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Heffering on Mach Three's untimely death: "I figured I had mine already"

Owner of Tara Hills Stud reacts to news that the sire of Somebeachsomewhere – and total progeny worth some \$100 million – has been euthanized in New Zealand.

by Dave Briggs

David Heffering said he always believed pacing stallion Mach Three would end up dying of natural causes at a very old age to be laid to rest in a lush field in New Zealand.

"I figured I'd had mine already. I lost Astreos when he was Down Under. I lost Strong Yankee here at the farm. Now we've lost Mach Three," a devastated Heffering said Friday, shortly after word reached him that Mach Three was euthanized that morning (Jan. 20) at Alabar Farms in Waiau Pa, New Zealand following a paddock accident. Mach Three just turned 18.

"I always figured the rest of my stallions would just die of old age. They would stick around... Mach Three didn't deserve to die this way," said Heffering, the owner of Tara Hills Stud in Port Perry, ON where Mach Three has stood for 14 straight years during the northern hemisphere breeding season.

Mach Three – the sire of the legendary Hall of Fame racehorse and stallion Somebeachsomewhere (\$3.2 million, 1:46.4 world record) – suffered a broken leg in his paddock and had to be put down.

"The stallion handler went out to Mach Three's paddock at Alabar Farms in New Zealand and found him lying there not able to get up. After an examination from the vet, they found Mach Three he had a fractured tibia. There was nothing they could do and had to put the horse down," Heffering said.



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Mach Three spent all 14 of his years as a northern hemisphere stallion at Tara Hills Stud.

Astreos, who won the 2000 Little Brown Jug and later stood at Tara Hills during the northern hemisphere breeding season, was found dead in his paddock at Alabar Farms in New Zealand in October of 2006 after an apparent heart attack. He was nine. Just two months later, Strong Yankee was only four when he had to be euthanized at the University of Guelph after suffering a severe shoulder injury in a paddock accident at Tara Hills. Strong Yankee had not, yet, bred any mares.

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Tara Hills Stud owner David Heffering said he and his staff are devastated by the death of Mach Three.

Though both of those deaths came more than 10 years ago, it didn't make Mach Three's death any easier on Heffering and his staff.

"Mach Three was a good horse to work with, a kind horse to be around," Heffering said.

To add to the tragedy, Mach Three's death came the same day Tara Hills announced his 2017 book was full and closed at 140 mares. Mach Three was due to get on a plane back to Ontario on Thursday (Jan. 26).

"My staff is torn apart and wrecked by this. He was part of the family... This is family that has died," Heffering said. "We're in the livestock business and we're used to it, but no matter how many years that you're in the business you never *really* get used to it."

The fact that Mach Three cheated death twice before also gave Heffering hope the stallion — who is owned by the Muscara Racing Trust of Ivyland, PA — would live a long life.

Heffering said Mach Three developed colic before he first came to Tara Hills at the end of his 2002 season.

"I forget how many feet of intestine they cut out of the horse, but when he came to us he was just a rack of bones. He looked awful. We brought him back from the dead, basically, and he continued on and flourished. He's been great and he was a very photogenic horse for us. Lots of great pictures."

Heffering said a year ago Mach Three contracted pneumonia and nearly died.

"Still, clients stayed with us and we still bred 111 mares to him last year with good fertility," he said, adding that the Muscara family offered discounts to clients for the inconvenience. Now that Mach Three has died, Heffering said those impacted by his death would be offered discounts to breed to another of the Muscara-owned stallions. Other stallion owners with studs at Tara Hills have stepped up to also offer discounts, Heffering said. He said those affected should call Tara Hills for more information ((905) 985-7770).

Mach Three, a son of Matts Scooter out of All Included, has produced 1,297 offspring to date, with total progeny earnings of nearly \$103 million by Standardbred Canada accounting and \$97.5 million by USTA records. Standardbred Canada has Mach Three's progeny's average earnings per starter at \$112,034 (\$103,126 by USTA records). The stallion produced 298 horses that earned \$100,000 or more and 105 that made more than \$250,000, by SC records. He produced 437 horses than had a 1:55 mile, 274 that had a 1:53 mark and 30 that had a sub-1:50 mile.

"He's been a big part of the Canadian breeding scene and the North American breeding scene," Heffering said. "He made racehorses. That's what everybody tells us. You can breed to him and you'll get a racehorse."

Mach Three's six richest offspring are: Somebeachsomewhere (\$3.2 million), Monkey On My Wheel



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The late Joe Muscara, Sr. of Huntingdon Valley, PA purchased Mach Three in May of the pacer's sophomore season from Linda Magid of Cambridge, ON, the widow of the pacer's breeder, Karl Magid. Karl was known for founding the famed Lulu's Roadhouse in Kitchener, ON in 1984. Lulu's, which Karl owned until 1987, was a mammoth nightclub that occupied the site of a former K-Mart and once was home to the world's longest bar. It was also a frequent stop for some of the world's most successful popular music acts.

Mach Three posted a record of 7-2-0 in nine starts at two in 2001 and won the \$1.1 million Metro Pace at Woodbine in 1:51.4 while under the tutelage of Brett, Shawn and Bill Robinson, along with Monte Gelrod. The Metro victory came seven months after Karl Magid died of cancer.

The following year, Mach Three won the \$1 million Meadowlands Pace in a career best 1:49. At three, Mach Three had a record of 11-2-2 in 18 starts to give him a career record of 18-4-2 in 27 starts and earnings of \$2,376,700. Mach Three was predominantly driven by Randy Waples at two and John Campbell at three.

Mach Three stood his entire career at Tara Hills Stud in the northern hemisphere and Alabar in the southern hemisphere. His first foals hit the ground in 2004.

"The Muscaras have been friends forever," Heffering said. "They're taking it very hard. All of us know this can happen in the livestock business, but their father passed away a few years ago and this is part of their dad's legacy to carry on. Young Joe has gone down to New Zealand to visit the horse. They are very close to their horses."

The impact of Mach Three's death on Tara Hills is immense, Heffering said.

"He's been a cornerstone stallion here for the farm and a marquee stallion for the farm... He's been a big part of the Canadian and North American breeding scene."

Heffering said Mach Three would be buried in New Zealand.

"We knew that someday he probably wouldn't be coming back here. We talked about him retiring one day and staying in New Zealand... where most of the time the weather is pretty nice and there's nice green, lush pastures," Heffering said.




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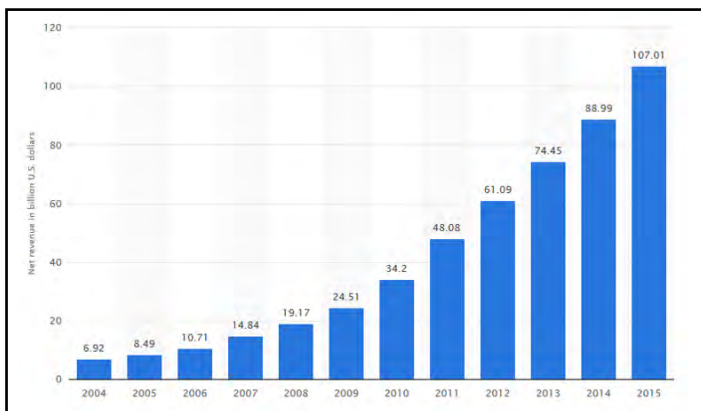
Three business strategies for racing to embrace in a changing world

Racing often wrings its hands about the loss of on-track betting revenue and continually establishes policy to 'fix' this issue. The hard truth is that this revenue is not coming back like it once was. New strategies need to match reality, not be based on a wish.

I don't think it's a big secret that brick and mortar retail **has been feeling the pinch**. But we're starting to see more and more of it in the headlines.

About a month ago, Macy's announced they're closing 15 per cent of its stores in 2017. Macy's is not making this move because the economy is terrible, or because retail sales are cratering. In fact, retail spending over the holidays was up 3.8 per cent. The problem: retail sales are rapidly moving online — Internet sales were up 17.1 per cent year over year for the same holiday period.

These sales are flowing to businesses like Amazon, where gross sales have increased from \$6.9 billion in 2004 to over \$100 billion in 2017.



This is not happening in just one sector, but many. Today, Statista reported that **Netflix revenues eclipsed the entire DVD and Blu-Ray US sales figures in 2016**. The changes in

music are even more eye-opening. Streaming revenue through portals such as Spotify and Apple Music was higher than revenue from on-demand video for the very first time this past year. It grew at a whopping 82.6 per cent rate from 2015. Seriously, when was the last time you bought a CD?

Racing has its own form of disruption in precisely this vein. People are not frequenting the track like they were; they're betting from home. The industry often laments this, and with on-track revenue falling, it's an issue. But this is the new normal. Each fall, the clocks roll back because of the tilting of the earth, but they can't be rolled back for racing.

Racing — both harness and thoroughbred — first responded to falling on-track handle (15 or so years ago) with a want to restrict customers.

"They're not going to the track, so let's make them go to the track."

Restricting supply, not selling signals to Internet partners, and focusing on offshore sites as a cure not a symptom didn't come close to working. When your first reaction in the new century — with new consumer paradigms and massive technological disruption — is to try and dictate, protect and control, you're fighting a battle that can't be won.

A decade later, we see similar strains of this strategy still at




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work. Contest and fantasy websites have popped up, offering potential customers an easy gateway into the sport. These sites keep existing customers engaged and help stop them from doing something else, like playing poker, heading to the casino or playing fantasy sports. Racing's response has primarily been about legislating them out of existence, or trying to squeeze small amounts of revenue from them.

Another wave of industry response has been eerily similar, and we're seeing a lot of this today – racetracks charging Internet betting partners a higher fee for the right to show their races. This probably won't work very well, either. When you charge an advance deposit wagering company a higher fee, that fee – at least in part – is passed on to the bettor. As well, as a partner's margins shrink, discretionary spending on marketing, improvement of their product, and investing in technology, falls. Increasing prices, stifling demand, and taking money out of marketing and end-user customer service doesn't sound like a very good recipe for increasing the bet.

In my view, those are all 1975 solutions in a 2017 world. They don't have any hope of working long term. I think old-time racing is best to take another approach; an approach that fits more into where society, racing, and the consumer ecosystem in 2017 is. Here are a few suggestions:

Growth will come from productive partnerships

When it comes to knowing what makes bettors tick, the smartest people I have met in this business are not from racetracks, or racetrack ADWs, but from small grassroots betting sites. They know the customer intimately and they innovate to serve them better than racetracks could ever do.

ADWs are the store front and deal solely with customers. Racetracks are the back-end; they deal with entry boxes, horsepeople, food service and a hundred other things. This is an optimal business arrangement and it needs to be treated

as such in 2017 and beyond.

It goes the same with contest or fantasy sites. These sites service a completely new consumer through web-based deliverables racetracks are foreign to. Let them do what they're good at.

Racetracks need to “know their customer”

Anyone that walks into a racetrack is a customer a track can own forever. Horse racing's customers are a unique lot, because when they like you (and they like the game), they like racing for a long time, and present tremendous “lifetime value.” They are yours, until they're not.

“Know your customer” is an actual regulation for stock brokers, and in my view, it should be one for racetracks. The lady who just walked in might gamble a great deal of money and goes to the casino often. She might respond to an on-track rebate and top-notch betting service. She might be worth six figures to purses and profits. It's your job to know.

The gentlemen who walked in might come very often, but he's very responsive when you walk over the fifth time you've seen him, introduce yourself, and buy him a coffee. It's your job to know.

Retail stores study their customer behavior all the time, and build responses to them and their habits. I know for a fact racetracks aren't doing enough of this, and have let high value customers walk out the door to the nearest offshore betting site or poker table. You can do better.

On-track wagering revenue has left the station: Focus on alternative revenue and lobbying

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It's clear the sport has changed and large amounts of revenue will (continue to) come from sources other than betting dollars. The industry must seek out alternative forms of wagering, maximize it and keep this revenue flowing.

In 10 years, it'll be about more than just slots. Racetracks have to be positioned as the hub for many types of wagering that's coming down the regulatory pipe. This is vitally important, because when you stake your claim to a space, it's very difficult for governments to take it away.

Currently, there are smart people in horse racing handling this; those who know their stuff when it comes to governments and racing – Faraldo, Gural, Tanner, some in Pennsylvania and Ohio come to mind. But they are disparate, sometimes not rowing the boat in the same direction, and at times not sharing best practices or speaking with the same voice. It's not being done in an industry-wide fashion.

The sport doled out \$420 million in purse money in 2016, and in coming years some of this money should be used to get this lobbying talent on the same page, and build a brand. A 'Department of Harness Racing' that focuses on every state and jurisdiction (rather than just one or two at a time) can be worth hundreds of millions of dollars to the business over the next decade. It's too big a job for the USTA, and too important a job to not be addressed.

In the end, I believe on-track revenue consisting solely of betting dollars is never going to be what it once was. In harness racing, betting revenue will grow in the next decades through partnering with technology and exploring new mediums, not fighting them, or nickel and diming. It will grow when racetracks are incubators who cultivate, foster and know customers; servicing them in new, positive ways. The sport will grow by holding on to alternative gaming – and bringing more of it in through sports betting, etc – and that is contingent upon a funded, modern, flexible and strong lobbying arm.

The future might not be bright for bricks and mortar retail, but for harness racing, I think there's a lot of serious potential. If the sport changes its focus, I think it can be unleashed.

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Allard appeals, given stay; back racing at WEG soon



The Pennsylvania Horse Racing Commission (PHRC) confirmed Saturday that trainer Rene Allard (left) has appealed his one-year suspension and \$5,000 fine following a positive test in October for Oxycodone on the horse Julerica at Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs.

Allard, the third leading money-winning trainer in North America in 2016 with nearly \$5.6 million earned, has been given a stay of his suspension and fine until his appeal is heard. Initial estimates are that it will take four-to-five months for the appeal to be heard.

Allard's lawyer, Howard Taylor, issued a statement on Saturday that said, in part, "Mr. Allard had one of five

positives for this medication found by the Pennsylvania Racing Commission within a very short period of time. In fact, a stay has been granted to all five of those receiving positives for Oxycodone by the Commission. The levels found in all five of the horses including Mr. Allard's were extremely minute, measured in picograms (one trillionth of a gram) which support the probability of environmental contamination."

Jamie Martin, the executive vice-president for the Woodbine Entertainment Group (WEG), said via text last week that WEG was not accepting Allard's entries for races this weekend while waiting to see if the penalty was appealed and a stay was given by the PHRC. When the appeal became official, Martin said WEG would begin accepting the trainer's entries again starting this Monday.

"Mr. Allard has a meritorious defense and suspicion as to how the contamination occurred and we remain confident that we will be able to prove this at an administrative hearing which has yet to be scheduled," Taylor said. "We are therefore extremely confident that Mr. Allard will prevail on the merits and that the matter will be dismissed without penalty."

Is this a make-or-break year for the Yonkers International?

Track officials are beginning to question the expense of reviving the international trotting event.

by Tom Pedulla

The \$1 million Yonkers International Trot, which resumed in 2015 after a 20-year absence, may be in jeopardy beyond this season.

"I would say this is maybe a make or break year," said Bob Galterio, chief operating officer at Yonkers Raceway. The mile-and-a-quarter contest, which is struggling to return to the prestige it enjoyed when it was held at old Roosevelt Raceway, is scheduled for Oct. 14.

The International debuted at Roosevelt in 1959 and soon built a reputation for its ability to land the world's finest trotters as part of an event that appealed to a global audience. Yonkers made a major commitment when it decided to resume the International as part of its effort to stimulate interest in its racing program abroad.

Beyond the purse, which makes it the richest standardbred race held in New York State, management makes a significant expenditure in its attempt to attract the best of the best while providing owners and trainers with first-class entertainment. A dinner cruise aboard a yacht that passes by the Statue of Liberty as it navigates around Manhattan is among the most popular activities.

Galterio is beginning to question the return on such a grand investment, however.

"The jury is still out on it," he said. "I think it helps us world-wide as a symbol of top racing at Yonkers Raceway. But there comes a point where we're going to have to sit down and see dollars and cents and say, 'Is this really worth it?' because it is a big financial undertaking."

Joe Faraldo, president of the Standardbred Owners Association of New York, is adamant that the resumption of the International will be rewarded over the long haul.

"Yonkers people are concerned that we don't make money on this or on that," Faraldo said. "But racing needs marquee events. You need the Hambletonian. You need the Little Brown Jug. You need the International."

Track officials were surely disappointed last year when Timoko, a runner-up to Norway's Papagayo E. in 2015, did not return last October. That ultimately left the International without a participant from France, a key market for Yonkers due to its simulcasting relationship with Pari Mutuel Urbain



Jamin of France won the first International (Aug. 1, 1959) with an ontrack attendance of more than 45,000 at Roosevelt.

(PMU) in that country. Elitlopp winner Nuncio of Sweden was another star that stayed away.

To make matters worse, Pagagayo E. was unable to defend his title due to an injured suspensory ligament. Last year's edition was won by Resolve, one of three U.S. participants in the 38th edition of a race that lacked suspense. Resolve, the even-money favorite, led throughout and set a record for a half-mile oval by trotting the mile and a quarter in 2:23.4 to easily turn back Italy's Oasis Bi.

Even if the International continues to lose money, Faraldo views that as a worthwhile loss.

"You can't always make money on everything you do," he said. "I don't really care whether we're making money or not in the short term. I care about making the product viable and the industry continuing on in the long term."

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Say what you want about NJ, but there's no denying...

1. The six richest races of all time were contested in New Jersey — all in the 1980s, all Woodrow Wilsons.

2. The richest Hambletonian \$1,520,333 was won in 2009 by a horse born in New Jersey, won his biggest race in NJ, stood stud in NJ and then left, but now he's back — Muscle Hill.

3. John Campbell is on the doorstep of \$300 million lifetime. He lives in New Jersey (since 1978) and won the first New Jersey Classic in 1980 with Bold Rush.

4. The last seven times the sport held its richest ever race, it was at the Meadowlands, but not since 1984.

1984 Wilson \$2,161,000 — won by Nihilator

1980 Wilson \$2,011,000 — Land Grant

1980 Meadowlands Pace \$1,011,000 — Niatross

1979 Wilson \$862,750 — Niatross

1979 Meadowlands Pace \$750,000 — Sonsam

1978 Meadowlands Pace \$560,000 — Falcon Almahurst

1977 Meadowlands Pace \$425,000 — Escort

5. Even Secretariat and John Henry's biggest single race hauls came in New Jersey. Secretariat won the NJ Futurity at two at Garden State Park to wrap up his first of two Horse of the Year seasons; John Henry winning the \$400,000 1984 Ballantines Scotch Classic. The \$500,000 bonus attached to it (NY Turf Classic also) made him the richest ever horse at the time \$6.597 million by virtue of the \$740,000 added to his account from that night in East Rutherford.

6. Jimmy Takter, the six-time Trainer of the Year — and the last three in a row — lives in East Windsor, NJ.

7. Donerail, a 1994 division winner and a standout broodmare sire, never left NJ to race in any other state.

8. The "Million Dollar Babies" 1986-1989, the "World Cup" 1982-1985 and the "Statue Of Liberty" 1985-1989 all were held in East Rutherford and attracted the best horses of all ages from around the world.

9. The first \$1 million and the first \$2 million race came

three weeks apart in 1980 in the mid-summer at the Meadowlands — both won by Hall Of Famers Del Insko (Land Grant) and Clint Galbraith (Niatross).

10. New Jersey is the only state to have two races for two-year-olds in the same year valued at over \$1.5 million each, at two different tracks. In 1986, the \$1,562,500 Woodrow Wilson was won by Cullin Hanover (Buddy Gilmour) at the Meadowlands and the \$1,513,500 Governors Cup was won by Redskin (Bill O'Donnell) at Garden State Park.

11. Somebeachsomewhere lost his only race in NJ and finished his career in NJ.

12. Dave Miller, a three-time recipient of the Driver Of The Year Award, lives in NJ.

13. The first \$4 million, \$5 million, \$6 million, \$7 million and \$8 million handles came at the Meadowlands — the first in the 1980 Meadowlands Pace and the last on Hambletonian Day.

14. The only females to win a million-dollar race all did so in NJ. Three Sweetheart winners 1984-1986 and Duenna (1983 \$1,080,000 Hambletonian) and Continentalvictory (\$1.2 Million 1996 Hambletonian).

15. For 21 straight years, the world race record was set in NJ: (All at the Meadowlands)

Aug. 3, 1985 — Nihilator 1:49.3

June 20, 1992 — Artsplace 1:49.2

June 19, 1993 — Staying Together 1:48.2

June 22, 1986 — Jennas Beach Boy 1:47.3 (that mark held until 2006).

16. The Meadowlands has played host to the most Hambletonians (36).

17. Muscle Hill's only loss came in New Jersey in his debut at two in 2008 at the Meadowlands.

18. Both Rainbow Blue and Donato Hanover loved the Big M, but even those superstars suffered their only blemishes in NJ (Donato to start his career and his last two in the 2007 Breeders Crown elim and final; Rainbow Blue in the NJSS at two in 2003 and in the 2004 Mistletoe Shalee. She was an amazing 30-for-32 lifetime).

19. White Birch Farms bred the top two finishers in the 2013 HOY ballot — Bee A Magician and Captaintreacherous. This coming a half-dozen years after breeding and raising in tandem Darlins Delight and My Little Dragon.

20. Gallo Blue Chip became history's first \$4 million pacer in the 2003 Presidential series in NJ.

21. Varenne's only USA start came at the Meadowlands in the \$1 million Breeders Crown of 2001 and he responded with a then world record 1:51.1.

22. The following all made their final career starts in New

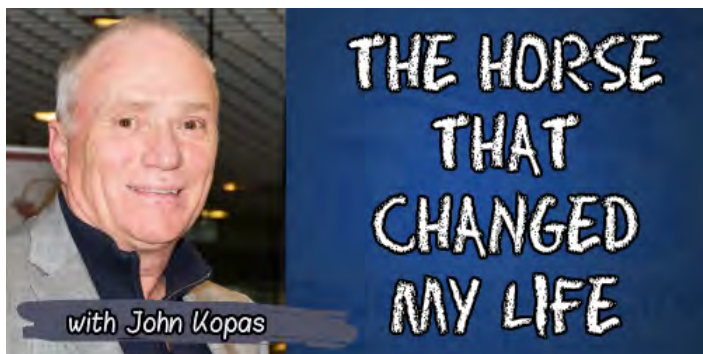
Jersey: Always B Miki, Rocknroll Hanover, No Pan Intended, Donato Hanover, Deweycheatumnhowe, Somebeachsomewhere and Nihilator.

23. The only Dead Heat in the Hambletonian occurred at the Meadowlands. 1989 Park Avenue Joe and Probe.

24. J L Cruze and John Campbell own the only mile track sub-1:50 trotting mile. The 1:49.4 performance came in 2015 at the Meadowlands.

25. Campbell still holds the Freehold track record for wins on a single card with eight victories set in October of 1986.

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by Dave Briggs courtesy Ontario Racing

John Kopas' career-changing moment happened 40 years ago, but the Ontario horseman remembers it vividly. It wasn't every day that a 22-year-old kid got the chance to drive an undefeated two-year-old pacing colt in a Grand Circuit race at Blue Bonnets in Montreal for Hall of Famer Alan Leavitt.

The year was 1976 and Kopas went to Montreal with his father, Hall of Famer Jack Kopas, to race Nat Lobell, Super Clint, Missile Almahurst and Jade Prince.

"As it turned out, Nat (Lobell) and Super Clint got in together. My father was the owner of Super Clint. The rule — and I don't know if it's still the same — but if you owned the horse you had to drive him," John said. "So, he was not going to be able to drive Nat Lobell because of that, so he called (Nat Lobell's owner) Alan Leavitt, and explained to him what was going on and Alan said, 'Well, let John drive.' Father said, 'Well, are you sure? That's a lot of pressure for a kid his age and with that colt being undefeated.' Alan said, 'I'll tell you what, have John call me.' So, I called him later on that

evening and he said, 'You go ahead and drive him. Win, lose or draw don't worry about it and good luck to the two of you.' As it turned out, I won with him."

Nat Lobell, a son of Nansemond out of the Duane Hanover mare Nardins Tempest, went on to earn over \$415,000 in his career.

"What helped there, with respect to my career, is the other owners in our stable saw that Alan Leavitt had somewhat endorsed me and I was able to get the job done with the horse and that opened the door for me, at a very young age, to drive a lot of other great horses that my father trained," John said.

"The other thing that led to was the following spring, dad sent me down to New York with a stable of horses and it was related to that race and Nat Lobell. By this time, we had quite a few horses for Leavitt and his partners in the New York area and they were very comfortable with me coming down there and racing their horses."

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2, Q1:57, 3, 1:52.2 (\$1,063,059)

Brh 2005 • Credit Winner - Mary Lou Hall by Mr Lavec

Fee \$4,000 Cdn.

KADABRA

2, 1:57.2; 3, 1:52.4s; 4, 1:51.3 (\$2,190,707)

Bh 1999 (16.2h) • Primrose Lane - Quillo by Trottin Happy

Fee \$16,000 U.S.

MUSCLE MASS

2, 1:53.4 (\$229,000)

Bh 2005 (16h) • Muscles Yankee - Graceful Touch by Pine Chip

Fee \$7,500 Cdn. - BOOK FULL & CLOSED

ROYALTY FOR LIFE

2, 1:54.2, 3, Q1:51.3 (\$1,628,649)

Bh 2010 (16.1h) • RC Royalty - Bourbon N Grits by Donerail

Fee \$6,000 Cdn.

PACERS

CONTROL THE MOMENT *New*

p,2, 1:49.4s, 3, 1:48.2 (\$1,227,832)

Brc 2013 (15.3h) • Well Said - Lifesiltreasure by Life Sign

Fee \$6,000 Cdn.

HE'S WATCHING

p,2, 1:50f, 3, 1:46.4 (\$1,129,215)

Bh 2011 (15h) • American Ideal - Baberhood by Real Desire

Fee \$5,000 Cdn.

SPORTSWRITER

p,2, 1:49.2s, 3, 1:48.3s (\$1,649,411)

Bh 2007 (15.3h) • Artsplace-Precious Beauty-Jate Lobell

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Well Said and Ron Pierce winning the 2009 Little Brown Jug just down the road from the stallion's new home at Sugar Valley Farms.

Well Said moving to Ohio's Sugar Valley Farm

Well Said, who has stood stud at Hanover Shoe Farms in Pennsylvania since 2010, is relocating to Delaware Ohio's Sugar Valley Farm, just a couple miles down the road from the scene of his decisive 1:51.4 score in the 2009 Little Brown Jug.

Well Said took his 1:47.3 mark in the 2009 Meadowlands Pace en route to being that season's Dan Patch Award winning Three-Year-Old Colt Pacer and Pacer of the Year. A winner of 14 of 26 starts lifetime and over \$2.5 million on the racetrack, he has proven successful as a stallion as well.

Well Said is the sire of 2016 Meadowlands Pace champion Control The Moment, 2013 Breeders Crown Champion Uffizi Hanover and 2015 Little Brown Jug runner-up Lost For Words. In 2016, he was the 12th ranked pacing stallion in North America by two-year-old earnings and ranked fifth by three-year-old earnings. A son of the prolific Western Hanover, and out of Artsplace mare Must See (\$487,122), Well Said brings one of the most sought after pacing pedigrees in the sport to Ohio.

"I can't thank the Well Said Syndicate and Hanover Shoe Farms enough," said Sugar Valley Farm's Joe McLead. "It's a thrill for us to stand a Little Brown Jug champion right here in Delaware, where it means so much. He's a beautiful animal and a proven sire and he offers a fantastic opportunity for Ohio's horsemen, especially with the expansion of harness racing here and the continued growth of the sires stakes program."

Well Said's 2017 stud fee will be \$5,000.

For more information on Sugar Valley Farm, visit sugarvalleyfarmstallions.com.

— Sugar Valley Farm

Finalists excited about 2016 O'Brien Awards

Anticipation is building for this year's O'Brien Awards, to be held this Saturday (Jan. 28) at the Hilton Mississauga / Meadowvale Hotel in Ontario. The black-tie gala, presented by Standardbred Canada, will honor the best in Canadian harness racing from the 2016 season. It is the night that fans and industry participants will learn who takes home the prestigious hardware.

The O'Brien Awards annually celebrate the best in the sport. Harness racing media from across the country, race secretaries, track publicists, track announcers and simulcast hosts have voted for the winners, with two finalists in each category invited to attend the event, where envelopes will be opened and the winners will be revealed.

"We have won several O'Brien Awards and always look forward to a great evening as it's, in our opinion, the best awards program in the industry," said Jeffrey Snyder, co-owner of Beyond Delight, who is a finalist along with Sports Column in the two-year-old pacing colt category.

"Actually we were expecting to be nominated due to the horse's performance," said Snyder, 71, of New York, NY, "but it's always exciting to hear from Kathy (Standardbred Canada Industry Marketing Manager, Kathy Wade Vlaar) that we were nominated."

After a dream season in which her three-year-old trotting colt Marion Marauder won the Trotting Triple Crown, co-owner Jean Wellwood raved about the O'Brien Awards when asked earlier this month.

"I look forward to the evening," said Wellwood, 78, of Stratford, ON. "It is a spectacular event each year. My personal thank you to all the people who do all the work to make it such a spectacular evening!"

Wellwood said she was very pleased to get the call on 'Marauder's nomination. "It [would be] an honor to receive an O'Brien Award for me, as Joe and Ilene (O'Brien) were very dear friends for many years."

Bob McClure, who is a finalist for Canada's top driver of 2016, said that he is planning on making the O'Briens a family affair.

"We don't know yet if my son, Ryder, is coming, but my grandparents are buying a table, and I'm going to have a table with some friends, so there's no shortage of room at the O'Briens for family," said McClure, 26, who is a resident of Elora, ON. "I don't have a tux ready, though. I'll have to go rent one."

Walter Parkinson, the assistant farm manager for breeder of the year finalist Seelster Farms, has characterized the O'Brien Awards Gala as a regal pause during what is a very

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Three-year-olds and older open pace.
Final raced on **Saturday, September 2, 2017.**
Purse \$550,000 E Final (\$350,000 A).

CANADIAN TROTTING CLASSIC

Three-year-old open trot.
Final raced on **Saturday, September 16, 2017.**
Purse \$650,000 E (\$400,000 A).

CASUAL BREEZE

Three-year-old filly trot.
Raced on **Friday, August 25, 2017.**
Purse \$160,000 E (\$60,000 A).

ELEGANT IMAGE

Three-year-old filly trot.
Final raced on **Saturday, September 16, 2017.**
Purse \$400,000 E (\$225,000 A).

ETERNAL CAMNATION

Two-year-old filly pace.
Raced on **Saturday, August 26, 2017.**
Purse \$210,000 E (\$60,000A).

FAN HANOVER

Three-year-old filly pace.
Final raced on **Saturday, June 17, 2017.**
Purse \$400,000 E (\$275,000 A).

GOODTIMES

Three-year-old open trot.
Final raced on **Saturday, June 17, 2017.**
Purse \$265,000 E (\$125,000 A).

MAPLE LEAF TROT

Three-year-olds and older open trot.
Final raced on **Saturday, September 16, 2017.**
Purse \$600,000 E Final (\$350,000 A).

METRO PACE

Two-year-old open pace.
Final raced on **Saturday, September 23, 2017.**
Purse \$700,000 E Final (\$300,000 A).

MILTON

Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares pace.
Final raced on **Saturday, September 16, 2017.**
Purse \$250,000 E Final (\$150,000 A).

NASSAGAWEYA

Two-year-old open pace.
Raced on **Saturday, August 26, 2017.**
Purse \$210,000 E (\$60,000 A).

PEACEFUL WAY

Two-year-old filly trot.
Final raced on **Monday, September 18, 2017.**
Purse \$350,000 E Final (\$175,000 A).

ROSES ARE RED

Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares pace.
Final raced on **Saturday, June 17, 2017.**
Purse \$325,000 E Final (\$225,000 A).

SHES A GREAT LADY PACE

Two-year-old filly pace.
Final raced on **Saturday, September 23, 2017.**
Purse \$500,000 E Final (\$250,000 A).

SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE

Three-year-old open pace.
Raced on **Saturday, June 3, 2017.**
Purse \$130,000 E (\$60,000 A).

WILLIAM WELLWOOD MEMORIAL

Two-year-old open trot.
Final raced on **Monday, September 18, 2017.**
Purse \$350,000 E Final (\$175,000 A).

BATTLE OF WATERLOO

Ontario Sired Two-year-old open pace.
Final raced on **Monday, August 7, 2017.**
Purse \$175,000 E Final (\$90,000 A).

BATTLE OF THE BELLES

Ontario Sired Two-year-old filly pace.
Final raced on **Monday, August 7, 2017.**
Purse \$120,000 E Final (\$60,000 A).

CONFEDERATION CUP

Four-year-old open pace.
Final raced on **Sunday, May 21, 2017.**
Purse \$175,000 E (\$150,000 A).

BALANCED IMAGE

Ontario Sired Two-year-old trotting fillies & colts in 2017.
Final raced on **Saturday, August 26, 2017.**
Purse \$50,000 E (\$20,000 A).

DREAM OF GLORY

Ontario Sired Three-year-old trotting fillies & colts in 2017, non-winners of \$75,000 (fillies \$100,000) in 2016.
Final raced on **Saturday, August 5, 2017.**
Purse \$60,000 E (\$40,000 A).

KIN PACE

Ontario Sired Three-year-old pacing fillies in 2017, non-winners of \$50,000 in 2016.
Final raced on **Sunday, July 9, 2017.**
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busy time of year.

"It is always an enjoyable evening," said Parkinson, who is a 38-year-old resident of Lucan, ON. "It is great being able to catch up with so many people in one place. As we approach the start of breeding season and with the first foals starting to hit the ground, it is nice to be able to get away from the farm and celebrate the best in Canadian harness racing before life gets hectic."

Parkinson explained that Seelster being an O'Brien nominee is quite humbling for the entire operation. "It's certainly an honor to be a finalist for the O'Brien Award for Armstrong Breeder of the Year," said Parkinson. "We take a lot of pride in the horses that we breed and raise, and to be recognized as one of two finalists for this award is a great way to cap off a successful season."

Mel Hartman, who is part of the ownership team behind two-year-old trotting filly of the year finalist Magic Presto, also offered his praise.

"I read (about the nomination) on the Internet, to be honest with you," said Hartman, 73, from Ottawa, ON. "And I got a phone call from (Standardbred Canada) to let us know... We're very happy that she's one of the finalists."

A finalist with U.S. Two-Year-Old Trotting Filly of the Year Ariana G, Hartman went on to add, "We may not have the highest of expectations, but we're still honored that she was nominated."

Conditioner Casie Coleman is no stranger to the O'Brien Awards Gala, as she has walked away with the trainer of the year award on five different occasions. Still, the night doesn't get old to the 36-year-old Cambridge, ON resident.

"O'Briens is always an awesome night!" said Coleman, who is again a trainer of the year finalist, and also conditioner of Betting Line, another O'Brien finalist. "Whenever I get nominated I buy tickets for my whole staff to join me, as they deserve to be there as much as I do. Everyone's all dressed up and happy, the meal is always great, it's just a real good night to get to relax and reflect on all the awesome horses we got to race and watch race that past season."

There will also be a pair of younger faces in the crowd at the gala, as Future Star finalists Brett MacDonald, 20, and Louis-Phillipe Roy, 27, will be taking in the evening as well.

"Some people go their whole career without being nominated for an O'Brien, I couldn't believe it when (Kathy Wade Vlaar) called and told me I got the nomination," said MacDonald, of Embrun, ON. "It is still early on in my career, so the call was really exciting for me."

Roy, a resident of Mont-Joli, Quebec, echoed the same sentiments, but he also stated that he has come to learn just how much of an honor an O'Brien nomination is.

"When I first got the call I didn't realize how big it was,"

said Roy, "but then with all the people congratulating me and talking about the O'Briens, I realized how big it is. I'm thrilled to be going to the O'Brien Awards!"

A small number of tickets still remain for the 2016 O'Brien Awards. As a result, Standardbred Canada has extended the deadline to noon (ET) on Monday (Jan. 23).

To order your tickets, contact the Standardbred Canada Industry Marketing Department at (905) 858-3060 (Ext. 207, 243 or 213).

— *Standardbred Canada*

Opulent Yankee upsets Meadowlands trotting feature

On Friday night, the house horse got the money.

Opulent Yankee, co-owned by Meadowlands chairman Jeff Gural, upset a field of razor sharp upper-level conditioned trotters to headline a 13-race program at the Big M.

Andy Miller and Opulent Yankee were part of an early three-pronged duel for the front. Crosbys Clam Bake, returning a week after a sick scratch and gunning for his fourth straight win, won the battle and set the early fractions of 27.1, 56.2, and 1:25.4. Opulent Yankee followed all the way from the pocket while favorite Muscle Diamond was beginning to rally from the back of the pack with John Campbell.

Turning into the stretch, Jim Marohn, Jr. asked Crosbys Clam Bake while Opulent Yankee used the slingshot move from the pocket. Opulent Yankee proved strongest down the lane, kicking home in 27.3 to win in 1:53.3.

"Opulent Yankee took advantage of a great two-hole trip on the muddy track," said trainer Julie Miller. "It was really satisfying to see him at his best tonight. I'm hoping we can keep him together and have another good season here at the Meadowlands with him."

B Yoyo closed up the pylons to grab second with Crosbys Clam Bake backing up to third and Muscle Diamond rallying belatedly to be fourth.

Opulent Yankee returned \$32.40 to win and topped a \$289.60 exacta and \$1,209 trifecta.

Yannick Gingras made his 2017 debut at the Meadowlands after an extended winter break and immediately posted a driving double, winning with Can Do in the fifth race and Sheer Flex in the seventh.

Brett Miller led all drivers with three wins. 10 different drivers visited the winner's circle.

Total handle was \$2,744,956, up more than four per cent over last year's corresponding night with one fewer race.

— *Justin Horowitz / Meadowlands media relations*



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RE: "For the Love of the Game"

Good to see Surrealist get wider recognition for his 19-win season ([story here](#)).

As Dana Getto and Bob Roberts mentioned, low purses and handle are a current reality here, yet Nova Scotian horses, drivers and other industry participants have long made their mark in the larger industry.

Truro Raceway, Inverness Raceway and Northside Downs are places where "the love of the game" flourishes, all well worth visiting.

Truro's track photographer Kyle Burton and I created a video ([video link here](#)), celebrating Nova Scotia's grassroots and elite level contributions to the sport. As the title states, "champions start here".

– *Melissa Keith / Lr. Sackville, NS*

RE: Sending harness execs to the track

Dean Towers wrote an excellent piece on "Sending a harness executive to the track" ([story here](#)).

It clearly shows that in this age of racinos that most any new customer that happens to check out the live horse racing for the first time, would just about walk away from all the confusion and that has happened with a lot of regular bettors too.

Post drags, high takeouts, inability to see horses up close (like in t-bred races), lack of live tellers and forcible use of self-serve betting machines without assistance, all add up to making the "experience" one that would chase away new customers.

Casino executives, for the most part, care only about one thing and one thing only, EBITA (earnings before interest, taxes, and amortization)... how much profit can they make for shareholders? Casino mostly make big profits from their games and for the most part, racing does not.

They understand that if not for racing there would be no slots, but that does not supersede EBITA. If something does

not make money for the company, change it to make it profitable or cut it out ASAP.

It is absolutely a proven fact that casino fans can and will enjoy horse racing and if made easy enough, will wager on them. But they have to be hand-held at the start and will then catch on. Everyone loves the majesty of horse racing.

We need to bring the horse to the people. Let them see them up close before they go on the track like the t-breds do. We need to take small groups on mini tours of the race paddock, meet a trainer and driver for five minutes trackside, get a ride in the starting gate. Show them how great our people are and then they will feel more comfortable about wagering, telling others, sharing on social media how much fun they had, etc.

And that should go for all racino executives and all employees too!

– *Steven Wolf / Coral Springs, FL*

Clueless judges?

Race 10 at the Meadowlands last night (Jan. 14) exemplifies some of what Towers has written about.

I will not write a book about what happened and did NOT happen in the race. Looking at the replay yourself should be self explanatory ([replay link here](#)).

I stood at the Meadowlands with four other very seasoned handicappers/gamblers, and what the judges would not do in over 10 minutes seemed obvious to people with a combined 100+ years of watching and wagering experience. And to have no explanation other than "the 1 horse drifted causing the 2 to interfere with the 10" is simply not enough and incorrect.

Try showing that replay to aspiring fans of the sport, and then explain the rules beyond the basics to them. Then ask them what they think the proper decision should be.

Or better yet, show that replay to five sets of judges at five different tracks. I'll bet you get several different decisions.

Nothing is more infuriating to a bettor than uneven judging, and that's exactly what we get.

How five guys who know racing can see an infraction exactly the same way, yet have three judges say it is something different is beyond my comprehension.

Watching bad racing that should be at Freehold be transferred to East Rutherford is one thing. To watch clueless judging impact a result is quite another.

Maybe the judges can invite me to their office and we can look at it as many times as they did last night, and I can show them that the "infraction" that they took no action on happened after the interference, not before.

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In 2016, Muscle Hill two-year-olds alone won over \$3 million with average earnings/starter of \$55,118 and 10 of them were \$100,000 winners including the incomparable filly **ARIANA G** 2,1:51.4 (\$804,245).

In the sales ring Muscle Hill dominated as well. At the two major public auctions, his yearlings averaged \$149,952 at Harrisburg (21) and \$114,385 at Lexington .

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Who do these judges answer to?

– *Vic Dante / Belleville, NJ*

Two suggestions

I very much enjoy reading diverse opinions on horse racing. I have worked at racetracks in New Jersey for around 15 years. However, I have noticed a very obvious phenomenon. Bettors who win money at the racetrack almost never complain about how the races are run. However, fans who lose money often find multiple things to complain about. The trainer is a drug merchant, the jockey or driver held the horse back, the field was too small, etc.

Recently, I have been tweeting with some harness racing experts on some interesting topics. Conventional wisdom has always been that the size of purses dictates the amount of handle. However, results from Yonkers and the Meadowlands the last few years has shown that might not be true. The experts also claim that slots at the tracks are doing more harm than good to the sport. I would think that no track operator, owner, driver, trainer, or jockey would agree with that idea.

I would offer two suggestions which would make Harness Racing Update more interesting. There should be a section relating to handicapping ideas. This would be helpful to both new bettors and the less than professional handicappers. I would also suggest more articles on the lesser known drivers in the sport. No disrespect to drivers such as Tetrack, Sears, Gingras, Miller, etc. But, they have been written about hundreds of times. I'm much more interested in what a less established driver has to do to get mounts at different tracks during a week.

– *Allen Gatto / Roselle Park, NJ*

In support of Billy Dobson

A number of years back I was at Yonkers Raceway and saw a young driver bring home the Daily Double (1st and 2nd race). Watching the races, I was impressed by the way this young man drove the horses.

I made a mental note to watch him as time went by. He then disappeared from Yonkers for a while and then he started driving at Monticello where in a short time he became the leading driver.

His name is Billy Dobson. After some time he began to race mostly at Saratoga Harness and again became one of their leading drivers. He always seemed to get a little more out of his drives and has become successful. He is good on long shots as well as favorites, racing on the front end or taking

cover trips.

I've been following him over the years, a few times he has come to the Meadowlands during the winter months and picks up a few drives here and there. Mostly he would be driving long shots and not many favorites. However he would hit the board with some real nice place and show prices.

Last Friday night I looked over the entries for the Meadowlands and didn't see Billy Dobson's name in any races. Turns out he drove in the fourth with an 85-1 shot and finished eighth. But, he had another drive in the 11th with a 40-1 shot, Long Story Short. He wins and pays \$82. And I'm sitting on my couch watching the Rangers stink up the Garden losing to the Toronto Maple Leafs! My list of blown opportunities continues to grow. What else is new?

I'm wondering why doesn't he get more drives at the Meadowlands. There are quite a few new drivers this year, but I don't see his name often in the entries. This shouldn't come as a big surprise to anyone but this young man can drive. In Oct, 2014 he drove his 3,000th winner.

I feel there is no reason he couldn't compete there. Granted it's the best driver colony in the country. Corey Callahan, Jim Marohn Jr. and Scott Zeron are young drivers doing well. Billy certainly fits into this group. Maybe Billy doesn't want to drive here year round. That could be his personal choice, but as far as talent is concerned he's proven he can make the jump up.

There has to be some trainers out there with decent stock willing to give him a chance. There no reason he couldn't drive high priced stakes horses. I feel you won't be disappointed.

– *Billy Hartenstine / Farmingdale, NY*

Fair start pole

When I saw the subject of Brett Sturman's HRU column on Jan. 20 ([How fair is the fair start pole?](#)) I had a feeling I would be writing a letter to the editor and here I am, though for a different reason. I agree with Sturman's assessment of wagering should close before the field is assembled so every horseplayer is given a fair chance. Alas, this will likely never happen due to horsemen and track operators' objections.

These two parties will object because they fear a drop in handle because the whales like wagering at the last possible seconds to see if they can take advantage of any late clue to a race's running such as a horse leaving or not, as well as the possibility of a horse going off-stride before the gate. To be honest, it is a legitimate complaint, assuming these gamblers will not adjust to the new normal. Quite honestly, the idea of an even playing field with the other gamblers is one the whales do not relish. Hence, while this proposal is in principle correct, it will sadly not see the light of day.

At least fans of Canadian racing have an advantage over American punters where there is no such thing as a fair start (other than at Hoosier Park) and it will never happen. A few years ago in New Jersey, there was a proposal for a fair start and while the racing commission agreed to formulate a rule, it took them two years for it to happen (of course, if it was something the tracks wanted, it would have been formulated much quicker), only for the rule change to be rejected at the final hearing, no doubt at the urging of horsemen and track operators worrying about the impact on their bottom line.

The sad truth is while racing commissions are supposed to protect the public's interests, their interests lie with horsemen and track operators. If they are united against a rule change, the racing public has no chance. This is why each racing commission should have at least one horseplayer on their board to represent the public's interest. Would this change things, I don't know but at least it would be a start.

— **Allan Schott / Mahwah, NJ**

Pelling was spot on

Recently, you had an article about the great trainer Brett Pelling's eminent return to harness racing. What I found particularly interesting was Pelling's comments about how to improve the sport. He had two suggestions. One was for every driver to use the same type of sulky. The other was to try and control the way driver's lean all way back in the bike.

I interviewed Pelling some years ago and found him to be articulate, smart, and frank. His suggestions about these two factors are spot on. Two of the main reasons why the sport has lost popularity is low payoffs and boring one-dimensional races. These problems are more pronounced on half- and five-eighth mile tracks, which are dominated by short-priced leavers from inside posts. But the racing could be much better on the bigger tracks, as well.

If every driver in the race leans way back, it makes it difficult for a horse to rally from behind, because it extends the lengths-behind margin by several lengths. Here is a column written by Jay Bergman of the Daily Racing Form that addresses this in detail ([story here](#)).

As for the bikes, Pelling recommended something like the Jerald Sulky. The Jerald is a wood sulky that is not off-centered. The modern day bikes are steel, aerodynamic, and off-centered. As some of you know, I've long been an advocate for a wood bike that is not off-centered. The sport would benefit greatly by using a sulky that's similar to the ones that were used when the races were much more exciting than they are now.

With the speed bias, half-mile and five eighth track racing has become too predictable. The exciting three- and

four-wide backstretch brushes are rare because the horses can't rally wide into the wicked third quarters set by the pacesetter. On some nights, almost every race is won by either the pacesetter or the pocket horse. If someone goes to the harness track for the first time and sees a bunch of wire-to-wire winners that pay \$3, why would he come back? You have to have off the pace winners.

There's another problem: every time a new generation of sulkies comes out, one or two drivers have the new bike. This creates an unfair advantage which can last for several weeks, or months, until every other driver buys one of the new bikes. Traditional handicapping goes out the window as you have to try to figure out, not which horse is best, but which horse has the best bike. It's crazy.

Pelling also suggested that the sulkies be colored to match the program number, which is a brilliant idea. Imagine, every driver has the same bike, no more guessing. And, horses win from second and third over again. We can only dream, I guess, because the people who manage the tracks don't seem to get it.

— **Bob Pandolfo / Northampton, PA**

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MEADOWLANDS report

Friday's Results:

2, M, \$18,000, T, N/W \$16,000 in Last 5 Starts (N/W \$55,000 in 2016/17 Drawn Inside) AE: N/W \$15,000 in 2017 Drawn Outside, 27.1, 56.2, 1:25.4, 1:53.3, SY

1-Opulent Yankee (g, 6, Muscles Yankee--Opulent Bluestone, by Conway Hall), \$4,000 2012 SHS-HBG O-Little E LLC & Arthur S Geiger & David M Stolz. B-Little E LLC. T-Julie Miller. D-Andy Miller, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 58-13-17-8, \$276,360

2-B Yoyo (g, 7, Striking Sahbra--B Joyflo, by Enjoy Lavec) O-Bill K Lambos & Dionisios Liberatos. B-Ben F Robards. T-Richard Johnson. D-Joe Bongiorno, \$4,500

3-Crosbys Clam Bake (g, 7, Kadabra--Pacific Elegance, by Donerail) O-Randall B Bendis & Jack B Piatt II & Thomas J Pollack. B-Edward H Lohmeyer & Patricia M Hogan. T-Andrew Federico Jr. D-Jim Marohn Jr, \$2,160

Calls: HD, 1Q, 1H, H, 1Q - Finish Order: Muscle Diamond, Watkins, Anaffairtoremember, Classical Annie, I C Caviar

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MIAMI VALLEY report

Friday's Results:

2, MVR, \$15,000, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND LEG - 1ST DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$12,500 W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 27.1, 56.1, 1:24.0, 1:53.0, FT

1-John Jay (g, 4, Dali--Ruby Delight, by Bettor's Delight), \$2,500 2014 IN-PREM O-Cynthia D McCann. B-Freedom Hill Farms. T-Ronnie Roberts. D-Simon Allard, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 35-9-5-3, \$54,885

2-Strother (g, 8, Yankee Cruiser--Ruth Plumsted, by No Nukes), \$10,000 2010 SHS-HBG O-Michael R Hale & Mark L Headworth. B-Patrick H Patterson. T-Mark Headworth. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr., \$3,750

3-Maserati Seelster (g, 6, Artistic Fella--M T Freedom, by Albert Albert), \$5,000 2012 FOREST O-Lexington Harness Group LLC & Matthew D White. B-Seelster Farms Inc, CA. T-Phil Goldwater. D-Aaron Merriman, \$1,800

Calls: 1H, 1, 1, 1H, 2Q - Finish Order: Woo Shark, Bestbeststraight, Torrington, Whoyoucallingafool, Keystone Rocco

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4, MVR, \$15,000, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND LEG - 2ND DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$12,500 W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 27.0, 55.2, 1:24.1, 1:54.4, FT

1-Thisdeuceiswild (g, 7, Armbro Deuce--She'sa Ten Also, by Jaguar Spur) O-Edward Hall & James R Hall Jr. B-Travis Mackay. T-Patricia Brewer. D-Tyler Smith, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 132-18-19-13, \$160,306

2-Smithers (g, 6, Sand Shooter--Pacific Bay, by Pacific Rocket) O-Matthew L Newsome. B-Robert M Mc Curdy. T-Mary Dawson. D-Simon Allard, \$3,750

3-Summons (g, 7, Ponder--Armbro Ticket, by Pacific Rocket), \$18,000 2011 LEX-SEL O-Mary M Megerle. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Kayne Kauffman. D-Kayne Kauffman, \$1,800
Calls: 5T, 2T, 2, 1Q, H - Finish Order: Bettor And Bold, Fox Valley Mahalo, Mccito, No Habla, Lancaster Park

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6, MVR, \$15,000, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND LEG - 3RD DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$12,500 W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 27.2, 56.1, 1:24.1, 1:52.3, FT

1-Kiss Of Terror (g, 5, Western Terror--Kissed By A Fool, by Jenna's Beach Boy) O-Richard A Redder. B-Vae LLC. T-Rick Redder. D-Chris Page, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 65-13-11-5, \$147,144

2-If It Rains (g, 7, Camluck--Mollie Hanover, by Big Towner) O-Chris Choros & Laverne S Gales II. B-Fred S Drouillard, CA. T-Jeff Brewer. D-Jason Brewer, \$3,750

3-B R Flying Dali (h, 5, Dali--Screamin Rita, by Sportsmaster), \$3,700 2013 IN-PREM O-Simon Allard. B-Albert L Stutzman Jr. T-Sophie Desroches. D-Simon Allard, \$1,800

Calls: NS, 1Q, 1, T, 1T - Finish Order: Bridge Jumper, Creighton Hanover, Old Man River, Ultra Shok N, Restless Native

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8, MVR, \$15,000, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND LEG - 4TH DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$12,500 W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 27.1, 56.0, 1:25.1, 1:54.3, FT

1-Poison Oak (g, 6, Always A Virgin--Dgs Straightflush, by Blissfull Hall), \$11,000 2012 HOOSIER O-L & L Stables. B-John R Miller. T-Clarence Foulk. D-Kayne Kauffman, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 57-13-6-6, \$80,537

2-Superficial (g, 6, Art Official--Lovin A Fool, by Western Ideal), \$21,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Thomas A Barrett. B-Perretti Farms. T-Michael Barrett. D-Andy Shetler, \$3,750

3-Positively Perfect (g, 7, Always A Virgin--Art Impression, by Artiscape), \$11,000 2011 IN-PREM O-Frederick A Reed IV. B-Freedom Hill Farms. T-Patricia Brewer. D-Brady Galliers, \$1,800
Calls: 5H, 3H, 1, 7, 8 - Finish Order: Communicator, P L Haymaker, Buff's Image, Malosi N, Lieutenant Steve

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RACE RESULTS

11, MVR, \$20,000, P, FILLIES & MARES CLAIMING \$20,000
W/ALLOWANCES, 27.1, 55.3, 1:24.0, 1:54.1, FT

1-Avila Beach (m, 5, Hi Ho Silverheel's--Bj's Beach Fire, by Beach Towel) O-Black And White Stable & Sara Merea Haynes. B-Wayne E & Rodney W Knittel. T-Walter Haynes Jr. D-Kayne Kauffman, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 53-13-12-5, \$80,972

2-It's A Miracle (m, 7, Always A Virgin--Iva Miracle, by Electric Yankee) O-Marissa L Russo. B-William R Huggins. T-Dan Noble. D-Aaron Merriman, \$5,000

3-Sly Velocity (m, 5, Art's Chip--Meredith Hall, by Cambest) O-Cc Racing LLC. B-Velocity Standardbreds. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrack, \$2,400

Calls: NS, 1, 1Q, 1, H - Finish Order: Dandy's Beauty, Make Three Wishes, Stirling Cameo, Duneside Perttie, Lightning Ride, Prima Dragon, Mcace Of Arts

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12, MVR, \$22,000, P, FILLIES & MARES OPEN I HCP P.P. 9 ASSIGNED,
26.3, 55.3, 1:23.4, 1:52.0, FT

1-Safe From Terror (m, 5, Western Terror--In A Safe Place, by Artsplace), \$7,000 2013 LEX-SEL O-Winchester Baye Acres LLC. B-Bulletproof Enterprises. T-Mike Conklin. D-Chris Page, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 72-26-9-13, \$660,827



2-Aniston Seelster (m, 5, Mach Three--Angelina Seelster, by Astreos), \$25,000 2013 FOREST O-Kara S Witt. B-Seelster Farms Inc, CA. T-Virgil Morgan Jr. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr., \$5,500

3-American Girl (m, 8, Art's Chip--L Dees Lourdes, by Dragon Again), \$6,000 2010 HOOSIER O-Darla D Gaskin & Stanley L Rosenblatt. B-Gardner Farms LLC. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrack, \$2,640
Calls: 1H, H, 1, 1H, 3 - Finish Order: Cast No Shadow, Ryleigh's Lilly, Cas Art Appareal, Endeavors Fantasy, Noone To Depend On, Art I Sweet, Lease Ness Monster

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Saturday's Results:

3, MVR, \$22,500, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND LEG - 1ST DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$20,000
W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 27.0, 56.3, 1:24.4, 1:53.0, FT

1-Stamkos (g, 6, Stonebridge Regal--Weeatross, by That'll Be Me) O-Chris Choros. B-William A Moore, CA. T-Jeff Brewer. D-Jason Brewer, \$11,250, Lifetime Record: 49-11-8-2, \$66,961

2-Southwind Indy (g, 5, Sportswriter--Its Only Rocknroll, by Rocknroll Hanover), \$45,000 2013 LEX-SEL O-Blindswitch Racing Stable. B-Southwind Farm. T-Dan Noble. D-Chris Page, \$5,625

3-And We'll See Ya (g, 7, Tell All--Classical Lady, by Western Hanover), \$2,000 2011 LEX-SEL O-Steven C Price. B-Brittany Farms & Brian P Monieson Revtrust. T-Barry Langley. D-Michael Oosting, \$2,700

Calls: 1H, 1, 1, 1Q, HD - Finish Order: Fridaynightflight, One To Draw To, M G Kid, Mach My Point, Khan Blue Chip

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5, MVR, \$22,500, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND LEG - 2ND DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$20,000
W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 26.3, 55.2, 1:24.0, 1:52.1, FT

1-Savage Seelster (g, 7, Camluck--Slick Gaited, by Artsplace) O-Chris Choros & Laverne S Gales II. B-Seelster Farms Inc, CA. T-Jeff Brewer. D-Jason Brewer, \$11,250, Lifetime Record: 68-18-15-9, \$132,479

2-Frankandjoanne (g, 6, Rocknroll Hanover--Mezuzah Hanover, by McArdle) O-Cc Racing LLC. B-John Cancelliere. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrack, \$5,625

3-Startin Something (g, 5, Rockin Image--Dragon Temper, by Dragon's Lair) O-Brent S Tartar. B-Brent S Tartar. T-Johnson Hill Jr. D-Randy Tharps, \$2,700

Calls: 1H, 1, 1Q, H, 2 - Finish Order: Cee Pee Panic, Upfront Countryboy, Rediscovery, Youwillwishyouhad, Rex Passus, Sunday Poker

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6, MVR, \$16,500, P, HORSES & GELDINGS OPEN II, 26.0, 53.2, 1:21.4, 1:50.2, FT

1-Angelo J Fra (g, 5, The Panderosa--Caila Fra, by Artsplace), \$15,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-The Fra Stable LLC. T-Kris Hinchcliff. D-Chris Page, \$8,250, Lifetime Record: 54-15-9-6, \$168,944

2-Splended Party (h, 6, Party At Artsplace--Park Lane Splendor, by Laag), \$3,500 2012 ILL-CL O-John Turigliatto. B-Albert L Jeffers. T-Jeffery Hollis. D-Michael Oosting, \$4,125

3-Lucky Lime (g, 8, Rocknroll Hanover--Cupcakesnwhipcream, by Camluck), \$25,000 2010 SHS-HBG O-Kirk L Nichols. B-Stephen Perrine Dey. T-Dan Ater. D-Kyle Ater, \$1,980

Calls: 5T, 2H, 2H, 2H, 1T - Finish Order: Swing City, Tyd Theglyde, A True Rock Star, Blooming Genius, Our Dragon King, Mojito Hanover

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7, MVR, \$22,500, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND LEG - 3RD DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$20,000
W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 26.0, 54.3, 1:23.1, 1:52.1, FT

1-Perrito Caliente (g, 10, Art Major--Maryland Beauty, by In The Pocket), \$40,000 2008 LEX-SEL O-Ashton WR Kidd. B-Ross G Bonafield. T-Joe Paver. D-Sam Widger, \$11,250, Lifetime Record: 228-38-44-36, \$616,606



2-Supreme Z Tam (g, 5, Rockin Image--Yankee Pankee Bb, by Yankee Cruiser), \$21,000 2013 IN-PREM O-John E McGill & Brian K Carsey & Mitchell Standardbreds Inc.. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Walter Haynes Jr. D-Kayne Kauffman, \$5,625

3-Cinderella Guy (g, 13, Real Desire--Arterra, by Artsplace) O-Howard A & Judith S Taylor. B-Robert K Waxman, CA. T-Brewer Adams. D-Trace Tetrack, \$2,700

Calls: 2H, 1T, NS, NS, 3T - Finish Order: Franzo, Flashy Trick, Thinkofagameplan, Chipchompinchampin, Smiling Terror, Crusoe Hanover

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RACE RESULTS

8, MVR, \$22,000, P, HORSES & GELDINGS OPEN I HCP. P.P. 8
ASSIGNED, 26.1, 54.4, 1:22.2, 1:50.4, FT

1-Mykindachip (g, 8, Art's Chip--Figmental, by Precious Bunny)

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & J&T Silva Stables, LLC & Weaver
Bruscemi LLC & Lawrence R Karr. B-John R Miller. T-Ron Burke.
D-Chris Page, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 141-41-23-19, \$654,552

**2-Meadowbrookthunder (g, 4, Rockin Image--Lake Hills Susie, by
Sportsmaster), \$30,000 2014 HOOSIER O-Peggy A Carter & Adam
Friedland & Steven M Carter. B-Freeman Jay Bontrager. T-Steve
Carter. D-Trace Tetrack, \$5,500**

**3-Fancy Creek Elusiv (g, 7, Sportsmaster--Elusive Image N, by Miles
Mccool), \$7,000 2011 WALKER O-Todd A Rosenberg. B-Pb Racing
Stables Inc. T-Jeffery Hollis. D-Michael Oosting, \$2,640**
Calls: 1, 1, T, T, 1T - Finish Order: My Buddy Ninkster, E R Rudy, Vague
Traces, Rockin Finish, Heza Thrill N

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9, MVR, \$22,500, P, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES LATE CLOSER - 2ND
LEG - 4TH DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$20,000
W/ALLOWANCES (25% HIGHER IN 2ND LEG), 27.1, 55.3, 1:23.2,
1:53.1, FT

**1-Hokuri Handrail N (g, 10, Falcon Seelster--Tuapeka Pocket, by In
The Pocket) O-Howard A Taylor & Thomas A Lazzaro & Dylan P
Davis. B-Tj Syndicate, NZ. T-Brewer Adams. D-Trace Tetrack, \$11,250,
Lifetime Record: 155-32-14-16, \$276,017**

**2-Mosee Terror (h, 9, Western Terror--Shimmer, by Life Sign)
O-Laurie M Patistas. B-Jeffrey R Brooks. T-Daniel Maier. D-Michael
Oosting, \$5,625**

**3-Dan D Dune (g, 4, Duneside Perch--Witch Hanover, by No Nukes),
\$9,500 2014 ILL-CL O-Nicole M Potts. B-Fair Meadow Farm. T-Lyle
Scurlock. D-John De Long, \$2,700**

Calls: 2H, 1T, 1, 1, NK - Finish Order: Giovanni, Some Heart Throb,
Rockstar Stride, Firecracker Freddy, Tempster Hanover, Whosurpapa

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THE MEADOWS report

Saturday's Results:

8, Mea, \$18,000, T, *W/O \$10,000/PREFERRED HCP*** (1-3 DRAWN,
4-6 DRAWN), 28.2, 59.2, 1:27.2, 1:56.0, GD**

**1-Trustworthy Kid (g, 8, SJ's Caviar--Penn Worthy Lane, by Lindy
Lane) O-Lisa A Dunn. B-Dunn Stable. T-Lisa Dunn. D-Dave Palone,
\$9,000, Lifetime Record: 122-34-33-17, \$442,697**

**2-Valley Of Sin (r, 7, Yankee Glide--Anklet Hanover, by American
Winner), \$20,000 2011 LEX-SEL O-John E Ducharme. B-Perretti
Farms. T-Wilbur Yoder. D-Wilbur Yoder, \$4,500**

**3-Tsm Photo Bugger (g, 10, S J's Photo--Rewarding Wink, by Yankee
Glide) O-Theodore A Tomson. B-Theodore A Tomson. T-Karen Fread.
D-Mike Micallef, \$2,160**

Calls: 1H, 1H, H, Q, T - Finish Order: Tricky Nick, Maximum Credit,
Sixteen Mikes

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WOODBINE report

Friday's Results:

10, Wdb, \$22,000, P, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$16,000 LAST 5 STARTS
OR NW \$28,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NW \$110,000 LIFETIME. AE:
OPT. CLM. \$35,000, 27.2, 57.1, 1:26, 1:53.2

1-Kiwi Focus N (b,m,7 - Jeremes Jet-Kiwi Summer-Miles Mccool)

O-Albina Montini, Kwong Sum Low, Vincent Albanese, Joseph Rogers
B-A S Donaldson T-Anthony Montini D-Phillip Hudon, \$11,000,
Lifetime Record: 40-9-5-3, \$62,412

**2-Lovethewayoulook (br,m,5 - Skydancer Hanover-Loves Art-
Artsplace) O-Lynn & Barbara Wilfong, Brett & Candice Wilfong
B-Lynn & Brett Wilfong T-Mike Weller D-Jody Jamieson**

**3-Wanda Bayama (b,m,5 - Western Ideal-Joyce Bayama-Run The
Table) O-Bayama Farms Inc B-Bayama Farms Inc T-Stephane
Larocque D-Sylvain Fillion**

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Saturdays Results:

2. Wdb, \$34,000, P, PREFERRED, 26.1, 55.3, 1:23.1, 1:51

**1-American Virgin (b,g,5 - Always A Virgin-Flyfly Judith-Presidential
Ball) O-Bradley Grant B-Ohio State Ati T-Richard Moreau D-Douglas
McNair, \$17,000, Lifetime Record: 68-14-21-10, \$324,536**

**2-Alexas Jackpot (b,g,7 - Million Dollar Cam-Michelles Jackpot-
Artsplace) O-Marty Fine, Highland Thoroughbred FRM B-Jeffrey
Snyder T-Marty Fine D-Louis Philippe Roy**

**3-Nickle Bag (b,g,7 - Rocknroll Hanover-Buckle Bunni-Four Starzzz
Shark) O-Linda & Harry Loyens B-Nicholas Malcolm T-William
Robinson D-Randall Waples**

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7, Wdb, \$30,000, P, FILLIES & MARES PREFERRED, 26.2, 54.4, 1:21.4,
1:50.1

**1-Sandbetweenurtoes (b,m,6 - Somebeachsomewhere-Als Girl-
Artsplace) O-Bradley Grant B-John Carver T-Richard Moreau**

D-Douglas McNair, \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 59-22-9-6, \$802,722

**2-P L Hurricane (b,m,6 - Jeremes Jet-Taylorlane Action-Village Jiffy)
O-David Brown B-Onlineharnessowner Com 17 T-David Brown
D-Randall Waples**

**3-Ms Mac N Cheese (b,m,5 - Badlands Hanover-Mr Delis Filly-
Artiscape) O-David Ratchford B-Winbak Farm T-Richard Moreau
D-Sylvain Fillion**

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8, Wdb, \$25,000, P, NW \$20,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$28,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$55,000. AE: NW \$140,000 LIFETIME, 25.4, 55.1, 1:23.4, 1:51.2

1-Shadow Place (b,g,6 - Shadow Play-Loving Place-Artsplace)

O-Robert Kyle Fellows, Carl Stafford B-Dan Belliveau T-Robert Kyle Fellows D-Sylvain Filion, \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 75-17-9-10, \$204,353

2-Velocity Driven (b,g,6 - Arts Chip-U Drive Me Crazy-Camluck)

O-Des Tackoor, Martin Van Beek, Don Lee, Tony Valentini B-Velocity Standardbreds T-Des Tackoor D-Jody Jamieson

3-The Rev (br,h,7 - Western Paradise-Red Sea-Beach Towel) O-Jeffrey Skinner B-Arnold Wj Fitzgerald T-Gregg McNair D-Douglas McNair

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9, Wdb, \$20,000, P, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 5 RACES OR \$80,000 LIFETIME, 26.2, 55.3, 1:23.2, 1:51

1-Sir Galahad (b,g,5 - American Ideal-Cameron D Art-Camluck)

O-Seaspray Stables Ltd, Michael Timpano B-Perretti Farms T-Gary Durbano D-Louis Philippe Roy, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 18-8-4-4, \$79,710

2-P L Jackson (b,h,4 - Mach Three-Kg Katriona-Jennas Beach Boy)

O-Travis Cullen, Jodie Cullen B-Prince Lee Acres T-Travis Cullen D-Travis Cullen

3-Migrate Blue Chip (b,h,5 - Rock N Roll Heaven-Gro-Pro Bono Best)

O-Determination B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc T-Luc Blais D-Richard Zeron

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10, Wdb, \$22,000, P, NW \$14,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$25,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$45,000. AE: NW \$100,000 LIFETIME, 25.3, 54.2, 1:22.4, 1:51.1

1-J Js Delivery (b,g,5 - Jeremes Jet-Table For Seven-Artsplace)

O-David Glazer, Robert McMillan B-Robert Hamather T-Robert McMillan D-Travis Cullen, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 49-13-5-6, \$49-13-5-6, \$268,646

2-Erle Dale N (br,g,9 - Western Terror-Cath Hanover-Vance Hanover)

O-David Kryway, 1362313 Ontario Ltd B-W D Keeler T-Ronald Adams D-Douglas McNair

3-Shadow Margeaux (blk,g,6 - Shadow Play-Joyeux-Artsplace)

O-Keith Cassell, Dr John Tobin, Limco Inc, Victor Puddy B-Perretti Farms T-Victor Puddy D-Phillip Hudon

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YONKERS report

Friday's Results:

5, YR, \$18,000, P, F&M NON-WINNERS OF \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS WINNERS OVER \$150,000 IN 2016/17 NOT ELIGIBLE. AE. OPTIONAL CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$30,000, 27.4, 57.3, 1:25.3, 1:54.2, FT

1-Arielle Lynn (m, 5, Somebeachsomewhere--Ladyking, by Cam's

Card Shark), \$50,000 2013 LEX-SEL O-Francis H Azur. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Kevin Mc Dermott. D-Scott Zeron, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 33-9-3-5, \$116,421

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2-Nerida Franco N (m, 7, Lis Mara--No Time Franco, by Falcon

Seelster) O-Michael Casalino Jr. B-Spreydon Lodge LTD, NZ. T-Chris Marino. D-Matt Kakaley, \$4,500

3-Our Els Dream N (m, 8, Elsu--Shazza's Dream, by Pacific Rocket)

O-Brittany M Robertson. B-Alabar (Nz) LTD, NZ. T-Brittany Robertson. D-Jordan Stratton, \$2,160

Calls: 7Q, 6T, 2T, 1H, H - Finish Order: Deuces For Charity, Caviart Cari Ann, Momas Got A Gun, Milky Way Rae, Icommandmyspirit

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6, YR, \$45,000, P, F&M OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS 1-7 ASSIGNED, 28.2, 57.3, 1:25.2, 1:54.2, FT

1-Bettor N Better (m, 5, Bettor's Delight--Vanite Semalu, by Chief

Marty), \$24,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Bamond Racing LLC. B-4 Rose Stable. T-Jeffrey Bamond Jr.. D-Jason Bartlett, \$22,500, Lifetime Record: 62-16-9-9, \$562,585



PREFERRED EQUINE
Mixed Sale Graduate

2-Set Me Up (m, 8, Shark Gesture--Moccasin Flight, by Run The Table) O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC.

B-Gregory G Drew, CA. T-Ron Burke. D-George Brennan, \$11,250

3-Delightful Dragon (m, 6, Bettor's Delight--Little Miss Dragon, by

Dragon Again) O-Noel M Daley. B-Adam Victor & Son Stble LLC. T-Noel Daley. D-Daniel Dube, \$5,400

Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1T, NS - Finish Order: Empress Deo, Hidden Land, Massive Attack A, Cracker Coffee

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7, YR, \$22,000, P, F&M NON-WINNERS OF \$20,100 IN LAST 5 STARTS, 27.0, 56.2, 1:25.0, 1:54.2, FT

1-Motu Moonbeam N (m, 5, Bettor's Delight--Top Tart, by Live Or Die) O-Friendship Stables LLC. B-Motu Lodge Stud LTD, NZ. T-Paul Blumenfeld. D-Mark Macdonald, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 47-14-9-3, \$150,965

2-Wrangler Magic (m, 5, Mach Three--Ja El Shamrock, by Rustler Hanover) O-Rene M Allard & Kapildeo Singh. B-Dr Maurice N & Maureen H Stewart, CA. T-Rene Allard. D-Daniel Dube, \$5,500

3-Tyra (m, 6, McArdle--Pernilla, by Abercrombie), \$10,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Cc Racing LLC. B-Ernest W Hartman. T-Scott Di Domenico. D-Matt Kakaley, \$2,640

Calls: 2H, 1T, 1H, 1H, H - Finish Order: Certified Ideal, Truth And Liberty, Velocity Vespa, So Nice

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10, YR, \$18,000, P, F&M NON-WINNERS OF \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS WINNERS OVER \$150,000 IN 2016/17 NOT ELIGIBLE. AE. OPTIONAL CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$30,000, 27.2, 56.1, 1:24.1, 1:53.4, FT

1-For The Ladies N (m, 8, Jereme's Jet--For The Don, by Christian Cullen) O-Ettore Annunziata. B-D J Anderson, NZ & Kevin Brookfield, NZ. T-Ettore Annunziata. D-George Brennan, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 93-22-16-11, \$337,224

2-Village Jessica (m, 6, Mach Three--Village Jest, by Jenna's Beach Boy), \$28,000 2012 CAN-YS O-Michael D Federici & Cad D Gregory. B-Village Acres Limited, CA. T-Cad Gregory. D-Jordan Stratton, \$4,500

3-Caribbean Pacetry (m, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Cupcakecraze, by Artsplace) O-Meir Israel Geller. B-Belle Amore Stable, PR. T-Meir Geller. D-Tyler Buter, \$2,160

Calls: 4T, 5T, 2Q, 1H, HD - Finish Order: Lovineveryminute, Cheyenne Robin, Know It All, Hey Kobe, Bazooka Terror

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Saturday's Results:

4, YR, \$18,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS WINNERS OVER \$150,000 IN 2016/17 NOT ELIGIBLE., 27.4, 56.2, 1:24.3, 1:52.3, FT

1-Sweet Talkin Satin (g, 7, Always A Virgin--Silky Satin, by No Nukes), \$30,000 2011 LEX-SEL O-Howard A Taylor & Abraham N Basen. B-Bluestone Farms LLC. T-Richard Banca. D-Jason Bartlett, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 111-25-24-16, \$485,669



2-Dull Roar (g, 7, Mach Three--Village Jest, by Jenna's Beach Boy), \$55,000 2011 CAN-YS O-James F Snyder. B-Village Acres Limited, CA. T-Mark Ford. D-Mark Macdonald, \$4,500



3-Kings Barns (g, 6, Western Terror--Babylon Sister, by Cambest), \$25,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Vip Internet Stable LLC & Allard Racing Inc, CA. B-Bulletproof Enterprises. T-Rene Allard. D-Daniel Dube, \$2,160

Calls: 3, 4, 1T, HD, NK - Finish Order: Five Card Draw N, Validus Deo, Tyber Tyke, Rancousy, Mattamerican

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5, YR, \$45,000, P, OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS 1-6 ASSIGNED, 27.4, 57.0, 1:25.0, 1:52.2, FT

1-Caviart Luca (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Caviart Sierra, by Western Hanover) O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & Phillip Collura. B-Caviart Farms. T-Ron Burke. D-George Brennan, \$22,500, Lifetime Record: 81-14-16-16, \$307,470

2-Blood Brother (g, 5, Somebeachsomewhere--Blood Diamond, by Western Ideal) O-D'Elegance Stable Ix & Carmen Iannacone & T L P Stable & P T Stable. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC & Exquisite Farms. T-Richard Banca. D-Jason Bartlett, \$11,250

3-P H Supercam (g, 10, Million Dollar Cam--Callwood Ivy, by Run The Table) O-Bamond Racing LLC. B-Dr R James Shive, CA. T-Jeffrey Bamond Jr.. D-Scott Zeron, \$5,400

Calls: 5H, 5, 3Q, 3T, NS - Finish Order: Roland N Rock, City Hall, E Z Noah

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6, YR, \$35,000, P, PREFERRED HANDICAP POST POSITIONS 1-6 ASSIGNED, 27.2, 55.4, 1:24.4, 1:52.2, FT

1-Somewhere In L A (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--West Of L A, by Western Hanover) O-D'Elegance Stable Ix & Carmen Iannacone & T L P Stable & The Gandolfo Stables. B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, CA & C S X Stables & Al McIntosh Holdings Inc, CA. T-Richard Banca. D-Matt Kakaley, \$17,500, Lifetime Record: 82-23-14-9, \$901,706

2-Givenupdreaming (h, 6, If I Can Dream--Ain't Given Up, by Jenna's Beach Boy) O-William A Hartt & Marc J Reynolds & Rohr Racing LLC. B-Jeffrey R Brooks. T-Heidi Rohr. D-Jason Bartlett, \$8,750

3-Sports Bettor (g, 5, Sportswriter--Shellys Delight, by Bettor's Delight) O-Verrazano Stables LLC. B-Frank Gentile. T-Matias Ruiz. D-George Brennan, \$4,200

Calls: NS, 1H, 1H, 1H, 1T - Finish Order: Dynamic Youth, Milliondollar Wave, Somewhere Fancy

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RACE RESULTS

7, YR, \$18,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS
WINNERS OVER \$150,000 IN 2016/17 NOT ELIGIBLE., 28.0, 57.0,
1:25.4, 1:53.4, FT

1-Gibson Blue Chip (h, 8, Artiscape--Bob's Wizzard, by Three Wizzards), \$9,000 2010 MORRIS O-Anthony M McGrath. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Normand Dessureault. D-Daniel Dube, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 155-16-33-23, \$155,863

2-Theartofconfusion A (g, 7, Riverboat King--Theartofillusion, by Perfect Art) O-Saddle Rock Stables. B-K L Cotterill, AS & F Ibraimi, AS & B A Carter, AS & G A Jackson, AS. T-Jeffrey Smith. D-Scott Zeron, \$4,500

3-Here We Go Again (g, 10, Dragon Again--Odds On Jenna, by Jenna's Beach Boy), \$30,000 2008 LEX-SEL O-Bamond Racing LLC. B-Odds On Nourrir. T-Jeffrey Bamond Jr. D-Jason Bartlett, \$2,160
Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1, NS - Finish Order: Rollin Ring Afire, Ronny Bugatti, Uf Larry Alltheway, J T, Holdingallthecards

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8, YR, \$22,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS,
28.2, 57.1, 1:25.0, 1:52.3, FT

1-Sapphire City (g, 9, Metropolitan--Spectre Almahurst, by Justin Passing), \$27,000 2009 BRDS-SEL O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & M1 Stable LLC. B-John P Hurtgen. T-Ron Burke. D-George Brennan, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 231-52-43-18, \$1,280,617

2-Ira Chief (g, 8, Chief Silverheels--Lady Susan B, by Kentucky Spur), \$19,000 2010 HOOSIER O-Cc Racing LLC. B-Trent Stohler Stable Inc & Travis K Theobald & Ralph E Birk. T-Scott Di Domenico. D-Daniel Dube, \$5,500

3-Badiou Hanover (g, 5, Well Said--Blind Ambition, by Art Major), \$105,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Joe P Racing LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Matias Ruiz. D-Brent Holland, \$2,640
Calls: 2, 2, 2, 2Q, 1 - Finish Order: Beat The Drum, Doctor Butch, Moonwriter, Lone Survivor, Alberto Contador N

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9, YR, \$26,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$25,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS,
27.2, 56.4, 1:25.0, 1:52.4, FT

1-Lucan Hanover (g, 7, Western Ideal--Lauren Order, by Dragon Again), \$47,000 2011 SHS-HBG O-West Wins Stable, CA. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Andrew Harris. D-Jason Bartlett, \$13,000, Lifetime Record: 105-28-21-15, \$988,676



ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS!

2-Polak A (g, 9, Pacific Fella--Capture A Million, by Million To One) O-F Bellino & Sons LLC & Frank J & Joseph G Bellino. B-S R Lewis, AS & Terry Ferguson, AS. T-Michael Russo. D-Jordan Stratton, \$6,500

3-Bullet Bob (g, 8, Tell All--Erasable Art, by Artsplace) O-Fox Hollow Farm. B-Fox Hollow Farm. T-Mark Harder. D-Scott Zeron, \$3,120
Calls: 1H, 1T, 2, 1H, 1H - Finish Order: Alta Leroy N, Moonliteonthebeach, Class Six

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10, YR, \$18,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS
WINNERS OVER \$150,000 IN 2016/17 NOT ELIGIBLE., 28.2, 57.4,
1:26.1, 1:54.0, FT

1-Lord Of Misrule (g, 6, McArdle--Ribbons And Bows, by Jenna's Beach Boy), \$23,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Levit And Tritini Stable & Triple D Stables Inc & Robert A Palumbo. B-Pacey A Mindlin & Glen S Gross & Kenneth I Cohen. T-Scott Di Domenico. D-Daniel Dube, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 94-18-14-11, \$319,190



2-Killer Martini (g, 5, Camluck--Swirly, by Western Hanover), \$30,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Ricky A Bucci. B-David Goodrow Stable, CA. T-Ricky Bucci. D-Brent Holland, \$4,500

3-Big Surf (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Skinny Dip, by Western Ideal), \$27,000 2012 SHS-HBG O-Joseph J Petrera. B-Robert A & Lauren B Tucker. T-Richard Banca. D-Jason Bartlett, \$2,160
Calls: 1H, 1H, 1Q, 1H, 2 - Finish Order: Elwell, Justice My Way, Democracy N, Lawgiver Hanover, Hurrikane Ali

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11, YR, \$22,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS,
28.2, 57.4, 1:25.4, 1:53.3, FT

1-Casimir Jitterbug (g, 10, Sir Luck--Undividedattention, by Island Fantasy) O-F Bellino & Sons LLC. B-Casimir Stables, CA. T-Andrew Harris. D-Matt Kakaley, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 208-53-37-35, \$939,756

2-The Lunch Pail (g, 6, Yankee Cruiser--Noble Marty, by Nobleland Sam), \$44,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Michael A Ouriel. B-Schare D Adams. T-Jeffrey Smith. D-Jordan Stratton, \$5,500

3-Border Control A (g, 8, Bettor's Delight--Contrapan, by Artsplace) O-Howard A Taylor & Andrew M Herzog & Eric A Prevost. B-Farquharson Pty LTD, AS. T-Richard Banca. D-Jason Bartlett, \$2,640

Calls: 1H, 1T, 1H, 1H, 2Q - Finish Order: Keystone Honor, Lettucerpita A, Windsun Stetson, Flem N Em N, Mariner Seelster

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