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"Heard these three words before? Was it at the start of the 100-meter swim at a club gala or a speed-spelling contest at school?" The anticipation of success can be compared to the excitement of taking a bet – big or small – on a horserace. It's entertaining, it's easy and everybody can enjoy taking a bet – but only if you're 18 years and older.

## GET SET!

There are many ways to choose a horse that you fancy. You can study form (the horse's racing history) in the racecard, follow a newspaper tipsters selections, seek advice from a friend who "knows", choose a name you like or take your lucky number. Oh, and while we're talking about numbers, please remember that all bets taken on the tote are taken on the horse's racecard number and not their name – although the name may be very pretty it's not the name we're after, it's the number!

## BET!

### WINS AND PLACES

Next you need to decide whether you want to take a **WIN** or a **PLACE** BET. If you bet on a horse for a Win, the horse must win to qualify for a payout. If you're not that confident of your selection you can take a Place bet if there are 8 or more runners in the race. Here you will receive a payout if your horse finishes 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### A SWINGING BET

"What was that you said? You like two horses in the same race!" Well then the **SWINGER** is for you. Here you call both horses to the tote operator and you win if your horses finish 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## **EXACTLY!**

Slightly more difficult than the Swinger is the **EXACTA** where you must select the first two horses past the post in the exact order

So now you know what horse you like, and you know the four basic bet types. One more thing. The unit of betting for all bet types is R1 and there is a minimum bet amount of R6 per bet – which does mean that if you win, you win the payout SIX times.