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The Complete Handicapper: You Can Beat The Races!



Synopsis

In *The Complete Handicapper*, James Quinn draws on his more than four decades of experience to lay out everything you need to know to pick winners at the track. In a clear, instructive style, Quinn demystifies the handicapping process and underlines the most important aspects - ones that even everyday horseplayers sometimes overlook in favor of less important ephemera. *The Complete Handicapper* is required reading for anyone serious about winning money at the racetrack. Like his hero Tom Ainslie, James Quinn has taught generations of racing fans how to get an edge playing the horses. In *The Complete Handicapper*, he presents all his best ideas in one volume - with many brand new insights as well. From an overview of the fundamentals, to the nuances of handicapping on the big days, to keeping up with all the ever-changing aspects of the modern game, Quinn covers it all and in the process arms the horseplayer with all the tools needed to become a winning player.

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Customer Reviews

The first book I read on this subject was Quinn's *Recreational Handicapping* book written in 1990. That triggered an obsession leading to reading my 15th book on horse racing in a 6 month period. If

you are interested in learning about how to bet the horses I would recommend this book along with Quinn's Handicappers Leading Methods book. There are a dozen other highly regarded books by other excellent writers but Quinn covers the important parts from most of those books here (Brohamer and Quirin on pace, beyers speed figures, davidowitz on track bias, etc). Quinn is good at sharing specific system bets and backing them with statistics (for example bet a second starting maiden who shows to improve by 13-18 speed points on the second start). I constantly reference this book but DO NOT BUY THE KINDLE VERSION--I don't believe any horse racing book belongs on the kindle due the need to constantly reference material and view past programs to illustrate points.

It's been a long time since I read a book about handicapping and obviously, things have changed a lot. This may be the best book about handicapping I've ever read, and I've read a lot. The author delves into factors I had never considered. Well worth the investment if you're a serious horse player.

I have gone to the raves for over 30 years and this is one of the best handicapping books out there for today. It is right out there with Tom Ainsle's the Complete Guide to Handicapping which I cut my teeth on in the late 70's. racing has changed drastically and Mr. Quinn does an excellent job at making it understandable and profitable with a lot of useful information.....his information of turf racing and 3 year olds is indispensable.

Pretty strong read for guidance into the mind of linesman and professional handicappers. Prose a bit stiff, and ambiguous at times, but very enlightening and insightful. A bargain at the price for any regular track patron, or even a good start to an education in the financials and money management aspects.

I love how this book was so logically laid out. It has been many years since I have read a book on handicapping, that wasn't rehashed things I had read in the past. I found this a fresh approach to the handicapping process.

Very thorough and good book. I also enjoyed this and Beyer's on Speed book. The title's a little misleading. You can beat the races but your hourly rate might come out to just over \$1 per hour for all the work involved :-)

This book is chock full of tips and concrete analysis. It's not just a bunch of fluff. He talks about speed figures, pace, form, maidens, jockeys and trainers. It has race track pars for the Beyer Speed numbers and outlines the ways to calculate Quirin Pace figures. If you are a numbers person and want the "real deal", this is your book.

This is the book I refer to, over and over, and it doesn't let me down. The information in it is helpful, no matter where you are in your journey toward making money on horse races. I recommend it to anyone who plays the horses.

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