

**Sunday, June 26, 2016**

# World Class at Pocono

*World records by Always B Miki and Freaky Feet Pete highlighted a stakes elimination card at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono loaded with scads of equine talent.*

**by Jerry Connors / PHHA / Pocono**



Curtis Salonick

**Always B Miki (David Miller) equalled the 1:47 five-eighths mile track world record while winning his Ben Franklin elimination.**

Saturday at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono, a bevy of standardbred stars contested elimination races to qualify for racing on the \$2 million Sun Stakes Saturday Championship night set for next Saturday, July 2. A fairly strong stretch headwind influenced the racing in several of the big races, but world record speed still was generated, twice, by one of the greatest crops of free-for-all pacers in recent times.

Here are the elimination race results, grouped together by their division:

**BEN FRANKLIN FFAP (\$30,000 for each of three eliminations; \$500,000 Championship)**

Wiggle It Jiggleit was the 2015 Horse of the Year, and is ranked number one in the weekly Top Ten poll. He won his Franklin elimination in 1:48.1, which was the slowest elimination, by a full second.

World records were set in the other two cuts. First, five-year-old pacing stallion Always B Miki took his Franklin elim in 1:47, equaling Sweet Lou's all-time world record for five-eighths-mile tracks (set in the Franklin Final two years

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**Freaky Feet Pete (Trace Tetrick) set the four-year-old world record on a five-eighths mile track with his 1:47.1 mile in his Franklin elim.**

ago) and missing the all-time race record by a single tick.

Then, Freaky Feet Pete was off by himself much of the other elim and still crossed the wire in 1:47.1, a world record for a four-year-old pacing horse on a five-eighths-mile track.

Always B Miki couldn't have had much of a harder trip, yet still equaled the all-time record for Pocono's size of oval with unbelievable resilience and heart in the lane. The son of Always A Virgin—Artstopper was moved uncovered past the 5/16 by driver David Miller, after Mel Mara had been hustled by Corey Callahan to the top past the :26 quarter. "Miki" uncorked a frightening brush sans earplugs and looked ready to sail by going to turn two, but he didn't enter the turn 100 per cent smoothly, giving Mel Mara a chance to fight back and hang him to a :53 half and a 1:19.4 three-quarters – record-promising time territory. But what looked like it would be a good duel home quickly turned into a rout. Always B Miki had just gone :27 and :26.4 quarters uncovered, yet he still had a :27.1 kick home, into what was still a slight breeze, to win by three-and-three-quarter lengths over second-over All Bets Off (himself a world record setter at Pocono), with Mel Mara half-length further behind in third after giving his utmost in pursuit of victory.

Always B Miki now has won four of six races and \$91,500 this year, and 22 of 41 races and \$1,320,076 lifetime. Jimmy Takter has brought the pacer all the way back from injury to the top of his game for owners Bluewood Stable, Roll The Dice Stable, and Christina Takter.

Freaky Feet Pete made his East Coast debut a showstopper in his Franklin elim, with driver Trace Tetrick joining brother Tim as a stakes winner on the night as the four-year-old Rockin Image—Skyway Lori stallion lowered Pet Rock's divisional world record by a fifth with his 1:47.1 win, which dropped his mark by over a second. Trace had "Pete" rolling before the :26.1 quarter, and they posted middle fractions of :53 and 1:20 without any particular pressure. That "pressure" faded even further into the distance in the stretch, as Freaky Feet Pete expanded his final margin to five-and-three-quarter lengths over longshot Rock N Roll World, with Sunfire Blue Chip coming on for third and making the Franklin Final.

Freaky Feet Pete is now five-for-six in 2016 and an amazing 29-for-33 in his career, with \$1,224,050 in his till for trainer Larry Rhineheimer and owners Mary Jo Rhineheimer and Marty Rheinheimer – and he completed

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the “Indiana-sired” sweep of the Franklin elims, joined by Always B Miki and ... oh yeah, Wiggle It Jiggleit.

Wiggle It Jiggleit, winner of the Hempt and the Battle of the Brandywine at Pocono last year – and his only start as a two-year-old – has now visited Pocono’s Victory Lane three years running after an impressive 1:48.1 victory. His victory was a contested one, at least for the first half, as Montrell Teague and “Wiggle” let Shamballa go just before a :25.4 quarter, and then State Treasurer quickly rushed around both to the lead early in front of the stands. But Teague pressed on with the defending Horse of the Year, brushing again and taking the lead by the half in :54.

The pair got to the three-quarters in 1:21.1, and through the lane Wiggle It Jiggleit looked well in control, with a :27 kicker keeping State Treasurer at bay by one-and-a-quarter lengths at the finish. Another two-and-a-half lengths back, Always At My Place and Shamballa deadheaded for third, and after a consultation with officials, the field for the Franklin Final became 10, as both horses will come back next week. Wiggle It Jiggleit ran his impressive statistics to eight-for-11 this year, 31-for-38 lifetime. His earnings are now \$2,630,760 for trainer Clyde Francis and owners George Teague, Jr. Inc. and Teague Racing Partnership LLC.

### **EARL BEAL 3CT (\$25,000 for each of two eliminations; \$500,000 Championship)**

The Muscle Hill–Cocktail Hour colt Bar Hopping, driven by Tim Tetrick for Team Takter, shocked Hambletonian favorite Southwind Frank with a 1:52.1 victory in their Earl Beal elimination, but it took the fastest mile of the year by a sophomore on a five-eighths mile oval, and a huge effort from the impressive winner, to do so.

Bar Hopping left strongly for the lead, then forced longshot Promise Delivered to go :26.3 to take command; Southwind Frank could have taken a three-tuck, but Yannick Gingras kept last year’s divisional champion on the bit and sent him on to the top early. The half was reached in :55.4, and the battle became enjoined when Bar Hopping vacated the three-hole at the 11/16 to challenge.

Southwind Frank went by the three-quarters in 1:24.2 and still looked in control as they turned for home, but in only his third start of the year and off a 25-day layoff, “Frank” was just, frankly, out-trotted, but remember the last quarter was :27.4, into a wind. Bar Hopping proved the toughest; in the wake of the top two came Trolley and Dice Man.

Bar Hopping was the fourth first-time 2016 winner among the six Sun Stakes Saturday elims, but like all of that type he

too had been thereabouts in top company all year. Christina Takter, Hatfield Stables, Marvin Katz and Al Libfeld own the game sophomore, now a winner of \$147,514.

The Conway Hall–Nervey’s Taurus gelding Dayson has never been beaten in 14 career starts when he has stayed flat – but that statement looked ready to go by the boards at headstretch of the first Beal elimination.

After a contested first quarter of :27.1, Brooklyn Hill brushed in front of the grandstand and posted middle splits of :55.4 and 1:23.4, opening a three-length lead at the three-quarters and carrying that margin around the turn. Dayson had been moved out from fifth by driver Jim Morrill Jr. at the five-eighths, caught cover at the 11/16, but was still five lengths off the leader at the top of the lane and still three down with 200 feet to go.

But Dayson was flying late, and Brooklyn Hill, despite a big effort, proved a nose less photogenic at the wire, which was reached in 1:52.3, with Truemass Volo coming from way back for third; Reigning Moni was fourth ahead of Hollywood Highway, the faster fifth-place Beal horse. The winner is now four-for-six in 2016 and 11-for-14 in his career for trainer Ron Burke and the partnership of Burke Racing LLC, Our Horse Cents Stable, J&T Silva Stables LLC, and Rossie Smith. The winning clocking was a tick behind Dayson’s career best, and the season’s record.

### **MAX C. HEMPT 3CP (\$25,000 for each of two eliminations; \$500,000 Championship)**

The first turn told the tale in the first Hempt elimination, as there was a four-wide scramble for the lead: Control The Moment went three-wide to just past the eighth to live up to his name; Boston Red Rocks used track geometry to the maximum from the rail, holding the pocket while forcing JK Will Power alongside to tuck third; and American Passport scooted away four-wide, but was unable to clear and broke at the 3/16.

From there Control The Moment did just that, getting the quarter in :26.1 and the half in :55.1 after the stretch headwind, then sprinted home in :54.2-:27 to hold off a very game Pocono Pike-shooting Boston Red Rocks by a half-length in 1:49.3, with JK Will Power holding third and

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More Dragon fourth. The time was both a personal best and the fastest mile of the year by a three-year-old on a five-eighths-mile track.

Control The Moment, a son of Well Said—Life'sliltreasure won for the first time in four starts this season, after opening his career with eight straight triumphs followed by his season-ending loss in the Breeders Crown. But "Control" looks to be in top form at the moment for driver Randy Waples, trainer Brad Maxwell, and the Control The Moment Stable of Philadelphia PA, which contains Maxwell and owner Howard Taylor – who took two of the night's first three races at Pocono.

In the second Hempt elim, the Roll With Joe—Chasing Ideals colt Racing Hill was "quarter-mover #2," behind Katies Rocker, brushing to the lead in front of the stands, repulsing a big third quarter bid by Talk Show, and then drawing off in the stretch under a Brett Miller hold in tallying for trainer Tony Alagna and U.K. owner Tom Hill, while also winning for the first time this year and raising his earnings to \$333,666. The victory was the third for driver Brett Miller in the card's first five races; finishing behind him were in order Katie's Rocker, Big Top Hanover, and late inside rusher Western Fame.

After a quick :26 opener, Racing Hill made the lead well before the :55.2 half, sprinted in :26.3 down the back to turn away Talk Show by the 1:22 three-quarter pole, then continued on into the headbreeze in :27.1 for a :53.4 back half and a 1:49.1 total package, a new mark and lowering the 40-minute old standard of Control The Moment for fastest three-year-old on the five-eighths-mile ovals. Talk Show's 1:50.2 clocking in finishing fifth earned him a spot in the Hempt Final.

### **JAMES LYNCH 3FP (\$20,000 for each of two eliminations; \$300,000 Championship)**

Champion filly Pure Country (Somebeachsomewhere - Western Montana) showed her class and toughness in taking the faster of the Lynch eliminations, having to go first-over against NJSS champion Blue Moon Stride, then both getting by her late and holding off a late rush from her early-season nemesis Darlinonthebeach in 1:50.1. Blue Moon Stride was a neck behind the winner and a neck ahead of "Darlin," with Penpal closing for fourth and Kiss Me Onthebeach advancing to next week as the faster fifth-place finisher.

Blue Moon Stride worked her way to the top around speedy longshots to pace control at the rapid :26 quarter, with Pure Country starting the outside train raw at the 3/8, with Kissmeonthebeach and Darlinonthebeach in tow two-wide.

The half was reached in 55.2 and the three-quarters in 1:22.4, but the Energizer Bunny of pacing fillies kept going, and 50 feet from the wire she again showed herself an irresistible force (although if you watch driver Brett Miller, handling his fourth winner in the first eight races, earlier in the lane, he seemed to feel he had enough filly in front of him). The late rally of Darlinonthebeach did her credit, as did the game pacesetting effort of Blue Moon Stride, but Pure Country has (at least) temporarily reclaimed the undisputed top peg in her division for trainer Jimmy Takter and Diamond Creek Racing.

Newborn Sassy proved to be a pocket rocket in taking the first Lynch elimination, catching favored I Said Diamonds in the final strides for a 1:51.3 triumph. The victorious daughter of Western Ideal—Sass Newtown left strongly three-wide to the early lead for driver Tim Tetrick, with the looped I Said Diamonds making the top near the :27 quarter. The half was rated to :56.1, and the third quarter with the wind was :27.4, for a 1:24 three-quarter clocking. The last quarter was in :27.3 against the wind, and Newport Sassy came out and finished strongly to catch her rival, who in her defense had been off 29 days. Newtown Sassy won by a neck, with JK Fannie missing the win by only a length, and Lindwood Beach overcoming PP9 for fourth.

Newborn Sassy became the third winner in three sophomore elims on the big Pocono card to be notching her first seasonal victory, although like the two Hempt colt winners she had been knocking on the door of stakes company in recent starts. Last year, the winner of \$301,845 was eight for 10, and she seems to have picked a fine time to pick back up her winning ways for trainer Jo Ann Looney-King, who is also the co-owner with CC Racing LLC.

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# Making major strides in Massachusetts

*An increase in the standardbred share of the Race Horse Development Fund from 25 to 55 per cent and a 28 per cent increase in live handle at Plainridge Park are just two indications the harness racing industry is on the rise in Massachusetts.*

by Dave Briggs

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Courtesy Plainridge Park

**Live handle at Plainridge Park is up 28 per cent over a year ago as the track's casino celebrates its one-year anniversary.**

It's been a banner year in the Massachusetts harness racing industry, but the topper likely came Monday (June 20) when the standardbred sector's percentage of a key development fund was more than doubled from 25 to 55 per cent.

The Massachusetts Gaming Commission's (MGC) Horse Racing Committee (HRC) voted unanimously (5-0) to change the split of the Race Horse Development Fund (RHDF) from 75-25 in favor of thoroughbreds to 55-45 in favor of standardbreds, retroactive to Jan. 1, 2016. The decision came four days before Plainridge Park in Plainville, MA celebrated the one-year anniversary Friday of the opening of its casino.

"If people look at where we've been and where we're going, this is obviously a step in the right direction," said Frank M. Antonacci, trainer with Lindy Farms just across the Massachusetts state line in Connecticut. Antonacci is a member of the board of directors of the Harness Horsemen's Association of New England (HHANE). "I think it gives the

industry a chance to prove itself, which I think the harness industry will. Hopefully, this is continued progress.

"The horsemen in New England have been beaten up and have been barely surviving for 20 years. Personally, I grew up with all these men and women and to finally see something going their way is great, because it's amazing what they do, day in and day out just on hopes and dreams that something like this might happen. We just hope that it's here for awhile and people can finally start improving themselves and their businesses."

More than doubling the split standardbreds receive from the RHDF means higher purses are on the way soon said Steve O'Toole, Plainridge Park's director of racing.

"I think it's going to be a substantial increase for them, but it's not going to translate into doubling the purses. We haven't set aside any money. We've been, pretty much, giving everything out across the board up to date. We have some meetings coming up next week with the horsemen's group to go over some plans, but I think we're on the same page as far as what we want to accomplish."

That includes the prospect of adding some stakes races and a few big event days.

"Talking with the guys, I know they'd like to bring that back. We'd like to bring some stakes events back and some type of a signature event for us," O'Toole said.

Peter Goldberg, the standardbred representative on the HRC, said, "it was a great week, but it took a lot of hard work by a lot of people. It was a real group effort by a lot of horsemen."

The fact Plainridge will have a 115-date live harness meet this year and the thoroughbreds are scheduled to have just six cards at Suffolk Downs and a 15-day meet at the Brockton Fair, had an impact on the decision to change the splits, but more indirectly than it first appears. Goldberg said the HRC has five criteria it must look at to determine the split between the breeds and "live racing dates actually is not one of the five criteria." But the number of live dates does influence employment figures, which is one of the criteria.



Dave Landry

**Frank M. Antonacci of Lindy Farms said harness racing in Massachusetts is a “hidden gem” and he is “extremely optimistic on racing and breeding” in the state.**

“The standardbreds had maybe 60 per cent out of the total employees in the two industries. But, what the committee was able to do was say, ‘Even though the employment numbers are fairly even, the standardbreds, because their employees are there for 115 (live) days and the thoroughbreds only had six days, that changes that number,’ Goldberg said.

“Another one of the criteria is live handle. In the past the thoroughbreds have always had a bigger live handle, but in 2015 the standardbred handle was higher because it was affected by the number of race days. That’s an important piece. The live race days affect the handle and they affect the employment numbers. They affect all the different relative needs of each industry.”

Antonacci said the initial 75-25 split of the RHDF in favor of the thoroughbreds came from projections that Suffolk Downs, home to the runners, would get a gaming license.

“When the conversation was first had amongst this committee, they were operating on the premise that there would be two racetracks, one of them would be racing thoroughbreds, one would be racing standardbreds and they’d be racing equal-length meets. Fast forward two years later and what reality happened is Suffolk didn’t get a gaming establishment and Plainridge did. Last year, Plainridge raced 100 days, which was statutorily required and Suffolk raced three days, yet 75 per cent of the funds were going to the thoroughbred industry and 25 per cent to the standardbred industry,” Antonacci said.

Considering the dearth of live thoroughbred racing in Massachusetts now, the split could have been even more in the standardbreds’ favor, but Antonacci said the harness industry made a concerted effort to work with its

thoroughbred cousins.

“I’m in the standardbred business and the thoroughbred business. I think what is best for all of horse racing is best for everybody there,” he said. “So, we hope that the more equity in the split will foster some more cooperation between the two breeds.”

O’Toole said the Commonwealth of Massachusetts currently mandates that 80 per cent of each breed’s share of the RHDF (which is generated by casino gaming) be used for purses. Sixteen per cent is allocated to breeders through the state’s residency mare program and four per cent goes to a pension and welfare benefit program. He added that casino traffic is already bringing more customers to the races.

“It’s a combination of a lot of things, but we are experiencing a lot of new customers — old customers coming back to the track and new customers as a result of the casino opening,” O’Toole said, adding that live handle at Plainridge Park is up 28 per cent in a year’s time.

“We’ve experienced a pretty good year as far as our racing product and attendance since the casino opened... All of our handles have been up — simulcast, live, our host handle — which is good news for us and the horsemen. So, all things are looking pretty good. Then to be able to have some more purse money to do some more creative things with and get some money in our horsemen’s pockets is always a good thing.”

It all adds up to a jurisdiction on the rise, said Antonacci.

“I’m extremely optimistic on racing and breeding in Massachusetts,” Antonacci said. “It’s a hidden gem of harness racing just because the funding hasn’t been there. I think we’re moving in the right direction. I think we’re going to have really competitive purses with competitive racing and I think there’s a progressive approach between management and horsemen where you’re going to see hopefully some of these initiatives that everybody agrees have to happen, but don’t happen at some of these other racetracks.”

Goldberg said for many years purses haven’t been high enough for local horsepeople to be able to pay their bills. Increased purses “will allow them to pay their bills and, hopefully, upgrade their stock,” he said. “I think that’s the key. It’s going to be incumbent upon the local horsemen not to just take the money and run, but take the money and reinvest it into the product, into horse racing in Massachusetts.”

Antonacci said the intent is to take care of local horsepeople, “but I think you’re also going to see an active approach to expand and attract people from outside the



state to either come back to the state or invest in the state.

"I think a big part of this story is the breeding program in Massachusetts, which I think in a lot of ways gets it right. The Massachusetts-bred program is a residency mare program, where the mares have to be there by December 1st and remain there until foaling. So, you have an opportunity to even buy a mare in Harrisburg this year or the mixed sale coming up in July and bring your mare to Massachusetts and have them be a New Jersey-bred or New York-bred or Massachusetts-bred starting this year. It's a low barrier to entry on that front, which I think is important. I think when you talk about a gaming bill designed to increase the agri-effect and economic impact within the state, I think the way their residency mare program is set up, I think it really lends to that and promotes that."

Antonacci said Lindy Farms was a bit ahead of the curve on changes in Massachusetts. He said Lindy has rented a farm in Massachusetts for the last six or seven years. That farm was home to as many as 10 mares a year.

"A couple of our crops didn't enjoy any of the bump in the purses. That didn't come until last year," he said

Now that the money is now flowing, Antonacci said he is bullish on the future in Massachusetts.

"I think the infrastructure and backbone has been there, but there was just no funding. Now we're getting to a place where there is funding. I think it really will change the whole model and I think people will find it an attractive place to race and breed and invest," he said.

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## Hughes, MacPherson tops in Atlantic championship

Jason Hughes held off Corey MacPherson with the most points over eight races to win Canada's Atlantic Regional Driving Championship on Saturday (June 25) at Red Shores Racetrack & Casino at Charlottetown Driving Park. Both the winner and runner-up will advance to the National Driving Championship.

Hughes kicked off the eight-race driving tournament with a victory aboard Sam (\$4) in the first leg and later won the sixth leg with Cambest Kisser (\$4.70). The 43-year-old Stratford, PEI horseman maintained his lead in the point standings throughout, with top-three finishes in four other legs.



Gail and Ronota

**Jason Hughes (left) with Hon. Robert Mitchell, Minister of Communities, Land and Environment for Prince Edward Island, and Corey MacPherson.**

The 27-year-old MacPherson, of Vernon Bridge, PEI, sat out the first leg, but also drove a pair of winners during the regional event, with his first coming aboard I Am Able (\$7.20) in the fourth leg. MacPherson climbed to second place in the point standings and scored an unexpected seventh leg victory with Whosurwinner (\$18.50) to narrow the gap on Hughes, who had sat out that leg but managed to maintain a slight lead going into the final race of the competition (53-51).

Hughes secured his position atop the Atlantic Regional standings with a second-place finish aboard Spirit Of America in the eighth and final leg behind Bazillion (\$14.40) and Ed Harvey while MacPherson and Waterside Light finished fifth after challenging first over.

Hughes ended with 62 points to clinch the Atlantic Regional Driving Championship title while MacPherson held second with 54 points. Marc Campbell, who had tied for the lead after his second leg win aboard P H Little Cam (\$7.70), finished in a dead heat for third with Walter Cheverie, both with 41 points. Harvey (37), fellow leg winners Darren Crowe (33) and Paul Langille (30), and Gerard Kennedy (14) rounded out the competition.

"All of the horses raced good. We had lots of fun here tonight, all the guys," said Hughes. "It was very competitive."

It was a big day for Hughes, whose stable won a total of five races on the Saturday program, including the \$5,000 Cecil Ladner Memorial Invitational Pace with OK Galahad in 1:54.4. The five-year-old Badlands Hanover gelding is owned by Hughes' brother Robi and Foxyhall Racing of Wallace, N.S.

Hughes and MacPherson will move on to the National Driving Championship, which will be held on Oct. 14 at The Raceway at Western Fair District in London, ON. The winner of the National Driving Championship will represent Canada in the 2017 World Driving Championship, which will be held in Canada.

They will face off with the top two point-earners from each of the four regional competitions. Ontario Regional Driving Championship winner James MacDonald, also a PEI native, and runner-up Trevor Henry will join them from Friday's competition, which was held at Grand River Raceway. The Western Regional will take place next at Century Downs Racetrack and Casino on Sunday (June 26) and the Quebec/Eastern Ontario Regional will be hosted by Hippodrome 3R on July 12.

### OFFICIAL POINT TOTALS

1. Jason Hughes - 62
2. Corey MacPherson - 54
3. Marc Campbell - 41
3. Walter Cheverie - 41
5. Edward Harvey - 37
6. Darren Crowe - 33
7. Paul Langille - 30
8. Gerard Kennedy - 14

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## Sintra stretches win streak to six in Summertime opener

The opening leg of the Summertime Series highlighted racing action Saturday night at Mohawk Racetrack.

The three-week series for sophomore pacing colts and geldings attracted a field of 11 for the \$18,000 first leg.

Dave Menary trainee Sintra entered Saturday's opening round undefeated in five starts this season. Despite a large field, Sintra was sent off as the 1-9 favorite from post three.

Major Hill, also a Menary trainee, was blasted to the front by driver Doug McNair from post nine and posted an opening-quarter of :26.2. Sintra got away fifth with driver Jody Jamieson, who was able to angle out nearing the half to pick up cover.

After stealing a 30-second quarter, Major Hill paced a :28 third panel while being confronted by Some Gold, who was pressing first over. In the stretch, Major Hill turned aside the first over challenger, but Sintra was ready to pounce and shot off cover to pace home in :26 to win by one-and-three-quarter lengths in 1:50.4. Always A Hotshot, who was third over around the final turn, finished second, while Major Hill was third.

A son of Mach Three—Dancin Barefoot, Sintra is now a perfect six-for-six to start his three-year-old season after going winless in three starts as a rookie. His wins this season include scores in an Ontario Sires Stakes Gold event and a three-year-old open on Pepsi North America Cup night.

Sintra has now earned \$86,500 this season for owners Brad Gray, Michael Guerriero and Menary Racing Inc. He paid \$2.30 to win Saturday.

In order to be eligible to the Summertime Series, the three-year-old pacing colts and geldings had to be non winners of \$30,000 lifetime as of March 31, 2015.

The second leg of the Summertime Series will take place next Saturday (July 2).

— Mark McKelvie / WEG standardbred communications



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### "Criminal element... condone blood doping"

*(Editor's note: The following letter was originally sent to both the New Jersey Racing Commission (NJRC) and Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) and shared with HRU with permission given by its author to publish it)*

Dear Mr. Martin, Mr. Zanzuccki and Ms. Clyne,

Due to a scheduling conflict I was unable to attend last Saturday's meeting at the Meadowlands Racetrack. I am an equine veterinarian with the majority of my practice focused on treating standardbred racehorses. I have spent the better part of my life caring for these amazing animals and I hold myself to very high standards of ethics, integrity and professionalism. I am writing on behalf of the silent majority of trainers, owners, veterinarians and horsepeople who have seen the business we love be ravaged by a select few who blatantly violate the rules by using performance enhancing drugs to gain an unfair advantage over their competition.

I am in the trenches calling on the training centers and caring for these animals every day. I know firsthand that there exists a criminal element of trainers, owners and even veterinarians that perform, support or condone blood doping. The use of blood doping agents, specifically modern erythropoietin (EPO) products, represents the single biggest problem plaguing the racing industry today. I would argue that Eprex [Epoetin alfa (rch)] has been the hardest to detect because this next generation drug is less immunogenic hence making conventional testing procedures inadequate. The only way to catch the offenders is through targeted out of competition testing often requiring multiple blood samples to be harvested each day. To complicate things further, I have been told by multiple sources that currently there are no laboratories in the United States that have the technology to test for drugs like Eprex.

I strongly encourage the racing commissions and the ARCI to work together to share information and to move swiftly to obtain the technology to test for drugs like Eprex. I also

strongly encourage racing commissions to implement out of competition testing strategies like the one currently being conducted by Brice Cote of the Meadowlands Racetrack. The lifeblood of the racing industry literally hinges in the balance.

— Mike Ochsner, DVM

### Hot ideas

Looking over the questionnaire for the miss Hot to Trot contest, I am sure that I could answer the questions: favorite thing to do and favorite person. However, my lack of other pageants and boobs would probably make me a longshot at best to win the contest and the \$5,000 prize.

If The Big M really wants to try and boost handle, why don't they just outfit the girls in Hooters type uniforms and make them tellers? I bet that would get the handle up.

If that doesn't work, maybe the Meadowlands should give the \$5,000 in college scholarships to some young minds that could provide the best suggestions for racing to survive other than to keep milking the slots/gaming subsidies.

— David Haaker / Livingston, NJ

### Fantasy games, fantasy "entries"

I just finished reading Bob Carson's article, Backseat Drivers, on the USTA website. While I enjoy most of Mr. Carson's Outside The Box articles, he is way off the mark here. He focused on the many people who have neither the inclination nor the time to learn how to handicap harness racing. I agree that you will only get glassy stares from those individuals when you try to explain driver tendencies, trip excuses and hot trainers. I agree that there are more of those folks than those who simply love poring over statistics in an attempt to outsmart others to make a profit. But because there are more of them, does not mean that there are not many tens of thousands of us who live for the challenge.

Harness racing can scream at the wild injustice of fantasy games (i.e., gambling disguised as skill games) or understand that fantasy games are a multi-billion dollar industry focusing on people like me who love the challenge of analysis that leads to results. It's time for harness racing to join the party of gamblers who actually like to think. Harness racing is a gambling game. We do not have to make believe it is not, as opposed to the deceivers at MLB, NFL, NBA, and NHL that sponsor daily gambling games. Harness racing has that advantage over the other gambling games.

As I write this, it is Tuesday. The USTA entries page identifies 10 tracks going, none of which offers much of a handle and a chance to make a score. In addition, because options are simulcast, information is limited. Plus, replays for all of horse racing is a joke. There are a number of blind spots where handicappers have to speculate what is going on. And, of course, the bigger the lead of the winner in the stretch, the smaller the view (We need a second view made available to handicappers where the left side of the screen is on the last place horse and the view is wide enough to see all of the horses).

As a thinking handicapper, my Tuesday choice is harness racing with diminished information and diminutive handle or Draft Kings where I can wager on baseball where there is boatloads of statistics and gambling opportunities. What Draft Kings laughingly calls "entry fees" are wagers as high as \$5,300 for a single bet — and you can make multiple wagers on one event (but that's not gambling). I see millions of dollars in prizes and a dozen games where the prize pool is over \$100,000, and entry fees as low as twenty-five cents. As with every other day, there will be hundreds of thousands of "entries." And Draft Kings is smaller than Fan Duel. Now Yahoo! has joined the fray and they have thousands of people playing every day.

But harness racing with its real gambling game, does not want to spend the money to go after the thinking gambler. So whaddya think, will Harper outhit Trout, today? Is Stanton finally out of his season long slump? Did I tell you that you can also bet on the PGA tournaments every week?

Harness racing cannot jump in to the daily fantasy game fray, yet, because the fan base is not nearly large enough to offer prizes that entice anyone. But we can get there by first figuring out how to cater to the thinking gambler that is currently betting on sports. It really isn't that difficult. The Doomsday Clock is ticking. Wake up!

— Gil Winston / Manalapan, NJ





## **Gural's right to race**

Mr. Papa, and your small-minded sidekick (Joe) Faraldo have finally made me speak out. I have been a horse owner for over 30 years and have had my horses stabled at Vernon Downs mostly throughout that period. I recently visited the track for morning baby races and qualifiers and happened to notice the excellent track condition, the helpful racing office, the cleanliness of the grandstand area and the bustling backstretch.

Mr. Gural bought this track when nobody else wanted it and has run it as good as any small town track in America. If he were going to walk away or be chased away – which you two seem to want to happen – do you really think there is another person in the world wants it?

Opposing Mr. Gural's right to have his own horses race at his own tracks has to be out of jealousy for a man that is smarter, more charitable, richer and has more common sense than you two put together times 100. The idea that a man of his character and wealth would want to fix overnight races at Vernon Downs so he could win is preposterous. He is in it for the fun of the sport like most owners not the money as we all would be out of it a long time ago.

Mr. Gural seems to hit a nerve with Faraldo banning him from his three tracks. I guess turnabout is fair play he now knows somewhat how it feels. Just maybe you two could act like adults and reconsider this stance. In the long run, if you don't, the small guy will be hurt who you two are suppose to be protecting. We don't need another track closed so you two can satisfy your egos.

– Douglas Paul / M and L of Delaware LLC

## **Kudos to Mohawk on NA Cup card**

I know you get a lot of letters complaining about the state of harness racing today. But I felt I have to complement you for the pre-race coverage of the races this Saturday (June 18) at Mohawk Raceway. I generally don't bet the races from Mohawk or Woodbine, but due to your stories about the races I tuned in on my computer and bet some of the races. I had a profitable betting night. The races themselves were interesting to watch and due to the variety of bets available and pool size you were able to bet with confidence. I also noticed the management of Mohawk did a good job of getting a good on track attendance and hopefully some new attendees will come back for more. I hope Woodbine Entertainment group continues with promoting the sport of harness racing and helps grow the sport. Thanks again for

your good coverage both before and after the race. I look forward to your continued coverage of the big races and the industry in general.

– John Chambers / Lansdowne, PA.

## **Not impressed with Yonkers**

I wanted to write about my experience of going to Yonkers Raceway on Saturday night, June 18. It was the first time I was there in three years.

First off, I couldn't believe that the infield tote board showing the odds was not working. I asked a technician who happened to be standing near the winner's circle what was wrong with it. He said he wasn't sure but "it has been down all week." The only way to see the odds was to walk back to the TV screens located along the outside wall of the grandstand, of which there were two of about 10 showing Yonkers. The other had various other simulcasts.

There couldn't have been more than 150 people spread out along the clubhouse turn. They were either sitting in stadium type seats or benches in front of the finish line. There were only three betting windows with a person and about 10 or so betting machines.

The best way to watch the races and clearly see where your horse was in the race was on TV. Now why would I need to go to the track and watch the race on TV? I could stay home and do that.

The betting pool are incredible small and the odds fluctuate dramatically. Since the posted minutes to post means nothing, I simply was watching for the car to move from its parked area on the clubhouse turn. I was able to make my bet at that time at the machine. At the time I placed my bet the horse was 4-1. In the 45 seconds it took for the race to start and the pools close, the odds went to 7-5. This happened over and over with odds moving all over the place throughout the 11-race card. I'm not interested in 7-5 and win or lose I don't play 7-5 favorites. In today's edition of your publication it states that the total pool on the race isn't more than the purse for that race.

Also, I have to comment on the way the drivers race. Most of the time the opening quarter is the fastest, about :27.2 or so. Once they hit the backstretch the first time, and the leader is established, he backs down the second quarter to :29.3 or so. The third quarter is 29 sec or so and then sprint home. Most races went in around 1:52 and change, which is very fast. Same pattern every race. There was only one race in which there was a battle for the lead at the quarter.

My pet peeve is, if your sitting in the three-hole coming to the half-mile pole and you don't pull, you're done! Why is it that in race after race the first over is the fourth horse. The third horse gets buried on the rail, then makes a bold brush turning for home if he finds room to get third. Is that the intention, to get third? Back in the day that was called running for "feed money." I don't feel the drivers are trying to win and I'm not getting an honest run for my money.

The best value is trying to hit an exacta, WPS has no value since there no money in the pool. The exactas fluctuate, but not as much as WPS.

Harness racing at least at Yonkers is on "death watch." It can't survive for many reasons. Too dependent on slots, no fans, thus no pools. Handling less than \$500k a night can't sustain the game. I feel like I'm watching the slow and painful death of Roosevelt all over again.

Granted, the purse money is three or four higher at Yonkers than the Meadowlands (because of slots), where the betting opportunity is much, much better. If I lived closer to the Meadowlands I'd be there more often and \$25 worth of tolls doesn't make it an easier. I find it easier to bet and watch on my computer.

Thanks for letting me vent. Love your publication.

— Bill Hartenstine / Farmingdale, NY

### Faraldo

I agree pretty much with Joe Faraldo's sentiments in Harness Racing Update today (Saturday, June 25). I wish he felt and acted in the same manner towards the use of "beards" in our industry.

— Murray Brown / Hanover, PA



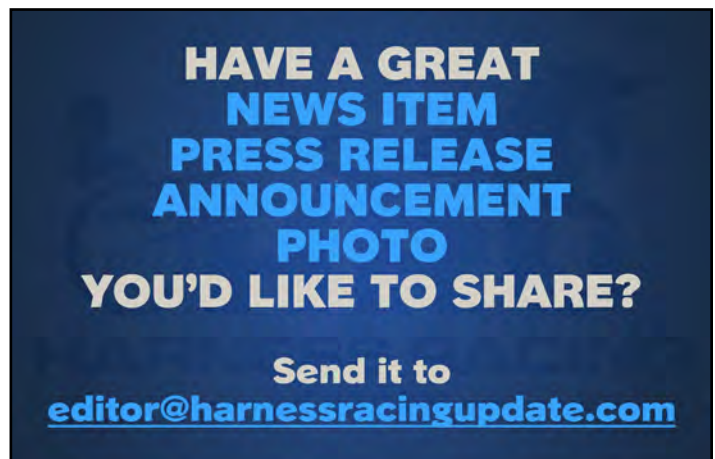
### Tired of "cheating, self-serving, greedy pigs"

The New York Gaming Commission members should be fired, along with any other establishment morons that refuse to follow the drug procedures set in place to protect the integrity of our racing sport.

How do these idiots expect to attract new and even old betters when everyone with half a brain can see that there is widespread drugging and cheating going on in the industry? They are collectively destroying our sport's integrity. They then will all get in a room like a bunch of bureaucratic clones and scratch their heads and try and figure why harness racing is going down hill fast.

We need leadership and serious people to straighten out the crooked system before us. These trainers involved are stealing from owners and betters and it is criminal. There should be a lifetime ban if caught. Trainers should be forced to sign a pledge when renewing their license that stipulates the rules and the punishment that go along with these infractions. We need a board made up of horse owners instead of establishment cowards. I am so tired of watching track and world records fall every week. Time to act is now and stop driving honest owners out of the business. I am thoroughly disgusted with these cheating, self-serving, greedy pigs.

— Jerry Giuliano / Solebury, PA





# RACE RESULTS

## HRU Race Results Criteria

The following race results are contained in  
Harness Racing Update:  
U.S. and Canadian races with a purse of  
\$20,000 and over, plus stakes races

### HOOSIER PARK report

#### Saturday's Results:

**2, HoP, \$20,000, P, \*\*THE TUBBY TRIMBLE\*\*** Non Winners of 4 Ext PM Races or \$30,000 LT up to and including 5/15/2016 - IN Sired - FINAL (purse reflects \$20,000 from SBDF), 26.3, 55.0, 1:22.4, 1:50.3, FT

**1-Trashytonguetalker (g, 4, Art's Chip--The Panishing Girl, by The Panderosa)** O-Terry Lee Leonard & Christopher J Schick. B-Maryann Plano. T-Ross Leonard. D-Ross Leonard, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 34-8-5-3, \$48,462

**2-Ville Valo** (g, 3, Real Desire--Pleasantville, by Die Laughing) O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & Phillip Collura. B-Overseas Farms LTD, CA. T-Ron Burke. D-Ricky Macomber Jr, \$5,000

**3-Paver Jack** (c, 3, Panspacificflight--Not Home Yet, by Art's Conquest) O-Leroy L Slabaugh. B-Leroy L Slabaugh. T-Leroy Slabaugh. D-Sam Widger, \$2,400  
Calls: 1T, 1Q, 2, Q, H - Finish Order: Tough Mudder, A True Rock Star, Great Image, Achill's Z Tam

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### MOHAWK report

#### Saturday's Results:

**1, MOH, \$22,000, P, NW \$13,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$25,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$40,000. AE: NW \$125,000 LIFETIME**

**1-Pierce Hanover (b,h,4 - Cams Card Shark-Panned Out-Jate Lobell)** O-Ralph Sucee, Shelby Novick, Ken Sucee B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Ken Sucee D-Paul MacDonell, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 30-9+1-8, \$198,908

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

**2-The Rev** (br,h,6 - Western Paradise-Red Sea-Beach Towel) O-Jeffrey Skinner B-Arnold Wj Fitzgerald T-Gregg McNair D-Douglas McNair

**3-Cool Rock** (b,g,8 - Rocknroll Hanover-Southwind Sundew-Artsplace) O-M&S Racing Stable Inc B-Robert A Mondillo T-Rene Bourassa D-Trevor Henry

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**3, MOH, \$20,000, P, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 5 RACES OR \$70,000 LIFETIME**

**1-Beast Mode (b,c,3 - Rock N Roll Heaven-Gaias Gold-Village Jove)** O-Christopher Nicol B-Nina Simmonds T-Christopher Nicol D-Trevor Henry, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 18-6-1-1, \$69,245

**2-Semi Automatic** (b,g,3 - Badlands Hanover-Topgun Lady-D M Dilinger) O-Let It Ride Stables Inc, Tony O'Sullivan, J And T Silva Stables LLC B-Sherry Zebedee T-Tony O'Sullivan D-Douglas McNair

**3-Nvestment Bluechip** (b,c,3 - Shadow Play-Hazes Zure Bet-Bettors Delight) O-Menary Racing Inc, Michael Guerriero, Denis Breton, Thomas Kyron B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc T-David Menary D-Jody Jamieson

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**6, MOH, \$22,000, P, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$17,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$28,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NW \$140,000 LIFETIME. AE: OPT.CLM. \$35,000**

**1-Wrangler Magic (b,m,4 - Mach Three-Ja El Shamrock-Rustler Hanover)** O-Thomas Kyron, Dr Maurice Stewart, Brian Paquet, Bayama Farms Inc B-Dr Maurice Stewart T-Stephane Larocque D-Sylvain Filion, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 28-7-6-5, \$759,840

**2-Delightful Hill** (b,m,4 - Art Colony-Uneek Delight-Bettors Delight) O-Tom Hill B-Tom Hill T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

**3-Wildcat Magic** (b,m,5 - Art Major-Easy Going Hanover-Western Hanover) O-Wildcat Stables Inc, CJ Stable B-Wildcat Stables Inc CJ Stable T-Timothy Gillespie D-Jody Jamieson

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**8, MOH, \$22,000, P, NW \$13,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$25,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$40,000. AE: NW \$125,000 LIFETIME**

**1-Mach Code (b,g,4 - Mach Three-Early Dismissal-Village Jiffy)** O-Jeffrey & Lori Thomson B-Jeffrey & Lori Thomson T-Jeffrey Thomson D-Trevor Henry, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 35-6-8-8, \$117,045

**2-Mr Carrotts** (b,g,4 - Mach Three-Cueless-Run The Table) O-Melvyn Varcoe B-Melvyn Varcoe T-Murray Brethour D-Phillip Hudon

**3-Rise Up Now** (b,g,4 - Somebeachsomewhere-Northwestern-Western Hanover) O-Bradley Grant B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Richard Moreau D-Sylvain Filion

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**9, MOH, \$27,000, P, NW \$28,000 LAST 5 STARTS. AE: NW \$200,000 LIFETIME. AE: OPT. CLM. \$75,000**

**1-Ellis Park (br,g,7 - Rocknroll Hanover-Roller Cam-Cambest)** O-David Goodrow Stable B-David Goodrow Stable T-Bradley Maxwell D-Trevor Henry, \$13,500, Lifetime Record: 75-22-12-11, \$447,740

**2-Nirvana Seelster** (b,g,5 - Camluck-No Strikes Against-Western Hanover) O-Bruce Davy B-Seelster Farms Inc T-William Budd D-Phillip Hudon

**3-Velocity Driven** (b,g,5 - Arts Chip-U Drive Me Crazy-Camluck) O-Des Tackoor, Martin Van Beek, Don Lee, Tony Valentini B-Velocity Standardbreds T-Des Tackoor D-James MacDonald

[To watch the race replay click here](#)

# RACE RESULTS

## POCONO DOWNS *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**3, PcD, \$25,000, P,** Max C. Hempt Memorial E.C. No. 5 - Eliminations 3 Year Old Open 1st Division of 2, 26.1, 55.1, 1:22.3, 1:49.3, FT

**1-Control The Moment (c, 3, Well Said--Life'sliltreasure, by Life Sign),** \$47,000 2014 LEX-SEL O-Control The Moment Stable. B-Dr Fred S Kruszelnicki, CA. T-Bradley Maxwell. D-Randall Waples, \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 13-9-1-1, \$462,095

### **A LEXINGTON SUCCESS STORY.** THIS WINNER WAS SOLD AT THE LEXINGTON YEARLING SALE.

**2-Boston Red Rocks (c, 3, Rocknroll Hanover--Mcgibson, by McArdle),** \$50,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-Peter R Blood & Rick Berks. B-Andray Farm. T-Steve Elliott. D-Tim Tetrick, \$6,250

**3-Jk Will Power (c, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Whats New Pussycat, by Art Major),** \$110,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-3 Brothers Stables. B-White Birch Farm. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras, \$3,000 Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1H, 1Q, H - Finish Order: More Dragon, Western Dynasty, American Passport

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**4, PcD, \$25,000, P,** Winners Over \$27,500 Lifetime, 26.2, 55.1, 1:21.4, 1:48.3, FT

**1-Rockeyed Optimist (g, 5, Rocknroll Hanover--Art Amour, by Artsplace),** \$10,000 2012 SHS-HBG O-Anthony Perretti & Virginia C Berkner & A And B Stable & Joseph D Battaglia. B-Perretti Farms. T-Steve Elliott. D-Brett Miller, \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 49-25-8-5, \$525,755

**2-Scott Rocks (g, 6, Rocknroll Hanover--Plant A Kiss, by Blissfull Hall),** \$15,000 2011 SHS-HBG O-Susan M Oakes & Chuck Pompey. B-Perretti Farms. T-Chris Oakes. D-Geo. Napolitano Jr, \$6,250

**3-Allbeef N Nobull (h, 4, McArdle--She Likes It All, by The Big Dog),** \$5,000 2013 WALKER O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Donald J Emond & Howard A Taylor & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-Perretti Farms. T-Ron Burke. D-Matt Kakaley, \$3,000

Calls: 3T, 1Q, 1Q, 1H, 2Q - Finish Order: Bettor Rock On N, Bigtown Hero, Keystone Velocity, Cyclone Kiwi N, Wakizashi Hanover

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**5, PcD, \$25,000, P,** Max C. Hempt Memorial E.C. No. 5 - Eliminations 3 Year Old Open 2nd Division of 2, 26.0, 55.2, 1:22.0, 1:49.1, FT

**1-Racing Hill (c, 3, Roll With Joe--Chasing Ideals, by American Ideal),** \$22,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-Tom Hill, UK. B-Tom Hill, UK. T-Tony Alagna. D-Brett Miller, \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 15-6-3-3, \$333,666

**2-Katies Rocker (g, 3, Rocknroll Hanover--Just Wait Kate, by Real Artist) O-Fashion Farms LLC. B-Fashion Farms LLC. T-Jim Campbell. D-David Miller, \$6,250**

**3-Big Top Hanover (c, 3, Western Ideal--Blind Ambition, by Art Major),** \$67,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-Jt45 & Burke Racing Stable LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras, \$3,000 Calls: 2H, 1Q, NS, 1Q, 3 - Finish Order: Western Fame, Talk Show, Another Daily Copy, Tailgunner Hanover

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**6, PcD, \$20,000, P,** James M. Lynch Memorial E.C. No. 6 - Eliminations 3 Year Old Fillies 1st Division of 2, 27.0, 56.1, 1:24.0, 1:51.3, FT

**1-Newborn Sassy (f, 3, Western Ideal--Sass Newton, by Storm Compensation),** \$38,000 2014 LEX-SEL O-Cc Racing LLC & Jo Ann Looney-King. B-Winbak Farm. T-Jo Ann Looney-King. D-Tim Tetrick, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 17-9-2-3, \$301,485



### **A LEXINGTON SUCCESS STORY.** THIS WINNER WAS SOLD AT THE LEXINGTON YEARLING SALE.

**2-I Said Diamonds (f, 3, Well Said--Silksndiamonds, by Falcon Seelster),** \$30,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-Little Bapa, LLC. B-Flintlock Farm Inc. T-Matias Ruiz. D-Matt Kakaley, \$5,000

**3-Jk Fannie (f, 3, Rocknroll Hanover--Jk Soundofmusic, by Bettor's Delight) O-3 Brothers Stables. B-3 Brothers Stables. T-Nancy Johansson. D-David Miller, \$2,400**

Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, NK - Finish Order: Lindwood Beachgirl, Skinny Dipper, Princess Fabulosa, Sail To The Beach, Shezarealdeal, Terror At Night

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**7, PcD, \$25,000, T,** Earl Beal Jr. Memorial E.C. No. 3 - Eliminations 3 Year Old Open 1st Division of 2, 27.1, 55.4, 1:23.4, 1:52.3, FT

**1-Dayson (g, 3, Conway Hall--Nervey's Taurus, by Sir Taurus),** \$18,000 2014 MORRIS O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Our Horse Cents Stables & J&T Silva Stables, LLC & Rossie L Smith. B-Salt Hill Farm LTD. T-Ron Burke. D-Jim Morrill Jr, \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 14-11-0-0, \$249,002

**2-Brooklyn Hill (c, 3, Muscle Hill--Brooklyn, by Conway Hall),** \$390,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-Srf Stable. B-Order By Stable, SD. T-Jonas Czernyson. D-David Miller, \$6,250

**3-Truemass Volo (g, 3, Muscle Massive--Tresbien Volo, by Yankee Glide),** \$25,000 2014 LEX-SEL O-Jon W Erdner & Martin P Garey. B-Kentuckiana Farms Gen Par & Jorgen Jahre Jr, NO. T-Douglas Hamilton. D-Eric Goodell, \$3,000

Calls: 3T, 5Q, 3T, 4, NS - Finish Order: Reigning Moni, Hollywood Highway, Dupree, Jimmy William, Milligan's School, Jack Vernon

[To watch the race replay click here](#)





# RACE RESULTS

**8, PcD, \$20,000, P,** James M. Lynch Memorial E.C. No. 6 - Eliminations  
3 Year Old Fillies 2nd Division of 2, 26.0, 55.2, 1:22.4, 1:50.1, FT  
**1-Pure Country (f, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Western Montana, by Western Hanover)** O-Diamond Creek Racing. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Jimmy Takter. D-Brett Miller, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 16-13-1-2, \$1,046,730



**2-Blue Moon Stride** (f, 3, Rocknroll Hanover--Classic Star, by Cam's Card Shark) O-Emilio & Maria Rosati, AS. B-Perretti Farms. T-Mark Harder. D-Andrew McCarthy, \$5,000  
**3-Darlinonthebeach** (f, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Darlin's Delight, by Bettor's Delight) O-White Birch Farm. B-White Birch Farm. T-Nancy Johansson. D-David Miller, \$2,400  
Calls: 3T, 2H, 1Q, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Penpal, Kiss Me Onthebeach, Lyons River Pride, Yankee Moonshine, Call Me Queen Be, Some Fancy Filly

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**9, PcD, \$25,000, T,** Earl Beal Jr. Memorial E.C. No. 3 - Eliminations 3 Year Old Open 2nd Division of 2, 26.3, 55.4, 1:24.2, 1:52.1, FT  
**1-Bar Hopping (c, 3, Muscle Hill--Cocktail Hour, by Credit Winner),** \$190,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-Christina Takter & Hatfield Stables & Marvin Katz, CA & Al J Libfeld, CA. B-Douglass B Hutchins. T-Jimmy Takter. D-Tim Tetrack, \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 14-2-5-2, \$145,714  
**2-Southwind Frank** (c, 3, Muscle Hill--Flawless Lindy, by Cantab Hall), \$100,000 2014 LEX-SEL O-Southwind Frank Partners. B-Southwind Farm. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras, \$6,250  
**3-Trolley** (c, 3, Donato Hanover--Lakeside Bride, by Duke Of York), \$30,000 2014 LEX-SEL O-Paymaq Racing & Leland L Mathias & Greg Gillis, CA & Louis A Willinger. B-Al J Libfeld, CA. T-Erv Miller. D-Marcus Miller, \$3,000  
Calls: NS, 2H, 1Q, 1Q, NK - Finish Order: Dice Man, Love Matters, Iron Mine Bucky, Promise Delivered, Leggs Matter, Lagerfeld

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**10, PcD, \$30,000, P,** Ben Franklin E.C. No. 4 - Eliminations  
Free-For-All 1st Division of 3, 25.4, 54.0, 1:21.1, 1:48.1, FT  
**1-Wiggle It Jiggleit (g, 4, Mr Wiggles--Mozzi Hanover, by Jenna's Beach Boy)** O-George Teague Jr Inc. & Teague Racing Partnership LLC. B-James L Bernstein & Theresa A Bantle & Eric R Felter & Vincent J Tancredi. T-Clyde Francis. D-Montrell Teague, \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 38-31-6-0, \$2,630,760  
**2-State Treasurer** (h, 7, Real Desire--Ideal Treasure, by Western Ideal), \$6,500 2010 SHS-HBG O-Sally A & Paul G Macdonald, CA. B-Brittany Farms. T-Dr. Ian Moore. D-Tim Tetrack, \$7,500  
**3-Shamballa** (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Bolero Takara, by Life Sign) O-Rick Zeron Stables, CA & Tao Racing LLC & Howard A Taylor & Cool Cat Racing, Inc. B-Gestionspauldeslauriers Inc, CA. T-Rick Zeron. D-Scott Zeron, \$3,000  
**3-Always At My Place** (g, 5, Always A Virgin--Best Place, by Artsplace) O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & Lawrence R Karr & Phillip Collura. B-Dm Stables LLC & William J Rufenacht. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras, \$3,000  
Calls: NS, NS, HD, 1Q, 1Q - Finish Order: Take It Back Terry, Ideal Cowboy, Luck Be Withyou, Dude's The Man

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**11, PcD, \$30,000, P,** Ben Franklin E.C. No. 4 - Eliminations  
Free-For-All 2nd Division of 3, 26.0, 53.0, 1:19.4, 1:47.0, FT  
**1-Always B Miki (h, 5, Always A Virgin--Artstopper, by Artsplace)** O-Bluewood Stable & Roll The Dice Stable & Christina Takter. B-Roll The Dice Stable. T-Jimmy Takter. D-David Miller, \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 41-22-10-3, \$1,319,576  
**2-All Bets Off** (h, 5, Bettor's Delight--Armbo Penelope, by Dexter Nukes), \$7,000 2012 SHS-HBG O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & Frank D Baldachino & The Panhellenic Stb Corp. B-Robert A & Greg S Tucker. T-Ron Burke. D-Matt Kakaley, \$7,500  
**3-Mel Mara** (h, 7, Lis Mara--M L Revrac, by Matt's Scooter) O-Robert Cooper Stables LLC & J&T Silva Stables, LLC. B-John A Carver. T-Dylan Davis. D-Corey Callahan, \$3,600  
Calls: 2H, Q, NS, Q, 3T - Finish Order: Melmerby Beach, Rockin Ron, Alexa's Jackpot, Mach It So

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**12, PcD, \$30,000, P,** Ben Franklin E.C. No. 4 - Eliminations  
Free-For-All 3rd Division of 3, 26.1, 53.0, 1:20.0, 1:47.1, FT  
**1-Freaky Feet Pete (h, 4, Rockin Image--Skyway Lori, by Pilgrims Punch)** O-Mary Jo & Marty R Rheinheimer. B-Larry Rheinheimer. T-Larry Rheinheimer. D-Trace Tetrack, \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 33-29-2-1, \$1,224,050  
**2-Rock N' Roll World** (h, 4, Rocknroll Hanover--Worldly Beauty, by Artsplace), \$125,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & M1 Stable LLC & Lawrence R Karr & Jt45. B-Mjg Racing Stables Inc & Hill View Enterprises. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras, \$7,500  
**3-Sunfire Blue Chip** (h, 6, American Ideal--Shot Togo Bluechip, by Cam's Card Shark), \$75,000 2011 SHS-HBG O-Christina Takter & John And Jim Fielding, CA & Brixton Medical Inc & R A W Equine Inc, CA. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Jimmy Takter. D-Corey Callahan, \$3,600  
Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1H, 2H, 5T - Finish Order: Limelight Beach, Cooperstown, Bushwacker, In The Arsenal

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## YONKERS report

### Saturday's Results:

**6, YR, \$45,000, T,** OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS 1-5 ASSIGNED  
POST POSITIONS 6-8 DRAWN, 27.4, 56.3, 1:25.4, 1:55.0, FT  
**1-E R Ellie (m, 7, Southwind Elan--Miss Marino, by Armbo Marino)** O-Tyler V Stillings. B-Eash Racing Stable Inc. T-Michael Forte. D-Larry Stalbaum, \$22,500, Lifetime Record: 164-31-34-22, \$435,136  
**2-Undercover Strike** (g, 8, Striking Sahbra--Under The Pines, by Pine Chip), \$17,000 2009 FOREST O-Gerard Stuchbury. B-Reg W & Donna M Higgs, CA. T-Thomas Milici. D-Anthony Morgan, \$11,250  
**3-Allerage Star** (m, 4, Angus Hall--Starry Eyed, by Muscles Yankee), \$18,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Little E LLC & Arthur S Geiger & David M Stolz & Jason M Settlemaier. B-Little E LLC. T-Julie Miller. D-Steve Smith, \$5,400  
Calls: 1T, 1H, 1H, 1H, H - Finish Order: Luminosity, Melady's Monet, Doubleday, Madman Hall, Aggressive

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## RACE RESULTS

**7, YR, \$30,000, P, 4 YEAR OLD OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS**  
 1-5 DRAWN POST POSITIONS 6-8 DRAWN, 27.0, 54.3, 1:22.0, 1:50.1, FT  
**1-Go Daddy Go (g, 4, Ponder--Sanfrancine, by Artsplace)** O-Allard  
 Racing Inc, CA & Bruce A Soulsby. B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc,  
 CA. T-Rene Allard. D-Anthony Morgan, \$15,000, Lifetime Record:  
 39-8-8-2, \$477,468

### A RECENT *Tattersalls* MIXED SALE GRADUATE!

**2-National Seelster** (h, 4, Bettor's Delight--No Strikes Against, by  
 Western Hanover), \$50,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Robert A Mondillo &  
 Oompa's Farm Inc. B-Seelster Farms Inc, CA. T-Chris Ryder. D-Mark  
 Macdonald, \$7,500

**3-J T** (g, 4, Badlands Hanover--Snowwhite Beach, by Presidential Ball)  
 O-The Red Man Stable. B-Marmatt Farms, CA. T-Eric Abbatiello.  
 D-Eric Abbatiello, \$3,600  
 Calls: 1H, 2, 1H, 1H, 2Q - Finish Order: Aberdeen Hanover, Bet You,  
 Artistic Major, True Blue Hall, Blood Brother

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**8, YR, \$45,000, P, OPEN, 26.4, 56.0, 1:23.3, 1:51.2, FT**

**1-Doctor Butch (h, 6, Art Major--Classical Yankee, by Jenna's Beach  
 Boy),** \$55,000 2011 SHS-HBG O-Kenneth E Jacobs. B-Frederick W  
 Hertrich III. T-Linda Toscano. D-Anthony Morgan, \$22,500, Lifetime  
 Record: 114-29-24-21, \$1,138,752

### AN ALL AMERICAN PERFORMER

**2-Dream Out Loud N** (g, 9, Bettor's Delight--Nothin Butadreamer, by  
 In The Pocket) O-Muscara Racing Stable LLC. B-B D West, NZ.  
 T-Darran Cassar. D-Shaun Vallee, \$11,250

**3-Somewhere In L A** (g, 5, Somebeachsomewhere--West Of L A, by  
 Western Hanover) O-Our Horse Cents Stables & J&T Silva Stables,  
 LLC & Deo Volente Farms LLC & T L P Stable. B-Robert McIntosh  
 Stables Inc, CA & C S X Stables & Al McIntosh Holdings Inc, CA.  
 T-Ron Burke. D-George Brennan, \$5,400  
 Calls: 1Q, 2, 1, 1, HD - Finish Order: Great Vintage, Texican N, Validus  
 Deo, Jeneral Patton, Maxi Bon

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**9, YR, \$22,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS,**  
 27.3, 56.3, 1:24.3, 1:53.0, FT

**1-American Rage (g, 8, American Ideal--Raging Heart, by Artsplace),**  
 \$32,000 2009 LEX-SEL O-Pit Bull Stable LLC. B-Moni Market  
 Breeders & Rex A King & Eugene W Thayer. T-Doug Dilloian Jr.  
 D-Eric Abbatiello, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 161-34-27-21, \$733,916

### A LEXINGTON SUCCESS STORY. THIS WINNER WAS SOLD AT THE LEXINGTON YEARLING SALE.

### PREFERRED EQUINE Yearling & Mixed Sale Graduate

**2-Twin B Speedo** (g, 5, Art Major--Beach Bound, by Beach Towel),  
 \$27,000 2012 SHS-HBG O-Mark S Ford. B-Twinbrook Limited, CA.  
 T-Mark Ford. D-Mark Macdonald, \$5,500

**3-Fiery Lustre N** (g, 8, Red River Hanover--Holmes Lustre, by Holmes  
 Hanover) O-Bamond Racing LLC. B-I R Court, NZ. T-Jeffrey Bamond  
 Jr.. D-Larry Stalbaum, \$2,640

Calls: 1T, 1H, 1H, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Hillbilly Hanover, Heez Orl  
 Black N, Sammy The Bull N, Idole Duharas

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**10, YR, \$22,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS,**  
 27.1, 54.4, 1:23.1, 1:52.1, FT

**1-Mcerlean (h, 7, McArdle--Igottwowordsforyou, by Cam's Card  
 Shark),** \$20,000 2010 SHS-HBG O-Muscara Racing Trust. B-Perretti  
 Farms. T-Darran Cassar. D-Shaun Vallee, \$11,000, Lifetime Record:  
 133-27-13-20, \$687,432

**2-Stevensville** (h, 5, Somebeachsomewhere--Wild West Show, by  
 Western Hanover) O-Raymond W Schnittker & Paul L Bordogna &  
 Ryan N Miller. B-Raymond W Schnittker & Charles V Iannazzo. T-Ray  
 Schnittker. D-Ray Schnittker, \$5,500

**3-Wick N** (g, 5, Panspacificflight--On The Double, by Holmes  
 Hanover) O-Joseph R Zicchino. B-I L Bennett, NZ. T-Newton (Yogi)  
 Sheridan. D-Larry Stalbaum, \$2,640

Calls: T, 2Q, 1, 1, 1Q - Finish Order: Idealbeach Hanover, Cowboy  
 Terrier, Roger Mach Em, Royal Heart, Clint Westwood

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**11, YR, \$26,000, T, NON-WINNERS OF \$25,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS,**  
 28.0, 57.0, 1:25.0, 1:53.3, FT

**1-Major Athens (h, 6, Andover Hall--Miss Athens, by Self Possessed)**  
 O-Howard A Taylor. B-Thomas A Brice & Charles E Receski.  
 T-Thomas Milici. D-Anthony Morgan, \$13,000, Lifetime Record:  
 78-20-15-11, \$616,275

### A RECENT *Tattersalls* MIXED SALE GRADUATE!

**2-Lady's Dude** (g, 5, Victory Sam--Lady's Star, by Hi Noon Star)  
 O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & Johnny E  
 Yoder. B-Duane M Lowe. T-Ron Burke. D-George Brennan, \$6,500

**3-Celebrity Bugatti** (h, 4, Muscle Massive--Dover Miss, by Andover  
 Hall), \$40,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Susan M Oakes. B-Thomas A Brice  
 & Charles E Receski. T-Chris Oakes. D-Eric Abbatiello, \$3,120  
 Calls: 1H, 1H, 2, 3, 4T - Finish Order: Crazy About Pat, Red Hot Herbie,  
 Monroe County, Dewycolorintheline, Not Afraid

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**12, YR, \$26,000, P,** NON-WINNERS OF \$26,500 IN LAST 5 STARTS,  
27.1, 56.3, 1:24.1, 1:52.2, FT

**1-Moonliteonthebeach (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Sweet Paprika,**  
**by Artiscap), \$90,000 2011 LEX-SEL O-Bamond Racing LLC.**

B-Andray-Lindwood. T-Jeffrey Bamond Jr.. D-Brent Holland, \$13,000,  
Lifetime Record: 68-14-11-11, \$265,272

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**PREFERRED EQUINE**  
*Mixed Sale Graduate*

**2-Class Six (g, 5, Western Ideal--Can Du River, by Cam Fella),**  
\$22,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver  
Bruscemi LLC. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Ron Burke. D-George  
Brennan, \$6,500

**3-Big Boy Dreams (h, 5, If I Can Dream--Stefani Blue Chip, by Art**  
Major), \$9,000 2012 MORRIS O-Robert L Hamather, CA & Rene M  
Allard & Donald G Mac Rae, CA. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Rene  
Allard. D-Larry Stalbaum, \$3,120

Calls: 4H, 4H, 1Q, 1H, T - Finish Order: Sapphire City, Northview  
Punter N, Denny Crane N, Forty Five Red, Kid Pk

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