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Introduction to handicapping with Pace Pals

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About Pace Pals

Our vision at Pace Pals, Inc. is to make handicapping quick, fun, and easy for race fans.

- **Newcomers** can easily base selections on handicapping factors instead of guessing at numbers, colors or names.
- **Experienced handicappers** can narrow their focus quicker and play more races.

Line	Allowance/Claiming	100% Line	Pace Rating	Jockey	+/-	Trainer	+/-
1	o 12 DOPPIO	15	135	VALDIVIA J JR	o	GAINES CARLA	++
2	o 10 SPECIALIST MORGAN J	15	141	POTTS C L	o	MITCHELL MIKE	+
3	o 2 FETE	7/2	144	GOMEZ G K	++	BECERRA RAFAE	+
4	o 15 DARK NOSE	10	144	BLANC B	o	CENICOLA LEWI	-
5	o 6 HEADACHE	15	118	BAZE M C	o	POWELL LEONA	-
6	o 9/2 BARBER	10	146	MIGLIORE R	o	SHERMAN ART	++
7	o scr DEBONAIR JOE		141				-
8	o 15 SCRUMMAGE	5	143	SOLIS A	+	HENDRICKS DAN	++
9	o 6 ELLWOOD AND JAKE	7	143	GARCIA MARTIN	+	MITCHELL MIKE	+
10	o 12 HUNTER STREET	30	126	FLORES D R	+	CASSIDY JAMES	o
11	o 8 CAT AND A HALF	9	146	GRYDER A T	o	KNAPP STEVE	o

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6.5 turf 11 13 20 13

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Pace Pals Rating Graph

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The following are the steps I went through to create the handicap sample above. If you follow along you can learn to do these steps your self with practice. Please contact me with any questions.

Step 1: Look at the Pace Pals Rating Graph. This graph is showing no particular standouts.

Checking the Morning Line tells me the favorite is FETE at 2 to 1

Step 2: Looking at the Pace Pals Icons I see a top heavy field of Rabbits. I'm also seeing Foxes winning more in these conditions with 20. This could be a set up for one of the Foxes.

Step 3: Checking the Post Position, Jockey and Trainers columns shows now strong +/- bias.

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Step 4: Combining this information with my personal experience leads me to believe there could be an upset favoring one of the Foxes 2, 4, 8, or 10.

Step 5: See the Quick Pals Analysis above for a brief analysis. It is also a good idea to check the DRF for other handicapping information.

Race Results: Elwood & Jake Broke on top and put away #6 & #10 He was able to hold off late charges from Doppio & Specialist Morgan J.

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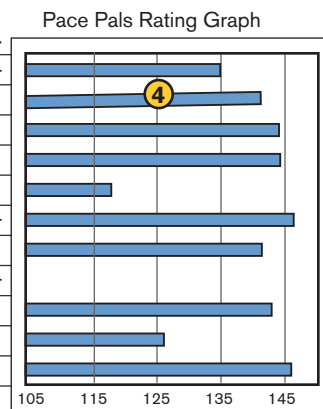
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7	5 +/-	7 Morning Line	Free Sample - Santa Anita 3-15-07 Allowance/Claiming \$62,500	3 100% Bet Line	Pace Pals Rating	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	Jockey	5 +/-	Trainer	5 +/-
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How to use Pace Pals

1 The Basics, bet the icons



Rabbits – if you like your horse to be in the lead.



Foxes – if you like your horse to be close to the leaders, ready to pounce at any time.



Hounds – run in the pack and make their run later in the race



Turtles – relax early in the race and make a big late run



Dark Horses – are 1st-time starters or foreign horses that haven't shown what running style they prefer.

Generally Rabbits & Foxes win most of the sprints (races at less than a mile). As the races get longer the Hounds & Turtles win more often and excel on the turf (grass). Check the Pace Pals running style chart to see the number of wins for each running style for each race's distance and surface

2 Selections & Comments

Read the analysis of each race and bet the recommended horses.



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Shopping - getting value for your \$\$

3 If you know how to bargain shop you can use the 100% Bet Line to find overlays (horses whose odds are higher than their chance of winning) and play like a pro. The 100% Bet Line represents how many times out of 100 races each horse would win - the lower the odds the more often the horse figures to win (ie. A horse with a 33% chance of winning would have odds of 2-1, a horse with a 10% chance of winning 9-1). Horses whose odds are twice the 100% Bet Line odds are great bets and should be bet win & place if over 10-1 odds. Overlays add exceptional value to exactas, trifectas and superfectas when used with other overlays and the horses with the lowest odds, horses with the best chances of winning, on the 100% Bet Line. You don't have to know anything about horses, if you know a bargain when you see one... you'll win!

Handicap with Pace Pals

Pace Pals takes key elements of the each horse's past performances and puts them in a visual format to help you quickly handicap a race.

- 4 Check the Rating Graph** to see who the fastest horse is and how competitive the race is. If all the horses are about equal, there is a good chance for an upset.
- 5 Check the +/- ratings** for Post Position, Jockey & Trainer...you want to see lots of ++ for the horses you like and minus' for the ones you want to beat.
- 6 Check the Running Styles Chart** see how many Rabbits, Foxes, Turtles & Hounds are in each race and the number of wins for each running style at that distance & surface. If there are lots of horses with the same style then there is likely to be traffic troubles for those horses and it is unlikely that they will be comfortable during the running of the race. If there are too many Rabbits (early speed horses), it may set the race up for a lone Fox, a horse who can relax just off the lead, or for the Hounds or Turtles, (horses that come-from-behind). Conversely, if there is only one Rabbit in the race it is dangerous no matter what the odds or even if the running style history says it is hard to win on the lead. Anytime the race sets up for one horse's preferred running style it will likely run it's best race.
- 7 Check the Morning Line odds** (the odds the track handicapper predicts the horses will be at post time) & the 100% Bet Line odds (our handicapper's opinion of how many times out of 100 races each horse would win). An overlay is when in your opinion a horse's odds are greater than its chances of winning. The 100% Bet Line lets you see our handicapper's opinion of each horses chances.
- 8 Check the Selections and Analysis** to see what factors the handicapper thought were the keys to the race and what intangibles that influenced his selections. Pace Pals are like Cliff Notes or Spark Notes. They cover key elements of handicapping, but handicapping a race is an art that involves as many as 20 horses & jockeys in a race and all the human elements that bring them together. It is fun to predict what might happen and there is great satisfaction in seeing a race unfold the way you thought it would and to cheer your horses to the wire. Have fun and we'll see you in the winners' circle.

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