Micro-System One

Handicap Hero

A trainer whose handicappers should always be kept onside

A report brought to you by Josh Wright

Hello,

Thank you for downloading this report.

As with all reports I produce my aim is to make your betting enjoyable and even more profitable. My reports will always be for all punters , however big your betting bank – from those who bet £2 a horse through to those who bet £50 or higher – or for those who rarely bet at all but just like discovering something new. Hopefully you find this report interesting and it adds to your experience of racing; however you decide to utilise it.

Today I'm going to introduce you to two trainers who are very profitable to follow in certain circumstances.

As you will discover I have a few approaches to making money from horse racing and one of my favourites is following trainers. Identifying profitable habits, behaviours and mini angles is the cornerstone of my betting and I'm excited to 'introduce' this trainer to you.

Enjoy this free report and I hope that together we can find some winners and make some profit along the way. (although that is never guaranteed ☺)

Happy Punting,

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Sue Gardner

When looking at micro systems and angles, especially those that are trainer based, I like to keep things simple. My usual starting point is to look at a trainer's overall record in handicaps since the start of 2010, usually with horses priced 14/1 or shorter. From there I can then dig down.

Every now and then you do not have to do too much more to find a profitable angle. You find a trainer that you can blindly back in handicaps and make handsome profits. Today I have such a trainer for you.

I have been tracking her for some time and she is operating 59% above market expectations. Her handicappers are consistently sent off at bigger odds than they should be, especially when they are relatively fit.

The trainer in question is Sue Gardner.

The rules for this micro system are as follows:-

- National Hunt Racing
- Handicap
- 14/1 or under
- Horse days since run: Between 1 and 120

And that's it. A very straightforward micro system but very effective as you can see below…

Results (2010-)*

As of 07/01/15

	Bets	Wins	Win%	Places	Place%	P/L(BF)	ROI(BF)	P/L(Plc)	A/E
ALL	191	48	25.13	92	48.17	168.24	88.08	50.19	1.59
2015	3	0	0	0	0	-3	-100	-3	0
2014	38	9	23.68	14	36.84	29.43	77.46	0.38	1.65
2013	51	9	17.65	25	49.02	30.35	59.51	17	1.18
2012	57	17	29.82	32	56.14	45.31	79.49	18.35	1.66
2011	26	10	38.46	16	61.54	60.4	232.3	21.57	2.43
2010	16	3	18.75	5	31.25	5.74	35.9	-4.11	1.28

48 winners from 191 runners is very respectable and so is the win and place strike rate. Nearly 170 points at Betfair Starting Price in 5 years is nothing short of spectacular for such a simple approach. Without doubt Sue Gardner's handicappers, when returning within 120 days, are to be kept onside. Her record is equally as impressive with both chasers and hurdlers and hopefully we can have some fun with these qualifiers in the next few months.

Sue Gardner has had 70 runners priced over 14/1 that would otherwise have qualified. These have returned no winners and only 2 places.

Staking Advice

Staking is very personal and punters have different approaches that they are comfortable with. _Firstly, and I know it's stating the obvious, but you should only ever bet what you can afford to lose._

I personally only ever bet to level stakes and have always done so. I am not into complicated staking plans. No doubt some of you will look at the results above and have clear views on the approach you would like to take.

As a general rule of thumb any approach that has around a 25% win strike rate can expect to hit a maximum losing run of 24 per 1000 bets. This angle has had a maximum losing run of 17 which happened once, and also one of 14 which happened once also. From 2010 there has been an average of nearly 37 selections a season.

Therefore if you are going to back the selections systematically I would recommend using a 40 point bank for 1 point level stakes bets. I think it is safe to say that if this approach loses a 40 point bank this angle would need to be re-evaluated.

I recommend using Best Odds Guaranteed bookmakers. BFSP is the best approximation of BOG that we have and I would be confident returns would be better if able to take early prices as opposed to BFSP.

Some of you may like to back these selections each way. You could either bet ½ a point EW or 1 point EW. The former would reduce your profit but would ensure you are collecting winnings more often than not.

How to Find Selections

1. Go to www.racingpost.com
2. Use the search bar in the top right hand corner to search for 'Sue Gardner'. Click on her name and a pop up box with his record should appear.
3. Click on the third tab along at the top of this box – 'Entries' – and from there scan down to see if there are any qualifiers that match the rules.
4. Go to oddschecker.com and check that the horse is 14/1 or under. Then place your bets with your preferred bookmaker (preferably the one with the biggest odds!) or Betfair SP.

Of course you may have an easier way of doing this and you can always just wait for Southwell and Wolverhampton meetings to come along before checking his entries. If you do use system building software you can enter these rules and get the selections sent to you automatically.

Micro-System Two

The 'S..AND' King

A trainer to always keep onside on the All-Weather

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Introducing David 'The Sprint King' Nicholls

In truth I don't think 'Dandy' Nicholls really needs introducing. Ex-jockey turned trainer he is best known for his exploits in the big sprints. He has won the Ayr Gold Cup six times, the Nunthorpe twice, the Stewards cup three times, the July Cup and the Prix L'Abbaye to name just a few. (info from his website, which you can check out here)

Clearly he is a master of his trade. However, as well as his superiority on the turf he also has a habit of consistently producing winners on the all-weather and at two tracks in particular. He is profitable to follow all year round with this type of runner and we should have some fun following the selections.

So, let's have a look at 'The Sand King'…

Micro-System Rules

1. Horses trained by David Nicholls
2. Wolverhampton and Southwell (All-Weather)
3. Class 5 and Class 6 ONLY
4. Claimers and Handicaps ONLY
5. 16/1 or under

So, let's have a look at the results (since the beginning of 2010)*:-

As of 07/10/15

	Bets	Wins	Win%	Places	Place%	P/L(BF)	ROI(BF)	P/L(Plc)	A/E
ALL	219	58	26.48	100	45.66	174.07	79.49	52.45	1.49
2015	1	1	100	1	100	2.46	246.05	0.22	3.23
2014	31	10	32.26	10	32.26	62.71	202.3	1.85	1.9
2013	33	9	27.27	15	45.45	14.14	42.86	6.38	1.5
2012	41	9	21.95	19	46.34	14.99	36.55	6.79	1.22
2011	67	15	22.39	29	43.28	49.86	74.42	16.87	1.36
2010	46	14	30.43	26	56.52	29.91	65.03	20.35	1.57

So, looking at the results:-

- A £10 bet on each of the selections would have won you £1740.70 which is not too bad at all – averaging just over 34 points a year to Betfair SP. It was encouraging that 2014 was his best year yet.
- Since the beginning of 2010 the longest losing run has been 12, which happened once.
- He has a great place strike rate. In fact with horses price 5/1 or over at Industry SP he has a 40% each way strike rate – perfect for those of you who prefer to back each way.

Just a quick note on the tabs in the table, hopefully the majority are self-explanatory:-

- **P/L (BF)** - is profit/loss at Betfair SP. This is a price that in a worst case scenario the majority of punters can get (closed bookie accounts etc), and it is why I like to highlight it. I would always recommend using Best Odds Guaranteed Bookmakers. Exceptions would be 16/1 /20/1 + shots which can often be much higher on the exchanges –but then you have to take a chance that the price doesn't shorten.
- **Places** – This includes all those horses that have won and placed. Subtract the number of winners from this place figure to determine how many just placed, without winning.
- **P/L (Plc)** is the points profit from a single point bet on each selection in the Betfair Place Market, at Betfair Place SP.
- **A/E** stands for Actual/Expected and is the index of actual winners to expected winners. Calculating an index this way shows 'value' and thus value bets. If a stat/angle/system has *more winners than expected* then we have found a good thing for backing. If a stat has *fewer winners than expected* then we've found a weakness - an indicator of bad 'value' for betting purposes. So, if it is **1.00** that is exactly in line with what the market expects should happen – i.e. the exact number of winners you would expect based on the starting price of selections. Anything above 1.00 indicates that, based on the odds of the horses, the trainer/angle is having more winners than expected. In this case Nicholls has 50% more winners than expected based on their starting price, indicating that his winners are going off at bigger odds than they should be – which is a good thing! In this game you always want to be backing horses at a bigger price than their actual chance of winning- that is the key to long term profit.

Staking Advice

As a general rule of thumb any approach that has around a 25% win strike rate can expect to hit a maximum losing run of 24 per 1000 bets. As I have said this angle has had a maximum losing run so far of 12 which happened once, and also one of 10 which happened once also.

Therefore, as with the first system, if you are going to back the selections systematically I would recommend using a 40 point bank for 1 point level stakes bets. I think it is safe to say that if Nicholls loses a 40 point bank this angle would need to be re-evaluated.

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Happy Punting

And that's it. I'm a true believer that the best micro-systems are simple and selections should be easy to find. It doesn't come much easier than these two angles.

As with all trainer angles and systems I will be keeping a close eye on performance to ensure that they stay profitable. I am a firm believer that trainers are creatures of habit and if they have found a successful method that works for them they will keep doing the same thing. The problem comes if the method or circumstances change. A trainer can suffer a virus in the yard which can affect performance for a whole season or more. They can start buying a different type of horse from a different source, or make changes to how and where they train. (such as the relaying of a different type of surface on their all-weather gallops, or the increased use of a swimming pool for example) There are numerous reasons why a trainer's results or speciality may change. That is also the reason why with trainer angles I don't think it is worthwhile to look beyond the last five or six years of results.

The great thing though is that when you do find a profitable angle based on the success and habits of a trainer that is still performing above market expectations, you can have increased confidence that it will continue – at least for the next two or three years, if not more.

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That's it from me today.

I hope you enjoy this free guide. I have every confidence that together we can make some extra spending money by following these selections.

I will be producing more guides like this over the coming months so keep a look out for those.

Do check out my blog – www.racingtoprofit.co.uk - where you will be able to find even more profitable information over the coming weeks and months.

On the blog you can also find my daily 'Pace Wins The Race' selections which is a daily tipping piece. It has had a decent start and you may wish to check it out.

Until the next time,

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p.p.s if you have any specific queries on these systems drop me a line at - info@racingtoprofit.co.uk and I will try and get back to you as quickly as I can.