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Gai Waterhouse (February 2015)

Gai Waterhouse was eventually granted her trainers licence in January 1992. In March of that year she trained her first winner Gifted Poet and it wasn't long before she stamped her ability with her first Group winner Moods and then Te Akau Nick, delivering Gai her first Group 1. Within four years Gai became the third trainer in history to prepare more than 100 Sydney winners in a racing season earning her the Sydney trainer's premiership. Since then she has had continued success establishing herself as one of the best trainers of the modern era and earning the title of racings first lady. We commence our analysis of Gai as a trainer by examining all her runners by calendar year.

All Runners - Sorted By Calendar Year

Year	Runners	Wins	W%	POT%
2011	709	130	18.3	-11.62
2012	688	166	24.1	0.96
2013	820	155	18.9	-5.45
2014	847	151	17.8	-6.52
2015 part	73	16	21.9	26.34
Total	3,137	618	19.7	-4.87

A 19.7% strike rate across this volume of runners is indeed an excellent performance. Importantly despite her public profile, backing all of Gai's runners returns just a 4.87% loss, almost 2.3 times better than market average returns.

All Runners - By runs this preparation

This Prep	Runners	Wins	W%	POT%
First Starters	389	99	25.4	18.8
First up	701	131	18.7	-5.99
2-Up	780	161	20.6	-5.23
3-Up	547	103	18.8	-12.51

These figures highlight that Gai has an outstanding record with first starters and that her runners generally perform best in the first two runs of a preparation. The drop off in performance of her runners 3-UP generally continues into a horse's preparation.

All Runners - Sorted By Starting Price Rank

SP Rank	Runners	Wins	W%	POT%
1	888	346	39	-1.52
2	565	107	18.9	-16.51
3	414	65	15.7	-4.08
4	317	32	10.1	-16.64

Shorter priced runners trained by Gai (SP Rank 1) significantly outperform the market and have the best strike rate and return. It is very easy to construct a long term profitable strategy from focusing on these types of runners.

Betting Analysis

Due to the composition of Australian betting markets, there is almost no value in examining long priced runners. Accordingly, we have limited all further analysis in this report to include only those runners at starting prices of \leq \$8.00.

Runners \leq \$8.00 SP - Sorted By State

State	Runners	Wins	W%	POT%
NSW	1,916	516	26.9	-3.7
VIC	110	31	28.2	1.74
QLD	38	13	34.2	59.49

Gai's NSW runners at starting prices of \leq \$8.00 return just a 3.87% loss, almost 2.9 times better than market average returns. However when she travels interstate to VIC and QLD the value attributed to her runners by the market suggest that significant value can be obtained by following these runners.

Runners \leq \$8.00 SP - Sorted By Track Type

Track Type	Runners	Wins	W%	POT%
Metropolitan	1,175	320	27.2	0.85
Provincial	859	232	27	-6.4
Country	43	11	25.6	-9.01

Backing all Gai's metropolitan runners within the stipulated price range actually produces a profit, an excellent foundation towards a successful betting strategy.

Runners <=\$8.00 SP - Sorted By Most Commonly Used Jockeys

Jockey	Runners	Wins	W%	POT%
Tommy Berry	550	145	26.40	-0.83
Nash Rawiller	453	145	32.00	-0.25
Adam Hyeronimus	176	45	25.60	-2.14
Neil Paine	82	20	24.40	-3.25
Tim Clark	79	20	25.30	12.99
Jim Cassidy	67	21	31.30	11.58
Thomas Huet	64	23	35.90	27.96
Winona Costin	58	16	27.60	-3.75
Jason Lee	53	15	28.30	-4.48
Blake Shinn	50	7	14.00	-41.70
James McDonald	46	15	32.60	8.53
Paul King	36	14	38.90	26.99
Ben Vassallo	24	3	12.50	-48.47
Blake Spriggs	24	6	25.00	-25.64
Damien Oliver	22	8	36.40	29.44

The most notable figures here are the well below average performances of Blake Shinn, Blake Spriggs and Ben Vassallo and the well above average performances of Thomas Huet, Paul King and Damien Oliver on Gai Waterhouse trained runners.

Gai doesn't often engage apprentices to ride her horses. In fact of the 2,077 runners contained within this betting analysis only 153 (7.36%) of her runners are ridden by claiming apprentices.

Key Performance Indicators

Let's summarise our focus on Gai Waterhouse trained runners with some important tips that can be applied to your future form analysis and betting decisions.

- The overall strike rate and return from Gai Waterhouse trained runners is excellent. In fact it is close to 2.3 times better than the market average return and almost 2.9 times better on horses that are at starting prices of $\leq \$8.00$. These are the types of performance that combined correctly can turn you from a losing punter into a winning one.
- Gai's horses perform better when first or second up from a spell (42 days or more). This is probably aided by her trialling the majority of her runners at least twice prior to each preparation.
- There's no need to be concerned about backing a Gai Waterhouse runner that is having its first start, in fact they are extremely profitable long term.
- Horses starting favourite trained by Gai have returned a 39% strike rate and only a small loss of 1.52% on turnover. These runners alone can provide the basis of a successful betting strategy.
- When Gai travels interstate to VIC and QLD the value attributed to her runners by the market suggest that significant value can be obtained by following these runners. Given these are for the most part black type races, which are in turn harder to win, her record at the top level is outstanding.
- Backing all Gai's metropolitan runners at starting prices of $\leq \$8.00$ actually produces a profit. This is an incredible feat considering the sample size of nearly 1,200 runners.
- Strong clues to the performance of her horses can often be found in her choice of rider. There are numerous combinations that have proven to be very profitable.
- Ratings2Win Axis Professional database clients have the ability to quickly isolate other key performance indicators for Gai of both a positive and negative nature that relate to variables including but not limited to predicted race speed, race class, race age, horse age, and race distance changes. This information including that which is published in this report provides exclusive insight into one of Sydney's leading trainers. Arm yourself with the data that cannot be found elsewhere in any other commercially available product.

Notes

All statistics published in the report are based on races from 1/01/11 to 31/01/15. Profit figures are based on a proportional bet to collect 4% of a starting bank using the best of Starting Price and NSW Tab dividends.

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