

The Triple Crown 2023 was a season of surprises and history-making in horse racing.

The Triple Crown is a series of three prestigious races for 3-year-old thoroughbreds: the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness Stakes, and the Belmont Stakes. The races are in different States and distances, testing the horses' speed, stamina, and versatility. Winning all three races in the same year is considered an achievement in sports that only 13 horses have accomplished.

This year, however, the Triple Crown was not won by any horse, as three different horses took the three races: Mage, National Treasure, and Arcangelo. Each horse had its own unique story and personality, and each race had its drama and excitement.

Mage was the Kentucky Derby winner, who overcame the odds after the favorite Forte scratched due to a bruised right foot. He was named after a type of magic user, reflecting his owner's love for fantasy. He was the first Derby winner for his trainer and jockey, both Venezuelan.



National Treasure took the Preakness Stakes, who made history for his trainer Bob Baffert, who became the most winning trainer in the race's history. Named after an adventure film starring Nicolas Cage, he was the first Preakness winner for his jockey John Velazquez, who has three Derby wins.

Breaking barriers for his trainer Jena Antonucci, the first woman to win the Belmont Stakes, Arcangelo, champion of the race, also had a cinematic name inspired by a Nicolas Cage film. Jockey Javier Castellano celebrated his first Belmont victory, adding to his Derby triumph earlier this year.

The Triple Crown 2023 was a series of surprises and history-making, as each horse showed its skill and spirit in conquering one of the most challenging races on the planet. We have reached the end of our coverage of the Triple Crown 2023, but we will be back with more exciting news and stories from the world of horse racing soon!







HAMBLETONIAN 2023 A RACE OF LEGENDS

The Hambletonian is a race for 3-year-old trotters that is part of the Triple Crown of Harness Racing for Trotters, along with the Yonkers Trot and the Kentucky Futurity. The race dates to 1926, and it has welcomed top horses in multiple locations, including Goshen, New York; Du Quoin, Illinois; and Meadowlands, New Jersey.

To emerge victorious in the Hambletonian, a horse must prove its superiority by prevailing in two distinct one-mile heats. The race owes its name to Rysdyk's Hambletonian, the foundational sire of most contemporary trotting horses in the United States.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 5, 2023, as the Hambletonian 2023 will unfold at Meadowlands Racetrack. Before the main event, the eliminations will be on Saturday, July 15, 2023, and Saturday, July 29, 2023.

Earning the Triple Crown of Harness Racing for Trotters is a rare and prestigious accomplishment, achieved by only nine horses. The most recent horse to accomplish this feat was Marion Marauder in 2016.

Experience the allure of the Hambletonian, a race of great prestige and historical significance, where you will witness the brilliance of the world's top trotters. Do not miss this extraordinary chance to be part of history.



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In this issue, we also want to highlight the 2023 Canadian Triple Crown, a series of three prestigious races for Canadian-bred three-year-olds that will test their speed, stamina, and versatility on three different surfaces.

Only seven horses have won the Canadian Triple Crown since its inception in 1959. The last one to do so was Wando in 2003, who ended a decade-long drought since Peteski's triumph





THE OLDEST AND MOST PRESTIGIOUS RACE IN CANADA

The King's Plate, formerly the Queen's Plate, kicks off the Canadian Triple Crown on Sunday, August 20, at Woodbine Racecourse in Toronto. The race is 1½ miles long on Tapeta, a synthetic surface that acts like natural dirt. The King's Plate has a \$1 million prize and a festive and large audience every year.

The second step to the Canadian Triple Crown, the Prince of Wales Stakes, is a dirt race that challenges the best horses. It will be on Tuesday, September 12, at Fort Erie Racecourse. The race is 1 ³ / 16 mile long and has a \$400,000 prize. It is the toughest race in the series because of its surface and timing.

The third and final leg of the Canadian Triple Crown is the Breeders' Stakes, which will be on Sunday, October 1, at Woodbine Racecourse. The Breeders' Stakes is run over 1½ miles on turf, over one full lap of the E. P. Taylor Turf Course. The Breeders' Stakes offers a purse of \$400,000 and is the longest race in the series. It requires horses to have endurance and agility on grass.

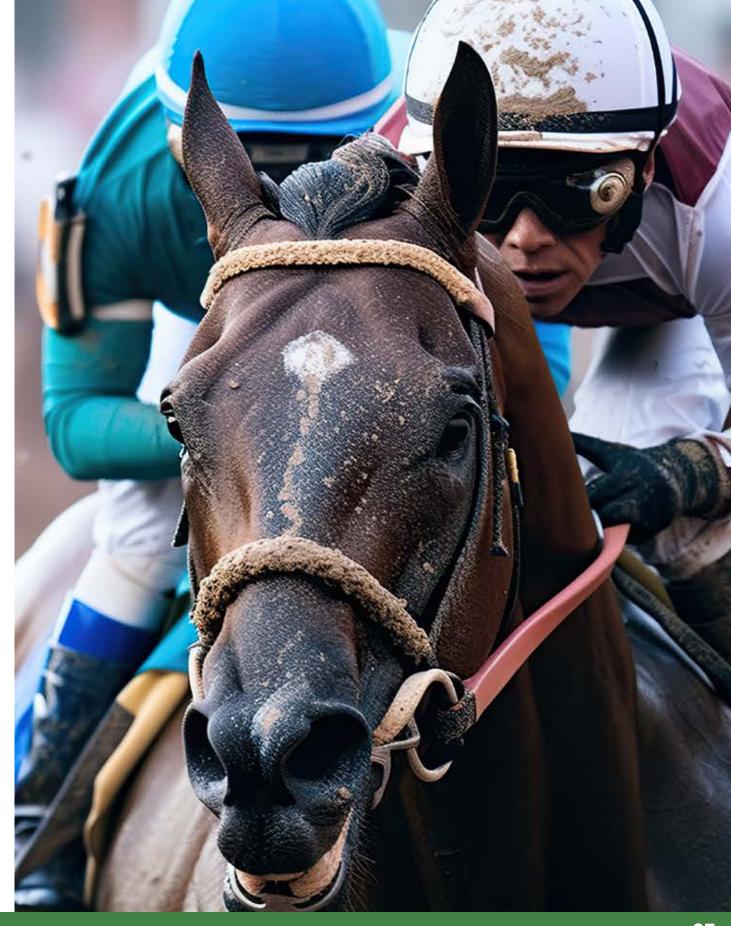


THE TRAVERS STAKES A MID-SUMMER DERBY WITH A GLORIOUS PAST

The Travers Stakes is one of the oldest and most prestigious races for three-year-olds in the United States, and a must-see for horse racing fans. It is held annually at the historic Saratoga Racecourse in Saratoga Springs, New York, and is called the "Mid-Summer Derby" because of its timing and importance. The 154th edition of the Travers Stakes will be on Saturday, August 26, 2023, and will have some of the best horses in the country vying for a purse of \$1,250,000

The Travers Stakes is a historic race that began in 1864, named after William R. Travers, the first president of Saratoga. The race has had many memorable moments and legendary performances over the years. One of the most incredible feats was by Whirlaway in 1941, when he was the only horse to win the American Triple Crown and the Travers Stakes in the same year. This rare feat is sometimes called a "superfecta", and no other horse has matched it since.

Do not miss the Travers Stakes, a race that honors the legacy and culture of horse racing in the United States. It is more than just a competition; it is a show of excellence and thrill.





A RACE THAT CELEBRATES HORSE RACING IN AMERICA

If you are interested in horse racing, you should know about the Pacific Classic, one of the most significant races for older horses in the United States. The race, which happens every year at Del Mar Racetrack in California, has a purse of \$1 million and awards a spot in the Breeders' Cup Classic for the winner.

The Pacific Classic, which started in 1991, is the highlight of Del Mar and one of the main attractions of the summer racing season in California. It is part of the Breeders' Cup Challenge Series on the dirt track. Some of the past winners include Hall of Famers such as Best Pal, Cigar, Beholder, and California Chrome.

The Pacific Classic, a race that celebrates the legacy and culture of horse racing in America and highlights the sport at its best, will take place on September 2. It will feature some of the top horses in the country vying for glory and a spot in the Breeders' Cup Classic



THE PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE | A MASTERPIECE OF HORSE RACING

The Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe is one of the most prestigious races in the world and a must-see event for horse racing fans. It takes place every year at Longchamp Racecourse in Paris, France. It has a purse of €5 million and draws the best horses from Europe and beyond.

The Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, which started in 1920, is the main event of the French racing season and one of the key features on the international calendar.

It is part of the Breeders' Cup Challenge Series on the turf track. Some of the past winners include legends such as Ribot, Sea Bird, Nijinsky, Mill Reef, Dancing Brave, Zarkava, and Enable.

The Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, a masterpiece of horse racing that honors the history and tradition of horse racing in France and displays the sport at its highest level, will take place on October 1. It will feature some of the top horses in the world striving for victory and a chance to run in the Breeders' Cup Turf.

A STATISTICAL APPROACH TOWARDS FRAUD DETECTION IN HORSE RACING

Horse racing is a thrilling and popular sport that

draws millions of fans and bettors worldwide.

However, it is also a sport that faces many risks and

challenges, such as corruption, fraud, doping,

race-fixing, money laundering, or illegal betting.

Fraud in horse racing can damage the integrity and fairness of the sport, the safety and welfare of the horses and the people involved. Therefore, it is essential to take appropriate actions against the fraudsters.

Statistical methods can help prevent and detect fraud in horse racing by analyzing the data and information related to the sport, such as the performance of the horses, the behavior of the bettors, the relationships among the actors, etc. Statistical methods can help spot abnormal or suspicious patterns or behaviors that may suggest fraud or predict or classify the outcomes of the races based on numerous factors that may influence them. Analytical methods can also help verify or explain the results and provide evidence or support for further investigation.



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Anomaly detection

This method aims to identify abnormal or suspicious patterns or behaviors that differ from the expected ones. For example, some researchers proposed a flexible window model that can detect abnormal betting transactions based on the number of bets, and the expected dividend rates.

Machine learning

This method uses algorithms able to learn from data and make predictions or classifications based on the patterns or features. For example, some researchers used logistic regression and neural networks to predict the probability of winning for each horse in a race based on past performance, track condition, distance, weight, jockey, trainer, etc. They also used cluster analysis to group the horses into different classes based on their attributes and performance.

Network analysis

This method uses graphs or networks to model and analyze the relationships among the actors or entities involved in the horse racing industry, such as owners, trainers, jockeys, veterinarians, bettors, etc. For example, some researchers used social network analysis to examine the network structure and dynamics of the horse racing industry in Hong Kong. They collected data on the ownership, training, riding, and veterinary services of all horses that participated in races from 2002 to 2012. They constructed a bipartite network of horses and actors and measured various network properties such as degree centrality, betweenness centrality, clustering coefficient, etc.

These are some statistical methods for fraud prevention and detection in horse racing. However, these methods may have different benefits and drawbacks depending on the data availability and quality, the complexity and variability of the fraud scenarios, the validity and interpretability of the results, and the ethical and legal implications.



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