

Racing To Profit Members' Club 2018

Section 1 Strategies: Where to begin?

Intro: This summary is intended to provide you with some ideas about what systematic strategies you can follow from the stats qualifiers posted in Section 1 of the daily members' posts. It is not advised to back all horses listed in Section 1 but instead follow a handful of 'strategies' based on the horses listed in section 1.

Below are a selection of strategies that you could start following. You may wish to pick one or two and ease your way in.

(I will revise these on September 1st when there are two further Jumps strategies that will come into play when the Geegeez speed ratings return for jumps)

Flat Strategies 2018

Following a portfolio of Strategy # 1, 4 and 6 could be a decent place to start...

Strategy #1

Rules:

- Horse is Double or Treble Top Rated: Two or three of **H1 I1 G1**, as entered next to the horse's name.
- Any Odds
- You can pick out these qualifiers the evening before with the information provided. On the morning of race day such qualifiers get an **S1** (strategy 1) added next to their name, indicating they are a strategy 1 qualifier. These S symbols are for your own convenience.

Results 2017: Total: 72 bets / 17 wins / +17.2

Results 2018: Up to 3rd June: 7/20,8p, +13.75

Total: 92 bets / 24 wins / +30.95

Note: The ratings pointers (the red symbols) are a constant and reassurance that this approach should keep ticking over in the weeks and months ahead. We are focusing on those that are top rated within the ratings set and as such are the best horses in the race, as per the ratings. When combined with my trainer based qualifiers it looks to be a powerful combination. At a 25% win SR it is one of the highest win SR of all the strategies. Even so, with this win SR there will be still be losing runs of 24 or so every 1000 bets and many between 1-24. As with any strategy another alternative is to use these qualifiers as a 'starting point' and 'way in' to looking at the horse in more depth and their odds, before deciding whether to play them. This is optional but there will be some qualifiers who you may deem too short a price. I use 3/1 or bigger as my own guide for systems qualifiers, but this is personal.

Strategy #4

Rules:

- Horse is treble rated: 1 of each ratings sets (**I1/3, H1/3, G1/3**)
- Any odds
- You can pick out these qualifiers the evening before with the information provided. On the morning of race day such qualifiers will get an **S4** (strategy 4) added next to their name, indicating they are a strategy 4 qualifier.

Results 2017: 130 bets / 39 wins / 66 wins|places / +38.5 (early|bog)

Results 2018: Up to 3rd June: 11/42,19p, +11.85

Total: 172 bets / 50 wins / 85 wins|places / +50.35

Note: *as with S1, the thinking is very similar and to date the winning SR is 29%.*

Strategy #6

Rules:

- Top Rated, 6/1 or bigger:
- **H1, I1, G1** (1 or more), 6/1 or bigger on prices entered next to horse's name on morning of racing. SP irrelevant.
- Results are based on the generally available price I enter next to the horse on the morning of racing. If they are Top rated against one of my three ratings sets that I use, and they are 6/1 or bigger, they qualify and at that point I post an **S6** next to their name. You are free to bet the evening before. I would advise keeping your own results (as I would in general) so that you can compare. You will back winners that don't officially qualify when I update the odds in the morning and vice versa. It all evens out and you may well do even better than the results below.

Results 2017: 173bets / 23 wins / +83 early/bog

Results 2018: Up to 3rd June: 4/45,9p, +14, +35 (BFSP)

Total: 218 bets / 27 wins / +97

Note: *this is a bigger odds strategy and operates in the 10-12% win SR zone. This does mean that hefty losing runs can be expected at times, a maximum of between 50-60 every 1000 bets, and many in between that. This approach does find big priced winners. Such an approach/win sr/long losing runs is not for everyone.*

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Flat: S1 / S4 / S6

Combined results:

2017: 375 bets / 79 wins / +138.7 points (1 point win) (to widely available morning odds/BOG)

2018 to date: 107 bets / 22 wins / 36 wins/places / +39.6 (early/bog) / +60.6 (if backing S6 to BFSP)

Betting Bank: with a combined win SR of around 20% a betting bank of 100-150 points should be sufficient to cover the down periods and maximum losing runs at least three times, and indeed each strategy individually hitting their worst run all at the same time.

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Jumps Strategies 2018

Strategy # S2A

- A jumps qualifier in section 1
- Horse is priced 16/1 to 25/1 on the morning of racing, when I add the generally available price.
- Again, as with any price based strategy you are free to bet at a time of your choosing if you so wish.

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- Win only (1 point win): 7/92,21p, +48 , +73.5 (BFSP)
- Each Way (1/2 point EW): 7/92,21p, +39.35
- Each Way (1pt EW): 7/92,21p, +79.7

Note: This is a big priced strategy that developed as a subset of what was Jumps Strategy 2 (10/1-25/1). It's become clear that focusing on those priced 16/1-25/1 has reduced the number of bets and massively driven up the return on investment. There is the option to back selections EW, which would reduce the losing runs whereby you get no return. You can see the various results above. Given how Strategy 2 performed in 2017 (64/699, +271) and how it has done this year, I have every confidence that over time this new more focussed approach will continue to be profitable. It's likely this will operate in the 8-10% win SR and if betting win only will result in some hefty losing runs every 1000 bets, 65-100 would not be impossible given the maths. An EW sr of 20-25% or so would ensure less severe losing runs. Again, the option is there to use these qualifiers as a starting point and a way in for further research, where you can make your own judgement on the horse etc. It does throw up winners that make no sense on paper. Starting off backing these to £2 stakes at BFSP is an option.

Those strategies, across both Flat and Jumps, are where I would focus initially and give you plenty of systematic options for the months ahead. I update results regularly and you are free to look through the strategies results documents over that time and form your own opinions, as well as the notes on other ideas I am tracking. All such information can be found in THE KEY, within each daily members' post.

To consider

Jumps Strategy # S3A

- Those jumps qualifiers in Section 1 that have an **ES+** next to their name, and thus become an **S3A** qualifier.
- These qualifiers stem from a more focussed look at my trainer stats, which focus on angles that have at least 10 winners in the study period (last three years), a 25% win SR and/or a 20% win SR and 50% win/place SR.
- Any odds
- This strategy is simply based on my trainer stats and does not use 'ratings pointers' (the red symbols) which help us add context as to the quality of the actual horse. As such it is arguably higher risk in terms of long term success.
- There are similar qualifiers, with the same logic, for Flat qualifiers but the evidence is building for those and is something to monitor.

Results 2017: 77 bets / 14 wins / 24 places / 18% win sr / +9.75 early|bog

Results 2018 : 22/106,34p, +18.25

Total: 183 bets / 36 wins / 58 wins|places / 20% win SR / +28 points early|bog

To further consider

For both FLAT and JUMPS qualifiers in section 1

Strategy # S3A#

- Qualifier is an **ES+** qualifier BUT also has two or more ratings pointers next to their name (the red symbols) EG **ES+ H1 I3**
- This idea combines the 'best of' my trainer stats angles with the ratings sets I use, which add context to the quality of the actual horse. Logically, in time, this should prove a useful strategy, but the jury is arguably still out..

Results

Flat 2018: 4/18,7p, +1

Jumps since Sept 1st 2017: 22/72, 34p, +34.25

Total: 90 bets / 26 wins / 42 wins|places / +35.25 (early|bog)

Note: IF those results keep repeating every 90 bets, and logically there is no reason why they shouldn't, then it will be a valuable addition to our punting armoury. You can see that it is early days for the Flat qualifiers, but in theory they should perform similar to the jumps qualifier to date.

Come the end of 2018 I suspect we will be in a firm place to either attack such qualifiers with confident in 2019, or not. My hunch is that S3A# should just keep ticking along and it clearly provides a decent win SR on the evidence to date.

To Conclude

This information is presented for you to make your own punting decisions. Whatever you decide, please start betting small and ensure you have an adequate betting bank to sustain the losing runs, which will happen. If you like a systematic approach Flat S1, S4 and S6, and Jumps S2A should provide you with a decent portfolio in which to follow the section 1 qualifiers. You may just pick one or two, ignore all of them, or just use as 'starting points'. The choice is yours. Patience and long term thinking will be rewarded. I will be keeping a close eye on the 'to consider' options as above.

My hope in time is that I can help both you and I create a focussed systematic portfolio that can return us at least 100 points profit per calendar year.

If you have any questions do post a comment or email me: info@racingtoprofit.co.uk

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For info...

Strike Rate Percentage	Max Likely Losing Run Per 1000 bets
5%	135
10%	66
15%	43
20%	31
25%	24
30%	19
35%	16
40%	14
45%	12
50%	10
55%	9
60%	8
65%	7
70%	6
75%	5
80%	4
85%	4
90%	3
95%	2