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KENTUCKY DERBY BETTING BIBLE

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PACE PROJECTIONS & ROI

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**CHURCHILL DOWNS
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Today's **EXACT** race-by-race wagering plan for Aaron and Jared, the two founders of Racingdudes.com. You can play these tickets exactly, or you can take our opinions and sprinkle in your own thoughts as well. The decision is up to you.



AARON HALTERMAN
2024 ROI

17%



JARED WELCH
2024 ROI

65%

Race No1

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

This race reminds of the first race on Friday. I just can't justify playing this race when there are so many other opportunities on a loaded card. There are too many question marks for me.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 1,2,3 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,2,3,5 BOX

Welch

Kentucky Derby Day! I'm spending a good chunk of budget on today (especially in the Derby) so unless I have a strong opinion, the race will likely be a pass. And this is one of those.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Win: #1 Evan On Earth
Suggested Exacta: 1,2/1,2,3

Race No2

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I like a couple of horses in this race; however, there is no value as far as I'm concerned. #6 Scylla will be bet down too hard, while #8 Coppa Girl will also be a short price, so the exacta won't pay much. I'll pass on this one.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 3,6,8 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,6,8,10 BOX

Welch

I do kind of like the #6 Scylla here but at 6-5 on the ML and fully expecting her to be bet, there is just no value in the race. Passing on this one too.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Win: #6 Scylla
Suggested Exacta: 6,8/3,6,8

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RACE No3

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'm extremely excited to see what #11 Mindframe does in his second start. He looked like a total freak on debut at Gulfstream Park. If he shows up with that type of effort today the rest of these horse will be running for second. This could be budding super star.

My Bet: **\$60 to Win on #11 Mindframe**

Suggested Exacta: 2,11/2,9,11

Suggested Trifecta: 2,11/1,2,9,11/1,2,9,11

Welch

Forget lock of the day. The #11 Mindframe might be one of the locks of the year. This horse is an absolute monster and fully expect him to win a stakes next out. But for now, let's hammer him here. Bet as much as you're comfortable with.

My Bet: **\$50 to Win on #11 Mindframe**

Suggested Exacta: 11/2

Suggested Trifecta: 11/2,9/2,3,9

RACE No4

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I hate this race with a passion when it comes to betting. The favorite looks decent here, but he's been so disappointing lately. The other horses in this race leave a little to be desired, though, which has me taking a hard pass on this one.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 1,6,11 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 1,2,6,11 BOX

Welch

I almost played the #6 Best Actor in a win bet but I just don't trust him enough at what will likely be a pretty low price. And if you aren't going with him then take your pick. Passing here.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Win: #6 Best Actor

Suggested Exacta: 6,7/2,6,7

RACE No5

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

#10 Big Invasion seems to be the class of this field, while last year he just missed winning the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint. This will also be his second race off of the layoff, which should lead to an improved effort, while the pace will set up well for him.

My Bet: **\$10 to Win on #10 Big Invasion**

Suggested Exacta: 8,10,14 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 4,8,10,14 BOX

Welch

Excited to see the #4 Motorious back here after a very troubled 5th in last year's Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint. Has been such a solid, consistent horse and love to see Prat back aboard. I think he's very live here.

My Bet: **\$10 to Win on #4 Motorious**

Suggested Exacta: 4,8/4,8,10

Suggested Trifecta: 4,8/4,8,10,14/4,8,10,14

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RACE No6

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I pretty much like the favorites in this race, but not well enough to make a win wager at the projected odds, which makes this one unplayable. #7 Alva Starr and #10 Vahva are the two I have the most interest in, but the prices aren't going to be good enough.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 7,9,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,7,9,10 BOX

Welch

If this sounds familiar then it probably does as I played this exact same Exacta the last time the #10 Vahva and #7 Alva Starr lined up. I was wrong but I think Vahva will flip the script here. She loves Churchill and should be sharper this time out.

My Bet: **\$10 Exacta 10/7**

Suggested Win: #10 Vahva
Suggested Trifecta: 7,10/7/10/4,9

RACE No7

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

The more I watched the replays of #11 Coppice the stronger I felt about betting her in this spot. She comes over to the United States for Chad Brown after running well for John Godsen in Europe. If she handles the new scenery she will be tough to beat.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #11 Coppice**

Suggested Exacta: 3,8,11 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,6,8,11 BOX

Welch

The #11 Coppice comes over to the United States for Chad Brown after running well for John Godsen in Europe. We all know the kind of success Chad has with these types of turf horses and this one appears to be no different.

My Bet: **\$10 to Win on #11 Coppice**

Suggested Exacta: 11,12/3,7,11,12
Suggested Trifecta: 11,12/3,7,11,12/3,7,11,12

RACE No8

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'll take a swing here with #12 Nash who got back on track when cutting back in distance last time out. It looks like he wants to be more of a one-turn horse, and he can get to the winners circle if he can continue to build on his last effort.

My Bet: **\$10 to Win on #12 Nash**

Suggested Exacta: 8,11,12 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 2,8,11,12 BOX

Welch

I understand why you might want to play the #8 Top Conor or #12 Nash here. Both were on the Derby Trail at one time and both are better one turn horses. My only problem is I have no confidence in either one of them so will pass and get ready for this final push.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Win: #8 Top Conor
Suggested Exacta: 8,12/1,8,12

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RACE No9

Halterman

#5 Legend of Time has been impressive overseas as he gives the United States a try for the first time today. His turn of foot is deadly, while he seems to be getting stronger with each race. This horse looks like a monster to me.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #5 Legend of Time**

Suggested Exacta: 5,11,14 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 5,11,12,14 BOX

PROJECTED PACE:



Welch

The first of a couple Appleby horses in these last few races that I think have big time shots. #5 Legend of Time has rattled off three straight wins overseas and Appleby literally hits at 50% with horses making first starts in the US. Hammer.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #5 Legend of Time**

Suggested Exacta: 5/3,6,11

Suggested Trifecta: 5/3,6,11/3,6,11

RACE No10

Halterman

I just can't make much sense of this one. I landed on #2 Tejano Twist; however, it's not a strong opinion. I'll skip this one from a single race betting standpoint and just play it as part of the multi race wagers.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 2,4,11 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 2,4,10,11 BOX

PROJECTED PACE:



Welch

This is easily the worst Grade 1 of the two days in my opinion. I really don't have much of an opinion here but did land on the #8 Minnesota Ready on top if you feel like getting weird before the Derby.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Win: #8 Minnesota Ready

Suggested Exacta: 8,11/2,8,11

RACE No11

Halterman

Oh boy...this might be the best race on the card. #6 I'm Very Busy and #11 Naval Power look like standouts to me in what should be an amazing race. If they both fire we will see something special. I lean on #11 Naval Power being just a tad better, so I will bet him to win.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #11 Naval Power**

Suggested Exacta: 6,11/5,6,11

Suggested Trifecta: 6,11/1,5,6,11/1,5,6,11

PROJECTED PACE:



Welch

#6 I'm Very Busy and #11 Naval Power may have a throw down here! I'm playing Naval Power in a Win as I just trust Appleby too much but also using I'm Very Busy to kick off a Pick 3.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #11 Naval Power**

My Bet: **\$2 Pick 3 - 6,11/2,4,11,17/2**

Suggested Exacta: 6,11/4,6,11

Suggested Trifecta: 6,11/4,5,6,11/4,5,6,11

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RACE No12 KENTUCKY DERBY

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

For me, there are the five horses I think can win the Kentucky Derby. I will list them in order:

#17 Fierceness should win this race if he shows up with his best effort; however, there is no getting around the fact he's inconsistent. His Breeders' Cup Juvenile and Florida Derby are simply better than what anyone else has shown so far.

#2 Sierra Leone will drop to last and try to make one big run at the end. He'll need a hot pace, and he'll also need a clean trip, which is highly questionable. There is no doubt this horse has immense talent, though.

#4 Catching Freedom is a pretty consistent runner who seems to be on the improve, just like his stablemate. His last race was certainly his best, while he looks to have gotten over a few of his mental issues.

#11 Forever Young comes in from the UAE Derby, which has been a disaster in recent years. This horse definitely can get the distance, though, while several sharp people love him. Can he live up to the hype?

#8 Just a Touch seems to be getting better with each start, and should get a perfect trip in this race. He just needs to finish the race with a bit more energy this time around.

For me, this is more about betting than it is handicapping. #17 Fierceness is a standout, but he's also inconsistent. I'm going to play him to win, then play a couple of exotics tickets with him out of the top 3. That's the best way to attack a horse like him.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #17 Fierceness**

My Bet: **\$1 Exacta BOX 2,4,8,11**

Suggested Trifecta: 17/2,4,8,11/2,4,6,7,8,11

Welch

It's finally here! Here's my Top 10 horses in the Kentucky Derby in order of preference.

Top 4

- 17 Fierceness
- 2 Sierra Leone
- 4 Catching Freedom
- 11 Forever Young

Next 6

- 7 Honor Marie
- 8 Just a Touch
- 14 Endlessly
- 18 Stronghold
- 3 Mystik Dan
- 15 Domestic Product

I have very little doubt that #17 Fierceness should win this race if he breaks and brings either his Breeders' Cup Juvenile or Florida Derby effort. However, I do acknowledge that he has been anything but consistent. So what version will we see?

My Kentucky Derby Bets:

\$20 to Win on #17 Fierceness

\$2 Exacta: 2,17/2,4,7,8,11,17

\$1 Exacta: 2,4,7,8,11,17/2,4

\$1 Exacta: 2,17/3,7,8,14,18

\$.50 Trifecta: 2,17/2,4,7,8,11,17/2,3,4,6,7,8,11,14,15,17,18

That's \$105 worth of bets there that I'm playing in the Kentucky Derby. Most of it is going through Fierceness or #3 Sierra Leone, but I do have coverage elsewhere in case they don't show up.

The one horse I have had the most trouble figuring out is the #8 Just a Touch. I have a strong feeling that he may be in first when they hit the top of the stretch. Here's a play in case he gets brave. \$10 total wager.

\$1 Exacta: 8/2,3,4,6,7,11,14,15,17,18

Good luck!

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RACE No13

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I backed #2 Discreet Mischief last time out at Keeneland and he didn't disappoint, so I will do it again in this spot today. He looks to be a future star; however, this is a very tough field. He will need to bring a top effort to beat this group.

My Bet: \$20 to Win on #2 Discreet Mischief

Suggested Exacta: 2,7/1,2,7

Suggested Trifecta: 2,7/1,2,7,8/1,2,7,8

Welch

Just like yesterday, we have another really good 3YO race following the big one. I made a ton on #2 Discreet Mischief last out and look to do it again here. Playing a Win bet and hopefully we are still live in our Pick 3.

My Bet: \$20 to Win on #2 Discreet Mischief

Suggested Exacta: 2,7/2,6,7

Suggested Trifecta: 2,7/2,6,7,14/2,6,7,14

RACE No14

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

#6 Banned for Life got an absolutely horrific ride last time out and now has a new jockey. With a better trip, he should be tough, and I totally drew a line through that last effort. Saez will send him towards the front, which is where he needs to be today.

My Bet: \$10 to Win on #6 Banned for Life

Suggested Exacta: 1,3,6 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 1,3,6,12 BOX

Welch

#3 Gun Party's two losses have been to Just a Touch and Cornishman. One is in the Kentucky Derby. The other in a serious allowance race earlier on the card. This guy is due to finally break through.

My Bet: \$10 to Win on #3 Gun Party

Suggested Exacta: 3,12/1,3,12

Suggested Trifecta: 3,12/1,3,10,12/1,3,10,12





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2024 ROI

17%



JARED WELCH
2024 ROI

65%

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3	\$60 to Win on #11 Mindframe
5	\$10 to Win on #10 Big Invasion
7	\$20 to Win on #11 Coppice
8	\$10 to Win on #12 Nash
9	\$20 to Win on #5 Legend of Time
11	\$20 to Win on #11 Naval Power
12	\$20 to Win on #17 Fierceness
12	\$1 Exacta BOX 2,4,8,11
13	\$20 to Win on #2 Discreet Mischief
14	\$10 to Win on #6 Banned for Life

3	\$50 to Win on #11 Mindframe
5	\$10 to Win on #4 Motorious
6	\$10 Exacta 10/7
7	\$10 to Win on #11 Coppice
9	\$20 to Win on #5 Legend of Time
11	\$20 to Win on #11 Naval Power
11	\$2 Pick 3 - 6,11/2,4,11,17/2
12	\$20 to Win on #17 Fierceness \$2 Exacta: 2,17/2,4,7,8,11,17 \$1 Exacta: 2,4,7,8,11,17/2,4 \$1 Exacta: 2,17/3,7,8,14,18 \$.50 Trifecta: 2,17/2,4,7,8,11,17/2,3,4,6,7,8,11,14,15,17,18
12	\$1 Exacta: 8/2,3,4,6,7,11,14,15,17,18
13	\$20 to Win on #2 Discreet Mischief
14	\$10 to Win on #3 Gun Party

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Today's **EXACT** Pick 3, Pick 4, and Pick 5 tickets Aaron and Jared will be playing. These tickets are hand constructed using the knowledge and input from the previous betting opinions. Wager responsibly and good luck!

RACE 1: \$0.50 PICK 5

1,2,3,5 with 3,6,8 with 11 with 1,2,6,11 with 4,8,10,14 = \$96

RACE 2: \$0.50 PICK 4

3,6,8 with 11 with 1,2,6,11 with 4,8,10,14 = \$24

RACE 3: \$0.50 PICK 5

11 with 1,2,6,11 with 4,8,10,14 with 7,9,10 with 3,6,8,11 = \$96

RACE 4: \$0.50 PICK 4

1,2,6,11 with 4,8,10,14 with 7,9,10 with 11 = \$24

RACE 5: \$0.50 PICK 5

4,8,10,14 with 7,9,10 with 3,6,8,11 with 2,8,11,12 with 5 = \$96

RACE 6: \$0.50 PICK 4

7,9,10 with 3,6,8,11 with 2,8,11,12 with 5,11 = \$48

RACE 8: \$0.50 PICK 5

2,8,11,12 with 5,11,14 with 2,4,10,11 with 11 with 2,4,11,17 = \$96

RACE 9: \$0.50 PICK 4

5,11,14 with 2,4,10,11 with 6,11 with 2,4,11,17 = \$48

RACE 10: \$0.50 PICK 5

2,4,10,11 with 5,6,11 with 2,4,11,17 with 2 with 1,3,6,12 = \$96



TOP 4 CONSENSUS PICKS

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RACE	Aaron Halterman	Jared Welch	Curtis "Magic" Kalleward	Mike "Somobomb" Somich	Mike "Papa Dude" Halterman	Dr. Miranda Bunge	Vinny Blond	Consensus
1	Pure Force Evan On Earth Top Gun Rocket Lou's Legacy	Evan on Earth Pure Force Top Gun Rocket Manfredi	Evan on Earth Pure Force Top Gun Rocket Lou's Legacy	Pure Force Evan on Earth House United Culprit	Evan on Earth Pure Force Lou's Legacy Top Gun Rocket	Pure Force Evan on Earth Culprit House United	Pure Force Lou's Legacy Evan On Earth Top Gun Rocket	Pure Force Evan on Earth Lou's Legacy Top Gun Rocket
2	Scylla Coppa Girl Joke Sisi Secret Statement	Scylla Coppa Girl Secret Statement Joke Sisi	Scylla Steel Racer Victorious Zawish	Scylla Victorious Joke Sisi Coppa Girl	Scylla Coppa Girl Joke Sisi Baby Gundin	Steel Racer Coppa Girl Scylla Gunesh	Scylla Steel Racer Navy Ghost Coppa Girl	Scylla Copa Girl Joke Sisi Secret Statement
3	Mindframe Cornishman Invigorated Cartucho	Mindframe Cornishman Invigorated Elephants Ear	Mindframe Cornishman Elephants Ear Cartucho	Cartucho Mindframe Cornishman Invigorated	Mindframe Invigorated Cornishman Nullify	Cornishman Cartucho Mindframe Invigorated	Cornishman Mindframe Elephant Ears Cartucho	Mindframe Cornishman Cartucho Invigorated
4	Oscar Eclipse Best Actor Strong Quality Denington	Best Actor Kupuna Denington Strong Quality	Best Actor Kupuna Oscar Eclipse Denington	Oscar Eclipse Denington Kupuna Best Actor	Best Actor Strong Quality Five Star General Oscar Eclipse	Strava Best Actor Kupuna Oscar Eclipse	Strava Best Actor Oscar Eclipse U. S. Army	Best Actor Oscar Eclipse Strava Kupuna
5	Big Invasion Mischief Magic Cogburn Motorious	Motorious Mischief Magic Big Invasion Cogburn	Mischief Magic Coppola Big Invasion Motorious	Motorious Mischief Magic Big Invasion Our Shot	Motorious Big Invasion Cogburn Mischief Magic	Big Invasion Motorious Arrest Me Red Mischief Magic	Motorious Mischief Magic Big Invasion Mister Mmmmm	Motorious Big Invasion Mischief Magic Cogburn
6	Alva Starr Vahva Red Carpet Ready Flying Connection	Vahva Alva Starr Red Carpet Ready Chi Town Lady	Vahva Flying Connection Alva Starr Three Witches	Vahva Red Carpet Ready Three Witches Alva Starr	Alava Starr Vahva Olivia Darling Spirit Wind	Alva Starr Vahva Red Carpet Ready Mischief Magic	Vahva Alva Starr Flying Connection Red Carpet Ready	Vahva Alva Starr Red Carpet Ready Flying Connection
7	Coppice Chili Flag Delahaye Cairo Consort	Coppice Mission of Joy Chili Flag Evvie Jets	Chili Flag Coppice Mission of Joy Heavenly Sunday	Coppice Mission of Joy Chili Flag Heavenly Sunday	Evvie Jets Mission of Joy Chili Flag Walkathon	Chili Flag Heavenly Sunday Evvie Jets Ag Bullet	Coppice Chili Flag Delahaye Cairo Consort	Coppice Chili Flag Evvie Jets Mission of Joy
8	Nash Top Connor Vlahos Beeline	Top Conor Nash Carbone Vlahos	Who Dey Top Conor Seize the Grey Gettysburg Address	Who Dey Nash Top Conor Beeline	Vlahos Nash Top Conor Carbone	Carbone Nash Beeline Top Conor	Nash Top Conor Seize the Grey Vlahos	Nash Who Dey Top Conor Carbone
9	Legend of Time Cugino Agate Road Abrumar	Legend of Time Neat Lagynos Cugino	Legend of Time Cugino Lagynos Lord Bullingdon	Set Lagynos Legend of Time Cugino	Cugino Set Agate Road Stay Hot	Neat Abrumar Cugino Legend of Time	Agate Road Legend of Time Cugino Twirling Point	Legend of Time Cugino Agate Road Neat
10	Tejano Twist Hoist the Gold Mr. Wireless Gun Pilot	Minnesota Ready Hoist the Gold Tejano Twist Gun Pilot	Bo Cruz Zozos Gun Pilot Hoist the Gold	Mr. Wireless Zozos Bo Cruz Gun Pilot	Gun Pilot Tejano Twist Zozos Mr. Wireless	Hoist the Gold Zozos Tejano Twist Bo Cruz	Gun Pilot Hoist the Gold Zozos Three Technique	Gun Pilot Hoist the Gold Tejano Twist Gun Pilot
11	Naval Power I'm Very Busy Program Trading Integration	Naval Power I'm Very Busy Far Bridge Program Trading	I'm Very Busy Naval Power Program Trading Far Bridge	Program Trading Naval Power Integration I'm Very Busy	Program Trading I'm Very Busy Integration Naval Power	Naval Power I'm Very Busy Far Bridge Integration	I'm Very Busy Naval Power Program Trading Far Bridge	Naval Power I'm Very Busy Program Trading Integration
12	Fierceness Sierra Leone Catching Freedom Forever Young	Fierceness Sierra Leone Catching Freedom Forever Young	Catching Freedom Fierceness Just a Touch Sierra Leone	Fierceness Honor Marie Just a Touch Catching Freedom	Fierceness Just a Touch Sierra Leone Catching Freedom	Stronghold Forever Young Fierceness Endlessly	Fierceness Just a Touch Sierra Leone Honor Marie	Fierceness Catching Freedom Sierra Leone Just a Touch
13	Discreet Mischief Jefferson Street Yellow Card Devilsgotacause	Discreet Mischief Jefferson Street Devilsgotacause Yellow Card	Discreet Mischief Jefferson Street General Partner Yellow Card	Discreet Mischief General Partner Jefferson Street Pirate	General Partner Discreet Mischief Jefferson Street Pirate	Discreet Mischief Jefferson Street General Partner Raging Torent	Discreet Mischief Jefferson Street Pirate General Partner	Discreet Mischief Jefferson Street Yellow Card Devilsgotacause
14	Banned for Life Dive Bomber Gun Party Timeout	Gun Party Timeout Dive Bomber Military Cruiser	Gun Party Dive Bomber Fracture Timeout	Banned for Life Dive Bomber Military Cruiser Timeout	Gun Party Dive Bomber Timeout Banned for Life	Military Cruiser Gun Party Dive Bomber Banned for Life	Gun Party Banned for Life Timeout Military Cruiser	Gun Party Banned for Life Dive Bomber Military Cruiser