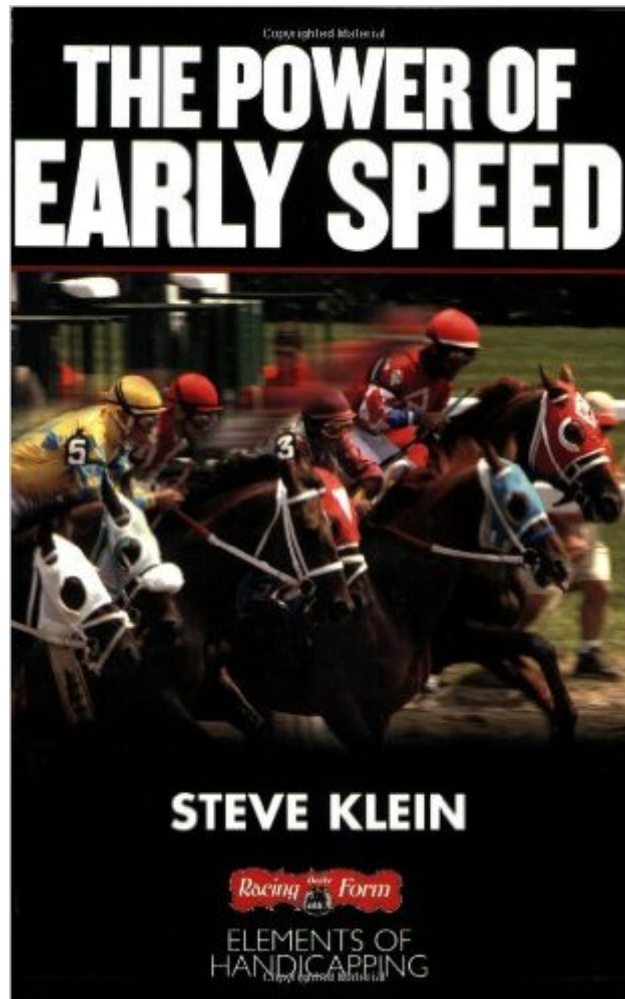


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Analyzes and documents the impact of early frontrunning ability, and how it can transform into huge paydays for today's modern handicapper.

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It is a shame that the vast databanks of information held by Daily Racing Form and Equibase have not been gleaned and explored like Klein has done here. This is a study of 1,671,627 starters and the effect of early speed in racing. It is the first of its kind, to my knowledge. What Klein provides is not the Rosetta Stone of racing, but rather an affirmation of what critics will say we already knew--early speed is the universal bias in racing. But Klein goes further. He doesn't just prove up early speed's influence, he provides a solid (if in-artful) way of determining how a race will shape up by the first call. His surprisingly simple formula makes the Quirin Speed Point obsolete. I highly recommend this book to horseplayers, especially those advanced enough to understand the significance of the scale of Klein's study. Any expert horseplayer that can put aside the arrogance of his close-minded commitment to his own hunches, rules, and opinions can undoubtedly benefit from this treatise and avoid the inevitable award of stubborn inflexibility--a slow, grinding loss at the track. The statistics in this book overwhelmingly establish what should have been known by any horseplayer worth a two dollar bet--find the speed in a race and you are length away from the winner. The disappointing part of the book is Klein's anecdotal evidence. Klein, like all prior authors of books on handicapping, relies on self-serving anecdotes to prove some of his hypotheses. I do

not know why he has chosen to do this considering the volumes of hard-and-fast empirical evidence that he has at his fingertips to make his point.

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