

Tour Software – Update June 21, 2010

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NLog

Two items on the NLog are being replaced because they showed no conclusive negative impact or elimination capability.

#14 Trainer weak with Favorites

This one is useless. Trainers that currently have a low win percentage with favorites do not continue to lose with them at the same rate. They tend to overcome the slump and the chalk will eventually come around in their barn and back up toward 33% winners.

#17 Suspicious Drop

While the huge drop in claiming price is often suspicious, these horses actually win more than their fair share of races. The I.V. was about 1.36 with the dropper #17. Compare that to the other items on the NLog with an average I.V. = 0.60. Most of the #17 plunge in class horses are bet heavily and the ROI is low, but they win at a decent rate and it cannot be considered a valid negative.

Replacements

#14 was replaced with "**Low Resistance**". This is a horse with a poor ranking in the RES rating (Impact Factors Screen). RES or Resistance rating rates the horse based on its stretch call velocity.

#17 was replaced by "**Weak Turn-Time**". Horses with low-rated Fr2 or Turn-Time rating vs. its field will have trouble keeping pace and generally fail if pressured.

Tour and Bomb Adjustment

There is no change to the basic algorithm that identifies the Tour/Bomb picks. However, the ratio between Tour/Bomb plays was way too high in favor of the "Tour" picks; about an 8:1 ratio! So I reset some of the parameters to drop lower probability "Tour" picks into the "Bomb" category. Also, the addition or change in Negatives can slightly alter the dynamics of the Tour/Bomb picks.

On Demand

An excellent resource for those in a hurry or needing some direction in a tournament or general play. This button is on the bottom left of the main screen. A unique algorithm weighs all the factors on the screen after you bring up a race and scores horses in various categories. A real time-saver and particularly useful after a last-minute late scratch.

Bottom Screen Additions

The **PED** rating was added and the (+) indicates a strong pedigree fit for today's race.

LFin column indicates "Last Finish" displays the horse's most recent finish position and those runners that were heavily bet in their last outing will show a (!) suffix.

Lifetime Record is the last new item on the right. If the horse has won at today's distance in the past a (*) is prefixed and if the horse has won more than once at the distance a (^) is prefixed. If the horse has won once at the track a (*) is suffixed and a (^) if more than one win at the track.