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Purdon raises Lazarus to victory in \$1.1 million Inter Dominion

The top horseman and his trainee, a son of Bettors Delight, were instrumental in resurrecting the southern hemisphere classic with a dominant performance in Perth where the Inter Dominion started back in 1936.

by Alan Parker



Courtesy Gloucester Park

Lazarus and Mark Purdon winning the \$1.1 million TABtouch Inter Dominion final Friday night at Gloucester Park in Perth, Australia.

Arguably the best pacer in the world, 5-year-old Lazarus may also be the richest son of Bettors Delight anywhere on the planet.

With his victory at Gloucester Park in Perth, Australia on Friday night, before a crowd of some 9,000 fans, the New Zealand champion captured the \$1.1 million TABtouch Inter Dominion final ([watch replay here](#)). The win increased Lazarus' career earnings to \$3,317,139 (Australian dollars) and improved his lifetime record to 33 wins and seven placings in 40 starts.

Taking currency rates at par, Friday night's first prize of \$605,000 saw Lazarus surge past the North American trio of All Bets Off (\$2.9 million), Darlins Delight (\$2.9 million) and Bettor Sweet (\$2.78 million) to become the richest of Bettors

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Delight's progeny anywhere in the world (though, using current conversion rates, Lazarus' earnings in U.S. dollars are about \$2.5 million).

Of his remarkable total, \$1,080,685 – or 33 per cent – has come in the past 24 days courtesy of wins in the \$784,345 New Zealand Cup and, 5,000 kilometres westward, the \$1.1 million Perth Inter Dominion.

Bettors Delight sired half of the 10-horse field that faced the starter on Friday night and three of his millionaire sons filled the placings.

Settled by his trainer/driver Mark Purdon as the field was released, Lazarus wasn't part of the early charge for the front which saw pole-marker Tiger Tara hold the lead comfortably from WA star Soho Tribeca before handing up as 2015 Inter Dominion champion Lennytheshark went around the field to the breeze position.

At the end of the first lap of the half-mile track, Lazarus left a trailing position to move around the field to race outside the leader for the balance of the 2,936 metre (1 3/4 miles) race.

In a masterful exhibition of reinsmanship, Purdon controlled the race and even when in a position to surge past Tiger Tara with 400 metres to go he opted to hold his charge back to the field to ensure that Western Australian champion Chicago Bull remained in a pocket until the field turned for home.

As the field straightened, Purdon lifted the reins and Lazarus surged away from his rivals to win untouched by four metres after the last lap of the half-mile Gloucester Park circuit was covered in :54.6 seconds (:27.4, :27.2).

Chicago Bull finished strongly for second ahead of a tiring Tiger Tara, while the locally bred outsider Vultan Tin, courtesy of a superb drive by Chris Voak, finished well into fourth place.

Lazarus was heavily supported into favoritism at \$1.90 while Chicago Bull was a solid second favorite at \$4.10.

The win was Lazarus's 14th win in a Group One race taking him past the 13 Group One victories recorded by Im Themightyquinn and Village Kid. Lazarus is now also within striking distance of the stakes earnings records of Blacks A Fake (Australia), Im Themightyquinn (Australia) and Monkey King (New Zealand).

"He is the best horse I have ever trained," Purdon said post-race. The horseman's sense of relief as Lazarus cruised to the line was evidenced by an uncharacteristic salute at the



Courtesy Standardbred Canada

New Zealand's Mark Purdon has won the Inter Dominion in back-to-back years.

finish of the race.

"He (Lazarus) was right in the zone tonight and he was bolting. He is just a champion."

Three years ago, the future of the Inter Dominion was in doubt as funding the race was in question as was the traditional concept of three nights of heats across a week followed by the final a week later.

Four starts at the top level was seen as too tough for most

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modern day horses for a race concept that had begun in Perth in 1936.

The Inter Dominion has always been seen as the ultimate test of the ability and endurance of the horse and the skill of the trainer in managing his horse through the four starts in a fortnight.

Mark Purdon, who represented New Zealand in the World Drivers Championship in Canada earlier this year, has proved beyond doubt that he is the best horseman of any code in the Southern Hemisphere.

He brought Smolda to Perth in 2016 on what he readily described as a reconnaissance mission for Lazarus in 2017. He bypassed the 2016 Inter Dominion with Lazarus as he believes the concept is too taxing for a 4-year-old.

Purdon timed the preparation of Smolda perfectly and the gelding peaked on Grand Final night to down the raging favourite Hectorjayjay following a superb drive from Purdon.

Despite outward appearances, Purdon does have a cheeky sense of humour as exemplified by a response to a journalist who asked what he had learned with the Smolda experiment.

"Bring more fly veils," Purdon said, laughing, as he swatted away some on Western Australia's famous bushflies.

Purdon eschewed the traditional Inter Dominion functions such as the Barrier Draw, Golf Day and Ball preferring to spend time with the four horses he brought to Perth on his second trip west.

After the efforts of the Victorian-trained Lennytheshark in 2015, and the superb double engineered in 2016 and 2017 by Mark Purdon, the Inter Dominion is well and truly back in its rightful place as Australasia's premier harness race.

Western Australian fans were bubbling post-race when Purdon announced that Lazarus will remain in Perth with the \$300,000 Fremantle Cup and \$450,000 WA Pacing Cup on Jan. 12 and 19 as his targets for renewed clashes with Chicago Bull and Soho Tribeca.

It was also announced that Lazarus' stablemate and fellow 2017 Inter Dominion starter Have Faith In Me had been sold to do his future racing in North America. Have Faith In Me is Australasia's fastest ever pacer following his 1:47.5 win in the 2016 NSW Miracle Mile.

Purdon left for New Zealand Saturday morning for a 26-day stewards inspired holiday following last night's Golden Nugget final win with Ultimate Machete (see sidebar), but he will be back in Perth after his All Stars Stable campaigns at



Alan Parker

Two hours before the Inter Dominion card started, Gloucester Park was already well on its way to a crowd of some 9,000 people. Afterward, U.S. driver Marcus Miller tweeted from Australia that there were more people on the apron one hour after the card finished "than we get for a Breeders Crown Night."

the Auckland Cup carnival.

Initially, the Inter Dominion rotated between the six Australian states that conducted harness racing along with the North and South Islands of New Zealand.

In recent years, the cost of conducting the Inter Dominion has seen most states opt out of the championships after Perth held the 2012 series.

The New South Wales Harness Racing Club held the race in March in 2013, 2014 and 2015 before Western Australia won the tender for the championship for the next three years.

After the original concept had been altered to allow for a single heat in each state and New Zealand followed by repechage heats in NSW, Western Australia with the financial support of the state's controlling authority held a \$1.8 million series and \$1.3 million final in November, 2015.

The series has remained at \$1.8 million for each of the three years in Perth, but the stakes for the heats were adjusted upwards and the final reduced to \$1.1 million following industry feedback.

The Inter Dominion will be held in Victoria in 2018, New Zealand in 2019 and New Zealand in 2020 following a joint-venture tender from the three jurisdictions.

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Courtesy Gloucester Park

Less than 30 minutes after winning back-to-back Inter Dominion titles, Purdon drove Ultimate Machete to an easy win in the Group One \$200,000 Retravisson Golden Nugget Championship for 4-year-olds.

Purdon completes back-to-back Group One double

The 2017 Inter Dominion Championships saw a Singapore Airlines cargo charter flight from Melbourne arrive in Perth in the early hours of Nov. 20 with 21 standardbreds aboard in company with 18 thoroughbreds.

In addition to the New Zealand, New South Wales, Victorian and Tasmanian Inter Dominion hopefuls were a number of horses entered for support races across the four nights of the carnival.

Mark Purdon brought four horses to Perth for the 2017 Inter Dominion carnival including his star 4-year-old Ultimate Machete which, three days before the flight west, had earned his trip after racing on the outside of star Sydney pacer Tiger Tara before winning the \$234,000 New Zealand Free For All at a 1:51.9 rate over the 1,950 metre trip.

Four days after arriving in Perth, Ultimate Machete won the Group One \$125,000 Yes Loans 4-year-old Classic to give him two Group One wins in week – a remarkable performance for any horse let alone a horse having just his 21st race start.

The 2017 New Zealand 3-year-old Pacer of the Year is yet another son of Bettors Delight.

Just 30 minutes after his stablemate Lazarus took out the 2017 Inter Dominion Championship, Ultimate Machete gave fans another sample of his enormous potential with an easy win in the Group One \$200,000 Retravisson Golden Nugget Championship for 4-year-olds.

Ultimate Machete was crossed early by the Mach Three mare Maczaffair in his attempt to hold the lead from barrier one and Mark Purdon's efforts in moving off the rails cost him a 26-day suspension which will be appealed in an attempt to allow him to drive at the Auckland Cup carnival over the next fortnight.

Once Purdon move him to the front, Ultimate Machete was never seriously challenged and cruised home two metres clear of Maczaffair and Herrick Roosevelt rating 1:57.6 for the 2,536 metres and pacing the last half in 56.4 seconds.

Three of Ultimate Machete's part owners in Glenys Kennard, Phil Kennard and Kevin Riseley are part-owners, with Trevor Casey, of Lazarus, and after receiving the Inter Dominion trophy they remained in the trackside presentation area to watch the Golden Nugget.

Purdon's All Stars Stable collected some \$733,000 in stakes for the owners in the space of some 40 minutes.

The Golden Nugget, first run in 1981, is Australia's premier race for 4yos and the race is seen as a preview of the next generation of outstanding Free-For-Allers.

The 2016 Golden Nugget saw three of the starters in Soho Tribeca (1st), Chicago Bull (3rd) and Galactic Star (10th) qualify for the 2017 Inter Dominion Final.

— Alan Parker

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Lawyer for Ontario breeders said lawsuit over slot cancellation getting closer to the truth

Jonathan Lisus said Thursday a number of key government officials – including former premier Dalton McGuinty and former finance minister Dwight Duncan – will be cross-examined under oath in a case expected to be heard next September.

by Dave Briggs

The former premier of Ontario and other key government officials will no longer have to take the stand in open court to explain why the lucrative Slots at Racetracks Program (SARP) was cancelled, but the lawyer representing a group of standardbred breeders in a \$65 million lawsuit against the government said Thursday the case is still progressing nicely.

“When we go through the process and lay it all out, I think quite a compelling narrative will emerge,” said Jonathan Lisus of Lax O’Sullivan Lisus Gottlieb LLP of Toronto, the firm representing 36 breeders tied to the Standardbred Breeders of Ontario Association (SBOA).

“A big concern has always been the manner with which the decision was made and imposed on the industry and the consequences to the plaintiffs and others. We will certainly, at the end of this process, have transparency in how that occurred.”

In August, it looked as if former Ontario premier Dalton McGuinty and former Ontario finance minister Dwight Duncan, among other key officials, would have to take the stand in open court before the end of 2017 to explain the decision to cancel SARP with little notice and throw an industry – that once supported 35,000 full-time equivalent jobs in the province – into turmoil.

The breeders, who made investment decisions after being told SARP was secure in the early days of a renewed five-year contract, felt the biggest blow when in 2012 the government suddenly exercised its right to cancel SARP with one year’s notice.

In March of 2014, a little less than a year after SARP officially ended, the breeders filed the lawsuit against the government and the Ontario Lottery and Gaming corporation (OLG) seeking damages and the truth as to why the government cancelled a program that delivered \$1.1 billion annually into government coffers and provided a direct injection to the horse racing industry from a 20 per cent cut of slot revenue.

Though McGuinty, Duncan, former Ontario Racing Commission chair Rod Seiling, economist Don Drummond and horse racing transition panel members John Snobelen and John Wilkinson will not have to testify in open court, they still will be cross-examined under oath, Lisus said,

indicating the case is scheduled to be heard over five days in September of 2018.

“Between now and September 2018, there are going to be a lot of examinations. We’re going to examine the witnesses that were under summons and there are two additional witnesses that are going to be examined – a fellow called Michael Keegan, who was (Agriculture) Minister (Ted) McMeekin’s chief of staff and a fellow called Dave Gene, who was in the Premier’s office. All the other witnesses were previously identified.

“Both sides have brought summary judgment motions. This means that there will not be any witnesses testifying live in court,” Lisus said. “All of the witnesses including Dwight Duncan and Dalton McGuinty will be cross examined under oath in the course of the next few months and the transcripts of their evidence will be filed with the court. That process has already started... John Snobelen was cross-examined last week, John Wilkinson and Don Drummond will be cross-examined this week. Duncan and McGuinty will be cross-examined at the end of February and the beginning of March. The lawyers will file written submissions summarizing the cross-examination evidence and the documents and over five days starting September 10 will make arguments about the evidence. The court will review all of the evidence and make a decision.”

Despite having what appears to be some strong written evidence in its favor in terms of government emails about the cancellation of SARP, Lisus said there have been no discussions of a settlement.

“The breeders, have since March 2014, made it clear that they would have preferred to negotiate a fair compensation package for the losses they suffered as was done with racetrack owners, but the government has never shown any interest in doing that, which is why we’re in court,” Lisus said. “One of the issues before the court is the government’s decision to exclude standardbred breeders from the enhanced breeder support it authorized for thoroughbred and quarter horse breeders in spring 2014 because they started this case and asked the court to adjudicate on the propriety of the government’s decision.”

Lisus said the breeders have a good case.

“The case is moving in the right direction. We’re in the evidence-gathering stage from witnesses. We have a lot of evidence from documents. The evidence we are going to get through these examinations I anticipate is going to be very helpful to the court and to the process,” he said.

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The players are your partners

by Frank CotoLO

Racetrack managements, adjust the definition of your harness racing product.

You present a specific theater — a show — each time you greet the public live, via simulcast or online with a race program. That show is unique among all forms of live-sports entertainment because its success depends upon the number of people participating with a deft financial interest. What other major-league sport carries such a strong camaraderie with its customers?

They're more than customers, they're partners, and it is time to start treating them with incessant appreciation.

Pari-mutuels players are not merely "fans." They may like particular drivers and certain horses and they may dig the surroundings and the colorful symmetry of the races themselves, but those ingredients, even combined, don't compare with the customer's passion for making and hopefully winning wagers. So, are your customers truly fans? Would they be taking time out of their lives to be spectators? If your customers are fanatic (fans) about any one thing, it's betting on harness racing.

Identifying and satisfying your betting audience is imperative to keep them playing and for creating and maintaining new bettors. Yes, they are bettors, gamblers, punters. Survival depends upon knowing them and appealing to them and wanting them to succeed. Everything about how you view them must change for you and your partners.

A bold shift in focus and policy is needed to personalize the relationship between raceway and partner (patron), whether they show up to bet at the track or they make wagers into the pools from devices outside the racing arena.

Where would you start? What would you do? Suggestions will abound in this continuing column. They are not specific plans; they are meant to inspire track managements to make the big shift in their perspective of players. The old-school methods are on life support.

What makes me so proficient in suggesting such a strong new approach? I am a player. I have played pari-mutuels and bookie-based races on both sides of the pond. I know what it's like to walk the apron, dine in the restaurants, cavort in the clubhouses because I am a player and I have been in touch with thousands of other players, many whom were introduced to pari-mutuels betting by me. I know things

must change for the benefit of all players.

King Lear told his daughter Cordelia, "Nothing will come of nothing." In that spirit, seriously consider suggestions we will continually make to do something.

Every track needs to get to know its players by name and obtain contact information, in order to prove that the track is their partner. Swearing privacy for getting such information, the track then needs to stay in touch with its players through email, offering special plans and services, a program the track could, for instance, call "Perks For Partners."

With a program like Perks For Partners, the track keeps a simple database of names and email addresses it can obtain, to start, with those who physically attend the programs. Have a track representative walk through the place, asking people for the information, telling them that special offers — about betting — will be sent to them. This could be the person (or one of the persons) who is a host of the in-house and simulcast broadcasts. He or she mingling with the crowd shows an interest on the other side of the camera that will convince the audience the track is actually taking notice of players.

About the special offers...

All offers should be developed concerning the players' main interest — betting (in future columns I'll make specific suggestions). As well, the rep has to make it known to players that everyone in the track administration wants them to win. After all, unlike a casino, the pari-mutuel system is brilliantly designed so that bettors don't play to serve "the house." Casinos need more patrons to lose than win. Casinos could never be partners with patrons because in order to survive they must host loser after loser — the bigger the loser the better. Pari-mutuels thrive on how much patrons wager and are never reliant upon players' losses. What matters to the pari-mutuels system is that players play. Period.

Raceway management should ceaselessly emphasize to players a single message: We want you to win. Think of all the slogans a raceway could create that support such a partnership. Some examples off the top of my head follow ...

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More every month on the pari-mutuel partner revolution.

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Hannelore Hanover and Moni Maker's mirror image

by Bob Heyden

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The top line is Hannelore Hanover's record through 58 career starts, the bottom line is Moni Maker's record thru the same amount of tries in her career.

Speaking of close numbers, consider 28 and 27. The former is the number of lifetime drives behind Hannelore Hanover for Yannick Gingras. The latter is the number of times she has been driven by Ricky Macomber.

If Manchego is crowned

If Manchego is named Horse Of The Year...

It would be the first 2-year-old trotting filly so honored. It would be the first filly HOY for Jimmy Takter — Moni Maker was a mare at ages five and six when she won it back to back in 1998-1999. It would be the first time ever that a trotting Horse of the Year (Muscle Hill) sired a Horse of the Year.

Does the older horse have the edge?

Does the older horse have the edge in HOY balloting?

In 1975, 7-year-old Savoir won over 3-year-old Silk Stockings 52-49 in the closest tally ever.

In 1986, 4-year-old Forrest Skipper won over 2-year-old Jate Lobell despite both being undefeated that season.

In 2016, it was the first time in over a half century that no 2 or 3-year-old landed in the top trio in the HOY balloting — Always B Miki, Wiggle It Jiggleit and Hannelore Hanover.

Making them count

Marion Marauder, the richest Triple Crown winner of all time, sure made his starts count in 2017. He was the leading money winner among male trotters over 3, with \$769,182 earned on just 10 starts (10 3-3-2).

More Barley

What Breeders Crown winner was out-earned by a thoroughbred of the same name?

In 2006, two-year-old pacing colt Charley Barley didn't approach \$1 million lifetime, but on the thoroughbred side, their Charley Barley did, with earnings of \$922,943 on the strength of a 24 10-7-3 record.

Goldsmith Maid's unique legacy

Apparently, they didn't know how to honor Goldsmith Maid, the greatest earner of the 19th century (\$264,000 earned counting exhibitions, \$204,000 without). She raced from 1865-1877. But when it came to honoring her with a race, well, check it out.

In 1976, the Goldsmith Maid was an open trot at the Meadowlands that featured only one female — Keystone Pioneer — but did have the defending HOY in their as her entymate, Savoir.

In 1977, the Meadowlands had the Goldsmith Maid again, but this time for 3-year-old trotting fillies.

In 1990, the race resurfaced at Garden State Park, with Kramer Nobles taking the first edition. The race has been a constant every year (except 2012) since, despite being raced at five different tracks, most recently at the Meadowlands.

Finally

This year marks the 20th anniversary of New Jersey Governor Christie Whitman appointing a 19-person committee to oversee New Jersey racing. The "New Jersey Racing Industry Study Commission " it was called. Know who was appointed on that committee? Donald Trump.

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Harley Davidson has gotten to work

Plagued by fewer sales to millennials and Gen Ys, the 114-year-old motorcycle giant tries to change. Racing needs to learn from their example.

by Dean Towers

This past summer I received a note from Justin Horowitz. Justin, as some of you may know, is interested in investing and he came upon a story about Harley Davidson called, [Millennials Could Be a Problem for America's Iconic Motorcycle Brand](#).

"Our data suggests the younger Gen Y population is adopting motorcycling at a far lower rate than prior generations," AB analyst David Beckel said in the note. "Gen Y's are aging into the important 'pre-family' cohort of riders and Boomers are increasingly handing over their keys to the smaller Gen X population."

This, as Justin said to me, certainly sounds familiar.

The reasons given for Harley's loss of market share are also quite familiar. Cycling, in the world of potential self-driving cars, seems anachronistic; rider safety is a growing concern in a time when parents are worried to send their kids to football practice; and, of course, these once blue collar bikes are expensive – especially so with the absence of good paying blue collar jobs. When we add the fact that secondary markets are proliferating, it makes for an uphill climb.

Despite the evidence at hand, Harley Davidson has not crawled into a ball and complained. They went to work.

Harley's research shows buyers have their first "motorcycle moment" by age 9, so to touch the younger demographics who are not at showrooms, Harley became a sponsor of a new popular video game called "Crew 2". This road racing adventure game allows the user to cruise streets and highways across the U.S. virtually, and for the first time users are able to ride a Harley.

Further, they've started more traditional partnerships, like a new deal with the Ultimate Fighting Championship. By concentrating this joint venture (and others) on video and mobile, the iconic brand has seen a bump in sales from demographics that have never been well represented as Harley buyers.

Harley Davidson has a goal of 2 million U.S. riders by 2020,

and benchmarks have been set for many new demographics.

Trying new things and branching out is something not new to this company. I remember not long ago at a seminar, the presenter told a story about Harley Davidson seeing a statistically significant number of Google searches coming from Iraq. When the company researched the phenomenon, they concluded the traffic was from American soldiers, looking to make a possible purchase when their tours were up. Harley Davidson not only created a financing program for the military, they even built limited edition military bikes. This all from a set of Google searches.

Time will tell if some of these measures – and I'm sure others that are in the planning stages – will work or fail. But at the very least, they're trying. If you're a shareholder of the company, you can't ask for much more than that.

Turning the page over to our sport, despite the same problems, I don't see a lot happening by way of strategy; marketing or otherwise.

[This week in the Thoroughbred Daily News](#), it was reported that a new bill in Ohio was advanced allowing fantasy sports games, with racing not represented. This is probably not by accident, because racing has long been reticent to embrace fantasy as a way to attract new customers.

Fixed odds and exchange wagering – these too held with much contempt by racing's old guard – are another prime example of something new and vibrant not being embraced.

Meanwhile, in Arizona at the racetrack industry symposium, presenters from overseas [talked about new ways to wager](#). These innovative products included allowing customers to sell their serial wagers after one or more legs, or cancelling a bet (at a potential profit) at any time during a race. Most of these innovations would be great to explore and experiment with, no doubt. But, as the DRF story notes, "the approaches largely capitalize(d) on the use of tools that are not in place at U.S. bet-processing companies."

Also in Arizona, takeout rates were talked about by economists, ADW operators and gamblers. All agreed the rates are too high to attract tech-savvy, modern gamblers ([something we've written about in terms of millennials here](#)).

What is sometimes maddening about the sport of horse racing, in my view, is that its brain trust often scratches their heads about how something – in this case, few younger people betting on horse racing – is happening. In fact, when we get down to brass tacks, they should probably be asking themselves how it could not be happening.

Harley Davidson may not accomplish their goals, but they've come out firing. I, for one, would love to see horse racing fire a few bullets of their own.

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Merriman on his 1,000-win season

A week ago, the Ohio-based reinsman became just the fourth driver in history to win 1,000 races in a year.

by Ken Weingartner

After becoming only the fourth driver in harness racing history to win 1,000 races in a year, Aaron Merriman is looking to add as many victories to his total as possible by the end of the season. And while it will be impossible to surpass Tim Tetrick's record of 1,189 wins in 2007, Merriman could finish his campaign No. 2 on the list.

"That would be phenomenal," Merriman said, adding with a laugh, "Then it would be two redheads at the top. People might want to start dying their hair."

Merriman got his 1,000th win on Dec. 3 and entered Monday with 1,006 victories for 2017. Merriman passed Tony Morgan, who won 1,004 times in 2006, for the third-most wins in a year and now has only Walter Case Jr.'s 1,077 triumphs in 1998 separating him from Tetrick.

"It's pretty crazy," Merriman said. "To join the three other men that I have is just unbelievable. A lot of things have to go right to even win that many races in a year. It's tough. It's just very special in a sport that's so old. When I got it, it was just very surreal. It was a very special moment, a very special accomplishment. I'm just very proud."

Merriman will end this year on top of the sport's standings in wins for the third consecutive year -- his 1,006 victories are 402 more than No. 2 George Napolitano Jr. -- and he is the first driver in history to win at least 800 races in four consecutive years. Merriman won 890 races last year and 874 in 2015. His 841 victories in 2014 were second to Ronnie Wrenn Jr.'s 847.

Entering Monday, Merriman had driven in 4,327 races this year while competing primarily at Northfield Park in Ohio, where he will end Wrenn's four-year reign as the top driver, and The Meadows in western Pennsylvania.

"A lot of people don't realize, but it's not easy to stay fit and fresh for that many races," said Merriman, who has driven in 1,500 more races than any driver this year. "I think that's an accomplishment in itself. I'm almost more proud of being able to do that. Winning races is great, but to be able to keep up a frantic pace like that, a lot of people can't do that. It can wear on you mentally and physically. I'm very proud of that."

For his career, the 39-year-old Merriman has won 9,735 races, which ranks 16th in North American harness racing history. He was the second-youngest driver to reach 9,000 victories, behind only Tetrick, who did it when he was 34.

"You hope you're going to have a long career, but no one knows what is going to happen," Merriman said. "A lot of this seems to have happened in a blink of an eye. I guess time flies when you're having fun. I still consider driving horses a



Ed Keys / USTA

Now that he has 1,000 wins in 2017, Aaron Merriman is gunning to surpass Walter Case, Jr.'s 1,077 victories before the year is out.

phenomenal time; it's very fun to me.

"I think the people -- the drivers, the trainers, the owners, the grooms; everybody involved -- is the biggest reason why I love it so much. There are good days and bad days, but all in all it's all part of the process. I can't say enough about everybody that's been involved. I just love it. The camaraderie is what makes it so special."

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NY Times: As many as 54 horses killed in California wild fires

Fires sweeping through Southern California have killed at least 54 horses, according to the authorities ([full story here](#)).

The California Horse Racing Board said Thursday that at least 25 horses were killed and at least three people were injured when a fire burned through about eight barns at the San Luis Rey training center in Bonsall, in San Diego County. The area, near the county's northern border, is known for its equestrian facilities.

Mike Marten, a spokesman for the racing board, said in an interview on Friday that the death toll was likely to rise.

"The area hardest hit is still smoldering, so no one is allowed in," he said.

Two days earlier, 29 horses were killed by the Creek Fire at a ranch in Sylmar in the San Fernando Valley, according to [a statement from the Department of Animal Care and Control](#) in Los Angeles County.

San Luis Rey serves as a hub to trainers and others shuttling back and forth between the courses of the region's racing circuit, Del Mar, Santa Anita Park and Los Alamitos Race Course.

Nearly 500 horses were at the training center when the fire hit and Mr. Marten said that at least three people were injured while trying to rescue them: two trainers, Joe Herrick and Martine Bellocq, and a rider whose name he did not yet know.

Ms. Bellocq was in a medically induced coma at a hospital while being treated for the second- and third-degree burns covering more than 50 per cent of her body, said her brother-in-law, Remi Bellocq, who runs a jockey school in Kentucky. He said that she was burned while trying to save the six horses she had at San Luis Rey, at least three of which died in the fire.

He explained that horses facing a dangerous situation were liable to panic and flee to where they feel the most secure.

The Stronach Group, a track operator, is working with the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club to [raise money to help those affected](#), as is the [California Thoroughbred Horsemen's Foundation](#).

Horses rescued from the fire at the San Luis Rey training center were taken to Del Mar racetrack, where between 800 and 850 horses have taken refuge from the fire.

— *Jonah Engel Bromwich / New York Times*

Fear The Dragon to retire to stud at Midland Acres



Dave Landry

Fear The Dragon (David Miller) winning the Pepsi North America Cup. The colt will stand stud at Midland Acres in Ohio.

Emerald Highlands Farm has announced that their 2017 North American Cup champion Fear The Dragon is being syndicated and has been retired to stand stud at Midland Acres in Ohio for a \$6,000 fee. The multiple Grand Circuit winning son of Dragon Again posted marks of 1:50.3 at two and 1:48.4 at three, amassing career earnings of \$1,578,547.

Fear The Dragon impressed the harness racing world in 2017 with his dramatic come-from-behind and first over wins in major races throughout the year. His thrilling victory in the North America Cup over the previously top rated colts Downbytheseaside and Huntsville was a classic demonstration of both heart and speed. It was the only time those "big three" faced off together in one race this year. His elimination win was also dramatic as he drew off from the field in the stretch and overcome having to jump over a fallen head number near the finish.

In his career, Fear The Dragon also won the \$500,000 Hempt Memorial (elimination and final), defeating Downbytheseaside and Fillibuster Hanover; the \$400,000 Adios (elimination and final) defeating Fillibuster Hanover; the \$500,000 Little Brown (first heat) defeating Downbytheseaside and Fillibuster Hanover; the \$206,000 Tattersalls Pace (division); the \$140,000 Elevation (defeating Fillibuster Hanover); the Arden Downs and six Pennsylvania Sires Stakes legs.

"Fear The Dragon is a fabulous looking horse with flawless conformation," said Bruce Trogdon (owner of Emerald Highlands Farm) in making the announcement. "He will always be remembered for his tremendous gait and huge

heart. He won on all size tracks, from on or off the pace, first over, any way that he was asked. David Miller picked him to drive over all the others for a reason."

Fear the Dragon represents a great out-cross, being a son of the recently deceased Dragon Again (sire of Foiled Again 1:48f - \$7,460,758 – the richest harness horse of all time). Maternally, he is impeccably bred. He is a half-brother to the multiple stakes winning pacing mare Cinamony p,4,1:49.3f (\$532,404). His dam, Armbro Cinnamon p,3,1:54.4h, is herself a stakes winning Western Ideal daughter of the Dan Patch Two Year Old Pacing Filly of the Year Mattaroni p,2,1:52.4 (\$744,481).

Trogdon is very bullish on Fear The Dragon's sire potential, saying, "I will breed the majority of our broodmares to him, including champions like Color's A Virgin, Jerseylicious and Blazin Britches. I can't wait!"

Midland Acres Dr. John Mossbarger says that they are, "very excited to be getting a stallion of this magnitude. He was the horse we wanted and pursued him all year. We are buying into the syndicate ourselves and will breed both quality and quantity to him. We are very high on Fear The Dragon and the future of our sport in Ohio."

– ***Emerald Highlands Farm***

Yonkers and Philly cancel

Yonkers Raceway cancelled its Saturday night card and Harrah's Philadelphia cancelled today's (Sunday) afternoon card due to a snow storm in the area.

Live racing will resume at Yonkers on Monday night and at Philadelphia on Wednesday afternoon.

Windsun Gotham, Better B Rolling win Valedictory splits

Windsun Gotham and Better B Rolling drew first blood in Saturday evening's opening leg of the Valedictory Series at Woodbine Racetrack.

A group of 16 three-year-old pacing colts and geldings were split into two \$17,000 divisions for the first leg of the three-week Valedictory Series.

Making just his second start since the end of July, Windsun Gotham rallied off cover in the stretch to win the first division in 1:51.2. The Tony O'Sullivan trainee was steered to victory by Sylvain Filion.

Windsun Gotham got away fifth and would eventually get into the outer-flow at the half to sit second-over. Following



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Windsun Gotham (Sylvain Filion) won the first of three \$17,000 legs of the Valedictory Series on Saturday at Woodbine in 1:51.2, which was a lifetime best for the Tony O'Sullivan trainee.

the cover of eventual third-place finisher and race-favourite Jk Pridenjoy, Windsun Gotham shot home in :27.3 to win by a length and a half over Brave World.

A gelded son of American Ideal—Windsun Princess, Windsun Gotham is now five for 17 this season and has earned over \$58,000 for owners Thomas Pollack and O'Sullivan Racing Inc. The clocking of 1:51.2 was a lifetime best for the O'Sullivan student.

Windsun Gotham paid \$16.40 to win.

The second division saw Better B Rolling extend his current win streak to three with a four-and-a-half length score in 1:52.1.

Driven by Louis Philippe Roy for trainer Ciaran Morrison, Better B Rolling went coast to coast, pacing home in :27.4, to pick up his eighth win of the season. The gelded son of Roll With Joe—B So Lucky is owned and bred by W Donovan and has earned \$56,650 in his first season of racing.

Hes A Popper finished second; Artoofficial Flavor was third.

Better B Rolling paid \$5.80.

Sophomore pacing colts and geldings, who were non-winners of \$60,000 lifetime as of October 31, 2017, were eligible for nomination to the Valedictory. The second leg of the series takes place next Saturday (Dec. 16). The series finale is scheduled for Boxing Day (Dec. 26).

Also on Saturday, 10-year-old Casimir Jitterbug went out a winner in his final start.

The Andrew Harris trainee captured a \$22,000 overnight in 1:50.4 to cap off a career that saw him win 60 times, earn over \$1 million and take a mark of 1:49.3 at Mohawk. Originally trained by Mario Rivest, Casimir Jitterbug raced in his early career in Sudbury before moving to the Woodbine

circuit and racing for trainers Gregg McNair and O'Sullivan.

The son of Sir Luck—Undividedattention moved south of the border for O'Sullivan in the spring of 2014 and would eventually join the Harris barn in the summer of 2016.

Harris brought Casimir Jitterbug back to Woodbine for the final two starts of his career and the classy veteran will now rejoin original trainer Rivest for his retirement.

— **Mark McKelvie / WEG standardbred communications**

McNair sweeps round one of Niagara Series

Sophomore pacing fillies grabbed the spotlight Friday evening at Woodbine Racetrack for the start of the Niagara Series.

A group of 18 three-year-old pacing fillies were split into two \$17,000 divisions for the first leg of the three-week event. The series wraps up on Boxing Day (Dec. 26) with an added-money final.

Jazzy Image seized the lead after the opening-quarter and never looked back to win the first division in a career-best 1:53.1.

Doug McNair steered the Aaron Lambert trainee to her second consecutive victory. The daughter of Rockin Image—Yeahyoureright is now two-for-two for new owner Trent Stohler Stable Inc.

Jazzy Image paced home in :28 to win by half a length over Cloud Diva, while Party Beach finished a pair of lengths back in third.

Friday's victory was the fourth in 30 starts this season for Jazzy Image and her fifth overall. She has now earned \$46,085 this season to bring her career earnings north of \$52,000.

The Lambert trainee paid \$8.30 to win.

McNair returned to the winner's circle in the second division with race-favorite Teachers Vet.

The Richard Moreau trainee was put on the front, fought off a rival at the half and went on to win in 1:54.

A daughter of Yankee Cruiser—Dagnabit Hanover, Teachers Vet was recently purchased at the Harrisburg Mixed Sale for \$55,000 by leading owner Brad Grant. The sophomore pacing filly is now two-for-two for her new connections.

Nasty Rumor finished second by half a length, while Mach The Cut edged Manhattan Again for third.

Teachers Vet, who is in her first season on the track, now

has six wins in 21 starts and earnings of \$75,180.

She paid \$3.80 to win.

Sophomore pacing fillies, who were non-winners of \$60,000 lifetime as of October 31, were eligible for nomination to the Niagara. The second leg will take place next Friday (Dec. 15).

— **Mark McKelvie / WEG standardbred communications**

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The Curmudgeon on South Florida's best restaurants

I enjoyed Gurf's column on South Florida's best eating places. ([full column here](#)) All his picks were very good. Here are in my opinion, four serious omissions:

1. Palm Beach Grill – Best value for wine, maybe in the world. Excellent food at decent prices. Great bar scene. The best prime rib and hot dog (yes hot dog – it's priced at something like \$15 and would be great value at twice the price) I have ever had, anywhere you would care to name. There is not a single item on the menu that is less than very good. The only negative is that it is so hard to get a reservation.

2. La Sirena – If you haven't been there, you need to go. It is a consistently excellent restaurant in West Palm Beach. Second generation family owned and managed. The chef, Marcello is the owner and he is fantastic. His wife handles the front of the house. It's owned by the same family that owned Burgomeister. It might have been Billy Haughton's favorite restaurant in South Florida. The only problems might be that they only serve wine, no other alcohol, but it is a superb wine list and fairly priced. It's also not very easy to get a reservation. If you ever are with a group of six or eight, the top floor is where their wine cellar is located. There is a table in the middle where you can have dinner. It's a great experience eating great food surrounded by bottles and cases of some of the great wines of the world. A group of us have done New Year's Eve in that room for the last five years. We will be returning again this year. All the food is great, but the whole branzino is the very best I've ever had.

3. Shanghai City in Boca Raton. This is an old style New York City type Chinese restaurant. The food is excellent. The prices are very reasonable. Gurf, you and I will feel right at home here. The average age is between 70-80 with 90 per cent of the clientele probably being ex New Yorkers. Everything is good. The lobster, fish, duck and rib dishes are especially so. They have excellent fresh daily specials. It's

usually very busy on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. A good place for lunch.

4. Cafe Martorano. A great southern Italian restaurant. The scene and noise can sometimes be overwhelming. The quality of the food is excellent with the owner Steve Martorano usually doing the cooking. They do run a heavy pencil. Celebrities and athletes are often there.

Some honorable mentions

Schwartz's Deli – A knockoff of a Montreal deli, but their Montreal Smoked meat is the real thing. They get it imported directly from Montreal. It's very good.

Hong Kong City BBQ – A divey looking place that has as genuine and as a good food as you will get in New York's Chinatown. We used to come here with Wild Bill Perretti and a group for lunch. The food is excellent. The ambience not so much.

Hotdogopolis – Great assortment of hot dogs and the best french fries I've had in South Florida. It's a Chicago-type hot dog joint. The variety of dogs is amazing.

Also, to the food aficionado, the quartet of **The Boys, The Girls, Bambini's** and **Grammas Bakery** in Delray is a must. They are a group of food stores owned and managed by several brothers from Staten Island, who are also harness horse owners.

The stores are very close to each other on Military Trail.

The Boys is a supermarket like no other. You name it. They have it. Their produce, homemade foods, bakery, fish and meat and cheese sections are fantastic. Their prices, for what they have are very reasonable.

However you take your life in your hands shopping there. The parking is scary. The average age of the clientele has to be in the 80s. They use their shopping carts as though they are weapons of war. Narrow lanes and people going in every direction. It's an experience shopping there, like no other.

A few doors away is The Girls. This store specializes in ice cream and candy. Their strawberry ice cream, made from strawberries grown right on the premises, is unbelievably good. Behind the store, they grow their strawberries and several other foods. A great attraction to all, especially kids, is that they have an assortment of exotic birds, mostly different types of parrots there.

Attached to The Girls is Bambini's, a pizzeria whose pizza is excellent and whose hot subs just might be the best I have ever had. Their meatball and parmigiana chicken subs are delicious and are so big that they are a challenge to finish.

Next door to Bambini's is Gramma's an all purpose bakery

that has anything one would look for in breads, baked goods and pastries. All is excellent and made on site.

— *The Curmudgeon / Hanover, PA*

Deep, talented field of young drivers a bright spot

There certainly was a lot stars shining in 2017. With the stake season over, I have to say it was an enjoyable year of racing. From the fan perspective, we didn't have the Wiggle it and Miki matchups, but there was plenty of talent in all the divisions. Fear the Dragon and Seaside battled it out right until the very end and both had their monuments in the spot light. Very entertaining.

With so many things happening in harness racing, negative and positive, here is one thing that is certainly on the up swing. The amount of professional drivers must be 10 times what it was 20 years ago. I could remember a hot July night in 1994. While standing on the apron in Yonkers, I could hear the helicopter hovering above and landing in the parking lot. Out comes the team of drivers. For what we knew back then, the top class of privileged drivers that "only could." John Campbell, Mike Lachance, Bill O'Donnell, Ron Pierce, Ron Waples, etc. They get their one drive and fly right back to the Meadowlands for more stake action. Today with the choice of drivers and the deep skills they have, it must be a trainer's dream come true — very deep across and plenty of them, including the amateurs.

I admire all these young drivers and their ability. It's the bright spot in this game for me right now.

— *Al Pappalardi / New York*

Less racing isn't all bad

I think HRU should ask their readers the following:

Do you think we should have fewer tracks and less racing. I for one say yes because as a bettor seeing a preferred with only five entries and on a half-mile track is absurd and offers no value. I also think all claiming and NW should have an additional condition, must have finished top 4 last race. If some may think this would lead to short fields I don't believe so. Would it lead to horses missing a race a week, possibly, but horses that have come off a layoff and qualifying do win so it's a wash. I believe racing has become too complacent allowing too much racing into shape, which, from a bettor's point of view, does not increase pool size. In fact, it lessens the size of the pool. Sure trainers will be able

to race into shape, but they will have to finish top four to do it. I also believe this added condition will alter post position stats by the mere fact that, as it is now, drawing an outside post the driver will maybe try and leave but inevitably drop to the back of the bus or drop and give a little brush later in the race, or wait till the horse draws in better. And finally the drivers lackadaisical drives will hurt their pockets, so now with all of the above we the bettors are being looked after like we should be.

— *Bob Adams / London, ON*

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Friday's Results:

7, Dtn, \$18,500, P, FILLIES & MARES OPEN HANDICAP PP's 1,2 & 10 DRAWN; 3-7 DRAWN; 8-9 DRAWN, 26.4, 56.2, 1:24.1, 1:53.0, FT

1-Juslikeaqueen (f, 3, Palone Ranger--Queen Caroline, by Kingston)
O-Antonia G Storer. B-Karl Dean Miller. T-Daniel Maier. D-Jeremy Smith, \$9,250, Lifetime Record: 33-10-4-3, \$88,445

2-Firstup (f, 3, Rockin Image--Sand Pleasure, by Cambest), \$29,000
2015 Hoosier O-Hen-Shaut Stable & Douglas A Riccolo. B-John E McGill. T-Chris Mc Guire. D-Kyle Ater, \$4,625

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 Tetrick, \$2,220
Calls: 4Q, 2T, 2, 1, T - Finish Order: Addys Way, Pipecreek Star, Elliesjet N, Jetting Around, Tiene's Leche, Rock Me Baby, Amazing Arya

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Saturday's Results:

5, Dtn, \$15,000, P, HORSES & GELDINGS N/W \$10,000 IN LAST 4 STARTS AE: N/W 10 PM RACES OR \$75,000 LIFETIME, 26.4, 55.3, 1:23.4, 1:52.4, GD

1-Fools Desire (g, 5, Real Desire--Trinketsntreasures, by Artiscap), \$35,000
2013 HOOSIER O-Miller Racing Stable Inc. B-Dean Allen Redmond & Kelly E Thomas. T-Ryan Miller. D-Kayne Kauffman, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 69-17-11-8, \$168,691

2-Secret Threat (h, 5, Palone Ranger--Laxmy, by Real Artist) O-Justin Lloyd.
B-Larry E & Kim L Owen. T-Justin Lloyd. D-Ricky Macomber Jr, \$3,750

3-Supreme Z Tam (g, 5, Rockin Image--Yankee Pankee Bb, by Yankee Cruiser), \$21,000
2013 IN-PREM O-Jessica A Smith. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Randal Smith. D-Trace Tetrick, \$1,800
Calls: 4H, 2H, 2T, 2Q, 1 - Finish Order: Sparky Mark, Coal Hanover, Tail Gunner Hall, On The Virg, Steves Legacy

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10, Dtn, \$15,000, P, HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$30,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 27.4, 56.1, 1:24.0, 1:52.4, GD

1-The Optimist (g, 6, No Pan Intended--Coriander Hanover, by Artsplace) O-Frederick M Linz.
B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, CA & C S X Stables. T-Michael Arnold. D-John De Long, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 105-16-13-15, \$160,632

2-Kolt Power (g, 5, Dragon Again--Village Jovial, by The Panderosa), \$20,000
2013 SHS-HBG O-Adam B Short. B-Winbak Farm. T-Adam Short. D-Dan Noble, \$3,750

3-Blooming Genius (g, 6, Quik Pulse Mindale--Hasty Dewar, by Cambest), \$16,000
2012 LEX-SEL O-George P Dremonas. B-Winbak Farm. T-Barry Langley. D-Josh Sutton, \$1,800

Calls: 3, 2Q, 3H, 2T, 1Q - Finish Order: Stormy West, A J Corbelli, Royale Rose, Lancaster Park, Moonwriter, Nitro

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12, Dtn, \$17,500, P, HORSES & GELDINGS OPEN HANDICAP (PP's 1 & 7 ASSIGNED), 26.1, 54.0, 1:22.0, 1:51.2, GD

1-Manhattan Beach (g, 4, Somebeachsomewhere--Benear, by Badlands Hanover), \$100,000
2014 SHS-HBG O-John E McGill & Brian K Carsey. B-Gregory J Martin, CA. T-Walter Haynes Jr. D-Trace Tetrick, \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 57-11-6-9, \$668,649



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2-Ideal Rocky (g, 4, Rocknroll Hanover--Eternity's Delight, by Bettor's Delight), \$47,000
2014 SHS-HBG O-Randall B Bendis & Thomas J Pollack. B-Fashion Farms LLC. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Dan Noble, \$4,375

3-Enoch (g, 4, Panspacificflight--Kieanna's Angel, by Personal Power)
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & Phillip Collura & Frank D Baldachino. B-Alvin E Walther. T-Ron Burke. D-Chris Page, \$2,100

Calls: 3, 1T, 1, HD, T - Finish Order: Starlite Kid, Dalhousie Dave, Night Pro, My Hero Ron

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HARRAH'S PHILLY *report*

Friday's Results:

9, Phl, \$15,000, P, Fillies and Mares, Non-Winners \$15,000 Last 5 Starts. (Starters in a class higher than NW \$22,500 or winners in this class or higher in their last start are ineligible.) Also Eligible: NW 7 Ext. PM Races or \$70,000 Lifetime., 27.2, 56.1, 1:24.1, 1:53.0, FT
1-Divas Image (m, 4, Bettor's Delight--Rocknroll Diva, by Rocknroll Hanover) O-Our Horse Cents Stables & Stable 45 & J&T Silva Stables, LLC. B-Mark E Steacy, CA & Bannon Stables, CA & Diane Bertrand, CA. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 40-10-7-7, \$285,082

2-A Plus (m, 5, American Ideal--Has An Attitude, by No Pan Intended), \$30,000 2013 LEX-SEL O-Gilberto Garcia-Herrera. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Gilbert Garcia-Herrera. D-Geo. Napolitano Jr, \$3,750

3-Planet Rock (f, 3, Rock N Roll Heaven--Villa Hanover, by Cam's Card Shark), \$24,000 2015 Morris O-Kenneth E Jacobs. B-David R Firmstone. T-Linda Toscano. D-Yannick Gingras, \$1,500

3-Pasultimatedelite N (m, 8, Bettor's Delight--Bee Jays Money, by Christian Cullen) O-Patrick J O'Brien & George J Hartman. B-Mrs K J Walsh, NZ. T-Mark Kesmodel. D-Andrew McCarthy, \$1,500
Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1H, 1H - Finish Order: Ask Queenie, Do Your Job, Apricot Sour, Uf Dragon's Queen, Eden Paige N

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10, Phl, \$16,000, P, Fillies and Mares, 4 Years Old and Under, Non-Winners 5 Ext. PM Races or \$50,000 Lifetime. (PA Preferred), 28.0, 58.1, 1:26.1, 1:55.3, FT

1-Lady Of Heaven (f, 3, Rock N Roll Heaven--You're Likeadream, by Cam's Card Shark), \$3,000 2015 LEX-SEL O-Sbk Stables & Bruce N Saunders. B-Riverview Breeding LLC & Bruce N Saunders. T-Bruce Saunders. D-Jim Marohn Jr, \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 31-4-3-4, \$87,660

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2-Kaks Dragon Attack (f, 3, Dragon Again--Guthrie Hanover, by Real Artist) O-Louis W Catana & Vincent S Bradley. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Bart Bradley. D-Allan Davis, \$4,000

3-Braida Hanover (f, 3, Dragon Again--But I Like It, by Rocknroll Hanover), \$5,500 2015 SHS-HBG O-Leonard Segall. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Kerin Warner. D-Corey Callahan, \$1,920
Calls: 1T, 1H, 1H, 1T, Q - Finish Order: Monica Gallagher, My Sister Lucie, Petal To The Metal, Lifetime Trust, Future Headlines

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MEADOWLANDS *report*

Friday's Results:

7, M, \$17,500, P, DASH FOR THE "G" NOTES - FINAL Highest Earners From 12/2/2017, 27.2, 56.1, 1:23.4, 1:52.1, FT

1-Ideal Matters (g, 10, Western Ideal--Art Matters, by Artsplace), \$60,000 2008 LEX-SEL O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Ron Burke. D-Anthony Napolitano, \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 167-42-17-20, \$646,847

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2-Cardiac Fashion (g, 5, Well Said--Where The Heart Is, by Abercrombie) O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Fashion Farms LLC. T-Ron Burke. D-Jim Marohn Jr, \$4,375

3-Justified (g, 9, Mr Feelgood--Magic Shopper, by Abercrombie), \$50,000 2009 LEX-SEL O-The Red Man Stable. B-Steve H Stewart & Charles & Julie R Nash. T-Eric Abbatiello. D-Eric Abbatiello, \$2,100
Calls: 1H, 1H, 1T, 2, T - Finish Order: Kotare Yael N, Ring Warrior, Wellwesaid, Moonlight Ransom, High Octane N, All It Takes, Justa Camilion

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Saturday's Results:

3, M, \$17,500, P, N/W \$15,000 in Last 4 Starts AE: N/W \$125,000 Lifetime, 29.1, 56.4, 1:24.4, 1:52.2, GD

1-Tulow N (g, 6, Mach Three--Tessa Bromac, by Mystical Shark) O-Blindswitch Racing Stable. B-Brisbane Pastoral Co Pty LTD, NZ. T-Al Annunziata. D-William Mann, \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 78-18-12-9, \$132,268

2-Always At My Place (g, 6, Always A Virgin--Best Place, by Artsplace) O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Lawrence R Karr & Phillip Collura. B-Dm Stables LLC & William J Rufenacht. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras, \$4,375

3-Americanprimetime (h, 5, American Ideal--Prime Xample A, by By Xample) O-Rock And Roll Stable Inc. B-Rock And Roll Stable Inc. T-Rick Dane Jr. D-Corey Callahan, \$2,100
Calls: 1T, 3, 1Q, Q, HD - Finish Order: Art History, Some Attitude, Speed Again, Bottom Deals, Crossfirehurricane

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RACE RESULTS

8, M, \$17,500, P, Fillies & Mares N/W \$15,000 in Last 4 Starts AE: N/W \$170,000 Lifetime AE: 3 Year Olds, 28.0, 56.3, 1:25.3, 1:53.4, GD

1-Valuable Art (m, 4, Art Official--Race Me Valerie, by Ball And Chain) O-Breakaway Racing. B-Nicholas I & Corey & Joanna G Callahan. T-Nicholas Callahan. D-Corey Callahan, \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 35-9-10-8, \$173,444

2-Betabcool N (m, 7, Bettor's Delight--Cool Sandy, by Sands A Flyin) O-Blindswitch Racing Stable. B-Sancar Racing Syndicate, NZ. T-Al Annunziata. D-William Mann, \$4,375

3-Ok Heavenly (m, 5, Sportswriter--Double Creme, by Albert Albert) O-Dandy Farms Inc. B-Oak Knoll Stables, CA. T-Brett Pelling. D-Jim Marohn Jr, \$2,100

Calls: 5, 3T, 2Q, H, NS - Finish Order: Jewel Lehigh A, World Apart, Vegas In Style, Caviart Shelly, Stylish Beachwhere, Phyllis Jean

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SARATOGA HARNESS report

Friday's Results:

5, Stga, \$19,500, P, Fillies & Mares - Open Handicap Post Positions Assigned, 27.3, 57.0, 1:24.3, 1:53.2, FT

1-Caviart Caterina (m, 5, Tell All--Caviart Callie, by Cam's Card Shark) O-Joseph S Pisarski. B-Caviart Farms. T-Robert Marston. D-Shawn T Gray, \$9,750, Lifetime Record: 88-28-11-10, \$208,790

2-Sally Fletcher A (m, 6, American Ideal--Im Off Limits, by Artiscape) O-Blindswitch Racing Stable. B-D P Harvey, AS & K J & S M Smith, AS. T-Al Annunziata. D-Jim Devaux, \$4,875

3-Shutthefrontdoor (m, 6, Well Said--Maple Lady, by Run The Table), \$40,000 2012 SHS-HBG O-Guy L Beaulieu, CA & Richard Villeneuve, CA. B-Concord Stud Farm LLC. T-Brianne Good. D-Phil Fluet, \$2,340
Calls: 1H, 1T, 2Q, 2, NK - Finish Order: Wishy Washy Girl, Tataria, My Spring Fling

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Saturday's Results:

7, Stga, \$15,000, P, Winners Over \$25,000 life Handicap Post Position Nos. 1 - 5 and 6 & 7 - Drawn, 27.0, 56.4, 1:24.4, 1:53.1, GD

1-Somewhere Fancy (h, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Fanciful Hanover, by Artsplace), \$40,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-John C Mehlenbacher, CA. B-Emerald Highlands Farm & W James Sprow III. T-Rene Allard. D-Jordan Derue, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 127-27-19-17, \$457,454

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PREFERRED EQUINE
Yearling Sale Graduate

2-Babinga Wood (g, 5, Dragon Again--Macks Table, by Run The Table), \$20,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Steven J Delligan & Robert C Uhl. B-Flintlock Farm Inc. T-Robert Uhl. D-Jim Devaux, \$3,750

3-Lachie Maguire N (g, 7, Bettor's Delight--Miss Jubilee, by In The Pocket) O-Barry R Charles. B-R L & Mrs D C Kennedy, NZ. T-Al Annunziata. D-Bruce Aldrich Jr, \$1,800

Calls: 5, 2T, T, HD, NK - Finish Order: Seeley Man, Arsenic, Reckless Rebel, Mariner Seelster

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11, Stga, \$19,500, P, Open Handicap Post Position Nos. 1 & 2 - Assigned Post Position Nos. 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 - Drawn, 26.1, 54.3, 1:22.4, 1:51.2, GD

1-Artful Way (g, 5, Artistic Fella--Art Debut, by Artiscape) O-Kellogg Racing Stables LLC. B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, CA & Clifford N Grundy & C S X Stables. T-Jackie Greene. D-Frank Coppola Jr, \$9,750, Lifetime Record: 100-34-17-10, \$384,202

2-The Wayfaring Man (g, 5, Dragon Again--Armbr Wright, by Western Hanover), \$62,000 2013 LEX-SEL O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & M1 Stable LLC. B-98 Degree Farm & Midland Acres Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-Bruce Aldrich Jr, \$4,875

3-Deetzy (g, 5, Jereme's Jet--Holy Coley, by Astreos) O-Holland Racing Stable, CA. B-Shelby Novick. T-Heidi Rohr. D-Billy Dobson, \$2,340

Calls: 1H, 1H, 1T, 1H, 2 - Finish Order: Santanna One, Dancin Yankee, Road Untraveled

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THE MEADOWS report

Saturday's Results:

8, Mea, \$20,000, P, *W/O \$10,000 LIFE/PREFERRED HANDICAP* P.P.1-2 DRAWN; 3-7 DRAWN, 26.3, 55.4, 1:24.0, 1:53.3, FT

1-Dapper Dude (h, 8, The Panderosa--Dress To Suggest, by Camluck) O-Renee J Bercury. B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, CA & Al McIntosh Holdings Inc, CA. T-William Bercury. D-Aaron Merriman, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 155-42-27-29, \$1,178,280

2-Sam Hill (g, 11, Artsplace--Apple Of My Eye, by Armbr Mackintosh), \$120,000 2007 LEX-SEL O-Don R Tiger. B-Michael Bennett Wilt. T-John Sullivan. D-Tony Hall, \$5,000

3-Meadowbrook Tiger (g, 3, Shadyshark Hanover--Rain Dance Jessica, by Sportsmaster), \$25,000 2015 Hoosier O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC & Silva, Purnel & Libby & Michelle L Yanek. B-Freeman Jay Bontrager. T-Ron Burke. D-Dave Palone, \$2,400

Calls: 1H, 1H, 1, 1, 1 - Finish Order: Atta Boy Dan, Southwind Amazon, Cruise Patrol, A Real Miracle

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RACE RESULTS

WOODBINE *report*

Friday's Results:

1 Wdb, \$19,000, T, NW 4 (FM 6) RACES OR \$70,000 (FM \$87,500) LIFETIME, 28, 57.2, 1:26.2, 1:55.1

1-So Not Cool (b,g,6 - Muscles Yankee-Alidade-Credit Winner)

O-Awesome Acres Stbds B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Duane Marfis D-Douglas McNair, \$9,500, Lifetime Record: 21-7-3-3, \$79,490



ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS!

2-Dunbar Hall (b,g,3 - Deweycheatumnhowe-Debbie Hall-Like A Prayer) O-Carl Jamieson, Thomas Kyron, George Harrison B-Walnut Hall Limited T-Stephanie Jamieson D-Jody Jamieson

3-Fondue (b,f,3 - Muscle Hill-Fly To The Moon-Kadabra) O-Charalambos Christoforou, Banjo Farms B-Charalambos Christoforou T-Per Henriksen D-Jack Moiseyev

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2, Wdb, \$20,000, T, NW 6 (FM 8) RACES OR \$130,000 LIFETIME. AE: 3 YEAR OLDS, 28.2, 57.3, 1:25.4, 1:54.1

1-Pink Pistol (b,m,4 - Cantab Hall-August Revenue-Revenue S)

O-Knightstalker Stable B-Peninsula Farm Inc T-Peter Shody D-Louis Philippe Roy, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 41-11-2-5, \$171,885

2-Free Willy Hanover (br,g,4 - Credit Winner-Free Spirit-Dream Vacation) O-Armando Cappuccitti, Robert Watson, Mike Bartram, Auciello Stables B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

3-Lean Hanover (b,g,4 - Donato Hanover-Lives Like A Queen-Muscles Yankee) O-P C Wellwood Enterprises Inc, Karen Carroll B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Michael Keeling D-Paul MacDonell

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3, Wdb, \$22,000, P, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$17,500 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$28,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NW \$110,000 LIFETIME. AE: OPT. CLM. \$35,000, 26.2, 55, 1:23.2, 1:52

1-Whistys Paradise (b,m,7 - Western Paradise-Whist Hanover-Cams Card Shark) O-Perry Hart B-Lloyd Nelson T-Scott Friend D-Trevor Heenry, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 121-30-22-16, \$229,040

2-Request For Parole (b,m,7 - Badlands Hanover-Give Me Life-Life Sign) O-Ashleigh & Ed Hensley B-Winbak Farm T-Ashleigh Hensley D-Ed Hensley

3-Tearful Of Happy (b,f,3 - Bettors Delight-Tear Drop-On The Road Again) O-Joseph Critelli B-Winbak Farm T-Gregg McNair D-Douglas McNair

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4, Wdb, \$17,000, P, NIAGARA - 1ST LEG - 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES. NW \$60,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2017, 28, 56.4, 1:25.1, 1:53.1

1-Jazzy Image (br,f,3 - Rockin Image-Yeahyoueright-Artsplace)

O-Trent Stohler Stable Inc B-Lavon Miller T-Aaron Lambert D-Douglas McNair, \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 36-5-6-1, \$52,825

2-Cloud Diva (b,f,3 - Somebeachsomewhere-Baia Hanover-Western Ideal) O-Robert Leblanc B-Hamstan Farm T-Richard Moreau D-Louis Philippe Roy

3-Party Beach (b,f,3 - Somebeachsomewhere-Weapons Against-Western Terror) O-Hudson Standrbrd Stb Inc B-Vieux Carre Farms T-Mark Steacy D-Bob McClure

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8, Wdb, \$30,000, P, FILLIES & MARES PREFERRED, 27, 56.3, 1:24.2, 1:51.4

1-L A Delight (b,m,4 - Bettors Delight-West Of L A-Western

Hanover) O-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, C S X Stables, Al McIntosh Holdings Inc B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc T-Robert McIntosh D-Trevor Henry, \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 46-22-7-6, \$1,616,133

2-Witch Dali (br,m,6 - Dali-Whitesand Gem-Blissfull Hall) O-Bradley Grant B-Gaetan Hebert, Aaron Waxman T-Richard Moreau D-Douglas McNair

3-Lyons River Pride (b,m,4 - Somebeachsomewhere-Mississippi River-Western Hanover) O-Geoffrey Lyons Mound B-Diamond Creek Farm Llc T-Bruce Goit D-Phillip Hudon

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9, Wdb, \$17,000, P, NIAGARA - 1ST LEG - 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES. NW \$60,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2017, 27.2, 56.1, 1:24.4, 1:54

1-Teachers Vet (b,f,3 - Yankee Cruiser-Dagnabit

Hanover-Allamerican Native) O-Bradley Grant B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Richard Moreau D-Douglas McNair, \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 21-6-8-1, \$75,180



ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS!



PREFERRED EQUINE
Mixed Sale Graduate

2-Nasty Rumor (b,f,3 - Art Major-Hasty Pulse-Quik Pulse Mindale) O-Raynald Phaneuf B-Winbak Farm Of Ny T-Daniel Martin D-Louis Philippe Roy

3-Mach The Cut (b,f,3 - Mach Three-Belinda Hanover-Cams Card Shark) O-Let It Ride Stables Inc, Osullivan Racing Inc B-Stan Klemencic T-Tony O'Sullivan D-Sylvain Filion

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10, Wdb, \$18,000, P, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$10,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$22,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$25,000. AE: NW \$70,000 LIFETIME, 26.4, 56, 1:23.3, 1:52

1-Buttermilk Hanover (b,m,4 - Badlands Hanover-Bet Me Hanover-Matts Scooter) O-8113564 Canada Ltd, Todd Beelby B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Rod Boyd D-Phillp Hudon, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 46-10-5-5, \$110,000



ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS!

2-Artistic Madison (b,m,6 - Artistic Fella-Michelles Raider-Keystone Raider) O-James Downer B-Dan Morrissey, William Wood T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

3-Wanda Bayama (b,m,5 - Western Ideal-Joyce Bayama-Run The Table) O-Travis Cullen B-Bayama Farms Inc T-Travis Cullen D-Travis Cullen

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RACE RESULTS

Saturday's Results:

2, Wdb, \$22,000, P, NW \$14,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$26,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT.CLM. \$45,000. AE: NW \$125,000 LIFETIME, 26.1, 55.1, 1:23, 1:50.4

1-Casimir Jitterbug (br,g,10 - Sir Luck-Undividedattention-Island Fantasy) O-F Bellino And Sons LLC B-Casimir Stables T-Andrew Harris D-Louis Philippe Roy, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 238-60-40-41, \$1,036,868

2-Fancourt (br,g,4 - Big Jim-Catch A Wish-Jennas Beach Boy) O-Millar Farms B-Millar Farms T-Nick Gallucci D-Trevor Henry

3-Cool Rock (b,g,9 - Rocknroll Hanover-Southwind Sundew-Artsplace) O-M&S Racing Stable Inc B-Robert Mondillo T-Robert Kyle Fellows D-Sylvain Filion

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3, Wdb, \$17,000, P, VALEDICTORY - 1ST LEG - 3 YEAR OLD COLTS & GELDINGS. NW \$60,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2017, 27, 55.2, 1:23.1, 1:51.2

1-Windsun Gotham (b,g,3 - American Ideal-Windsun Princess-Cams Card Shark) O-Thomas Pollack, Osullivan Racing Inc B-Windsun Farm, Murray Brethour T-Tony O'Sullivan D-Sylvain Filion, \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 18-5-2-1, \$59,682

2-Brave World (br,g,3 - Royal Mattjesty-Fit N Bad-Badlands Hanover) O-Wheelhouse Racing Stable B-Winbak Farm T-William Budd D-Trevor Henry

3-Jk Pridenjoy (b,c,3 - Rock N Roll Heaven-J K Pure Pearl-Bettors Delight) O-Nick Surick Stable LLC, Jackson, NJ-JL Benson Stables Inc B-3 Brothers Stables T-Nicholas Surick D-Douglas McNair

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6, Wdb, \$17,000, P, VALEDICTORY - 1ST LEG - 3 YEAR OLD COLTS & GELDINGS. NW \$60,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2017, 26.4, 55.4, 1:24.2, 1:52.1

1-Better B Rolling (b,g,3 - Roll With Joe-B So Lucky-Artiscape) O-W J Donovan B-W J Donovan T-James Ciaran Morrison D-Louis Philippe Roy, \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 11-8-1-0, \$56,650

2-Hes A Popper (b,g,3 - Hes Gorgeous-Pop Queen-Magical Mike) O-Trent Stohler Stable Inc B-Jean & Mike Bowen T-Tony O'Sullivan D-Douglas McNair

3-Artofficial Flavor (blk,g,3 - Art Official-Allamerican Summer-Western Ideal) O-Dean Nixon, Jeralene Roland, Michael Gillis, Justin Nixon B-Alan & Randell Eden T-Dean Nixon D-Bob McClure

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7, Wdb, \$18,000, T, NW \$10,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$20,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$30,000. AE: N/A \$1,650 PER START IN 2016-17, 27.1, 56.1, 1:25.4, 1:53.4

1-Charlie Is A Joker (b,g,9 - Angus Hall-Keystone Caprice-King Conch) O-Thomas & Elizabeth Rankin B-Thomas & Elizabeth Rankin T-Benoit Baillargeon D-Mario Baillargeon, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 178-41-19-24, \$565,698

2-O Narutac Perfetto (b,g,6 - Deweycheatumnhowe-Aiken For Clay-Conway Hall) O-Tony Basile B-Al Libfeld, Marvin Katz T-Dean Nixon D-Paul MacDonell

3-Pop I (br,g,7 - Andover Hall-Peoples Choice-Valley Victory) O-Glat Koshier Racing B-Willow Pond Asset Corp T-Amy MacDonald D-Anthony MacDonald

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8, Wdb, \$27,000, P, NW \$28,500 LAST 5 STARTS. AE: NW \$200,000 LIFETIME. AE: OPT. CLM. \$75,000, 26.2, 54.3, 1:22.1, 1:50.1

1-Champagne Phil (br,g,7 - Shanghai Phil-Champagne Gal-Electric Stena) O-ICR Racing B-Hudson Standrbrd Stb Inc T-Dean Nixon D-Bob McClure, \$13,500, Lifetime Record: 177-34-34-22, \$492,588

2-Nirvana Seelster (b,g,6 - Camluck-No Strikes Against-Western Hanover) O-Bruce Davy B-Seelster Farms Inc T-William Budd D-Trevor Henry

3-Awesomeeness (b,g,4 - Mach Three-Fancy A Dream-Camluck) O-Martin Scharf B-Norman & Julie Keyes T-Michiel Vanderkemp D-Chris Christofour

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9, Wdb, \$22,000, P, NW \$14,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$26,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT.CLM. \$45,000. AE: NW \$125,000 LIFETIME, 26.2, 55.3, 1:24, 1:51.2

1-Mach Code (b,g,5 - Mach Three-Early Dismissal-Village Jiffy) O-Jeffrey & Lori Thomson B-Jeffrey & Lori Thomson T-Jeffrey Thomson D-Trevor Henry, \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 80-15-15-12, \$287,545

2-Regal Son (b,g,6 - Stonebridge Regal-On This Day-Camluck) O-Donald Lindsey, William Alempijevic B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc T-Donald Lindsey D-Douglas McNair

3-Always N The Money (br,g,7 - Always A Virgin-Abbeycrombie-Abercrombie) O-Travis Cullen B-Carolyn Vorisek T-Travis Cullen D-Travis Cullen

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10, Wdb, \$18,000, P, NW \$9,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$18,500 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$30,000, 26.4, 55.2, 1:23.2, 1:51.1

1-P L Jackson (b,h,4 - Mach Three-Kg Katriona-Jennas Beach Boy) O-Travis & Jodie Cullen B-Prince Lee Acres T-Travis Cullen D-Travis Cullen, \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 70-14-17-9, \$179,633

2-East End (br,g,4 - Bettors Delight-London Eye-Western Ideal) O-Percy Elkins B-Diamond Creek Farm Llc T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

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

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Friday's Results:

4, YR, \$15,000, P, CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$25,000 3 YO 50%, 4 YO 25%, F&M 20%, 28.0, 57.3, 1:26.2, 1:55.2, FT

1-Copper Coast A (g, 7, Modern Art--Katasopos, by Armbro

Operative) O-Betty Tauber. B-J F Hausfeld, AS. T-Michael Russo.

D-Jason Bartlett, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 108-31-14-12, \$218,714

2-Abner The Great (g, 4, Western Paradise--Majortempertantrum, by Art Major), \$12,000 2014 ATL-CL O-Centaur Stable & Jordon M Sklut. B-Blair E Campbell, CA. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno, \$3,750

3-Kings Barns (g, 6, Western Terror--Babylon Sister, by Cambest), \$25,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Edward F Mihalek. B-Bulletproof Enterprises. T-Shawn Christner. D-Brent Holland, \$1,800
Calls: 1H, 1H, 1, 1H, 1 - Finish Order: Bet The Moon, Cheyenne Jeffrey, Quick Art, Western Bayama, Card Shock

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5, YR, \$15,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$10,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS WINNERS OVER \$80,000 IN 2017 NOT ELIGIBLE. AE. 3&4 YEAR OLD NON-WINNERS OF \$100,000 LIFETIME., 26.4, 55.4, 1:24.0, 1:54.0, FT

1-Quick Asa Trick N (g, 7, Lis Mara--Quick Atom, by Sokys Atom) O-Windermere Stable LLC. B-B A Barber, NZ & B G Buchanan, NZ. T-Darran Cassar. D-Eric Goodell, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 84-15-14-7, \$203,053

2-Shinobu Hanover (g, 5, Dragon Again--Singnoevil Hanover, by The Panderosa), \$17,000 2013 SHS-HBG O-Seth Rosenberg Racing LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Scott Blackler. D-Gregory Merton, \$3,750

3-Northern Virgin (g, 6, Always A Virgin--Smoke It Out, by Albert Albert) O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Martin Schmucker. T-Ron Burke. D-Matt Kakaley, \$1,800
Calls: 1T, 1H, 1H, 1T, 2 - Finish Order: Mr Match On Beach, Dalton Did It, Capozzo, Braley Hanover, Anwar Hanover

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6, YR, \$15,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$10,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS WINNERS OVER \$80,000 IN 2017 NOT ELIGIBLE. AE. 3&4 YEAR OLD NON-WINNERS OF \$100,000 LIFETIME., 27.4, 57.3, 1:26.0, 1:54.2, FT

1-Rural Art (g, 6, Major In Art--W C Betina, by Camluck) O-James P Downer, CA. B-Brenda J & Wayne M Depoorter, CA. T-Carmen Auciello. D-Joe Bongiorno, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 122-18-20-17, \$239,805



2-He's Marvalous (g, 4, Delmarvalous--Selinas's Joy, by Dragon Again), \$37,000 2014 SHS-HBG O-Michael S Graffam & P Richard Shaw. B-Badlands Racing LLC. T-Heidi Rohr. D-Jason Bartlett, \$3,750

3-Ima Tragedy N (g, 7, Sands A Flyin--Lucky Yankee, by Western Hanover) O-Shaun F Vallee & Brian Oconnor & Vincent M Urciuoli & John S Nodalny. B-Cavalla Bloodstock LTD, NZ. T-Anita Vallee. D-Eric Goodell, \$1,800

Calls: 2H, 3H, 1Q, Q, 2H - Finish Order: In The Huddle, Oh Jonny B Good N, My Mind Is Madeup, B's Weddie, I'm A Gift

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7, YR, \$15,000, P, NON-WINNERS OF \$10,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS WINNERS OVER \$80,000 IN 2017 NOT ELIGIBLE. AE. 3&4 YEAR OLD NON-WINNERS OF \$100,000 LIFETIME., 27.4, 57.0, 1:25.2, 1:53.3, FT

1-Melmerby Beach (h, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Db Blue Chip, by Art Major) O-Ettore Annunziata Rev Tr. B-Schooner Ii Stable, CA. T-Ettore Annunziata. D-Jason Bartlett, \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 109-23-17-4, \$599,801

2-Justice My Way (g, 6, Dontgetinmyway--Jazzy Justice, by The Panderosa), \$1,700 2012 HOOSIER O-Michael S McGee & Abbott And Costello. B-David Wayne Yoder. T-Chuck Connor Jr. D-Matt Kakaley, \$3,750

3-Golden Gesture (g, 4, Shark Gesture--Black Gold Mindale, by I Am A Fool) O-Daniel T Gagliardi & Randy A Ingrassia. B-Ronald C Michelin. T-Michael Forte. D-Brian Sears, \$1,800
Calls: 9T, 7T, 1H, 3, 6H - Finish Order: Highland Tartan, Joe Hill, Galactic Galleon N, Dreamlands Art, Beast Mode

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8, YR, \$20,000, P, F&M NON-WINNERS OF \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS AE. OPTIONAL CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$30,000, 27.4, 57.1, 1:25.4, 1:55.0, FT

1-Vintage Babe (m, 4, Vintage Master--Bunkhouse Babe, by Royal Mattjesty), \$25,000 2014 LEX-SEL O-Boss Racing Usa. B-Winbak Farm. T-Paul Blumenfeld. D-Brent Holland, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 46-16-9-5, \$167,031



2-More Than Many (m, 4, Mach Three--More Than Most, by Abercrombie), \$7,000 2014 CAN-YS O-Barry Franklin. B-Dr Brett C Anderson, CA. T-Lance Hudson. D-Jordan Stratton, \$5,000

3-Hidden Land (m, 6, Badlands Hanover--Armbro Ocasey, by Abercrombie), \$42,000 2012 LEX-SEL O-Jesmeral Stable. B-Winbak Farm. T-Monique Cohen. D-Jason Bartlett, \$2,400
Calls: 5T, 5T, 1H, 1H, HD - Finish Order: Glenferrie Bronte N, Sudden Change N, Acefourtyfour Alex, Dewar N Soda, Vorst, Jaclyn Hanover

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9, YR, \$17,000, P, CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$30,000 3 YO 50%, 4 YO 25%, F&M 20%, 26.4, 56.1, 1:24.2, 1:54.0, FT

1-Lawgiver Hanover (h, 8, Art Major--Lauren Order, by Dragon Again), \$75,000 2010 SHS-HBG O-Eric A Prevost. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Travis Alexander. D-Matt Kakaley, \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 195-28-33-22, \$622,329



2-Midnight Dylan N (g, 9, Mach Three--Midnight Slipper, by Presidential Ball) O-Friendship Stables LLC. B-T W Welham, NZ. T-Paul Blumenfeld. D-Brent Holland, \$4,250

3-A Sweet Ride (g, 8, Dontgetinmyway--Sweet Electric, by Electric Yankee), \$52,000 2010 IND-SEL O-Betty Tauber. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Michael Russo. D-Jason Bartlett, \$2,040
Calls: 4, 4T, 2H, 1T, 1 - Finish Order: Dr Drake Ramoray, Blade Seelster, Democracy N, Major Bucks, Show The Fashion

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RACE RESULTS

10, YR, \$20,000, P, F&M NON-WINNERS OF \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS AE. OPTIONAL CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$30,000, 27.3, 57.2, 1:25.4, 1:54.1, FT

1-Sell A Bit N (m, 7, Julius Caesar--Nomorenuki, by Live Or Die)
O-Harry von Knoblauch Stable LLC. B-Mrs C M Hey, NZ. T-Peter Tritton. D-Jordan Stratton, \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 96-22-22-12, \$633,306

2-Brown Brinny (m, 5, Jereme's Jet--Black Brinny, by Real Artist)
O-Brittany M Robertson. B-Emerald Highlands Farm. T-Brittany Robertson. D-Gregory Merton, \$5,000

3-Secrets Out N (m, 7, Mach Three--Holmes Town Girl, by Holmes Hanover) O-Andrew M Herzog. B-P J Creighton, NZ. T-Richard Banca. D-Jason Bartlett, \$2,400

Calls: 1T, 1H, 1, 1H, 1 - Finish Order: Ambro Courage N, Caribbean Pacetry, Freeze Out, A Crafty Lady, Bettor N Better, Lo Hold A Moonbean

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11, YR, \$40,000, P, F&M OPEN, 27.0, 56.1, 1:24.4, 1:52.4, FT

1-Mackenzie A (m, 5, Rock N Roll Heaven--Kept For Pleasure, by Safely Kept) O-Harry von Knoblauch Stable LLC & Ellen Kinser. B-Sloys Company Pty LTD, AS. T-Peter Tritton. D-Jordan Stratton, \$20,000, Lifetime Record: 33-13-9-3, \$387,763

2-Newborn Sassy (m, 4, Western Ideal--Sass Newton, by Storm Compensation), \$38,000 2014 LEX-SEL O-Cc Racing LLC & Jo Ann Looney-King. B-Winbak Farm. T-Jim King Jr. D-Brent Holland, \$10,000

3-Lady Shadow (m, 6, Shadow Play--Lady Camella, by Camluck), \$19,000 2012 FOREST O-D'Elegance Stable lx & Thomas A Lazzaro & Richard J Banca. B-Winbak Farm. T-Richard Banca. D-Jason Bartlett, \$4,800

Calls: 3Q, 3H, HD, NS, 1H - Finish Order: Lakeisha Hall, Pretty Image, Best Of Jenna, Annabeth, Regil Elektra

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12, YR, \$25,000, P, F&M NON-WINNERS OF \$30,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS, 27.0, 56.2, 1:24.3, 1:53.2, FT

1-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-Brent Holland, \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 107-25-17-11, \$722,006



PREFERRED EQUINE
Mixed Sale Graduate

2-All About Madi (m, 4, Brandon's Cowboy--Jk Casablanca, by Cam's Card Shark) O-Brittany M Robertson. B-Leslie K & Leith K Waite, CA. T-Brittany Robertson. D-Brian Sears, \$6,250

3-Lightning Mach N (m, 6, Mach Three--Righteous Franco, by Falcon Seelster) O-Richard M Lombardo & Tritton Inc. B-Charlton Park Ent LTD, NZ. T-Peter Tritton. D-Jordan Stratton, \$3,000

Calls: 1T, 2, 1H, 1H, 1T - Finish Order: Sassa Hanover, Know It All, Motu Moonbeam N, Venus Delight, Franney Love Dat

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