

Monday, October 11, 2021

Jujubee giant in 129th Kentucky Futurity

The \$75,000 supplement dominated in 1:49.4 for driver Andrew McCarthy, trainer Greg Wright Jr. and owner/breeder Jon Erdner.

by Ray Cotolo for Red Mile / additional quotes by James Platz

Conditioner Greg Wright Jr. gave the public a taste of his trotting star **Jujubee** on Hambletonian Day following a strong campaign in the Pennsylvania Sires Stakes. A 1:49.4 winner on the sport's biggest stage, Jujubee's connections paid \$75,000 to supplement the colt to the \$561,000 Kentucky Futurity and the gamble paid off with a 1:49.3 victory on Sunday (Oct. 10) at Red Mile.

Leaving from post 5, Jujubee jetted off the car to lead the field heading to a :27.1 first quarter before yielding control to Cuatro De Julio moving for the backside. However, driver Andrew

McCarthy spent little time in the pocket and circled Jujubee back to the point through a :54.2 half as Really Fast crept forward uncovered into the final turn.

Jujubee continued to roll as Really Fast broke stride midway

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Trainer Greg Wright Jr. kisses Jujubee after winning the Kentucky Futurity on Sunday at Red Mile. The trotter was a \$75,000 supplemental entry.



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around the final turn, leaving Ahundreddollarbill – the other supplement into the race – first over to three-quarters in 1:22.4. He gained little ground coming into the stretch, where Jujubee blew away from the field. By the eighth pole, he accelerated to an open-length advantage over Cuatro De Julio giving pursuit from second and flew by the beam 5-1/4 lengths in front. Fly Light closed for third and Johan Palema finished fourth.

"It's special.... It's a dream come true," Wright Jr. said. "I've been waiting for this for a long time. It means everything. My daughter, she was here... I'm about to get choked up. It's what it's all about.

McCarthy said Jujubee gives him goosebumps. The driver made the call to drive Jujubee over Ahundreddollarbill, who he steered to victory in the \$479,135 Canadian Trotting Classic on Sept.

\$561,000 Kentucky Futurity

3-YEAR-OLD OPEN TROT

JUJUBEE

(CREATINE-LA CANTERA)

Time: 1:49.3

Splits: :27.1, :54.2, 1:22.4

Margin: **5Q**

WATCH THE REPLAY HERE (RACE 12)

Owner: Jon Erdner
Breeder: Jon Erdner
Trainer: Greg Wright Jr.
Driver: Andrew McCarthy

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1:49-`21 (\$2,979,102) Chapter Seven - Hemi Blue Chip

Winner of the \$81,000 Allerage Farms Open Mare Trot in 1:49, equaling the fastest trotting mile ever for an older mare, yesterday at The Red Mile.

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Trained by: Ron Burke

Driven by: Yannick Gingras Bred by: Order By Stable

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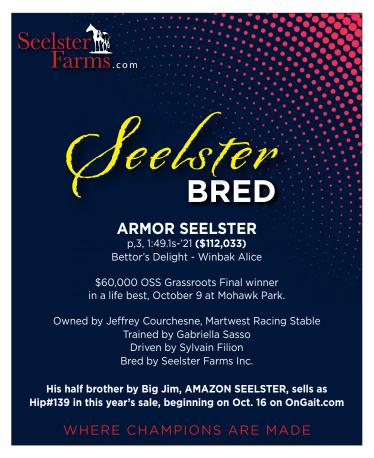
Trainer Greg Wright Jr. (right) congratulates winning driver Andrew McCarthy in the Red Mile winner's circle.

18. Having picked up the drive on Jujubee for the \$253,000 Pennsylvania Sires Stakes final, McCarthy said that was when he had somewhat made his decision.

"It kind of started after I won the [Pennsylvania] Sires Stakes with this horse," McCarthy said. "Neither of them were eligible, but Greg and John [Erdner] asked if I had a drive in the Futurity and I said 'no.' They asked me if I wanted to drive him, I said 'yes.' By supplements, I wasn't a hundred-percent sure at that stage if Ahundreddollarbill was going to supplement, so I kind of committed to this horse. It was a tough call, but this horse just feels like an absolute next-level great horse to me. That's what I said to Greg when I came back after the [Pennsylvania] Sires Stakes final, I showed him my arm — I had goosebumps all down it — and I said, 'There's only one other horse that's done that to me."

Through 21 starts, Jujubee has amassed \$630,607 for owner/breeder Jon Erdner, who last visited the winner's circle at Red Mile in 2008 when One Tough Lass won the Kentucky Filly

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Jujubee (Andrew McCarthy) winning the 129th Kentucky Futurity in 1:49.3

Futurity. Along with wins in the Muscle Hill and Pennsylvania Sires Stakes championship, Jujubee also won the \$100,000 Phil Langley Memorial at Harrah's Hoosier Park before shipping to Lexington.

"He's just a good, simple horse," trainer Greg Wright Jr. said after the race. "He takes care of himself, and we came right from Hoosier so it's been wonderful jogging him on this track and training him. I mean, I don't know how much better he can get. He's done everything pretty simply."

Wright Jr. said the choice to supplement Jujubee into the Futurity was simple for Erdner, and Erdner relayed that along with his plans to pay his Creatine—La Cantera colt into the Breeders Crown.

"The horse deserves a chance," Erdner said. "He's a great horse and I'd like to see him go as far as he can go."

As for the supplement placing extra pressure on the trainer, Wright Jr. said that wasn't his prime concern. "I was just concerned about the draw, that was the biggest thing. The horse had been super all along," Wright Jr. said.

When he was going to the gate I knew he'd give it his all. He always has... I was confident. I wasn't sure how the trip was going to go, but Andrew did an awesome job.

The 129th Kentucky Futurity was sponsored by Hunterton Farms, Stoner Manor Inc. and Menhammar Stuteri AB.

Following the trophy presentation for the Kentucky Futurity, The Red Mile honored the Grand Circuit meet's leading driver and trainer. Yannick Gingras clinched the driving title with 13 wins over Dexter Dunn, who scored eight victories through the fortnight. A driving hat trick by Ake Svanstedt propelled him into a five-way tie for third with Brian Sears, Tim Tetrick, Andrew McCarthy and David Miller – the latter two scoring a double on the closing card. Svanstedt nonetheless took the training title from his hat trick with eight victories through the meet. Tony Alagna took second with his training double on Sunday to total seven wins for the meet and Domenico Cecere finished third with six.

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ALLYWAG HANOVER

p, 4 1:46.4-'21 (\$939,938) Captaintreacherous - Anderosa Hanover by The Panderosa

\$158,000 Open Pace winner in a life best of 1:46.4. His winning time also equals the World Record for 4yopg's!

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Gamble pays off for Katie's Lucky Day in Filly Futurity

Greg Luther cashes his \$75,000 supplemental bet.

by Ray Cotolo for Red Mile / additional quotes by James Platz

Black Magic Racing and trainer Todd Luther had to front a \$75,000 supplement to enter **Katie's Lucky Day** into the \$351,000 56th Kentucky Filly Futurity, and the Uncle Peter—Yanksy filly navigated all traffic to nail even-money favorite Bella Bellini at the beam of a 1:50.4 mile on Sunday (Oct. 10) at The Red Mile.

Katie's Lucky Day made her Grand Circuit debut on Sept. 18 in the \$327,060 Elegantimage at Woodbine Mohawk Park. There, she persevered from a wide trip out of post 10 to finish third behind Donna Soprano and Bella Bellini. Prior to that start, the filly dominated on the Ohio Sires Stakes circuit but finished second in the \$300,000 final to world champion Herculisa.

\$351,000 Kentucky Filly Futurity

3-YEAR-OLD FILLY TROT

KATIE'S LUCKY DAY

(UNCLE PETER-YANSKY)

Time: 1:50.4

Splits: :27.3, :54.2, 1:22.2

Margin: NS

WATCH THE REPLAY HERE (RACE 10)

Owner: Black Magic Racing

Breeders: Ivan Sugg, Wayne Farthing

Trainer: **Todd Luther** Driver: **Trevor Smith**

Purchase price: \$7,000 at the 2019 Ohio Selected Jug Sale

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TEST OF FAITH

p,3, 1:48.3-'21 (\$1,155,239) Art Major - Cannae Cammie by Cam's Card Shark

\$207,000 Glen Garnsey Memorial winner for 3yopf's in a life best of 1:48.3, yesterday at The Red Mile.

Owned by: Melvin Segal, Kentuckiana Racing

and Eddie Gran

Trained by: Brett Pelling
Driven by: David Miller
Bred by: Fred Hertrich

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Katie's Lucky Day (11, Trevor Smith) won the Kentucky Filly Futurity by a nose in 1:50.4.

"Obviously I go on what my trainer and driver say, and she's been very good; we haven't had to race her real hard all year long," Greg Luther of Black Magic Racing said after the race, talking of his decision to supplement his filly. "She raced huge up in Canada, and we're trying to make it to the big leagues. When you got one that's even close, you go ahead and put them in."

Trouble started early for Katie's Lucky Day as she had to avoid the break of Herculisa, the other supplement into this race, off the wings. She then sat far enough off a break from Contested Hanover into the backstretch to race third over in a developing flow through a :27.3 first quarter.

Meanwhile, Empressive Hill cleared the lead from post 10 into the backside and took the field to the half in :54.2 as Bella Bellini led the outer tier first over to the final turn. Bella Bellini carried the flow to three-quarters in 1:22.2 and inherited the lead off the turn as Empressive Hill jumped into a gallop to the safety lane. Katie's Lucky Day came charging from third over after the leader and loomed closer coming to the eighth pole. Under urging from driver Trevor Smith, Katie's Lucky Day dug into Bella Bellini all through the lane and landed a nose in front at the beam. May Karp closed to finish third and You Ato Dream took fourth.

"It was a rough start," Smith said. "When Brett's mare ran right before they let us go, I kind of had to squeeze in between Mark (MacDonald, Contested Hanover) and get a little room. Once

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\$73,500 Allerage Farms Open Mares Pace in 1:48, one-fifth off of the World Record.

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I got there, it was madness. They were four-wide and no one was really falling in. Bongiorno got his out and I was able to follow him.

"I just kind of sat there and then once we straightened up the backside the flow developed and it was a great flow and I was able to be three or four lengths off at the top of the stretch. She was right in position and that's all that she needed."

Todd said was driving Katie's Lucky Day harder than Smith was.

"Just to be in this race was... you can't hardly describe it."

Smith added, "A lot of people were talking about Hall of Fame drivers in this and I just tried to take the most out of what I could. I was just happy that Todd and Greg had enough confidence to put me up and that's all that I needed — their solidification that I belonged here. I know that I feel that way and, obviously, I probably couldn't have done it without a horse like Katie but it just speaks volumes that they left me up."

Greg Luther said the mile was incredible.

"Years ago I didn't think I'd have a pacer that would go in 1:50, but to get interfered with twice, come from the second tier and trot in 1:50 was unbelievable," Greg said.

"She is by far the nicest filly I've ever trained. She gives a hundred per cent every week and she doesn't do anything wrong."

Winning her ninth race from 18 starts this season and her 15th from 30 overall, Katie's Lucky Day parlayed her \$75,000 supplement to a \$175,500 payday, pushing her bankroll to

\$512,416.

The classic victory came as part of Greg Luther's "million-dollar experiment" to stock his brother's stable with top horses.

"I can't thank (Greg) enough that he put the trust in me and my fiancée and my team," Todd said. "This is what we shoot for and today is just unbelievable.

"With what he's done and the way that she raced, with buying Catch The Fire and all of these yearlings... he wants to be on the big stage. It was four years ago that we were racing \$20,000, \$30,000 claimers and some open horses and, now, to have horses like this is... no words can describe it."

Despite the win, Greg has Katie's Lucky Day entered into the Harrisburg Mixed Sale in early November following a try at the Breeders Crown on Oct. 30 at The Meadowlands.

"If you bring the microphone this way, she's in the sale. If you take it that way [to Todd Luther], she's not," Greg said. "We'll see how she does in the Breeders Crown; that's where I'm going next. I'm going to supplement her to the Breeders Crown and she will have Trevor Smith. The Ohio boys will be there."

"We'll see," Todd said to whether Greg will stay convinced to sell Katie's Lucky Day, "but I think he'll back out."

Katie's Lucky Day was bred by Ivan Sugg and Wayne Farthing of Ohio and sold for \$7,000 at the 2019 Ohio Selected Jug Sale.

The 56th edition of the Kentucky Filly Futurity was sponsored by Crawford Farms.

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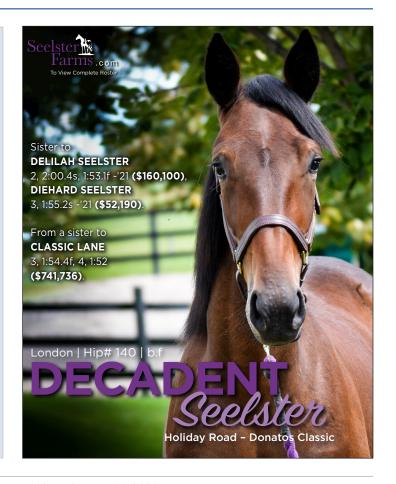
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Abuckabett Hanover (Andrew McCarthy) won the \$500,000 Tattersalls Pace in 1:49.4 on Sunday at Red Mile.

Abuckabett Hanover cashes over Perfect Sting in Tattersalls

by Ray Cotolo for Red Mile / additional quotes by James Platz

\$500,000 Tattersalls

3-YEAR-OLD OPEN PACE

ABUCKABETT HANOVER

(BETTING LINE-ALL TUCKED UP)

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ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS!

Time: 1:49.4

Splits: **:28, :55.2, 1:23.1**

Margin: **NK**

WATCH THE REPLAY HERE (RACE 11)

Owners: Crawford Farms Racing, Alagna Racing, Jablonsky

Held Stable, Barbera Wienick Breeder: Hanover Shoe Farms

Trainer: **Tony Alagna**Driver: **Andrew McCarthy**

Purchase price: \$160,000 at the 2019 Standardbred Horse

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PERFECT STING
SOUTHWIND GENDRY

Luck finally came the way of **Abuckabett Hanover** in the \$500,000 Tattersalls Pace as he raced into a second-over spot to best a hard-luck Perfect Sting at the finish of a 1:49.4 mile on Sunday (Oct. 10) at Red Mile.

Driver Andrew McCarthy sent Abuckabett Hanover into a tactical spot from post 9, settling into fifth through a :28 first quarter set by Perfect Sting. Lou's Pearlman pulled pocket into the backstretch to take over command before a :55.2 half while stablemate Southwind Gendry cruised first over to apply pressure into the final turn.

McCarthy followed Southwind Gendry's move and raced within two lengths of the lead to three-quarters in 1:23.3 as Summa Cum Laude and Charlie May began to fan off cover in behind. Lou's Pearlman drifted off the cones into the stretch to create a seam for Perfect Sting to dash through while Abuckabett Hanover lifted off his cover and inched towards Perfect Sting coming to the final yards. The Betting Line—All Tucked Up colt bred by Hanover Shoe Farms edged by Perfect Sting in time to claim a neck victory while Southwind Gendry gave chase from third and Charlie May, a \$50,000 supplement, rallied to take fourth.

"He started out the year looking like he was going to be as good as anybody," trainer Tony Alagna said after the race. "He won his first three starts and looked like everything was setting up really well. We went to Yonkers for the Messenger and he drew



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Test Of Faith (David Miller) won the \$207,000 Glen Garnsey Memorial with ease in 1:48.3.

the eight hole, that didn't go well. We had to just kind of take a deep breath. We regrouped, we went to the Simcoe in Canada, he was great there. He came here last week, he was a very good second to [Southwind] Gendry – they came a back half of :53 and change in the mud. The horse showed he was coming back around, and today was his day. If any horse deserved a big win, it was him.

\$207,000 Glen Garnsey Memorial

3-YEAR-OLD FILLY PACE

TEST OF FAITH

(ART MAJOR-CANNAE CAMMIE)

Time: **1:48.3**

Splits: :27.1, :55, 1:22

Margin: 2

WATCH THE REPLAY HERE (RACE 5)

Owners: Melvin Segal, Kentuckiana Racing Stable, Eddie

Gran

Breeder: **Fred Hertrich III** Trainer: **Brett Pelling** Driver: **David Miller**

Purchase price: \$92,000 at the 2019 Standardbred Horse

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"I think it's important for the horse and the ownership group and everybody, the caretaker, all the way through, the driver... it's a horse that's just had so much bad luck that it's nice for him to get a major stakes win.

"He had the eight-hole in the Messenger. He had the nine-hole in the North America Cup. He had the eight or nine-hole in the Meadowlands Pace, so it don't get much worse than that. It might've even been the 10-hole, I forgot it's been so bad.

Abuckabett Hanover won his seventh race from 15 starts this season and his 11th from 27 overall and has now earned \$649,313 for owners Crawford Farms Racing, Alagna Racing, Jablonsky Held Stable and Barbera Wienick Stable. He paid \$25.80 to win.

The Tattersalls Pace was sponsored by Cameo Hills Farm.

Test Of Faith wins Garnsey

Test Of Faith fired with ease to a 1:48.3 victory as the 7-5 favorite in the \$207,000 Glen Garnsey Memorial, sponsored by the Downbytheseaside Syndicate and Diamond Creek Farms, earlier on the card.

Blue Diamond Eyes cleared control past a :27.1 first quarter and cruised to a :55 half as Grace Hill advanced first over with Fire Start Hanover second over and Test Of Faith third over. Grace Hill moved to match strides with Blue Diamond Eyes to three-quarters in 1:22 and dug into the pacesetter through the stretch as the horses she carried into contention kicked off



her helmet and hit their best stride. Test Of Faith came firing fastest of all to the center of the course, outkicking Fire Start Hanover to win by two lengths while Grace Hill settled for third and Marsala Hanover rallied for fourth.

"I felt like I had to go forward," said Test Of Faith's driver David Miller. "I wasn't planning on trying to get away in the two or three-hole or anything like that... you know what, it worked out better than I thought. I landed on Fire Start's back and I knew she would go right where I needed to go. It worked out great. I never had to come up until the back of the stretch.

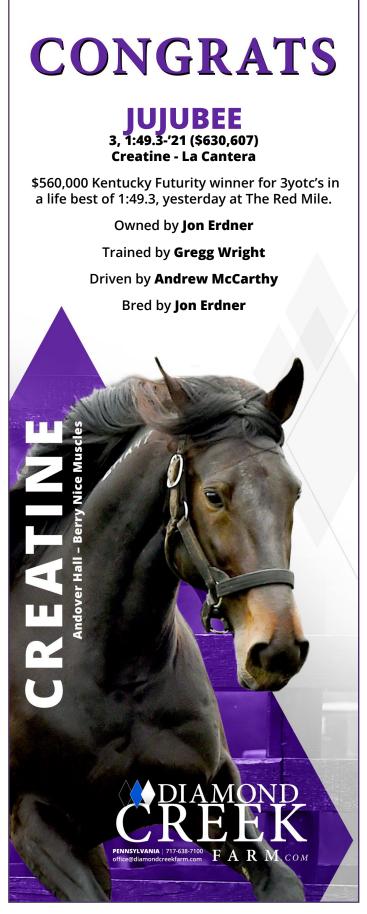
"She's just been a phenomenal horse. She's had a great year and she just did the rest."

Collecting her 11th win from 13 starts this season and her 19th from 22 overall, Test Of Faith has earned \$1,155,239 for owners Melvin Segal, Kentuckiana Racing Stable and Eddie Gran. Brett Pelling trains the Art Major—Cannae Cammie filly bred by Fred Hertich III. She paid \$3.60 to win.

"She's never not performed in her life," Pelling said. "She's been beaten three times and not one of those three times was her fault. I knew she'd be right there and it was really just how good Fire Start was going to be. She had drawn inside and I knew that Dexter (Dunn) would probably control things on the outside.

"One of the interesting things about her, she's had 22 starts in her life and made \$1.1 million. I think she's raced for \$200,000 about four times. She hasn't raced for any great purses, so she's done phenomenal that way."





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ABUCKABETT HANOVER

Betting Line - All Tucked Up p,3, 1:49.1s-'21(\$649,313)

\$500,000 Tattersalls Pace Final winner.

OWNED BY: Crawford Farms Racing, Alagna Racing Llc., Jablonsky Held Stable, Barbera Wienick Stable TRAINED BY: Tony Alagna | DRIVEN BY: Andrew McCarthy | BRED BY: Hanover Shoe Farms Inc.

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Atlanta, Allywag Hanover post world records in Allerage

Atlanta equalled Manchego's 1:49 mark; Allywag Hanover's set a new all-age standard for pacing geldings of 1:46.4.

by Ray Cotolo for Red Mile / additional quotes by James Platz

Speed came to shine on the closing card of the Grand Circuit meet at Red Mile on Sunday (Oct. 10), with the "fast" track producing world records from **Atlanta** and **Allywag Hanover** in the Allerage events.

Driver Yannick Gingras poised champion mare Atlanta to attack her competition off the final turn, and the 6-year-old Chapter Seven—Hemi Blue Chip mare, bred by Order By Stable, responded with a fierce stretch kick to a world-record 1:49 mile in the \$81,000 What The Hill Allerage Farms Mare Trot, sponsored by the What The Hill Syndicate and Hickory Lane Farm.

Atlanta landed in fourth to a :27.3 first quarter set by Felicityshagwell S, who maintained her speed to the half in :54.3 as the lone 3-year-old Altar lost stride from the pocket. When Dovescry mounted a first-over bid to the final turn, carrying Atlanta on her back, and ranged to take a narrow lead to three-quarters in 1:22.1. Atlanta then capitalized off the covered trip into the straightaway, coasting under slight high lines but all under wraps to hit the line 3-1/4 lengths better than When Dovescry. Hypnotic AM closed for third and Felicityshagwell S held fourth.

"She was great," Gingras said. "The trip set up for sure, but when she's on her game that doesn't really matter and she can put up a performance like that."



Amanda Stephens

Atlanta (Yannick Gingras) equalled Manchego's world record of 1:49 with a win on Sunday in the Allerage at Red Mile.

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ABUCKABETT HANOVER

p,3, 1:49.1s-'21(\$649,313) Betting Line - All Tucked Up by Western Ideal

\$500,000 Tattersalls Pace Final winner in 1:49.4, yesterday at The Red Mile.

Owned by: Crawford Farms Racing, Alagna Racing Llc., Jablonsky Held Stable, Barbera Wienick Stable

Trained by: Tony Alagna

Driven by: Andrew McCarthy

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Michelle Crawford and Yannick Gingras in front of the teletimer.

The driver said Atlanta hasn't been on her game in recent starts.

"She hadn't been super sharp the last couple (of starts). She was sick the first time. They gave her a few weeks off and then she raced in the Armbro Flight and after she was sick again. Then, they treated her with antibiotics and I knew if she was healthy, she'd be good, but you just don't know, but she was great."

The 1:49 mile beats the world record for aged trotting mares of 1:49.2 set by Atlanta's stablemate, Hannelore Hanover, in 2017, who was also driven by Gingras. It also matches the all-age world record set in 2019 by Manchego, who recently retired from a career worth over \$3 million.

"It's bittersweet in a way, Hannelore has been great to me. They are both great mares and I'm just very fortunate to get to sit behind them," Gingras said.

The driver said Atlanta could have gone faster Sunday, but he was careful not to push her too much in case she made a break. After all, she was racing barefoot.

"She went to the gate and scored down perfect the first time. I decided not to add a pair of bell boots on her, then the second time to the gate all she wanted to do was pace, so then I wish I had put the bell boots on her to give a little more weight.



Adam Ström / stalltz

Atlanta equalled the world record while racing barefoot.

In the other race, she felt a little pacey, so I'm not sure if she would've done it anyway without the recall, but she didn't feel like that the first time out.

"I really didn't drive on her. I could've gone faster – she had more and I knew I was close to the world record. On a regular day, I would've, but in this particular instance I was just trying to keep her trotting," Gingras said.

Atlanta's trainer Ron Burke said he knew Atlanta had that kind of mile in her.

"All she needed was fast fractions on a big track and she would trot this. She's one of the best trotting mares of all time. She's as good as anybody and I've had some of the top ones and she's as good as any that I've had," Burke said. "The marks are set to be broken, it's not a big deal. But, it's cool, you know. It gives us another world champion that we've trained and we're proud of both of them."

Michelle Crawford, who co-owns Atlanta through Crawford Farms Racing with Brad Grant and Howard Taylor (both of whom were not in attendance) said she was glad to be in attendance to see the world record.

"We're very happy with how she's been managed – we've laid off a little bit when she's been under the weather [or] she hasn't raced up to par for her. The ride over the years has just been amazing. She couldn't give us anymore," Crawford said.

From 60 starts, Atlanta has scored 30 wins and nears the \$3 million plateau in earnings. Atlanta paid \$4.40 to win and has a growing list of engagements still to come in her career, including another potential spar against male competition in the Breeders Crown Open Trot on Oct. 30 at The Meadowlands.

"Yannick just asked if we were going to Sweden, so I said 'Hey, I'm in," Crawford said, referring to a potential start for Atlanta in the 2022 Elitlopp. "He's booking his ticket, so I guess it's something that we'll talk about with the partners and see how they feel about it. And obviously Ronnie [Burke] too, he's the main decision maker."

Allywag Hanover in 1:46.4.

The all-age world record for pacing geldings received a new name for the placard with a 1:46.4 mile put in by 4-year-old Allywag Hanover to take the \$158,000 Allerage Farms Open Pace, sponsored by Jeff and Paula Gural.

Driver Todd McCarthy had the Brett Pelling trainee on the motor out of post 9, grabbing command to a :25.4 first quarter but soon getting shuffled in a contested half of :51.3. Ocean Rock swept to lead the field to the final turn over Nicholas Beach while Ruthless Hanover marched uncovered with This Is The Plan on his back, locking Allywag Hanover to the pylons to three-quarters in 1:19.1. However room opened at the inside for the Captaintreacherous—Anderosa Hanover gelding, and Allywag Hanover accelerated through the gap and extended to the finish a 2-1/2-length winner over This Is The Plan. Catch The

Fire finished third and Ruthless Hanover held fourth.

"Even though I had to use him pretty early, he covers speed so well that horse," McCarthy said. "I think the first quarter was :25-and-change and he did it comfortably. When those other two were moving around me, he settled really good. I was in a pretty good spot then and I felt pretty cozy by the time I saw that :51 pop up at the half. Then, I was just hoping that we were going to see daylight in the stretch somewhere. I thought we'd have a little bit of pace left. The way that he hit the line, he was super today.

"It's a credit to Brett. He's done such a great job with the horse. The horse is a pleasure to drive and Brett's a pleasure to drive for, too, so it's been a great journey for me and I'm loving every race we get to go in."

"He's been a wonderful horse for us," said Adam Bowden, head of Diamond Creek Farms and co-owner of Allywag Hanover through the Allywag Stable. "Brett's done a masterful job. I couldn't be more thankful. Todd was brilliant leaving hard, got to the lead and got to follow the good ones. The rest of this year and all of next year and into the future... this is going to be fun for us."

The victory pushes Allywag Hanover — bred by Hanover Shoe Farms — closer to millionaire status with \$939,938 banked from 38 starts, 17 of which he won. He paid \$5.60 to win.

Ecurie D DK wins Allerage Open Trot

While the Atlanta team ruminates a try with their mare overseas, a star from overseas in Ecurie D DK debuted a powerful winner in taking the \$136,000 E L Titan Allerage Farms Open Trot, sponsored by Blue Chip Farms LLC and Emp Invest Oy, in 1:50.4.

The 5-year-old Infinitif—To Soon stallion, bred by Jean Pierre



Amanda Stephens

Allywag Hanover (Todd McCarthy) set the all-age world record for pacing geldings with a 1:46.4 victory.

Dubois, stormed to the top in his North American foray to post a :28.1 first quarter and a :56 half as his stablemate Back Of The Neck, parked from the start, progressed to press for the lead around the final turn. Ecurie D DK held control to three-quarters in 1:23.4 as Back Of The Neck faltered off the turn, leaving Ecurie D DK to his own in the sprint to the finish. He strode the line 2-1/4 lengths clear of Forbidden Trade rallying from the back to take second, with It's Academic finishing third and Beads shooting through a seam at the inside for fourth.

"He has been racing very good in Sweden and all of Europe since he was 3, and the owner wanted to try something new," said Sarah Svanstedt, wife of and an assistant trainer with Ake Svanstedt, after the race. "They know he's good on big mile tracks like this, so that was the main goal was to put him here. And now we see what the next mission for him will be."

Ake Svanstedt sat in the sulky behind Ecurie D DK, who he co-owns with Marko Kreivi Stables and Suleyman Yuksel Stables. With the win, Ecurie D DK has won 16 from 22 starts and earned \$457,368 and returned a mutuel of \$3.40.

Rocknificent sets track record

Rocknificent recorded a track-record victory in the \$73,500 Woodbine At Mohawk Park Allerage Farms Mare Pace when stopping the clock in 1:48.

JK First Lady lunged for the lead from the outermost post in the sextet as Rocknificent pushed from the pylon post to sit second, but promptly vacated the pegs heading to a :27.4 first quarter with Peaky Sneaky following suit. Rocknificent landed a pocket trip to the backstretch with Peaky Sneaky sweeping to the lead and keeping the pace quick to a :53.1 half. Driver Scott Zeron steadily tipped the 4-year-old Captaintreacherous—Rocklamation mare out of second moving to three-quarters in 1:20.1 and put away her competition with ease through the stretch. She finished 1-3/4 lengths better than Gia's Surreal in second, with Peaky Sneaky holding third and Drama Act rallying for fourth.

Owned by Enviro Stables Ltd., South Mountain Stables and Little E LLC, Rocknificent, bred by Deo Volente Farmss and T L P Stable, won her third race from 16 starts this season and her 13th from 44 overall, earning \$956,162. Linda Toscano trains the \$2.60 winner.

"Lyons Sentinel just happens to be a phenomenal mare and we've been just chasing her every single week," Toscano said. "If nothing else, we're thrilled for this mare to not only get the record, but to be able to get her confidence where she thinks she can actually beat somebody. Every single week, she gives me her best and every single week the other mare is just a little bit better.

"(Rocknificent is) the second-best filly on paper in North America at this point. She just needs to get a trip and today, without her in there, we could make our own trip."



Vivid Wise As son best in Derby Italiano

by Thomas Hedlund

Vivid Wise As is still going strong on the racetracks all over Europe and the runner up from Elitloppet this year has also worked as a stud beside his duty on the tracks. His first crop was born three years ago and when the high staked \$925,000 Derby Italiano was held in Rome on Sunday (Oct. 10) afternoon, Vivid Wise As had one shot to become historic even as a stallion.

Marco Smorgon, who celebrated great success as a trainer in Italy and Europe 10-15 years back, has been a little bit in the shadows since Alessandro Gocciadoro's big dominance in the sport set off a couple of years ago, but when it was time for the Italian Derby, Smorgon had done the job properly. Vivid Wise As son **Charmant de Zack**, driven by Antonio di Nardo, started from post 1 behind the gate and Charmant de Zack couldn't defend the front position as Callmethebreeze (Trixton) hit the



Gerard Forni

Charmant de Zack (a son of Vivid Wise driven by Antonio di Nardo) won the \$925,000 Derby Italiano on Sunday in Rome.

lead. Di Nardo eventually found a perfect spot in second over and Charmant de Zack was the strongest horse at the home stretch in Rome. Mile rate for Marco Smorgon's winner was 1:58.3 over 1.3 miles.

Capital Mail (Nad Al Sheba) finished second, Callmethebreeze third.

Vivid Wise As' start as a sire couldn't be better and for Marco Smorgon, who has trained several top trotters throughout the years, this was his first triumph in the biggest race in his home country.

In the \$292,500 Oaks del Trotto, Enrico Bellei took a close wire to wire win with his **Crystal Pan** (Ideale Luis). As in the \$925,000 Derby Italiano, Gocciadoro had five contenders, but his horses were out of luck in both races and in Oaks his Caramel Club and Cash Bank Bigi went off stride at an early stage.

Crystal Pan had steady company from first over trotter Calypso di Poggio and these two horses battled for the title all the way towards the wire. A head separated in Crystal Pan's advantage and the 3-year-old filly came home in 1:56.3.

Garfield best in Denmark

Two big races for 3-year-old trotters were held at Charlottenlund racetrack in Copenhagen, Denmark on Sunday (Oct. 10) afternoon and in the \$105,000 Danish Kriterium, Jeppe Juel's **Garfield** (SJ.'s Caviar) was outstanding his crop-brothers.

Jeppe Juel sent his 3-year-old to the front with little more than a mile to go in the 1.6 miles long race and in that position, Garfield proved to be several lengths better than the rest of the contenders. Garfield sprinted away from his opponents in the last turn and the home stretch became a nice ride for Jeppe Juel. Garfield came home in mile rate 1:59.3 over the distance and it's clear that Juel has the dominant horse in the Danish bred "G-crop". Garfield has now claimed ten wins in eleven attempts and he has collected the more prestigious 3-year-old races so far in his home country.

Godfather (Bold Eagle), driven by Johnny Takter, finished second ahead of Gasolin (Ens Snapshot).

In the \$60,500 Danish Kriterium for fillies, Wishing Stone daughter **Gaby C N** captured leader Go On Gardenia just before the wire paired with Ken Ecce and the duo noted mile rate 2:01.2 over 1.3 miles.





Alford savors fourth Group 1 Victoria Cup victory

by Adam Hamilton

When you're 53 and have been driving for 38 years, the feature wins just mean that little bit more.

Chris Alford has done it all. He is genuine Hall of Fame material, has won more races than any other driver Down Under and boasts just about every major race that matters on his stellar CV.

But, as he drove home from Bendigo on Saturday night (Oct. 9) after winning his fourth Group 1 Victoria Cup on **Max Delight** – one of just seven Grand Circuit races Down Under – felt extra special. It was something to savor.

"The unexpected nature of it added to it all as well," Alford said. "It's not as if I went there expecting to win, or even thinking I had a real winning chance to be honest. I knew he'd be competitive, but I thought top five would be a great result."

It all changed in the first 100m of the 2,150m feature.



Stuart McCormick / HRV

Max Delight (Chris Alford) pulled off an upset in Saturday's Group 1 Victoria Cup at Bendigo.

"I didn't think we could get across Torrid Saint, who was drawn inside, but Max (Delight) felt awesome on the gate and absolutely shot out. When he crossed, I could then sit on Amazing Dream and It put me right in the mix.

"Ants (Anthony Butt) really ran along in front (on Amazing Dream), obviously driving to beat his main danger, King Of Swing, from his back row draw, but it also played into my hands.

"I was pinching myself around the home bend. I looked around and everything was off the bit, but I had plenty of horse left and was swinging against him. It was over as soon as I got into the sprint lane."

Max Delight, a \$17.60 outsider (for a \$1 bet), raced clear to win by 3.2m over Triple Eight with Australia's champion pacer King Of Swing third and Amazing Dream tiring late for fourth. The mile rate was a slick 1:53.2 for 2,150m.

It was a great training performance by David Aiken, the friend of so many in the U.S., given Max Delight's history and less-than-ideal build-up. The 5-year-old won the Group 1 NSW Derby at 3, but missed his 4-year-old season with injury.

Even more concerning, the son of Bettors Delight was scratched from his final lead-up race just a week before the Victoria Cup with a hoof abscess.

"It just shows what a great horseman 'Aikey' (Aiken) is," Alford said. "It's the third Victoria Cup we've won together, the other two were with Lennytheshark (2016 and '17) and Aikey had to nurse him through plenty of issues as well," Alford said.

We have all seen those moments in different sports when a person stands alone and completely dominates.

Michael Jordan, Roger Federer, Michael Phelps, Tiger Woods... the list goes on.

Australian harness racing has that right now with, but with two people – the powerhouse Victorian training duo of Emma Stewart and Clayton Tonkin.

It was on full display at Bendigo's huge Victoria Cup meeting.

Stewart and Tonkin took 22 horses to the Bendigo track – that's over 18 per cent of the runners across the entire meeting – and completely dominated three of the major races – the Group 1 Victoria Derby, Group 1 Victoria Oaks and Group 2 Vicbred Home Grown final for 2-year-old fillies.



In the \$A200,000 Derby, the first four 3-year-old pacers across the line were trained at Stewart and Tonkin's property near Ballarat, about 90 minutes outside Melbourne. **Act Now**, a brilliant son of Somebeachsomewhere, led throughout to easily win the Derby in a slick 1:55 mile rate for the long 2,650m distance. Blitzern, trained by their stable foreman Allan McDonough ran second, while Longfellow and Major Moth third and fourth.

Just a race later, then snared first, second, third and fifth in the Victoria Oaks.

The winner, Ladies In Red, has won 13 of 14 starts and finished second in the other. She's one of the best fillies we've ever seen in this part of the world. And she's got strong North American ties, being by Mach Three out of former U.S. mare Kabbalah Karen (by Western Terror).

Just to round-out the monstrous night, Stewart and Tonkin snared the trifecta in the Home Grown 2YO Fillies' Classic with Bettors Delight filly Jo And Jo beating Rich Beauty and Fiamma.

Former U.S. filly **Aldebaran Revani** set another personal best and made it six successive wins at Menangle Saturday night.

The daughter of Donato Hanover speared to the front in a :26.8 opening split and held-off former NZ mare Funky Monkey, who stalked her everywhere, to win by a head in a 1:52.7 mile.

It was just 1.2 sec outside the Australasian race record set by the now Swedish-based mare Maori Time, set in February, 2018.

"If she keeps progressing, she'll get her chance in the bigger races early next year, but for now there's another couple of mile races at Menangle for her to get some more experience in," part-owner Duncan McPherson said.





Stuart McCormick / HRV

Chris Alford was delighted with his fourth Group 1 Victoria Cup triumph.





Dakota Jackson still remembers every detail of his first career win

by Chris Lomon

There was nothing in front of him but the finish line, but even in the last strides, Dakota Jackson still couldn't process what he was about to achieve.

The margin of victory reads 3 ½-lengths, but it certainly didn't feel that way for the young man in the race bike on the night



Courtesy Dakota Jackson

Maine-based horseman Dakota Jackson.

of Nov. 21, 2018, at Northfield Park in Ohio.

Teaming with the 6-5 choice, a pacer by the name of Dontcallme Dude, the odds of Jackson netting his milestone score were certainly in his favor.

The only one that needed convincing was the one holding the reins

"I remember going into that night and I had three drives," Jackson said. "My brother [twin, Zachary], had just got that horse from Canada, and I qualified him in [1]:58, under wraps. He was pretty sharp coming off the qualifier. My brother had asked me to drive him the first start couple starts after we had got him qualified. He wasn't actually the easiest horse to drive. He'd go to his knees pretty good for a smaller horse and he'd get a little bumpy gaited here and there."

Which is exactly what the gelded son of Ameripan Gigolo did at the start of the race.

"We had the rail. I didn't know I was the favorite, but I knew we'd be lower odds. I remember before the race that my brother and me had talked about a few things and he had told me, 'Get him away the best you can and try not to get locked in. Just give him a shot and he should be good in here tonight.' I tried to get him off the car but he went to his knees really hard and got rolly so I had to baby him through the turn. At the quarter-pole, I looked over and saw a wall of horses sitting out there parked.

"I kind of realized if I didn't get out at that moment, I probably wouldn't have got out at all. I moved him out at the quarter and I tried to get to the front. But I had to sit out there on him in the turn and hand drive him. I didn't have to go to the whip once the whole mile. When we started up the backside, coming out of the turn and heading towards the three-quarter pole, I kind of thought that he was done. But every time I kept asking him, he just kept going forward and getting closer."

When the pair began to open up on their rivals, it was game over, at least to those watching the race.

Jackson was still unsure about his chances, at least for a moment.

"I figured we had a shot. But when I cleared at three-quarter pole, I could still hear horses behind me. I had taken a couple of peeks over my shoulder to see where and how close the rest were. When we came off the turn, I didn't know whether we would win, but I felt pretty good."

He felt even better after it was mission accomplished.

Mere seconds after hitting the wire, Jackson's emotions came out.

"When I won – I had obviously never won before – I didn't how to feel. I was kind of speechless. But I went a little crazy after the wire. I shook my whip a few times and everything. When I got back to the winner's circle, my brother was the first one to greet me. He gave me a big hug and said, 'Great drive, bro. Thank you, man.' I had my mom and dad there too. It was a really awesome moment. My mom told me, 'Good drive D, you made it!' and my dad told me, 'Good job buddy... that's it, bud."

Three years removed from the win, the amiable 23-year-old from Monroe, MI, who now calls Windsor, ME, home, is still enjoying success, in an entirely different capacity.

While he still drives on occasion, Jackson is making a name for himself in the training ranks, both on his own and as an assistant to fellow driver/trainer Benson Merrill.

Regardless of what role he's in, for Jackson, it's all about where he is.

"Growing up as a kid, my brother and I, we always had a feeling that we were eventually going to be working with the horses full time, and always knew what we wanted to do. Both of our parents, Charles and Kelly, knew it would be hard, but they were supportive of us both."

By the time he was six, Jackson had jogged his first horse by the name of Cowboy Java. He trained his first, a 3-year-old chestnut pacing filly, when he was 12, at The Red Mile for trainer Glen Bratcher. At age 18, he got his driving license. He also bought his first standardbred, a now 13-year-old pacing son of Million Dollar Cam named Milliondollardad.

Currently, Jackson has four horses of his own and helps Merrill with his band of 22.

"I don't drive much right now, but I'm very happy with how things have worked out. I stay pretty busy. Benson and his wife Lauren are great people. They do an amazing job with their stable and have a very smooth going operation. They are easy-going people and good to get along with and they'd do anything to help you if you needed it. They are very kind people and have really helped me a lot, supported me quite a bit too."

Up early and home late nearly every day – 16-hour days are not uncommon – Jackson is grateful to be living out his longheld dream.

Even in the toughest moments, he reminds himself of what keeps him coming back with a smile every day.

"I don't take any of it for granted. There have been times where you get frustrated. Just like in everyday life, you have your ups and downs, you've got your good days and bad days. I'll question myself why I do what I do from time to time, but when I have one of my horses win, it makes all of it worthwhile.

"I'm up at 5:00, sometimes 4:30. I'm a big napper, so I appreciate my naps. But ever since the fairs started in Maine, I don't get many of those. We leave around 9:00 or 10:00 in the morning, sometimes 7:00 or 8:00 to get to the races, and we don't get home sometimes until 7:00 or 8:00 even 9:00 sometimes at night. You're on the grind, but being around these great horses keeps you going."

When he does carve out time for himself outside of racing, Jackson, a passionate sports fan, will catch a baseball or football game on television or go to a live game of either, or venture out to the theater to catch the latest Hollywood release.

Whatever he happens to be doing, horses and horse racing are

never far removed from his thoughts.

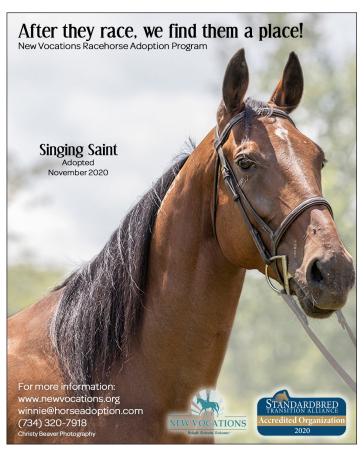
"My long-term goal is what I've always said since I was a kid. I would love to have a stable of 10 or 12 good horses. Over the next five-to-seven years, I would like to have those 10 or 12 horses and be able to compete somewhere on the east coast. It might be a longshot, but I'd love to do that. My short-term goal is to drive at the Meadowlands in the amateur races before the end of the year. But whenever you can prepare a horse to the best of your ability and see that horse win, it will always be the greatest feeling you can have."

And although it isn't quite the feeling he had in the sulky nearly three years ago, any victory is a treasured moment for Jackson.

There is plenty for him to be proud of.

"That I can compete with a small stable and also have success makes me proud. Also, that I had so many people, not my family, but random people telling me I wouldn't be able to do this and that it wouldn't work for me that it wouldn't happen... that's what makes me proud, that I was able to prove them wrong. That was one reason to drive me to do this. But my parents are probably the biggest reason I do what I do. I'm just very happy to say that I work hard and that I get to do what I always hoped I would."







Punters' delicate condition, Part 1

by Frank Cotolo

Racing conditions can be entertaining and attractive to prospective and veteran pari-mutuel players if a racing secretary and a creative marketing/public relations secretary become a team that creates sensationalized races — as suggested in this episode of Alternative Actions (AA).

A race secretary works from a traditional, mechanical set of rules in order to write a racetrack's condition book. He or she is the best judge of which horses are eligible for which races, information used to write competitive contests with full fields. The racing secretary knows more about the local racing community (human and equine) than anyone — except the public relations person. And maybe either is aware of what little impact the written conditions mean to new bettors.

From the first day I set foot on the apron of a racetrack, circa 1960-something, I was told this: "If you want to make any money playing the ponies, read the race conditions first and know what you're dealing with." Alright, I said.

Roll forward to 1984. I was in the Arctic Archipelago, in North Saanich, BC, wandering the ill-fated Sandown Park pari-mutuel raceway. A pittance of a thoroughbred meet was in progress. I read this:

1 1/16 MILES. (1:45.3) CLAIMING. Purse \$2,000. Fillies and mares, 3-year-olds and upward. Weights, 3-year-olds, 120 lbs. Non-winners of 2 races at a mile or over in 1984 allowed 2 lbs. One such race in 1984 allowed 4 lbs. Non-winners in 1984 allowed 6 lbs. Claiming price \$4,000; if for less allowed 2 lbs. for each \$250 to \$3,500. (Races for \$3,000 or less not considered).

Huh? That was it. After nearly two decades of reading such conditions and trying to measure what values they presented to handicappers, I gave up reading thoroughbred conditions. With that stress gone my handicapping actually improved.

Few handicapping chores turned off pari-mutuel bettors in New York City more than the handicapping lesson on conditions, where paragraphs were a pile of numbers, words, semi-colons and phrases like "other than," "before and after" and "not more

than," causing heavy re-reading on top of a past-performance page. It was a practice not unlike crawling through the pages of a James A. Michener novel.

Early in the 1970s, I realized it was easier to read race conditions at my local harness racetracks. In fact, it was as easy as A B C because some smart Racing Secretary created a system so simple even a New York bettor could breathe a sigh of relief handicapping. How easier can it be? The A with levels, the B with levels, the C with levels; it is perfect.

Then that disappeared, as if some higher power decreed harness handicappers must grow up and handle verbose race conditions like big boys do. Still, harness conditions remained simple.

Non-Winners of 2 Ext. PM Races or \$14,000 Lifetime to be claimed for \$10,000.

Or ...

Claiming \$8,000.

Anyway, it always appeared to us raceway apron-dwellers that race conditions are far more useful to trainers than to handicappers and so money was lost and won having the least amount of conditions reading, as in harness races, possible because the most important points are the simplest.

AA thought much over the years about the value of using conditions for novelty races, such as PR veteran John Manzi created when he ran the show at Monticello Raceway. These were specialized events with simple conditions, many times concentrated on drivers. John created a race for all African-American drivers; another for Irish-bred drivers (for a St. Patrick's Day promotion). For equines there was a race for white pacers and various other rules for collecting a field.

AA suggests the racing secretary and the public relations person(s) open their minds to races that can write simple conditions making races novel yet competitive and appealing to bettors; taking Manzi's ideas one step deeper, combining novel and sometimes outrageous conditions that could attract novice bettors and intrigue veteran punters.

Though AA understands that we do not have the ability to write conditions that appeal to the horseman communities of specific tracks, we sure can get the idea across so a racing secretary and a public relations person understand a fresh process for conditions. Let us say that they could unite like that of a song writing team. The racing secretary writes "the music" and the public relations person writes "the lyrics." Just as a song writing team works out the melodic and lyrical details, creative conditions can never just be written — they must be re-written, honed and then presented simply.

In part 2 next month AA will provide examples of such efforts and suggest how they may work as promotions for beginners and challenges for punters.





Ontario Sires Stakes Grassroots Championships were an emotional ride

by Sandra Snyder / OSS publicity

There were buoyant hugs, joyful tears and no fewer than seven first-time post season winners as the top Ontario Sires Stakes (OSS) Grassroots pacers and trotters gathered at Woodbine Mohawk Park on Saturday night (Oct. 9) for their \$480,000 season finale.

"In this business you get lots of sad and disappointing things, but when you have nights like tonight, when a horse that really wasn't supposed to be here makes a lot of people happy, it's pretty exciting," said Uxbridge, ON resident Norm Clements, whose Prince Lee Acres bred 3-year-old trotting filly champion **P L Opportunity**.

In rein to Trevor Henry, P L Opportunity tipped out three-wide coming off the final turn and powered down the stretch to a two and one-half length victory in 1:55.1 for owner/trainer Matt Dupuis of Rockwood, ON. Midnight Miracle and I Da Princess followed the fan favorite into second and third. (replay here: P L Opportunity)

The win was the Kadabra daughter's third straight and her sixth on a season that has been remarkable simply for its existence. If not for the quick thinking of Prince Lee Acres staff in the seconds after her birth, P L Opportunity would not have survived



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P L Opportunity (Trevor Henry) won the \$60,000 Ontario Sires Stakes Grassroots Championship for 3-year-old trotting fillies in 1:55.1 on Saturday at Woodbine Mohawk Park. an attack by her mother, P L Indyanaca, a first-time broodmare. After removing the tiny filly from her mother, the Prince Lee Acres team immediately put the call out for a nurse mare and were connected with the owners of a Belgian whose foal had died at birth.

"We got her down the next morning and it took about an hour to get little Opportunity attached to the new big Belgian, but they did, and it was the greatest mother that she could ever have, this great big Belgian with this little wee Opportunity running underneath her," said Clements. "Matt and Rachel (Dupuis) are almost part of my family, and Matt was very careful with her as a two-year-old because he said she's not mature and then every race this year she's got better. So it's a thrill for me to see Rachel so happy in the winner's circle, I was so excited."

Trainer Chantal Mitchell swept the \$60,000 trotting colt divisions with 2-year-old **Armstead Cole** and 3-year-old **The Prince**, getting her first Ontario Sires Stakes post season win as an owner with The Prince.

"The biggest thing I had on my mind was the post positions. I knew that they raced super in their Semi-Finals, they both had a great week, they trained up good, they were feeling good, so I was confident that they were ready to perform, it was all going to come down to the trip," said Mitchell, who sent Armstead Cole, with driver Randy Waples, and The Prince, in rein to Paul MacDonell, into battle from Posts 10 and 9, respectively.

"I am in the same barn as Paul (MacDonell) and Randy (Waples) works for us, so we can joke around, and this week Kris (DiCenzo) said, 'We're going to have to see how you two made it into the Hall of Fame with those post positions," said Mitchell with a laugh. "And Randy did a masterful drive, getting a second over trip from the 10-hole, I don't know how it worked out, but it did. And Paul did what he's been doing with that horse all year. He put him in position, put him where he needed to be to get the job done, and it worked."

Armstead Cole delivered a personal best 1:56.4, sprinting down the stretch to best Royal Champane and Stonebridge Zeus (replay here: Armstead Cole), while pacesetting favorite The Prince kept a stubborn neck in front of division point leader Sweet Soul David and a charging Mystic to record a 1:54.4 victory. (replay here: The Prince)

James "Donny" Armitage, who raised the Johnny William son and taught him his early lessons, and his father Dr. Roly Armitage of Dunrobin share ownership of Armstead Cole with Grant Watson of Ottawa and Sheryl McDiarmid of Greely. The younger Armitage's emotions overwhelmed him after the win as he thanked his father for introducing him to harness racing and his wife Glenda for all her help getting the quirky Armstead Cole started.

Archangel son The Prince is owned by breeders Daniel Malette and Maurice Lemieux's Imagine Stable of L'Ange-Gardien, QC and Mitchell, DiCenzo and Rebecca Henderson's Party Don't Stop Racing of Waterdown, ON.

Driver Austin Sorrie of Freelton and owner/breeders Daniel

Walker and Debora Stokes of Grafton, ON, made their first trip to the OSS championship winner's circle on Saturday and described the experience as slightly surreal.

"It didn't feel real at the start of it. It was just... everything was like slow motion when you were walking back to the winner's circle," said Sorrie. "It's a different kind of feeling when you win one of them."

"I'm sorry, I'm just a little hyped up at the moment, I'm not talking very well," said Walker with a chuckle. "We've been up and down on these (horses)."

Sorrie piloted **Cold Creek Queso** to a 1:53.2 victory in the \$60,000 two-year-old pacing colt final, taking command just after the half and keeping the pedal down on the way to a one and three-quarter length victory over Macho Phil and favorite Dynomites Peak. (**replay here: Cold Creek Queso**)

Sunderland, ON resident Murray Brethour trains the Betterthancheddar gelding for Walker and Stokes' Cold Creek Standardbred.

Owner/trainer Ben Wallace had warned his new partner Terry Krawec that there would be ups and downs when they



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Rachel Dupuis gives Trevor Henry a hug in the winner's circle.

purchased 2-year-old pacing filly **Day To Party** last fall, but the St. Catharines, ON resident embraced the journey and was rewarded with a Grassroots Championship victory when Doug McNair guided the Sportswriter daughter to a 1:52.4 win over favorite Delight Bayama and division point leader Dewitt For Josie. (**replay here: Day To Party**)

"They have watched the process of buying a yearling, getting it broke, the pitfalls that you encounter along the way and the possible success, which we had tonight, at the end of the road," said Puslinch resident Wallace, adding that the Krawec's have been regular visitors to his barn since they acquired a third of Day To Party last fall. Daniel Plouffe of Bromont, QC owns the other third. "And I am sure they are just shaking their heads in wonderment."

Trainer Gabriella Sasso got her first Grassroots Championship victory on the very first horse she and husband Jeff Courchesne purchased to launch their stable last fall. In rein to Sylvain Filion, **Armor Seelster** sprinted by duelling leaders Cantstoplying and Jimmy Connor B to secure the three-year-old pacing colt title with a 1:49.1 personal best. (**replay here: Armor Seelster**)

"I actually looked after him when he was two-year-old, just as a groom, and when his owners put him up for sale after his 2-year-old year my husband and I bought him. We didn't even have a harness, we had nothing, so this was the first horse that we bought that kicked off our stable together," said Sasso. "So I kind of owe a lot to him. Not only was it our first Grassroots Championship, he was kind of a first for a lot of things for us."

The Cambridge residents share ownership of the Bettors Delight gelding, who was also victorious in his Semi-Final, with Martwest Racing Stable of Mississauga, ON.

Moneyworth became the first offspring of her sire Encore Encore to win an OSS post season title with a 1:56.1 effort in the 2-year-old trotting filly championship. The division point leader, the only one to emerge victorious on the evening, and driver Scott Young swept down the stretch to a two length victory over favorite Portofino and Angelonia. (replay here: Moneyworth) Paul Reid trains the filly for Brian Kleinberg of Madison, NJ.

Cyclone Sister became just the sixth horse to defend their freshman Grassroots title with a 1:52.3 score in the 3-year-old pacing filly contest. In rein to driver James MacDonald, the Shadow Play daughter controlled the tempo and hit the wire one length ahead of Shes Got It All and Saulsbrook Olympia. Nick Gallucci trains Cyclone Sister for owner/breeder Millar Farms of Stouffville, ON. (**replay here: Cyclone Sister**)

Complete results from Saturday's race are available **here** and replays can be viewed on Woodbine Mohawk Park's YouTube **channel**.

Next Saturday (Oct. 16), the Ontario Sires Stakes season comes to a close with the \$1.8 million Gold Series Super Finals, which will see the top 10 point earners from each division battle over the Woodbine Mohawk Park oval.



Tyler Smith wins two Ohio Fair Championships

by Frank Fraas / OHHA

Tyler Smith recorded two wins, while seven drivers and eight trainers collected wins in the Ohio Fair Championships at Hollywood Dayton Raceway on Saturday (Oct. 9). Each race carried a purse of \$40,000.

Smith guided **Bittrsweetsymphony** to victory in the 2-year-old filly pace, charging down the stretch to win by two lengths for trainer Christ Hershberger in 1:52.4. The Well Said filly is 12-for-15 on the year for owners CNC Stable and David Miller.

Smith also collected the win in the 3-year-old filly trot with **Fiesty Pistol**. Fiesty Pistol shot from the rail going gate to wire to win for the 11th time this year for trainer Chris Beaver in 1:56.3. The daughter of Triumphant Caviar is owned by Beaver, David Meola, Donald Robinson, and R.B.H. Ventures Inc.

In the 2-year-old filly trot, **Crown Creation** with Brett Miller rallied around the final turn and pulled away down the stretch to win by 3 ¼ lengths for trainer Mark Winters in 1:58.3. The win was Crown Creation's 10th in 15 starts this year. The daughter of Creatine is owned by Benjamin Black.

The combination of Don Irvine Jr. and Rosy Weaver rolled this summer at Ohio fairs, and they did it again in the 2-year-old colt trot championship. Irvine, who has driven **A Handsome Face** in all 13 starts, grabbed the lead just after the quarter pole and held on down the stretch to win for the eighth time this year in 1:59.2. The Dejarmbro gelding is owned by Weaver and Heartland Acres.

The favorite in the 2-year-old colt pace championship, **Willydoitagain**, did it again, winning for the ninth time this



Brad Conrad

Bittrsweetsymphony (Tyler Smith) winning the 2-year-old filly pace Ohio Fairs Championship.



Brad Conrad

Willydoitagain (Scott Cisco) hangs on to win the Ohio Fairs 2-year-old colt pace Championship.

year for Scott Cisco and trainer Dan O'Mara in 1:53.3. Cisco took Willydoitagain three wide before the half mile mark to grab the lead and held on to win by a neck. Marjorie Polhamus owns the Domethatagain gelding.

Bearcreekhoney with Shawn Barker II won for the 10th time this year to claim the 3-year-old filly pace championship. Bearcreekhoney grabbed the lead at the top of the stretch and held on to win the title for trainer Clarence Foulk in 1:53.4. Bearcreekhoney, a Schoolkids filly, is owned by William Hartt.

Malibu Kid and Tony Hall got away slow but grabbed the lead before the half-mile pole and held on down the stretch to win by a head in 1:56.2 for trainer Dalton Walls in the 3-year-old colt trot championship. The son of Wishing Stone is owned by Walls, Bruce Soulsby, and Alan Weisenberg.

The last championship of the night was the 3-year-old colt pace. **Imagine It** with Mitchell Cushing got up at the wire to win the championship for trainer Kent Wilcox and owner Richard Copp in the fastest championship time of the night, 1:52.2. It was the 12th win of the year for the son of If I Can Dream.

County fair racing in Ohio concludes Oct. 13 and 14 from the Fairfield County Fair in Lancaster. The OHHA will provide live stream coverage Wednesday at 1 p.m. and Thursday at 1:30 p.m. www.HarnessRacingOhio.com.



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Crown Creation (Brett Miller) was the best in the Ohio Fairs 2-year-old filly trot Championship.

HRU Upcoming Stakes

Tuesday, October 12

Purse	Race	Track	Age, Sex, Gait	Race #(s)	1st Race Post
\$8,500	Autumn Series	Flamboro Downs	2+3 ON-SIRED FIL	LY TROT 4	5:50 p.m.

Wednesday, October 13

Purse	Race	Track	Age, Sex, Gait	Race #(s)	1st Race Post
\$15,000	Robert Millbank Memorial	Fraser Downs	2YOCP	1, 2	7 p.m.
\$15,000	Betty Millbank Memorial	Fraser Downs	2YOFP	4, 5	7 p.m.
\$8,500	Autumn Series	Flamboro Downs	2+3 ON-SIRED FIL	2+3 ON-SIRED FILLY PACE 2, 4,	

Thursday, October 14

Purse	Race	Track	Age, Sex, Gait	Race #(s)	1st Race Post
\$15,000	Robert Murphy Memorial	Fraser Downs	3YOCP	4, 5	7 p.m.
\$15,000	Mary Murphy Memorial	Fraser Downs	3YOFP	8, 9	7 p.m.







RESULTS & REPLAYS



PURSE CRITERIA FOR INCLUDED RACES

Non-stakes races with a purse of \$15K+ | Stakes races with a purse of \$10K+

RACE RESULTS - SUNDAY

CHARLOTTETOWN DRIVING PARK report

Sunday's Results:

- 1, Chr. \$10,000, Trot, ATLANTIC BREEDERS CROWN CAVENDISH FARMS 2 YEAR OLD TROT FINAL, 30.2, 59.4, 1:30.4, 2:01.1
 - 1-Rusty Riley (ch,g,10 Blissfull Hall-My Friend Flicka-Firm Friend) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 201-33-33-41, \$78,207
 - O-Chantel Langille, Dana Getto B-Donald Anness T-Paul Langille
 - 2-Silverhill Buddy (b,g,7 Proven Lover-Todalu-Artsplace)
 - O-Joanne Colleen Macrae, David Myers, Gwyneth Mcquirk B-Silverhill T-David Myers D-Gilles Barrieau
 - **3-Usurper** (b,h,4 Sportswriter-Lu Lu Q-Mcardle)
 - O-Next Generation Stable B-Steve Stewart T-Allan Earl Smith D-Brodie Mac Phee

Replay Unavailable -

- 3, Chr. \$10,000, Trot, ATLANTIC BREEDERS CROWN CAVENDISH FARMS 3 YEAR OLD TROT FINAL, 29.1, 59.1, 1:28.4, 1:59.3
 - 1-Mr Finlay Ridge (b,g,3 Armbro Barrister-R Rocket Rachel-Angus Hall) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 19-13-3-2, \$73,063
 - O-Mary Clare Macdonald, Arnold Rankin, Ian Tate B-Arnold Rankin T-Mary Clare Macdonald D-Mary Clare Macdonald
 - 2-Rich Daydreams (b,f,3 Armbro Barrister-Rich Dreams-Dream Vacation)
 - O-Wade Peconi B-Wade Peconi T-Kenneth Arsenault D-Kenneth Arsenault
 - 3-Camco Lexie (ch,f,3 Armbro Barrister-Chuckys Princess-Lucky Chucky)
 - O-Sandstone Stables B-Blair Campbell T-Douglas Macgregor D-Brodie Mac Phee

Replay Unavailable -

- 4, Chr, \$11,100, Trot, ISLAND OCEAN AGED MARES TROT FINAL, 29.1, 58.3, 1:29.0, 1:58.4
 - 1-Cheeky Little Minx (br,m,9 Lucky Chucky-Maloha-Malabar Man) \$5,550, Lifetime Record: \$149,887

O-Wayne Mac Rae, Howmac Farms Ltd B-Little E Llc T-Gilles Barrieau D-Gilles Barrieau



Another winner bred by Allerage Farms

- **2-Go With Her** (b,m,4 Armbro Barrister-Southwind Faith-Mr Vic)
- O-East Coast Captains B-Mitchell Tierney T-Kuri White D-Brodie Mac Phee
- **3-Sailor Blue** (b,m,6 Armbro Barrister-Sanna Hanover-Yankee Glide)
- O-Cynthia Mac Donald, Yossi Martonovich, Tanya Mac Kinnon, Tessa Mackinnon B-Meridian Farms T-Cynthia Mac Donald D-Ken Murphy

 *Replay Unavailable -
- 5, Chr, \$25,000, Pace, ATLANTIC BREEDERS CROWN FINAL 2 YEAR OLD FILLIES, 28.2, 57.3, 1:26.4, 1:57.2
 - 1-Boo Yaya (b,f,2 Stonebridge Terror-Village Bound-Jeremes Jet) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 11-4-4-2, \$43,532
 - O-Hugh Maceachern, Ali Maceachern B-Wade Peconi T-Robert Mac Leod D-Marc Campbell
 - 2-Woodmere Jazz (b,f,2 Rollwithitharry-Shadow Dancer-Western Paradise)
 - O-Reginald Mac Pherson B-Woodmere Farms T-Kevin Maclean D-Gilles Barrieau
 - 3-Therealprincess (b,f,2 Source Of Pride-Deviliciously Good-Art Major)
 - O-Eddy Doucette, Blaine Thibeau, Gordon Macleod, Grant Mann B-Blaine Thibeau T-Eddy Doucettte D-Corey Macpherson

Replay Unavailable -

- 7, Chr, \$25,000, Pace, ATLANTIC BREEDERS CROWN FINAL 2 YEAR OLD COLTS, 28.2, 57.1, 1:26.3, 1:56.1
 - 1-Stash It Away (b,g,2 Pang Shui-Allamerican Napa-The Panderosa) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 10-6-2-0, \$50,498
 - O-Reginald Mac Pherson B-Wilfred Poulton T-Kevin Maclean D-Corey Macpherson
 - **2-Soul Assassin** (b,g,2 Malicious-Mystic Eyes-Camluck)
 - O-Windemere Farms, Hollis Newson, Roger Burns B-Gregory Mackenzie T-Earl Watts D-David Dowling
 - 3-Brumby (b,g,2 Pang Shui-Anatevka-Twin B Champ)
 - O-Five Guys Horses N Lies B-Belinda Gray T-Jamie Smith D-Adam Merner
 - Replay Unavailable -
- 9, Chr, \$25,000, Pace, ATLANTIC BREEDERS CROWN FINAL 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES, 28.0, 56.1, 1:25.2, 1:55.1
 - 1-Woodmere Leah (b,f,3 Rollwithitharry-Oh Pretty Leigh-Western Ideal) \$12,500, Lifetime Recored: 22-5-2-6, \$38,880
 - O-Kenneth & Susan Lowthers B-Woodmere Farms T-Darren Crowe D-Darren Crowe
 - 2-Tobins Brownie (b,f,3 Stonebridge Terror-Putnam Mackenzie-Grinfromeartoear)
 - O-James Quinn, Carl Peterson, Amy Katherine Lakie, Brittany Watts B-Wendell Williams T-Daivid Dowling D-David Dowling
 - **3-Mystifying** (b,f,3 Source Of Pride-Dreaming-Rocknroll Hanover)
 - O-Darryl & Gordon Maclean, Stephen Downey B-Blair Campbell T-Darryl Maclean D-Gilles Barrieau

Replay Unavailable -

- 11, Chr, \$25,000, Pace, ATLANTIC BREEDERS CROWN FINAL 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES, 27.0, 55.1, 1:23.3, 1:53.0
 - 1-Woodmere Stealdeal (br,g,3 Steelhead Hanover-Very Ideal Hanover-Western Ideal) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 25-20-4-1, \$135,578
 - O-Kevin Dorey, Glenn Macdonald, Frank Brundle, Robert Sumarah B-Woodmere Farms T-Daniel Romo D-Marc Campbell
 - **2-Rotten Ronnie** (br,c,3 Malicious-Victory Cry-Brandons Cowboy)
 - O-Redmond Doucet, Andy Stewart B-Shryl Dodington T-Lennan Macisaac D-Redmond Kc Doucet
 - 3-Elliot Moose (b,g,3 Malicious-Glenview Olivia-Immachulate)
 - O-Donald Mac Rae, Bryan & Melissa Macrae B-Donald Mac Rae, Bryan Macrae T-Jason Hughes D-Jason Hughes

Replay Unavailable -

HARRAH'S PHILADELPHIA report

Sunday's Results:

- **8, Phl, \$16,200, Pace**, Non-Winners \$24,000 Last 4 Starts (Winners at this class or higher in their last start are not eligible.) Also Eligible: Non-Winners 9 Ext. PM Races or \$130,000 Lifetime, 28.0, 57.0, 1:24.4, 1:51.2, FT
 - 1-J M Mandamin (g, 5, Mach Three--J M Lasstax, by Camluck) \$8,100, \$21,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 64-17-16-7, \$191,064
 - O-Robert M Weinstein. B-R K Joe Miskokomon, CA. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Simon Allard.
 - 2-Rockin The Aces (g, 4, Rock N Roll Heaven--Mattaroni, by Matt's Scooter) \$4,050, \$60,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 61-16-7-5, \$296,274
 - O-Beverly Schiffman. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Bruce Saunders. D-Montrell Teague.
 - 3-Let It Ride N (g, 8, Rock N Roll Heaven--Love A Gamble, by Bettor's Delight) \$1,944, Lifetime Record: 67-25-7-9, \$409,352
 - O-William A Hartt & Enzed Racing Stable Inc. B-N F Nixon, NZ & Mrs M Carson, NZ. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Victor Kirby.
 - ▶ Replay ▶ Calls: 1H, 1H, H, H, 1T Finish Order: Gumption, Shnitzledosomethin, Better Take It

NORTHFIELD PARK report

Sunday's Results:

- **2, Nfld, \$16,500, Pace**, NON WINNERS \$10,000 IN LAST 4 STARTS. AE: N/W 10 PARI-MUTUEL RACES. AE: CLAIMING \$30,000 (WITH ALLOWANCES)., 27.2, 55.1, 1:22.3, 1:51.0, FT
 - **1-Tap Tap Tap (g, 5, McArdle--Bombilla Hanover, by The Panderosa**) \$8,250, \$65,000 2017 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 81-16-11-12, \$178,243 O-Matthew R Madden. B-S S G Stables. T-Jessica Roegner. D-Greg Grismore.
 - **2-Rub Ofthe Green N** (g, 10, Mach Three--Hi Ho Silverlining, by Badlands Hanover) \$4,125, Lifetime Record: 148-44-23-10, \$318,241 O-Matthew J Morrison & Neil K Balcerak. B-Mrs P R A Parker. NZ. T-Keith Kash Jr. D-Keith Kash Jr.

- **3-Executive Dash N** (g, 7, Well Said--Penscroft, by In The Pocket) \$1,980, Lifetime Record: 86-27-11-10, \$145,903 O-James E Lay. B-M J Stratford, NZ. T-Ray Farmer. D-Hunter Myers.
- ▶ Replay ▶ Calls: 2, 1, HD, 1, NK Finish Order: Mcthirsty, My Friend Mel, Billy Lincoln N, Kings Beach
- 8, Nfld, \$20,500, Trot, OPEN HANDICAP (POST POSITION 8 ASSIGNED), 27.3, 56.2, 1:24.2, 1:53.3, FT
 - 1-Thats A Bad Boy (g, 8, Credit Winner--Mathers Ginger, by Revenue S) \$10,250, \$40,000 2014 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 60-16-9-6, \$197,205 O-Marvin D Raber. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Bill Rhoades. D-Billy Davis Jr.
 - **2-Pure Chance** (m, 5, Triumphant Caviar--Jewell Creek, by Credit Winner) \$5,125, \$9,000 2017 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 59-13-16-6, \$517,197 O-Christopher F Beaver & Steven J Zeehandelar. B-Jonas L Schlabach. T-Christopher Beaver. D-Aaron Merriman.
 - **3-Winning Shadow** (g, 6, Credit Winner--Sheena's Shadow, by Yankee Glide) \$2,460, \$145,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 104-33-21-11, \$523,251 O-Racing To Win Stable. B-James G Wilhite Jr. T-Jordan Hope. D-Chris Lems.
 - ▶ Replay ▶ Calls: 1H, 1H, 1T, 1H, H Finish Order: Mac Deeno, Franks Watching, Shine All The Way, Joggingtothebank, In Secret
- 10, Nfld, \$16,500, Trot, NON WINNERS \$10,000 IN LAST 4 STARTS (MARES ALLOWED 20%)., 27.2, 56.1, 1:24.2, 1:53.1, FT
 - **1-Yes (g, 5, Manofmanymissions--Fantasy Yankee, by Muscles Yankee**) \$8,250, \$16,000 2017 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 56-17-6-6, \$334,821 O-Thestable Yes Group, CA. B-Edward H Lohmeyer. T-Jason Mcginnis. D-Anthony Macdonald.
 - **2-Wildfire Seelster** (m, 5, Explosive Matter--Warrawee Lassie, by Kadabra) \$4,125, \$23,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 103-24-14-14, \$245,261 O-Top Shelf Stable. B-Seelster Farms Inc, CA. T-Herman Hagerman. D-Hunter Myers.
 - **3-Get The Cash** (g, 6, Cash Hall--Chatterly Hall, by Tom Ridge) \$1,980, \$7,000 2016 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 99-28-7-13, \$247,420 O-Joe Palatas & K O Racing Stables Inc & Mark Maynard. B-Walnut Hall Limited. T-Kelly O'Donnell. D-Greg Grismore.
 - ▶ Replay ▶ Calls: 2, 2, 2H, 3, 5 Finish Order: Enforce The Law, Back Door Man, Triumphant's Chip, Lets Go Bucks, Stormont Park, I Get It
- 11, Nfld, \$20,500, Pace, GUARANTEED \$10,000 PICK 4 STARTS HERE OPEN, 27.0, 55.1, 1:23.0, 1:51.1, FT
 - **1-Bettor Than Spring (g, 6, Bettor's Delight--Spring Break, by Dream Away**) \$10,250, \$130,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 106-26-20-18, \$358,154 O-Randall B Bendis & Jack B Piatt II. B-Winbak Farm. T-Randy Bendis. D-Aaron Merriman.





- 2-Bernie (g, 5, Big Jim--Matilda, by Artiscape) \$5,125, Lifetime Record: 76-17-15-10, \$199,186
- O-Pod Stable LLC & Jessica E Millner. B-Ronald Mersky. T-Jessica Millner. D-Kurt Sugg.
- **3-Stride Of Pride** (g, 8, Manhardt--Apple B, by Stubby B) \$2,460, Lifetime Record: 155-44-24-26, \$414,050
- O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Bruscemi LLC & Rtc Stables Inc. B-Brian L & Kelly R Boring. T-Ron Burke. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr..
- ► Replay ► Calls: HD, 2T, 2, 2, 2Q Finish Order: Just Toyin With Ya, Venom, Youmakemyheartsing, Andale Andale, Bully Pulpit
- 12, Nfld, \$17,500, Trot, OPEN II, 28.0, 57.1, 1:26.1, 1:55.4, FT
 - 1-T Barrr (g, 6, Adam T--Lewie's Lulu, by Armbro Rotary) \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 89-13-17-12, \$272,781
 - O-Matthew J Morrison & Neil K Balcerak. B-Janet L Seville, CA. T-Keith Kash Jr. D-Keith Kash Jr.
 - 2-Luckey Stormin (g, 4, Stormin Normand--Fef Fef For Sure, by Duke Of York) \$4,375, Lifetime Record: 39-13-7-4, \$86,854
 - O-Elpidio Bernardi Jr. & Joshua Slater. B-Elpidio Bernardi Jr. T-Elpidio Bernardi Jr. D-Billy Davis Jr.
 - 3-Cumberland Gap (h, 5, Wishing Stone--Battle Axe, by Dream Vacation) \$2,100, Lifetime Record: 51-11-7-10, \$147,465
 - O-Honora Renee Bauslaugh & Barbara J Kuba. B-Charles Stillings. T-Jimmy Smith. D-Hunter Myers.
 - ▶ Replay ▶ Calls: 3, 3, 2, T, 1H Finish Order: Impulse Buy, Andover Contessa, Cruzen Cassi, High Gear No Fear, Meetmeinthehallway, Cherry Peep

SARATOGA HARNESS report

Sunday's Results:

- 6, Stga, \$15,000, Pace, Winners Over / Open Handicap W/O Posts 1-4 Open Posts 5-8, 27.0, 56.2, 1:23.4, 1:51.4, FT
 - **1-Moonshine Kisses (h, 5, Sunshine Beach--Queen's Character, by Shady Character)** \$7,500, \$18,000 2017 LONDON, Lifetime Record: 70-24-8-5, \$230,059 O-Kellogg Racing Stables LLC. B-Diane Bertrand, CA. T-Jackie Greene. D-Billy Dobson.

- 2-Michaels Boy (q, 7, Western Ideal--Bonnie Bennett, by Dream Away) \$3,750, Lifetime Record: 165-24-28-24, \$198,669
- O-Charles H Harrison & Scott A Mongeon. B-Daniel L & Michael Markowitz & Vincent Fusco Jr. T-Scott Mongeon. D-Jim Devaux.
- **3-Quagmire Bluechip** (h, 5, Art Major--Mud Pie Hanover, by Allamerican Native) \$1,800, \$42,000 2017 GOSHEN, Lifetime Record: 59-11-9-12, \$129,219 O-Abbott And Costello. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Janice Connor. D-Brett Beckwith.
- ▶ Replay ▶ Calls: 1T, 1H, 1T, 2H, 4 Finish Order: Warrawee Unique, Blaise Mm Hanover, American Zest A, The Moonshadow N, Machiatto A

THE RED MILE report

Sunday's Results:

- 2, Lex, \$20,000, Pace, OPEN Sponsored by: DR. JOHN CUMMINS & DR. JENNIFER STOWE, 27.4, 55.1, 1:22.1, 1:48.3, FT
 - 1-Wes Delight (g, 6, Bettor's Delight--Maid West, by Western Hanover) \$10,000, \$55,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 55-15-7-9, \$404,195 O-Crawford Farms Racing. B-Winbak Farm. T-Tony Alagna. D-David Miller.





- 2-Fortify (h, 4, Sweet Lou--Can't Stop Me Now, by Western Ideal) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 38-6-9-12, \$440,447
- O-Diamond Creek Racing. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Nancy Takter. D-Dexter Dunn.
- 3-Brassy Hanover (g, 5, Well Said--Bold Pink, by Big Towner) \$2,400, \$23,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 54-10-13-12, \$465,063
- O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Tim Tetrick.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, T, H - Finish Order: Chief Mate, Captain Barbossa

- 3, Lex, \$81,000, Trot, ALLERAGE FARMS OPEN MARE TROT Sponsored by: THE WHAT THE HILL SYNDICATE & HICKORY LANE FARM, 27.3, 54.3, 1:22.1, 1:49.0, FT
 - 1-Atlanta (m, 6, Chapter Seven--Hemi Blue Chip, by Cantab Hall) \$40,500, \$60,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 60-30-14-5, \$2,978,602 O-Crawford Farms Racing & Bradley J Grant, CA & Howard A Taylor. B-Order By Stable, SD. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.
 - 2-When Dovescry (m, 5, Muscle Hill--Cedar Dove, by Andover Hall) \$20,250, \$205,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 43-18-14-7, \$1,491,522 O-John E Lengacher. B-William B Weaver III. T-Brett Pelling. D-David Miller.
 - 3-Hypnotic Am (m, 4, Chapter Seven--Daydream Am S, by Muscle Hill) \$9,720, Lifetime Record: 34-13-9-6, \$1,441,503
 - O-Courant Inc. B-Courant A B, SD. T-Marcus Melander. D-Brian Sears.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 3T, 3T, 1H, Q, 3T - Finish Order: Felicityshagwell S, Ab'sattitudexpress, Kenziesky Hanover, Ramona Hill, P L Notsonice, Altar, Sorella

- 4, Lex, \$25,000, Trot, KENTUCKY FUTURITY COLT ELIGIBLES Sponsored by: THE WICKLIFFE VETERINARY PHARMACY Britney Gavenonis, 27.3, 56.0, 1:24.2, 1:51.3, FT
 - 1-Rattle My Cage (c, 3, Love You--Caress The Senses, by Andover Hall) \$12,500, \$40,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 16-4-0-2, \$93,529 O-Perry Soderberg. B-Carter H Duer. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.

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- 2-Plumville Prince (c, 3, Father Patrick--Lady Athens, by Muscle Massive) \$6,250, Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-0, \$69,028
- O-Thomas A Brice & Charles E Receski. B-Thomas A Brice & Charles E Receski. T-Rick Zeron. D-Scott Zeron.
- 3-Goodashim (c, 3, Cantab Hall--Gala Dream, by Enjoy Lavec) \$3,000, \$240,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 18-2-2-5, \$97,949
- O-Greathorse & Robert A Rudolph & David P Reid & Christina Takter. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Domenico Cecere. D-Yannick Gingras.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1Q, 1Q, T, NS, NS - Finish Order: Kildare King, Locatelli, Zenith Stride

- 5, Lex, \$207,000, Pace, GLEN GARNSEY MEMORIAL THREE YEAR OLD FILLIES Sponsored by: THE DOWNBYTHESEASIDE SYNDICATE & DIAMOND CREEK FARMS, 27.1, 55.0, 1:22.0, 1:48.3, FT
 - 1-Test Of Faith (f, 3, Art Major--Cannae Cammie, by Cam's Card Shark) \$103,500, \$92,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 22-19-3-0, \$1,155,239 O-Melvin P Segal & Kentuckiana Racing Stable & Eddie Gran. B-Frederick W Hertrich III. T-Brett Pelling. D-David Miller.
 - **2-Fire Start Hanover** (f, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Fit To Frame, by Art Major) \$51,750, \$105,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 24-12-7-1, \$1,036,397 O-Pinske Stables & David K Hoese & Lawrence M Means. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.



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3-Grace Hill (f, 3, Always B Miki--Western Silk, by Western Terror) \$24,840, \$75,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 22-10-5-1, \$700,695 O-Tom Hill, UK. B-White Birch Farm. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Todd McCarthy.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 6T, 5T, 3, 1H, 2 - Finish Order: Marsala Hanover, Blue Diamond Eyes, Notorious Pink, Thebeachiscalling, Staycation Hanover, Nashville Elgenna, Paulas Bet Hanover

- 6, Lex, \$25,000, Trot, KENTUCKY FUTURITY FILLY ELIGIBLES Sponsored by: WIESMAN STABLES, 28.0, 55.1, 1:23.0, 1:51.4, FT
 - **1-Splash Blue Chip (f, 3, E L Titan--Dunk The Donato, by Donato Hanover)** \$12,500, \$265,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 22-5-5-5, \$401,423 O-Ake Svanstedt Inc. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.
 - **2-Beautiful Game** (f, 3, Muscle Hill--Honor Thy Daughter, by Donato Hanover) \$6,250, Lifetime Record: 29-3-9-2, \$295,451

 O-Melvin Hartman, CA & David H Mc Duffee & Seaside Bloodstock. B-Brittany Farms LLC & Marvin Katz, CA & Al J Libfeld, CA. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Tim Tetrick.
 - **3-Piper Hanover** (f, 3, Father Patrick--Personal Style, by Yankee Glide) \$3,000, \$120,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 21-4-3-8, \$151,039 O-Brittany Farms LLC & Marvin And Lynn Katz, CA & Al J Libfeld, CA. B-Brittany Farms LLC & Melvin Hartman, CA. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy. *Replay Unavailable* Calls: 9Q, 8T, 7H, 4, 1 Finish Order: Dutiful, Lady Chaos, Awesome Trix, Aunt Irene, Anoka Hanover, Chablis, Presto, Eazy Pass
- 7, Lex, \$136,000, Trot, ALLERAGE FARMS OPEN TROT Sponsored by: BLUE CHIP FARMS, LLC & EMP INVEST OY, 28.1, 56.0, 1:23.4, 1:50.4, FT
 - **1-Ecurie D Dk (h, 5, Infinitif--To Soon, by Muscles Yankee**) \$68,000, Lifetime Record: 22-16-2-0, \$458,368
 - O-Marko Kreivi Stables Inc & Suleyman Yuksel Stables Inc & Ake Svanstedt Inc. B-Jean Pierre Dubois. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.
 - **2-Forbidden Trade** (h, 5, Kadabra--Pure Ivory, by Striking Sahbra) \$34,000, \$110,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 42-20-6-4, \$1,733,749 O-Determination, CA. B-Steve H Stewart. T-Luc Blais. D-Bob McClure.
 - **3-It's Academic** (h, 4, Uncle Peter--Annapolis, by Muscle Hill) \$16,320, \$50,000 2018 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 45-19-10-7, \$789,292 O-Bradley J Grant, CA. B-Gbw Breeding Farms Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1Q, 1Q, Q, 1, 2Q - Finish Order: Beads, Sermon, Ready For Moni, Back Of The Neck, Guardian Angel As

- 8, Lex, \$158,000, Pace, OPEN PACE Sponsored by: JEFF & PAULA GURAL, 25.4, 51.3, 1:19.1, 1:46.4, FT
 - **1-Allywag Hanover (g, 4, Captaintreacherous--Anderosa Hanover, by The Panderosa**) \$79,000, \$95,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 38-17-5-2, \$939,938 O-Allywag Stable. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Brett Pelling. D-Todd McCarthy.

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- **2-This Is The Plan** (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--That's The Plan, by Western Ideal) \$39,500, \$90,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 90-19-25-12, \$2,540,969 O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Bruscemi LLC & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby & Lawrence R Karr. B-Moni Market Breeders. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.
- **3-Catch The Fire** (h, 4, Captaintreacherous--Dream Outloud, by Bettor's Delight) \$18,960, \$15,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 45-15-7-10, \$1,231,674 O-Black Magic Racing, LLC & Ct Stables LLC. B-Dr Fred S Kruszelnicki, CA. T-Todd Luther. D-Scott Zeron.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1Q, 1T, 2T, 2, 2H - Finish Order: Ruthless Hanover, Ocean Rock, Cattlewash, Tattoo Artist, Ana Afreet N, Nicholas Beach, Leonidas A

- 9, Lex, \$73,500, Pace, ALLERAGE FARMS OPEN MARE PACE Sponsored by: WOODBINE AT MOHAWK PARK, 27.4, 53.1, 1:20.1, 1:48.0, FT
 - **1-Rocknificent (m, 4, Captaintreacherous--Rocklamation, by Rocknroll Hanover)** \$36,750, \$145,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 44-13-12-10, \$956,162 O-Enviro Stables LTD & South Mountain Stables & Little E LLC. B-Deo Volente Farms LLC & T L P Stable. T-Linda Toscano. D-Scott Zeron.

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- **2-Gia's Surreal** (m, 5, So Surreal--Nancy Irene, by Park Place) \$18,375, \$20,000 2017 MORRIS, Lifetime Record: 80-24-12-11, \$438,612 O-James P Graham & Edward P Peron & Lee R Winters & Thomas J Mariano. B-Black Knight Stables. T-Jim Graham. D-Bob McClure.
- **3-Peaky Sneaky** (m, 4, Bettor's Delight--World Of Rock, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$8,820, \$100,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 38-8-7-10, \$708,228 O-Howard A & Judith S Taylor & Order By Stable, SD. B-White Birch Farm. T-Nancy Takter. D-Dexter Dunn.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1, 1Q, 1Q, 1, 3Q - Finish Order: Drama Act, Alexa Skye, Jk First Lady

- 10, Lex, \$351,000, Trot, THREE YEAR OLD FILLY TROT Sponsored by: CRAWFORD FARMS Michelle & Albert Crawford, 27.3, 54.2, 1:22.2, 1:50.4, FT
 - **1-Katie's Lucky Day (f, 3, Uncle Peter--Yansky, by Muscles Yankee**) \$175,500, \$7,000 2019 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 30-15-6-5, \$512,416 O-Black Magic Racing, LLC. B-Ivan L Sugg & Wayne W Farthing. T-Todd Luther. D-Trevor Smith.
 - **2-Bella Bellini** (f, 3, Bar Hopping--Bella Dolce, by Kadabra) \$87,750, Lifetime Record: 22-8-7-0, \$683,963
 - O-David H Mc Duffee. B-David H Mc Duffee. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-May Karp (f, 3, Cantab Hall--Evermore, by Deweycheatumnhowe) \$42,120, \$37,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 27-6-6-4, \$281,408 O-Shermay Stables. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Lucas Wallin. D-Tim Tetrick.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 9, 6T, 2T, 1Q, NS - Finish Order: You Ato Dream, Pub Crawl, Iteration, Hot As Hill, Flawless Country, Herculisa, Beltassima, Contested Hanover, Empressive Hill

11, Lex, \$500,000, Pace, THREE YEAR OLD OPEN Sponsored by: CAMEO HILLS FARM Steve & Kathy Jones, 28.0, 55.2, 1:23.1, 1:49.4, FT

1-Abuckabett Hanover (c, 3, Betting Line--All Tucked Up, by Western Ideal) \$250,000, \$160,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 27-11-2-3, \$649,313 O-Crawford Farms Racing & Alagna Racing LLC & Jablonsky Held Stable & Barbera N Wienick Stable. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy.

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2-Perfect Sting (c, 3, Always B Miki--Shebestingin, by Bettor's Delight) \$125,000, Lifetime Record: 24-15-8-1, \$1,495,647 O-Brittany Farms LLC & Val D'Or Farms. B-Brittany Farms LLC & Val D'Or Farms. T-Joe Holloway. D-David Miller.

3-Southwind Gendry (g, 3, Always B Miki--Gambler's Passion, by Cam's Card Shark) \$60,000, \$30,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 26-14-2-4, \$975,741 O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Phillip Collura & Knox Services Inc & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby. B-Southwind Farms LLC. T-Ron Burke. D-Tim Tetrick.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 5, 3, 2Q, H, NK - Finish Order: Charlie May, Rockyroad Hanover, Lou's Pearlman, Bayfield Beach, Commanding Officer, His Beats Hanover, I'll Drink To That, Summa Cum Laude, Simon Says Hanover

12, Lex, \$561,000, Trot, THREE YEAR OLD OPEN TROT Sponsored by: HUNTERTON FARMS STONER MANOR, INC & MENHAMMAR STUTERI, AB, 27.1, 54.2, 1:22.4. 1:49.3. FT

1-Jujubee (c, 3, Creatine--La Cantera, by Cantab Hall) \$140,250, Lifetime Record: 21-15-4-1, \$490,357

O-Jon W Erdner. B-Jon W Erdner. T-Greg Wright Jr. D-Andrew McCarthy.

2-Cuatro De Julio (c, 3, Trixton--Clarabelle, by Ready Cash) \$67,320, \$60,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 24-11-6-1, \$388,573 O-D Farm LLC. B-Dream With Me Stable, CA. T-Marie Ortolan Bar. D-Lucas Wallin.

3-Fly Light (g, 3, Father Patrick--Hustle Heart, by Credit Winner) \$44,880, \$50,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 17-3-3-4, \$357,901 O-Ake Svanstedt Inc & Stable Why Not. B-Marvin Katz, CA & Al J Libfeld, CA. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Andy Miller.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: H, 1Q, 1Q, 2, 5Q - Finish Order: Johan Palema, Mon Amour, Ambassador Hanover, In Range, Delayed Hanover, Sonofamistery, Ahundreddollarbill, Really Fast, Dancinginthedark M

