



Winning Ponies

Thursday at 5 PM Pacific

February 27th 2014: Winning Ponies Welcomes Handicapper Writer Andy Beyer and New York Based Handicapper Mike Beer

For those of you who do not recognize the name, Andy Beyer is one of the greatest minds in the thoroughbred racing industry. While attending Harvard in the 1960s, he decided to pursue his passion -- beating the horse races. Over the past four decades, his research and insights have revolutionized and legitimized the industry. Using his math skills, Mr. Beyer created a new way to rate the speed of a horse in a race which became known as the "Beyer Figures". Andy has been on our show a few years ago and we are happy to have him back to discuss the evolution of the Beyer Speed figures and give us

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Andrew Beyer

Andrew Beyer is an American expert on horse race betting who designed what has become known as the Beyer Speed Figure. In the early 1970s, while working for the Washington Daily News, Beyer did extensive work on the concept of speed figures and wrote books that helped popularize their use. By calculating variables such as the track conditions and the horse's time, Beyer speed figures give a measure of how fast a horse was in a given race. This number can then be used to compare a given horse's "speed" against its competition in an upcoming race, despite the fact that the horses have all run in different races, at different tracks, and are different calibers of horses. Speed figures have come

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Mike Beer

DRF.com handicapper Mike Beer, a native of Saratoga Springs, has been with Daily Racing Form since 2000 and is the co-host of the Daily Racing Form News Desk. He is a regular guest on the "At the Races" radio program, is a featured Daily Racing Form handicapper for the NYRA tracks, and gives special analysis on the New York races at drf.com. With Dan Illman (also with DRF), Mike Beer co-hosts racing on-line educational program "Night School".

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