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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.



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"It's finally here!!"



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"This is the best day of the year!"

RACE No1

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I have no specific bets in the first two races, but I always have my suggested exacta and trifecta bets listed below. So, even though I might not be betting this one, it doesn't mean you shouldn't if you like something.

My Bet: **No Bet**

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

Welch

I have no bet to kick off the card, but remember I'll always have my suggested plays below if you want to bet. For me, with so many great races these two days, I don't want to put much money on maidens or allowances unless I have a strong opinion.

My Bet: **No Bet**

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

RACE No2

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

This one seems completely wide-open, and the horses aren't high quality, which makes me want to stay away from betting. There are much better races on this awesome card.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 4,7,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 4,7,10,11 BOX

Welch

No bet for me in this one either, as I do not trust anyone in this race. It seems wide open, and the pace will get pretty lively, which usually leads to weird results. We've got better races coming up.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 4,7,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 4,7,10,11 BOX

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RACE No3

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'm excited to see #5 Goal Oriented try to build off of an ultra-impressive maiden debut for Bob Baffert. Despite breaking slow, he still cruised by that field, which is a very good sign.

My Bet: **\$40 to Win on #5 Goal Oriented**

Suggested Exacta: 2,5,6 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 2,5,6,9 BOX

Welch

Ok, now we have an interesting horse. #5 Goal Oriented didn't look like much early on in his debut race, but he got his ass in gear down the lane and just dominated. Let's see if he can build off of that effort.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #5 Goal Oriented**

Suggested Exacta: 5,6/3,5,6
Suggested Trifecta: 5,6/3,5,6,9/3,5,6,9

RACE No4

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

This has to be the hardest race of the day. None of these horse are all that good, but several of them are good enough to win a race of this caliber. Total skip for me.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 6,9,12 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,6,9,12 BOX

Welch

I'll admit it when I do not have any idea on a race, which is what I'm feeling about this one. These horses are all really average, I'll pass.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 6,9,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 6,9,10,12 BOX

RACE No5

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'll kick off a daily double here using #2 Movin' On Up, #8 Poolside With Slim, and #10 Special Wan. I liked Special Wan the best, and nearly played her to win, so if you want to go that route you can.

My Bet: **\$2 Daily Double: 2,6 / 1,5,6**

Suggested Win: 2,6,7 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,2,6,7 BOX

Welch

I'm taking a small swing on #5 Five Towns, who is 10/1 on the morning line. We should get every bit of that, and we also should get an improved effort with this being her second race off of the layoff.

My Bet: **\$10 to Win on #5 Five Towns**

Suggested Exacta: 1,5,7 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,2,5,7 BOX

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RACE No6

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

This ended up being a pretty lackluster race this year. I'm making a small win wager on #5 Gate to Wire, who should really enjoy cutting back in distance. His one race around two turns on the dirt was spectacular.

My Bet: **\$10 to Win on #5 Gate to Wire**

Suggested Exacta: 1,5/1,5,6

Suggested Trifecta: 1,5/1,2,5,6/1,2,5,6

Welch

I absolutely hate this race, so this will be a no bet. It's hard to believe this race came up so light, considering we all thought we'd see some fireworks in this one. Oh well, it sucks pretty bad.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 1,5,6 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 1,5,6,9 BOX

RACE No7

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'll kick off another daily double here with #3 Nobals, who is the class of the race, and #8 Rouge Lightning, who is the up and coming horse from overseas. I also nearly played a win on #8 Rouge Lightning.

My Bet: **\$3 Daily Double: 6,8 / 2,10**

Suggested Exacta: 1,6,8 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 1,6,7,8 BOX

Welch

#7 Think Big is who I like best in here, but I love the exacta using #8 Rogue Lightning in the top spot as well. I'll play those horses in the second spot as well, while also throwing in #6 Run Carson.

My Bet: **\$5 Exacta 7,8/6,7,8**

Suggested Win: #7 Think Big

Suggested Trifecta: 7,8/1,6,7,8/1,6,7,8

RACE No8

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I expect this to be the race of the day. There are so many super starts in this field, it's absolutely loaded. I'll make a win wager on #10 Nysos, who looked to be a very special horse before his injury issues. Hopefully he's ready to run a big one off of the layoff.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #10 Nysos**

Suggested Exacta: 2,10/2,10,11

Suggested Trifecta: 2,10/2,7,10,11/2,7,10,11

Welch

Wow, this race is crazy good! I'm going with a win wager on #10 Nysos, who is a horse I've been waiting to come back for over a year. He has looked incredible in all three of his starts, but we haven't seen him in over 400 days, which is the only reason I didn't bet a lot more.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #10 Nysos**

Suggested Exacta: 6,7,10 BOX

Suggested Trifecta: 2,6,7,10 BOX

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RACE No9

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

Let's start another double here using #7 Zulu Kingdom and #10 Iron Man Cal. Zulu Kingdom comes into this one off of a nice win last time out at Tampa Bay Downs, while Iron Man Cal makes his first start since running second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf.

My Bet: **\$3 Daily Double: 7,10 / 2,8**

Suggested Exacta: 3,7,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,4,7,10 BOX

Welch

The trifecta here makes sense because of the value. I like several long prices in this race, so I will keep it simple and just play a box. If this one comes in it will probably pay for the entire weekend!

My Bet: **\$1 Trifecta BOX 2,3,4,7**

Suggested Win: #2 Scipio
Suggested Exacta: 2,3,4 BOX

RACE No10

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I didn't start a new wager here, but hopefully I'm alive to #2 Kopion and #8 Ways and Means in the back half of the daily double. Kopion comes into the race on fire, while Ways and Means could be set for a big 4-year-old season.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 1,2,8 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,2,7,8 BOX

Welch

I really think one of my top 2 choices will win this race and the next, so I will play a Daily Double starting in this race. I'll use #1 Scylla and #2 Kopion to kick it off, and will use #1 Integration and #7 Running Bee in the next race.

My Bet: **\$5 Daily Double: 1,2 / 1,7**

Suggested Exacta: 1,2,8 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,2,6,8 BOX

RACE No11

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

This is an extremely difficult race, so I'll use three horses to kick off another daily double. #1 Integration is a consistent horse who is ready to win a race of this caliber, while #7 Running Bee and #10 Spirit of St Louis are classy runners for Chad Brown.

My Bet: **\$1 Daily Double 1,7,10 / 8,14,17,18**

Suggested Exacta: 1,7,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,3,7,10 BOX

Welch

I love the exacta in this race, using #1 Integration and #7 Running Bee on top, and then sprinkling in #10 Spirit of St Louis and #12 Gigante with those two in the second spot. Let's get this one!

My Bet: **\$5 Exacta 1,7/1,7,10,12**

Suggested Win: #7 Running Bee
Suggested Trifecta: 1,7/1,7,10,12/1,7,10,12

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RACE No12 KENTUCKY DERBY

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

Here are my Top 5 Kentucky Derby horses:

#8 Journalism has been number one on my list for several months now, and he's given me no reason to doubt him heading into the race. His Sant Anita Derby effort was great, and he seems to be a horse that will only get better as the distances get longer. He also drew a perfect post position for this one, which is very important in this race, especially when you are coming from off the pace.

#14 Tiztastic is the long shot I like best in this year's running of the Kentucky Derby. He showed he can weave through traffic last time when taking home the Louisiana Derby, which is important for a horse that will be coming from behind. The horse also loved stretching out in distance last time out, which was no surprise, since he has a pedigree that suggests he can run all day long.

#17 Sandman has a ton of raw ability, but has been a bit immature throughout his career. He finally put it together last time out with a nice Arkansas Derby victory, and is another horse that should love running longer today. However, I'm a tad concerned that this massive field size, and rowdy Churchill Downs crowd, might throw him off his game.

#18 Sovereignty was disappointing in the Florida Derby, but I still believe he has a shot at running an improved race today, mainly because of trainer Bill Mott. He has a knack for getting his horses ready to run their best on the biggest day, so look for this one to be ready to roll once they hit the top of the stretch.

#21 Baeza is dangerous now that he draws into the race. I expect him to run well, but maybe not well enough to win. He is an underneath play for me, mostly because he is breaking form the far outside post.

My Bet: **\$40 to Win on #8 Journalism**
My Bet: **\$4 Exacta: 8 / 14,17,18,21**
My Bet: **\$1 Trifecta: 8 / 14,17,18 / 1,14,17,18,21**

Good luck!

Welch

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

Top 4

#8 Journalism
#18 Sovereignty
#17 Sandman
#13 Publisher

Next 6

#21 Baeza
#14 Tiztastic
#7 Luxor Cafe
#1 Citizen Bull
#9 Burnham Square
#19 Chunk of Gold

I've updated my bets after scratches a bit. We also are live to a Double if Journalism wins so I reduced that win amount.

Here are my Kentucky Derby Bets:

My Win Bet:
\$30 to Win on #8 Journalism

\$5 Exacta: 8 / 13,14,17,18,21
\$2 Exacta: 18 / 8,13,14,17,21
\$1 Exacta: 7,8,13,14,17,18 / 8,17,18
\$1 Exacta: ALL / 8

It's the Derby so we will play two **\$.50 Trifectas**, keying #8 Journalism in the first and second spots with some craziness underneath.

8 / 7,13,14,17,18,21 / 1,3,7,9,13,14,15,17,18,19,21
7,13,14,17,18,21 / 8 / 1,3,7,9,13,14,15,17,18,19,21

That's a little north of \$150 in bets. You don't have to play them all, but use as a guide for whatever you're comfortable with. If Journalism shows up like I think he will it should be a very good day.

Good luck!

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RACE No13

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

The race after the Kentucky Derby is always a weird one. It's a no-bet kind of race for me, but hopefully we are live in the Pick 4 and Pick 5 wagers. My Exacta and Trifecta wagers are below as well.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 9,11,14 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 7,9,11,14 BOX

Welch

No way I'm betting this one, hopefully we've cashed enough where we can just relax and laugh at #11 Patch Adams as he disappoints again.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 9,11,14 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 7,9,11,14 BOX

RACE No14

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

No bet for me in the last, which is always one of the least watched races of the year. Thanks to everyone for playing along this weekend, and hopefully we helped you cash some tickets!

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 5,12,14 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 5,12,13,14 BOX

Welch

Thank you everyone for following along and supporting the website. No bet here for me as we round out the weekend. Hopefully everyone had a great time!

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 5,12,14 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 5,12,13,14 BOX



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"Let's cash these!"



JARED WELCH

"Getting Journalism home would make this day extra sweet!"

3	\$40 to Win on #5 Goal Oriented
5	\$2 Daily Double: 2,6 / 1,5,6
6	\$10 to Win on #5 Gate to Wire
7	\$3 Daily Double: 6,8 / 2,10
8	\$20 to Win on #10 Nysos
9	\$3 Daily Double: 7,10 / 2,8
11	\$1 Daily Double: 1,7,10 / 8,14,17,18
12	\$40 to Win on #8 Journalism
12	\$4 Exacta: 8 / 14,17,18,21
12	\$1 Trifecta: 8 / 14,17,18 / 1,14,17,18,21

3	\$20 to Win on #5 Goal Oriented
5	\$10 to Win on #5 Five Towns
7	\$5 Exacta 7,8/6,7,8
8	\$20 to Win on #10 Nysos
9	\$1 Trifecta BOX 2,3,4,7
10	\$5 Daily Double: 1,2 / 1,7
11	\$5 Exacta 1,7/1,7,10,12
12	\$30 to Win on #8 Journalism
12	\$5 Exacta: 8 / 13,14,17,18,21
12	\$2 Exacta: 18 / 8,13,14,17,21
12	\$1 Exacta: 7,8,13,14,17,18 / 8,17,18
12	\$1 Exacta: ALL / 8
12	\$.50 Trifecta: 8 / 7,13,14,17,18,21 / 1,3,7,9,13,14,15,17,18,19,21
12	\$.50 Trifecta: 7,13,14,17,18,21 / 8 / 1,3,7,9,13,14,15,17,18,19,21

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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

2,11,12 with 7,10 with 5,6 with 3,6,9,12 with 1,2,6,7 = \$96

RACE 2: \$0.50 PICK 4

7,10 with 5,6 with 3,6,9,12 with 1,2,6,7 = \$32

RACE 3: \$0.50 PICK 5

5 with 3,6,9,12 with 1,2,6,7 with 1,2,5,6 with 1,6,8 = \$96

RACE 4: \$0.50 PICK 4

3,6,9,12 with 1,2,6,7 with 1,5 with 1,6,8 = \$48

RACE 5: \$0.50 PICK 5

1,2,6,7 with 1,5 with 1,6,8 with 2,10 with 3,4,7,10 = \$96

RACE 8: \$0.50 PICK 5

2,10,11 with 7,10 with 2,8 with 1,3,7,10 with 8,14,17,18 = \$96

RACE 9: \$0.50 PICK 4

7,10 with 1,2,8 with 1,3,7,10 with 8,14,17,18 = \$48

RACE 10: \$0.50 PICK 5

1,2,7,8 with 1,7,10 with 8,14,17,18 with 11,14 with 12,14 = \$96

RACE 11: \$0.50 PICK 4

1,3,7,10 with 8,14,17,18 with 9,11,14 with 12,14 = \$48

TOP 4 CONSENSUS PICKS

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RACE	Aaron Halterman	Jared Welch	Mike "Papa Dude" Halterman	Vinny Blond	<small>NEW</small> Jon White	Al	<small>NEW</small> Best Speed	<small>NEW</small> Best Long Shots	Consensus
1	Coffee Talk Chillax Cromwell Sansone	Coffee Talk Chillax Cromwell Sansone	Bourbon Society Coffee Talk Chillax Cromwell	Chillax Knicks Gate Coffee Talk Cromwell	Chillax Coffee Talk Sturdy Knicks Code	Coffee Talk Chillax Cromwell Knicks Gate	Bourbon Society Coffee Talk Cromwell Sturdy	Chillax Knicks Gate Sansone Bourbon Society	Coffee Talk Chillax Bourbon Society Cromwell
2	Generous Lover Normandy Queen Home Game Barbratina	Generous Lover Normandy Queen Home Game Barbratina	Generous Lover Normandy Queen Tapit Quick Don't Bring Crazy	Generous Lover Desert Rhapsody Tapit Quick Barbratina	Normandy Queen Generous Lover Tapit Quick Lemon Muffin	Normandy Queen Generous Lover Lemon Muffin Barbratina	Generous Lover Secret Statement Normandy Queen Lemon Muffin	Lemon Muffin Barbratina Home Game Secret Statement	Generous Lover Normandy Queen Tapit Quick Lemon Muffin
3	Goal Oriented Rapture Bracket Buster Tiz Secure	Goal Oriented Rapture Valentinian Tiz Secure	Goal Oriented Tiz Secure Valentinian Rapture	Goal Oriented Valentinian Bracket Buster Sorcerer's Sliver	Goal Oriented Hypnus Valentinian Bracket Buster	Goal Oriented Bracket Buster Sorcerer's Sliver Hypnus	Bracket Buster Goal Oriented Yinzer Hypnus	Valentinian Bracket Buster Tiz Secure Hypnus	Goal Oriented Valentinian Bracket Buster Rapture
4	Patriot Spirit Kupuna Liberal Arts Accretive	Kupuna Liberal Arts Implementation Patriot Spirit	Patriot Sprit Liberal Arts Implementation Accretive	Liberal Arts Accretive Implementation New King	Kupuna Liberal Arts Accretive Ashcroft	Implementation Liberal Arts Patriot Spirit Inveigled	Patriot Spirit Best Actor Liberal Arts Implementation	Patriot Spirit Kupuna Accretive Implementation	Patriot Sprit Kupuna Liberal Arts Implementation
5	Movin' On Up Sacred Wish Tax Implications Venecia	Five Towns Venecia Tax Implications Movin' On Up	Sacred Wish Special Wan Movin' On Up Tax Implications	Special Wan Tax Implications Serene Seraph Venecia	Sacred Wish Special Wan Movin' On Up Venecia	Sacred Wish Special Wan Movin' On Up Tax Implications	Special Wan Movin' On Up Sacred Wish Pin Up Betty	Poolside With Slim Movin' On Up Pin Up Betty Simply in Front	Sacred Wish Special Wan Movin' On Up Poolside With Slim
6	Gate to Wire Madaket Road Gaming BUILT	Madaket Road Gate to Wire Gaming Perfect Force	Madaket Road Gaming BUILT Gate to Wire	Madaket Road Gate to Wire Gaming BUILT	Gate to Wire BUILT Gaming Madaket Road	Madaket Road Gaming Gate to Wire BUILT	Gate to Wire Macho Music Smoken Wicked Madaket Road	Gate to Wire Smoken Wicked Macho Music California Burrito	Gate to Wire Madaket Road Gaming BUILT
7	Rogue Lightning Run Carson Coppola Think Big	Think Big Rogue Lightning Run Carson Coppola	Think Big Nobals Arrest Me Red Rogue Lightning	Rogue Lightning Think Big Arrest Me Red Nobals	Rogue Lightning Arrest Me Red Nobals Think Big	Rogue Lightning Coppola Arrest Me Red Think Big	Nobals Rogue Lightning Coppola Run Carson	Nobals Run Carson Coppola One Timer	Rogue Lightning Nobals Think Big Arrest Me Red
8	Nyos Banishing Mullikin Mindframe	Nyos Extra Anejo Mindframe Banishing	Mindframe Nyos Banishing Mullikin	Mindframe Nyos Extra Anejo Book'em Danno	Nyos Mindframe Mullikin Extra Anejo	Mindframe Nyos Mullikin Giant Mischief	Mullikin Banishing Book'em Danno Nyos	Hoist the Gold Giant Mischief Extra Anejo Banishing	Nyos Mindframe Mullikin Banishing
9	Zulu Kingdom Iron Man Call New Century Mi Bago	Scipio New Century Mi Bago Zulu Kingdom	Iron Man Cat New Century Zulu Kingdom Scipio	New Century Zulu Kingdom Iron Man Cal Test Score	Iron Man Cal Zulu Kingdom New Century Test Score	Test Score Zulu Kingdom Scipio Iron Man Cal	Maximum Promise Zulu Kingdom Mi Bago Test Score	Test Score Warlander Maui Strong Scipio	Iron Man Cal Zulu Kingdom Test Score New Century
10	Ways and Means Kopion Scylla Vahva	Scylla Kopion Way and Means Mystic Lake	Emery Ways and Means Kopion Scylla	My Mane Squeeze Scylla Kopion Hope Road	Ways and Means Kopion Scylla Vahva	Ways and Means Emery Vahva Scylla	Kopion Vahva Scylla Mystic Lake	Emery Vahva My Man Squeeze Hope Road	Ways and Means Kopion Scylla Emery
11	Spirit of St Louis Integration Running Bee Highway Robber	Runing Bee Integration Gigante Spirit of St Louis	Integration Spirit of St Louis Running Bee Highway Robber	Integration Running Bee Gold Phoenix Taking Candy	Integration Spirit of St Louis Redistricting Running Bee	Integration Spirit of St Louis Running Bee Gold Pheonix	Spirit of St Louis Integration Running Bee Mercante	Highway Robber Brilliant Berti Running Bee Taking Candy	Integration Spirit of St Louis Running Bee Highway Robber
12	Journalism Tiztastic Sandman Sovereignty	Journalism Sovereignty Sandman Publisher	Journalism Rodriguez Sandman Citizen Bull	Sovereignty Final Gambit Sandman Grande	Journalism Sandman Sovereignty Tiztastic	Journalism Grande Admire Daytona East Avenue	Journalism Rodriguez Sandman East Avenue	Grande East Avenue Citizen Bull Rodriguez	Journalism Sandman Sovereignty Rodriguez
13	Big Truzz Patch Adams Romanesque Multiverse	Romanesque Patch Adams Big Truzz Multiverse	Romanesque Patch Truzz Patch Adams Touchy	Romanesque Patch Adams Big Truzz Multiverse	Patch Adams Multiverse Big Truzz Touchy	Big Truzz Patch Adams Romanesque Touchy	Big Truzz Patch Adams Furio Romanesque	Romanesque Dapper Moon Furio Touchy	Romanesque Big Truzz Patch Adams Touchy
14	Pursuitneversleeps Mainstream Advanced Spirit Lambo	Mainstream Pursuitneversleeps Advanced Spirit Lambo	Pursuitneversleeps Mainstream Advanced Lambo	Advanced Spirit Excite Prusuitneversleeps Delta Tau Chi	Pursuitneversleeps Mainstream Advanced Spirit Lambo	Mainstream Pursuitneversleeps Advanced Spirit Excite	Pursuitneversleeps Lambo Advanced Spirit Shallus	Advanced Spirit Lambo Excite Bon Temps	Pursuitneversleeps Mainstream Advanced Spirit Lambo

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RACE No1

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'll kick off the two-day event with a win bet on #3 Shred the Gnar, who was very good in her last race. Look for her to take this field gate to wire to get this card started for jockey Luis Saez.

My Bet: \$10 to Win on #3 Shred the Gnar

Suggested Exacta: 3,4,7 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,4,7,9 BOX

Welch

No bet for me to kick off the card on these first four races. I've learned over the years that you have to stay patient on these big weekends and only bet the races that you feel best about.

My Bet: No Bet

Suggested Exacta: 3,4/3,4,7
Suggested Trifecta: 3,4/3,4,7,9/3,4,7,9

RACE No2

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I have no specific bets in the next three races, but I always have my suggested exacta and trifecta bets listed below. So, even though I might not be betting this one, it doesn't mean you shouldn't if you like something.

My Bet: No Bet

Suggested Exacta: 3,4,9 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,4,9,10 BOX

Welch

The first four races will be the same theme: I'm waiting for the better horses to run before I wager. However, if you want to bet, my suggested plays will always be at the bottom of each race.

My Bet: No Bet

Suggested Exacta: 3,9,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,4,9,10 BOX

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RACE No3

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'll skip this race as well. With 27 races on the two days, and some very good stakes events, it's hard for me to place a wager on a maiden special weight unless I love something. Clearly, I do not.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 6,11,12 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,6,11,12 BOX

Welch

As Aaron said, with 27 races on the weekend you just have to be patient and not bet races where you do not have a strong opinion.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 6,11,12 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,6,11,12 BOX

RACE No4

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

This seems to be a pretty wide-open race, so I'm skipping it, but did considering playing #3 Stable Currency to win. If the pace sets up, this will be the one to get first run on the leaders.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 1,3,7 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,3,7,10 BOX

Welch

This will be the last race for a while where I don't have a bet, so the action is getting ready to heat up. This is just another spot where I have no opinion.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 1,3,7 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 1,3,4,7 BOX

RACE No5

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

#5 Nitrogen has been flawless in her last three starts, including a dominant effort last time out at Keeneland in a similar race to this one. She just looks like a standout amongst this group.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #5 Nitrogen**

Suggested Exacta: 2,5/2,5,7
Suggested Trifecta: 2,5/2,5,7,8/2,5,7,8

Welch

I love #5 Nitrogen in this race, so she will be a win bet for me. I'll also kick off a big Pick 3 in this spot, as we have some very likely winners in the next two races.

My Bet: **\$40 to Win #5 Nitrogen**
My Bet: **\$10 Pick 3: 5 / 2,4 / 2**

Suggested Exacta: 5,7/2,5,7
Suggested Trifecta: 5,7/1,2,5,7/1,2,5,7

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RACE No6

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

Get your popcorn ready! #2 Locked battles #4 Fierceness in a match up of Pletcher runners. I believe Fierceness is the better of the two, so I'll bet him to win, but Locked is in form and will be tough.

My Bet: **\$40 to Win on #4 Fierceness**

Suggested Exacta: 2,4/2,3,4

Suggested Trifecta: 2,4/2,3,4/2,3,4,5

Welch

It's very exciting to see #4 Fierceness back today. The horse is a total beast when at his best, but #2 Locked will provide a big challenge. I've got them both played in a Pick 3 from race 5, while I'm singling Fierceness in a daily double starting in this race.

My Bet: **\$20 Daily Double: 4 / 2**

Suggested Exacta: 2,4/2,3,4

Suggested Trifecta: 2,4/2,3,4,5/2,3,4,5

RACE No7

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

The Champ is back for her third race of the season after two straight wins at Oaklawn Park. #2 Thorpedo Anna continues to be the most popular horse in training, and should pick up another win today.

My Bet: **\$10 Pick 3: 2 / 7 / 5,8,12**

Suggested Exacta: 2/4,5

Suggested Trifecta: 2/4,5,7/4,5,7

Welch

Wow, now we get #2 Thorpedo Anna, this is awesome! I won't play against her here, putting her on top in an exacta, and playing #4 Raging Sea to run second.

My Bet: **\$20 Exacta 2/4**

Suggested Win: #2 Thorpedo Anna

Suggested Trifecta: 2/4/5,7

RACE No8

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

#7 She Feels Pretty is the class of this field, and finished 2024 with two highly impressive victories against Grade 1 company. She should roll in this spot if she shows up ready to run off of the layoff.

My Bet: **\$30 to Win on #7 She Feels Pretty**

Suggested Exacta: 7,8/3,7,8

Suggested Trifecta: 7,8/2,3,7,8/2,3,7,8

Welch

I'm going to start a daily double here using #3 Segesta, who I like best, and #7 She Feels Pretty, who is the class of the field. I'm hoping my top pick can win to juice up the payouts.

My Bet: **\$5 Daily Double: 3,7 / 5,12**

Suggested Exacta: 3,7/3,7,8

Suggested Trifecta: 3,7/2,3,7,8/2,3,7,8

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Race No 9

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'm going to play a win on #5 Verity in this spot, and will also hopefully be alive to end a pick 3 with Verity, #8 Blue Fire, and #12 Eclatant. All three of these horses possess nice early speed that will get them in good positions.

My Bet: **\$10 to Win on #5 Verity**

Suggested Exacta: 5,8,12 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 5,8,10,12 BOX

Welch

I won't start a new bet here, but will hopefully be alive in a daily double from race 8. I used #5 Verity and #12 Eclatant to round out the double.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 3,5,12 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,5,10,12 BOX

Race No 10

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I'll make a win wager here on #4 Ag Bullet, who has a major speed figure advantage over this group today. Two races back she faced the boys and nearly won the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint at Del Mar.

My Bet: **\$20 to Win on #4 Ag Bullet**

Suggested Exacta: 4,5,9 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 3,4,5,9 BOX

Welch

#4 Ag Bullet is definitely the horse to beat in this spot. She nearly beat the boys two races ago at the Breeders' Cup, and she will definitely love getting back to her best distance today.

My Bet: **\$30 to Win on #4 Ag Bullet**

Suggested Exacta: 4,5/4,5,9
Suggested Trifecta: 4,5/3,4,5,9/3,4,5,9



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RACE No11 KENTUCKY OAKS

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I ended up playing #11 Good Cheer on top, mainly because the pace should set up perfectly for her. I'll put her in an exacta, while trying to juice up the payouts with #7 La Cara and #14 Quietside underneath.

Good Cheer is also undefeated in 6 lifetime starts, and has the trainer and jockey combination you want when it comes to big races. She also won't mind if the track comes up sloppy.

#14 Quietside is the horse I like second, mainly because she has caught fire lately at Oaklawn Park. I actually thought about putting her on top, but ended up shying away when she drew the outside post.

#7 La Cara is my third horse. She is capable of running big races, but is a bit inconsistent. Her Ashland Stakes effort was about as good as it gets.

I'll play all three of the above horses in the Oaks/Derby double as well. Hopefully we're alive going into Saturday, as I have four horses I'm playing in the Kentucky Derby.

My Bet: **\$5 Exacta 11 / 7,14**

My Bet: **\$1 Oaks/Derby Double - 7,11,14 / 8,14,17,18**

Suggested Win: #11 Good Cheer
Suggested Trifecta: 7,9,11,14 BOX

Welch

Here are My Top 4 Kentucky Oaks Horses:

#11 Good Cheer - She has been the best horse all season long, and this race sets up perfectly for her.

#7 La Cara - This horse can run huge at times, which we saw last time out in the Ashland Stakes. She's dangerous with the right trip.

#14 Quietside - Ultra consistent runner has gotten really good at Oaklawn Park over the winter/spring.

#2 Simply Joking - Don't let her get loose on the lead!

Here are my Kentucky Oaks Bets:

My Bet: **\$10 Exacta 11 / 2,7,14**

Just in case speed holds I will also play this ticket:
\$5 Exacta 2,7,14 / 11

Oaks/Derby Double:
\$10: 11 / 8
\$1: 2,7,9,11,14 / 8,18

Suggested Win: #11 Good Cheer
Suggested Trifecta: 2,7,11,14 BOX

Good luck!

RACE No12

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

I won't be playing the races after the Kentucky Oaks, but hopefully we are live in the final pick 5 or pick 4 wagers so we have action. If you want to bet this race, my exacta and trifecta suggestions are below.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 6,7,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 5,6,7,10 BOX

Welch

I'll pass on this race. The races after the Kentucky Oaks and Kentucky Derby usually play extremely weird, even if you have a few horses you like.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 6,7,10 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 5,6,7,10 BOX

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RACE No 13

PROJECTED PACE:



Halterman

The day wraps up with a maiden special that literally anyone can win. I'll save my bullets for tomorrow, and skip this race, so hopefully we have had a good first day of the weekend.

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 8,10,12 BOX
Suggested Trifecta: 2,8,10,12 BOX

Welch

I'll sit back and watch this one as well. Hopefully we've had a good day, and we have another big day tomorrow! Good luck everyone!

My Bet: **No Bet**

Suggested Exacta: 2,8,12 BOX
Suggested Exacta: 2,8,10,12 BOX



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**AARON
HALTERMAN**

"Let's cash these!"



**JARED
WELCH**

"Money Long!"

1	\$10 to Win on #3 Shred the Gnar
5	\$20 to Win on #5 Nitrogen
6	\$40 to Win on #4 Fierceness
7	\$10 Pick 3: 2 / 7 / 5,8,12
8	\$30 to Win on #7 She Feels Pretty
9	\$10 to Win on #5 Verity
10	\$20 to Win on #4 Ag Bullet
11	\$5 Exacta: 11 / 7,14
11	\$1 Oaks/Derby Double: 7,11,14 / 8,14,17,18

5	\$40 to Win #5 Nitrogen
5	\$10 Pick 3: 5 / 2,4 / 2
6	\$20 Daily Double: 4 / 2
7	\$20 Exacta 2 / 4
8	\$5 Daily Double: 3,7 / 5,12
10	\$30 to Win on #4 Ag Bullet
11	\$10 Exacta 11 / 2,7,14
11	\$5 Exacta 2,7,14 / 11
11	\$10 Oaks/Derby Double: 11 / 8
11	\$1 Oaks/Derby Double: 2,7,9,11,14 / 8,18

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

3,4 with 3,4,9,10 with 3,6,11,12 with 1,3,7 with 2,5 = \$96

RACE 2: \$0.50 PICK 4

3,4,9,10 with 3,6,11,12 with 1,3,7 with 2,5 = \$48

RACE 3: \$0.50 PICK 5

3,6,11,12 with 1,3,7,10 with 2,5,7 with 2,4 with 2,4 = \$96

RACE 4: \$0.50 PICK 4

1,3,7,10 with 2,5,7 with 2,4 with 2,4 = \$24

RACE 5: \$0.50 PICK 5

2,5,7,8 with 2,4 with 2,4 with 3,7,8 with 5,8,10,12 = \$96

RACE 7: \$0.50 PICK 5

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

RACE 8: \$0.50 PICK 4

7,8 with 5,8,10,12 with 4,5,9 with 7,8,11,14 = \$48

RACE 9: \$0.50 PICK 5

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

RACE 10: \$0.50 PICK 4

4 with 7,8,11,14 with 5,6,7,10 with 2,8,10,12 = \$32

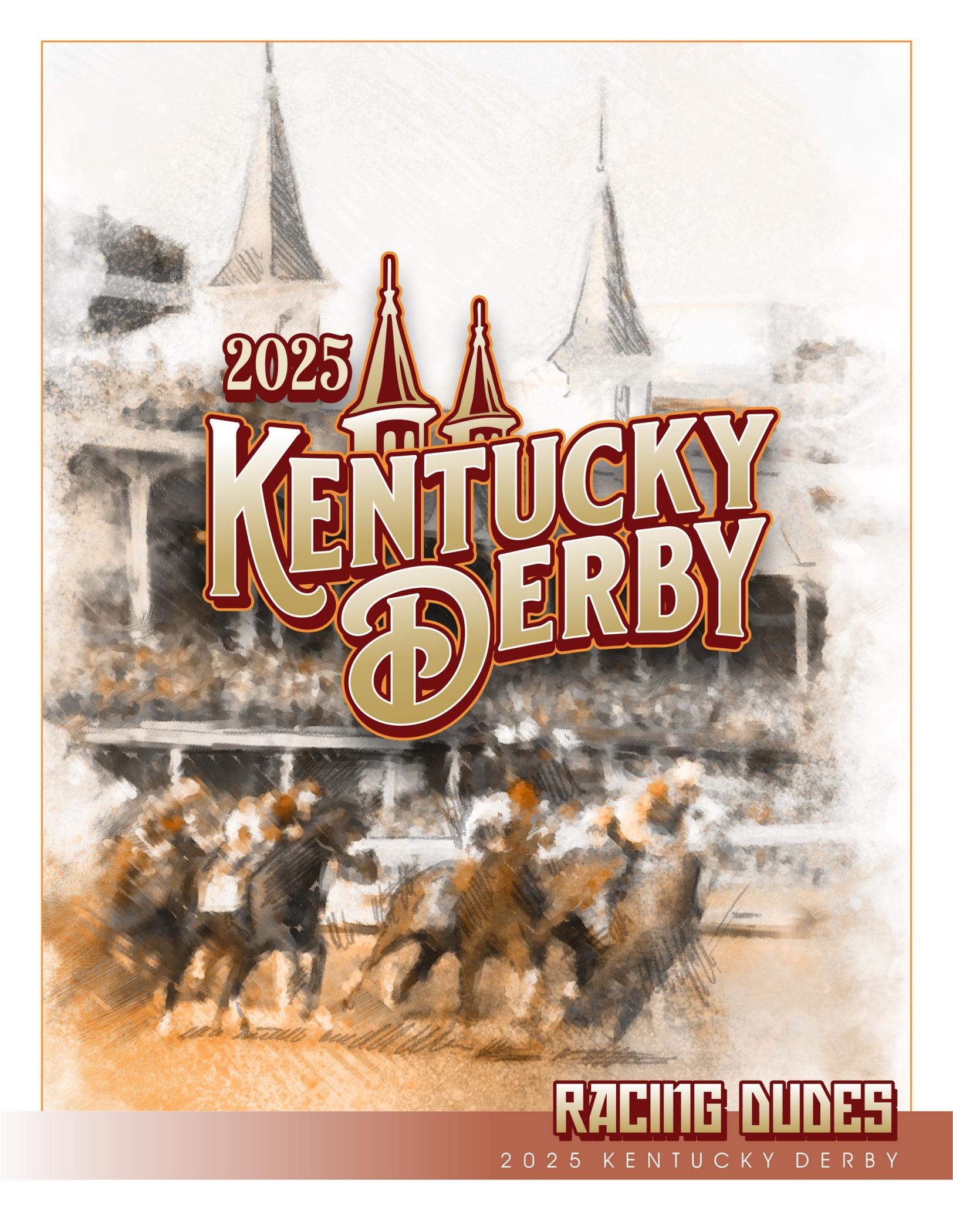
TOP 4 CONSENSUS PICKS

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RACE	Aaron Halterman	Jared Welch	Mike "Papa Dude" Halterman	Vinny Blond	<small>NEW</small> Jon White	Al	<small>NEW</small> Best Speed	<small>NEW</small> Best Long Shots	Consensus
1	Shred the Gnar Chasten Flip Flops Winfinity	Shred the Gnar Chasten Flip Flops Winfinity	Shred the Gnar Anonima Sierra November Chasten	Chasten Shred the Gnar Anonima Sierra November	Shred the Gnar Chasten Winfinity Sierra November	Shred the Gnar Chasten Anonima Winfinity	Shred the Gnar Sierra November Chasten Anonima	Winfinity Flip Flops Sierra November Naked Eye	Shred the Gnar Chasten Anonima Winfinity
2	Salted Saucier Defiant Lass Raghba	Salted Raghba Saucier Defiant Lass	Raghba Defiant Lass Salted Endorse	Saucier Endorse Salted Raghba	Salted Endorse Joyous Song Lolo Le Plume	Salted Defiant Lass Saucier Endorse	Salted Defiant Lass Lolo Le Plume Contorted	Raghba Endorse Saucier Joyous Song	Salted Raghba Saucier Ednorse
3	Vivaldi World Beater Moon Channel Profound	World Beater Moon Channel Vivaldi Profound	World Beater Moon Channel Profound Some Performance	Vivaldi Some Performance Profound Moon Channel	Some Performance Profound World Beater Spill the Wine	Moon Channel No Mo Moolah Vivaldi Some Performance	Vivaldi Marina Gamba World Beater Demetrius	World Beater Elko County Moon Channel Vivaldi	Vivaldi World Beater Elko County
4	Stable Currency Bilyana Beauty Reigns Foie Gras	Beauty Reigns Bilyana Stable Currency Flat Out Time	Stable Currency Beauty Reigns Foie Gras Flat Out Time	Beauty Reigns Flat Out Time Wondrous Stable Currency	Stable Currency Wondrous Flat Out Time Beauty Reigns	Foie Gras Beauty Reigns Stable Currency Flat Out Time	Foie Gras Stable Currency Beauty Reigns Mindy's Union	Bilyana Moochie Girl Mindy's Union Foie Gras	Stable Currency Beauty Reigns Foie Gras Flat Out Time
5	Nitrogen Vixen Lush Lips Will Then	Nitrogen Lush Lips Vixen Gowells Delight	Nitrogen Vixen Lush Lips Will Then	Will Then Nitrogen Vixen Lush Lips	Nitrogen Lush Lips Vixen Gowells Delight	Nitrogen Vixen Lush Lips Will Then	Nitrogen Vixen Will Then Lush Lips	Atterradora Hideaway Admit Gowells Delight	Nitrogen Vixen Will Then Lush Lips
6	Fierceness Locked Hall of Fame Most Wanted	Fierceness Locked Hall of Fame Most Wanted	Fierceness Locked Hall of Fame Most Wanted	Locked Fierceness Hall of Fame Most Wanted	Locked Fierceness Hall of Fame Most Wanted	Locked Fierceness Most Wanted Hall of Fame	Fierceness Locked Most Wanted Hall of Fame	Most Wanted Hall of Fame This Is Uskar Katonah	Fierceness Locked Most Wanted Hall of Fame
7	Thorpedo Anna Raging Sea Randomized Free Like a Girl	Thorpedo Anna Raging Sea Free Like a Girl Randomized	Thorpedo Anna Raging Sea Free Like a Girl Randomized	Thorpedo Anna Raging Sea Free Like a Girl Literate	Thorpedo Anna Raging Sea Randomized Free Like a Girl	Thorpedo Anna Raging Sea Randomized Free Like a Girl	Thorpedo Anna Randomized Raging Sea Dorth Vader	Randomized Free Like a Girl Dorth Vador Taxed	Thorpedo Anna Raging Sea Randomized Free Like a Girl
8	She Feels Pretty Saffron Moon Segesta Gimme a Nother	Segesta She Feels Pretty Saffron Moon Gimme a Nother	She Feels Pretty Gimme a Nother Saffron Moon Segesta	She Feels Pretty Segesta Gimme a Nother Saffron Moon	She Feels Pretty Saffron Moon Gimme a Nother Segesta	She Feels Pretty Saffron Moon Gimme a Nother Segesta	She Feels Pretty Pin Up Betty Saffron Moon Gimme a Nother	Pin Up Betty Waves of Mischief Birdie Rose Takemetothbeach	She Feels Pretty Segesta Saffron Moon Gimme a Nother
9	Verity Eclatant Blue Fire Impulse Buy	Verity Eclatant Princess Aliyah Impulse Buy	Verity Impulse Buy Eclatant Blue Fire	Verity Eclatant Blue Fire Bourbon Memory	Impulse Buy Eclatant Verity Kimichi Cat	Eclatant Impulse Buy Verity Blue Fire	Verity Kimchi Cat Impulse Buy Bourbon Memory	Blue Fire Bourbon Memory Look Forward Mendela	Verity Eclatant Impulse Buy Blue Fire
10	Ag Bullet Queen Maxima Epona's Hope Gavea	Ag Bullet Epona's Hope Queen Maxima Gavea	Ag Bullet Queen Maxima Epona's Hope Asternia	Queen Maxima Ag Bullet Gavea Crown Imperial	Ag Bullet Queen Maxima Gavea Epona's Hope	Queen Maxima Ag Bullet Epona's Hope Crown Imperial	Ag Bullet Queen Maxima Epona's Hope Awesome Treat	Epona's Hope Gavea Crown Imperial Cloudwalker	Ag Bullet Queen Maxima Epona's Hope Gavea
11	Good Cheer Quietside La Cara Tenma	Good Cheer Quietside La Cara Simply Joking	Good Cheer Tenma La Cara Quietside	Quietside Good Cheer Five G Ballerina d'Oro	Good Cheer Quietside Fondly Tenma	Good Cheer Tenma Quietside Fondly	Quietside La Cara Good Cheer Five G	Tenma Quietside Quickkick Simply Joking	Good Cheer Quietside Tenma La Cara
12	Not This Boy Resilience Into Pleasure Moonlight	Not This Boy Resilience Into Pleasure Moonlight	Not This Boy Resilience Moonlight Lat Long	Resilience Into Pleasure Over and Ollie Echo Again	Not This Boy Into Pleasure Moonlight Resilience	Resilience Into Pleasure Not This Boy King Russell	Not This Boy Resilience Moonlight Over and Ollie	Lure Him In King Russell Echo Again Moonlight	Not This Boy Resilience Lure Him In Into Pleasure
13	Cue the Duckboats Tetiarioa Chaching Chaching Oraia	Ivory and Ebony Oraia Cue the Duckboats Tetiarioa	Chaching Chaching Ivor and Ebony Cue the Duckboats Tetiarioa	Chaching Chaching Cue the Duckboats Tetiarioa Ivory and Ebony	Chaching Chaching Tetiarioa Heartbeat Cue the Duckboats	Cue the Duckboats Ivory and Ebony Tetiarioa Chaching Chaching	Chaching Chaching Ivory and Ebony La Neige Cue the Duckboats	Cue the Duckboats Heartbeat Oraia Tetiarioa	Chaching Chaching Cue the Duckboats Ivory and Ebony Tetiarioa



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