

| Race Day Date | August 25 <sup>th</sup> |  |
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## **Race-Day Overview**

In my opinion, today's card is the best betting card of the weekend. It seems like there are more opportunities to get some prices home, and hopefully I can provide you with some good information to take advantage of those opportunities. The feature on the card is the Rancho Bernardo, which might make the late sequence a pick 4 with Sweet Azteca, but there are certainly some opportunities to find value on the early part of the card. Good luck today!

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!





# **Tip Sheet**

Racetrack: Del Mar

**ABC Grid - Post Time 5:00pm EST** 

| Race | Α      | В       | С           | Caveman Picks | Caveman Bet | Caveman Cost |
|------|--------|---------|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1    | 4      | 3       | 1           | 1,3,4         | \$0.50      | \$67.50      |
| 2    | 8      | 3,4,6,9 | -           | 8             |             |              |
| 3    | 3,6    | 2,4,7   | 1,9         | 2,3,4,6,7     |             |              |
| 4    | 5      | 1,8     | 6           | 1,5,8         |             |              |
| 5    | 1,5,11 | -       | 3,7,8,10,12 | 1,5,11        | \$0.50      | \$150        |
| 6    | 10,12  | 1,11    | 4,5,8       | 1,10,11,12    |             |              |
| 7    | 2,4    | 1,3,9   | 7           | 1,2,3,4,9     |             |              |
| 8    | 5      | -       | 1,2,7       | 5             |             |              |
| 9    | 1,2,8  | 3,11    | 6,7         | 1,2,3,8,11    |             |              |

### **Top 3 Selections**

| Race | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
|------|-----|-----|-----|
| 1    | 4   | 3   | 1   |
| 2    | 8   | 4   | 3   |
| 3    | 3   | 6   | 7   |
| 4    | 5   | 8   | 1   |
| 5    | 1   | 11  | 5   |
| 6    | 10  | 12  | 1   |
| 7    | 4   | 2   | 3   |
| 8    | 5   | 2   | 7   |
| 9    | 1   | 8   | 2   |

### P5 Analysis

Other than Sweet Azteca in the Grade 3 Rancho Bernardo, this is a VERY DIFFICULT Pick 5. As you can see, I'm going to be spreading quite deep in all of the surrounding legs. Some might get cheeky and try and single Zip Om in the first leg after that impressive debut effort, but he draws the rail and it's tough to say who he beat last time. Race 8 is an extremely talented





# **Tip Sheet**

32k claimer going long on the turf, and you'll read it below, but I see a big effort coming from the #4 Sydney Street.

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)               |
|--------|---------|------------------|------|-------|----------------------|
| 4      | 5       | Empress Lorrayne | 6-1  | 4     | \$15 Win, \$10 Place |

#### Notes

Even though this isn't quite the 0 beyer angle, I'd say a 4 is close enough. The #5 Empress Lorrayne debuted in a unique maiden claimer for a claiming price of \$70k, and she was less than 5-1 in that debut. She hopped at the start, made a small middle move to get back into the race, but just kinda lost interest. Yakteen drops her in for 32k, which is a much more reasonable spot, and they only paid 20k for her so it's not like they're giving up on her already per say. There really aren't a ton of real threats in here, so if she runs like the public expected her to last time, she could get the job done at an okay price

| Race | # Horse # | Horse Name         | Odds | Stars | Bet(s)         |
|------|-----------|--------------------|------|-------|----------------|
| 7    | 4         | Sydney Street (GB) | 8-1  | 5     | \$15 Win/Place |

#### Notes

THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT DEL MAR!!! If you look at Sydney Street's last two races, I thought he had some legitimate trouble. His race here at Del Mar back in November definitely fits in this group, and if you look at his races carefully, he does his best running when he's a little closer to the pace, which could very well happen here considering there isn't much speed on paper. He's only been further than a mile once during his career, but just based on how he runs visually, I think he could really appreciate the extra furlong. My hope is for Hector Berrios to be more tactical with him today, and this is a tough enough field where we might get every bit of 8-1

| Race # | Horse # | Horse Name            | Odds | Stars | Bet(s)                         |
|--------|---------|-----------------------|------|-------|--------------------------------|
| 9      | 1       | Mysterious<br>Husband | 12-1 | 3     | \$5 Win, \$10 Place, \$15 Show |
|        |         |                       |      |       |                                |

#### Notes

The finale today is an absolute cluster. That August 3rd race didn't look all that appealing visually, but the #1 Mysterious Husband was the one I landed on. Even though it was a fast pace last time, he was pretty detached with the field, and the familiar foes he faced that day all got really good trips and



still couldn't get the job done. He gets a very interesting change in barns to Doug O'neill, who makes this move very frequently. Hopefully there is enough pace to set it up for him. Important to note that trainer Doug O'neill is 27% off the claim in maiden races over the last 5 years.

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

