Picking Winners A Horseplayers Guide

How badly do you want to be a successful horse player? Are you passionate and ready to step up to the next level? Start by thinking of yourself as a horseplayer and think of playing the horses as a business. Bill Peterson has been playing the races for decades and will guide you race by race through the process of finding the right races to play, evaluating the runners, creating a hierarchy of probability, and finally, matching the right win or exacta bet to the race. This is not a book of theory, but an actual workbook that will teach you the complete process. You will learn to avoid some races while playing the races that you have a chance to win. Learn to handicap the race to determine each horse's ability and then match the right betting strategy to the race with this complete guide.

Presents an introduction to statistics, providing information on analyzing and interpreting data, knowing where to begin solving problems, and more.

Everyone that regularly plays the horses is in constant pursuit of the player's holy grail: the humongous longshot. Many of the authors from the first 2001 edition of Bet With The Best have gathered together again to contribute their expertise on where and when these high-priced horses can be found. By using various successful and proven handicapping theories and angles, the reader learns how to uncover live horses that regularly return boxcar prices while most of the racing public still remains in the dark.

Pedigree Handicapping reveals how evaluating a horse's bloodline is most commonly used in maiden special weight races. It also points out the many other areas where pedigree handicapping has proven to be a powerful tool.

Smarter Bets the Exacta Way

Slots Conquest

A Horse-Racing Primer

Horseplayer

Bet with the Best 2

A True Story of Love, Death, and Redemption

A Guide to Picking More Winners at the Races

Picking WinnersA Horseplayer's GuideHoughton Mifflin Harcourt

How to enjoy a day at the races-and bet to win! The last two years have seen a record number of Americans tune in for climatic Triple Crown races featuring Smarty Jones and Funny Cide; in 2004, television viewership jumped a whopping 61 percent over the record set in 2003, and the Belmont Stakes race itself drew a record crowd of more than 120,000! This easy-to-understand guide shows first-time visitors to the track how to enjoy the sport of horse racing-and make smart bets. It explains what goes on at the track, what to look for in horses and jockeys, how to read a racing form and do simple handicapping, and how to manage betting funds and make wagers that stand a good chance of paying off. Complete with coverage of off-track and online betting, it's just what anyone needs to play the ponies-and win! Richard Eng (Las Vegas, NV) is a racing writer and handicapper for the Las Vegas Review-Journal, a columnist for the Daily Racing Form, and the host of a horseracing radio program in Las Vegas. He was formerly a part of the ABC Sports team that covered the Triple Crown.

The images and memories that matter most are those that are unshakeable, unforgettable. Kenneth Turan's fifty-four favorite films embrace a century of the world's most satisfying romances and funniest comedies, the most heart-stopping dramas and chilling thrillers. Turan discovered film as a child left undisturbed to watch Million Dollar Movie on WOR-TV Channel 9 in New York, a daily showcase for older Hollywood features. It was then that he developed a love of cinema that never left him and honed his eye for the most acute details and the grandest of scenes. Not to be Missed blends cultural criticism, historical anecdote, and inside-Hollywood controversy. Turan's selection of favorites ranges across all genres. From All About Eve to Seven Samurai to Sherlock Jr., these are all timeless films—classic and contemporary, familiar and obscure, with big budgets and small—each underscoring the truth of director Ingmar Bergman's observation that "no form of art goes beyond ordinary consciousness as film does, straight to our emotions, deep into the twilight room of the soul."

The handicapper is taught to master the nuts and bolts of handicapping by understanding today's advanced past performances, thus gaining a significant edge on the betting public.

Ainslie's Encyclopedia of Thoroughbred Handicapping

Sports Betting For Dummies

Life at the Track

Betting on Horse Racing For Dummies

A Guide for the Serious Horseplayer

Betting Thoroughbreds

A leading authority explains all aspects of and approaches to handicapping, detailing the economics, betting favorites and sequences, past-performance tables, and other factors and tactics

A systematic approach to successful race-horse handicapping, for novices and old-timers, presenting advice on reading the race forms, judging tracks and trainers, the horses appearances, speed handicapping, and money management

Is it really possible to wager and win at the racetrack? Free's resounding answer is yes—horseplayers can and do win! This paperback edition includes an entire new chapter on synthetic racing surfaces, updated and current past performances and charts, an index for easier reference, and all of the enduring handicapping factors presented in the hard cover. Handicapping 101 gives both the novi and seasoned player the handicapping foundation required to succeed.

"The next best thing to having an experienced Greyhound owner living with you." —Joan Belle Isle, President, Greyhound Project "Anyone who reads this book and follows its guidance will have a happier, healthier dog and be a happier, more relaxed dog owner." —Hal and Karen Hawley, Greyhound Friends Northwest The Greyhound has been celebrated in song and legend for thousands of years. Nowadays, Greyhounds are bred almost exclusively for racing. In the bad old days, prior to the 1980s, dogs that didn't make the grade at the track, and those past their primes, were destroyed. According to official estimates, 60,000 of these noble, mild-mannered dogs were destroyed each year! Fortunately, a number of organizations now exist devoted to rescuing these unwanted dogs and pla them in good homes. Thinking about adopting a retired racing Greyhound? Or maybe you're already sharing your life with one of these charming animals. Either way, this friendly guide tells you everything you need to know to: Understand the Greyhound personality Find a retired racing Greyhound to adopt Choose the right ex-racer for you and your family Educate yourself and your retired racer Give your new pal the diet and exercise it needs Keep your dog healthy and happy for years to come With plenty of good humor and straight-talk, Lee Livingood drawing on her forty-years of experience training adult rescue dogs to cover all the pros and cons of being a retired racing Greyhound owner, and she fills you in on: The amazing 8000-year history of the Greyhound Deciding whether an racer is the right dog for you and your family Physical and behavioral characteristics How to get a retired racer used to living in a home and be a companion Dealing with common behavioral and health problems Feeding, grooming, and exercising a Greyhound Fun things to do with your hound Bursting with expert advice on all aspects of living with an ex-racer, Retired Racing Greyhounds For Dummies is must reading for anyone considering adoption or who's already taken the leap.

Winning Horseracing Handicapping

Helpful Hints for Horseplayers

Not to be Missed

Betting for a Living

A Simple Process to Winning on Horse Racing

A Proven Method for Selecting Longshot Winners

Ainslie's Complete Guide to Thoroughbred Racing

Nick Mordin estimates he has spent over 30,000 hours researching racing results over the years. His aim has been to uncover the principles that govern the betting market and racing results themselves. In conducting his research Nick has tested thousands of systems, both his own and those developed by academics, professional gamblers and others around the globe. In Winning Without Thinking he shares the fruits of this work. the results of horse-races; basic principles that govern racing results and the betting market; mistakes commonly made by the general betting public and how to exploit them; full details of betting systems used by professional gamblers to make millions; how to predict and profit from new trends; and how to use computers to increase your returns.

This advanced guide to handicapping, which includes a new Foreword by the author, is chock-full of the wit and wisdom that have made Beyer a legend in the sport. The Winning Horseplayeroffers the sophisticated bettor invaluable advice on handicapping and betting. "(Beyer) is the grand guru . . . of handicapping".--Boston Globe

In June 2007, the FBI informed the NBA that one of its referees, Tim Donaghy, was the subject of a probe into illegal gambling. Within months, the public knew the broad outlines of a scheme involving Donaghy betting on games he officiated with a co-conspirator, longtime Donaghy acquaintance and professional gambler Jimmy "Baba" Battista. They were joined in the scandal by a mutual childhood friend, Tommy Martino. By November 2008, each man had pleaded guilty to charges relating to the conspiracy, and was in federal prison. The story was over. Or so it seemed to be.Author Sean Patrick Griffin, Ph.D., a former Philadelphia Police officer turned university professor and best-selling author, conducted dozens of interviews and obtained betting records, referee statistics, court documents, and unique access to witness statements and confidential law enforcement files. Years of research are presented in GAMING THE GAME, which looks inside the FBI's investigation and beyond to provide the definitive account of the scandal. Jimmy Battista''s remarkable decades-long bookmaking and betting career is examined, including and especially his role as architect of the widely publicized scandal. Battista, who - unlike his co-conspirators - never spoke with federal authorities, reveals for the first time the intricate details of the scheme, most of which only he knows. Reviews "impeccably researched...insightful...[Griffin''s] street-wise writing sounds anything but academic...After reading "Gaming the Game," you''ll never watch an NBA contest the same way again."Las Vegas Review-Journal "[Griffin] straddles the line between academic and storyteller, cop and journalist...[Gaming the Game] will blow your mind." Philadelphia Magazine "An exhaustively researched book threatening to overturn some comfortable assumptions about the NBA''s referee scandal ...[Gaming the Game] delivers the intrigue you''d expect from a true crime thriller" ESPN.com "Offers a fascinating look into the Donaghy scandal ... intriguing" Philadelphia Daily News "A book you can bet is worth reading...fascinating...a complete effort" Delaware County (PA) Daily Times "a tremendous read...fascinating...gripping...a must read for any bettor serious about the global marketplace...by far the most believable [account of the NBA betting scandal]" Covers.com "An outstanding read that might make you change the way you view professional sports." Beyond the Bets "If you''ve ever wondered what the REAL story was behind Tim Donaghy and the NBA betting scandal, this is a must read...If you''re interested in sports betting, you won''t be able to put [Gaming the Game] down" Bettors World "compelling [and] many leveled...the research behind Gaming the Game is impressive...[Griffin''s] He''s a fluid, crisp writer and an A-1 historian of crime" BNN "Griffin''s investigation into big time gambling is fascinating...Highly Recommended" Gambling Book and News "Few people are as qualified as Griffin to write this book...[his] scholarly background is evidenced in his research, which is flawless...If you''ve ever wanted to know how the big-money betting outfits work, this is the book for you. If you''ve ever wondered about the true story behind the Tim Donaghy scandal and how much of the truth are we being told, this is also the book for you. Griffin...is a gifted story teller and writes in a way that will have you glued to the pages. This is easily one of the best books ever written about the sports betting scene." About.com "Griffin curates FBI files, interviews, statistics and court documents, providing a narrative so vigorous and complex that readers are practically courtside. The cast of characters...come to life like players in a true crime novel" Biographie About the Author A former Philadelphia Police officer, best-selling author Sean Patrick Griffin, Ph.D. is Professor and Department Head of Criminal Justice at The Citadel.

In The Ghost Horse, Joe Layden tells the inspiring true tale of a one-eyed, club-footed thoroughbred racehorse and a journeyman trainer, Tim Snyder, who scraped together every penny he had to purchase the broken and unwanted filly. Snyder helped the horse overcome its deficiencies, eventually naming her in part after his deceased wife, Lisa, the great and loving light of his life—a bright and sweet-tempered woman whose gentle demeanor seemed eerily reflected in the horse. The trainer (and now owner) was by nature a crusty and combative sort, the yin to his wife's yang, a racetrack lifer not easily moved by new-age mysticism or sentiment. And yet in those final days back in 2003, when Lisa Snyder lay in bed, her body ravaged by cancer, she reassured her family with a weak smile. "It's okay," she'd say. "I'll see you again. I'm coming back as a horse." Tim Snyder did not then believe in reincarnation. But he acknowledged the strangeness of this journey, the series of coincidences that brought them together, and the undeniable similarities between the horse and his late wife. And so did those who knew the couple well, and who could now only marvel at the story of the filly, Lisa's Booby Trap, and the down-on-his-luck trainer who apparently had been given a new lease on life. The Ghost Horse is a powerful horseracing story of underdogs and second chances.

My $50,000 Year at the Races

An Advanced Approach to Thoroughbred Handicapping and Betting

Picking Winners

Fifty-four Favorites from a Lifetime of Film

The Story Behind the NBA Betting Scandal and the Gambler Who Made It Happen

Casino Craps

Betting Thoroughbreds for the 21st Century

Covers recent technological changes and the basics of breeding, conformation, calculating speed and pace, the factors of condition, class, and weight, rating jockeys, stables, and tracks, tote-board tips, and sixty tips for profitable betting.

The creator of a revolutionary new racetrack-betting technique that calculates a horse's degree of advantage in earlier races offers an understandable, anecdotal explanation of how to use these figures to win at the track, in a new edition of the classic handicapping guide. Reprint.

"The first weekend at the track after reading your book (Handicapping Secrets of the Horse Racing Fanatic) I won $2,600.00! Thanks for all the great info."R. Kelley - Los Angeles, CA. "...Initially, I was looking for the plays on the pick six but actually evaluated them last. I would almost swear that I was privileged to look at an experienced horse player's soul. I believe this material needs more than reading, it should be studied and practiced. The author is certainly knowledgeable about the secrets of winning. For any serious horse player who is self taught or those who aspire to collect money from the race tracks, armed with just these techniques a loser could become a winner. I would heartily endorse this author.Thank you again," Jerry Smiley - NV"Great book with tremendous insight to thoroughbred handicapping and wagering." -janishrj "Gordon Easton's Pick-Six Formulas and other betting strategies are quite literally worth a fortune to any serious fan of horse racing. Add in the rest of the handicapping expertise he has picked up along the way, and you have a resource that no one who plays the ponies can afford to be without. Recommended without reservation!" - Jay M. - Arlington, VA "I failed to mention how informative the book you sent me is. Even with over 40-yrs. of experience, I learned things about racing that I more than likely did not know, or just plain forgot about. It's a good book!" Don Oerlemans - Westville, NJ "Very well written and and super informative book. A+++++" -K.F. "Great handicapping book for any horseracing fan." -bettyjean4771 "Solid info and systems!" -ciolek75 "Very informative!! Easy to master. Thanks!!" - A.T. "Good and interesting info for any handicapper. Thanks." -C.T. "Good tips and angles I haven't thought of before. Pick 6 strategies are great." -J.K. "very interesting book, the stats alone are incredible. A++++" -J.J. "Good insight to handicapping horses." -G.D. What makes Handicapping Secrets of The Horse Racing Fanatic your absolute best bet to put more money in your pocket when wagering at the track?It's not just master handicapper Gordon Easton's four decades worth of powerful and proven betting systems... spot plays... and long-shot picking secrets, all brought together in one book for the first time anywhere. What's sets this book apart from all the rest is that retired mathematics professor Gordon Easton is a mathematical genius specializing in Numbers Probability Theory, who gives his readers a complete set of "plug and play" betting formulas that will let you cover more horses and results for every dollar you bet, shaving the odds in your favor. For example: Most people never win a Pick Six because they don't have the hundreds of dollars needed to put a lot of horses on a single ticket. They will bet many $2 tickets instead. They could end up with several tickets with 3 or 4 winners... but none with 5 or 6 for the big win.But, by using Gordon's formulas, you are guaranteed to have at least five winners on one ticket if you get a winner in each race. You'll also have a decent chance at getting a Pick Six... without spending a fortune.For example: Pick Six Formula #1 covers 4 horses in 1 race... 3 horses in 3 races... and 2 singles (your most likely winners). To put all of these horses on one ticket would cost $216. Using Gordon's formula... you can do this for only $24, with the guarantee of 5 or 6 winners on one ticket if you have a winner in each race. There is no other place on the planet you can find this kind of incredibly valuable knowledge.

Think all slot machines are the same? If so, that's why you're losing money. "Slots Conquest" will teach readers all the nuances of slot machines to improve the odds of winning. Written by one of the most experienced professional gamblers in the profession, "Slots Conquest" opens up the secret world of slot machines to everyone so that readers can learn how to identify the machines that will give the best odds to win. Different machines offer different odds of success, and this book explains how to identify the best machines to play in the casino to guarantee walking out a winner. Whether you're a longtime fan of the one-armed bandit or brand new to slot machines, "Slots Conquest" will change your approach to slot machines instantly.

Horse Racing Logic

The Horseplayer's Guide to Picking Winners

Statistics Workbook For Dummies

Shoot to Win!
Using Data and Brains to Win at the Racetrack
Adventures of a Horseplayer and Publisher
Statistical and Mathematical Methods in Horse Racing

The most comprehensive craps book ever written, this is the book that gives readers everything needed to get a real, verifiable edge at the game of craps. The authors, two of the greatest living dice controllers, share, in words and pictures, their secret Golden Touch technique and give the edge needed to beat the house. Readers will learn several keys to winner craps, including how the game is really played, how to develop a Golden Touch controlled throw, which are the best and worst bets and "buy" bets, how to reduce the hit of the house edge by using the five count, how to push the casino to give a better game than advertised, how to set the dice to reduce or increase the appearance of different numbers, and how to judge what a real edge means.

Calculating the pace and comparative speed of horses in a race often holds the key to the puzzle of selecting the winner.

This fun and witty exposé of horse racing in America goes behind the scenes at the track, providing a serious gambler's-eye view of the action. Ted McClelland spent a year at tracks and off-track betting facilities in Chicago and across the country, profiling the people who make a career of gambling on horses. This account follows his personal journey of what it means to be a horseplayer as he gambles with his book advance using various betting and handicapping strategies along the way. A colourful cast of characters is introduced, including the intensely disciplined Scott McMannis, "The Professor," a one-time college instructor who now teaches a course in handicapping, and Mary Schoenfeldt, a former nun and gifted handicapper who donates all of her winnings to charity. This moving account of wins, losses, and personal turmoil provides a realistic look at gamblers, gambling, and life at the track.

Whether you're a casual fan tuning in to the Kentucky Derby or a dedicated horseplayer trying to turn a profit, says the author, racing and betting today are completely different than they were in the days of Seabiscuit and Secretariat. The author has been at the forefront of many of these changes and in this long-awaited memoir, he chronicles his unique adventures in racing journalism, politics, high finance and, closest to his heart, betting on horses.

Finding the Right Horses and Making the Right Bets
Handicapping Secrets of the Horse Racing Fanatic
New Strategies for Racetrack Betting
Modern Pace Handicapping
A Horseplayer's Guide
The Ghost Horse
Secrets of a Successful Horseracing Handicapper

"Precision ... Statistical and Mathematical Methods in Horse Racing" thoroughly discusses the mathematical and statistical methods in handicapping and betting techniques. Differentiations, combinatorics, normal distribution, kernel smoothing and other mathematical and statistical tools are introduced. The jargons and equations are kept to a minimum so that it is easy to understand for most readers. More than 20 professional programs are freely available to download, which can allow readers to easily apply the methodology introduced in the book. This book can be divided into three main parts: horse handicapping (Chapters 2-6), wagering (Chapters 7-9) and theories in practices (Chapters 10-11). Chapter 1 will explain why long term gains are possible in horse racing. About horse handicapping, we will start with analysing racing forms in Chapter 2. Other handicapping factors such as weight carried, jockeys, trainers and pedigrees will be discussed in Chapter 3. Some advanced statistical methods, such as chi-square test and kernel smoothing, will be introduced in Chapter 4 to further analyse those handicapping factors discussed in previous chapters. The following two chapters are about probability estimations. In Chapter 5, normal distribution and multinominal logistic regression are introduced in estimating winning probability of each race horse. In Chapter 6, we will talk about some methods in misconceptions in estimating placed probability. Two main concepts in wagering, Kelly criterion and hedging, will be discussed in Chapters 7 and 8. To hit exotic pools, those theories in combinatorics in Chapter 9 will definitely help the readers. The author will share his experiences in betting syndicate in Chapter 10, and tell you how to be a successful professional horseplayer in the last Chapter. Some readers may find the mathematics in this book difficult, but the free program will take your pain away and do all the calculations. You can simply apply all the professional formulae by no more than a click, and pick your horses like an expert analyst. As an awardee in Asian-Pacific Mathematics Olympiad, the author abandoned his career as an actuary and became a key member in a gambling syndicate. This book was reprinted in the 4th edition in Hong Kong, ranked #2 in the best-selling chart in the international Chinese weekly Yazhou Zhoukan, and now available worldwide.

A Harvard dropout's memoir of playing the horses—a great read for handicappers or those who enjoyed Ben Mezrich's Bringing Down the House. In 1977, before he was known as the creator of "The Beyer Speed Figure," Andrew Beyer set out on a gambling odyssey, determined to prove himself as a horseplayer. He would marshal all his handicapping skills for assaults on four racetracks: Gulfstream Park, Pimlico, Saratoga, and the Barrington Fair. The then thirty-three-year-old Harvard dropout had the credentials for this undertaking: two years earlier, his book Picking Winners had won a claim from bettors and critics alike. But the theory of handicapping and the practice of it are two very different things, and Beyer did all he could to prepare himself for this new challenge. He consulted with other professional horseplayers. He undertook detailed analyses of trainers and their methods. He refined his speed-handicapping techniques. He developed a revolutionary method for evaluating horses shipped from one track to another. He formulated a bold betting strategy. During the year, he experienced the dizzying thrill of winning more than $10,000 in an afternoon, and agonizing frustration that drove him to bash a hole in the wall of the Gulfstream Park press box. When it was over, Beyer had amassed a profit of $50,664. His account of the year offers a rare, unromanticized look at the world of professional gambling. For horseplayers who have dreamed of beating the races, he proves that the dream is, sometimes, attainable. And he explains, in specific detail, how it can be done. There are no gimmicks in My $50,000 Year at the Races. Instead, there is a proven method of beating the races—and Andrew Beyer's marvelously entertaining story of how he put it in practice. Packed solid with hard-hitting and controversial information, this fascinating book presents every effective method of exploiting or manipulating the game of roulette, whether by the player or the house, whether easy or difficult, whether legal or not. You'll learn about biased wheels, betting systems, ball control, visual tracking, and the honest secrets for becoming a professional player.256 pages

HORSE RACING LOGIC was written for both the novice and experienced handicapper of thoroughbreds. With this easy-to-read book, you can identify the potential winner that others at the racetrack are overlooking. These "overlays", as they are called, can sometimes produce "boxcar" payoffs!

Handicapping 101
Precision
An Advanced Treatment of Pace Analysis
Pro Rated Longshots
The Skeptical Handicapper
Ainslie's Complete Guide to Harness Racing
A Winning Strategy

The methods of a modern backer. Alan Potts is a full-time professional punter, who makes a steady and lucrative income from gambling. In this book, he reveals, for the first time, the techniques and methods that consistently give him the edge over bookmakers. Anyone who bets on horses will find valuable insights on how to become - and stay - a winner.

The Winning Horseplayer, together with Beyer on Speed and Picking Winners, completes Andrew Beyer's triple crown. This advanced guide to handicapping is liberally spiced with the wit and wisdom that have made Beyer a legend in the sport.

A guide to horse racing that provides information and tips on making smart bets, assessing jockeys, trainers, and horses, understanding race track programs, avoiding common mistakes, and managing funds.

Is betting a horse who was claimed last start a winning strategy?What are the signs that an upcoming favorite looks vulnerable?How about if you combine a class drop with a jockey switch?Should you bet everyone who won last out by 8 lengths or more?You may have an opinion about these handicapping questions. But wouldn't it be nice to see long-term data? What if you could analyze these topics-and dozens more-by seeing how they did in every race in North America from 2014 through 2017-some 168,227 in all?That's what The Skeptical Handicapper: Using Data and Brains to Win at the Racetrack is all about. Is what you believe true? Let's find out.But this book is not just a dry recitation of numbers. Author Barry Meadow-who wrote Money Secrets at the Racetrack, the definitive guide to money management at the races-takes you on a handicapping journey which covers virtually every question you may have about what's profitable and what isn't, and why. He should know-for more than 20 years, he was a full-time thoroughbred player. And he was a steady, big-money winner. Now he reveals for the first time what he's learned-and what can help you win. With the help of thoroughbred analytic specialist Ken Massa of Handicapping Technology and Research, he'll show you exactly how to win now and into the future. With data and facts, not just opinions.If you're serious about winning at the races today, this is the one book you must have. And only Barry Meadow could write it.

The Winning Horseplayer
Winning Without Thinking
Betting on Myself
A Guide to Horse Race Betting Systems
Longshots
Horseplayers
How to Beat the Slot Machines!

The sports gambling book you can bet on Sports betting combines America's national pastime (sports) with its national passion (gambling). In the U.S., more than a third of the population bets on at least one sporting event every year. With the recent lifting of the federal ban on sports gambling, states are pushing legislation to take advantage of the new potential source of revenue. The best sports betting books are data driven, statistically honest, and offer ways to take action. Sports Betting For Dummies will cover the basics, as well as delving into more nuanced topics. You'll find all the need-to-know information on types of bets, statistics, handicapping fundamentals, and more. Betting on football, basketball, baseball, and other sports Betting on special events, such as the Superbowl or the Olympics Money management Betting on the internet With handy tips, tricks, and tools, Sports Betting For Dummies shows you how to place the right bet at the right time—to get the right payoff.

A thoroughly revised and updated edition of a horse-racing classic provides a complete education in the fine art of handicapping and offers new material in off-track betting, synthetic surfaces, and more.

Retired Racing Greyhounds For Dummies
Beyer on Speed
Against the Crowd
Gaming the Game
Pedigree Handicapping
Secrets of Winning Roulette