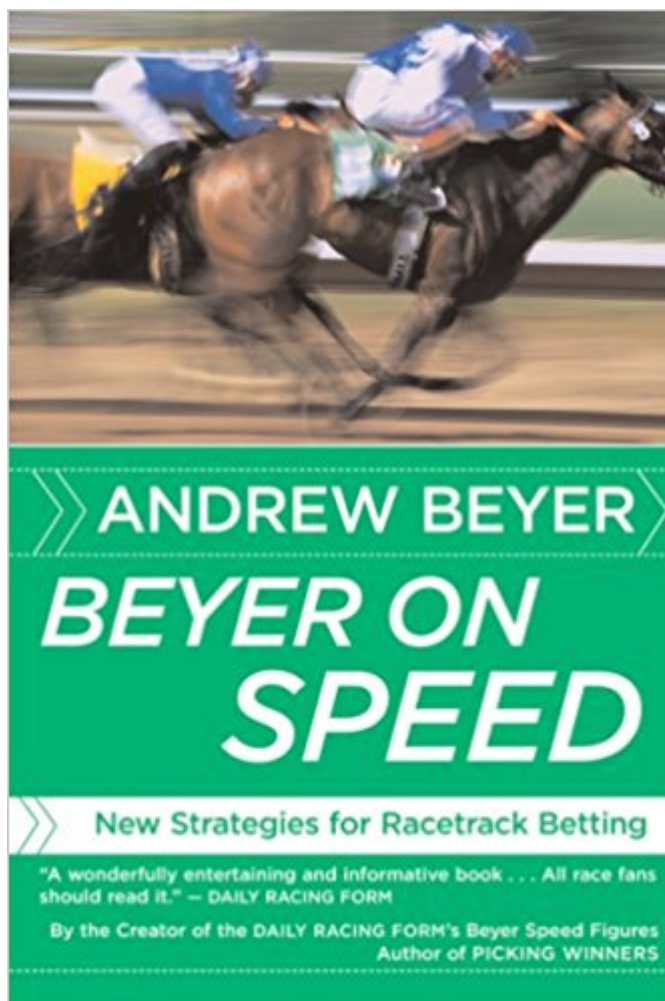


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Synopsis

No serious horseplayer should be without Beyer on Speed, the third jewel in Andrew Beyer's literary triple crown. Beyer shows the handicapper how to make his Beyer Speed Figures the focal point of a wagering strategy for pursuing spectacular profits by relating speed figures to pace, track bias, and track conditions. He helps bettors utilize new opportunities for picking winners, such as video replays and a successfully structured multirace ticket, whether betting online, on the phone, or at the track. This invaluable book on wagering includes a new preface by the author, focusing on the role of simulcasting and the Internet in modern-day handicapping. Written in Beyer's entertaining, rapid-fire prose, Beyer on Speed is a must-read for every bettor, from the beginner to the most advanced player.

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“A wonderfully entertaining and informative book . . . All race fans should read it.”
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ANDREW BEYER thoroughly revolutionized handicapping when he created his “Beyer Speed Figures,” a measure of how fast a horse has run in a given race, and an indispensable tool for horseplayers. Making the necessary calculations to develop a set of figures for each horse in each race was too time-consuming for most horseplayers, so in 1992 the Daily Racing Form commissioned Beyer and his associates to provide his speed figures for every horse competing in North America. Beyer has been a columnist for the Washington Post since 1978, and

contributes regularly to the Daily Racing Form. He is considered one of the leading experts on horse racing.

I consider this a must read for anyone that likes to bet on horse races. There is no magic way to win money at the track but Beyer is the expert on speed ratings, and whether you are an occasional player or love going to the races regularly, you must have this book. It's very educational on how to separate contenders from pretenders.

Reading Andrew Beyer is at once informative and entertaining, which anything on handicapping has no excuse not being. While his first book introduced speed figures, and his second mixed the application of them with an appreciation of other aspects of handicapping, this book revisits the holistic approach - always emphasizing speed figures - in an era when everyone has access to more information than ever, and many even know how to use it. What makes reading Beyer so fascinating is that one is made to see, vividly, the endless testing and working out of new ideas and approaches, in the stories - one might call them lessons - he recounts (the chapter on turf betting is a classic of sports writing). Beyer, like Bill James, is a scientist, and thinks like one, to the edification of all who choose not to keep recycling the same old bromides, and making the same old mistakes. People like Beyer and Steve Davidowitz are largely responsible for the ever-escalating arms race which parimutuel bettors are fighting amongst themselves. It's a wonderful game, but if you don't want to get left behind, better read this.

just ok! I didn't think it explained it well enough

informative, easy to read, excellent condition, moderately priced, i would recommend to anyone interested in betting at the race track

Beyer was a journalist for the Washington Post. I never liked his horse racing predictions in the Washington Post. So, I never bought any of his books until recently. I was pleasantly surprised. His books are very well written and very informative on the subject which I am interested.

Was a gift to a new handicapper. A great primer on speed ratings and how they are utilized effectively.

I like the overall book and his stories are funny. I have been playing for awhile and wanted to see what other people who have written books were saying. The outline that he lays down is a solid strategy to use. A great insight into the toughest sport I've ever played that's for sure...

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