



DEL MAR POWER PICKS TIP SHEET

Race Day Date	August 17th
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Current ROI	\$2.78

Race Day Overview

WELCOME TO DAY 15 of the DEL MAR POWER PICKS!!! We are very excited to bring you Del Mar Power Picks for our second 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 Noah Meagher, Ryan Anderson, and Jackson Muniz. We are LIVE on Youtube, X, and other various platforms EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT at 9:30 PM EST. Today's card is highlighted by the Solana Beach Stakes. 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	4	5,7,9	3,6	4,5,7,9	\$0.50	\$48
2	2,3	-	5	2,3		
3	2,5,6	4	7	2,5,6		
4	2,5	-	1,3	2,5		
5	6	5	1,2,4,11	5,6	\$0.50	\$12
6	8	6	7	6,8		
7	3,10	7	1,6,8	3,7,10		
8	3,7	-	6,8,9,10	3,7		
9	10	1,5,6,7	3,4,8,11	10		

Top 3 Selections

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



Today's Pick 5 Analysis

Today's Late Pick 5 is one that I'll be trying to hit multiple times. Race 5 anchors both the Early Pick 5 and the Late Pick 5, so you're gonna want to make sure you're right in that leg. There are some price horses you could catch and any of those middle three legs, including one that I like a little bit in the featured Solana Beach, but everything I play is going to be built around Willa T in the finale, who you'll read about in just a little bit.

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)
1	4	Sterling Sea	4-1	4	\$20 Win
Notes:					
After watching that maiden race back on July 27th, I had a feeling there would be some horses that would come back and win next time out, and I'm hoping that's the case with #4 Sterling Sea . There was just about every indication that he needed that race: he broke slow, checked around the first turn, and was super rank early on. Finally Frey decided that would do him no good, and made this huge wide middle move up the backstretch and around the far turn. He tired a bit late, which I don't fault him at all for doing, but it still seemed it was greenness more than issues with stamina. Hoping those antics are out of his system and Juan Hernandez can pilot him to victory. It's a wide open race, so you should get a square price on anyone.					

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
7	10	Wink and a Grin	12-1	3	Win #10 Ex 3,7 / 10
Notes:					
There is A TON of speed in this year's rendition of the Solana Beach, and I think #10 Wink and a Grin is amongst					



the best of the closers on her best day. Clearly her best day was not last time, but it's not like she didn't run at all, it just didn't really set up all that well for her. Not only that, that race is starting to look better as time passes as that winner Velocity was the 35-1 upset winner of the GI Del Mar Oaks yesterday. She's much better when she gets hot paces like she did two back, and I'd be shocked if that doesn't happen. It's no secret there's a buncha speed, so I would expect her price to drop a bit, but half of her morning line still seems like a pretty good bet in my opinion.

Race #	Horse #	Horse Name	Odds	Stars	Bet(s)
9	10	Willa T	4-1	5	\$25 Win

Notes:

THIS IS MY PLAY OF THE DAY AT DEL MAR!!! Typically a 4yo that's 0/6 is one I'm trying to beat, but **#10 Willa T** has faced WAY BETTER than the field she meets today. You've got graded stakes winners in the running lines in the form of Zona Verde and Sunset Glory, and even the 50-1 upset winner from a couple weeks ago in Baltic Fire. Clearly something went wrong last time, and it was severe enough to put her on the bench for 11 months. But, that extended layoff allows them to run at an appropriate level while protecting her at the same time. She's been training consistently for two months now, so she should be ready off the layoff, and like I mentioned earlier, this is a mediocre field at best. She's a definite single for me in all horizontals on the ladder half of the card. All systems go.

\$3 Late Pick 3

3,7,10 / 3,7 / 10 - \$18 ticket

\$5 Late Double

3,7 / 10 - \$10 ticket



