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# Kleinhans launches Pick-8 bet at The Meadowlands, seeding it with \$50,000 of his own money

*The wager has already been tweaked after its debut, but whether it, ultimately, turns out to be a boom or a bust, it's something worth trying.*

by Brett Sturman



## **BETWEEN THE LINES**

with **BRETT STURMAN**

To a decent amount of industry fanfare this week, Friday's (Jan. 6) card at the Meadowlands debuted a new Pick-8, known as the PK-8, wager courtesy of well-known and multi-faceted industry participant Peter Kleinhans. What makes this PK-8 wager unique from any other multi-leg Pick-X wager in the sport, is that this one comes seeded with \$50,000 already committed to the pool.

However, that free money to shoot for comes with a high-level degree of difficulty. The PK-8 wager comes with a \$1 minimum base, which could be a culture shock to many who have become accustomed to smaller Meadowlands denominations such as a \$0.50 Pick-4, a \$0.20 Pick-6, or even just the way in general the industry has moved to the lowest possible wagering denominations.



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**Beyond being the man that created a new bet at The Meadowlands, Peter Kleinhans is a songwriter, singer, guitar player, part owner of three racetracks, non-practicing lawyer, race caller, harness breeder, driver and trainer, writer, livestock farmer and investor in his family's Manhattan real estate firm.**

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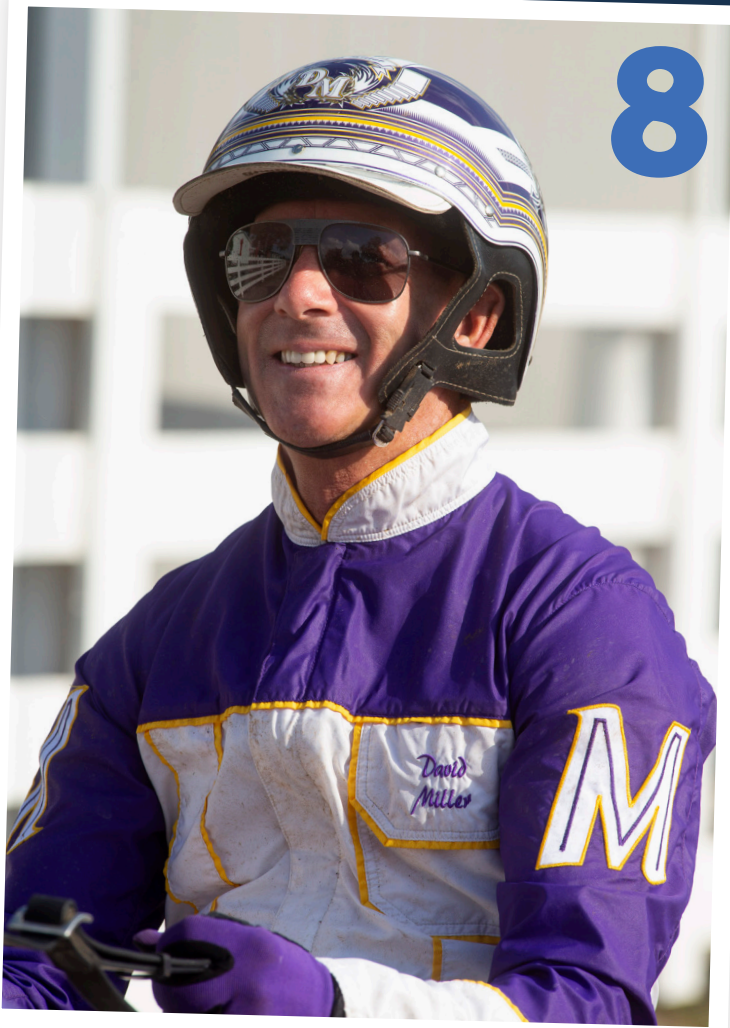
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One of Art Major's fastest sons

Odds On Equuleus returns to Indiana for the 2026 breeding season after two seasons in the Bluegrass State. The fourth fastest son of Art Major has proven to be a sire of speed, with nearly 80 percent of the registered foals from his first five crops making it to the track as starters. Last season over 78 percent of his starters were winners, with over 70 percent of all starters reaching the winner's circle in 2024. Odds On Equuleus has a reputation for producing swift progeny including:

**Trick Of The Light**  
*p,6, 1:49.3f (\$675,923)*

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**Odds On Mr Mamba**  
*p,2, 1:47.4s (\$314,405)*

**Deal The Odds**  
*p,3, 1:49.1s (\$260,168)*

**Odds On Alpha Male**  
*p,4, 1:50.3s (\$243,530)*

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*p,5, 1:50m (\$177,757)*

At two, Odds On Equuleus banked over \$400,000 in earnings and hit the board in eight of nine seasonal starts, registering five wins. He captured his \$109,206 division of the Nassagaweya at Mohawk in 1:52.3, his fourth career start, before claiming a Metro elimination and racing a close second to Captaintreacherous in the final. The colt finished his freshman campaign with a victory at The Red Mile in the International Stallion Stake.

As a sophomore, Odds On Equuleus finished second five times in some of the sport's biggest races. He was second in a North America Cup elimination, runner-up in the Meadowlands Pace, and second in a Little Brown Jug heat, clocking a 1:50.3 mile before pacing in 1:51.2 later that afternoon in the Jug final. Odds On Equuleus finished in the money in the Empire Breeders Classic, Messenger Stake and American National. Competing in the open ranks for four seasons, Odds On Equuleus continued to reach the winner's circle and record fast miles. He took his 1:47.3 mark at five and paced in 1:48.4 as a seven year old, logging miles of 1:51 or faster six times in his final season.

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~ Peter Kleinhans

But when you put those two components together – a high-seeded amount and a wagering minimum that promotes pool carryovers – what you end up with is a wager where if hit, could produce five, six, or maybe even a seven-digit payout if the pool becomes high enough.

Kleinhans, who developed the wager, said he thought hard about the price point to enter.

“My big question was should it be \$1 or should it be \$0.50, and I went back and forth asking all the bettors and people I knew, and we ended up concluding that \$1 made sense to start with,” Kleinhans said. “Because if it starts at \$0.50 and it’s too easy then I get crushed and the entire thing could be over. But if it’s too hard at \$1, you can always back it down to \$0.50 later. But the only way to find out is to just do it and see how much interest there is for that many races at that price point.”

For as challenging as you’d think the sequence would be to hit based on the parameters, it was amazingly almost hit in its debut on Friday night. Winners over the eight-race wager included a \$17 winner in the MADC opening leg followed immediately by a \$13 winner. Later, there was an \$11.60 winner and the sequence concluded with a \$19.40 winner. That’s wildly impressive considering the challenging sequence and the relatively mild amount that was bet into the pool.

When speaking to Kleinhans prior to Friday races about what his guess was for handle, he said, “If you can get 10 per cent of that day’s carryover and so that it rises 1.1 every time – I’m hoping for more than that but that could be a reasonable rate.”

Which comes back to what the bet handled Friday night. Almost to the dollar of what Kleinhans suggested, \$4,998 was bet into what was essentially operated the same way as a \$50,000 carryover. So, for someone to have hit seven of eight winners with presumably a relatively smaller ticket shows that the wager isn’t as impossible as some detractors may think. Plus, with the wager paying out a 25 per cent consolation each night to whichever tickets have the most winners, seven out of eight last night returned \$13,651 despite only \$5,000 of new money.

The \$13,651 payout did raise a major question as to whether the payout and carryover structure of the wager functioned as intended. With 25 per cent of the total pool, including the \$50,000 seeded amount paid out, the new carryover would further dwindle with each race card.

Meadowlands COO Jason Settlemoir said Saturday morning the wager will be tweaked for this coming week. The seed money will become a true carryover amount and the payout for the tickets with the most correct wagers will receive 25 per cent of the new money wagered, not the total pool. The change is made to allow the carryover to grow if someone doesn’t hit the whole thing with eight correct winners.



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~ Peter Kleinhans

History has already proven the wager can work when modeled correctly. Scioto Downs ran a \$1 Pick-8 seeded with \$25,000 that first began in 2022 and was hit on four different occasions in that first year. One of which hit for over \$100,000. Granted, races at The Meadowlands may be less predictable, but there is a recent precedent for such a wager.

Back in the days when The Meadowlands ran a \$1 Pick-6 in the early part of the 2000s there were often six-figure carryovers well into the hundreds of thousands, with payouts on occasion being over \$100,000. This new wager has the potential to exceed both numbers in terms of carryover size and payout.

The PK-8 might not be for everyone and probably won’t be for harness racing traditionalists, but in today’s age of slot jackpots and 15-leg sports parlays, this is what appeals.

While there is an altruistic nature in Kleinhans’ role with the formation of the wager, there is a business component too. Prior

press releases alluded to Kleinhans being able to recoup parts of the \$50,000 or even make gains on investment depending on how big the pools become. Kleinhans confirmed that as part of the agreement, he’ll be entitled to percentages of track net profits from the wager, and has committed that if and when the wager is hit, to invest another \$50,000 up to four times total.

Kleinhans further noted it was his understanding that if the wager isn’t hit for 25 days, then there would be an automatic payout. I found this interesting because on one hand why cap when the wager is going to be paid out, especially envisioning what the pool total could be after 25 days? But on the other hand, the pool size on a mandatory payout day would be absolutely massive.

That investment fact may be neither here nor there as it pertains to the mechanics of the wager, but it is worth noting because if Kleinhans has even moderate personal success, then that would mean the wager should be a broader industry success too.

“My feeling is that if it doesn’t work then I don’t really know what could,” said Kleinhans. “Whether it be at \$1 or if you dropped it to \$0.50 or anything else – if it doesn’t work it doesn’t work, but I could still go to my grave knowing I took a shot to try to do something bright for the sport.”

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# HOLLYWOOD'S HITS

with BOB HEYDEN

## David Miller and John Campbell by the numbers

by Bob Heyden

On Feb. 7, David Miller woke up \$72,000 and change away from becoming the all-time money-winning driver in harness racing history. He has drives in all 14 races today (Feb. 8) at Miami Valley.

John Campbell retired on June 30, 2017 at \$299,892,141, at 62.

Miller is now 61 and is heading towards a switch at the top not seen since the summer of 1987, not 1986 which I had originally thought. Then, a 32-year-old Campbell, smack in the middle of the summer of Mack Lobell, surged past fellow Canadian Herve Fillion to become No. 1 at \$59.4 million and he's never, ever looked back.

Miller talked with HRU about that inevitable moment when he will be fitted for the Crown.

"No, I don't have any plans," Miller said. "It'll be a humbling moment, but I will just go back to work the next day."

When asked about the very first time he had either met or driven against Campbell, Miller said, "Oh, wow, it had to be in 1986 or 1987 at Scioto for the Jug Preview."

OK, let's get to some facts, some numbers, some startling differences and some amazing similarities.

- Campbell won his first Meadowlands Pace at age 27 in 1982 with Hilarion. Miller won his first Meadowlands Pace at age 53 in 2018 with Courtly Choice, after Campbell had retired the summer before.
- Campbell's first Pace win was from post 10, Miller's first Pace drive was also from post 10 in 1995 with Cinder Lane Sam who finished fifth.
- Campbell was the first to win with a female in sub-1:50 and he did it 42 days apart in 1998 with filly Armbro Romance (1:49.4) followed by the mare Jays Table (1:49.3). Miller was the first to win in 1:47 flat with a female, Shebestingin in 1:47 at The Red Mile on Oct. 5, 2013, and that still holds.
- Miller's greatest trotter was Magician (\$3,579,103), while Campbell's was Mack Lobell (\$3,917,594).
- Campbell was voted into the Hall of Fame as the youngest ever at 35, Miller was four months older than that, also 35,



Dave Landry

David Miller is on the cusp of being harness racing's leading money-winning driver.



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BT1:48.2s (\$1,117,185)

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**David Miller (left) is about \$72,000 away from surpassing John Campbell (right) in career earnings. The two were pictured together in 2017 at Legends Day at Clinton Raceway, the day Campbell officially retired from driving.**

when he won his very first Breeders Crown in 2000 with Magician, the very first \$1,000,000 Breeders Crown.

- Miller entered the 2000s at \$26,723,311, \$150 million less than Campbell at \$176 million.
- Miller led in earnings for the year just once, in 2003, with \$11,490,590, and 2002 marked the lone time that the two all-time \$\$ leaders went first and second in the same year, with Campbell leading at \$11,967,897 to Miller's \$10,578,711.
- Miller is the only driver to win the Breeders Crown and the Triple Crown with the same horse, No Pan Intended (2003). Campbell never won a Triple Crown only because injury kept him from his appointed task in 2006 with Glidemaster
- Campbell retired with 61,887 drives, 10,667 wins, and \$299,892,141. Miller is currently at 87,957 drives (fourth all-time), 14,889 wins (fifth all-time), and \$299.8 million, \$135G from the No. 1 spot.
- Campbell is the all-time Hambletonian driving leader with six, while Miller is still looking to break through although he did cross the line first in 2017 with What The Hill, but was DQed.
- Miller is set to become the first U.S. born driver to assume the top slot, since Billy Haughton was passed by Herve Filion late in 1979.

- Campbell campaigned the HOY in 1987-88 (Mack Lobell), 1992 (Artsplace), 1994 (Cam's Card Shark), 2002 (Real Desire), and Glidemaster (2006). Miller had the HOY in 2003 (No Pan Intended), 2016 (Always B Miki), and 2021 (Test Of Faith).
- Miller was the first to win nine races at Northfield (January 1998) and the only driver to win 10 races on a Jug Day card (2003). Campbell was the only driver to win eight races on a single Freehold card (October 1986) and was/is the only driver to win seven consecutive Meadowlands races (February 1983).

You get the picture, totally different paths from two different countries, but the same landing spot.

They are two gentleman that represented their chosen sport quite well.

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## MIDWEST CHRONICLES

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# Hoosier's February opening part of strategic changes to racing calendar

by James Platz

The 33rd season of harness racing kicks off Thursday evening (Feb. 12) at Harrah's Hoosier Park Racing & Casino. The Anderson, IN oval has traditionally opened its 160-day meet in mid-March, but Gabe Prewitt, the track's vice president and general manager of racing, said the move to an earlier start is strategic.

"We tried to place those 160 days about as strategically as we could," said Prewitt. "We're just trying to beef up all 160 nights. Last year we probably had 140 good ones and 20 bad ones. The way I put together the schedule, I was trying to have 160 good ones. We'll see if it works. I really think we're going to knock it out of here as long as we have the horses to kind of get this thing off the ground."

Prewitt, now in his second season at the helm, has reason to be optimistic. Last season, wagering on the Hoosier Park product skyrocketed 30 per cent year over year, eclipsing \$130 million in total handle. While that is a tough number to match, he feels there are opportunities to further maximize Hoosier Park's signal beginning with the placement of race dates.

Starting the meet in February, Prewitt hopes to take advantage of less competition in the simulcast space, as well as getting a foothold early. He said the move is similar to the track moving up post time from 6 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. during the meet last season.

"As we move into the spring, more and more signals are coming on board," he said. "I think it's great to get the jump. It's really a similar thought process that we took in moving the post time up last year. We sort of wanted to get out there in front of everybody. That's the key component. I think a lot of that is just getting out there early and getting our brand back out there and our feet in the water."

The meet begins with seven weeks of programs held each Thursday and Friday before expanding into a Wednesday, Thursday, Friday format in April. Prewitt explained that while he doesn't like to abandon Saturday cards, the track did well on Thursdays last season. With Woodbine Mohawk Park swapping Thursday racing for Sundays, he believes there is opportunity to further capitalize.

"I just think it'll be a major win because even last year, as good as Thursdays were, they were probably still our best night, but every single Thursday last year we went up against either Mohawk, or there at the end Meadowlands even added Thursdays in November," he said. "So there was never a Thursday where we were sort of the lead pony, and you know, we will be from day one."

Some of the schedule adjustments have been prompted by what Prewitt learned on the job last season. Better understanding Indiana's horse population, as well as the demand for horses in the region – between Oak Grove and Ohio tracks – has led to further strategic changes. Hoosier Park will offer four days of racing from May until mid-June (Wednesday - Saturday), then the track expands to a five-day week (adding Tuesdays) that will carry through the month of September. This coincides with the Indiana Sires Stakes schedule.

"We're lucky to have a great breeding program with Indiana," Prewitt said. "The number of young horses even shocked me. When the sire stakes started we just had a good bulk of those. I was worried we were so short when we opened last year, but it was great to see when the 3-year-olds came back. They gave us a nice boost last year, and when the 2-year-olds started, that gave us a huge boost."

Last month at the Indiana awards banquet Prewitt alluded to having a few more tricks up his sleeve. While he didn't offer any specifics, the racing executive said that projects are in progress for the 2026 meet.

"We've got a couple projects we're working on to really upgrade the broadcast," he said. "I wouldn't say it's in its infancy. We're mid-field right now, but I'd rather discuss it more when we're in the red zone. There are a couple things that I think are going to come about even as we march forward through this meet."

Looking forward to this Thursday, Prewitt said his biggest concern is with the entry box. Harsh weather in the Midwest has made the task of getting horses ready to race difficult. He was encouraged by recent qualifiers held at Hoosier Park.

"I was pretty encouraged we had 87 in the box for qualifiers Saturday morning," he said. "I said we needed at least 80 if not 100, to give us a shot for this double draw on Monday."

Not resting on the success of last year, Prewitt's objective is to build on the momentum of 2025.

"We've definitely hit the home run," he said. "Now we've got to look for doubles, maybe a triple or single. We're constantly looking for ways to improve it and the main thing is, you just have to win every year. You have to find a way to be up. That's how we keep score and, you know, if I don't beat last year's number, I'm not happy. I'm just competitive like that."

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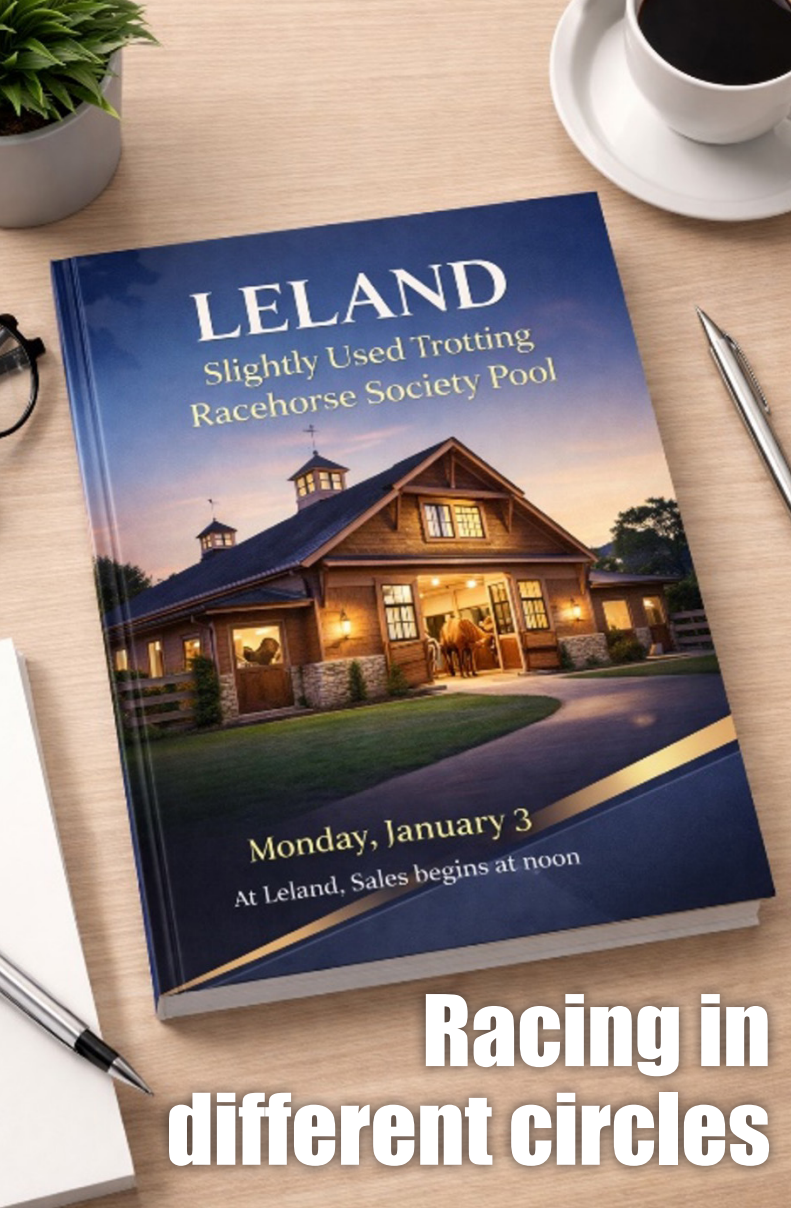
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# Racing in different circles



by **Trey Nosrac**

*You cannot evaluate the level of competition in isolation. Instead, success is relative to other actors' capabilities, market positions, talents, strategic behaviors, and resources.*

The current going rate for a first-round Major League Baseball prospect is about \$8 million. Hiring Leonardo DiCaprio to carry your theater production also costs millions. After the stars and the big stages, there are other leagues made up of talented competitors who don't quite meet the elite standard, or who got passed over. Baseball and theater have entire ecosystems built around those second-string players. Our

sport should offer similar systems. Here is one proposal for a harness racing "League of Our Own," where horses in the lower tiers aren't a problem; they are the foundation.

## THE INDEPENDENT LEAGUE MODEL

Each July, Major League Baseball franchises draft young players. There are 20 rounds of selection in which the top prospects sign for serious money. There is another draft for foreign players. But for the rest of the players, the phone does not ring.

But those undrafted players aren't worthless – they are still good ballplayers. These lesser-regarded players chase opportunities. They attend tryout camps. They submit résumés. They compile video clip files. A fortunate group of players, managers, and administrators find work in the Independent Leagues and sign modest contracts. You can find a game on most summer nights across America.

Now adopt the Independent League concept for harness horses.

## WHERE WE FIND OUR HORSES: THE "SECOND CHANCERS"

In the fall of 2024, with high hopes, I purchased a beautiful trotting colt. Thousands of people across the harness universe did the same thing. You all know the drill of the next six months: training bills, staking fees, vet work, equipment, and shoeing.

Will he qualify?

Will he race?

Will he be the one?

At some point in 2025, many of us confronted a reality: our 2-year-old horse isn't fast enough. Not broken. Not unsound. Just not capable of keeping up with the faster horses. Eventually, we found the trotter a good home and sold him for \$6,000.

He was a fine physical specimen, just not a racehorse for the current, unforgiving system. And that is precisely the universe we want. Because in a different league, built intentionally for these horses, that same colt becomes something else entirely – an athlete with a future.

## THE CORE PROPOSAL: BUILD A LEAGUE FROM HORSES THAT DID NOT MAKE IT

Instead of starting with expensive yearlings and hoping they become racehorses, the League of Our Own begins by acquiring physically sound trotters that trained at 2, but could not (or did not) reach the qualifying standard. These horses have already been pre-screened by owners and trainers and deemed unlikely to earn a dollar in the traditional system, but they may still be capable of racing in a slower, more balanced league.



# Nominating 2YOs to Meadowlands 2026 Early Closers

## Early Closer Payment Schedule

DATE	AGE	TO DO
Now thru Feb 15	2YO	Review info; prepare submission materials
February 15	2YO	One Time \$400 Early Closer Participation Payment
March 15	2YO	Nomination Payments for Meadowlands 2YO Early Closers Begin

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Nomination and sustaining payments on Meadowlands Early Closers for 2YOs will be pushed back to begin on March 15 and adjusted accordingly.

This proposal will be reconsidered for future seasons, and revision is possible.



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## STEP ONE: THE LEAGUE ACQUIRES THE HERD

The League's first job is to build a uniform "draft pool." The league operators scour online auction boards, dispersals, private contacts, and trainer networks looking for 2-year-old trotters who will turn 3 on Jan. 1 - horses on the market from owners cutting their losses. They can be homebred from Mississippi or a million-dollar Lexington yearling. They all need to be in the same boat - the same age, the same sex, and the same gait.

The cost target is simple:

- Maximum purchase price: \$6,000 per horse
- Goal: 110 horses
- Budget: \$700,000

And here is the crucial point: No horses with meaningful racing success are included. No trotters who have already proven they can keep up with the fast ones. We do not want a league where five horses dominate, and the rest exist as background scenery. We want competitive balance. The League forms this herd of second chancers, horses projected to race in the 2:08 to 2:14 range.

## STEP TWO: THE LEAGUE PREPARES A SALE - A YEARLING AUCTION, BUT BETTER

Fast forward to the holiday season.

Now the League owns 110 trotters in stalls and paddocks on league property. They have been jogging. They are acclimated. Now the League does something clever: It stages a public sale. This sale looks like a yearling sale, but it's more informative. Unlike yearlings, these horses come with evidence.

Each horse will appear in a catalog that includes:

- The original pedigree and history
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- New video and photos (in harness, in motion)
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It is, in effect, a "Slightly-used trotting colt sale."

A sale designed for ordinary people, not billionaires hunting for the next champion.

## STEP THREE: THE AUCTION (AND THE BUILT-IN FINANCIAL ENGINE)

The sale is held online and in person. Buyers are encouraged to escape the snow and visit the facility beforehand - just like Lexington, but without the seven-digit expectations. The opening bid is \$5,000. Some horses may receive no bids and be declared a "no sale." That's fine. Those horses remain on league property as replacements.

But many horses will sell because we've created something rare in harness racing, a more level playing field.

Let's say 100 horses sell at an average price, generating total sales revenue of \$1,000,000. Now something important happens. The League receives some income immediately - without gambling, without a slot subsidy.

In this example, the League shows a profit of roughly \$300,000. This amount becomes the seed money for an Awards Pool.

To recap:

- The League acquires overlooked horses cheaply.
- The League creates a competitive "draft pool."
- The League sells those horses in a structured auction.
- The League begins to fund its own prize/awards pool.
- The owners race in a balanced league at ages 3 and 4.

We are building a business model with a wider funnel, a place for understudies, a herd of horses that are too slow for the traditional game, but ideally suited for a new one. The owners have fixed costs and a chance to win money. Once we create this environment, what happens next may be shocking.

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## THE VIEW FROM WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK

with **MELISSA KEITH**

# Recruiting the recruiter

*Woodbine Entertainment close to hiring promoter of racehorse ownership.*

by **Melissa Keith**

Promoting racehorse ownership is challenging as populations have urbanized and the cost of living has gone up. Woodbine Entertainment has taken a bold step to address the issue with the introduction of a new position: manager horse ownership development.

Woodbine Entertainment vice-president communications Jamie Dykstra told HRU that the manager horse ownership development role is “newly-created,” but also builds on a foundation Megan Walker helped establish. She was hired as Woodbine’s standardbred concierge and owner development associate in 2016 and subsequently promoted to manager of standardbred racing operations. In March 2025, Walker was named director of standardbred racing operations at Woodbine Entertainment.

“Megan has done an excellent job in this space and continues to play a key role in how we support current owners and attract new ones,” said Dykstra via email. “This new role will work closely with her and complement the work she already does. As part of our Five-Year Strategic Plan, strengthening racing foundations is a top priority, and this role reflects that focus.”

He said that the person hired for the manager horse ownership development position will promote thoroughbreds and standardbreds to an audience beyond the existing market for both breeds.

“This role will focus broadly on horse ownership development, including recruitment and improving the overall owner experience at both Woodbine and Mohawk,” Dykstra said. “That includes exploring ways to attract a wide range of owners, including smaller-scale owners and alternative ownership models such as racing clubs and syndicates.”

Attracting racehorse owners in Ontario will not happen overnight. Many of the old guard left the industry or relocated after the Ontario Slots at Racetrack Program ended in March 2013, resulting in diminished purses and three permanent racetrack closures: Windsor Raceway, Sudbury Downs, and Woodstock Raceway.

“We recognize that the end of the Slots at Racetracks Program and the changes that followed had a significant impact on

“ We have started to interview candidates [for the new position of manager horse ownership development]... The position is still open, but will likely close by Feb. 16. Our priority is finding the right person. We’re encouraged by the quality of candidates and hope to make a hire as soon as possible. ”

~ **Jamie Dykstra**

ownership across the industry, including the loss of racing opportunities at some tracks,” Dykstra said. “Rebuilding and growing ownership requires a broad, intentional approach.

“Our race office teams already do strong work recruiting and supporting owners, and this new role is designed to support and extend those efforts – whether that’s engaging new owners, encouraging current owners to expand their involvement, or reconnecting with past owners who may be interested in returning under today’s racing landscape.”

The incoming Woodbine manager horse ownership development will not be expected to take on all of these conversations on their own.

“It’s also important to note that this role will work closely with our industry partners, including COSA [Central Ontario Standardbred Association], Ontario Racing, Standardbred Canada, and the SBOA [Standardbred Breeders of Ontario], as well as our thoroughbred counterparts, to ensure alignment across the industry,” Dykstra said. “While this position is focused specifically on horse ownership development, we strongly believe success in this area depends on collaboration, clear communication, and coordinated effort across all parts of the industry.”

Thoroughbreds typically cost more and race less than standardbreds, but compete for higher potential earnings. Do they appeal to a different demographic than typical standardbred owners, or can both breeds be marketed similarly to the same prospective owners?

“That’s an important question and a key area of focus,” Dykstra said. “Part of this role will be understanding the different value

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propositions across breeds and audiences, informed by research and direct input from current owners and trainers.”

Because fractional ownership and racing clubs allow inexperienced people to get involved in horse racing, often while on a budget, the manager horse ownership development will be exploring these means of entry into the sport. Dykstra said that “learning from existing models and identifying ways Woodbine can support and complement those efforts” will be part of the new role.

The old model of farm families passing on a rural tradition is no longer a reliable way to maintain or grow participation in the sport. Dykstra said that the manager horse ownership development will likely be more than a social facilitator.

“There will be an educational component to help people understand what ownership involves, alongside connecting them with trainers and key industry stakeholders who can support them,” he said.

Although building field size at Woodbine Mohawk Park and Woodbine Racetrack is an obvious long-term goal of creating the new position, the vice president communications said its scope was greater than solely increasing investment in horses of racing age.

“We will be focused on addressing all different levels and models of ownership,” Dykstra said. “Part of the role will be helping prospective owners understand the different ways they can participate in the sport whether through claiming, purchasing yearlings, or joining syndicates or fractional ownership models, so they can make informed decisions that suit their interests and goals.”

When Woodbine Entertainment advertised the manager horse ownership development position on Jan. 16, 2026, qualifications included both practical experience with racehorses and knowledge of what owners want. Because there is not always overlap between the two, Dykstra noted that the ideal candidate would be someone able to bridge the two worlds.

“An understanding of the industry and its complexity is certainly an asset, as are strong relationships across the sport,” he said. “We’re looking for someone who can work collaboratively with industry participants and associations, match the passion of the industry, and develop and execute plans effectively.”

There will be one manager horse ownership development, not separate managers for standardbreds and thoroughbreds.

“Yes, this is a dual-breed role, and the person will spend significant time at both Woodbine Racetrack and Woodbine Mohawk Park,” Dykstra said.

Bringing new owners into the sport may take innovative approaches. Dykstra agreed this could take the form of promotional seminars, workshops, and/or paddock tours at both tracks.

“That’s something we’re interested in exploring as part of our broader approach to ownership development,” he said.

Recruitment of horse owners will not be restricted by demographics.

“We see an opportunity to engage with a wide range of people who may be interested in owning racehorses, and that perspective will be considered as we build out the role and set priorities,” Dykstra said. “Our goal is to attract new owners to the sport. Whether it’s a family with roots in racing, or a family that is new to the sport, we will have an approach to all of the various audiences we identify.”

Watch for the announcement of Woodbine’s manager horse ownership development in the weeks after Valentine’s Day.

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## TALES FROM THE CURMUDGEON

with MURRAY BROWN

# Meeting the right ‘guy’ put Jay Novak on his harness racing path

by Murray Brown

The time was a Saturday morning somewhere in the early summer of 1996. I was at The Meadowlands for baby races. While there, I struck up a conversation with a young man who I had known only briefly. His name was Jay Novak. I had met him through the Antonacci family with whom he owned horses. In addition to speaking about horses, the conversation drifted to what Novak did for a living. He was in the commodity business. He was a commodity broker. He dealt in futures in cotton, orange juice, currencies, and other items.

At the time, I was doing reasonably well financially. I asked Novak if he knew of a company in which I might make a small investment of a few thousand dollars. He said that he had recently invested a small amount in such a company, which thus far was doing quite well. I asked him what do they do? His response was that they sell books through the mail. My answer was something to the effect of, “Why would I want to invest my money with such a company? If I wanted to get a book, all I had to do was go to a local Barnes & Noble or Borders.”

Needless to say, I didn’t buy any stock on Novak’s recommendation. That company’s name was Amazon. Yes, that world-wide behemoth, which with a small investment of a few thousand dollars then would likely have reaped millions for me if I had the smarts to buy it and held on.

It is now 2026 and both Novak and I are in our 80s; older and, at least for this guy, not too much wiser.

Through our wives and mutual friends, we occasionally get together for dinner and at least for the boys, we catch up on horse talk and reminisce about the old days.

### *Let’s first talk about Amazon. Do you still own stock?*

“Actually, I do, but not a lot. I wasn’t near smart enough to hold on to it from the first time I suggested the stock to you. Through the years, I’m guessing I might have bought and sold the stock a dozen or more times. That’s what I do. I buy and sell stocks

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~ Jay Novak

through my own account. I presently own small equity in likely 200 different companies.

“I live here in South Florida. I used to own horses that would train here in South Florida at Sunshine Meadows -- first with the Antonacci family and later on with Ronnie Gurfein. That gave me something to do. I’d go to the training center and BS with the other guys there.

“After Ronnie passed, I owned Lucy’s Pearl alone, but was approached by Mark Weaver with a view of possibly buying her for the Burke Brigade. I eventually sold a majority interest in her to the Burke Stable, but retained 40 per cent for my wife Elizabeth and myself. She continued racing and then breeding under the ownership of my wife Elizabeth and the Burke partners.

“To say that she has been a great investment, would be very much of an understatement.

“She was a very good race filly and earned \$341,213. But, if anything, her success as a broodmare has totally eclipsed her performance as a racehorse. In order of foaling, her first four foals are Lou’s Pearlman [\$1,262,271], Loukes Perry [\$107,969], Lousain Bolt [\$142,292], and My Girl EJ [\$1,638,002].

“Unfortunately, personality issues prevailed between Mark Weaver and Elizabeth and myself and we offered all our horses, with the exception of Lou’s Pearlman for sale through Preferred Equine Marketing in the fall of 2024. They all sold well and we were quite satisfied with the results.”



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Dexter Cup  
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Hazel Park  
Horseman  
Keystone Classics  
Landmark  
Liberty Bell  
Matron Series  
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Monument Circle  
Paul Revere Pace  
Pegasus Series  
Pennsylvania All-Stars  
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“ I’m now in my 80s. However, I think it’s not beyond the realm of possibility that once Lou’s Pearlman’s first foals are yearlings and the right situation comes around that I might be persuaded to get back in [to owning racehorses]. As the guy from the New York Lottery says, ‘Ya never know.’ ”

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### ***So now with the exception of an 18 per cent interest in Lou’s Pearlman you are not a horse owner any longer?***

“Much like everything else concerning Lucy’s Pearl, her son Lou’s Pearlman is another gift that continues to keep giving. He stood stud in 2024 and 2025 at Hickory Lane Stud in Findlay, OH to full books of mares. We anticipate that the same will hold true for the 2026 breeding season. His first foals will be arriving through this winter and spring.”

### ***We’ve spoken about your denouement in the horse business. How about its beginning? When and where did it start?***

“In the late ’70s and early ’80s I would go to Roosevelt Raceway on a regular basis. One day I was approached by a man who said his name was Guy Antonacci, but everybody knew him as Sonny. He said he had noticed me being there regularly. I had noticed him as well, but I was too shy to speak before being spoken to by him. We eventually became the closest of friends - not only with Sonny and his wife Mary, but especially with his two sons Frankie and Gerry, who were close to the same age as me. At about this time, my father passed away. Sonny became a surrogate father to me. The Antonaccis not only welcomed me into their family, but also welcomed my now widowed mom.

“One day in 1984, Frankie stood outside the window of their home holding a colt on a lead shank. He said it was a yearling by Speedy Crown, then the leading trotting sire in the world. The colt’s name was Mr Novak. They had named him after me. He wanted me to come into its ownership as a partner with his family. I bought 25 per cent and he turned out to become a pretty good horse earning near half a million dollars.

“From then on, I would regularly buy into horses in the Antonacci stable. I and my mom would often be guests in their home. We would travel together to the races. Gerry was usually at the wheel almost always driving well beyond the speed limit.

“Anytime I was faced with a problem, I’d go to Sonny with it. There was never a time when he wasn’t able to come up with a solution.

“In addition to them being great people, the Antonaccis are great business people. From the good garbage business built by Sonny, the second and now the third generation of the family have diversified, successfully, from that successful business built by Sonny into a multi-faceted empire including recycling, a state of the world golf resort, a family fun resort named Sonny’s Place, as well as a standardbred breeding and racing empire, and now a successful place in the thoroughbred business.

“I doubt that there are any finer people anywhere than them. If there are, I certainly have never met them.”

### ***Is there a future for you in harness racing?***

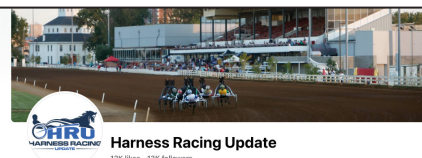
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## Grand Circuit Events

October 1, 2 & 3 **ALL POST TIMES 1:00pm**

October 9, 10 & 11 **ALL POST TIMES 1:00pm**

### #1) Kentucky Futurity #134

*Foals of 2023 to Race in 2026*



### #2) Tattersalls Pace 2026

*Foals of 2023 to Race in 2026*

### #3) Bluegrass Series #51

*Foals of 2023 to Race in 2026*



### PAYMENT DUE FOR EVENTS #1 and #2

	OPEN	FILLY
February 15, 2026.....	\$1,000	\$500
March 15, 2026.....	\$1,500	\$750

### PAYMENT DUE FOR EVENT #3

February 15, 2026.....	\$550
March 15, 2026.....	\$750
April 15, 2026.....	\$850

**\*Supplemental Payment Due February 15, 2026.....\$5,000**

Ineligible Three Year Olds may be made eligible to the Three Year Old events in 2026 by making the Three Year Old Supplemental Nomination fee on February 15 of \$5,000 plus the March 15 and April 15 payments

## The Allerage Farms Series

*Early Closing Events For All Divisions Of Older Horses*

### #4) Open Pace

*\$150,000E Sunday, October 11*

### #5) Open Trot\*

*\$150,000E Sunday, October 11*

### #6) Open Mare Pace - FanDuel Series

*\$70,000E Sunday, October 11*

### #7) Open Mare Trot\* - FanDuel Series

*\$70,000E Sunday, October 11*

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE EVENTS #4 & 5

February 15, 2026.....	\$1,500
March 15, 2026.....	\$2,000
Declaration Fee.....	\$2,500

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE EVENTS #6 & 7

February 15, 2026.....	\$1,000
March 15, 2026.....	\$1,500
Declaration Fee.....	\$1,500

The Red Mile reserves the right to invite one horse to race in each of the trot finals subject to payment of all fees associated with this series.

## To Be Raced At El Dorado Scioto Downs

*Three Year Old Filly Early Closers (Open)*

### #8) Nadia Lobell - 3YO Filly Pace

*\$100,000E Saturday, July 18*

### #9) The Moni Maker - 3YO Filly Trot

*\$100,000E Saturday, July 18*

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE EVENTS #8 & 9

February 15, 2026.....	\$750
March 15, 2026.....	\$1,000
Declaration Fee.....	\$1,500

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## ALL OVER ONTARIO

with **MATTHEW LOMON**

# Natalie Elliott didn't have to go far to find her passion for harness racing

by **Matthew Lomon**

Natalie Elliott doesn't need a greater purpose to contextualize her deep connection to standardbred racing, its equine athletes, and the people around her – all the devoted horsewoman needs is what already lives within her.

"It's passion," Elliott said without hesitation. "It's driven by a love of life, not reward money. It's literally that I want to be here. I want to do it. I want to see it all be true."

A native of Clinton, ON, Elliott grew up one street over from the renowned raceway that has stood as a pillar of the quaint community for nearly six decades.

Her childhood, however, didn't include many visits to the racetrack. In fact, she wasn't at all aware of the world that existed just steps from her front yard.

Then, one Sunday afternoon changed everything for a then 10-year-old Elliott.

"I went to the races with my grandparents and my grandmother came down to the vehicle in the Clinton homestretch where we were hanging out and said, 'Do you want to go see the horse that won the race today?'" Elliott said. "A 10-year-old girl sitting, watching races would much rather be hands on touching these majestic animals, so I went to the barn with her after he raced – and that was it. Every day after school, I'd walk through the barn grounds afterwards... Just one horse race had me hooked."

It was through her budding attachment to horses and the sport of racing that Elliott developed a bond with local horseman Frank MacDonald.

"He was a very modest man; kind and gentle," Elliott said. "He was a grandfather figure to me."

The respected industry veteran owned the horse whom a wide-eyed Elliott greeted after a trip to the winner's circle that Sunday at Clinton Raceway.

The pair soon became inseparable.

"From that moment forward, I ended up at the track with Frank most Saturday and Sunday mornings for their foreseeable future," she said.

MacDonald, Elliott's mentor, taught her everything from how to muck the stalls and bathe, brush and feed horses to properly harnessing them and wrapping their legs.

He even helped Elliott obtain her groom license, at just 10 years old.

Unfortunately, their time together was cut unexpectedly short, when MacDonald passed away suddenly in 2007.

A teenage Elliott was stunned upon learning what had happened.

"Saturday morning, I woke up and heard the news because his lifelong best friend was with my grandmother," she said. "They contacted me before I went to the barn that morning.

"Frank and I had been at the races Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday together that week alone. I was 15 at the time and now all of a sudden, he's gone, but he's got a barn full of horses. I was the groom that kind of picked up the pieces for the family in those, 'What are we going to do?' kind of days."

In a tribute to MacDonald published on Standardbred Canada in September of 2015, Elliott wrote that she stayed away from horse barns for "nearly a year" after his passing.

In the years that followed, she made it her mission to preserve her honorary grandfather's memory by adopting his signature orange and yellow colors.

The bright, bordering on neon shades, remain can't-miss.

"Just last week as I was pulling my colors on, a guy across the way from me said, 'You know, every time I see your colors, it just makes me think of Miss Belle Bars,'" said Elliott, referencing an old mare of MacDonald's named after his wife Isabel.

"I never met the horse because she was 20 odd years before I ever came around, but it's neat to know that people still recognize my yellow and orange from the Frank MacDonald days."

The feeling never gets old.

"It's always heart-warming to hear those things," she said. "Just to know that they're not forgotten, that they are remembered, they made an impact, and they were the gentle person that I remember them to be."

Inspired by her mentor's teachings and spirit, Elliott embarked on the next step of her journey – acquiring a Racing Under Saddle license.

After doing so in 2014, Elliott began competing that same year.

She needed just two starts to track down her first win – in dramatic fashion – on Sept. 20 at Flamboro Downs with Amigo Hall trotter Lexus Hawkeye.

"It was actually in the turn after the wire that [rider] Riina Rekila congratulated me," Elliott said. "My initial response was, 'Did I get there?'"

Elliott did indeed get there, on the right side of a photo finish.



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However, the spectacle paled in comparison to the events that took place in Lexus Hawkeye's qualifier a month prior.

"We thought as long as I could get him off the gate cleanly, we'd be in good shape," Elliott said. "As we're going into the first turn at Hiawatha, there's like 20 Canadian geese on the track and I'm just thinking to myself, 'We did the hard part and now these geese are going to interfere with us and make him run or something – this isn't fair.'"

"There's geese flying over his head, over my head, but he trots through them, and never missed a beat."

Maneuvering through a skein of Canada geese was just one of several unforgettable moments from Elliott's racing under saddle days.

But true to her roots, it was the people, and one, in particular, that made it extra special.

"I had a great sponsor, John Patterson," Elliott said. "He also passed away, but he was an accountant for a lot of the trainers and drivers down the Mohawk way."

"I had a lot of family and friends that would come out every time and John bought us t-shirts as a sponsorship that were yellow and orange. We had a nice horse logo with a rider on it. We were team 'Beauty and the Beast.'"

When referencing the team's name, Elliott said with a laugh, "Whether Beauty and the Beast was me and John, or me and the horse, or John and the horse, it was never quite determined."

Though, one thing was certain: Patterson had left an indelible mark.

"John was so good to me," Elliott said.

During her time under saddle, Elliott also spent time sharpening her skills as a standardbred trainer.

Her protégé, at the time, was a veteran trotter named Thor Seelster.

Elliott was conditioning the Pegasus Spur bay in 2016 when she decided to take another leap and officially obtain her trainer's license.

"Thor was my first training win, my first everything... I got my license with him," she said.

Their bond has only grown stronger in retirement.

"He's still in the barn," Elliott said. "He still gets his warm mash at lunch and goes out to the field every day with my broodmare, along with all the other trainees in the barn. He's 17 now and he's my pet. He's got a home for life. We did a lot together."

Thor Seelster is joined today in Elliott's stable by Heave Dude E – a horse who has made a profound impact both personally and professionally.

"His mother [Marclif Aisalinda] was actually bred by Frank MacDonald," Elliott said. "When Frank passed away, she was

sold but ended up in a couple different places because she had done well.

"I kept tabs on her and inevitably got my hands back on her a few years later. So, Dude [Heavy Dude E] is not only a homebred, he's a protégé of Frank's legacy."

The now 8-year-old Holiday Road gelding remains a significant source of pride for Elliott.

Heavy Dude E's résumé includes 26 wins and nearly \$218,000 in earnings, headlined by a breakout 2022 campaign that saw the athletic trotter capture Horse of the Year and Older Trotting Horse honors at The Raceway at Western Fair District.

"He was a monster," Elliott said. "You couldn't beat him. He just climbed the conditions. He even got into the non-winners classes and did pretty well late in the year to come up with both those awards."

"He's a special boy."

Also on Elliott's active racing roster is a trio of 4-year-olds in trotter Charmbro Cash and pacers My Little Friend and Lauras Crush.

The latter has been another anchor for Elliott and her family since coming over at the start of December.

"My mom passed away when I was pregnant with my son [Hugo], so Lauras' owner, Allan Shelton, who was in Clinton, took on the grandpa role," Elliott said. "He's papa Allan and his wife's grandma Brenda."

"Now, Allan is undergoing cancer treatments, but before he started them, he offered Laura to me."

Although she was initially hesitant to take on another horse, with four already and little time to complete her day's tasks, Elliott found comfort to do so from her 5-year-old son.

"He said to me, 'Mom, of course, we'll take Papa's horse; we have to help him, he needs us,'" Elliott said.

Nearly two-and-a-half decades into a life she once could never have imagined, Elliott now finds herself helping others, just as they have her for so many years.

For the first-generation horsewoman, it has been the ride of a lifetime.

"I never knew these animals were right in my backyard, now here I am, 20 odd years later, in the thick of it," Elliott said. "I truly didn't imagine it to be my career, and I don't know that it will be forever. I've got a young son that has to be raised, and there's no telling where he'll take me, but right now, I'm having a lot of fun."

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## SUPERSTAR FEMALES OF HARNESS RACING

with VICTORIA M. HOWARD

### Lori Brown speaks for horses

*The Saddle Creek Farm owner is an advocate for retired standardbreds.*

by Victoria Howard

Born in Newburgh, NY, advocate Lori Brown has dedicated her life to saving horses. At one time, she worked at a standardbred breeding farm located in Wallkill, NY, before moving to Palmyra, VA where today she is the owner of Saddle Creek Farm and cares for 73 retired standardbred horses, plus nine horses of her own.

“Yes, working at Blue Chip Farm introduced me to the standardbred breed and taught me how versatile and amazing a standardbred is,” Brown said. “It takes a lot of hard work, countless endless hours, and at times shedding a tear or two.

“I care for horses owned by the Standardbred Retirement Foundation, besides nine that are family owned: three standardbreds, my children’s show horses, and the family riding horses.

“The horses are not adoptable, so they will live out the rest of their life with me.

Brown is an advocate for saving horses.

“I am their voice,” she said. “I have never owned a racehorse, but I do own show horses, and a horse is a horse and no matter what breed they all deserve love and a good life.

“One day I was in contact with the Standardbred Retirement Foundation on another matter and the director mentioned sending me some horses. She sent 17 horses on that first load, and that’s how it all began.”

#### **How many employees do you have on the farm?**

“I have a young girl who works here on the farm a couple of days a week, but even then, I’m not comfortable with walking away for even a short time.

“When you work with horses every day you have a personal connection with each one. Although they all have a different personality, I know everyone. I know if something is amiss or if one needs special care.

“Of course, with animals, every day is a challenge – yet rewarding.”



Courtesy Lori Brown  
**Lori Brown.**

“ Saving one horse won’t change the world, but it will change the world for that one horse. ”

~ Lori Brown

#### **What is a typical day on your farm like?**

“Each day begins with feeding the horses. They are not all on the same program, as some horses are grained twice a day, while others are not.

“The ‘ideal’ situation is that the horses are turned out in large groups in large fields with grass/hay, but they must maintain their body condition. Just like people, each horse is different in their needs.

“The “seniors” [older ones] and those that have lameness issues cannot maintain as well as the younger and healthier ones, so

those horses are grouped out of the large fields and into the smaller paddocks.

“The horses are put in pairs [horses are herd animals and enjoy companionship of another horse] and are grained twice a day. Currently, I am graining 24 horses.”

### ***And when that is done?***

“The next thing I do is ‘field checks.’ Each day I look at every horse on the farm. This is a must, for this is when I might find a horse that needs help or is in a situation that needs immediate attention.

“Once again, every evening I repeat the process of graining and looking at the field horses.

“During the middle of the day, sometimes I assist the farrier, vet, or normal farm work [cleaning stalls or mowing, etc.].

“As I said before, I do not rehome the horses. Most of them have already had second and third jobs after their racing career was over, and many were sold to the Amish. When the lucky ones come to me this is where they will stay and retire.

“It is heart breaking to see how many horses are discarded at auctions to be slaughtered. I am a strong believer that aftercare arrangements need to be made for their care until their life is over... Every horse deserves to have a second chance in life and here at Saddle Creek Farm, they get it!”

### ***Where do most of your horses come from?***

“Way too many are dumped off because they are no longer wanted or needed. The majority arrive broken down from the grueling lives they have lived. I love that I’m able to give these horses a good life that they so desperately deserve.”

### ***I assume that working with the animal on a daily basis you have to get attached. How do you handle knowing that some will leave?***

“The hardest part of what I do is saying goodbye to the horse... and it never gets easier. I work with a vet clinic and together we make the best decision for the horse on their quality of life.”

### ***What do you find most gratifying in the work you do?***

“In general, most people – especially those that own a standardbred – are wonderful and will help whenever they can. Lots of networking is done on a retired racehorse, finding many at a sale auction.

***“ When you work with horses every day you have a personal connection with each one. Although they all have a different personality, I know everyone. I know if something is amiss or if one needs special care. Of course, with animals, every day is a challenge – yet rewarding. ”***

**~ Lori Brown**

“One time, after some extensive work was done, a horse was found at a sale company in Bastrop, LA, getting ready to ship to Mexico. We intercepted and were able to bring the horse, along with three other standardbreds home to safety. Gratifying indeed.

“There is another heartfelt story I would like to share. One time I was contacted by a standardbred breeder in Canada who had raised a gelding who went on to race. Over the years, the original owner lost track of the horse but one day wanted to find and bring him home. She followed one lead after another and with lots of help networking, the horse was found in Virginia. He was living at an Amish farm and when the woman contacted the farm, they agreed to sell him back to her.

“When the horse came to me, he was in poor shape and stayed with me until he was strong enough to make the trip to Canada to be reunited with his original owner. This was one of the ‘happily ever after stories’ that I wish we heard more of.

“Saving one horse won’t change the world, but it will change the world for that one horse.”

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# HRU NEWS

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HARNESS RACING PRESS RELEASES, NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Wrenn reaches 9,000-win plateau

Ronnie Wrenn, Jr. reached a milestone at Hollywood Casino at The Meadows on Thursday afternoon (Feb. 5), making it to the winner's circle for the 9,000th time in his career.

The 39-year-old reinsman entered the day with 8,997 victories, then won two of the first four races on the card. In race 6, he sent trotter **Green Meadow** to the front just past the quarter, and held on for a narrow victory in 1:58.2 for career win No. 9,000. Justin Mullett trains Green Meadow for owners Courtney Gramlich and Gabriel Miller.

Wrenn finished the day with five wins, and now sits at 9,002 in his career, which started in 2008 with two wins in nine starts. Six years later, he had a career best 847 wins, and has won more than 500 races per year every season since 2013.

*Jeff Zidek / Hollywood Casino at The Meadows*

## Super Chapter to race in 2026

Super Chapter will be returning to the Melander Stable to begin training for his 2026 racing season.

"An exacting, two-phase breeding soundness exam was performed, and Super Chapter scored well on every measure except morphology," said Hanover Shoe Farms president Russell Williams. "A percentage of his sperm cells are the type produced by younger colts.

"We did see an improvement between test phases. To confirm our view that Super Chapter needs time to mature, we test bred him to one of our retired mares. She is in foal at 14 days."

Jeff Snyder, co-owner with Arthur Pronti, said, "We have the highest expectations for Super Chapter's 4-year-old racing season. He's sound and in great condition. Marcus can't wait to get him back."

All of Super Chapter's connections are grateful for the tremendous interest shown in him and we shall return to the subject of his breeding career when he has acquired an even stronger racing resume and had time to mature.

*Mark Loewe / Hanover Shoe Farms*

## 'Landing' gets clearance, takes Big M feature

**Clear For Landing** found just enough space along the rail nearing the wire and shot through that opening to take the Friday night (Feb. 6) feature at The Meadowlands, a \$17,500 high-end conditioned trot.

A 4-year-old gelded son of Tactical Landing—Claire Michelle, Clear For Landing was away quickly from post 2 in the 10-horse field and needed every bit of what turned out to be a perfect trip to grab his ninth career win from just 16 starts.

"I was fortunate enough to work out a trip," said winning driver Brett Beckwith. "The horse raced tremendously."

A spirited battle to the quarter saw Finite with a narrow edge while racing parked in :29 as High Speed Swan raced along the rail with Benny J on the rim after an unsuccessful bid from post 10 to grab a spot along the inside. Beckwith and Clear For Landing were sitting fourth in the 3-hole as Benny J moved to the lead at the half while still parked in :56.4.

Finite came back and shrugged off Benny J, re-claiming the point at three-quarters in 1:24.4, but by now, 2-5 favorite High Speed Swan was moving well three-wide after following a live tow and surged into contention as the field straightened up into the stretch.

Finite was determined, clinging to the lead at mid-stretch as High Speed Swan, who appeared to be on his way to an easy win, flattened out, creating the opportunity Clear For Landing needed. Nearing the wire, Clear For Landing found just enough space along the inside to move past a super-game Finite to go on to record a three-quarter-length win in a lifetime-best 1:53.3. High Speed Swan settled for third.

"Those were two good horses down the stretch," said Beckwith. "I thought Colin's [Kelly, driving High Speed Swan] horse would be home free."

Instead, it was the Per Engblom student who would go on to win for the third time in his last five tries, all of those outings at the mile oval.

"I was fortunate to weave in and out," said Beckwith of the trip with Clear For Landing. "He's a really honest horse. He doesn't have the best gait, but he makes up for it in heart. He's a horse who has benefited from coming over here to The Meadowlands."

As the 9-2 second choice in the wagering, Clear For Landing returned \$11.60 to his backers.

**CHEYENNE'S IN SEVENTH HEAVEN:** Cheyenne Christman, the 23-year-old multi media content specialist at the United States Trotting Association, had quite the debut appearing on the Sam McKee Memorial Broadcast Set alongside The Big M's Dave Little on the track's live simulcast presentation.

Christman tabbed seven winners on top, including Clear For Landing in the eighth race (\$11.60) and **Soeur Mary** in the 12th (\$9). In addition, she had the eighth race exacta, which paid \$154.80, as well as the trifecta ice cold, which returned \$499.60.

She also gave out the Early 50-cent Pick-4, where her followers cashed in for \$155.25 for a \$36 investment.

Ken Warkentin was also red hot, as the veteran Big M voice also gave out seven on top.

**PK-8 REPORT:** The first time the \$1 PK-8 was offered was a clear success, as a hair less than \$5,000 was bet by patrons to go on top of the \$50,000 seeded by the wager's sponsor, Peter Kleinhans. Those with seven winners collected \$2,712.28, and with no one holding a perfect ticket, there will be a carryover of \$40,684 when racing resumes.

**A LITTLE MORE:** Beckwith, as usual, was the top dog of the driver colony with six winners on the night... Ron Burke and Engblom tied for top trainer with two victories apiece... All-source handle on the 15-race program totaled \$2,608,671... Racing resumes Friday (Feb. 13) at 6:20 p.m.

*Dave Little / Meadowlands media relations*

## First Pocono qualifiers of 2026 on Monday

The trotters and pacers return to Pocono Downs at Mohegan Pennsylvania for the first time in 2026 on Monday (Feb. 9) at 11 a.m., as seven qualifying races will be held in preparation for the track's initial betting card of the year at 1 p.m. on Saturday (Feb. 14).

Tyler Buter, Pocono's winningest driver in 2025, and Jason Bartlett, UDR champion locally last year, are set to compete in the first morning session, along with Matt Kakaley, who will be looking for his fourth Pocono dash title in five years and who has the most "calls," 10, on the early sheet.

Quality horses will also continue their preparation for the purse races, with many of them not having started in 2026. Trainer Scott Blackler will send out Catalpa Rescue A, third in the \$250,000 MGM Grand Prix final at Yonkers in December, and also Captain Moore A, winner of the Grand Prix \$100,000 consolation. Open-level trotters will be cranking up for the new campaign, as well as several horses looking to be likely candidates for the Game Of Claims Pacing Series for \$25,000 base tag horses, which holds its first preliminary round on Opening Day.

Another set of qualifiers will be drawn Monday and raced on Tuesday at 11 a.m. Tuesday is also draw day for the Feb. 14

opener of the 2026 Pocono campaign, with the box closing at 9 a.m. for pari-mutuel cards. Pocono's basic schedule throughout the year will be Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday at 1 p.m.; nine consecutive Sunday cards with a 5 p.m. twilight post time will begin on May 31.

*PHHA / Pocono*

## Ontario Sires Stakes 2026 schedule released

The Ontario Sires Stakes (OSS) 2026 schedule was released today. The OSS program, which has been instrumental in developing world class standardbreds in Ontario such as



undefeated 2025 Canadian Horse of the Year Beau Jangles, is celebrating its 52nd year in 2026.

The schedule is available on the OSS website [here](#). Additional details will be added to the OSS schedule as soon as they are available. Updates will be published to the [OSS website](#) and in the annual Racing Guide.

As in 2025, there will be five OSS Gold Series legs, five Grassroots Series events – featuring six racing opportunities with one leg split into A and B events – and Prospect Series races for each of the eight 2- and 3-year-old divisions.

The Grassroots will also have both year-end championship and consolation events. All eight Grassroots consolations will be held on Oct. 2 at Woodbine Mohawk Park. All eight Grassroots championship events will be held on Oct. 3 at Woodbine Mohawk Park. As in both 2024 and 2025, each Grassroots champion will be able to enter and draw into its respective Gold Series Super Final if the latter does not fill with Gold Series point earners.

In 2026, all eight Gold Super Finals will be held on Oct. 10 at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

The OSS continues to be essential to producing exceptional standardbreds in Ontario. In 2025, seven OSS regulars earned O'Brien Awards honoring the best horse in Canada in each division. They are:

- Beau Jangles – both 2-year-old pacing colt and overall Horse of the Year
- A Clean Deal – 2-year-old pacing filly of the year
- Strobe Lite – 2-year-old trotting colt of the year
- Chantilly – 3-year-old pacing filly of the year
- Stormont Beautiful – 3-year-old trotting filly of the year
- Crack Shot – 3-year-old pacing colt of the year
- Logan Park – older trotting horse of the year

Beau Jangles, who swept all six of his OSS starts in 2025, including the Super Final, has also been named the U.S. Dan Patch winner as the top 2-year-old pacing colt of the year in North America. He is a strong contender for both the Dan Patch Pacer of the Year and overall Horse of the Year. Those awards will be announced on Feb. 22 in Orlando, FL.

Former OSS regular Lexus Kody has been named the Dan Patch winner in the older trotting horse division and is in contention for both the Trotter of the Year and Horse of the Year awards.

Since the OSS program began in 1974, there have been 155 Ontario-sired standardbreds that have earned \$1 million or more in their careers as of Feb. 5, 2026. Twenty-five Ontario-sired standardbreds are enshrined in the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame.

*Ontario Racing*

## This week's fines and suspensions

HRU is providing links to publicly-available fines and suspension lists for convenience.

Readers are reminded that because a person's name appears on the list does not necessarily mean they are guilty of an offense. Many times, cases are not finalized and many of the accused are still entitled to due process.

Also, please note, for context, the first link is to the Association of Racing Commissioners International's classification system of drug penalties to give readers a sense of the difference between a Class 1 and a Class 4 positive.

[ARCI classification system](#)

[USTA's fines and suspensions for this week](#)

[Standardbred Canada's fines and suspensions for this week](#)

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# RESULTS & REPLAYS



## PURSE CRITERIA FOR INCLUDED RACES

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

RACE RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY ARE PUBLISHED AS OF MIDNIGHT.  
RESULTS MADE OFFICIAL AFTER MIDNIGHT VIA THE USTA SITE WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

## RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY

### HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT THE MEADOWS *report*

#### Friday's Results:

**8, Mea, \$18,000, Pace, \*\*OPEN HANDICAP\*\*** P.P. 1-2 DRAWN, 3 ASSIGNED, 4-6 DRAWN, 27.3, 57.1, 1:24.4, 1:52.3, GD

**1-Timeisonmyside (g, 5, Captain Crunch--Macharoundthelock, by Mach Three)** \$9,000, \$165,000 2022 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 63-18-13-7, \$472,420  
O-Thestable Timeisonmyside. B-Birnam Wood Farms. T-Tim Twaddle. D-Anthony Macdonald.

**2-Lotsa Knock Us (g, 6, Stevensville--Aglala, by Straight Shooting)** \$4,500, \$19,000 2021 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 92-21-25-9, \$289,651  
O-Trent Stohler Stable Inc & Tim A Graber & Ruddick Stables LLC. B-King Racing Stable. T-Trent Stohler. D-Brady Brown.

**3-Soho Spectre A (g, 6, Art Major--Delightful Jade, by Bettor's Delight)** \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 40-12-8-4, \$241,070  
O-Pollack Racing LLC. B-R J Watson, WA. T-Enrico Robinson. D-Dave Palone.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1, T - Finish Order: Stonebridge Reef, Birthday, Spiritofanoutlaw

### MEADOWLANDS *report*

#### Friday's Results:

**8, M, \$17,500, Trot, N/W \$12,500 (NJSO, N/W L2 or F&M \$14,000) L5 AE: TM Rating 86.5 (N/W L2 or F&M 88.5) or Less ATOD AE: N/W 9 (N/W 2L4 or F&M 11)**  
Extended PM Races Life, 29.0, 56.4, 1:24.4, 1:53.3, FT

**1-Clear For Landing (g, 4, Tactical Landing--Claire Michelle, by Cantab Hall)** \$8,050, Lifetime Record: 16-9-3-2, \$83,105  
O-Consus Racing Stable Inc. B-Consus Racing Stable Inc. T-Per Engblom. D-Brett Beckwith.

**2-Finite (g, 5, Resolve--Awesome Chrissy, by Majestic Son)** \$3,675, \$100,000 2022 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 55-10-8-7, \$189,724  
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Phillip Collura. B-William Lynn Jones & Steve H Stewart. T-Ron Burke. D-Joe Bongiorno.

**3-High Speed Swan (g, 4, Swan For All--Aunt Susie, by Credit Winner)** \$1,575, \$62,000 2023 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 33-6-9-6, \$156,115  
O-David Linker & Brian N Loman & Robert H Venable. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Doug Dilloian Jr. D-Colin Kelly.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1, 3H, 2Q, T, NK - Finish Order: Spending Crazy, Aardiebythehill N, Justasiam As, Sky Box, Interview Fra A, Benny J, Rock My Universe

### WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK *report*

#### Friday's Results:

**1, Wbs, \$20,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 2 RACES OR \$30,000 (OS \$37,500) LIFETIME, 28.1, 56.2, 1:25.1, 1:55.3**

**1-Ea Money Maker (b,f,3 - Sweet Lou-Always B Dreaming-Always B Miki)** \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 10-6-1-1, \$35,487  
O-Saul Lanigan, Chris Farrell B-Ryan Smith T-Bo Ford D-James Macdonald



**PREFERRED EQUINE**

*Yearling Sale Graduate*

# RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

**2-D A Miss Universe** (blk,m,4 - Big Jim-Stonebridge Debut-Camluck)

O-Donnie Macdougall B-Dean & Ashley Wilson

**3-Beach Wiggle** (b,f,3 - Sunshine Beach-Wiggle It J-Mr Wiggles)

O-Travis & Jodie & Ronald Cullen B-Travis & Jodie & Ronald Cullen T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶

**3, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace**, FILLIES & MARES, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 1 RACE (WINNERS FOR A PURSE OF \$9,000 OR LESS 2 RACES) OR \$9,000 LIFETIME. NO ALLOWANCES, 29.0, 59.0, 1:29.0, 1:57.4

**1-Day Of Delight (br,f,3 - Bettors Delight-Day To Ponder-Ponder)** \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,000

O-Menary Racing Inc, Larry Menary B-Smith Racing Stable T-David Menary D-James Macdonald

**2-Steal My Sunshine** (b,m,4 - Sunshine Beach-Twin B Lush-Art Major)

O-Madalyn Henry B-Madalyn Henry T-Madal Henry D-Travis Henry

**3-Sunwashed** (b,f,3 - Cattlewash-Sunbather-Dragon Again)

O-Nicholas Ahern B-Mark Cadman T-Nicholas Ahern D-Billy Davis

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**5, Wbs, \$22,000, Pace**, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$9,000 LAST 4 STARTS OR NW \$21,000 LAST 8 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$50,000. AE: N/A \$2,730 P/S IN 2025-2026. AE: NW \$120,000 LIFETIME, 27.4, 57.1, 1:27.3, 1:56.0

**1-Coco Jo Jo (b,m,5 - Betterthancheddar-Marquise De Sarah-Mach Three)** \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 60-6-12-9, \$299,228

O-Robert Bridges B-Robert Bridges t-Anthony Beaton D-James Macdonald

**2-La Miki N** (b,m,5 - Always B Miki-La Soiree-Dream Away)

O-M T Stables Ontario Inc B-M J Maxwell T-Paul Court D-Jody Jamieson

**3-Betternotmachme** (b,m,6 - Betterthancheddar-Jackie And Doreen-Mach Three)

O-Wayne Mac Rae, Howmac Farms Ltd B-Howmac Farms Ltd, Wayne Mac Rae T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

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**6, Wbs, \$22,000, Pace**, FILLIES & MARES, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 3 RACES OR \$50,000 (OS \$68,000) LIFETIME. AE: 4 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER OPT. CLM. \$60,000. ALLOWANCES FOR AGE, 27.4, 58.0, 1:27.1, 1:55.0

**1-Cc Rockin Rosie (b,m,4 - Rockin Image-Sir Lehigh Z Tam-Art Major)** \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 31-6-6-1, \$122,052

O-Steven Macdonald, Tommy Collings B-Duane Miller, Gene Borkholder T-Garry Merner D-Bob McClure

**2-Sugar Pie Honey** (b,m,4 - Bettors Delight-Kloof Street-Mach Three)

O-A1stable B-Millar Farms T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

**3-Kiki Dee Hanover** (b,m,4 - Bettors Delight-Key West-Captaintreacherous)

O-Jeremy Marcotte B-Brittany Farms Llc T-Jean-Francois Maguire D-Louis-Philippe Roy

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**7, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace**, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$6,000 LAST 4 STARTS OR NW \$13,250 LAST 8 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$30,000. AE: NW \$33,000 IN 2025, 27.0, 56.1, 1:25.3, 1:54.3

**1-Blinded By Delight (b,m,7 - Bettors Delight-Ladys Art-Art Major)** \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 68-15-15-8, \$172,375

O-Kenneth Seastrom B-Kenneth Seastrom T-Blair Burgess D-Tyler Borth

**2-Wassail Blue Chip** (b,m,4 - Courtly Choice-Baccara Hanover-Western Ideal)

O-W J Donovan B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc T-Seamus Quill D-James Macdonald

**3-Lyons Anitasangel** (b,m,4 - Captaintreacherous-Linda Lace Hanover-Bettors Delight)

O-Threelyonsracing B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Kenneth Oliver D-Daryl Thiessen

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# RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

9, Wbs, \$40,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES OPEN, 28.1, 58.3, 1:27.3, 1:56.2

**1-Style For A Mile (b,m,7 - Captaintreacherous-Injeanous Style-Western Ideal)** \$20,000, Lifetime Record: 124-24-20-16, \$548,625

O-Yolanda Fellows, Blair Corbeil, Poppox4 Stable B-All Four Won T-Robert Kyle Fellows D-Trevor Henry



## PREFERRED EQUINE

## Mixed Sale Graduate

**2-Absolution (b,m,5 - Mcwicked-Bet Ya-Jeremes Jet)**

O-Joanne Colville, Nancy Macnevin B-Joanne Colville, Nancy Macnevin T-Jack Moiseyev D-Todd Ratchford

**3-Tells On A Roll (b,m,6 - Tellitlikeitis-Have Rock Willroll-Rockin Image)**

O-Paul Sanders, A1stable, Ronald Cullen B-Victory Hill Farm Inc T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

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## YONKERS RACEWAY report

### Friday's Results:

**2, YR, \$23,000, Pace, F&M NW \$20,051 IN LAST 5 STARTS AE: WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$15,000 L5" AE: F&M NW 10 P-M RACES LT AE: OPT. CLMG. ALLOW. \$60,000, 28.1, 56.4, 1:25.2, 1:55.0, FT**

**1-Lloyd's Loves (m, 6, Rusty's All In--Southwind Wichita, by Bettor's Delight)** \$11,500, Lifetime Record: 101-34-17-11, \$464,103

O-David A Dobbmann. B-Pamela E Wagner. T-Edwin Quevedo. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

**2-Silk Cloud A (m, 8, Shadow Play--Modern Babe, by Modern Art)** \$5,750, Lifetime Record: 105-30-17-15, \$635,361

O-David C Kryway, CA & Double S Stables LLC. B-Pini Pty LTD, AS. T-Peter Tritton. D-Jordan Stratton.

**3-Avf Claire (m, 6, Racing Hill--Ok Heartbeat, by Mach Three)** \$2,760, \$12,000 2021 BHS, Lifetime Record: 70-14-11-9, \$180,130

O-Evans Nation & Engblom Farm LLC & Hickory Hollow Stables. B-Marvin R Troyer. T-Per Engblom. D-Jason Bartlett.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 8, 9Q, 5Q, 3H, NS - Finish Order: Strutsville, Intothemysticmoon, Glittering Hope

**4, YR, \$35,000, Pace, F&M INVITATIONAL POST POSITION: 1 ASSIGNED POST POSITIONS: 2-5 DRAWN POST POSITION: 6 ASSIGNED, 28.1, 59.1, 1:27.3, 1:55.4, FT**

**1-Aardie B Miki N (m, 6, Always B Miki--Tatijana Bromac, by Rocknroll Hanover)** \$17,500, Lifetime Record: 40-18-7-6, \$631,076

O-M T Stables Ontario Inc, CA. B-Mike Tanev, CA. T-Per Engblom. D-Jason Bartlett.

**2-Elusive A (m, 6, Million Dollar Cam--Endeared, by Albert Albert)** \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 41-11-14-3, \$118,875

O-Jesmeral Stable. B-Buckland Park Homestead, AS. T-Rob Harmon. D-Austin Siegelman.

**3-Tick A Loch A (m, 6, Always B Miki--Timely Loch, by Christian Cullen)** \$4,200, Lifetime Record: 59-12-15-12, \$130,172

O-Michael Casalino Jr. B-L A Cobban, AS. T-Chris Height. D-Jordan Stratton.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 4H, 4H, 2Q, 2Q, 1Q - Finish Order: My Red Sea, Front Page Story, Acushla Machree N

**5, YR, \$19,000, Pace, F&M NW \$15,551 IN LAST 5 STARTS AE: WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$10,000 L5" AE: F&M NW 8 P-M RACES LT AE: OPT. CLMG. ALLOW. \$30,000, 28.2, 58.2, 1:27.1, 1:55.3, FT**

**1-Nila Maree N (m, 5, Art Major--Kacie Cullen, by Stunin Cullen)** \$9,500, Lifetime Record: 24-7-3-6, \$46,025

O-M T Stables Ontario Inc, CA. B-K J Austin, NZ. T-Per Engblom. D-Jason Bartlett.

**2-Twin B Sunkissed (m, 8, Sunshine Beach--Western Heat, by Western Hanover)** \$4,750, \$20,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 143-26-23-20, \$548,260

O-Pollack Racing LLC. B-Twinbrook Limited, CA. T-Enrico Robinson. D-Brent Holland.

**3-Petrol Queen (m, 5, Roll With Joe--Fatima Tk, by Rock N Roll Heaven)** \$2,280, Lifetime Record: 49-11-6-10, \$133,571

O-Anatolia Racing LLC. B-Anatolia Racing Stb Inc. T-Andrew Adamczyk. D-Austin Siegelman.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 2, 1H, 1H, 2, 1H - Finish Order: Bonitas Best Bet, Im Offngone N, Ambushed, More Gooda N, Huntress

## RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

**6, YR, \$17,000, Trot**, NW \$11,031 IN LAST 5 STARTS. WINNERS OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$10,000 L5" IN LAST START NE. AE: WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$7,500 L5" AE: NW 6 P-M RACES LT. AE: OPT. CLM. ALLOW \$20,000, 29.1, 59.2, 1:28.2, 1:57.2, FT

**1-Queen Of All (m, 8, Swan For All--Ecstatic, by Self Possessed)** \$8,500, \$24,000 2019 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 147-30-25-33, \$848,875  
O-William A Hartt. B-Martin E Eash. T-Lance Hudson. D-Austin Siegelman.

**2-Ourmomentntime (m, 5, Long Tom--Caring Moment, by Uncle Peter)** \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 53-5-7-7, \$68,961  
O-Engblom Farm LLC. B-Laura L & Paul R Baker. T-Per Engblom. D-Jason Bartlett.

**3-Go Have Fun (m, 5, Kadabra--Lady Mary Lee, by Angus Hall)** \$2,040, \$50,000 2022 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 65-9-14-11, \$143,142  
O-El Dorado Stables & Stratton Stable Inc. B-Christopher C Coyle. T-Cory Stratton. D-Jordan Stratton.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1H, 1H, 1Q, 3H, 3H - Finish Order: Cal Miles N Shell, Vinny De Vie, Draw The Line, Theobald

**7, YR, \$17,000, Pace**, F&M NW \$10,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS. WINNERS OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$10,000 L5" IN LAST START NE. AE: WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$7,500 L5". AE: F&M NW 6 P-M RACES LT. AE: OPT. CLM ALLOW \$20,000, 28.1, 57.4, 1:27.0, 1:56.3, FT

**1-Sweet Hayley Jane A (m, 6, Sweet Lou--Tachayleysdelight, by Bettor's Delight)** \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 49-14-9-3, \$81,980  
O-Ronald L Cushing & Kevin R Sywyk. B-J Carbone, AS. T-Heidi Cushing. D-Ron Cushing.

**2-Maria Allegonda N (m, 7, Sweet Lou--Angelina Jolie, by Art Major)** \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 54-7-15-10, \$88,466  
O-Jesmeral Stable. B-P G Laboyrie, NZ. T-Rob Harmon. D-Austin Siegelman.

**3-Over Ice (m, 5, Custard The Dragon--Arm In Arm, by American Ideal)** \$2,040, Lifetime Record: 55-12-16-9, \$237,056  
O-J J J Stables, CA. B-J J J Stables, CA. T-Deborah Daguet. D-George Brennan.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1H, 1H, T, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Cruise Alert, Miki In Luv, Ideal Cover, Th Rizzo, Time To Strike

**8, YR, \$19,000, Trot**, NW \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS. AE: WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$10,000 L5." AE: NW 8 P-M RACES LT AE: OPT. CLMG. ALLOW. \$30,000, 30.0, 59.4, 1:29.0, 1:58.3, FT

**1-The Brodster (g, 4, Propulsion--Temple Ruins, by Donato Hanover)** \$9,500, \$81,000 2023 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 29-8-1-6, \$104,549  
O-Engblom Farm LLC & Evans Nation. B-Bluestone Farms LLC & Fredericka V Caldwell. T-Per Engblom. D-Jason Bartlett.

*Another Lexington Selected Grad Winner!* **LEXINGTON**  
Selected Yearling Sale

**2-Diamante Trio It (m, 7, Nad Al Sheba--Gabella Dj, by Cougar Lobell)** \$4,750, Lifetime Record: 112-23-21-12, \$439,143  
O-Joe P Racing LLC & Oldford Racing LLC. B-Allev Triodi Gaibini Floriana, IT. T-Travis Alexander. D-Austin Siegelman.

**3-Black Tie Bash (g, 8, Chapter Seven--Daylon Mermaid, by Kadabra)** \$2,280, \$50,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 155-37-25-26, \$337,892  
O-Robert H Shepherd, CA. B-Dan J Kuhns. T-Pat Lachance. D-Pat Lachance.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1H, 2, 1H, 2, HD - Finish Order: Premier Victor, Once In A Lifetime, Green Mel, Ritson, Hand Dover Dan

**9, YR, \$15,000, Trot**, NW \$8,524 IN LAST 5 STARTS. WINNERS IN THE BASE CLASS "NW \$7,500 L5" IN LAST START NE. AE: WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$5,000 L5" AE: OPT. CLM ALLOW. \$15,000, 29.3, 59.4, 1:29.2, 1:58.4, FT

**1-Bay Breeze Hanover (m, 4, Bar Hopping--Bernis Hanover, by Cantab Hall)** \$7,500, \$97,000 2023 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 38-8-12-9, \$151,437  
O-Friendship Stables LLC & Rotiboy4Eva Racing Stable. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Maria Alvarez. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

**ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS** **Hanover**  
Greatest name in  
Harness Racing

**2-Street Gossip (g, 8, Cash Hall--The Young Princess, by Yankee Glide)** \$3,750, \$8,500 2019 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 155-26-26-30, \$660,525  
O-Jesmeral Stable. B-Morrisville Col Fdn Inc. T-Rob Harmon. D-Austin Siegelman.

**3-Chapheart (g, 7, Chapter Seven--Hip To My Heart, by Credit Winner)** \$1,800, \$30,000 2020 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 121-27-30-19, \$554,122  
O-Evans Nation & Engblom Farm LLC & Hickory Hollow Stables. B-Steve Jones & Fair Winds Farm Inc. T-Per Engblom. D-Jason Bartlett.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1, H, NS - Finish Order: I'm Out, Be Different, Pc Free Wheeling, Ice Breakers K, Velociraptor\

# RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY

## NORTHFIELD PARK *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**11, Nfld, \$19,500, Pace**, FILLIES & MARES OPEN HANDICAP, 27.4, 56.4, 1:26.0, 1:55.4, FR

**1-High Flyin' Filly (m, 6, Domethatagain--Live The Extreme, by Always A Virgin)** \$9,750, \$10,000 2021 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 104-31-17-17, \$502,472  
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Marion Beachy. T-Ron Burke. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr.

**2-Track'n Field (m, 5, Palone Ranger--Esquisse Hanover, by Art Major)** \$4,875, Lifetime Record: 78-13-12-11, \$149,750  
O-Linda Ebersole. B-Linda Ebersole. T-Jeff Ebersole. D-Dan Noble.

**3-Lady Rita (m, 6, Always B Miki--Big City Betty, by Bettor's Delight)** \$2,340, \$160,000 2021 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 81-19-18-15, \$276,358  
O-Paul M O'Neil. B-Bruce James Potter. T-Sam Schillaci. D-Aaron Merriman.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 5Q, 3Q, T, 2Q, 4 - Finish Order: Uptown Hanover, Jumpingjoy N, Be My Rose N, Two Pistol Annie, Think Of Galaxies

## SARATOGA HARNESS *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**6, Stga, \$16,500, Pace**, Winners Over / Open Handicap W/O Posts 1 & 2 Open Posts 3-6, 26.2, 56.0, 1:25.3, 1:54.4, GD

**1-Blazing Home N (g, 7, Rock N Roll Heaven--Capture My Heart, by Bettor's Delight)** \$8,250, Lifetime Record: 75-23-14-6, \$345,288  
O-Larry D Stalbaum. B-Mrs M Carson, NZ. T-Larry Stalbaum. D-Anthony Morgan.

**2-He'zzz A Wise Sky (h, 9, Yankee Skyscaper--Gimmeazzmooch, by Four Starzzz Shark)** \$4,125, Lifetime Record: 170-64-41-20, \$975,291  
O-Triple Zzz Stable. B-Donald A & Joann Filomeno. T-Jacob Cutting. D-Jacob Cutting.

**3-Vanderbilt N (g, 7, Always B Miki--Traceys Delight, by Bettor's Delight)** \$1,980, Lifetime Record: 36-14-7-4, \$99,833  
O-Ronald L Cushing & Kevin R Sywyk. B-Macca Lodge LTD, NZ. T-Heidi Cushing. D-Ron Cushing.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 1T, 1H, 1H, 1H, 1Q - Finish Order: The Good Doctor, Little Willy, Frisco Bay N

## WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**1, Wbs, \$22,000, Pace**, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 3 RACES OR \$60,000 (OS \$91,500) LIFETIME. AE: 4 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER OPT. CLM. \$60,000.  
ALLOWANCES FOR AGE, 27.4, 57.4, 1:26.0, 1:55.0

**1-Blazing Cruiser (b,g,4 - Sweet Lou-Pleasant Roll-Roll With Joe)** \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 31-6-3-2, \$80,436  
O-Howmac Farms Ltd B-Winbak Farm T-Victor Puddy D-Billy Davis

**2-Diamond Ryder (b,g,5 - Dali-Sambucas Credit-Up The Credit)**  
O-Triple S Equine B-Jjs Stables T-Pam Forgie D-Jean Rene Plante

**3-Blue Bar (br,g,4 - All Bets Off-Feelin Flush-As Promised)**  
O-Travis Cullen B-Travis Cullen T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶

**2, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace**, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 1 RACE (WINNERS FOR A PURSE OF \$9,000 OR LESS 2 RACES) OR \$9,000 LIFETIME. NO ALLOWANCES,  
28.1, 58.2, 1:28.1, 1:57.2

**1-Count On Gord (b,g,3 - Betterthancheddar-Quints Dream-Shadow Play)** \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$9,000  
O-Chris Matthews, Desmond Scott, Frank Brundle, Lyons Brothers Stable B-Joseph & Karen Hudon T-Chris Matthews D-Douglas Mcnair



## Another WINBAK FARM Winner!



## RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**2-The Ready** (b,h,4 - Bettors Delight-Sweet Ana Hanover-Dragon Again)

O-Overseas Farms Ltd B-Overseas Farms Ltd T-Julie Walker D-James Macdonald

**3-Ten Carat Garrett** (b,g,4 - Bettors Delight-Artistic Madison-Artistic Fella)

O-James Whelan, 2156604 Alberta Inc B-James Downer T-James Whelan D-James Whelan

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**3, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace**, CLAIMING HANDICAP \$30,000 TO \$40,000. ALLOWANCES FOR AGE & SEX. ENTER IN MULTIPLES OF \$1,000, 27.2, 55.2, 1:24.1, 1:52.4

**1-Jj Xavier** (b,g,7 - Tobago Cays-J J Mistress-Ameripan Gigolo) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 141-30-18-20, \$243,751

O-John Macmillan B-Jamie Mac Kinley, Windemere Farms T-Robert Kyle Fellows D-James Macdonald

## Preferred Equine Online SALE GRADUATE



**PREFERRED EQUINE**

*Mixed Sale Graduate*

**2-Hf Pans Shadow** (br,g,6 - Santanna Blue Chip-Hf Gennas Shadow-Glorious Scooter)

O-Daniel Sarafian B-Kaitlin Haining T-Carmen Auciello D-Travis Henry

**3-Century Inspector** (b,g,7 - Hes Watching-Mary Bits-Somebeachsomewhere)

O-Daniel Sarafian B-Century Spring Farms T-Carmen Auciello D-Jody Jamieson

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶

**4, Wbs, \$22,000, Pace**, NW \$9,250 LAST 4 STARTS OR NW \$18,750 LAST 8 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$50,000, 27.0, 56.0, 1:25.0, 1:53.4

**1-Bettor Than Spring** (b,g,11 - Bettors Delight-Spring Break-Dream Away) \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 252-66-50-37, \$973,233

O-Perry Burke B-Winbak Farm T-Ronald Macdonald D-Brett Macdonald



## Another WINBAK FARM Winner!



**2-Early Action** (b,g,7 - Huntsville-Fashion Katie-Village Jolt)

O-Daniel Sarafian B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Carmen Auciello D-Tyler Borth

**3-Bold Spirit** (b,g,5 - Stay Hungry-Her Music Rocks-Rocknroll Hanover)

O-Roy Sproxton, Harbhajan Singh Dhillon, Darryl Kaplan, Duane Marfisi B-Dorothy Hock T-Duane Marfisi D-Daryl Thiessen

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**5, Wbs, \$30,000, Pace**, POP UP SERIES FINAL: STARTERS FOR PURSE OF \$11,000 OR LESS IN L3 STARTS (WO \$100,000 IN 2025 NE). AE: NW \$40,000 IN 2025 (MIN 10 STARTS), 27.0, 56.2, 1:25.0, 1:53.3

**1-Honolulu Vacation** (b,h,5 - Betterthancheddar-Luxury Vacation-Rambaran) \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 64-7-5-8, \$108,920

O-Cody Hawkins B-Cody Hawkins T-Cody Hawkins D-Daryl Thiessen

**2-Code Cracker** (b,g,7 - Sweet Lou-Atsallrite Hanover-Rocknroll Hanover)

O-A1stable B-Burke Racing Stable Llc, Weaver Brusceci Llc, Michelle Yanek, Phillip Collura T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

**3-Needabankloan** (b,g,7 - Toucam Sam-Newport Way-The Panderosa)

O-Jacques Lambert B-Jacques Lambert T-Michael Kwierniowski D-Louis-Philippe Roy

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**6, Wbs, \$26,000, Pace**, NW \$12,000 LAST 4 STARTS OR NW \$31,500 LAST 8 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$70,000. AE: NW \$165,000 LIFETIME, 27.2, 56.2, 1:24.3, 1:53.2

**1-Lous World** (b,h,5 - Sweet Lou-World Apart-Art Major) \$13,000, Lifetime Record: 60-14-4-14, \$307,110

O-Gino Toscani B-Willow Oak Ranch T-Garry Merner D-James Macdonald

**2-Get Wings** (b,h,4 - Bettors Wish-The Captains Angel-Captaintreacherous)

O-Gary Ford, Janet Kinney B-Double Ee Meadows T-Paul Mackenzie D-Jody Jamieson

## RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**3-Wallace Hartley** (b,g,5 - Lazarus N-Jk Isntshelovely-Somebeachsomewhere)

O-Estate Of Dale C Towle B-Twinbrook Limited T-Chantal Mitchell D-Jean Rene Plante

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**7, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace**, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 1 RACE (WINNERS FOR A PURSE OF \$9,000 OR LESS 2 RACES) OR \$9,000 LIFETIME. NO ALLOWANCES, 27.2, 57.4, 1:27.4, 1:57.1

**1-Hiro Hanover (b,c,3 - Captaintreacherous-Holla Hanover-Well Said)** \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, \$13,320

O-Dr Peter Johnston B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Robert Kyle Fellows D-Nicholas Boyd

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**2-Corona Seelster** (b,g,3 - Big Jim-Circle The Page-Real Artist)

O-Michael Marocco, Victor Puddy B-Seelster Farms Inc T-Victor Puddy D-Tyler Borth

**3-Claymore** (b,g,4 - Panther Hanover-A And Gs Majorette-Art Major)

O-Robert Quinn B-Robert Quinn T-Mary Lee Quinn D-Billy Davis

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**8, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace**, NW \$6,000 LAST 4 STARTS OR NW \$12,000 LAST 8 STARTS. AE: STARTERS FOR A PURSE OF \$9,000 OR LESS LAST 3. AE: N/A \$1,200 P/S IN 2025-26, 27.4, 57.3, 1:26.1, 1:54.0

**1-Whatchulookin At (b,g,6 - Hes Watching-Oriane Blue Chip-Art Major)** \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 71-16-8-11, \$471,092

O-Pollack Racing Llc B-Gregg Mcnair, Jim Newton, Bloomingwood Farms Ltd, Paul Kidd T-David Menary D-Louis-Philippe Roy

**2-Stonebridge Helios** (b,h,7 - Sunshine Beach-Ken Doll J-Bettors Delight)

O-Jesse Dragojevic, Scott Enman B-Angie Stiller T-Paul Court D-Jody Jamieson

**3-Legion Seelster** (br,g,10 - Sunshine Beach-Legacy-Art Major)

O-Gordon Mc Donald, Christopher Boland B-Seelster Farms Inc T-Victor Puddy D-Tyler Borth

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**9, Wbs, \$40,000, Pace**, OPEN, 27.1, 57.0, 1:25.2, 1:52.3

**1-Its Saturday Night (b,g,5 - Always B Miki-Night Music-Somebeachsomewhere)** \$20,000, Lifetime Record: 58-13-11-9, \$484,316

O-Pollack Racing Llc B-Steve Jones T-David Menary D-Louis-Philippe Roy

**2-Brue Hanover** (b,g,6 - Stay Hungry-Blind Ambition-Art Major)

O-Burke Racing Stable Llc, Weaver Brusceci Llc B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-David Menary D-James Macdonald

**3-Dublin Dasher** (b,g,5 - Always B Miki-Db Blue Chip-Art Major)

O-Paul Sanders, A1stable, Grace Marshman B-Frederick Hertrich T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

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**10, Wbs, \$20,000, Pace**, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 2 RACES OR \$30,000 (OS \$44,500) LIFETIME. AE: 4 YR OLDS N/A \$1,200 P/S IN 2025-26, 27.2, 57.2, 1:27.1, 1:56.0

**1-Hasselhoff (b,g,4 - Captain Crunch-Miki Beach-Always B Miki)** \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 50-4-8-11, \$63,276

O-Daniel Sarafian B-Enviro Stables Ltd T-Carmen Auciello D-Travis Henry

**2-Moving On Over** (br,g,4 - Control The Moment-Bettor Move Over-Bettors Delight)

O-Daniel Sarafian B-Murray Brethour, Daniel Sarafian, Harley Harkness, Tony Basile T-Carmen Auciello D-Douglas McNair

**3-Twin B Alliance** (b,g,4 - Always B Miki-Twin B Epic-Shadow Play)

O-Sarah Imrie, Elaine Stock B-Twinbrook Limited T-Rodney Hughes D-Tyler Borth

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