Day Overview

WELCOME TO DAY 2 of the DEL MAR POWER PICKS!!! We are very excited to bring you Del Mar Power Picks for our THIRD consecutive year! It will ALWAYS be Fast and Firm Where the Turf Meets the Surf! If you're interested in more West Coast racing coverage, check out Pacific Horseplayers with myself and Jackson Muniz. We are LIVE on Youtube, X, and other various platforms. Today's features are a pair of Grade 2's in the form of the G2 San Diego Handicap and the G2 San Clemente. Let's dive right in!

We will do our best to give you ideas on whom to bet and how, plus stats on trainers/jockeys when appropriate. It is imperative that you CHECK FOR SCRATCHES AND CHANGES, because we often send out the DMPP's BEFORE scratches are officially posted. So, our final selections might be VERY DIFFERENT if races contain even a couple scratches!! If that's the case and Spot/Price Plays involve surface changes, those picks will NOT count towards the ROI Stats! We send out the DMPP's early to give you ample time to study and make decisions before the races begin. Finally, as we always say....."these picks are our opinions....once you make a bet, they become your opinions!" GOOD LUCK to all this summer at Del Mar! Now, onto today's action!!

Today's Picks

****For information on how to read an "ABC Grid" and ticket construction, please refer to our podcast website, hhhracingpodcast.com, and go to the "Power Picks" section...you have to scroll down a bit under the DMPP promotion...a video explanation is also available on the page.**

Go to the next page for our analysis of the races.....good luck!



ABC GRID - POST TIME: 5:00pm EST

Race	A	B	C	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
1	3	5	1,4	3,5	\$.50	\$36
2	8	4,5	1,6,9,10	4,5,8		
3	2,5	4,7	3,12	2,5		
4	5,6	-	1,2,3,7,9	5,6		
5	4	1,5	8,10	1,4,5		
6	4,(14)	9	5,6,7	4,9,(14)		
7	4,10	6,8	-	4,6,8,10	\$0.50	\$56
8	6	5	-	6		
9	3,8	1,6	4,5,7	1,3,6,8		
10	8	4,5	1,10	8		
11	2,4	1,3,5,6,10	-	1,2,3,4,5,6,10		

Top 3 Selections

Race	1st	2nd	3rd
1	3	5	4
2	8	5	4
3	2	5	7
4	6	5	3
5	4	1	5
6	4	(14)	9



7	10	4	8
8	6	5	7
9	8	3	6
10	8	4	5
11	2	4	5

Today's Pick 5 Analysis

Saturday's opening weekend card at Del Mar is highlighted by a pair of Grade 2 stakes that should provide plenty of excitement. The \$300,000 San Diego Handicap brings together a talented group of older horses, headlined by Journalism and Full Serrano, as they square off in one of the West Coast's premier summer dirt races. I prefer Full Serrano, mostly due to the potential price I see on Journalism, but he's had some excuses as of late and really loves it here at Del Mar. On the turf, the \$200,000 San Clemente Handicap features a competitive field of 3-year-old fillies going one mile, serving as an important stepping stone toward the Del Mar Oaks later in the meet. We didn't see a couple East Coast invaders last year until the Oaks, but it's always nice to see whether or not the homefront can prove themselves.

Below are today's Price / Spot Plays. These are not usually the favorites, but horses we like that will provide some value (typically 5-2 or higher in general). The "Stars" rating is 1 – 5, with 5 being the MOST CONFIDENT / RECOMMENDED PLAYS.

Price/Spot Plays

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
2	8	Endless Smoke	20-1	3	Win #8
Notes:					
Either the morning line is way off or I'm way off, but I think Endless Smoke has a legitimate chance in					



here. She didn't do a whole lot of running first time out, but I thought she started to pick up her feet quite nicely in the late stages and even beyond the wire. When you look at the 1 and 6, it feels like they could duel each other into submission once again. If that's the case, even though this is only 5 furlongs, it could set up for a few closers. I wasn't really in love with any of the first time starters, and 20-1 is plenty good enough to find out if Endless Smoke is the one that picks up the pieces.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
4	6	Janie Not Jeanie	6-1	4	Win #6 - Ex 5 / 6

Notes:

All eyes are going to be on the Baffert runners, most likely the 5 more than the 9, but I prefer the experience that comes with the #6 Janie Not Jeanie. She ran into a serious McCarthy firster last month, who not only was bet like a sure thing, but won like a sure thing as well. She actually broke on top in that race and climbed a bit up the backstretch, but once she got in the clear, she made a serious late move. Since then, her morning workouts have looked very good, and goes out for a Doug O'Neill barn that has had some serious success so far this year with second time starters.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
10	8	Clouseau	7-2	5	Win #8

Notes:

THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT DEL MAR!!! Simply put, this is a horse that's just in really good form right now. Since coming back as a 6yo, he's earned a 101 beyer in victory, and a runner-up last time out chasing a wire-to-wire winner who got things his own way on the front end. The public knock will be that he's 0/7 at Del Mar, but he's run races plenty good enough here in the past, including a third here last summer behind Lyell's Song and Del Mar Jerry, who were running in the mid to high 90s on Beyer at the time. You might even get a better price if people simply see 0/7 and disregard his chances. It's also noteworthy that George Papaprodromou had a really successful first couple weeks at Del Mar last year, and Clouseau could start that up once again.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
11	2	Moluccan	12-1	4	Win #2 - Ex 4 / 2

Notes:



The finale is quite the doozy, and you could honestly make a case for several in here, but Moluccan poses as a serious candidate to take a big step forward. His two efforts in Kentucky were just fine; he split the field in both, and even took a substantial amount of backing from the public in start number two. What's interesting is he earned a 92 TimeForm number in November, which is really not that far off the logicals in here, and not to mention that was 8 months ago. Since then he's gotten the complete makeover: he switched barns, had been off for some time, has been gelded, and gets lasix for the first time. I do also like that he's not only been working well, but consistently for an extended period of time. And getting my guy Ayuso never hurts.

\$3 Turf Pick 3

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

