

Race Day Date	August 10 <sup>th</sup>	
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## **Race-Day Overview**

We have finally reached our TENTH EDITION of the Del Mar Power Picks! Hopefully they have been worth the investment. Today's big races are the Grade 3 Sorrento and the Grade 2 Yellow Ribbon. Even though the Sorrento is a five horse field, there is a lot of potential talent in that group, so we'll get to see some highly praised juveniles throw it down even before the real action begins!

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 amount of 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!





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Racetrack: Del Mar

ABC Grid - Post Time 5:00pm EST

Race	А	В	С	Caveman Picks	Caveman Bet	Caveman Cost
1	1	2,6	3,5	1,2	\$0.50	\$32
2	4,6	-	1,2,3,8	4,6		
3	4	6	5	4,6		
4	5,7	1,2	3,4	5,7		
5	1,4	-	2,5	1,4		
6	6,8	1,2	3,7	1,2,6,8	\$0.50	\$150 (\$160)
7	1,9	5,(11)	4,6	1,5,9		
8	2	1,6	3	2		
9	7,8	5,6,11	3	5,6,7,8,11		
10	1,7,10	3,6	2,5,8	1,3,6,7,10		

### **Top 3 Selections**

Race	1st	2nd	3rd
1	1	2	6
2	4	6	8
3	4	6	5
4	7	5	2
5	4	1	5
6	6	8	1
7	9	1	(11)
8	2	1	6
9	7	8	11
10	10	7	1

### **Today's Analysis**

Saturday's Late Pick 5 is highlighted by the Grade 2 Yellow Ribbon for fillies 3yo and up going a route distance on the turf. The favorite is the #2 Anisette, who most horizontal bettors will lean on, and I'd probably recommend the same. If you find yourself wanting to beat her, make sure you save enough of your budget for the last two races on the card. Trust me, you'll want as many as you can afford.





# **Tip Sheet**

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

Price/Spot Play(s)

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
2	4	Mamba On Three	2-1	4	\$20 Win
Notes					

I've finally started to learn that it makes these races much easier if you find yourself on the lead, and that's exactly where the #4 Mamba On Three will be. Mamba is a horse coming from Gulfstream, and I like the fact that he's been here for a while just because shipping out West can be more difficult than people think it is. He's done well in those 5F turf races in South Florida, and for those that don't know, that's definitely a track where you want to be forwardly placed. You know Maldonado is going to get him to the lead, so let's see if trainer Sam Wilensky can get his first winner of the meet.

		Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
4	7	Cathal (IRE)	5-1	3	Big Exacta: 5/7 Smaller Exacta: 7/5

#### Notes

The #7 Cathal is definitely slow on paper, but I think we're going to see a big improvement in his third start in the states. Last time he finally got his picture taken, and he never really showed a ton of late kick until about 150 yards from the wire. He had serious acceleration, he's got a really nice high knee action, and he was wrapped up under the wire. That race has produced two next out winners who came back with 78 and 79 beyers, and the horses coming out have improved their beyer points by an average of 5 points. The addition of blinkers should keep him closer to the pace and help him stay straight when that late kick presents itself. Oh, and you've got the leading trainer on the meet in John Sadler and the best turf jockey on the West Coast in Umberto Rispoli.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
5	4	Vodka With a Twist	4-1	4	\$15 Win, \$10 Place

### Notes

The fact that the #4 Vodka With a Twist is the 4th choice in this field of 5 is preposterous. She's a young filly that is only getting better and better, and she's done nothing wrong in her last two starts. Everyone in this field looks to be one dimensional, but she's shown natural speed without having to be asked. Visually, she has a very strong late kick, and her incremental times in the stretch back up that claim. It may just be that Ward's filly or one of the Bafferts are just that good, but Vodka With a Twist seems like the most likely to be versatile, and I'll take 7-2 or 4-1 all day.





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9	7	The Big Cheeseola	9-2	3	\$10 Win/Place

#### Notes

Ah, yes, the ol' 0 beyer angle. In his start here on July 21st, he lost the rider at the start, but personally I loved that race for him. You wanna know why? 1) That race tells me the horses he would've faced then and now gets to face today don't really scare me and 2) He gets a HUGE trainer switch to Steve Knapp. He's always been very consistent, but I have a feeling the switch in barns is what's gonna help him get the job done today. Important to note that new trainer Steve Knapp is 17% first off the claim over the last 5 years.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
10	10	Cailin Dana	15-1	5	\$15 Win/Place Big Exactas: 10/1,7 Smaller Exactas: 1,37/10

#### Notes

THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT DEL MAR!!! The #10 Cailin Dana has always shown ability, and early on they thought highly enough of her to throw her in the Del Mar Juvenile Fillies Turf as a maiden. Two starts back she ran into a very good field, including Iscreamuscream, who won the San Clemente on opening weekend. She also got a fantastic ride from Kent Desormeaux that day, who of course gives 110% on all of his rides (NOT). Last time was her first start off of a 238-day layoff, it was her first start in the Drysdale barn, and she showed speed needed to run well in a 5F turf sprint like this one. She adds blinkers to make sure of that, and I counted a couple of mounts that Hector Berrios could've taken in this race, but he decides to stay here. Something tells me there's a reason for that.

## Good luck with all your wagers.... CRUSH YOUR BETS!!

