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Observations on a bevy of Breeders Crown beauties

Summing up the Saturday Championship card at The Meadowlands.

by Jerry Connors



Observations for Saturday's (Oct. 30) Breeders Crown card at The Meadowlands – which was blessed, for once of late, to receive delightful fall weather – focus first on the sophomore divisions.

We have been fortunate to have an extraordinarily-deep 3-year-old pacing fillies in 2021.

Scarlett Hanover, Blue Diamond Eyes, and Grace Hill are just a little off “great,” but certainly very good. I think, given some of the circumstances under which she raced and kept going forward, Fire Start Hanover, the 2020 champion, rates just a little higher, as a great.

And then there is Test Of Faith. She is a classic, an all-timer,



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one of the best in her division's history. Her consistency, her adaptability, and her sheer refusal to give into any temptation to not win, are amazing. She is an irresistible force attitudinally. No disrespect to the other fillies mentioned here – any of the four of them might have been a champion in another year – but this year they have had Test Of Faith to deal with. She's earned respect.

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These fillies' trotting counterparts looked like they were going to present a great stretch drama: Altar, so fast last week, going along on the lead, with season's leader and Oaks winner Bella Bellini ready to come off the helmet in front of her.

Then, whoosh! – Altar goes offstride, and the big question never gets asked, as Bella Bellini is an easy winner and all but clinches the divisional title. And she wasn't even favored in her Crown championship.

In fact, Perfect Sting was not the favorite in the North America Cup, as recently as less than two months ago, while Bella Bellini's last time as not being the public choice was in a Pennsylvania Sire Stake on June 6.

Perfect Sting was again a slight favorite against archrival Charlie May in the glamour division Crown, and finally got the "signature victory" that trainer Joe Holloway had been long looking for. Charlie May had gotten the lead with relative ease, and at 1:23.4 to the three-quarters, we're sure many thought that the Ohio horse wouldn't be caught. But Perfect Sting went back to his own talent and the blinding speed in his pedigree, putting up a :25.4 last quarter to catch the gallant Charlie May.

Supplemental late bloomer Jujubee most certainly did not have an easy time controlling the pace in the Hambletonian-group trot, being used in a :26.2 first quarter, but he dug down deep when it looked like the whole world was coming at him in the stretch and got the job done – and in stakes record time of 1:51.2 on a day which no one would claim was conducive to record-setting.

2021 Breeders Crown earnings leaderboard

courtesy Jay Wolf

Earnings	Driver	Starts	Win	Place	Show
\$1,140,090	Dunn, Dexter	11	2	2	2
\$819,250	Miller, David	11	2	1	1
\$730,550	Tetrick, Tim	10	1	2	3
\$680,000	Zeron, Scott	8	2	1	0
\$627,790	McCarthy, Andrew	12	1	1	1
\$557,700	Svanstedt, Ake	5	2	0	1
\$548,850	Gingras, Yannick	11	0	3	1
\$358,300	Sears, Brian	8	1	0	0
\$306,000	Noble, Dan	2	1	0	0
\$261,500	McCarthy, Todd	8	0	0	2

Earnings	Trainer	Starts	Win	Place	Show
\$941,000	Svanstedt, Ake	9	2	2	2
\$592,600	Burke, Ron	11	0	4	0
\$505,200	Pelling, Brett	5	1	0	3
\$475,400	Norman, R Nifty	10	1	0	1
\$398,200	Melander, Marcus	7	1	0	1
\$352,500	Alagna, Tony	13	0	1	0
\$327,000	Holloway, Joe	2	1	0	0
\$325,000	Wright, Jr., Greg	1	1	0	0
\$306,000	Noble, Christi	2	1	0	0
\$306,000	Ryder, Chris	2	1	0	0

Earnings	Sire	Starts	Win	Place	Show
\$966,000	Always B Miki (PA)	7	3	0	0
\$715,050	Captaintreacherous (PA)	21	1	1	3
\$460,300	Chapter Seven (NY)	8	1	1	1
\$447,760	Muscle Hill (NJ)	11	1	0	1
\$401,700	Bar Hopping (PA)	3	1	0	1
\$334,800	Downbytheseaside (OH)	3	0	2	1
\$325,000	Creatine (PA)	1	1	0	0
\$325,000	Infinitif	1	1	0	0
\$315,000	Walner (NY)	8	0	1	1
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Jujubee's fellow supplemental Ecurie D DK looks like "den ægte vare" after repeating his Lexington storm away with another dynamic victory in the Open Trot. He showed the ability to keep his head when he had to get out in very tight quarters, and then he just strode away with those powerful, reaching strides that the best Europeans seem to produce effortlessly. Stablemate Back Of The Neck was up for second to make a 1-2 Svanstedt stable finish.

And how about Åke, after never having won a Breeders Crown before, capturing a pair on Saturday, with Felicityshagwell S marching straight to the lead and holding off none other than Atlanta in a big victory. You have to sort of feel sorry for poor Atlanta, never having a Crown to her credit, although she does have everything else.



Adam Ström / stalltz

After going 0-for-36 in Breeders Crown finals over eight years, Åke Svanstedt won two Crowns on Saturday at The Meadowlands - with Felicityshagwell S in the Mare Trot and Ecurie D in the Open Trot.

Rocknificent came up magnificent for Linda Toscano and connections for the second straight week in winning her Mare Pace Crown, and in 1:49, only a tick off the stake record. Lyons Sentinel again had to pay an overland price to get into contention, but she just couldn't make it despite trying hard. (We'll talk about year-end implications in a little bit.)


We started this review with Brett Pelling, and we'll end it with his horse Allywag Hanover coming up a little shy in his bid to solidify his campaign for big-level year-end honors when Ocean Rock came out of the pocket to wear him down late. All credit to the Nobles and connections – what a rich vein of form that horse is in right now! (And Cattlewash did get up for second – that's a horse, like the winner, this writer has been underestimating a little bit).

So, how does this change the big picture?

#1, #3, and #5 in the Hambletonian Society / Breeders Crown poll – Lyons Sentinel, Allywag Hanover, and Atlanta – did not win over the weekend.


#2, #6, #7, and #9 – Test Of Faith, Jujubee, Niki Hill, Bella Bellini – did win.

My guess would be that those voting might go to Test Of Faith in the next poll, but these voters don't change their minds too quickly. Lyons Sentinel had 21 first-place votes and Test Of Faith 5 before the weekend – will one race cause a huge turnaround?



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Allywag Hanover (5), Atlanta (2), and the absent-yet-returning Venerable (2) also had first-place votes – are they all likely to be given the bum rush and drop several rungs on the ladder?

Aside from the Denmark trotter, who has been impressive but against not the strongest division, I think that Niki Hill and Jujubee, in that order, will get the biggest boosts. Charlie May had 71 points, Perfect Sting 64 – those totals will reverse, and Perfect Sting may open up a bit of a margin.

But here's something you have to keep in mind: there's still a lot of racing to be done.

Kindergarten Finals and Final Fours for the 2-year-olds. Matrons for the 2- and 3-year-olds (plus the Progress for colts, which could affect TVG invitation decisions). Indiana stakes for 3-year-olds. The TVG Championships, with the intriguing possibilities of some 3-year-olds accepting bids, or an Atlanta, taking a shot

against the boys.

Don't mark any ballots in your head yet. Stay open to what racing is still to come. "It all comes down to the Breeders Crown" to some extent, but with a mixed bags of results such as we had, plus given the messy conditions Friday, there is still a lot of evidence to be heard before the balloting.

Statistical highlights

Dexter Dunn and Scott Zeron both won a Breeders Crown on each card. David Miller and Åke Svanstedt won twice on Saturday (the first two ever for Svanstedt, as previously noted).


Dunn wound up 11 2-2-3 in the Crowns, and since every horse got a check, he managed to ring up a cool \$1.1 million over the weekend to top the drivers' side. (By the way, he earned just over \$500,000 of that on Friday).

According to our numbers, David Miller, Tim Tetrick, Scott Zeron, Andrew McCarthy, Åke Svanstedt, and Yannick Gingras each drove the winners of over \$500,000 in the Championships. (Gingras won five eliminations, but he had no victories this weekend, although he did post three seconds). And if that sounds like chump change in the fast lane, remember that drivers get 5 per cent commission, so each of these fellows pocketed \$25,000 or more over the weekend.




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Jujubee, with trainer Greg Wright, Jr., likely elevated himself in the Hambletonian Society / Breeders Crown Weekly Top 10 poll after winning the 3-year-old colt trot Crown.



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The only trainer to win two Crowns? Yes, it was the fellow that hadn't won a Crown before Saturday, Mr. Svanstedt. The barn posted a 9 2-2-1 output, with that 1-2 finish in the Open Trot, and earned over \$900,000 on the weekend by our numbers. Ron Burke (no wins, but four seconds), Nifty Norman, and Brett Pelling also saw their horses bankroll half a million.

The winning post positions in the 12 Crowns were pretty spread out – posts three and six had two wins, and only post nine (and yeah, 11 if you want to get technical about it) went winless. Favorites won five of the 12 races, 41 per cent, about average.

The varieties of winning styles were very interesting: only a couple of outright pace-setters, a couple of early movers, some pocket-sitters, and five horses two-wide before the half: a first-over, three second-overs, and a third-over. Some horses were the beneficiaries of great trips; some did not have the trips they want work out at all, whether through weather, competitive tactics, or just better opposition.

Final observation

I took the 12 divisions and rated them, right now, in three categories:

"I'm pretty sure I know for whom I will vote as Champion"

"I have my ideas on Champion nearly complete, or narrowed down to a couple" and "I'm really not sure what way I'll go."

Five of the first, five of the second, two of the third. (Try the exercise yourself.)

Which means that more than half of the categories do NOT contain sure things, in my mind. Which means I'm going to be paying very close attention to those November races we mentioned above.

Which reminds me to get rid of as much bias as I can – male vs. female, trotter vs. pacer, and such divisions. I generally am not too sentimental, don't really "like" certain horses and follow them blindly, so I don't fall into that trap.

I hope that you will follow the rich racing season that is left, and enjoy its clashes and successes.

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Breeders Crown handle is strong despite afternoon shift

by Brett Sturman

Playing host to the Breeders Crown for the first time since 2016, this year's edition at the Meadowlands brought with it an additional wrinkle from a handle perspective.

Due to a conflict with Monmouth Park's "Monmouth at the Meadowlands" turf meeting, an agreement was reached where the Meadowlands would be able to race the four 2-year-old Breeders Crown nighttime on Friday as per usual, but the eight Breeders Crown races on Saturday would have to shift to the afternoon.

The choice to race Saturday afternoon wasn't anyone's first choice at either the Hambletonian Society or the Meadowlands, though there were some reasons in advance to be cautiously optimistic. Having to go against the premier thoroughbred




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Even horrible Friday night weather couldn't dampen the spirits of trainer Lucas Wallin who won his first Breeders Crown with 2-year-old trotting colt Rebuff.

signals would seem to be a downside, though the shift to a noon post time allowed for export of their signal to the European market, like Hambletonian Day.


So, how did the handle for the 13-race Breeders Crown card play out? All-source handle was \$4,121,378 and will be boosted higher as handle figures from Europe come in later. By most reasonable expectations, Saturday's daytime handle of \$4,121,378 combined with handle from the 13-race Friday night card of \$3,251,098 for a total of \$7,372,476, should be viewed as a success.

Breaking the \$4 million mark on Saturday afternoon was a massive turnaround from last Saturday's Breeders Crown eliminations, also run in the afternoon. That day, the handle was just \$1,971,951 over 12 races. It's rare that the Meadowlands ever handles below \$2 million on a Saturday, let alone during Breeders Crown eliminations. That sub \$2 million total from last week was also less than the Friday night Breeders Crown elimination card that handled \$2,145,473. By comparison, the last time the Meadowlands played host to the Breeders Crown in 2016, the Saturday eliminations handle was 21 per cent higher than the Friday eliminations handle. Based on those observations, it's likely that any early cautious optimism may have given way to concern heading into this weekend, and Saturday in particular.



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The weekend got off to a strong start when Friday's 2-year-old Breeders Crown final's card – in miserable weather conditions – handled \$3,251,098, a jump of over \$1 million from the prior week's 2-year-old eliminations card. From there, as cold, windy, and wet conditions gave way to dry skies and warmer temperatures on Saturday, it seemed as if the momentum would continue.

There were early signs that the Meadowlands was going to be for a good day on Saturday; one of which was the Pick-5 wager that kicked off the card in race 1. During last week's eliminations, handle for the wager was in the low \$50,000's for both the Friday and Saturday cards. This week, Friday's 2-year-old Breeders Crown finals card began with a Pick-5 pool of \$73,903. While that was up from last Friday, the Saturday card kicked off with nearly a \$100,000 pool, \$94,228 to be exact.

Based on a combination of win-place-show pool totals combined with the exacta and trifecta pools, the middle of the card saw the strongest handle. In these races, both WPS pools were over \$100,000 and the exacta or trifecta pool toppled that six-figure threshold, too. Not coincidentally, the first race that occurred was in race 6 that featured the showdown between Charlie May and Perfect Sting in the 3-year-old pacing colt division. Race 7 continued with a similar showdown in the Crown final for 3-year-old pacing fillies with two horses dominating the wagering, Altar and Bella Bellini. Also strong was the trotting side of the glamour division, where Jujubee rebounded from his elimination loss to take the Crown for 3-year-old trotting colts.

Jujubee was one of four favorites that delivered on Saturday's card, giving favorites a 50 per cent win-rate on the day. On Friday's four Breeders Crown races, the only winning favorite was Niki Hill who crushed them in the 2-year-old pacing fillies' division. Though favorites won half the Breeders Crown races on Saturday, the four that lost were all at short odds-on prices. It includes Atlanta, who continued to find the Breeders Crown elusive. Also, at 50-cents on the dollar in addition to Atlanta was Altar, who was set to brace for Bella Bellini when Altar broke on the lead in the stretch, as well as Lyons Sentinel who couldn't reach against Rocknificent. The shortest priced favorite to lose was Allywag Hanover who, especially on the heels of the Lyons

Sentinel loss two races prior, had a golden opportunity to make his claim for Horse of Year.

If there was one area of improvement that could have made the card even more of a success, it would have been more aggressive wagering guarantees that the Meadowlands could have offered. For its signature Pick-4 wagers offered in race 6 and again in race 10, it didn't step outside of its normal guarantee of \$50,000. With a standard guarantee that would have never been in question under any condition, the early Pick-4 which covered four Breeders Crown races handled \$145,976. Even the late Pick-4 which concluded the card and included two non-Breeders Crown races still handled \$89,540. I don't know how much higher that aggressive guarantees would have driven the handle, but it would have been nice for something outside of what the usual card offers; things the Meadowlands has typically done for standout cards in the past.

Handle has been up considerably all over the place for over the past year so historical comparisons may not mean as much, but for what it's worth this year's Breeders Crown surpassed the total from when the Meadowlands last played host to the event in 2016. That year, the combined Friday-Saturday handle was \$6,409,798. This year's Friday night/Saturday afternoon total was \$7,372,476.

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Ocean Rock posts rugged 16-1 upset winning Crown Open Pace

story by Frank Cotolo / quotes by Dave Briggs

With catbird-seat comfort, betting outsider Ocean Rock, with Dan Noble driving, won the \$600,000 Breeders Crown Open Pace at The Meadowlands on Oct. 30, crossing the wire in 1:48.3 over the odds-on favorite, Allywag Hanover.

A speed-loaded field of 10 older pacing males competed the menu of Breeders Crown finals for 2021 with a 16-1 winner. Ocean Rock was one of only a pair of betting outsiders to win in the second program of Breeders Crown divisional finals (the other two-digit-paying winner was the Mare Trot Final's Felicityshagwell S).

The humungous public choice in the Open Pace was the Brett Pelling-trained fireball Allywag Hanover. In the race, he led the stalwart field from the :53.2 half through three-quarters in 1:21.2 before Ocean Rock, who never left the pylons while maintaining the second spot until the late stretch, came out and charged at the leader within striking distance of passing him at the wire.

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Allywag Hanover was all out trying to hold second but wound up in the show spot when another outsider, Cattlewash, at 9-1, with plenty of pace left after tipping three wide, put in a frantic few steps when it counted most.

Ocean Rock paid \$34.80 to win.

"I thought he raced super," said Todd McCarthy, Allywag Hanover's driver. "We just had to do a little bit too much early. That first half was pretty steep for him. Usually, he's been [on top] by the turn. Just having to do that little bit more today, I was worried it was going to take a toll on him late. He hung in there like a champion and he fought all the way to the wire. I couldn't be happier with his performance. He was trying his heart out, but we had a good group following us today."

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Ocean Rock, out of the On The Attack mare Ocean Pearl, was teetering on the brink of millionaire status before winning the Breeders Crown Open Pace. He now has earnings of \$1,209,522.

The Midwest product began his stakes parade with an Aug. 14 Northfield Park win in the \$100,000 Myron Charna President's Pace and campaigned against the best Buckeye older pacers at Scioto where he won an \$85,000 Ohio Sires Stakes event and beat Nicholas Beach (also in the Crown final) in the \$135,000 Jim Ewert Memorial, the first in his track-hopping stakes triptych that included the \$182,000 Hoosier Park Pacing Derby at Indiana's Hoosier Park and the \$168,000 Dayton Pacing Derby at Ohio's Dayton Raceway.

Oddly enough, Ocean Rock lost to Allywag Hanover in Lexington, finishing fifth in an Allerage Stakes for older pacing males, which was his last race before leaving Kentucky to head farther north and meet his most competitive group.

Aside from Chris Page steering Ocean Park to the win in the Hoosier Pacing Derby, top Ohio reinsman Dan Noble guided the 4-year-old gelded son of prolific Ohio sire Rockin Amadeus through the summer surge of stakes that hit its zenith in New Jersey.

Christi Noble, driver Dan Noble's wife, trains Ocean Rock. She took one of the three byes in the field to get into the final (the others were Allywag Hanover and Catch The Fire).



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Ocean Rock (Dan Noble) pulled off a 16-1 upset in the Breeders Crown Open Pace on Saturday at The Meadowslands.

"One thing I do know about this horse, and it's happened in Ohio, we took the bye based on the decision that he is much better on a three- or four- week layoff," Dan said.

Noble agreed that is an unusual pattern, but insisted he and Christi have learned that is how Ocean Rock likes it and how they like it as a husband-wife team.

"It means a lot to work together," Dan said, making a point of expressing how they work with "this very special horse."

The Noble family is a generational business; Dan is the son of the late Ohio horseman Sam "Chip" Noble III.

"The owners that bred him were in business with my father," Dan said of Ocean Rock's owner Sandra S. Burnett of Ohio. "And it was one of the last ones that he trained before he passed."

Asked what his father would make of his son winning his first Breeders Crown, Dan's voice quivered and tears came to his eyes.

"I just wish (he was here so) I knew what he would say about Ocean Rock," Dan said.

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Plan to showcase European trotter working to perfection after dazzling Crown win

story by James Platz / quotes by Dave Briggs

The list of international horses that have traveled stateside and won Breeders Crown finals is short, yet distinguished. Saturday afternoon (Oct. 30) at The Meadowlands, Ecurie D, making only his second start on U.S. soil, dazzled in the \$650,000 Championship for open trotters, dashing to a 1:52 score. The 5-year-old son of Infinitif-To Soon was sent off as the heavy favorite and lived up to the hype for trainer Ake Svanstedt, who steered his charge to victory in the day's 10th race.

In an interview before the race, Svanstedt said that he pulled the front shoes on Ecurie D, leaving only the hind shoes on for his



ECURIE D

INFINITIF-TO SOON

was bred by

JEAN-PIERRE DUBOIS OF FRANCE

Breeders Crown debut. He felt it provided better balance for the trotter, and after Saturday's performance, few could argue with the results. Bred in Kentucky by the renowned French horseman Jean-Pierre DuBois and owned by the Swedish partnership of Marko Kreivi Stables Inc., Suleyman Yuksel Stables Inc. and Ake Svanstedt Inc., the stallion won by an impressive two and one-quarter lengths. Back Of The Neck, driven by Scott Zeron for Svanstedt, appeared to be the only horse able to cut into Ecurie D's growing margin in the lane, surging late to finish second at 62-1 odds. Ready For Moni, 38-1, held on for third after briefly leading while racing out of the last turn.

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ECURIE D - *\$0.50

INFINITIF-TO SOON

Time: 1:52

Splits: :27.3, :55.1, 1:24.2

Margin: 2Q

Owners: Marko Kreivi Stables Inc., Suleyman Yuksel Stables Inc., Ake Svanstedt Inc.

Trainer: Ake Svanstedt

Driver: Ake Svanstedt

PLACE & SHOW

BACK OF THE NECK - \$62.50

READY FOR MONI - \$38.60

You have to manage him," said Svanstedt's wife, Sarah. "You have to have him on a helmet. In the race, as soon as the race is on, then he's fully into it."

The performance was a fitting encore to Ecurie D's introduction to racing in the United States. After a winning qualifier in late September in New Jersey, the veteran trotter lined up behind the gate in the \$136,000 Allerage Farms at The Red Mile on Kentucky Futurity day. He wired the field for the trainer, winning by more than two lengths in 1:50.4. After triumphs in 15 of 21 European starts, the partnership sent Ecurie D to the Svanstedt Stable in hopes of contesting several fall stakes events. The plan did not work out as expected.



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European invader Ecurie D (Ake Svanstedt) dominated the Breeders Crown Open Trot on Saturday at The Meadowlands.

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"It took longer than it was supposed to be for this year. He raced in the Elitlopp and it changed the plan... and then having to do this almost two-month quarantine," Sarah said.

Therein lies the challenge of targeting the Breeders Crown for many Europeans, and the reason more horses have not crossed the ocean to participate in our biggest events. By aiming for the fall championships, it requires some sacrifice at home when mapping out a horse's campaign.

"If you bring them over, they can start up in the spring, but when you have races there early in the spring that you want to be a part of, too, it's difficult, especially for a stallion," said Sarah. "The fillies, it might not be that long... but they knew that Breeders Crown was his main goal to have him ready for it."

While the connections were not able to drop Ecurie D into other stakes they had circled on the calendar, the plan for the Breeders Crown remained intact, and they paid the handsome supplement of \$62,500 to compete. Sarah Svanstedt admits that when the stallion arrived in their barn, they had no previous exposure to the winner of more than \$400,000 in overseas purses.

"No, but the owner we've known for a long time. They said they had an idea to bring him over and try to bring him to stud... to show him," she said. "He has been gorgeous since day one. He has been outstanding."

If the objective was to showcase Ecurie D as a promising stud, the international star has certainly done his part. In two starts,

the trotter has banked \$393,000 for his connections. With Saturday's victory, he adds his name to a select list of European horses that have won Breeders Crown events. He joins Varenne (2001), Equinox Bi (2007), Commander Crowe (2014) and Bold Eagle (2019) as Open Trot champions.

Ecurie D's victory was one piece of a very big day for Ake, who had previously struggled to reach the winner's circle in Breeders Crown Championships. Winless in 36 prior attempts, he broke through with Felicityshagwell S in the \$300,000 Championship for pacing mares before doubling up with Ecurie D, who returned \$3,00-\$2.40-\$2.10.

"Yeah, I know. And no rain! I was, like, 'Oh God, no rain' because we don't do too great in rain... so it was like another mission of not having another Breeders Crown," Sarah said. "So I was up early and I looked on the phone and they should've had a camera on my face... I was, like, 'No rain?' and I was re-doing the app like three times because I didn't know what I was seeing."

With his Breeders Crown schneid in the rearview mirror, Ake's focus now turns to the TVG final. Should he win there, Ecurie D would force an interesting discussion. With only a three-race sample size, could the 5-year-old warrant divisional honors? So far, he is making a compelling argument.

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A sophomore stakes bridesmaid no more; Perfect Sting wins the Crown

story by James Platz / quotes by Dave Briggs

In the week leading up to the \$600,000 Breeders Crown final for sophomore pacing colts, trainer Joe Holloway made the case for his charge, Perfect Sting, not receiving his due respect in the division. Saturday afternoon (Oct. 30) at The Meadowlands, the royally-bred son of Always B Miki—Shebestingin silenced his doubters and made a statement of his own. Last year's Dan Patch Award winner and driver David Miller took aim at leader Charlie May in the stretch and put away his rival late in the mile by a length to collect his second Breeders Crown trophy with a 1:49.4 performance.

"He's been the most consistent and he's made the most money," said Holloway. "I realize we lost a few races it looks like we should have won. I just think he's a great horse and he deserves it today."

Miller steered both Always Be Miki, a two-time Crown winner in his own right, and world champion Shebestingin during their

\$650,000 Breeders Crown final

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Splits: :27.3, :55.4, 1:23.4

Margin: 1

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careers. He first laid eyes upon the colt before he was first broken, and has become attached to Perfect Sting through the last two seasons. That made Saturday's win all the more special.

"It's very gratifying. All year long, he's been the bridesmaid, and it's nice to see him win a big race. A few of those (losses) were heartbreaking. I'm so proud of him, so happy for the horse. It's a tough 3-year-old season and he's stood up every fight and made a good showing of himself," Miller said.

For any other horse, a seasonal slate of 6-8-1 from 15 starts and earnings topping \$970,000 would signal a tremendous campaign. However, the burden of expectations placed on Perfect Sting entering the 2021 campaign produced a massive target for the horse. After winning each of his 10 freshman starts, including last year's historic dead heat in the Crown final at Harrah's Hoosier Park, the colt danced in all the big dances this year. Unfortunately, instead of scoring decisive wins, Holloway's pupil collected a series of narrow runner-up performances in the North America Cup, Meadowlands Pace, Cane Pace, Little Brown Jug, and most recently, the Tattersalls Pace. It led to the Hall of Fame trainer quipping the horse was "six feet from greatness" after an emotional and trying season.

"Absolutely, he's raced good and he's beat horses. We go up there for the North America Cup and they were raving about Bulldog (Hanover) and he comes first up against him and then we get nipped by Desperate Man. Then, we're in the Jug and



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Perfect Sting (David Miller) winning the Breeders Crown sophomore pacing colt final on Saturday at The Meadowlands.



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Lou's Pearlman," said Holloway. "It's been tough, to say the least."

Saturday, if the winning margin was six feet it was a mile, as Perfect Sting gunned down Don Tiger's homebred to capture a signature win in the glamour boy division for Holloway and breeders/owners Brittany Farms and Val D'Or Farms. In rein to Hall of Famer Miller, the sophomore and his pilot set their sights on the lead early from post five, producing a pocket trip behind Charlie May and Brett Miller, who brushed to the front after a :27.3 opening panel. David Miller sat through fractions of :55.4 and 1:23.4 before leaving the pylons with the slightest of favorites. In the stretch, Perfect Sting made it look easy, pacing by Charlie May with a :25.4 kick on the way to his seventh seasonal score and 17th in 26 career starts. Chase H Hanover finished five lengths back in third.

"I felt pretty confident halfway through the stretch," Miller said of the drive to the wire. "I was getting to Charlie and I hadn't pulled his plugs yet. When I kicked them out, he took off."

Already a millionaire, the win pushed Perfect Sting's 2021 tally to \$1,273,847. His career bankroll now stands at \$1,808,147. He paid \$4.40-\$2.40-\$2.20 with the win.

"When David got to the front fairly easy, I felt like the first quarter was slow enough that if I let him keep cutting it out, we would have no shot. But at the same time, I think David might even have been waiting to get his horse covered up," Brett Miller said of his strategy with runner-up Charlie May. "Really, a half in :55.4 for those colts, that's not anything crazy. We just turned it into a sprint, and he just out-sprinted me. Most of the time when you come home in :26 on a track that's not super fast, that's enough to do it. But Perfect Sting was pretty vicious today."

The victory produced several significant Breeders Crown notes. Perfect Sting is the first male pacer to win trophies at 2 and 3 since Artiscape accomplished the feat in 1997 and 1998. The win was also Holloway's first in a sophomore pacing colt final since Jenna's Beach Boy won at Woodbine with a 1:52.4 effort in 1995. The son of Beach Towel, like Perfect Sting, delivered Crown wins at 2 and 3 (and later 4) for Holloway, who now counts nine Crown Championships to his credit. Miller added his 29th Breeders Crown victory. He trails only Ron Pierce (30), Brian Sears (35) and John Campbell (48) in winner's circle visits in Crown finals.

Perfect Sting's win was also yet another signature win for George Segal's Brittany Farms, who leads all owners with 21 Breeders Crown Championships. The win also broke a tie with Hanover Shoe Farms for total trophies by a breeder (27) entering Breeders Crown weekend. Does it ever get old for Segal?

"Absolutely not. I'm only 83 and I've got a lot more years to go," he replied.

By virtue of his Crown win, Perfect Sting earned an invitation to the TVG final. There is also the looming question of where the colt will stand stud after the season. Segal was non-committal on both fronts after the victory.

"We'll get to that after we finish enjoying this day," he said.

In a season where their champion has suffered several tough losses prior to Saturday's thrilling triumph, the connections have earned that right.

— with files from Ken Weingartner

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p,3, 1:48.1-'21 (\$1,808,147)

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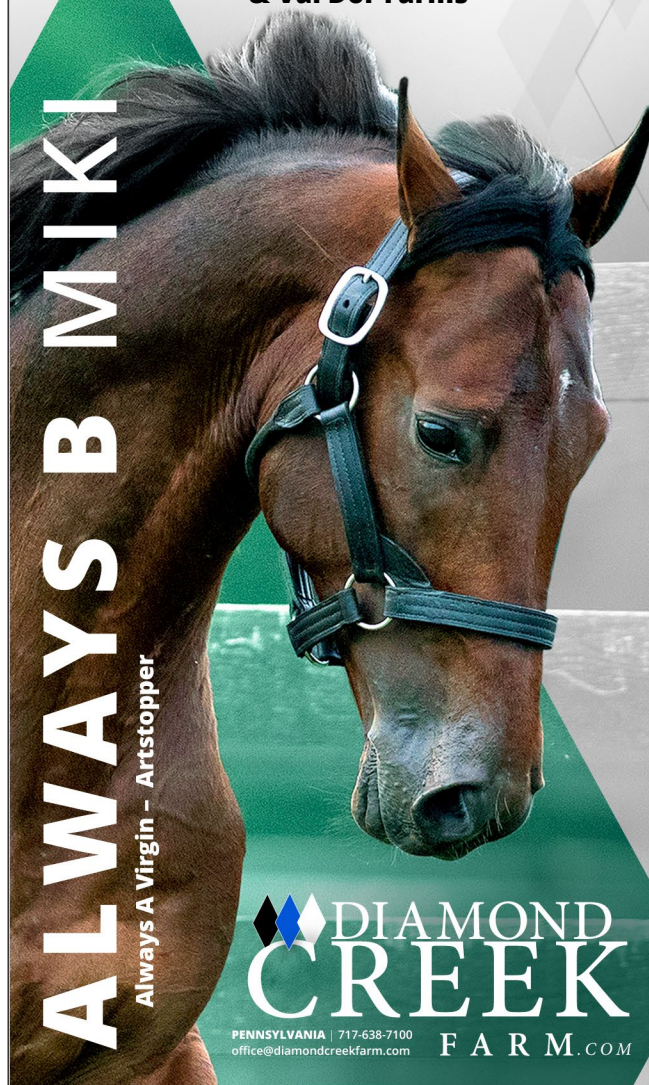
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Test Of Faith topples Fire Start Hanover in possible year-end Crowning win

story by Ray Cotoledo / quotes by Dave Briggs

Last season, trainer Brett Pelling shelved Test Of Faith following her victory in the International Stallion Stakes on Oct. 9 – a 1:48.4 mile; just a fifth of a second off Warrawee Ubeaut's world record set in 2018. At the same time, Richard "Nifty" Norman had a developing star in Fire Start Hanover, who ventured from Lexington to Harrah's Hoosier Park with Test Of Faith's absence to sweep the elimination and then the final of the Breeders Crown 2-Year-Old Filly Pace to snatch year-end honors.

Test Of Faith, with a single blemish to her otherwise unbeaten card coming into her sophomore season, won her first five starts of the season. She then faced Fire Start Hanover for the first time on the year in the \$62,800 Tompkins-Geers on July 31. From a second-tier post, Test Of Faith forged to the lead through the first half of the race, but had Fire Start Hanover behind her from the pocket before driver Dexter Dunn tipped her off David Miller's helmet and nailed Test Of Faith on the finish.

From that point forward, Test Of Faith came out on top over Fire Start Hanover in all of their proceeding matchups. She vaulted through the "slop" in the \$150,000 Bluegrass Stakes at The Red

\$600,000 Breeders Crown final

3-YEAR-OLD FILLY PACE

TEST OF FAITH - *\$0.30

ART MAJOR – CANNAE CAMMIE

Time: 1:49.4

Splits: :27, :55.4, 1:23.2

Margin: 1

Owners: Melvin Segal, Kentuckiana Racing Stable, Eddie Gran

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Hip#27 ALWAYS A SHOW OFF, filly

Always B Miki - Beach Showoff by Somebeachsomewhere
Third foal (oldest is 3) and the half sister to SHOWMEURSWEETSIDe p,2, 1:55f-'21. From the 100% producing sister to BEST IN SHOW p,3, 1:48 (\$788,399). Second dam is double millionaire, PUT ON A SHOW p, 1:47.3.

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Muscle Hill - Tiffanys Flash by Cantab Hall
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Hip#37 CANT STOP LOU, colt

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Hip#60 SWEET GALLIC SEA, colt

Sweet Lou - Gallic Sea by Somebeachsomewhere
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Mile in :25.4 and then hustled off cover to secure a two-length victory the next week in the \$207,000 Glen Garnsey Memorial. The race for year-end honors coming to the sport's marquee, and often award-deciding, event had Test Of Faith in need of one elusive victory to solidify her card for divisional, and into conversation for Horse of the Year, recognition.

A Breeders Crown victory before the race was no certainty, but still seemed well within grasp for Test Of Faith. Her dam, Cannae Cammie, competed in the Breeders Crown at ages 2 and 3 and even won her elimination for the 2010 3-Year-Old Filly Pace. But she lost in both outings with her best finish coming as a fourth-place effort to champion mare Put On A Show in 2010. Test Of Faith also comes from a stable of Breeders Crown royalty in Pelling, a champion Down-Under-born conditioner who owns 11 trophies in the series. But Pelling, after his famous departure from North America in 2006 to his return in 2016, had just one Breeders Crown victory in his second act when Caviart Ally upended star mare Shartin N in the 2019 Mare Pace



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Test Of Faith (David Miller) furthered her case for a possible Horse of the Year title with an impressive win in the Breeders Crown final for sophomore pacing fillies on Saturday at The Meadowlands.

CONGRATS

JUJUBEE

**3, 1:49.3-'21 (\$961,857)
Creatine - La Cantera**

\$650,000 Breeders Crown Final winner for 3yotc's, yesterday at The Meadowlands.

Owned by **Jon Erdner**

Trained by **Greg Wright Jr.**

Driven by **Andrew McCarthy**

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at Woodbine Mohawk Park. He otherwise was within grasp of a second Crown trophy when Papi Rob Hanover finished first in the 2019 2-Year-Old Colt and Gelding Pace at Woodbine Mohawk Park, but interference in the stretch disqualified him to second behind Tall Dark Stranger. Prior to Caviart Ally, Pelling last won in the 3-Year-Old Filly Pace in 1996 with Mystical Maddie.

Test Of Faith floated off the wings of the starting car the 1-5 favorite to win the \$600,000 Breeders Crown 3-Year-Old Filly Pace but settled to race sixth while caught off the cones to a :27 first quarter, set by Fire Start Hanover. Driver David Miller remained patient with Test Of Faith and eventually was rewarded when Blue Diamond Eyes took the bait to race first over to a :55.4 half.

"It didn't go like I thought," David Miller said of the trip. "I was planning on leaving and probably getting away around fourth, then probably having to come first over. But when Dexter and a couple other ones left aggressively, I changed my plan. But I knew I was following a good horse, Blue Diamond Eyes. I just waited on (Test Of Faith) and she just took me right into the race. She is pretty awesome. If I can just give her a little bit of cover like that, she comes off her cover really well. She felt strong at the top of the stretch, just waiting for me to call on her."

Miller motored his charge by Blue Diamond Eyes off the corner and promptly put away Fire Start Hanover with her only remaining threat to the eighth pole being Scarlett Hanover, who could only give pursuit to Test Of Faith in the final yards as the Art Major filly held tried and true on the front to the finish of a 1:49.4 mile, winning by a length. Fire Start Hanover fought gamely to the inside of Blue Diamond Eyes to hold third and Grace Hill rounded the payees.

Pelling opted to take a bye to the final with Test Of Faith, racing her as a prep in the \$100,000 Courageous Lady at Northfield Park on Oct. 16, which she won in 1:50.2. Scarlett Hanover was the only other filly to take a bye.

"I think if anything costs her [Horse of the Year] it'll be the schedule," Pelling said, "because she was meant to be in the Fan Hanover and the way the New York Sires Stakes is laid out, you have to race in three legs and there's only five legs. By the rescheduling of the Fan Hanover (due to the COVID-19 pandemic), she couldn't go. It was either one trip away or missing out on really four races to get that one in and the dollar comparison... it was all six of one, half dozen of the other and we still had travel issues, so it is what it is."

The victory for Test Of Faith propelled her further into millionaire territory, having now banked \$1,505,239 for owners Melvin Segal, Kentuckiana Racing Stable and Eddie Gran while also earning over \$1 million on the season. Fred Hertrich III bred the Art Major filly for his fifth Breeders Crown trophy as a breeder. Melvin Segal and Eddie Gran each earned their first Breeders Crown trophy along with the moniker of Kentuckiana Racing Stable, though Kentuckiana Farms owned one Breeders Crown winner when Naughty But Nice won the inaugural 3-Year-Old Filly Pace in 1984 at Liberty Bell Park.

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TEST OF FAITH

p,3, 1:48.3-'21 (\$1,505,839)
Art Major - Cannae Cammie
by Cam's Card Shark

\$600,000 Breeders Crown Final winner
for 3yopf's in 1:49.4, yesterday at
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"It's been incredible, 21 of 24 [starts]," said Ken Jackson, co-owner of Test Of Faith through Kentuckiana Racing, on the record and ride his filly has given him. "And I think the three seconds were by less than a couple of lengths... and all those were tough trips.

"Melvin Segal was great. He bought the filly and let us come in early on before she started racing. We don't race that many each year. We usually race two or three fillies a year, a piece of them, and this one was sold at Harrisburg [for \$92,000]. Brett Pelling and Melvin loved her and we have a good relationship with both of them and said, 'Hey, we'd love to be part of it.' So, it's exciting."

Next on Test Of Faith's docket is the Matron Stakes on Nov. 11 at Dover Downs, per Pelling. Her Breeders Crown victory earns her an automatic berth to the TVG Mare Pace final on Nov. 20 at The Meadowlands, which Pelling also said may be on her radar.

"It's going to be a meeting because obviously I don't know," Pelling said. "I'll talk to the guys and everything. It has been a long year already for her.




"She's going to come back and race at 4. So, is it necessary? The people that own her, they are breeders, so it's 100 per cent commitment if she does come back to race at 4. She's very sound, very easy."

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The utterly unforgettable Jujubee continues his Cinderella story

story by Sandra Snyder / quotes by Dave Briggs

In the last four weeks Jon Erdner anted up \$137,500 in supplemental entry fees for his homebred 3-year-old trotting colt Jujubee. Erdner wrote the first check, for \$75,000, to get the son of Creatine and La Cantera into the Kentucky Futurity, where he romped to a five and one-quarter length win in 1:49.3. The second check, for the sum of \$62,500, got the colt a spot in the gate in last week's Breeders Crown elimination, where he finished second to Cuatro De Julio.

In spite of that narrow loss, fans at The Meadowlands sent Jujubee and driver Andrew McCarthy off as their top choice in Saturday's (Oct. 30) \$650,000 final and the favorites never gave them a moment of doubt, firing to the front from Post 6 and controlling the tempo through fractions of :26.2, :55.3 and 1:23.4 before digging in down the stretch for a one length victory in a stakes record 1:51.2. Fly Light and In Range closed hard to claim second and third.

"I turned him and scored him down a little bit today and he felt terrific," said McCarthy. "And it was a big first quarter, it really was, but I kind of wanted to take chance out of it today and get him where he likes it, and he dug deep and raced terrific."

\$600,000 Breeders Crown final

3-YEAR-OLD COLT TROT

JUJUBEE - *\$0.60

CREATINE-LA CANTERA

Time: 1:51.2

Splits: :26.2, :55.3, 1:23.4

Margin: 1

Owners: Jon Erdner

Trainer: Greg Wright, Jr.

Driver: Andrew McCarthy

PLACE & SHOW

FLY LIGHT - \$29.70

IN RANGE - \$117.60

Greg Wright, Jr. trains Jujubee for Erdner and admitted he was a little nervous when the colt rang up a hot opening quarter with elimination winners Ambassador Hanover and Cuatro De Julio on his heels. As the mile unfolded however, the Meadowlands, PA resident started to relax and trust that the colt would do what he had done on 13 other occasions this season.

"I was a little concerned, but he had him in the right spot if he was going to be a champion, and he was," said Wright, Jr., who had been working hard to get the colt in peak condition for Saturday's final.

"We took his back shoes off today and that seemed to help him, free him up a little bit," said the trainer, who was making his first appearance in a Breeders Crown final. "We did some work on him this last week. He came into the race (elimination) a little dehydrated from shipping and all that, so we were able to get him back to as close to 100 per cent as we could, and he just showed what a champion he is today."

Of Jujubee's 23 lifetime starts, only seven of them have been away from his home-base at The Meadows and only four have been outside Pennsylvania. As a result, the trotter has a sizeable fan club in and around Washington, PA and the winner's circle celebration reflected his popularity as Erdner was joined by family, friends and the colt's fans.

After 40 years in the business, Jujubee was Erdner's first Breeders Crown starter and the Lakewood Ranch, FL resident, who drove up to New Jersey for the race, said the colt has given him an unforgettable ride.

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Jujubee (Andrew McCarthy) was an impressive winner of the Breeders Crown 3-year-old colt trot final on Saturday at The Meadowlands.

"It's been a whirlwind in the last month or so," said Erdner, whose last Grand Circuit winner was One Tough Lass, who captured the 2008 Kentucky Filly Futurity. "Winning the Pennsylvania Sires Stakes has always been a goal of mine – a hopeful goal – and then it just kept rolling."

In addition to the Breeders Crown, Kentucky Futurity and Pennsylvania Sires Stakes Final, the lightly-staked Jujubee also captured the Muscle Hill on Hambletonian Day, circling The Meadowlands in 1:49.4 for his first sub-1:50 mile of the season,

and the Phil Langley Memorial at Hoosier Park. In 18 sophomore starts, Jujubee only missed the top two on one occasion and in his five race freshman campaign, all at The Meadows, he was never worse than third.

The colt earned a berth in the TVG Final with his Breeders Crown win, which Erdner said he would consider, but the owner/breeder is primarily looking forward to seeing what the winner of 16 races and \$961,857 can do next season.

"We want to race next year. I think he'll get even better if he comes back," said Erdner, who christened the colt Jujubee after his go-to phrase when a name escapes him.

"I just thought that was good name because if I don't know somebody, or can't think of their name right off the bat, I'll just say, 'You know, Jujubee.'"

After his impressive October, Jujubee's name will certainly not be one voter's forget when it comes time to select the 2021 Three-year-old Trotting Colt of the Year.



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Yeah, Baby! Felicityshagwell S brings Svanstedt a Breeders Crown breakthrough

story by Melissa Keith / quotes by Dave Briggs

When two-time Breeders Crown Mare Trot winner Manchego officially retired Oct. 7, it guaranteed there would be no repeat in this year's edition: Barry Guariglia's 2019 and 2020 champion would instead be headed to Kentuckiana Farms to become a broodmare. Three days after the news broke, Atlanta equalled Manchego's 1:49m distaff world record in the Allera Farms Open Mare Trot at The Red Mile and became presumptive heir to the crown.

One elimination was needed last weekend at The Meadowlands to decide the field for the trotting mares' Crown final. Atlanta (Yannick Gingras) fled the pocket to grab the lead from Felicityshagwell S (Åke Svanstedt), then fended off When Dovescry (Dave Miller) in a 1:52.1m victory that set the tone for the Oct. 30 final. The connections of both Atlanta and When Dovescry had declined byes.

While the 2021 divisional championship did not attract any supplemental entries by Oct. 18 deadline, it did retain three finalists from last year's edition: When Dovescry, third to Manchego last

year at Hoosier Park; Felicityshagwell S (sixth, after cutting mile), and Weslynn Quest (eighth after a break). Atlanta, third to Gimpanzee in the 2020 Open Trot, would also migrate to the distaff Crown this year. Last year's Three-Year-Old Filly Trot Crown champ Next Level Stuff, runner-up Sorella, and fourth-place finisher Hypnotic Am joined 2020 Hambletonian winner Ramona Hill as four-year-old newcomers to the Mare Trot.

In the end, neither of the star-studded field's two Hambletonian winners, nor the two Hambletonian Oaks winners, could touch the mare named for a seductive character in the "Austin Powers" comedy franchise.

In Saturday's second Crown final, #4 Felicityshagwell S (5, 1:51.1m; \$524,050) had ears pricked and nose on the gate before any other rival, crossing to the lead from post #6 as Svanstedt cast a quick look to his outside. #9 Weslynn Quest (Joe Bongiorno) settled behind the pacesetter, followed by #1 Refined (Brett Miller) and #2 Atlanta (Yannick Gingras), as the field raced single-file to the :27.3 opening quarter. Atlanta emerged first over nearing the :57.2 half, with the rest of the field coming to life after the 1-2 favorite's anticipated move in what race caller Roger Huston termed "a cakewalk second quarter" of :29.4.

The mares were half in-half out, as Felicityshagwell S kept Atlanta parked to the three-quarters in 1:25.4. Weslynn Quest jumped off-stride in the pocket and was taken to the safety lane as the stretch loomed ahead. Svanstedt's mare held off Atlanta by a decisive length-and-a-half in 1:52.2m, Refined broke stride behind the top pair, and closers battled for show, which went to #7 When Dovescry.

Afterward, trainer/driver Åke Svanstedt beamed in the winners' circle, patting the Swedish-bred mare who broke his 0-for-36 Breeders Crown drought. "Oh yeah, I looked back waiting for them, but they didn't come," he said with an incredulous laugh. "She is a very good horse and she goes fast. Oh yeah, she felt very good and went very, very easy."

He acknowledged that luck played a significant role in the biggest win of her career: "She has been a horse that likes to race on the helmet and then you'd like to have racing room, but today she made it good without."

Bred by Manken AB and Verrazzano AB, and owned by Knutsson Trotting of Delray Beach, FL, Felicityshagwell S (Maharajah—Diaz Boko) had previously won Swedish Breeders Course eliminations at age 2 and 3. She was exported to North America in November 2019, to be campaigned by Svanstedt. The Breeders Crown victory marks a Grand Circuit breakthrough for the 6-year-old mare. Last year, she had a single victory in a Red Mile Open II Trot, while in 2021, she captured Yonkers Open Handicap and Nw3000015 events, both from post #7, plus an Open Trot at The Red Mile, defeating males on all occasions.

Despite being caught in late traffic during last weekend's elimination, her trainer/driver said he had remained optimistic after his mare's fourth-place result: "She made the final, so that was most important." Reflecting after the final, Svanstedt only needed a few words to express the immensity of his happy relief:

\$300,000 Breeders Crown final

MARE TROT

FELICITYSHAGWELL S - \$10.50

MAHARAJAH—DIAZ BOKO

Time: 1:52.2

Splits: :27.3 :57.2, 1:25.4

Margin: 1H

Owners: Knutsson Trotting Inc.

Trainer: Åke Svanstedt

Driver: Åke Svanstedt

PLACE & SHOW

ATLANTA - *\$0.50

WHEN DOVESCRY - \$3.20



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Felicity Shagwell and Emmie Mårtensson.

“That was good. I feel good.”

Asked whether Felicityshagwell S's trophy will go somewhere special, perhaps alongside other mementoes of major wins, Svanstedt responded with another laugh, savouring the moment: “Oh yeah, it only took eight years [to win].”

His mare's 10-1 upset meant that place-finisher Atlanta remained stunningly winless in the Breeders Crown. After the race, driver Yannick Gingras considered what it meant for the fastest racing female trotter. “It's disappointing, no doubt about it. She is getting to the twilight of her career, and that's one thing missing on her resume. So, there's no doubt, it sucks.”

Gingras noted that the fractions of the race did not work to Atlanta's advantage: “She's a great sprinter, so I still felt confident going into the last turn. I've never driven a trotter that can sprint like her. First up from fourth maybe did [her] in a little bit. I still think when she's a hundred percent she can go :25 and change, :26 flat; she shows it all the time on the program. But the other horse [Felicityshagwell S] had everything her own way, so all the credit goes to her.”

A Maharajah daughter added her name to the list of international trotters making recent Crown history. True to her name, she didn't just trot well. She trotted very well.

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Felicity Shagwell (Ake Svanstedt) surprised the Breeders Crown Mare Trot field with relatively soft front-end fractions that went unchallenged.

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McDuffee feeling peachy as Bella Bellini adds to her sophomore legacy

story by Chris Lomon / quotes by Dave Briggs

Not many associated with Bella Bellini thought she'd ever look like a million bucks.

After enduring a rookie campaign that yielded a lone second from seven starts, the hopes were that Bella Bellini could reverse her fortunes and have a strong sophomore season.

On Saturday afternoon at The Meadowlands, the 3-year-old daughter of Bar Hopping put a few more exclamation points on what has been a simply outstanding campaign for owner/breeder David McDuffee and trainer Nifty Norman.

Squaring off against nine rivals in the \$650,000 Breeders Crown 3-year-old filly trot, Bella Bellini, who arrived at the final off a strong effort in her elimination last week (a 1 ¼-length score over Herculisa in 1:52.4), went off as the second choice over slight favorite Altar.

With Dexter Dunn in the sulky, Bella Bellini blasted off the gate and took the lead, but was soon overtaken by Altar, who proceeded to take the field through an opening quarter timed in :28-flat.

The top betting choices continued their cat-and-mouse game

through a half-mile :56.4 and by three-quarters, reached in 1:25.4, the duo had begun to separate themselves from the pack.

Altar, bracing for the oncoming challenge of Bella Bellini, dug in for the anticipated late-race duel, but then broke stride, giving her rival clear sailing to the wire.

In the end, last call went to Bella Bellini, something her connections have become quite accustomed to in 2021.

Final time for the mile was 1:53. Anoka Hanover (35-1) was second and Splash Blue Chip (30-1) was third. Bella Bellini paid \$5.20 the win.

With the victory, the bay filly went over the \$1 million mark in career earnings and delivered Norman a treasured seventh Breeders Crown coronation.

"How about that, huh?" quipped McDuffee. "Believe me, I hoped that she'd be good, but I never expected her to be great. She's great."

No doubt.

It was the 10th win from 17 starts this year for Bella Bellini, who also has six runner-up placings to go with her victories.

Those triumphs include a memorable performance in the Hambletonian Oaks on Aug. 7.

Sent off as the 2-5 choice, Bella Bellini posted a 2 ½-length triumph in 1:52.1, and in doing so, put herself in some rather unique company.

Only two other fillies – Worldly Woman (1992) and Jalopy (2005) – over the past 40 years have won the Hambletonian Oaks after having gone winless at age 2.

To put her head-turning turnaround into further perspective, Bella Bellini began her career with a fifth and sixth, respectively, at Harrah's Philadelphia last August.

Her first win would come in her eighth career start, the first of her 3-year-old season.

And she did it in style.

On April 20 at Pocono Downs, Bella Bellini, with Dunn at the controls, converted a four-length lead at the stretch call into a 15 ¼-length laughter in a time of 1:54.

\$650,000 Breeders Crown final

3-YEAR-OLD FILLY TROT

BELLA BELLINI - \$1.60

BAR HOPPING—BELLA DOLCE

Time: 1:53

Splits: :28, :56.4, 1:25.4

Margin: 2

Owners: David McDuffee

Trainer: Nifty Norman

Driver: Dexter Dunn

PLACE & SHOW

ANOKA HANOVER - \$35.80

SPLASH BLUE CHIP - \$30.40



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BELLA BELLINI

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Bella Bellini (Dexter Dunn) winning the Breeders Crown final for 3-year-old trotting fillies on Saturday at The Meadowlands.

She hasn't looked back much since then.

For those who know her best, the transformation from raw rookie to trotting titan has been quite spectacular.

"You know what, she's a beautifully-gaited horse," praised McDuffee. "If you start with that. She's grown into a great-looking filly."

A filly whose future appears to be in the breeding shed.

"I'm going to breed her next year," said McDuffee. "She's going to go to the Matron in about 10 days and that'll probably be it for her."

Regardless of where she finds herself in 2022, Bella Bellini could be in for a nice hardware haul after all that she's accomplished this year.

McDuffee is hopeful a division title comes to fruition.

"I think she's right in there and she capped it off pretty good today," he said with a laugh. "I think so. It would be hard not to, wouldn't it?"

As for the horse's name, McDuffee can thank his wife Mary Ellen for that.

Odds are the couple will likely raise a glass, or perhaps two, to celebrate their trotting star.

"Well, a Bellini is a drink. It's a peach drink, like Peach Schnapps

and I always thought it was pretty to look at. And it went with Bella, so she was Bella Bellini. I am a Bellini fan."

He's not the only one.

"I love those Bellinis," Mary Ellen said. "I love them even more now that Bella goes with them."

Just like her namesake, the once win-shy filly is now as smooth as ever, a refreshing change from those early miscues and poor results.

And perhaps, there will be another trotting star for McDuffee to showcase down the road.

Coming from a family that includes the great Pizza Dolce, the 14-time winning daughter of Conway Hall, Bella Bellini could very well bring cheers to her elated owner-breeder.

"Pizza' was the first one and she was kind of a special horse. She had unbelievably quick speed and I just believed in her. I wish I had another one coming. Maybe I will out of this one," McDuffee said.

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Gural gets his Crown

by Debbie Little

Prior to his Hall of Fame induction in July 2021, Meadowlands' president and chief executive officer Jeff Gural told HRU that at 78, he still had things he wanted to accomplish. One was winning a Hambletonian and the other was winning a Breeders Crown.

Thanks to the magnificent pacing mare Rocknificent, it's one down, one to go.

"I've come close but this is the first one I've ever won," said Gural. "And it's funny, because I told Sarah Svanstedt that I was going to bring the Breeders Crown to The Meadowlands so they could win one, because they've never won one at all these other tracks and they were so excited and they're doing great. And I haven't gotten a check with a horse I own with them. I'm glad I got the job done with a pacer, a pacing filly."

Gural didn't remember the specifics on how he came to own part of Rocknificent, but knew it had something to do with his friendship with co-owner Dan Baer of South Mountain Stables.

"We bought Rocknificent at the Lexington sale and Jeff has been buying into horses with me for some time and I called Jeff up and said, 'Jeff, what do you think?' and I remember this, he said, 'She really is well-bred. Okay, I'll take a quarter,'" said Baer. "Jeff and I buy several horses together. He is a good friend and he's very supportive. I'm very supportive of Jeff and what he's done for racing and I'm so happy for Jeff today because this is his first Breeders Crown as well, but he's been in racing so long and he is an icon and I'm just so happy for him."

Baer also acknowledged co-owners Enviro Stables that could not make it to The Meadowlands for the Crown races.

"That's Marc Hanover and Gordon Banks and they partner with me on a number of horses and I'm so thankful for them sticking with me as well," said Baer. "It was Gordon who made the last bid on the horse when we got her. This is the ultimate and it was really wonderful. She is the best horse I've ever owned. I've owned a lot of horses and she's the best horse I've ever owned. She gives me a heart attack every time she races. I love her and I love all of the people who are part of her. It's a great family that we have. We have a lot of fun. I'm happy for Linda, and Scotty Zeron drove her magnificently. Her breeder is a wonderful guy, too."

It was also a first win in the Crown for Rocknificent's caretaker, Jessica Fluet.

"I started working for Linda [Toscano] three years ago," said Fluet. "Somebody had left and I ended up getting their horses and she was one of them and I fell in love with her."

Fluet's 19-month-old son Aiden has also formed a bond with Rocknificent.

"They are best friends," said Fluet. "They love each other and he gives her kisses. She was my first child."

Even though this was Toscano's eighth Crown victory, winning a race like this will never be old hat to her.

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"Not when you know that you have to keep them going all year long and this is one of the last races of the year, if not the last race of the year for some of them," said Toscano, a Hall of Famer. "It's a very hard race to win and it's also one of those Holy Grail races, you know, 'It all comes down to the Breeders Crown' and they mean that. That mare, Lyons Sentinel, has been no slouch this year and a very difficult horse to beat and I'm just thrilled that it was our day today."

Toscano also acknowledged what a great job Fluet and all of her caretakers do.

"They love them," said Toscano. "That's the backbone of the business. It's getting more and more difficult to get good help. They are certainly few and far between. These horses are everything to them. These horses are their friends. I'm the work master, but she's the one that gives her the love and the attention she needs and keeps her happy."

By virtue of this win with Rocknificent, Zeron now has five Crown victories. He knew this one wouldn't be easy to get since he's been knocking heads with Lyons Sentinel all year.

"We've been the bridesmaid every time (to Lyons Sentinel)," said Zeron. "It's been slightly frustrating because I've tried different tactics to try to beat Lyons Sentinel, and I just couldn't. It didn't matter what I did. She could come first up and wear me down. I could get a perfect two-hole trip. Lyons Sentinel is a phenomenal, phenomenal animal. Today, we just capitalized on probably a really good trip in the elimination that gave her some momentum, not to mention the Kentucky race when she won in 1:48 flat. She was just on a really good roll right now. I hadn't put her on the front in a while, so when I did, it panned out."

"For her, I don't know how she never lost confidence because we've been the bridesmaid every time. You'd think it was a little demoralizing. But week in, week out, you can't hurt her feelings. She always comes back."

Mike Gulotta's Deo Volente Farms LLC bred Rocknificent with T L P Stable.

"I'm absolutely thrilled for Jeff, his first Breeders Crown," said

Gulotta. "I'm thrilled for Dan Baer and Enviro and Linda Toscano, the whole crew. [Rocknificent] was special right from the beginning. She's a Captaintreacherous and we have a full sister to her, a weanling this year, and we have a Lazarus sister to her that's going to be selling at Harrisburg this year. Rockclamation is just a wonderful mare. She just produces and she's special. We love her and I'm just thrilled for the owners."

This was Gulotta's fourth Crown victory. He now has two as an owner and two as a breeder.

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Rocknificent (Scott Zeron) winning the Breeders Crown Mare Pace final on Saturday at The Meadowlands.



Five trainers claim their first Breeders Crowns

by Bob Heyden

Five trainers — Lucas Wallin, Mark Evers, Christi Noble, Greg Wright, Jr. and Ake Svanstedt — won their first Breeders Crowns in 2021.

The Artsplace-Art Major connection

They each won the Breeders Crown twice — Artsplace in 1990 and 1992 and his son Art Major in 2002 and 2003. Each has had a standout daughter in the Brett Pelling barn. Artsplace's daughter Ambro Romance in 1998 became the first ever sub-1:50 female and Art Major now has Test Of Faith who drew clear in this year's Breeders Crown and surpassed \$1 million for the year and made a strong Horse Of The Year statement in the process. Art Major has now sired three Breeders Crown winners seven years apart — twice. Santanna Blue Chip 2007-J K She'salady in 2014 and now Test Of Faith.

Winners of the four richest races absent

The winners of this year's four richest races were all absent from Breeders Crown finals.

Venerable, winner of the Mohawk Million for \$790,000 (U.S.)
Lawless Shadow, winner of the \$700,000 Meadowlands Pace
Desperate Man, winner of the \$790,000 NA Cup
and Captain Corey winner of the \$1 million Hambletonian.

Muscle Hill ties Speedy Crown

Muscle Hill tied Speedy Crown with his siring win on Friday night for Lucas Wallin, who got on the Breeders Crown board with Rebuff, the 14th Crown winner sired by Muscle Hill.

Miki you're so fine

Always B Miki had quite a weekend — winning three Crowns of the four for 2- and 3-year-olds. The other nine Crowns were won by nine different sires. On Saturday, Always B Miki son Perfect Sting won for his second straight year and Monte Miki and Niki Hill got it done on Friday.

Svanstedt makes history

Ake Svanstedt made history by becoming the first trainer/driver to win twice in the same Breeders Crown year. Here's an unfair comparison but it's fun nonetheless. Howard Beissinger won three Hambletonians before he won a Breeders Crown at age 64 in 1987 with Defiant One. Svanstedt won two Hambletonians before he won his first two Breeders Crowns at age 62. Of course, when Beissinger won his three Hambletonians they came prior to the start of the Breeders Crown series in 1984 (1969-1971-1978).

Streak over for Gingras

Yannick Gingras' streak of nine straight years winning at least one Crown came to an end this year — barely. He twice lost by a nose with 2-year-olds.

Atlanta tops \$3 million

Atlanta has gone past \$3 million and is about \$75G shy of the retired arch rival you may have heard of — Manchego (\$3.14 million).

Only three

A 10-horse field with just three different sires represented? It happened this year in the Crown Open Pace when Somebeachsomewhere had five finalists, Captaintreacherous had four and Rockin Amadeus had one. Ironically, it was Rockin Amadeus who upended Captaintreacherous in the 2012 2YOCP Breeders Crown in Canada. Guess who won this year's Open Pace? Ocean Rock, the lone son of Rockin Amadeus, whose brother Rockin Image sired a 2015 Breeders Crown winner Freaky Feet Pete.

Shadow of himself

There were no Shadow Plays in the Breeders Crown this year, which is incredible because this year he became the first sire ever to have the Meadowlands Pace winner and the North America Cup winner from two different horses: Lawless Shadow and Desperate Man. Plus, on the Opening Night of the Breeders

Crown, Bulldog Hanover, another Shadow Play, tied the Hoosier Park track record for 4 Year Old Pacers at 1:48.

Altar stands alone

Altar finished ninth after a break at 50 cents on the dollar in the sophomore pacing filly Crown. She is the only Crown favorite in 2020 or 2021 to not finish in the top three.

Seems like a lifetime ago

Felicityshagwell S won the Breeders Crown after a 1-for-10 season in 2020. Bella Bellini was 0-7 last year and dominated the sophomore filly trotters and nailed down divisional honors.

Jujubee juju

Jujubee sets a 1:49.4 track record on Hambletonian Day, but not in the Hambletonian. Then he set a stakes record in the Breeders Crown for a trainer making his debut (Greg Wright, Jr.). He's a homebred too. He's 14-for-18 and maybe the best story of the year after a \$13,066 freshman campaign from five starts.

Crown numbers

- Tim Tetrack is now one behind Gingras 24-23 in Crown scores. Tetrack became the seventh driver to pass the \$10 million mark in Breeders Crown history.
- Scott Zeron surpassed Trevor Ritchie, Andy Miller, Steve Condren and Ron Waples on the all-time Crown money list now at \$3.5 million, #14 all time.
- David Miller is now at 29 scores, one back of Ron Pierce and six behind Brian Sears who is #2 all time at 35. Oddly enough, Brian Sears entered the action on Day Two of the Crown #33 in earnings in the nation.
- Miller is now past 200 drives in Crown history. Only John Campbell was able to say this prior (313).
- Ron Burke is now 10 back of Jimmy Takter 187-177 for the most Breeders Crown starts.
- Brett Pelling is now #5 all-time in earnings, passing Chuck Sylvester and Trond Smedshammer in the process.
- Unusual... There were no Andy-Julie Miller entrants in this year's Crown.

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Going in depth with Nifty Norman

by Murray Brown

Richard “Nifty” Norman, in many people’s minds, is a leading candidate for the 2021 North American Trainer of the Year.

Let’s begin at the obvious and to some degree at the beginning, how did Richard Norman become Nifty?

“My family back home in New Zealand were sheep and cattle ranchers. I left school at the age of 15 to follow in their tracks. I went to work for a large sheep ranch in Ashburton. The boss asked me to round up some sheep. Eager to impress, I was in big hurry and tripped over myself and ended up down on the other side of a fence surrounded by sheep and in a pile of sheep excrement. ‘Now that was nifty,’ the boss said. ‘From that point on, I was Nifty.’”

How did that inauspicious beginning culminate in a lifetime with the horses?

“My family always had a horse or two around and I was familiar with them, but certainly not involved to any great extent. After deciding that a life with sheep wasn’t my destiny, I went to work on a fishing boat for three years. I decided that wasn’t what I wanted to spend the rest of my life doing either.

“At that point I was pretty groundless. The selling of Down

Under horses to America, most specifically to California, had become fairly significant. I had become involved with selling some of them. When they shipped, there was the need to have somebody accompany them on their flight. Pretty much on a whim, I decided to go with one of the flights. It never crossed my mind that I would be doing so for any great length of time, or that it would lead to my life’s pursuit. I thought that it might be a good experience and a chance to see America.”

What happened next?

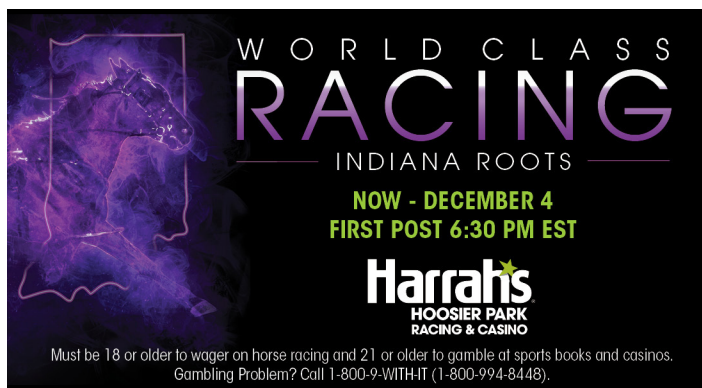
“I kind of liked it here, especially in California. I became friends with a fellow Kiwi by the name of Lloyd Higgins and roomed with him. Lloyd was working for Ross Croghan who had a dominant stable in California at the time. Ross offered me a job and I went to work for him.”

You first became known here through your affiliation with Brett Pelling. How did that association come about?

“Ross had a large stable at Los Alamitos. At the end of the barn, Brett had two or three horses which he was training for his own account. Eventually, Brett ran out of horsepower and came to work for Ross as well. We worked together and became friends. We were just working blokes who were quite happy with what we were doing. There was an infamous fight between the owner of Los Alamitos and the California Horsemen’s Association. They went to court. The horsemen won the battle with the judge ruling in their favor. Unfortunately, they ended up losing the war, because the Los Alamitos ownership decided to close the track to harness racing. Ross saw the handwriting on the wall and told Brett and I that harness racing as we knew it in California was finished. He advised us to look east. We started importing Down Under horses. The first year we took 25 head to Pompano and within a short period of time we had sold them all. We did the same thing the next year with another 25 and quickly sold all of them. Once again, Ross offered us some sage advice. He told us, we were in effect wasting our time. We should set up business where the real money and action were – in the Northeast and more specifically at The Meadowlands.”

Then?

“We took his advice and moved to New Jersey. I won’t say that success was instantaneous, but it came fairly quick. We started with just a few head, but within a fairly short period of time we were sent quite a few horses from horsemen in California who were unable to make a decent go of it out there due to the limited racing opportunities. We raced some, sold many and the success just blossomed. In what seemed like no time, Brett Pelling became the leading trainer at The Meadowlands.”



Tell us about your experience and relationship with Brett Pelling.

"It was Brett's stable and Brett always made all the important decisions. But I always considered myself to be an integral part of the operation. I was much more than just an employee. I'm sure that Brett would agree with that assessment. Saying that, I will say that Brett is the person from who I learned the most and I will say am still learning from in all of my years in harness racing. There may be a few comparable horse trainers in this world, but if there are any better than Brett Pelling, I don't know them. There are certainly none wiser, nor smarter. We are still good mates and our wives are best of friends."

You were with Brett for 20 years. Sometime during that period you left and went to work in Italy.

"At the time, Lou Guida had a good sized operation in Italy. He offered me a job working with his horses over there. I thought to myself 'Why not?' It was an experience. I was like a kid being thrown into a swimming pool without knowing how to swim. I had never before been to Europe, let alone Italy, a country where English wasn't the language spoken. I spoke no Italian. I had very limited knowledge of trotters and, of course, there were no pacers over there. Despite those impediments, it was a great experience. I was there for 13 months. In that time frame, I probably learned more about horses in general and of course trotters in particular than in any comparable period in my career. It led to my love of the trotter. I love a good horse. But a good trotter is extra special."

You've been here in America for quite some time. Have you ever felt the desire to go back home to New Zealand?

"I've not only felt it, I've done it a couple of times. Life is beautiful in New Zealand and Australia and they are two fantastic countries. However, if you've lived and raced here, you will invariably find the pace of life too slow and the competitive nature of racing here more appealing. I'm not the only one who has experienced it. So have Brett Pelling, Chris Ryder, Ross Croghan and Noel Daley. We've all tried and all of us have come back to North America."

Pelling, Norman, Ryder, Daley, Croghan and some others. I'll leave the drivers for later. How is it that from a relatively small number, so many of you guys have done so well over here? Are you better horsemen?

"That's not necessarily so, although in the case of Brett, it might very well be. I think the main reason and one for which I will undoubtedly take a lot of criticism is the simplest one. Generally

speaking, we work harder! I think that also applies to the successful European trainers here. It's not because we basically have that as part of our DNA as opposed to our North American brethren. It's that we have no other choice. Whereas in most cases, the North American folks do. We are here for one purpose – to train and race horses. We had no other options. Its sink or swim. If we fail at doing what we are here to do, we either languish in mediocrity or go back home with our collective tails between our legs. So we work. That's not to say that once we've achieved some degree of success, we won't to perhaps a limited degree avail ourselves of the fruits of our success. We will and do. But I've found that with most people, once they've developed habits, whether they be good or bad ones, they rarely change."



Trainer Nifty Norman.

Dave Landry

Let's talk about the Down Under drivers. The coming of Dexter Dunn and Andy and Todd McCarthy has been somewhat amazing. Are Down Under drivers generally that good?

"Most definitely not! It's amazingly coincidental that all three of these guys happened to come around in a somewhat similar time frame. There have been several others who have tried here and failed or certainly not excelled as these guys have. None of the others have come close to achieving what these guys have done, especially in such a short period of time. I believe it's quite fortuitous that we have them here, not only because they are great drivers, which indeed they are, but also because all three of them are very good guys and a credit to the sport. Also, their arrival comes at a time when our best – guys like Tim Tetrick, Yannick Gingras, Dave Miller, Brian Sears and Dave Palone among others, although not old, are not near as young as they once were. That's not to say that there is not a bunch of good young talent throughout North America, but like that song about New York (in our case the Grand Circuit) until you've done it here, you haven't done it anywhere."

How about drivers in general. Who do you prefer. Do you learn about your horses from them?

"My favorite is Dave Miller. Not only is he a great driver, but he is also my best friend. Timmy, Yannick and to my mind, especially when the big money is down, Brian Sears, are extra special. I can't explain why Brian is not used on big horses more often than he is. Dexter is a revelation. If all goes well with him, he could end up being the best ever. In terms of getting advice or input from them, I'll listen to anything said to me and digest it. However I think that my eyes and being around my horses on a daily basis will tell me more than a driver will."

Returning to Brett, were you surprised when he decided to leave to return to Down Under? How did that leave you?

"I wasn't at all surprised. I knew that he had been thinking of doing that for some time. I think it might have been a question of having achieved most of what there was to do in his chosen profession here and some dissatisfaction with the way life in our country was going. You'd have to speak with him to get a better answer. I did however tell him that based upon my experience, that he would be back. He couldn't have left me in better shape. He urged most of the owners in the stable to stay with me. Most of them, especially Dave McDuffee and Mel Hartman, did so. Of course, with their backing we were lucky enough to proceed in the positive direction that we have gone during the previous time. The one change and I don't believe that it was necessarily a planned one, rather than one that evolved was the emphasis on trotters."

Aside from obviously my lack of talent in that direction, I've always felt that I could never be a horse trainer because of the ups and downs associated with the job. How do you manage it?

"It's not easy. Fortunately, in recent years there have been more ups than downs. Yet in terms of good and bad, the bad are much worse than the good happenings are good. Last Friday's break by Venerable in the Breeders Crown elimination, might have been the biggest heartbreak in all my years in the sport. So much was riding on that race including the possibility of becoming Horse of the Year if she went on to win the Crown. It's only natural that you question yourself after something like that happens. Did I have her properly prepped for the race? Did I make an error in not sending her to Lexington? Should I have trained her tougher in order to take some of the edge off of her? Of course, all of those thoughts are just wasted effort, because there is nothing that can change the past. It's important, but certainly not easy, that we look ahead and not behind."

How many head do you have in training?

"Right now, just about 50. The majority of them are 2- and 3-year-olds. That might be somewhat of a mistake though. It is important economically that you have some racehorses in the stable. They are important when the younger horses aren't racing. It can be pretty difficult to run a stable with no purse money coming in. I like a good horse regardless of its age, but I now definitely have a preference for the challenge of developing youngsters and hopefully seeing them become top stakes horses. I know that I sound like an elitist, which I hope that I certainly am not, but racing a stable of just overnight horses can become monotonous."

Let's talk about some of the better horses with which you have been associated.

Bee A Magician – "She is my all-time favorite. I know this might sound crazy to some. But I knew or at least sensed that she was something special the very first time I laid my eyes on her. I can still visualize it today. I pulled into White Birch Farm. Steve Williams was showing this filly to Bernie Noren. I looked at her and said to myself, 'This is the One.' Steve asked me if he could show her to me. I responded, 'I've seen enough.' That doesn't mean that she fulfilled my expectations from the get go. She was one of the most difficult projects I've ever had in all my years of training horses. I had trained her mom, she was a real bitch. So was Bee A Magician at first. Not only couldn't we get her to train well. We couldn't get her to train at all. We couldn't get her to go on the racetrack. She would do everything in her power to avoid it including striking, kicking or even laying down on the ground. Eventually we would get her to go, but only with a horse in front of her, one behind and one alongside her. Once she learned, she was fine, although never what I would call a sweetheart in terms of disposition."

Venerable – “The best 2-year-old trotting filly that I or most anybody has ever had or seen. She is just a machine. I still don’t know what made her make that break last Friday. She was a little grabby warming up and appeared to be maybe a little that way in the race. Maybe I should have trained her a little harder before the race to take some of the edge off. I wish I knew for sure what caused her to do it. But that is racing, I guess. We have no choice but to put that race behind us and go forward.”

Bella Bellini – “Maybe the biggest mystery horse in all my years of training horses. She was, not quite, but pretty close to being a terrible 2-year-old. She did show some speed and that was probably the only good trait that she showed. She did everything else, poorly or not at all. She couldn’t even get around a great track like The Red Mile without doing something wrong. If anybody but Dave McDuffee owned her, I would have suggested that she not be brought back to race at 3. I’m not sure that I didn’t do that anyway. But Dave bred the filly and that family is so very close to his heart that he wanted to give her a try and see if another year would add to her maturity. We did. She is now a different horse. She may not be of the class that Bee A Magician was, but neither are too many horses. I’m fairly confident that she is the best 3-year-old trotting filly out there.”

Western Ideal – “Just a truly wonderful horse. We got him from Blair Burgess after a masterful prep job by him in his 4-year-old season. Most people know his story. He was just getting good at 2 when he nearly severed a tendon in a race at The Red Mile. If he hadn’t been in Lexington with so many great veterinarians and facilities around, he might not have even been saved. He spent his 3-year-old year in rehab at Brittany Farms. He was then prepped for his 4-year-old season by Blair. George Segal and his racing manager Myron Bell then sent him to Brett and me to race at 5. What a warrior he was. His epic battles with Dragon Again that year were races of legend. He won more of them than he lost. He was Older Pacer of the Year. He also became a great sire.”

Rocknroll Hanover – “Another truly great horse. Undoubtedly the greatest pacer that Brett had while I was part of the operation. I think it was kismet that after having Western Ideal and playing a part in his success, we were blessed to have his greatest son from his very first crop. It was a shame and a great loss to the breed that he passed at such a young age.”

Poof She’s Gone – “She was a gorgeous yearling and we paid \$170,000 for her as a yearling. That was a very big number back then. Unlike Bee A Magician and Bella Bellini, she was perfect from the very beginning and remained so all her life. She rewarded us by becoming only the second 2-year-old filly to win over a million dollars.”

Amigo Volo – “One of the best bargains we ever had in the stable. He brought \$42,000 as a yearling. I had his full brother Reign of Honor who cost twice as much. I told the Pinskes who bought him that Amigo Volo was a better looking colt.”

How about the horses you’ve seen but were not a part of?

“The best trotter by far would have to be Muscle Hill. He had a few gears that he never even got to use. There’s no telling how great he might have been if he had come back to race at four and perhaps beyond. It might be a little closer with pacers. My pick there would have to be Somebeachsomewhere.”

Who is the best horseman you’ve ever known?

“Let’s put Brett Pelling aside. There would be an obvious prejudice there. If I had to pick one, I would say Ake Svanstedt. He does it all and does it all well. He develops, trains, drives and manages a large stable most of whose members race and race well.”

You’ve got a pretty special and loyal group of owners. That isn’t always the case in this business.

“That is very true. I consider myself especially blessed in that area. Dave McDuffee and Mel Hartman have been with me forever – through thick and thin, thankfully more of the former than the latter. There are somewhere in the area of 30 people who own horses or parts of horses in the stable. With the exception perhaps of Dave, my contact with most of my owners is somewhat limited. I’m admittedly not a good communicator. That is almost certainly my biggest fault. If you are an owner in my stable and you get a call from me, then you can be assured that I am not the bearer of good news. I consider myself to be a hard worker who trudges along doing the best that I can. That is not to say that if an owner calls or contacts me, I won’t get back to him. I will always respond.”

You have 21 yearlings now, where do you see yourself after Harrisburg?

“If I were guessing, I’d say somewhere in the area of 30, maybe a few more. Of the 21 I have now, at least half of them are homebreds. That’s something that has changed. At least it has for me. It used to be that almost all the yearlings I started out with were bought at the sales. Going into the sales, you never know what can come about. That’s why I think it is very important to be there and to have looked at as many yearlings as possible. Many is the time I’ve been asked at a sale about a particular horse by someone who was not at the time one of my owners. Then after that person bought it to have been handed the ticket and asked to put the horse into training. That’s one of the many reasons why I believe it’s important for a trainer to be visible. If you aren’t around, chances are you will be forgotten.”



Dave Briggs

Nifty Norman (right) with two of his most loyal owners, David McDuffee (left) and Mel Hartman.

Where do you see yourself five years from now?

“Hopefully somewhere near where I am now. It’s far too late in my life to change careers. I hope to be doing the same and hopefully with comparable results to what they have been in recent years. One thing I’ve learned in this business is that you don’t retire, at least not often willingly. You get retired! You either run out of horses, or owners, usually a combination of both.”

Some make you a favorite for Trainer of the Year. You have my vote for sure. What do you think of that?

“I never gave it any thought until after Venerable won the Million Dollar Trot at Mohawk when I was asked the question. The answer, of course, would be that it would be great if it happened. I certainly would be honored and humbled. But if by some chance it did occur, I’d get greedy and look for a daily double and include Dave McDuffee as Owner of the Year. He would deserve to be honored in that way more than I would.”

If you could win one race that has thus far eluded you, what would it be?

“For sure The Hambletonian. I have a distinct preference for trotters. I’ve also been around when we won the Meadowlands Pace and the Little Brown Jug. There are some who might say the Elitloppet or the Prix d’Amerique. But for me the Hambletonian is the most important race in the world.”

Your soul mate and partner in life since 1990 is your wife Robyn.

“She is a huge part of the operation. She is a devoted horse person and works hand in hand with the stable. I first met her at Yonkers Raceway in 1989 when she was working for Tony Strolla. We got married in 1990. As the saying goes, we have since lived happily (mostly) ever after.”

On to COVID-19. How has it affected you and your operation?

“I’m certain that I was one of the first to have it. That was before it was generally known to even exist. In February of 2020 I became deathly ill, sicker than any time I’ve ever been. I exhibited all the symptoms of the disease. For three days, I couldn’t even get to the stable. That was unheard of for me. My entire staff also got it, but that was well before knowledge of its existence became widespread. It went through us all, thankfully without any lingering aftereffects. Other than that, we experienced all the limits presented by it, but we probably haven’t suffered any more and probably less than most involved in the sport.”

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More from a Down Under friend

by Alan Leavitt

The best part of this writing gig is the long distance friendships I've made with fellow breeding enthusiasts. I'm struck by how knowledgeable Peter Denmen and Pat Schmidt are about harness racing here in the U.S., even though they both live in Australia.

Denmen just pointed out to me another inbred stakes winner, the 2-year-old pacing filly Predict The Future. For those who don't follow racing as closely as he does, Predict The Future just won the final of the Maryland Sire Stakes.

Predict The Future is by All In, by Western Hanover, and out of Jo Pa's Eat O, also by Western Hanover. In technical terms she's 2 X 2 to Western Hanover, which in one sense goes beyond being inbred to being incestuous. But whatever you want to call it, the filly is the living proof that you can breed very close and come out with a winner, at least some of the time.

But there's another interesting thing about Predict The Future's pedigree. Her third dam is a New Zealand-bred mare Just A Glow, who took a record here of p, 2:00 2/5 f and earned \$45,285. She's by Fallacy, a son of Light Brigade, who was by Volomite.

New Zealand has traditionally been the Down Under breeding center which supplied Australia with its racing stock. New Zealand is a small country, population wise, and on one of my two visits there eons ago, it was described to me by a native as a country of two million people and 70 million sheep. I'm sure the population, people wise, has gone up, but I'm not so sure about the sheep.

The foundation of the New Zealand breeding industry was two great bred American stallions, Light Brigade and U. Scott. They were both long lived studs, and they were both prepotent, i.e. a genetic range, in playing card terms, that held only high cards.

Despite its small size, both people and horse population wise, the New Zealand breeding industry, if you could call it that, still produced the great Cardigan Bay. I still have vivid memories of Cardy's first three races here. Stanley Dancer had gone to Australia and bought him for \$100,000 for Irving Berkemeyer, by day an undertaker, who took half, and several other clients who partnered up to take the other half.

I knew Berkemeyer, to the extent one could say he knew someone who seldom spoke and never smiled. Every time Cardy raced, Mr. B. would dispatch someone to the betting windows at post time to put down \$10,000 to win. After the race, the same courier would return to the table with Mr. B's winnings, then he

would get a doggy bag for what remained of their meals, and they would depart silently into the New Jersey night.

Regarding the first three U. S. races I got distracted from by other things, Cardigan Bay and Overtrick went head-to-head three weeks in a row at Yonkers, and they literally were head-to-head every step of the way. If memory serves, Overtrick won two of them and Cardy won one, but there wasn't as much as a neck total difference between them for all three races.

Back to the mare Just A Glow, the third dam of Predict The Future, our latest inbred stakes winner of note. Just A Glow happens to also be the fourth dam of Charlie May, who heads to the Breeders Crown Finals as one of the favorites in the race for Three-Year-Old Pacing Colts.

Mentioning Western Hanover brings back a memory from long ago. When I first got in, one of the first people I came to know was Max Hochberg. He was basically a gambler, but somehow or other he became, first, a racehorse owner, and then a breeder.

Johnny Simpson operated a public stable in those days, and when Hochberg came up with a top pacer named Torrid, he took him away from one of the first successful women trainers, Hilda Heydt, and gave him to Simpson.

Torrid went on an unbeaten streak of something like 11 straight free-for-alls, giving Hochberg a nice little nest egg to work with. By then Hochberg had bought Torresdale, Torrid's dam, and when he bred her back to Knight Dream, he got a world beater named, of all things, Torpid.

Torpid won everything at 2 and 3, including the Little Brown Jug, and then Hochberg made a lease deal to stand him at Hanover Shoe Farms. There the horse was given every chance, but didn't make it as a sire. In fact, his less celebrated older brother, Torrid, turned out to be a better sire, but still fell short of being a success.

The reason Western Hanover brings Max Hochberg to mind is Western Hanover's fourth dam, Wayblaze. The last standard-bred Max owned was Wayblaze, whom he bought out of the Northfield Sale for \$1,800. She was by King's Counsel, out of Goldie Patch, by Peter Nutonia. She only had a record of 2:08.4, with no earnings, but her dam Goldie Patch, had a record at 3 of 2:00.1/2, with \$4,000 in earnings. She was a foal of 1938, so both her record and her money were meaningful in her day.

Hochberg saw something in Wayblaze that I was oblivious to, but Johnny Simpson and Lawrence Sheppard respected Hochberg's judgement enough to buy Wayblaze when Hochberg sold out at Harrisburg in 1972. That paid off for them in spades when they kept the first three generations of fillies that started with Wayblaze, and her great granddaughter came up with Western Hanover.

Here, an aside, re: Hochberg and the Northfield sales, which Hochberg and I both attended like a religious observance. One afternoon, a day before the sale started, on a date now lost in time, Hochberg and I were going to lunch in his car. He stopped at a little hamburger stand, where we each bought a burger for 25 cents.

"Just look at this," Hochberg said. "The burgers are already made up, and they just heat them up when a customer shows up. And every one of them is identical. Someday, these places will be everywhere."

Enter McDonald's, Wendy's, et al. stage left. How prescient Hochberg was, both about horses and hamburgers.



BREAKING STRIDE

with TREY NOSRAC

Far from stupid

by Trey Nosrac

The screen door slapped shut behind my pal, Shoes Hughes. He shuffled into my kitchen, stopped in front of my refrigerator door, dropped his carry-on suitcase to the tile floor, and started singing Viva Las Vegas as he performed the Twist."

"You're early, "I said."

"The wife was talking about kitchen countertops and flashing floor samples, so I bailed. Are you sure my truck is okay in your driveway for a week?"

"No problem, what time do you need to be at the airport?"

"Flight leaves at 10. Get me there at 8." He nodded to my open laptop on the kitchen table, "Whadda ya watchin?"

"A horse auction, yearlings from Lexington."

I rotated the screen and turned up the volume. The auctioneer chanted, the numbers on the price sign went steadily up. The hammer fell at \$130,000."

"Yikes," Shoes barked, "Not many horses make back that kind of cash pulling those carts. To me, that just looks like stupid money from rich people. Where is their sense of fiscal responsibility?"

I slapped my forehead, "So asks the man with four expensive hulks of partly restored vintage cars sitting in a custom-built, \$50,000 garage, who is about to fly to Las Vegas to stuff money into slot machines with fellow car geeks."

"Touché, plus I ain't even got all that much disposable income, especially for countertops."

I sighed. "All my income gets disposed on trainers, stakes payments, and gambling on longshots."

"What happens to you horse racing people? Don't you know basic math? Is there something in the smell of horse manure that makes folks crazy?"

"The attraction is difficult to explain to civilians. The game is addictive."

"Do they really need to pay a hundred grand for a baby horse?"

"Some folks need the best. They can justify the money they spend to themselves, and that's all that's important." I nodded at the laptop where the auctioneer kept asking for bids. "This

week, there will be a hundred, maybe two-hundred yearlings that sell for more than \$100,000 at this sale."

He whistled.

I continued. "Obviously, my forte is not making and keeping assets, but my guess is that a lot of the people who spend wildly find tax advantages and stuff like that. Plus, many big bidders on yearlings also split the costs with friends."

"Yeah, and some people, like an uncle of mine in New York who made a mint on something called an International Base Metals Commodities Market, can lose millions, and it's like losing coins in the couch upholstery."

"Deep pockets or empty pockets, somehow, those of us addicted to harness racing have found friends, and we have found a happy place in the sport."

"A happy place. I like that. A happy place is hard to put a price on."

"It's all relative. The other type of horse racing, thoroughbreds, makes harness racing money look like peanuts. It seems to me that the people involved in harness racing are different than those involved with thoroughbreds. Even the big owners in my game seem like regular folks. Everybody seems to know everybody. Nobody seems to get all uppity, which is cool. No matter the wallet, we all take our lumps on the racetrack, so we are friendly competitors."

Shoes said, "I bet there are some egos."

"Everybody has an ego. I think deep down that we are all trying to prove something, trying to prove that we can find the gem of a racehorse. I say that folks who can afford to bid up top prospects, good for them. It's good for the sport. I'll watch this sale for five days and hope I snag something I like that sells under \$20,000. If I don't find one, it's fun looking, sort of like a treasure hunt."

"You enjoy the chase," he said.

"Yeah, that's a good analogy. Sure, everybody enjoys the chase, and the thing that keeps us coming back is these horses are animals that have a small window on the track. Every year a new window opens. Rich or poor, you can have a bleak racing season, a total wipeout, but somehow that inspires us to keep digging, keep bidding, go on to another treasure hunt."

Shoes said, "The difference is that when I buy a car to restore or build my garage, my money won't be a total loss."

"That's true. Racing a horse offers a higher risk and higher emotions, but any passion involves anticipation, fascination, exhilaration, and joy combined with frustration and disappointment. We are all looking for ways to scratch an invisible itch."

He nodded and said, "These goofy things we enjoy are just so damn much fun."

"Yep, and those people who can afford those expensive yearlings, they are not stupid. They have found their passion, and they are happy, healthy, and engaged. That is the smartest thing of all."

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More on racing's ills

I was surprised to read HRU feedback from Mike Kozuchowski and Manny Guagliardo ([full story here](#)) because each cast a critical light on harness racing. Too often different opinions are suppressed, unwelcome or outright dismissed. I echo their observations. The on-track experience is cold and uninviting. Lately, horses with driver involved ownership win too easily (unless it is an odds on elimination race). The pari-mutuel pools are embarrassing and easily manipulated. While good in theory, dressing drivers with stable colors is a failed experiment. Nothing more needs to be said when a veteran announcer gets tongue tied calling a race because race colors defy the driver – a main ingredient for the gambler. And the post parade drag, theoretically it expands the wagering pool but it is a complete turnoff. Belmont. Gulfstream. Santa Anita. Oak Lawn. These big league tracks honor post times. Besides, horses circling aimlessly in front of massively empty grandstands and track aprons is not a good look. Give the supporting public a modicum of credit, and some respect for their time. Herald the basics: integrity, build the betting pool, and don't screw the fun bettor, the loyalist or the gambler.

Vincent Lee / Chicago, IL

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RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY

CHARLOTTETOWN DRIVING PARK *report*

Saturday's Results:

5, Chr, \$17,300, Pace, MARITIME BREEDERS 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES, 27.4, 57.4, 1:27.1, 1:55.2

1-Tobins Brownie (b,f,3 - Stonebridge Terror-Putnam Mackenzie-Grinfromeartoear) \$8,650, Lifetime Record: 26-17-5-1, \$124,754

O-James Quinn, Carl Peterson, Amy Katherine Lakie, Brittany Watts B-Wendell Williams T-David Dowling D-David Dowling

2-Mystifying (b,f,3 - Source Of Pride-Dreaming-Rocknroll Hanover)

O-Darryl & Gordon Maclean, Stephen Downey B-Blair Campbell T-Darryl Maclean D-Darren Crowe

3-Little Miss Ava (b,f,3 - Hilarious Halo-Undine Hanover-Mister Big)

O-Jackie Heffernan B-Burkie By The Bay Stables T-Kenneth Glen Wilkie D-Marc Campbell

Replay Unavailable -

7, Chr \$17,100, Pace, MARITIME BREEDERS 3 YEAR OLD COLTS, 28.2, 59.1, 1:29.4, 2:00.2

1-Willie Brennan (b,g,4 - Westwardho Hanover-Stayoutofmyaffair-Astreos) \$8,550, Lifetime Record: 29-3-0-2, \$12,701

O-Robi Hughes B-Simon Hughes T-Jason Hughes D-Jason Hughes

2-Jetta Flies (b,g,13 - Rambaran-Jettas Fame-Apaches Fame)

O-John & Stephen Jk Quinn B-Peter Christie T-Stephen Jk Quinn D-Mark Bradley

3-The Ironman (b,g,5 - Shadow Play-Stonebridge Hugs-Artsplace)

O-Allan Gregory B-Angie Stiller T-Allan Gregory D-Ken Murphy

Replay Unavailable -

9, Chr \$17,300, Pace, MARITIME BREEDERS 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES, 27.2, 55.1, 1:26.4, 1:56.1

1-Woodmere Vanish (b,f,3 - Rollwithitharry-Lts Magic-Magical Mike) \$8,650, Lifetime Record: 21-3-6-3, \$41,754

O-Debbie Francis, Wayne Mac Rae B-Woodmere Farms T-Paul Langille D-Paul Langille

2-Emmy Lou Hayes (b,f,3 - Ameripan Gigolo-Mcdaisy Cutter-Mcardle)

O-John & Stephen Jk Quinn, George Stevenson B-John & Stephen Jk Quinn T-Stephen Jk Quinn D-Jason Hughes

3-Elm Grove Penney (b,f,3 - Stonebridge Terror-Emberlee-Astreos)

O-Ian Banks B-Robert Gordon T-Daniel Romo D-Marc Campbell

Replay Unavailable -

11, Chr, \$17,100, Pace, MARITIME BREEDERS 3 YEAR OLD COLTS,

1-Woodmere Stealdeal (br,g,3 - Steelhead Hanover-Very Ideal Hanover-Western Ideal) \$8,550, Lifetime Record: 27-21-5-1, \$146,773

O-Kevin Dorey, Glenn Macdonald, Frank Brundle, Robert Sumarah B-Woodmere Farms T-Daniel Romo D-Marc Campbell

2-Bettim Again (br,g,3 - Malicious-Bettim Laura-Largo)

O-Jeffrey Lilley, Christina Lecky, Blair MacLauchlan, Ian Macdonald B-Jeffrey Lilley T-George Rennison D-Paul Langille

3-Whistler (b,g,3 - Stonebridge Terror-Whitesand Whisper-Intrepid Seelster)

O-Alan Macdonald B-Alan Macdonald T-Jason Hughes D-Jason Hughes

Replay Unavailable -



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RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

HARRAH'S HOOSIER PARK *report*

Saturday's Results:

2, HoP, \$22,000, Trot, Open Handicap, 26.2, 55.1, 1:24.0, 1:52.1, FT

1-Lovedbythemasses (g, 4, Muscle Mass--Incredibility, by Northern Bailey) \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 46-18-1-8, \$290,769

O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Wade J Peconi, CA & Windemere Farms, CA. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Sam Widger.



2-Whata Swan (h, 5, Swan For All--Tanya's Legacy, by Lou's Legacy) \$5,500, \$39,000 2017 MICHIANA, Lifetime Record: 90-26-11-13, \$406,793

O-John E Barnard. B-Leonard J Miller. T-Luis Quevedo. D-Trace Tetrick.

3-Timon As (g, 5, Lionhunter--Pandora As, by Prego Nilema) \$2,640, Lifetime Record: 75-24-5-6, \$168,760

O-Michael A Guest. B-Acl Stuteri Ab. T-Melanie Wrenn. D-Michael Oosting.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 8T, 8H, 5T, 3Q, Q - Finish Order: Bridge To Jesse's, Kenziesky Hanover, Toy's For You, Swan In Motion

3, HoP, \$15,000, Pace, Claiming Price \$30,000 (W/A), 26.1, 54.4, 1:23.1, 1:50.2, FT

1-Bet Ninteen (g, 3, Betting Line--Ideal Nectarine, by Western Ideal) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 27-10-7-1, \$72,629

O-William A Gordon. B-D R Van Witzenburg. T-James Guagliardo. D-Sam Widger.

2-Big See (g, 5, Big Bad John--Eagle See, by Intrepid Seelster) \$3,750, \$11,000 2017 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 87-15-14-14, \$145,022

O-Perry W Smith. B-Dettore Farms Inc. T-Perry Smith. D-Braxten Boyd.

3-Alwysasweetvictory (g, 5, Always A Virgin--Sweet Electric, by Electric Yankee) \$1,800, \$40,000 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 69-11-8-11, \$90,579

O-Britney L Dillon. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Britney Dillon. D-John De Long.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: H, 1T, 1H, HD, H - Finish Order: Keystone Tenacious, Townline Flight, Nassau Desire, Trashytonguetalker, The Book Of Life, Cinnamon Beach, Crusher Q

4, HoP, \$20,000, Pace, Claiming Handicap \$65,000-\$75,000 (W/A), 26.3, 55.0, 1:23.2, 1:50.2, FT

1-Secret Threat (h, 9, Palone Ranger--Laxmy, by Real Artist) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 169-44-28-29, \$462,688

O-Justin Lloyd & Scott Tyler George. B-Larry E & Kim L Owen. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrick.

2-Ima Real Ladys Man (g, 5, Tellitlikeitis--Im The Real Lady, by Real Desire) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 86-17-10-15, \$289,383

O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Perry W Smith. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Sam Widger.

3-Gotham Hanover (g, 5, Yankee Cruiser--Go For Best, by Cambest) \$2,400, \$13,000 2017 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 91-9-24-14, \$127,149

O-Perry W Smith. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Perry Smith. D-Lewayne Miller.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: Q, 1H, H, Q, 1 - Finish Order: Jet Rock, Passa-Grille Beach, Parmesan N, East Beach, Mighty Santana N

6, HoP, \$17,500, Pace, Claiming Price \$50,000 (W/A), 26.0, 55.0, 1:23.0, 1:50.3, FT

1-Sunshine List (h, 4, Sunshine Beach--Armbo Wallflower, by Village Jasper) \$8,750, \$20,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 45-14-10-2, \$151,819

O-Tessa M Perrin. B-Stan Klemencic, CA. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrick.

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2-Rush To Judgement (g, 6, American Ideal--Sure Fun Tryin', by Allamerican Ingot) \$4,375, \$10,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 86-23-11-13, \$209,018

O-Garcia Power Inc. B-John A Fodera & Alagna Racing LLC & Riverview Breeding LLC. T-Hector Herrera. D-Brandon Bates.

3-Sweet Troy (g, 5, Sweet Lou--Magestic Blue Chip, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$2,100, \$50,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 80-11-17-18, \$181,489

O-Philippe L Belanger. B-Pinske Stables & Enzed Racing Stable Inc. T-Philippe Belanger. D-Sam Widger.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 3T, 2H, 2H, 1T, 1H - Finish Order: Sand Sniper, So So Delightful, Dubious Claim, Primo Giovanni, Leon David, Upfront And Gone, Don'tcallmefrancis

10, HoP, \$17,500, Pace, Fillies and Mares Open 2, 27.0, 56.3, 1:25.1, 1:52.3, FT

1-Prairie Westerngal (m, 5, Western Ideal--Taylors Lady, by Masterman) \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 79-21-25-12, \$230,695

O-Michael D Deters & Laurie Lee Poulin & Fritz Racing. B-Laurie Lee Poulin. T-Michael Deters. D-Braxten Boyd.

RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

2-Moneymakehersmile (m, 5, Mach Three--Whycantiforgetyou, by The Panderosa) \$4,375, Lifetime Record: 87-14-22-13, \$132,242
O-Steve F Mihalic, CA. B-Sotirios Anastasopoulos, CA. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrack.

3-Seventimesacharm (m, 4, Always A Virgin--Mrs Grant Seven, by Sportsmaster) \$2,100, Lifetime Record: 52-11-8-11, \$220,680
O-Jesse J De Long. B-Jesse J De Long. T-Tabatha De Long. D-John De Long.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1T, 1T, 2, 2, 1Q - Finish Order: Genie Rockwell, Cheek Please, Eyespywithmylileyen, Western Sierra

HOLLYWOOD GAMING DAYTON RACEWAY *report*

Saturday's Results:

6, Dtn, \$16,000, Pace, CONDITION/CLAIMER HORSES & GELDINGS N/W 10 PM RACES OR \$75,000 LIFETIME CLAIMING PRICE \$30,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 26.3, 55.4, 1:24.0, 1:53.1, GD

1-Cheese Omelet (g, 3, American Ideal--Tongue In Cheek, by Artsplace) \$8,000, \$25,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 35-9-5-3, \$74,487
O-Wilson Racing Stable Inc & Ann E Calvert. B-Flintlock Farm Inc. T-Timothy Wilson Jr. D-Kayne Kauffman.

2-All About Lynx (g, 4, Southwind Lynx--All About Tonight, by Quik Pulse Mindale) \$4,000, Lifetime Record: 38-5-11-4, \$79,925
O-Adam B Short. B-K & R Racing LLC & George Teague Jr Inc.. T-Adam Short. D-Tony Hall.

3-Rockin Tj (g, 5, Rockin Image--Kieanna's Angel, by Personal Power) \$1,920, \$45,000 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 89-9-20-15, \$170,429
O-Tatham Racing Stable LLC. B-Alvin E Walther. T-Brian Tatham. D-Josh Sutton.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: 1H, 1, 2H, H, 1H - Finish Order: Play Me Rock, Call Me Mr Flash, Hoosier Celebrity, Bizys Beagle, Franksnativewestrn

7, Dtn, \$24,000, Pace, ERIC LEDFORD MEMORIAL OPEN I HANDICAP (PP's 7 & 8 ASSIGNED), 26.1, 55.0, 1:23.1, 1:52.2, GD

1-Gold Digger King (g, 5, Pet Rock--Hope For Pot Gold, by Panspacificflight) \$12,000, Lifetime Record: 65-22-17-7, \$455,677
O-Linda E Van Camp. B-T D Van Camp. T-Scott Mogan. D-Tyler Smith.

2-Kiss Of Terror (g, 9, Western Terror--Kissed By A Fool, by Jenna's Beach Boy) \$6,000, Lifetime Record: 145-52-22-10, \$523,368
O-Ameer Najor. B-Vae LLC. T-Paul Holzman. D-Josh Sutton.

3-Ginger Tree Marty (g, 7, Yankee Cruiser--For My Mom, by Western Hanover) \$2,880, \$40,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 161-33-21-22, \$351,224
O-Tommy L Householder. B-Vieux Carre Farms LLC. T-Bobbie Jo Brewer. D-Jason Beattie.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: H, 1, 1, 1, NK - Finish Order: Letitrock, The First Step, Nuclear Dragon, Granite, Wf Eeyore

11, Dtn, \$16,000, Pace, HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING HANDICAP \$20,000 OR \$30,000 W/ALLOWANCES (PP's DRAWN TO PRICE), 26.2, 55.0, 1:23.2, 1:52.0, GD

1-Bobby Dazzler (g, 8, Village Jiffy--Dal Reo Millie, by Scruffy Hanover) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 103-17-15-14, \$206,043
O-James W Fleming, CA. B-Susan V Currie, CA. T-Jason Brewer. D-Tony Hall.

2-Cantescapemydesire (g, 9, Real Desire--Beach Escape, by Artiscape) \$4,000, \$4,000 2013 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 117-28-14-16, \$199,415
O-Tessa M Perrin. B-Keith A Hollendonner. T-J D Perrin. D-Austin Hanners.

3-Father Ted Gb (g, 7, Art's Conquest--Apopka Denise, by Jenna's Beach Boy) \$1,920, Lifetime Record: 69-15-21-14, \$122,192
O-Vhf Racing LLC. B-Marc Jones, UK. T-Sean Smithpeters. D-Jeremy Smith.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: 1H, 1, 2, 3, 5Q - Finish Order: Oberlin, Dashing To Da Wire, Sprinter N, Pauly Wally, Mcmoe, Armabluechipboy N

12, Dtn, \$22,000, Pace, HORSES & GELDINGS OPEN II HANDICAP (N/W \$10,000 LAST 4 DREW PP's 1-3), 26.4, 55.2, 1:23.1, 1:52.0, GD

1-Sugar Island (g, 7, Art's Chip--Sugar Nips, by Cambest) \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 127-23-18-13, \$199,741
O-Mark E Evers. B-Velocity Standardbreds. T-Mark Evers. D-Josh Sutton.

2-Jersey Jim (g, 6, Artiscape--Jersey Pearl, by Dragon Again) \$5,500, \$17,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 88-17-11-18, \$303,885
O-Robert D & Gail H Sanders. B-Winbak Farm. T-Merv Chupp. D-Jeremy Smith.

3-Gd Western Joe (h, 6, Real Desire--Western Whirl, by Western Ideal) \$2,640, \$15,000 2016 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 120-31-30-18, \$681,550
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Hen-Shaut Stable & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Gerald C Yoder. T-Ron Burke. D-Brady Galliers.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: 2, 1, 1, 2, 1 - Finish Order: Yacht Week, The Dark Shadow, Lion Rock N, Beyond Delight, American Dreamer, Mcthrifty



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MEADOWLANDS *report*

Saturday's Results:

1, M, \$28,000, Pace, N/W \$14,000 (N/W L3 \$15,400) in Last 5 Starts AE: N/W 7 (N/W L3 8) Extended PM Races Life Starters in a Class Higher Than N/W \$22,500 (Stakes N/C) in Last Start Ineligible AE: N/W \$20,000 L5 Drawn Outside, 27.0, 55.2, 1:22.3, 1:49.2, GD

1-Let It Ride N (g, 8, Rock N Roll Heaven--Love A Gamble, by Bettor's Delight) \$14,000, Lifetime Record: 68-26-7-9, \$423,352
O-William A Hartt & Enzed Racing Stable Inc. B-N F Nixon, NZ & Mrs M Carson, NZ. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.

2-Shoobee Doo A (g, 6, Shoobee's Place--Lavish Art, by Modern Art) \$7,000, Lifetime Record: 61-25-11-4, \$238,810
O-Michael Casalino Jr & Dylan P Davis. B-Paul Carmody, AS. T-Dylan Davis. D-Corey Callahan.

3-Captain Barbossa (g, 4, Captaintreacherous--Swinging Beauty, by Art Major) \$3,360, \$70,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 45-7-12-6, \$568,774
O-Robert J Leblanc & David H Anderson, CA & Alagnafrankinthegym Stable. B-Steiner Stock Farm. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 2, 1H, 2H, NK - Finish Order: Im A Gigolo N, Dealer's Table, Rockin The Aces, Better Take It, Sombodiytreasure

2, M, \$15,000, Pace, N/W \$7,000 (N/W L7 \$8,200) in Last 5 Starts Starters in a Class Higher Than N/W \$10,500 or a Winner of This Class or Higher in Last Start Ineligible AE: N/W \$8,500 in Last 8 Starts, 27.3, 55.1, 1:24.3, 1:52.2, FT

1-Hail Christian N (h, 7, Christian Cullen--Wicklow Heather N, by Falcon Seelster) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 80-15-17-12, \$264,544
O-Harcourt Lodge Stables, NZ. B-B Fleming, NZ. T-Brett Pelling. D-Todd McCarthy.

2-Quality Bud (g, 8, Quality Western--Rosebud-heather, by Cam's Card Shark) \$3,750, \$700 2014 BHS, Lifetime Record: 204-35-27-29, \$301,796
O-My Buddy Stables. B-Larry J Smith & Jason A Shuck. T-Juan Cano. D-Tim Tetrick.

3-Mindtrip (g, 8, American Ideal--Has An Attitude, by No Pan Intended) \$1,800, \$20,000 2014 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 103-28-22-10, \$371,483
O-Howard A Taylor. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Dylan Davis. D-Corey Callahan.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 5, 3H, 1Q, T, NK - Finish Order: Shamma Lamma, Mighty Mr Sharkey N, Bigonpersonality N, Aleppo Hanover

3, M, \$21,000, Pace, 5 Year Olds & Under Winners of 2 But Not More Than 4 (N/W L3 5) Extended PM Races or N/W \$50,000 (N/W L3 \$60,000) Life, 27.0, 54.3, 1:22.4, 1:50.4, FT

1-His Beats Hanover (g, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--History Repeats, by Dragon Again) \$10,500, \$115,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 23-4-7-1, \$87,912
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-Tim Tetrick.

Hanover ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY **HANOVER SHOE FARMS!**

2-Red Right Hand (c, 3, Captaintreacherous--Preppy Party Girl, by Western Terror) \$5,250, \$60,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 25-4-3-6, \$109,948
O-Christina Takter & Nancy Takter & Jaf Racing & Joe Sbrocco & R A W Equine Inc, CA. B-Steve H Stewart & John A Carver. T-Nancy Takter. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-Diamond Head (h, 4, Somebeachsomewhere--Artchitecture, by Artsplace) \$2,520, \$32,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 42-4-5-4, \$90,185
O-Matthew P Dugan. B-Vieux Carre Farms LLC. T-Eric Mollor. D-David Miller.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3H, 6Q, 4H, 2T, H - Finish Order: Laughagain Hanover, High Baller, Bay Brute, Bullville Jonathan, Tabooma, Captain Terror

4, M, \$600,000, Pace, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Old Fillies, 27.0, 55.4, 1:23.2, 1:49.4, FT

1-Test Of Faith (f, 3, Art Major--Cannae Cammie, by Cam's Card Shark) \$300,000, \$92,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 24-21-3-0, \$1,505,239
O-Melvin P Segal & Kentuckiana Racing Stable & Eddie Gran. B-Frederick W Hertrich III. T-Brett Pelling. D-David Miller.

2-Scarlett Hanover (f, 3, Bettor's Delight--Sammy's Magic Girl, by Western Hanover) \$135,000, \$45,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 28-12-8-1, \$853,856
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Frank D Baldachino & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-Tim Tetrick.

3-Fire Start Hanover (f, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Fit To Frame, by Art Major) \$64,800, \$105,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 26-12-8-2, \$1,107,447
O-Pinske Stables & David K Hoese & Lawrence M Means. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 6H, 3T, 1H, 1, 1 - Finish Order: Blue Diamond Eyes, Grace Hill, Marsala Hanover, Think Of Galaxies, Notorious Pink, Mackie Hanover, Shezafreaklikeme

5, M, \$300,000, Trot, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Olds & Up - Fillies & Mares, 27.3, 57.2, 1:25.4, 1:52.2, FT

1-Felicityshagwell S (m, 6, Maharajah--Diaz Boko, by Cantab Hall) \$150,000, Lifetime Record: 48-11-9-8, \$524,050
O-Knutsson Trotting Inc. B-Manken Ab & Verrazzano Ab, SD. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.

RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

2-Atlanta (m, 6, Chapter Seven--Hemi Blue Chip, by Cantab Hall) \$67,500, \$60,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 62-31-15-5, \$3,058,602
O-Crawford Farms Racing & Bradley J Grant, CA & Howard A Taylor. B-Order By Stable, SD. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.

3-When Dovescry (m, 5, Muscle Hill--Cedar Dove, by Andover Hall) \$32,400, \$205,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 45-18-15-8, \$1,530,172
O-John E Lengacher. B-William B Weaver III. T-Brett Pelling. D-David Miller.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1Q, 1Q, H, 1H, 1H - Finish Order: Ramona Hill, Sorella, Hypnotic Am, Thankful No, Next Level Stuff, Refined, Weslynn Quest

6, M, \$600,000, Pace, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Old Colts & Geldings, 27.3, 55.4, 1:23.4, 1:49.4, FT

1-Perfect Sting (c, 3, Always B Miki--Shebestingin, by Bettor's Delight) \$300,000, Lifetime Record: 26-17-8-1, \$1,808,147
O-Brittany Farms LLC & Val D'Or Farms. B-Brittany Farms LLC & Val D'Or Farms. T-Joe Holloway. D-David Miller.

Another BRITTANY FARMS Bred Winner!

2-Charlie May (g, 3, McArdle--Stipple Hanover, by Western Hanover) \$135,000, Lifetime Record: 28-16-8-0, \$1,085,652
O-Don R Tiger. B-Don R Tiger. T-Steve Carter. D-Brett Miller.

3-Chase H Hanover (g, 3, Captaintreacherous--Calgary Hanover, by Western Ideal) \$64,800, \$30,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 28-7-7-5, \$587,300
O-Jason Ash & Scott L Cox. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Scott Cox. D-Tim Tetrick.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1, 1Q, 1H, 1Q, 1 - Finish Order: Rockyroad Hanover, Southwind Gendry, Southwind Petyr, Water Sports Teen, I'll Drink To That, Heart Of Chewbacca, Abuckabett Hanover

7, M, \$650,000, Trot, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Old Fillies, 28.0, 56.4, 1:25.4, 1:53.0, FT

1-Bella Bellini (f, 3, Bar Hopping--Bella Dolce, by Kadabra) \$325,000, Lifetime Record: 24-10-7-0, \$1,021,463
O-David H Mc Duffee. B-David H Mc Duffee. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.

2-Anoka Hanover (f, 3, Donato Hanover--Aunt Mel, by Yankee Glide) \$146,250, \$35,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 24-11-3-2, \$791,239
O-Caviart Farms & Crawford Farms Racing & L. A. Express Stable LLC & Noel M Daley. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Noel Daley. D-Andrew McCarthy.

3-Splash Blue Chip (f, 3, E L Titan--Dunk The Donato, by Donato Hanover) \$70,200, \$265,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 24-5-5-7, \$474,623
O-Ake Svanstedt Inc & Mellby Gard Inc. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: HD, 1Q, 1Q, NS, 2 - Finish Order: Herculisa, Shirley Goodness, Chablis, You Ato Dream, Amazone Duharas, Altar, Iteration

8, M, \$650,000, Trot, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Old Colts & Geldings, 26.2, 55.3, 1:23.4, 1:51.2, FT

1-Jujubee (c, 3, Creatine--La Cantera, by Cantab Hall) \$325,000, Lifetime Record: 23-16-5-1, \$961,857
O-Jon W Erdner. B-Jon W Erdner. T-Greg Wright Jr. D-Andrew McCarthy.

2-Fly Light (g, 3, Father Patrick--Hustle Heart, by Credit Winner) \$146,250, \$50,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 19-3-4-4, \$528,591
O-Ake Svanstedt Inc & Stable Why Not. B-Marvin Katz, CA & ALJ Libfeld, CA. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-In Range (c, 3, Bar Hopping--Ilia, by Windsong's Legacy) \$70,200, \$185,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 26-7-6-5, \$774,281
O-Amg Stable Inc & Kenneth Kjellgren, SD & Rick T Wahlstedt. B-Windsong Stable. T-Marcus Melander. D-Tim Tetrick.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1H, 1H, 2Q, 2, 1 - Finish Order: Cuatro De Julio, Delayed Hanover, Ambassador Hanover, Inaminute Hanover, Ritson, Logan Park, Dancinginthedark M

9, M, \$330,000, Pace, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Olds & Up - Fillies & Mares, 27.0, 55.1, 1:22.3, 1:49.0, FT

1-Rocknificent (m, 4, Captaintreacherous--Rocklamation, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$165,000, \$145,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 46-15-12-10, \$1,133,662
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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 **Preferred Equine** YEARLING SALE GRADUATE

2-Lyons Sentinel (m, 4, Captaintreacherous--Tutu Hanover, by Western Ideal) \$74,250, \$55,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 45-21-14-4, \$1,914,794
O-Three Lyons racing, CA. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrick.

3-Peaky Sneaky (m, 4, Bettor's Delight--World Of Rock, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$35,640, \$100,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 40-8-8-11, \$750,118
O-Howard A & Judith S Taylor & Order By Stable, SD. B-White Birch Farm. T-Nancy Takter. D-Dexter Dunn.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1, 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, H - Finish Order: Racine Bell, Jk First Lady, Keep Rockin A, Marloe Hanover, Rockin Nola, Drama Act, Treacherous Reign

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RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

10, M, \$650,000, Trot, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Olds & Up Open Trot, 27.3, 55.1, 1:24.2, 1:52.0, FT

1-Ecurie D Dk (h, 5, Infinitif--To Soon, by Muscles Yankee) \$325,000, Lifetime Record: 23-17-2-0, \$783,368

O-Marko Kreivi Stables Inc & Suleyman Yuksel Stables Inc & Ake Svanstedt Inc. B-Jean Pierre Dubois. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.

2-Back Of The Neck (h, 4, Ready Cash--Big Barb, by Andover Hall) \$143,000, \$150,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 30-11-5-4, \$772,379

O-Howard A Taylor & Order By Stable, SD & Judith S Taylor & Ake Svanstedt Inc. B-Order By Stable, SD. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Scott Zeron.

3-Ready For Moni (h, 4, Ready Cash--Nothing But Moni, by Credit Winner) \$68,640, \$220,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 31-11-4-3, \$1,200,568

O-Lindy Farms Of Conn & John D Fielding, CA & Herb A Liverman & Bud C Hatfield. B-Moni Maker Stable. T-Nancy Takter. D-Andrew McCarthy.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: HD, 1Q, 1Q, 1, 2Q - Finish Order: Sermon, It's Academic, Forbidden Trade, Amigo Volo, Chin Chin Hall, Warrawee Roo, Majestic Player A, Beads

11, M, \$600,000, Pace, BREEDERS CROWN - FINAL 3 Year Olds & Up Open Pace, 25.4, 53.2, 1:21.2, 1:48.3, FT

1-Ocean Rock (g, 4, Rockin Amadeus--Ocean Pearl, by On The Attack) \$300,000, Lifetime Record: 36-19-8-1, \$1,209,522

O-Sandra S Burnett. B-Sandra S Burnett. T-Christi Noble. D-Dan Noble.

2-Cattlewash (h, 4, Somebeachsomewhere--Road Bet, by Bettor's Delight) \$135,000, Lifetime Record: 42-13-11-8, \$1,288,187

O-WJ Donovan. B-WJ Donovan. T-Ron Burke. D-David Miller.

3-Allywag Hanover (g, 4, Captaintreacherous--Anderosa Hanover, by The Panderosa) \$64,800, \$95,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 39-17-5-3, \$1,004,738

O-Allywag Stable. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Brett Pelling. D-Todd McCarthy.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1H, Q, NK - Finish Order: Enavant, Catch The Fire, Ruthless Hanover, Warrawee Vital, Nicholas Beach, This Is The Plan, Workin Ona Mystery

12, M, \$35,000, Pace, Claiming Handicap \$100,000 - \$150,000 Post Positions Drawn According to Base Price, 27.1, 56.0, 1:24.0, 1:50.4, FT

1-J M Mandamin (g, 5, Mach Three--J M Lasstax, by Camluck) \$17,500, \$21,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 65-18-16-7, \$208,564

O-Robert M Weinstein. B-R K Joe Miskokomon, CA. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

2-Rockie Got Framed (g, 5, Rockin Image--Carousel Frame, by Dragon Again) \$8,750, \$50,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 59-12-10-15, \$286,699

O-Rocco S Ruffolo. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Erv Miller. D-Scott Zeron.

3-Twin B Tuffenuff (h, 6, Rock N Roll Heaven--In The Pink, by Dragon Again) \$4,200, \$75,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 119-22-28-19, \$540,061

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-WJ Donovan. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2H, 1Q, 1H, 2H, 1T - Finish Order: Semi Tough, Montefalco N, Always And Again, Geez Joe, Stone Hanover

13, M, \$28,000, Trot, N/W \$20,000 (N/W L3 \$22,000) in Last 5 Starts AE: N/W 9 Extended PM Races Lifetime AE: Winners Base Class N/W \$14,000 or Less L/S or N/W \$3,800 P/S in 2021, 27.2, 56.2, 1:25.2, 1:53.2, FT

1-Gangster Hanover (h, 4, Father Patrick--Global Desire, by Yankee Glide) \$14,000, \$275,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 26-9-1-3, \$363,438

O-Ake Svanstedt Inc & S R F Stable & Brittany Farms LLC. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.

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2-JL Cruze (g, 10, Crazed--Topcat Hall, by Conway Hall) \$7,000, \$30,000 2012 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 140-43-20-27, \$1,609,067

O-William Kenneth Wood & William J Dittmar Jr & Stephen J Iaquina. B-Joanne M Morrison, CA & Glengate Farms, CA. T-Eric Ell. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-May Baby (m, 4, Guccio--Free Wheeling, by Credit Winner) \$3,360, \$8,500 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 45-16-10-6, \$578,055

O-Cheyenne E Yoder. B-Oakwood Farms. T-James Yoder. D-James Yoder.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2Q, 2H, 3, 3Q, NK - Finish Order: Dunbar Hall, Max, Kings County, Double Account, Barry Black, Hockey Hanover, Get Legs

NORTHFIELD PARK *report*

Saturday's Results:

1, Nfld, \$11,000, Pace, THE HALLOWEEN SERIES FILLIES & MARES NON WINNERS 2 PARIMUTUEL RACES (OHIO SIREN N/W 3) OR \$20,000 LIFETIME. (THROUGH 9/30/2021). 2ND LEG - 1ST DIVISION, 27.3, 57.4, 1:26.0, 1:53.4, FT

1-Western Rosie (f, 3, Western Terror--Townline Rosanna, by Pilgrims Punch) \$5,500, Lifetime Record: 43-12-8-7, \$67,091

O-Steven M Carter & Jeffrey Brewer. B-Lynda Jo Brewer & Clint K Binkley. T-Jeff Brewer. D-Ryan Stahl.

2-Bearcreekhoney (f, 3, Schoolkids--Trouble Talk, by Badlands Hanover) \$2,750, \$4,000 2019 BHS, Lifetime Record: 37-11-11-5, \$97,997

O-William A Hartt. B-Dannie Ray Hostetler. T-Clarence Foulk. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr..

RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

3-Racing Glory (f, 3, Racing Hill--Rock For Glory, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$1,320, Lifetime Record: 15-4-2-2, \$34,895

O-Marjorie K Deshetsy. B-Emerald Highlands Farm. T-Mike Sweeney. D-Aaron Merriman.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 5Q, T, 1Q, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Perfect Bella, Tremendous Cruiser, Rockin N Kissin, Molly Mcgator

4, Nfld, \$11,000, Pace, THE HALLOWEEN SERIES FILLIES & MARES NON WINNERS 2 PARIMUTUEL RACES (OHIO SIRE N/W 3) OR \$20,000 LIFETIME. (THROUGH 9/30/2021). 2ND LEG - 2ND DIVISION, 28.0, 57.4, 1:26.1, 1:55.0, SY

1-Welltheraceison (f, 3, **Well Said--Orchid Beach, by Jenna's Beach Boy**) \$5,500, Lifetime Record: 32-6-6-2, \$40,057

O-Kelly F & Sarah E Goodwin. B-Jason Eden. T-Kelly Goodwin. D-Chris Lems.

2-Rockin Good Time (f, 3, Rock N Roll Heaven--Timeless Beauty, by Dragon Again) \$2,750, \$10,000 2019 GOSHEN, Lifetime Record: 20-1-2-3, \$20,252

O-Bay Pond Racing Stable. B-Patricia M Hogan. T-Sam Schillaci. D-Hunter Myers.

3-Lyons Queen (f, 3, Lyons somewhere--Renee's Queen, by Kingston) \$1,320, Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-2, \$18,115

O-Timmy J Ryan. B-Geoffrey Lyons Mound, CA. T-Brandon Presto. D-Ryan Stahl.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 4H, 2T, T, 2, 1 - Finish Order: Rockmatic, Cheekie Babe, Sassy Sophia, Forever Missy

6, Nfld, \$11,000, Pace, THE HALLOWEEN SERIES FILLIES & MARES NON WINNERS 2 PARIMUTUEL RACES (OHIO SIRE N/W 3) OR \$20,000 LIFETIME. (THROUGH 9/30/2021). 2ND LEG - 3RD DIVISION, 26.3, 55.1, 1:23.3, 1:54.1, SY

1-Wall Said (f, 3, **Well Said--Ashland Blue, by Blissfull Hall**) \$5,500, Lifetime Record: 34-13-7-2, \$108,800

O-Wall Bros Stable & Patrick M Sweeney & Rocky L & John R Miller. B-Wall Bros Stable. T-Mike Sweeney. D-Aaron Merriman.

2-San Franny (f, 3, Nob Hill High--Odds On Hemera, by Western Ideal) \$2,750, \$14,000 2019 BHS, Lifetime Record: 34-3-7-8, \$37,329

O-Horseplay Racing Stable & Miller Racing Stable Inc & Mazing Racing Stable & Edward L Marrinan. B-Michael Dean & Donald E Robinson & Robert A Mondillo. T-Sam Schillaci. D-Greg Grismore.

3-Pinknperfect (f, 3, **Well Said--Pink Camo, by Pine Valley**) \$1,320, Lifetime Record: 28-2-2-3, \$69,087

O-Daniel Schrock. B-Rtk Racing LLC. T-Herman Hagerman. D-Chris Lems.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1, 1H, 1T, 1T, 2Q - Finish Order: Don't Trip, Arielle Hanover, Where Angels Fly, Margin Of Error

11, Nfld, \$19,500, Pace, FILLIES & MARES OPEN HANDICAP, 26.2, 55.2, 1:23.2, 1:52.3, SY

1-Adorabella (m, 5, **Pet Rock--Bella Marta, by Art Major**) \$9,750, Lifetime Record: 68-15-7-8, \$91,226

O-Vincent J Costa Jr. B-Vincent J Costa Jr. T-Sam Schillaci. D-Hunter Myers.

2-Sulky Queen (m, 5, Rock N Roll Heaven--Native Bride, by Allamerican Native) \$4,875, Lifetime Record: 83-19-10-10, \$183,355

O-L'Emmur Stable LLC. B-Sundance Stable LLC & Jay C Sears. T-Keith Kash Jr. D-Keith Kash Jr.

3-Camera Lady (m, 7, Dragon Again--Ann Van Go, by Modern Art) \$2,340, \$5,000 2015 Goshen, Lifetime Record: 181-69-28-20, \$569,567

O-William A Hartt. B-Olive Branch Farm & Ann-Mari Daley. T-Michael Hitchcock. D-Aaron Merriman.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2T, 3, H, 1H, HD - Finish Order: Mystical Virgin, Dont Mach Mia, Schemin Friskie, Look Kimbo, Diamondtequilashot

THE DOWNS AT MOHEGAN SUN POCONO *report*

Saturday's Results:

10, PcD, \$21,500, Pace, NW \$22,500 in Last 4 Starts or \$3,000 Per Start with 10 or more starts in 2021 AE: NW 10 Ext. PM Races or \$150,000 Lifetime, 26.3, 55.0, 1:22.4, 1:50.2, GD

1-Covered Bridge (g, 5, **American Ideal--Stonebridge Kisses, by Artescape**) \$10,750, \$21,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 65-16-9-10, \$390,870

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby & Mortgage Boys Stable. B-Winbak Farm. T-Ron Burke. D-Matt Kakaley.



2-Stars Align A (h, 8, Art Major--Nosotros, by Albert Albert) \$5,375, Lifetime Record: 116-41-14-12, \$579,942

O-Joshua Jay Graber. B-Benstud Standardbreds, AS. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Simon Allard.

3-Stellar Bb (g, 4, Rockin Image--Yankee Pankee Bb, by Yankee Cruiser) \$2,580, \$13,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 55-17-7-8, \$133,633

O-James B Slendorn. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Mark Kesmodel. D-Tyler Buter.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3T, 3T, 3, H, 2H - Finish Order: Snowball's Romeo, Southwind Ozzi, Scootnroll, Prince Of Tides

RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

12, PcD, \$18,000, Pace, Claiming Handicap \$30,000-40,000 (with allowances) Post Position by Price, 26.2, 55.3, 1:23.3, 1:52.4, GD

1-Major Desire (g, 4, Real Desire--Fighting Major Usa, by Big Towner) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 59-9-2-9, \$76,234

O-Vhf Racing LLC. B-Shirley A & Arthur D Le Vin. T-Sabrina Shaw. D-Tyler Buter.

2-Artists Ruffles (g, 7, Real Artist--Fast Ruffles, by Western Hanover) \$4,500, \$23,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 187-32-16-19, \$205,016

O-Joseph S Pisarski. B-Fashion Farms LLC. T-Philip Bo Sowers. D-Cory Stratton.

3-Ding Ding Dinger (g, 6, Art's Card Trick--Scott's Sweetie, by Shotgun Scott) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 129-16-18-25, \$126,682

O-James B Slendorn. B-Lauxmont Farms. T-Mark Kesmodel. D-Geo. Napolitano Jr.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3, 3T, 2Q, T, 1Q - Finish Order: Cinnamack, Walter Mitty, Somebeach Baron, The Candyman Can, Regal Son, Bellows Binge

WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK *report*

Saturday's Results:

1, Wbs, \$24,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$17,500 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$28,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NW \$110,000 LIFETIME. AE: 3 YEAR OLDS, 26.0, 55.3, 1:24.1, 1:51.4

1-Bestseller Hanover (b,m,5 - Somebeachsomewhere-Bittersweet Terror-Western Terror) \$12,000, Lifetime Record: 52-13-6-5, \$324,840

O-Millar Farms B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Nick Gallucci D-Sylvain Filion

Hanover ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY **HANOVER SHOE FARMS!**

2-Western Wish (b,f,3 - Betterthancheddar-Giannas Ideal-Western Ideal)

O-Aaron Waxman, Santo & Nunzio Vena B-Blain Thibeau T-Carmen Auciello D-Douglas Mcnair

3-Parisian Blue Chip (b,m,6 - Bettors Delight-She Walks The Walk-Rocknroll Hanover)

O-Stephen Klunowski, David Mcdonald B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc T-Shawn Steacy D-Paul Macdonell

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2, Wbs, \$30,000, Pace, NW \$30,000 LAST 5 STARTS. AE: NW \$180,000 LIFETIME. AE: OPT. CLM. \$80,000, 27.4, 55.4, 1:24.4, 1:51.2

1-Wheels On Fire (b,g,6 - Somebeachsomewhere-Ab Fab-Western Ideal) \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 89-32-12-13, \$591,623

O-Bradley Grant B-W J Donovan T-Richard Moreau D-Douglas Mcnair

2-Sweet Deisel (b,g,5 - Sweet Lou-Gentlemens Delight-Bettors Delight)

O-Klein Racing Stables Llc B-Albert & Michelle Crawford T-Julie Robinson D-Chris Christoforou

3-Bettorbuckleup (b,g,4 - Bettors Delight-Farouche Hanover-Mcardle)

O-Millar Farms B-Jeff Mcfadden T-Nick Gallucci D-Austin Sorrie

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4, Wbs, \$20,000, Pace, NW \$13,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$24,500 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$35,000, 26.3, 56.0, 1:23.3, 1:51.0

1-Points North (b,g,6 - Somebeachsomewhere-Northwest Hanover-Western Hanover) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 105-24-11-17, \$537,434

O-Aaron Waxman, Frank Cirillo B-Pinske Stables T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

2-Fabrizio N (b,g,5 - Sweet Lou-Zagami-Christian Cullen)

O-Mt Stables Ontario Inc, Aaron Waxman, Frank Cirillo B-C M Dalgety, A Zame T-Duane Marfisi D-Douglas Mcnair

3-Undrthsouthrnsun N (b,g,5 - Somebeachsomewhere-Under The Odds-Bettors Delight)

O-Mt Stables Ontario Inc B-Graham Pearson T-Benoit Baillargeon D-Mario Baillargeon

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5, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace, NW \$8,100 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$16,000 LAST 10 STARTS, 26.2, 55.4, 1:24.4, 1:53.2

1-Grand Poobah (b,g,5 - Mach Three-Warrawee Limelight-Astreos) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 104-6-11-20, \$175,480

O-Stephen Klunowski B-Stephen Klunowski T-Carmen Auciello D-Douglas Mcnair

2-Always A Hotshot (b,g,8 - Always A Virgin-Tms Miss Hot Shot-Under Siege)

O-Robert Watson, Auciello Stables, Daniel Sarafian, Lawrence Fox B-James Mulinix T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

3-The Greek Freak (b,g,4 - Captaintreacherous-Thirty X-Rocknroll Hanover)

O-Gino Toscani B-Steve Jones, Mark Mullen T-Herbert Holland D-Jody Jamieson

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6, Wbs, \$22,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 5 RACES OR \$80,000 LIFETIME, 26.4, 54.2, 1:22.3, 1:51.4

1-Twin B Sunkissed (b,f,3 - Sunshine Beach-Western Heat-Western Hanover) \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 24-5-5-4, \$251,068

O-Ecurie Csl, 9174 7998 Quebec Inc B-Twinbrook Limited T-Richard Moreau D-Sylvain Filion

2-Shes Got It All (b,f,3 - Bettors Delight-Regally Ready-Royal Mattjesty)

O-Hutt Racing Stable B-Winbak Farm T-Richard Zeron D-Mario Baillargeon

3-My Mother Pearl (b,m,4 - Big Jim-Artistic Melody-Artiscape)

O-Benjamin Hollingsworth B-Windsun Farm Inc T-Benjamin Hollingsworth D-Jonathan Drury

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7, Wbs, \$17,000, Pace, 4 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 2 RACES OR \$32,000 LIFETIME, 27.1, 55.4, 1:24.3, 1:52.4

1-Chantee (b,g,3 - Shadow Play-Intense-Shanghai Phil) \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 17-5-4-4, \$39,142

O-Guy Corbeil B-Guy Corbeil T-Richard Moreau D-Sylvain Filion

2-Rau Ru (b,g,3 - Bettors Delight-Band Of Angels-Rock N Roll Heaven)

O-Coyote Wynd Farms B-Willow Oak Ranch T-Camilla Christoforou D-Chris Christoforou

3-Southbeach Hanover (b,g,3 - Somebeachsomewhere-So Perfect-Western Ideal)

O-Hudson Standrbrd Stb Inc, David Mcdonald, Nancy Malik B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Shawn Steacy D-Paul Macdonell

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9, Wbs, \$20,000, Pace, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 3 RACES OR \$58,000 LIFETIME. AE: 3 YEAR OLDS, NW 3 RACES IN 2021, 26.2, 54.1, 1:22.4, 1:51.3

1-Somewhereinverona (gr,c,3 - Somebeachsomewhere-Northern Duchess-Western Terror) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 28-5-4-4, \$121,651

O-Petitpas Stables Ltd, Ozzie Mackay, Blake Macintosh, Gilles A Landry B-Karen Carroll T-Blake Macintosh D-Austin Sorrie



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Yearling Sale Graduate

2-Twin B Fighter (br,g,3 - Bettors Delight-In The Pink-Dragon Again)

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC, Phillip Collura, J And T Silva Purnel And Libby, W J Donovan B-Twinbrook Limited T-Asheigh Hensley D-Ed Hensley

3-Beach Party (b,g,3 - Somebeachsomewhere-Precocious Beauty-Art Major)

O-Frank Brundle, Glenn Macdonald, Gary Volpe, Decision Theory Inc B-James Avritt T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

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10, Wbs, \$24,000, Pace, NW \$17,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$35,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NW \$9,000 LAST 4 STARTS. AE: NW \$120,000 LIFETIME, 26.4, 56.0, 1:23.3, 1:51.4

1-Rockin N Talkin (b,g,5 - Custard The Dragon-Shes Just Rockin-Rocknroll Hanover) \$12,000, Lifetime Record: 76-17-13-6, \$287,242

O-Carolyn Mac Isaac, Laura Toscani B-Surdate Farms Ltd T-Herbert Holland D-Sylvain Filion

2-East End (br,g,8 - Bettors Delight-London Eye-Western Ideal)

O-Percy Elkins B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC T-Robert Don Fellows D-Phillippe Hudon

3-Respect Our Flag (br,g,5 - Roll With Joe-Gyrations-Real Desire)

O-Travis & Ronald Cullen, Paul Sanders B-Barbara Bongiorno T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

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11, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace, 4 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 2 RACES OR \$15,000 LIFETIME, 27.0, 57.1, 1:26.0, 1:53.3

1-Silver Maple (b,g,3 - State Treasurer-Aspirine Semalu-Yankee Cam) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 11-2-0-0, \$18,650

O-Felix Marion B-Christine Marion T-Richard Moreau D-Sylvain Filion

2-Take A Gamble (b,g,3 - Bettors Delight-Bad Sister-Badlands Hanover)

O-Stephen Klunowski B-Winbak Farm T-Shawn Steacy D-Paul Macdonell

3-The Shining (b,g,3 - Custard The Dragon-Shes Shiny-Allamerican Native)

O-Steve Mihalic, Tony Valentini B-Surdate Farms Ltd T-Carmen Auciello D-Douglas Mcnair

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