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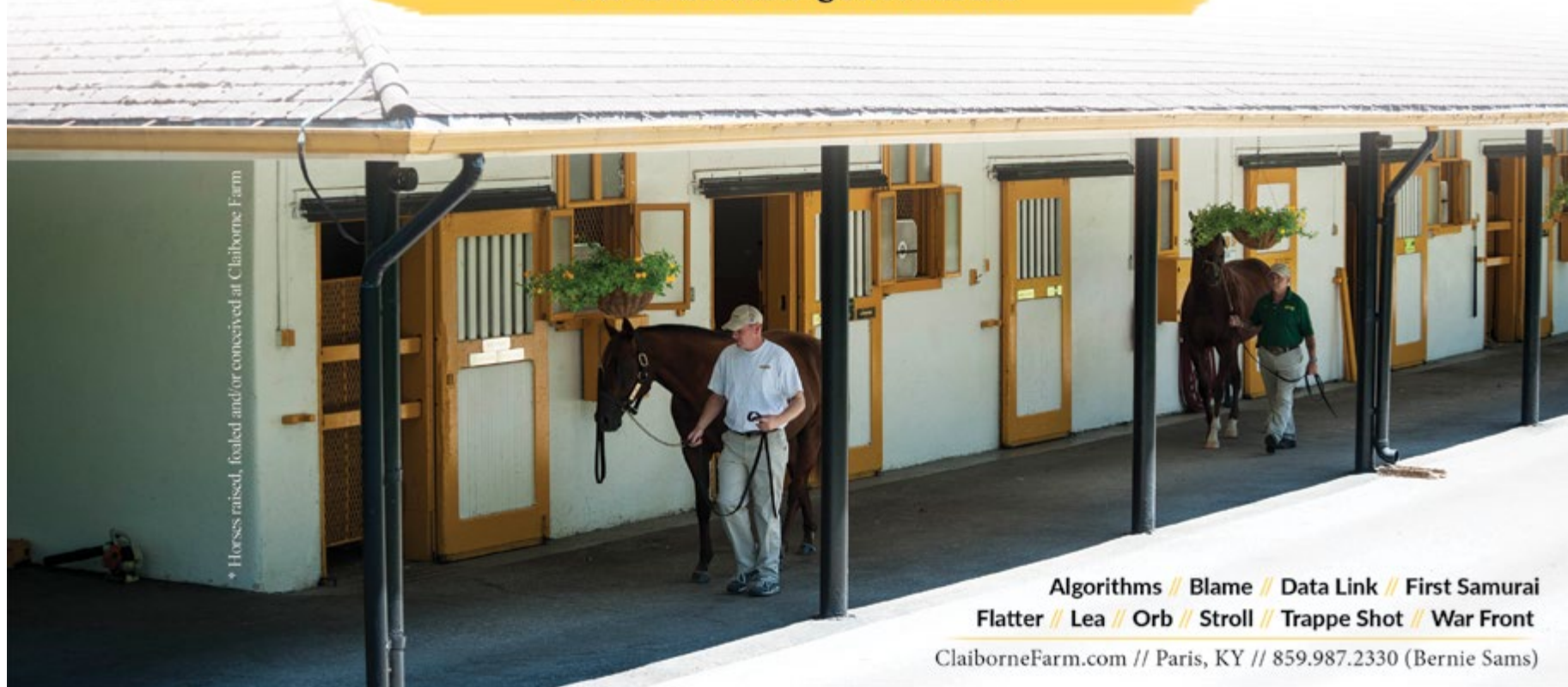
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Shaman Ghost upsets Grade 1 Woodward



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LICENSE PLATE OF THE DAY

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NAMES OF THE DAY

New York's Finest, sixth race. Tic Stable's 2-year-old is by City Zip out of Is It Safe.

Refer, seventh race. Put the accent on the second syllable. The 4-year-old colt is out of Allude.

Joust, sixth race Monday. Robert Evans' homebred is by War Front out of Queen's Play.

Sea Cloud, 11th race Monday. Patricia Moseley's 3-year-old filly is by Mizzen mast out of Picture Gallery.

BY THE NUMBERS

1: Last chance for trainer Jonathan Sheppard to extend his Saratoga winning streak to 47 years in Monday's final race of the day – and meet. War Baby is 12-1 on the morning line in a turf maiden special weight. Sheppard won his first race at Saratoga in 1969, and has won at least one race here every year since.

1: Loose horse, Three Lions, during the Run for the Horses 5K, quickly corralled while digging into some lush green grass.

13: Screw-eye holes on the door of Strike Midnight's stall.



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"Thanks for talking to me. I've only got four horses and there's so much going on all the time, I feel so left out."

Marialice Coffey, truly getting hands-on as she mucked out her pony's outdoor stall at the end of her barn Friday morning



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NAME OF THE DAY

There Goes Ben, second race.

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28: Placing of The Special's Ryan Clancy in Saturday morning's Run for the Horses 5K. He stopped the teletimer in 22:36, but was no match for owner Adam Newman of Newman Racing, who placed 23rd in 22:09. The Special's Tom Law placed 40th overall in 23:36 while Joe Clancy checked in 54th in 24:42. We're surely missing a few, but other racing names in the lineup included Richard Newman (25:39), Rick Schosberg (25:48), Seth Benzel (26:26), Michael Sternklar (26:50), Dan Collins (27:08), Rob Masiello (29:45) plus Jack Knowlton, Maggie Wolfendale and others. More than 320 runners showed up, all to raise money for local non-profits that rescue and provide second chances for ex-racehorses: ACTT Naturally, Heading for Home, Old Friends at Cabin Creek, ReRun, Saratoga War Horse and the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation.

WORTH REPEATING

"We're going to miss you, Clance."

Saratoga Special reader in the clubhouse Friday morning, as The Special golf cart rolled through

"He is very un-American. He hated the National Anthem."

Assistant trainer Kelly Wheeler, walking Bitumen back from paddock schooling Saturday morning

"He's like Colin Kaepernick."

The Special's Joe Clancy, to Wheeler

"So happy to be mentioned (almost) in this season's penultimate issue. Thanks!"

A Saratoga Special distribution point that did not get papers Friday due to an incident involving police



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"I had this clod-hopper kid next to me ... the noise alone, your feet must be ... I don't know how he did it."

The Special's Joe Clancy on a rival at the Run for the Horses 5k

"After a great Run for the Horses it's nice to settle in for a great read with The Special!"

Email from runner and reader Linda Myers, who won the female 40-49 age group and finished one second ahead of Tom Law (Good job Linda, and thanks!)

"Shouldn't you be out running now?"

Clocker Dave Lynette to The Special's Tom Law just before 7 Saturday morning (post time for the Run for the Horses 5k was 8:30)

"Three titans of the turf."

Jock's agent Jason Beides, describing The Special's Sean Clancy, Joe Clancy and Tom Law

"There's a Clancy sister?"

Horsemen's relation greeting to Sheila Clancy, sister of The Special

"Sorry, no rooms, booked full tonight."

Trainer Jimmy Bond, walking past the under-renovation Brentwood Hotel, outside the Nelson Avenue gate

"I've got five owners here and a writer from The Saratoga Special, just another day in the life."
Trainer Ray Handal on the phone inside his barn at the harness track late Friday morning

"Who's there?"

Trainer Mike Shevy as The Special's trio of editors rolled past his shedrow and waved

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"In all fairness, if you want to make a champion, you have to have it on your mind. I'm not saying I could have done it, don't get me wrong, but I never had it on my mind. Like Duck Dance, he beat everybody at sprinting and they gave sprinter of the year to Ack Ack because he won going seven-eighths in California, once. Duck Dance was a good horse, boy, he had those bunchy knees, you could hang your hat on them. Lassies rubbed him. His real name was Ernest Wells. He was one of the greatest grooms of all time. He used to put those spider bandages on him, cut a hole in the back, you know if a horse gets done up in those spider bandages, he'll finally get rubbed, he used to put the cotton around, take his scissors and cut the side of the knee and the back of the knee, then put the spider around. Lassies used to hold a horse in the ice, he'd say, 'Might as well stand still me boy, if you're going to eat this man's oats, you're going to stand in this man's water.'"

- Trainer Allen Jerkens



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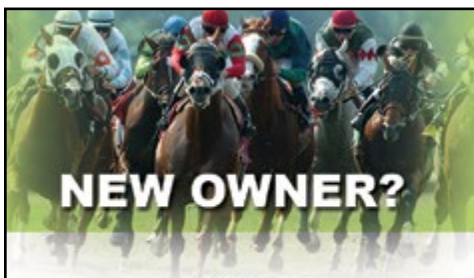
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This is an annual tradition – OK, second time – we stepped out of the well-worn path of following Saturday afternoon trainers and went searching for the guys who make the game tick.

Stopping at Glenn DiSanto's barn off Gridley Street Saturday morning, we explained the mission of the little guy. An owner laughed, "Glenn is the epitome of the little guy. We send him horses who aren't very fast and ask him to teach them to run."

Unfortunately, we couldn't find Desmond Farrell at his polished barn on the harness side, Artie Magnusson was on the farm and Bill Heffner had already gone home, but here is the Little Guy Stable Tour of 2016.

Troy Wismer (Malibu Stella): "I really like her, she's in Sunday. She's a nice horse, I broke her, she's come around nice, she's got a solid chance. We had a couple of nice seconds, got beat by a nose. She finished second, broke slow and made a strong move and got beat. It's tough here. It would be great to win one in our first year at Saratoga."

Glenn DiSanto (Quick On The Draw): "She's a nice 2-year-old filly, all ready to run and of course she got sick. I've hardly run anything at the meet. We have a lot of young horses. She's a Posse filly, she's a half to R Betty Graybull and a bunch of other winners. We really like her, she got sick and she's coming back. She works well."

Glenn DiSanto (Adirondack Dream): "He's by Posse, too. We ran him here, he fin-



ished seventh, he got beat 9 lengths, he didn't know what he was doing. We put blinkers on him and he worked well the other day, 1:14 for 6 furlongs, he really wanted to go in the blinkers."

Ray Handal (Gentrify, winner of the second race Saturday): "He's been a good dude to me. We claimed him for 16, he had some feet issues, hind-end stuff going on but we got him happy and healthy. He goes out there and runs every time."

Ray Handal (Winter Springs): "Claimed him off Chad Brown, ran him back in three and half weeks and he won for us for \$32,000. Really neat horse, a lot of personality. Watch him, he'll play with the Jolly Ball all day. He's a good dude, and has a special spot with me since he's my first Saratoga winner. He's going to run Opening Day at Belmont for \$25,000, going a mile and a quarter again."

Ray Handal (Viserion): "She's a 2-year-old Mizzen Mast filly who was a work away from running and got sick, spiked a 103 temp. If you look up the clocker reports, I put her 10 lengths behind Winter Springs when they went 1:01 when he won that race and she caught him and passed him galloping out. Could be any kind of horse. I've worked around Grade 1 2-year-olds when I was with Tony Dutrow and some other people and you never know what they're going to be until they go out there but she's passed every test so far. She's wicked fast from the gate. Joel Rosario breezed her and he really liked her. I'm expecting good things from her."

Bill Allyn (Jaime's Angel): "I'm really high on this Mission Impazible colt. That's the owner there, Ed Young. The Mission Impazi-

bles have done well and we're pointing for an October race, I'm pretty high on him. He breezed a half here in 49 and 4, in company. I told the kid I want to go in 50, that doesn't happen very often."

Robbie Davis (Ribbonite): "She's a 2-year-old filly I bought, she ran second in a maiden special first time out, we only paid \$25,000 for her, then she came back and got beat 2 lengths, finished fourth. She's nominated to the Lady Fingers at Finger Lakes next Saturday, I don't know how tough it's going to be, but hopefully she'll break the ice for me in a little stake race, that would be awesome. I got (son) Dylan on her, I got a lot of hell for that, but I've only got so many horses, he's doing a good job on her."

Marialice Coffey (Flora Dora): Third behind Songbird and Carina Mia in the Grade 1 Coaching Club American Oaks, she finished fifth in the Grade 1 Alabama Aug. 20. "The last race I don't know, she must have been having a bad-hair day. She's been super coming out of that race. We're going to try the grass, maybe in a month. We put that off for a while and we're hoping to give her another breeze on it. I breezed her once on it, couldn't tell if she really liked it or not and she worked a bullet. She likes the distance and next year there won't be any long dirt races. I have a filly Legally Bay that runs long on the dirt and her condition doesn't go. I'm hoping Flora likes the grass because that gives us more options."

Eddie Barker (Yorkiepoo Princess): "She's on the AE's Sunday, not going to get in, and she was on the AE's Friday and didn't get in. This is an unbelievable story. I started training these horses in April, this one and another one (Kissin Cassie). From the time we start-

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ed breezing, the other one could not keep up with her. She's got a lot of ability. He only paid \$8,000 for her and \$5,000 for the other one. I took a chance and put them in for maiden 50, there was no doubt in my mind that she would win the race, she reared up in the gate and they scratched her, so we ran for purse-money-only, the one she beats every time won. We had pick fives, all this stuff, and we got the post-time favorite. You can't make it up. So I ran her back in a maiden special weight on the grass, she had the 8 hole and got beat 3 lengths, we ran 34 feet further than the winner, a \$400,000 yearling. She's a nice filly, we're going to have some fun with her. We had a couple of seconds and thirds, one win, all in all it was a good meet. I expected to do a little better, but we held our own, with a small stable, it's hard to compete with these guys."

Oscar Barrera III (Mahabodhi Tree): "She didn't run here, probably next year. She's a 3-year-old filly, she broke her maiden at Aqueduct, she finished fourth in a stake at Philadelphia and I gave her time off. She's a nice, fast, little filly. I bought her at the Fasig-Tipton May Sale for \$5,000. She was a steal. We came up with her name because her mother's name is Siddhartha, it's like a Chinese Buddha, we looked up similar things and came up with Mahabodhi Tree for money tree. I gave her two months off after the stake, she's been breezing, I'll bring her back at Belmont the first week. She's quick, fast, sound, a tail swisher, she's got a lot of attitude. I have four in on Monday, we'll see if we can come away with a winner. I like one named Pussy Willow, she's got a shot, and another one I claimed from Todd (Pletcher), Saratoga Sight, he's got a shot, too."

Joe Parker (Mister Popsicle): "He's a beautiful horse, a beautiful horse. He's got a little bit of an issue, but he could win. He's just got to catch the right batch."

Joe Parker (Kate Is A Ten): "Of course, she's the star of the stable. Everybody knows her, she's the horse who jumped the shadow (in a 2014 win at Belmont Park). She's honest and she tries hard. She won for us here last

Stable Tour —

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year and she was second (and fourth) this year. I could never say anything bad about her.”

Joe Parker (Blue Pigeon): “I claimed him from Linda Rice (\$10,000 in January). He’s a turf horse and I’ve been running him for \$25,000 and those races are very tough. But he’s OK. I just have to find the right spot for him. Maybe I will find the right spot at Belmont.”

Mike Shevy (Colonel Jessup): “This is the colonel. He’s in on Sunday. You’ll have to say a prayer for me, he’s in a distance race and he’s a sprinter, it’s the only race I can get him in, he’s a character horse. He’ll be the longest shot of the meet. I’ve been in a slump, but you just try to remember when things were good, when I won a race here and The Saratoga Special interviewed me, your whole life turns around in two minutes. All of a sudden, this dream is real. I’ve got a nice 2-year-old filly by Frost Giant, we’ll be back. The whole game is a gamble but you’ve got to keep chipping.”

Arch Kingsley (Top Striker and Cash Crop): “Top Striker ran two winning races, finished second both times (over hurdles), if you’re not much the best up here and things don’t go just right, that’s how you get beat. We weren’t much the best and we got beat both times, that’s the way it goes but I was really happy with the way he performed. It’s nice to have a horse like that in the barn, who’s so consistent and tries so hard. Cash Crop has been a fun horse too, he broke his maiden right there in Camden for George and Sue Sensor. He had a fall at Queen’s Cup and he broke three ribs, I didn’t know how he would come back from that, he won at Suffolk and then finished fourth over jumps here. I would love to have some flat horses to run up here, but between the two of them, it was a worthwhile foray.”

Kerry Metivier (Bold Illusion): “He won here three weeks ago, broke his maiden. He’s doing great. We bumped him up a bit, he won for maiden 40 New York and now he’s in an a-other-than New York-bred dirt race going 6 furlongs. It came up like a mini stake. There’s six other horses in there and they’re all really good. He’s really come around this meet and I think he’ll do alright.”

Kerry Metivier (Harbor King): “He’s been one of the barn favorites forever, a really hard-trying horse. He really loves New York but we’ve run him in Saratoga a few times and he’s run third. This summer we’ve been on a schedule where we either get excluded or it rains off. So it’s been a little bit of a difficult schedule, not physically just getting to the races. We’re looking forward to that. He was going to run on Saratoga Showcase day and got a little quarter crack, so we fixed that up and we’ve had a couple weeks.”

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Signature Victory

Shaman Ghost upsets Frosted in Grade 1

BY SEAN CLANCY

Kent Sweezey accepted congratulations yet again from the woman holding the rope, funneling people into the winner's circle. She's been there all meet, always applauding, always congratulating – everybody. Upbeat, she congratulates owners, trainers, writers...if you're well dressed and walking to the winner's circle, you're a winner to her.

"Finally, finally, finally," said Sweezey, assistant trainer to Jimmy Jerkens. "I've been saying, 'Nope, sorry. Nope, sorry. Nope, sorry,' all meet."

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Shaman Ghost (second from right) digs in while battling Frosted (left), Breaking Lucky (second from left) and Mubtaahij nearing the finish of the Woodward.

Tod Marks

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Woodward —

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Not this time.

Shaman Ghost upset the Grade 1 Woodward, earning a close decision in a four-horse scrum at the end of 9 furlongs. Shaman Ghost and Javier Castellano won by a head over Mubtaahij, who had a head on 2-5 favorite Frost-ed, who had a head on Canadian shipper Breaking Lucky. Shaman Ghost finished 9 furlongs in 1:48.92.

Jerkens stopped in the winner's circle as TV cameramen waited for their cue to go live and looked around, not necessarily stunned by the performance, but awed by the moment.

"Wow," Jerkens said. "Wow."

Owned by Stronach Stable, the 4-year-old son of Ghostzapper captured his first Grade 1 stakes of his 12-race career. A four-time winner, including the Canadian classic Queen's Plate, for Brian Lynch last year, the bay colt was transferred to Jerkens in December. He made his debut for Jerkens in May, finishing third in a three-other-than optional claimer before winning the Grade 2



Tod Marks

Kent Sweezy sponges Shaman Ghost after the Grade 1 victory.

Brooklyn going a mile and a half at Belmont Park in June. A month later, he ran evenly to finish fifth in the Grade 2 Suburban. Jerkens aimed at the Woodward, using the Oklahoma

Training Track as the platform and Shaman Ghost delivered.

"He loves to train, you can't train him too hard," Jerkens said. "He loves it, he loves it."

A 4-furlong breeze in :49.94 July 30 began the process, a 7-furlong drill in 1:28.44 came next and a sharp 4-furlong bullet in :48.83 convinced Jerkens to keep the Woodward as the target.

"We were going to run all along in this but two weeks ago, I called Mike Rogers up and said, I think we might skip it and go for a race at Belmont, I was trying to figure out how the best way to get him to the Jockey Club Gold Cup, I just thought I was going to run out of time," Jerkens said of the call to Frank Stronach's close advisor and president of The Stronach Group's Racing and Gaming Division. "Mike said, 'The boss wasn't too crazy about that idea.' A couple of days went by and I said, 'All right, let's go to the Woodward.' I didn't know who we were going to get to ride him, we were lucky to get Javier. It's incredible."

Breaking from the rail in the field of nine, Shaman Ghost slid like a knife into a sheath, finding a perfect spot in fourth as Joe Bravo hustled Bradester, riding a three-race win streak, to the lead and Joel Rosario

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eased Frosted behind a phalanx of four. After a quarter-mile in :24.38, Bradester led by a length over Samraat and Breaking Lucky. Castellano rocked above Shaman Ghost, inside longshot Catholic Cowboy. Frosted, who won the Whitney gate-to-wire, picked a spot in sixth, but it was anything but smooth to get there. Mubtaahij, who broke from the outside, slid into seventh, 83-1 Tapin Mojo came next and Tale Of Verve fell back to last.

Bradester clicked off a half in :48.43 as Breaking Lucky began to separate from Samraat. Shaman Ghost loped along in fourth, two empty lanes from the rail and an empty lane between his outside rivals. Frosted stayed wide but tracking the peloton.

“Dream trip,” Castellano said. “A dream trip.”

On the turn, Joe Bravo niggled Bradester, Luis Contreras aboard Breaking Lucky snuck a look under his right arm, Jose Ortiz slapped Samraat without much response, Castellano pushed to hold his peg in place and Rosario waited like he was about to break off in a morning work.

Passing the quarter pole, Bradester drifted five lanes off the rail, carrying Breaking Lucky with him. Shaman Ghost tipped out, on Breaking Lucky’s quarter.

Samraat tried to rally but was spent. Frosted loomed large, but had made a long, circling rally around the turn. Watching a five-way stack of cards outside, Irad Ortiz punched Mubtaahij through on the rail.

Straightening into the stretch, Breaking Lucky took over from Bradester as Castellano tried to a rally Shaman Ghost, still thinking outside. Rosario guided Frosted wide, separating the gray colt from four rivals inside him, then angled back to the left to cue a lead change, which negated Castellano’s original plan to split horses outside. He audibled and shifted Shaman Ghost behind Breaking Lucky, sliding inside to match strides with Mubtaahij.

“When I saw Frosted go around at the three eighths pole, I wanted to go around too and keep him out there, I was trying to go out there, but I was forcing it,” Castellano said. “I decid-

ed, ‘I’m working here, this isn’t going to work.’ I see the big gap, I split horses, that made the difference to win the race. He got encouraged when he got down there.”

While whips flailed off Breaking Lucky, Shaman Ghost and Mubtaahij, Rosario opted to keep his whip in his right hand, un-cocked all the way to the wire, as he maneuvered from the far outside to the edge of Breaking Lucky.

At the sixteenth pole, Frosted, Breaking Lucky, Shaman Ghost and Mubtaahij were even. At any moment, Frosted was meant to slam the door shut, but it kept swinging open like a screen door on an old porch. Ten strides before the wire, Shaman Ghost finally asserted, grinding it out, a head in front of Mubtaahij on his inside and a head in front of Frosted to his outside.

Jerkens watched in delight, then horror.

“I was glad when he drew No. 1, I loved that, just sit there, they’ll go. I loved where he was in the race,” Jerkens said. “Then I thought, ‘Oh, no, he’s going to hang in third.’ The great riders give them another effort, don’t they? They just seem to have that extra push.”

Castellano’s just happy to ride for Jerkens.

“Two Travers and now a Woodward,” Castellano said. “He said he just hires me for the Grade 1s. That works for me.”

Shaman Ghost and five other Adena Springs horses arrived in December to help bolster Jerkens’ select but strong stable. Shaman Ghost’s Woodward score added \$360,000 to Jerkens’ yearly earnings of \$3.2 million. With a few big wins this fall, Jerkens could go over \$4 million for the third consecutive year, a far cry from 2011-‘13 when his stable didn’t crack \$1 million.

“We had a good year when Afleet Express won the Travers in 2010, then we starved the next three years and then we just got rolling again. Usually when that happens, you don’t ever get going again,” Jerkens said. “Good horses, one after another. It came after two or three terrible years, that’s the weird thing about it. The horses just came, I don’t know why. I’ve only got about 35, but they’re all good.”

That’s what the woman near the winner’s circle had been saying all meet.

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Shared Spoils

Pretty City Dancer, Sweet Loretta finish in dead heat in Gr. 1

BY TOM LAW

Irad Ortiz Jr. jumped off Pretty City Dancer after jogging the filly back following a rough run in the stretch in Saturday's \$350,000 Spinaway Stakes at Saratoga, uttered a few words to trainer Mark Casse and made a beeline for the telephone near the weigh-out scale in the winner's circle.

The photo-finish sign was still on the infield

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Pretty City Dancer (left) and Sweet Loretta reach the finish together in Saturday's Grade 1 Spinaway.



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Spinaway —

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screen, along with a stewards' inquiry, but Ortiz didn't care.

"I got bumped pretty hard there, I had to claim foul," a more cooled off Ortiz said after the last race on Saturday's card. "It was so close, I thought it made the difference. I thought I had to do it."

The finish of the Spinaway was indeed close, so close that the technology available couldn't determine the winner between two high-dollar daughters of leading sire Tapit, Pretty City Dancer and Sweet Loretta. The judges posted a dead heat sign a few moments after Ortiz made his purposeful walk and looks of concern quickly changed to relief.

All that remained — aside from that pesky stewards' inquiry that eventually didn't change the order and certainly made for good TV on NBC Sports Network's national broadcast — was who to lead into the winner's circle first for the year's first Grade 1 stakes for 2-year-old fillies.

John Oxley's Pretty City Dancer got the honor as Ortiz quickly remounted and her groom started to walk the gray filly toward the winner's circle. The hasty move — perhaps the second following Ortiz's no claim-claim of foul — was fended off by the track photographer and all followed the usual protocol from there.

The shared victory didn't bother any of the principals.

Vinny Viola, owner of Sweet Loretta, accepted congratulations from Pretty City Dancer's Casse. Tristan Berry, assistant to Todd Pletcher, accepted well wishes from Casse exercise rider E. J. Bowler. Casse and Pletcher chatted for a moment, too.

"I met up with Todd and he asked me 'would you take a dead heat?'" Casse said. "I told him, 'I'll take a dead heat.'"

The first dead heat in a Grade 1 stakes at Saratoga since the 2012 Travers came after the incident that got Ortiz a bit steamed on a cool day at the end of the meet.

The 7-furlong Spinaway started uneventfully enough, aside from a bobble that nearly sent Pretty City Dancer to her knees leaving the gate. She'd done that before, including as the biggest tip horse of Kentucky

Derby week when she stumbled at the break and lost as the 3-2 favorite in her debut the day before the Kentucky Oaks.

"It's funny, Mr. Oxley came out to the races to watch her run that day," Casse said of Pretty City Dancer's third in her debut. "I don't think he was impressed."

Ortiz got Pretty City Dancer together after her bad break and kept her several paths off the inside as the field left the chute and raced up the backstretch.

Runway Doll, a 13 1/2-length maiden winner in the slop July 31, took the initiative with Delaware Park shipper You Know Too just to her outside. As Runway Doll and You Know Too spurred clear and were soon joined by even-money favorite Cherry Lodge on the outside, Sweet Loretta and Javier Castellano came off the inside and raced fourth early.

Cherry Lodge, a maiden winner for Pletcher at Saratoga Aug. 7, also recovered from a slight stumble and stayed with the top pair through the opening quarter in :22.89. You Know Too backed off at the half-mile pole and Runway Doll held her spot just to the inside of Cherry Lodge around the far turn. They continued to tussle through a sharp :45.81 half as Castellano and Sweet Loretta, winner of the Grade 3 Schuylerville Opening Day, inched up into third.

"I was kind of watching Cherry Lodge stumble at the start, she got up and I liked the way she was traveling but you could tell she was a little bit keen," Pletcher said. "It was good that she was in the clear, I was just hoping she'd settle a little more. It looked like Sweet Loretta had drafted in behind them in a good spot."

Ortiz also kept Pretty City Dancer in the clear on the outside a little farther back and passed You Know Too at the top of the lane. He continued to roll behind the three leaders while widest of all and as Runway Doll and Cherry Lodge came up empty at the three-sixteenths, Sweet Loretta swept past under Castellano's hand ride. Sweet Loretta ran to daylight and took a few steps out, then in, then out while Pretty City Dancer bore down.

Sweet Loretta drifted out, never taking away Pretty City Dancer's path, and Castellano corrected his filly. Pretty City Dancer continued

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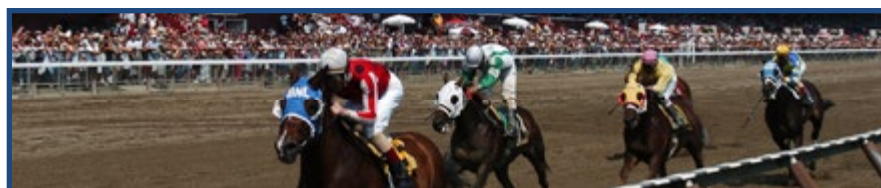


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Pretty City Dancer (left) and Sweet Loretta duke it out in the stretch.



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to make progress and the two exchanged a light bump when they were on even terms. They bumped twice more, both times pushing their hind ends a few feet apart, and hit the wire together.

Casse said he wasn't sure Pretty City Dancer got there.

"Afterwards I thought we won, then I thought we got beat," Casse said.

Pletcher also thought Sweet Loretta lost the head bob.

"In the stretch, I thought she had it and then it was getting closer, and then I thought the other filly put a nose in front of her and then she got a big bob," Pletcher said. "I was happy with the way she did it. She was home free — almost."

Following the formalities of the pictures and trophy presentations, Pletcher watched the replay on the big screen in the clubhouse and added a little clarity to the outcome. He watched his second consecutive and sixth Spinaway victory an arm's length from an over-served, under-informed patron who let his opinion fly to anyone within earshot. "Anybody else but Pletcher, that horse comes down, anybody else's horse, anybody's ..." he proclaimed before fading into the crowd.

Pletcher paid him no mind.

"Our filly definitely drifts out right about now, drifts out, drifts out," Pletcher said as he watched. "Now watch, she's going to come back and bump us, right there. The first thing was nothing and the stuff at the end was pretty mutual."

Sweet Loretta, who cost Viola \$750,000 as a weanling at the 2014 Keeneland November breeding stock sale, improved to 3-for-3 with the shared victory. Pretty City Dancer, an \$825,000 buy at last year's Keeneland September yearling sale, improved to 3-for-4.

Both fillies earned an automatic spot in the starting gate

for the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies through the Win And You're In program, the dead heat essentially taking away one of a possible nine at-large spots for the \$2 million stakes Nov. 4 at Santa Anita Park.

Casse came away feeling good about Pretty City Dancer's chances at the Juvenile Fillies' 1 1/16-mile distance and said he'd stretch the filly out next in Keeneland's Grade 1 Darley Alcibiades. A good performance there and she could wind up in the favorite's role for the Juvenile Fillies. She's been highly regarded since Oxley and Casse teamed to buy her last fall.

"It's a funny story and nobody really knows this. Normally when we bid on horses Mr. Oxley and I sit together, well, we'd been around and he really wanted a Tapit filly," Casse said. "We said this was the one and he loved her. Normally we sit together but he told me, 'you might want to sit in the lobby for this one.' You see, I normally stop him, but he really wanted her and wanted me in the lobby so I couldn't stop him. I thought that was good.

"I did what he said and was watching him. Meanwhile, somebody comes up to me and says, 'we really like this filly,' and I told them we did, too. They kind of looked at me, noticed where I was and said, 'Mr. Oxley's right in there.' I just told them he wanted me to wait in the hall. I was thinking we had a pretty good shot of getting her at that point."

Additional reporting
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Trainers Todd Pletcher (left) and Mark Casse (right) react to the dead heat announcement along with owner Vinnie Viola.

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Case Closed

Inspector Lynley gets up late in G3 on grass

BY BRANDON VALVO

Inspector Lynley has a lot in common with his dam, Criminologist, Shug McGaughey says. The Hall of Fame conditioner trained the mare to nine wins, four of them Grade 3 stakes, during her career and trained her 3-year-old son by Lemon Drop Kid to victory in Saturday's Grade 3 Saranac Stakes.

Inspector Lynley and Criminologist took awhile to develop and they both like going long on the grass. They even look a little alike, according to their Hall of Fame trainer.

"Not looks-wise except for body shape," he said. "She was gray, but same kind of running style, a little bit off the pace and finish. If she got back too far, she couldn't finish fast enough. It took her a while to break her maiden and she never got good until maybe her 4-year-old year on the grass."



Joel Rosario pats Inspector Lynley in the winner's circle.



Tod Marks

Inspector Lynley (left) rallies past Camelot Kitten to win the first of four graded stakes on Saturday's card.

Criminologist won for the first time in her third start in June of her 3-year-old year. Inspector Lynley beat her to the punch, winning in his fourth try in February. Like his dam, McGaughey thinks Inspector Lynley is still improving nine months into his sophomore season.

"There's still some more there," he said. "At least I hope there is. Not only mentally, but physically, too. He's got a ways to go. I was pretty impressed with what I saw in the paddock today, just his lines and stuff."

Breaking from the rail in the 1 1/8-mile Saranac, Joel Rosario snuck a peek to his right and saw Camelot Kitten, Strike Midnight and Ray's The Bar all come out ahead in the first few jumps. Intent on holding his ground, Rosario gave Inspector Lynley a little more rein and they accelerated confidently to race just behind Ray's The Bar.

Comfortably tucked away, Inspector Lynley drafted behind Ray's The Bar through a :23.87 opening quarter. Isotherm attended the pace to Inspector Lynley's outside and Call Provision raced three-wide next to him. Heavily favored Camelot Kitten followed behind Inspector Lynley at the hedge and 1 length behind Strike Midnight, who raced on the outside.

Ray's The Bar slowed the field past a :48.46 half. Approaching three-quarters, Irad Ortiz could wait no more with Camelot Kitten and accelerated between Inspector Lynley and Strike

Midnight. At the top of the stretch, the favorite joined Isotherm and Ray's The Bar in a line across the track while Rosario was still on the rail behind the pacesetter.

With no hole opening on the inside, Rosario gathered up his mount and tugged on the right rein. Inspector Lynley's head pointed toward the grandstand as he shifted four paths out behind the wall of runners with less than a furlong to race.

"I was holding my spot, but for one point, I didn't have the choice to go on because I had another horse in front and kind of boxed a little bit, but he was very game," Rosario said. "When (Camelot Kitten) passed me, I hadn't even asked to run yet, so I knew when I asked him again, he was going to give me a little more."

Once in the clear, Inspector Lynley lengthened stride. The whip confidently tucked in his right hand, Rosario pushed his mount past Camelot Kitten to win by a head. Isotherm finished a length back in third and Ray's The Bar held fourth. Inspector Lynley stopped the clock in 1:46.68.

Although he only had a maiden win to his credit entering the \$300,000 Saranac, McGaughey was confident in the bay colt. He placed in two Grade 3 stakes, including the Kent last time behind Grade 1 Secretariat Stakes third American Patriot.

"This horse is meant to be a nice horse and he came into it really well," he said. "In the Kent, we were third, but maybe a little bit of an unlucky third. That horse that won came back and ran well in the Secretariat, so I thought it legitimized his race and he came into it really well, had a good work on

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the turf here last Friday and I really had some confidence going into here.”

Inspector Lynley, bred and owned in partnership by Stuart Janney III and Phipps Stable, improved to 2-for-9 and boosted his earnings to \$276,884. He gave McGaughey his eighth winner of the meet and third stakes success after On Leave won the Riskaverse Aug. 25 and Fair Point took the Smart N Fancy Aug. 28. Each victory provided McGaughey with an improved view of the meet. From wanting to see more earlier this month to being pleased with the season last week to looking ahead Saturday, McGaughey met his goals for the summer.

“It started out slow and I was getting discouraged, then it picked up,” he said. “A lot of things came together. I’m kind of pleased where we stand right now because I think we’re going back downstate with a lot of 2-year-olds ready to go.

“It’s been fun because the two fillies that won, one of them’s a homebred and this is a homebred out of a mare that I had that was a good filly, Criminologist. She had kind of gotten off to a bad start as a broodmare and this horse here has kind of picked it up for her.”

McGaughey said he’d point Inspector Lynley, Criminologist’s first stakes winner from two foals to run, to the Grade 3, \$500,000 Hill Prince Stakes for 3-year-olds at Belmont Park Oct. 8.



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Riding Along

Mott, Ortiz team up on Gr. 3 with Suffused
BY JOE CLANCY

Trainer Bill Mott watched Jose Ortiz guide Suffused to victory in Saturday's Grade 3 Glens Falls Stakes and smiled. The meet's leading jockey won for the fifth time on the day by finding cover on the inside behind a relatively mild pace, staying on the hedge around the final turn, tipping out at the quarter pole, arriving full of run and – mainly – never worrying about a thing.

Mott noticed.

"He was stuck down in there and he was smooth, so smooth about it," said Mott while walking to the winner's circle from the box seats. "He just did a good job. He saved ground the whole way. He stayed down in there. He was relaxed and she was relaxed."

And that matters in races like the Glens Falls.



Suffused crosses the line with her first graded stakes win.

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Suffused (left) challenges Arles (center) and Miss Chatelaine in the stretch of the Glens Falls.

The 1 3/8-mile turf marathon featured five horses coming out of the 1 1/2-mile Waya four weeks earlier and was destined to be decided in the final stages. Last time, Suffused closed into a fast pace but came up a head short of Guapaza. This time, it was different. Bred in England by Juddmonte Farm, the 4-year-old daughter of Champs Elysees charged past six horses in the final three-eighths of a mile to win by three-quarters of a length in 2:13.55. French-bred and German-raced Arles finished second in her American debut with Miss Chatelaine third in the field of 10.

The ride helped make it all happen.

"He rides long enough in the saddle, his stirrups are long enough that he's comfortable on his horse," Mott said of Ortiz. "He's not all up on them. Look at it. The pace was kind of slow, but he had her comfortable in behind them. He did a beautiful job."

Mott paid credit to his filly – now 2-for-5 in her American career that began in April – as well.

"She seems to be getting a little better and a little better each time," Mott said. "She's trained a little better and a little better anyway. She's in good health right now. She looks good, she's eating good and she feels good. If you look at her, she's made a little on the narrower type but she is looking real good right now."

Saturday, she and Ortiz worked out a smooth trip. Breaking from post six, they were on the hedge by the first turn – seventh – as Photo Call went to the

front. Arles moved into second as Miss Chatelaine, Ball Dancing and Guapaza backed off. Photo Call went the first quarter-mile in :25.03, and cruised through a half in :50.01 as Guapaza moved to third. Suffused stayed back and inside, and entered the final turn in seventh. Photo Call briefly looked like she might get away after 6 furlongs in 1:15.21 and a mile in 1:39.62.

Ortiz moved his filly one slot off the rail about halfway on the turn, asked her to wait a beat or two longer, and she angled out at the head of the stretch. To her inside, Arles also rallied as Guapaza backed up. Photo Call led to the eighth pole, but could not withstand the closers as Miss Chatelaine ranged up on the rail, and Suffused followed Arles to the front. The Juddmonte filly swept past in the final yards.

Aboard for the third time, Ortiz loved the effort.

"I had a great trip," he said. "On the first turn I was right on the rail where I wanted to be. I worked it out the whole way and I wanted to be where I was. By the three-eighths pole I felt like I had a ton of horse under me, so I started working my way out of there. I was passing horses and I was just making spaces. She split horses and I put her in the clear and she saw the leader and she took off."

Suffused, who won the nearly 2-mile Belmont Coronation in June, came up a head short in the 1 1/2-mile Waya but got the job done in the Glens Falls at 1 3/8 miles. Ortiz called it a difference in pace scenarios.

"Last time I was maybe a bit too close," he said. "The pace was a little more hot. She was better

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today, and it felt like she gave me the same run she gave me in Belmont. The pace was not that fast. At this kind of distance, it's too far. Some fillies can go :52, and they still don't handle it. It seems slow, but it's too far for them. The slower they go, the better for her because she's got such a turn of foot."

The win was Ortiz's fifth on the day and the 61st at the meet. With two days to go, he leads 2015 meet leader (and older brother Irad) by nine and also joined Javier Castellano and Ramon Dominguez as the only jockeys to win 60 races in a single Saratoga season. Dominguez set the record of 68 in 2012, the same year Ortiz went 0-for-17 here.

"Yeah, I'm counting, but I just want to be leading rider for now," said Jose, 22. "I'm not worrying about the record. It's right there, the record, but I think I'm going to need another good day like today and it's not easy to do. If I can put up another big day, maybe. It's fun to think about."

After riding at Camarero in his native Puerto Rico, Ortiz rode his first American winner in 2012, and has quickly built a career in New York. The next step, he said Saturday, is to produce for trainers when the opportunities come from trainers like Mott.

"He told me he noticed today," said Ortiz. "He told me it was a nice ride. From a guy like him, I have so much respect for him . . . when people like that tell you a compliment, it really matters. You feel good about what you are doing."



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Bill Mott congratulates Jose Ortiz.

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Comeback Kid

Silver Ride wins allowance off long layoff for Lynch at 38-1

The come-backing first-time gelding Silver Ride made a successful return off of a 10-month layoff to win the eighth race at 38-1 Saturday at Saratoga Race Course, one of two winners on the Woodward Day card for trainer Brian Lynch.

“He’s been off a good while. He had some little debris in his knees,” Lynch said after Jim and Susan Hill’s son of Candy Ride won the 7-furlong allowance by 1 length from Ekhlalas. “We cleaned that up during the winter and gave him plenty of time. Margaux Farm has done a great job legging him up.”

Unlike heavy post-time favorite and eventual dead-heat seventh-place finisher Neolithic, Silver Ride was sharp leaving the gate under Jose Or-

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tiz. They duelled with Boalt Hall up the backstretch and put that rival away to take the lead just before the 5/16ths pole.

Silver Ride was determined down the lane and never let any of his 12 pursuers past, holding off an inside challenge from Ekhlalas. The long vacation turned out to be just what the 4-year-old needed.

“It gives us something to look forward to for the rest of the year,” Lynch said. “His form got a bit spotty there, but maybe he had some issues that we weren’t aware of that were niggling at him. With some due diligence, we took care of that sort of



Tod Marks

Silver Ride leads everyone home in Saturday's eighth.

stuff. You always hope that horses are going to get better as they get older, and maybe this is one of them.”

With only a maiden victory in his debut as a 2-year-old on Woodbine’s synthetic surface and a starter allowance score at Belmont last October, Silver Ride was still eligible for the first-level allowance condition.

“We had Loose On The Town (a winner Aug. 15 for the Hills and Lynch) set for the first a-other-than,” Lynch said. “We felt this guy would be better at seven-eighths, so we went for the three-quarters with that one and came back in the seven-eighths with this one.”

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— Ben Gowans

• Christophe Clement got his first 2-year-old win of the meet when Frostmourne won his debut in the third. One of five winners on the card for Jose Ortiz, the son of Speightstown drew off in the stretch to win the 1 1/16-mile maiden race on the turf by 2 1/4 lengths.

“He’s the star of the show, you know?” Clement said of Ortiz, who brings 61 wins into today’s card.

Green Lantern Stables bred and own the winner, who is a half brother to Grade 1 winner Karelain and is out of the Theatrical mare Leaning Tower.

Leaning Tower was offered at the 2001 Keeneland November breeding stock sale while carrying a Bertrando foal that turned out to be Karelain. Luckily for Green Lantern, the mare did not meet her reserve after bringing \$82,000. Frostmourne also was bought back after a bid of \$375,000 at last year’s Keeneland September yearling sale.

“He belongs to some wonderful owners/breeders,” Clement said. “I’m delighted that he won.”



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Frostmourne likes what he sees on the big board after his win Saturday.

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Saturday —

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He's trained well. He should improve tremendously from the race, which is very exciting. He was still a touch green, a touch green with the pony, a touch green to go in the gate. In the race, he was very good."

Frostmourne took his time going into the gate, but was quick coming out.

Ortiz let rivals to his outside move to the front going past the finish the first time. The eventual winner was sharp early while even-money favorite and eventual fourth-place finisher Apartfromthecrowd was not, running toward the rear of the field of eight.

Frostmourne was in a perfect position going up the backstretch, racing third and covered up on the hedge. When pacesetting and runner-up Indy Hill drifted three paths out coming around the turn, Ortiz seized the opportunity and took the lead. Despite drifting out some in the stretch, Frostmourne drew off to win in 1:44.53.

"When he took him on the inside and showed him the light, he really

quicken," Clement said. "I love the way he quickened. We'll probably go in a stakes at Belmont next time."

— Ben Gowans

• It's been a while, but trainer Juan Ortiz returned to the Saratoga winner's circle after E Warfare won the opener for maiden claimers going 5 1/2 furlongs on the turf.

He's won races here before, but Ortiz only started one horse last year, two horses in 2014, none in 2013, one in 2012 and four in 2011. He last won at Saratoga in 2011 and scored Saturday with his fourth starter of the meet.

"Normally I have luck in Saratoga," Ortiz said. "Last year, I didn't run, but years before, every time I win a race in Saratoga."

Trainers with a dozen or more horses frequently cite the difficulty of winning races at Saratoga.

For a trainer like Ortiz, the challenge is compounded. With just a small stable at his disposal, he only gets a few chances every summer. He's made the most of it this year as E Warfare finished third last time out Aug. 19 before her maiden-breaking win.



Tod Marks

E Warfare glides under the line with a win in Saturday's first

"I have four horses total," Ortiz said. "It's OK because I ran three times and finished third with this filly and now I win. Saratoga's a tough meeting."

Ortiz claimed E Warfare two starts back when she finished second in a maiden claimer for John Kimmel going 6 furlongs on Saratoga's sloppy main track Aug. 1.

The New York-bred daughter of Bluegrass Cat worked a bullet 5 furlongs before her August 19 start and Ortiz switched her to the grass. E Warfare blew out 3 furlongs in :35.08 at Belmont Tuesday, fastest of 28 at the distance, before shipping to Saratoga. Ortiz also added blinkers this time for E Warfare.

"I claimed her for 25 (thousand), and I put her in for 40 and she was third then and now she came back and won," he said. "She's a very speedy filly. I try her on the grass because she had the form. Today, I put the blinkers on and she won. I was expecting that."

Jose Ortiz rode E Warfare for the first time Saturday. The filly was one of five winners for the meet's leading jockey, who also won the third (Frostmourne), seventh (Casses Story), eighth (Silver Ride) and 11th (Sufused). Ortiz needs seven wins over the next two racing cards to equal Hall of Famer Ramon Dominguez's Saratoga record of 68 wins.

— Brandon Valvo

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SATURDAY SARATOGA RESULTS

Saturday September 3.

FIRST \$45,000, NY-BRED MAIDEN CLM \$40,000, 3 & UP, 5 1/2F

3	E Warfare	J. Ortiz	\$7.50	\$5.00	\$3.60
2	Argyle Gal	R. Santana, Jr.	\$18.00	\$12.80	
4	Champagne Therapy	L. Saez		\$9.80	

Dk B/ Br Filly 2013, by Bluegrass Cat - E. Ticket by Langfuhr
Owner: Corona Racing. Trainer: Juan Ortiz.

Breeder: Dutchess Views Farm, Inc. (NY).

Late Scratches: Rock Ave. Road, Rescue Cat. Time: 1:03.35

Exacta (3-2), \$156.50; Superfecta (3-2-4-9), \$8,100.00;

Trifecta (3-2-4), \$1,811.00

SECOND \$55,000, STARTERS ALLOWANCE \$50,000, 3 & UP, 7F

3	Gentrify	J. Rosario	\$29.00	\$8.50	\$4.50
8	Roll Tide Roll	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$3.10	\$2.30	
1	Money Changer	J. Castellano		\$2.50	

B Gelding 2011, by First Defence - Queen St. West by Smarten

Owner: Zilla Racing Stables. Trainer: Raymond Handal.

Breeder: Lambholm (FL). Late Scratches: Shuffle Up. Time: 1:22.89

Daily Double (3-3), \$90.50; Exacta (3-8), \$75.00; Quinella (3-8),

\$20.60; Superfecta (3-8-1-9), \$835.00; Trifecta (3-8-1), \$178.50

THIRD \$83,000, MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT, 2 YO, 1 1/16M

5	Frostmourne	J. Ortiz	\$7.80	\$4.70	\$3.80
10	Indy Hill	E. Cancel	\$22.00	\$11.60	
2	Amp'd Up	A. Gryder		\$12.40	

Dk B/ Br Colt 2014, Speightstown - Leaning Tower by Theatrical (IRE)
Owner: Green Lantern Stables LLC. Trainer: Christophe Clement.

Breeder: Green Lantern Stables, LLC (KY). Time: 1:44.53

Late Scratches: Prize Fight, Majestic Tom, Saratoga San, Menacing

Dennis, Starstruck Kitten, Makarios, Panama Papers, Irst

Daily Double (3-5), \$91.00; Exacta (5-10), \$204.50; Superfecta (5-10-

2-3), \$11,638.00; Trifecta (5-10-2), \$3,238.00; Consolation Double (3-8), \$23.20; Pic 3 (3-3-5), \$360.00; (3-3-8), \$89.00

FOURTH \$83,000, MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT, 2 YO, 7F

2	Unbridled Eagle	M. Franco	\$32.60	\$13.80	\$6.90
9	Westwood	J. Bravo	\$8.10	\$5.00	
8	Altito	J. Ortiz		\$3.80	

Dk B/ Br Colt 2014, by Mineshaft - Pleasant Song by Unbridled's Song
Owner: Willis Horton Racing LLC. Trainer: D. Lukas.

Breeder: Willis Horton (KY). Late Scratches: Adulation, Perro Rojo,
Summer Causeway. Time: 1:24.46

Daily Double (5-2), \$206.50; Exacta (2-9), \$364.00; Quinella (2-9),

\$145.50; Superfecta (2-9-8-6), \$10,940.00; Trifecta (2-9-8), \$1,888.00;

Pic 3 (3-5-2), \$2,347.00; (3-8-2), \$503.00

FIFTH \$300,000, STAKES - SARANAC S., 3 YO, 1 1/8M TURF

1	Inspector Lynley	J. Rosario	\$16.00	\$6.70	\$3.90
2	Camelot Kitten	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$3.00	\$2.40	
6	Isotherm	J. Velazquez		\$3.70	

B Colt 2013, by Lemon Drop Kid - Criminologist by Maria's Mon

Owner/Breeder: Janney, III, Stuart S. and Phipps Stable (KY).

Trainer: Claude McGaughey III. Time: 1:46.68. Late Scratches: Copingaway

Daily Double (2-1), \$348.50; Exacta (1-2), \$59.00; Superfecta (1-2-6-

5), \$784.00; Trifecta (1-2-6), \$254.50; Pic 3 (5-2-1), \$1,684.00; Pic 4

(3-5-2-1), \$19,061.00; Pic 5 (3-3-5-2-1), \$119,080.00

SIXTH \$90,000, AOC \$62,500, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M

10	Nonna's Boy	J. Velazquez	\$12.60	\$6.10	\$4.00
6	Slim Shadey (GB)	J. Castellano	\$4.50	\$3.00	
1	Ice Cutter	J. Alvarado		\$3.80	

B Colt 2012, by Distorted Humor - Nonna Mia by Empire Maker

Owner/Breeder: Repole Stable (KY). Trainer: Todd Pletcher.

Late Scratches: Request, Old Time Hockey. Time: 1:39.95

Daily Double (1-10), \$142.50; Exacta (10-6), \$61.50; Superfecta (10-

6-1-3), \$811.00; Trifecta (10-6-1), \$327.00; Pic 3 (2-1-10), \$2,295.00

SEVENTH \$83,000, MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT, 2 YO, 7F

8	Casses Story	J. Ortiz	\$5.50	\$3.40	\$2.60
2	You're to Blame	J. Castellano	\$7.00	\$5.50	
5	Borsa Vento	L. Saez		\$8.40	

Dk B/ Br Colt 2014, by Bernardini - Mary's Follies by More Than Ready
Owner: Live Oak Plantation. Trainer: Mark Casse.

Breeder: Paul Pompa Jr. & Darley, LLC (KY). Time: 1:24.77

Late Scratches: Everybodyluvsrudy, Cape Lookout, Prosperity Mo,

Pretty Boy Flash. Daily Double (10-8), \$49.80; Exacta (8-2), \$40.00;

Superfecta (8-2-5-4), \$3,574.00; Trifecta (8-2-5), \$452.50; Pic 3 (1-

10-8), \$596.00

EIGHTH \$85,000, ALLOWANCE, 3 YO'S & UP, 7F

3	Silver Ride	J. Ortiz	\$78.50	\$31.20	\$15.20
13	Ekhlaas	C. DeCarlo	\$8.40	\$5.60	
1	Dreamsdocometru	A. Gryder		\$7.60	

Gr/ro Gelding 2012, by Candy Ride (ARG) - Silver Colors by Mr. Greeley
Owner: Jim and Susan Hill. Trainer: Brian Lynch.

Breeder: Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd. (KY). Time: 1:22.51

Daily Double (8-3), \$283.00; Exacta (3-13), \$1,257.00; Superfecta

(3-13-1-9), \$46,101.00; Trifecta (3-13-1), \$9,344.00; Pic 3 (10-8-3),

\$2,879.00

NINTH \$350,000, STAKES - SPINAWAY S., 2 YO, 7F

6	(dh)Pretty City Dancer	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$5.60	\$5.10	\$2.90
1	(dh)Sweet Loretta	J. Castellano	\$4.90	\$4.60	\$2.80
5	Cherry Lodge	J. Velazquez		\$2.10	

Gr/ro Filly 2014, by Tapit - Pretty City by Carson City

Owner: Oxley, John, C.. Trainer: Mark Casse.

Breeder: Gainesway Thoroughbreds, Ltd. (KY).

B Filly 2014, by Tapit - Ithinkisawapudycat by Bluegrass Cat

Owner: St. Elias Stable. Trainer: Todd Pletcher.

Breeder: Ashview Farm & Colts Neck Stables (KY). Time: 1:24.18

Daily Double (3-1), \$277.00; Daily Double (3-6), \$345.50; Exacta (1-

6), \$21.60; Exacta (6-1), \$21.60; Superfecta (1-6-5-4), \$213.00; Su-

perfecta (6-1-5-4), \$235.50; Trifecta (1-6-5), \$56.00; Trifecta (6-1-5),

\$50.50; (8-3-1), \$668.00; Pic 3 (8-3-6), \$968.00

TENTH \$600,000, STAKES - WOODWARD S., 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/8M

1	Shaman Ghost	J. Castellano	\$20.00	\$8.50	\$3.10
9	Mubtaahij (IRE)	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$6.20	\$2.80	
3	Frosted	J. Rosario		\$2.10	

B Colt 2012, by Ghostzapper - Getback Time by Gilded Time

Owner: Stronach Stables. Trainer: James Jerkens.

Breeder: Adena Springs (ON). Time: 1:48.92

Daily Double (1-1), \$54.50; Daily Double (6-1), \$72.50; Exacta (1-9),

\$107.00; Superfecta (1-9-3-2), \$1,992.00; Trifecta (1-9-3), \$205.50;

(3-1-1), \$3,039.00; Pic 3 (3-6-1), \$3,378.00

TENTH \$600,000, STAKES - WOODWARD S., 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/8M

1	Shaman Ghost	J. Castellano	\$20.00	\$8.50	\$3.10
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\$107.00; Superfecta (1-9-3-2), \$1,992.00; Trifecta (1-9-3), \$205.50;

(3-1-1), \$3,039.00; Pic 3 (3-6-1), \$3,378.00

ELEVENTH \$200,000 - GLENS FALLS S., 3&UP, F&M, 1 3/8M TURF

6	Suffused (GB)	J. Ortiz	\$7.80	\$4.60	\$3.50
5	Arles (FR)	J. Rosario	\$8.70	\$7.00	
1	Miss Chatelaine	I. Ortiz, Jr.		\$7.30	

Ch Filly 2012, by Champs Elysees (GB) - Scuffle (GB) by Daylami (IRE)

Owner: Juddmonte Farms, Inc.. Trainer: William Mott.

Breeder: Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB). Time: 2:13.55

Daily Double (1-6), \$76.00; Exacta (6-5), \$76.50; Superfecta (6-5-1-2),

\$3,934.00; Trifecta (6-5-1), \$649.00; (1-1-6), \$273.00; Pic 3 (6-1-6),

\$353.00; Grand Slam (1/3/13-1/5/6-1/3/9-6), \$84.00

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TWELFTH \$85,000, AOC \$80,000, 3 YO, 1 1/16M

2	Hockey School	J. Rosario	\$13.80	\$6.30	\$3.90
4	Annals of Time	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$4.40	\$2.80	
1	Tizzarunner	J. Alvarado		\$3.20	

Dk B/ Br Colt 2013, by Hat Trick (JPN) - Miss Chapin by Royal Academy
 Owner: Amerman Racing LLC. Trainer: Brian Lynch. Breeder: Mrs. Jerry Amerman (KY).

Late Scratches: Tale of the Nile. Time: 1:40.15

Daily Double (6-2), \$51.50; Exacta (2-4), \$58.00; Superfecta (2-4-1-3), \$993.00; Trifecta (2-4-1), \$201.50; Pic 3 (1-6-2), \$503.00; Pic 4 (1/6-1-6-2), \$1,886.00; Pic 5 (3-1/6-1-6-2), \$145,384.00; Pic 6 (8,11,12,13,14/3/1,6/1/6/2), \$1,338.00; Pic 6 (8,11,12,13,14/3/1,6/1/6/2), \$186,474.00

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All of Gargan's stalls were occupied except one,
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Coppa and Chris Davis make a call on the backside Friday morning.

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No. 5, in the middle of the barn. His horses peeked out as one horse made laps in front of the shedrow. They saw Chris Davis, assistant to trainer Phil D'Amato, as he walked the bay filly Coppa.

Davis answered his phone as Coppa walked along. Unfazed by the bustle of the backstretch, Davis kept slack in the shank as he focused on the call. After a few minutes, Davis, still clad in his black leather chaps from the morning's ride and a belt with his name on the back, put Coppa in her stall.

Across the way, Gargan lit up a shiny silver grill and it spewed white smoke over the old barns. A bright red Coca-Cola vending machine stood out from its dusty backdrop and a set of sky-blue Adirondack chairs awaiting their next visitor to take a load off. Coppa stood at the front of her stall, head bobbing left then right, back and forth repeatedly as her ears pricked up and her eyes shined in the sunlight.

"You hungry," Davis asked with a gentle tone to his voice.

"Yeah, you're hungry," he said as he filled a feed tub and brought it into the stall, followed by a bucket of water. "She's a dream to be around, a dream."

Coppa could keep the dream start to her career rolling in today's Grade 2 Priores Stakes as the third choice on the morning line at odds of 9-2. The daughter of Yesbyjimminy, who stands in Florida for \$2,500, is undefeated in three starts. She won her debut at Del Mar last November, emerged victorious from a winter break in a Santa Anita Park allowance in May and shipped to Belmont to win the Grade 3 Victory Ride July 9. A \$210,000 purchase from the 2015 OBS April 2-year-olds in training sale, Coppa has earned \$153,000 for owners Anthony Fanticola and Joseph Scardino.

"Coppa's a real classy filly," Davis said. "For a 3-year-old filly to go undefeated the way she has, she's answered every test we've asked her. Going from California to New York, never being at New York, to run in a

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Tod Marks

Kareena looks to return to repeat her score in the Jersey Girl.



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STREET SENSE OVERNIGHT STAKES

Runs Sun., Oct. 30
\$70,000
Two Year Olds

Closes Oct. 22
(no nomination fee)
1 Mile

RAGS TO RICHES OVERNIGHT STAKES

Runs Sun., Oct. 30
\$70,000
Fillies, Two Years Old

Closes Oct. 22
(no nomination fee)
1 Mile

CHILUKKI (GII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 5
\$200,000
Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up

Closes Oct. 22
(\$200 nomination fee)
1 Mile

COMMONWEALTH TURF (GIII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 12
\$100,000
Three Year Olds

Closes Oct. 29
(\$100 nomination fee)
1 1/16 Miles Turf

BET ON SUNSHINE OVERNIGHT STAKES

Runs Sat., Nov. 19
\$70,000
Three Years Old & Up

Closes Nov. 12
(no nomination fee)
6 Furlongs

CARDINAL HANDICAP (GIII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 19
\$100,000
Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up

Closes Nov. 5
(\$100 nomination fee)
1 1/8 Miles Turf

RIVER CITY HANDICAP (GIII)

Runs Thurs., Nov. 24
\$100,000
Three Year Olds & Up

Closes Nov. 12
(\$100 nomination fee)
1 1/8 Miles Turf

FALLS CITY HANDICAP (GII)

Runs Thurs., Nov. 24
\$200,000
Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up

Closes Nov. 12
(\$200 nomination fee)
1 1/8 Mile

DREAM SUPREME OVERNIGHT STAKES

Runs Fri., Nov. 25
\$70,000
Fillies & Mares, Three Years Old & Up

Closes Nov. 12
(no nomination fee)
6 Furlongs

MRS. REVERE (GII)

Runs Fri., Nov. 25
\$200,000
Fillies, Three Years Old

Closes Nov. 12
(\$200 nomination fee)
1 1/16 Miles Turf

CLARK HANDICAP (GI)

presented by Norton Healthcare

Runs Fri., Nov. 25
\$500,000
Three Year Olds & Up

Closes Nov. 12
(\$300 nomination fee)
1 1/8 Mile

STARS OF TOMORROW II

GOLDEN ROD (GII)

2017 Kentucky Oaks Points Race

Runs Sat., Nov. 26
\$200,000
Fillies, Two Years Old

Closes Nov. 12
(\$200 nomination fee)
1 1/16 Miles

KENTUCKY JOCKEY CLUB (GII)

2017 Kentucky Derby Points Race

Runs Sat., Nov. 26
\$200,000
Two Year Olds

Closes Nov. 12
(\$200 nomination fee)
1 1/16 Miles

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Grade 3 and win it, she just doesn't turn a hair. She's all class. You can't train class, she just has it."

D'Amato, the leading trainer at Del Mar with 21 wins through Friday, sent Coppa to Saratoga with simple reasoning: money. The stakes purses are bigger here and there's more opportunity for 3-year-olds to face their own age group. Coppa flew in from Del Mar Tuesday and galloped 1 1/2 miles on the Oklahoma with Davis every day since. She's also visited the paddock and main track.

"She's one of the easiest horses you could ever gallop," Davis said. "She's really easy on herself. She's just got a really good brain and it makes it easy for everyone who works around her. She ships well, she just does everything nice."

Coppa breezed at Del Mar Aug. 29, the day she shipped to New York. She went 5 furlongs in 1:00.20 un-

der regular rider Joe Talamo, who will make his Saratoga debut today. D'Amato and Davis opted to keep him in the irons rather than look for a local jockey.

"Joe works her, Joe knows her," Davis said. "We have all the confidence in the world that Joe can get the job done. He can ride her. He fits the filly well and you're not going to change something after a win or three wins."

Coppa faces nine rivals in the 6-furlong Priores lead by 5-2 morning-line favorite Off The Tracks. Trained by Todd Plechter, the daughter of Curlin finished third after being part of an extremely fast pace in the Grade 1 Test and won the Grade 1 Mother Goose at Belmont two back.

Kareena is the 4-1 second choice off a sixth in the Test after dueling with Off The Tracks.

The field also includes Dearest, who bids for three in a row for trainer Gilberto Zepa; unbeaten Parx shipper Lucy N Ethel, Coniah, Lost Raven, One True Kiss, Appealing Maggie and Takrees.

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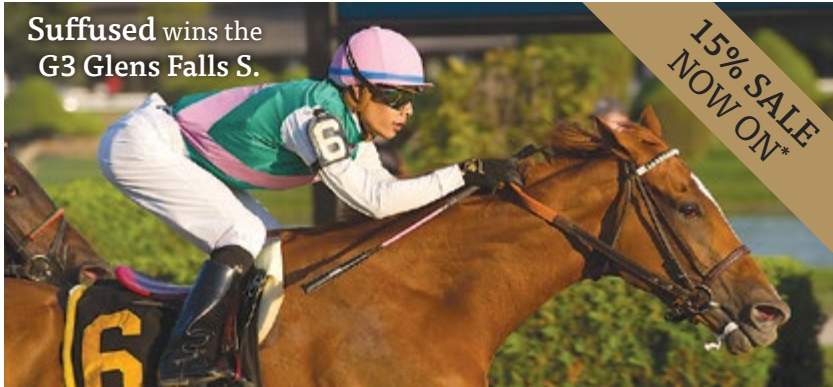


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SUNDAY SARATOGA ENTRIES

Sunday, September 4.

1ST (12:30PM). \$28,000, CLM \$14,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/8M

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 5, Daily Double					
1	1	Il Fratello	J. Torres	J. Toscano, Jr.	12-1
2	2	Don't Point	M. Luzzi	R. Falcone, Jr.	6-1
3	3	Skill Not Luck	J. Castellano	C. Brown	6-5
4	4	Instant Replay	I. Ortiz, Jr.	R. Rodriguez	2-1
5	5	Are We Not Men	R. Santana, Jr.	P. Serpe	8-1
6	6	Cotton Town	E. Cancel	D. Lukas	8-1

2ND (1:03PM). \$50,000, MCL \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M (TURF)

Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 4, Daily Double					
1	1	Priest N the Rabbi	I. Ortiz, Jr.	S. Asmussen	5-1
2	2	Street Fightin Man	M. Franco	N. Esler	8-1
3	3	Foggy Mountain Cat	J. Lezcano	R. Violette, Jr.	12-1
4	4	Kangaroo Style	J. Ortiz	M. Nevin	7-2
5	5	Mr. Sam	J. Rosario	C. Clement	3-1
6	6	There Goes Ben	R. Santana, Jr.	R. Rodriguez	4-1
7	7	Meatlocker Man	L. Saez	D. Schettino	12-1
8	8	Colonel Jessup	S. Camacho, Jr.	M. Shevy	50-1
9	9	Dancer's Edge	F. Geroux	N. Zito	12-1
10	10	Sky Ace	J. Torres	E. Barker	30-1
11	11	Lucky G	A. Arroyo	D. Farrell	20-1

3RD (1:36PM). \$90,000, AOC \$62,500, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/2M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	1	Request	I. Ortiz, Jr.	C. Brown	2-1
2	2	Set to Music	J. Bravo	A. Delacour	8-1
3	3	Street Fashion	J. Rosario	H. Motion	4-1
4	4	Old Time Hockey	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Contessa	8-1
5	5	I'll Call	L. Saez	C. Martin	20-1
6	6	Ectot (GB)	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	6-5

4TH (2:10PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, 6F

Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	1	Commandeering	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	9-2
2	2	Classic Rock	L. Saez	K. Ritvo	20-1
3	3	True Valor	J. Alvarado	J. Desormeaux	20-1
4	4	Best Case	R. Santana, Jr.	S. Asmussen	4-1
5	5	Dupree	F. Geroux	R. Moquett	8-1
6	6	Moves Like Ali	I. Ortiz, Jr.	J. Englehart	8-1
7	7	Millennial	E. Cancel	D. Lukas	10-1
8	8	Irst	J. Castellano	T. Pletcher	5-1
9	9	Lenstar	J. Ortiz	N. Zito	7-2
10	10	Robbins	M. Franco	T. Albertrani	12-1
11	AE	Cape Lookout	I. Ortiz, Jr.	M. Trombetta	6-1

5TH (2:44PM). \$75,000, ALW, 3 YO'S & UP, 6F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	1	Benevolence	E. Cancel	K. McLaughlin	8-5
2	2	Wine Not	M. Franco	T. Albertrani	8-1
3	3	Cause for Surprise	J. Torres	G. Gullo	12-1
4	4	Manipulated	L. Saez	J. Jerkens	5-2
5	5	Bold Illusion	S. Camacho, Jr.	R. Metivier	15-1
6	6	Open Book	I. Ortiz, Jr.	M. Dini	20-1
7	7	Bluegrass Prevails	J. Ortiz	G. Gullo	3-1

6TH (3:19PM). \$73,000, MSW, 2 YO, 5 1/2F (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	1	Summer Sweet	J. Velazquez	C. Clement	5-1
2	2	Jo's Bold Cat	L. Saez	R. Violette, Jr.	2-1
3	3	New York's Finest	J. Ortiz	L. Rice	9-2
4	4	What R U Doing Now	M. Luzzi	B. Brown	20-1
5	5	Girolo	R. Santana, Jr.	D. Cannizzo	20-1
6	6	Song for the Soul	J. Rosario	W. Ward	7-2
7	7	Baltic Sea	J. Bravo	B. Brown	10-1
8	8	Shadow of a Doubt	J. Torres	P. Serpe	15-1
9	9	T Loves a Fight	I. Ortiz, Jr.	M. Hushion	15-1
10	10	Our Twist of Fate	F. Arrieta	J. Del Castillo	20-1
11	AE	Bluegrass Express	I. Beato	R. Vega	12-1
12	MTO	Save the Tigers	J. Castellano	L. Rice	6-1

7TH (3:55PM). \$55,000, STR \$50,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 6, Daily Double					
1	1	Urban Bourbon	J. Bravo	E. Kenneally	15-1
2	2	Yowl	I. Ortiz, Jr.	T. Morley	12-1
3	3	Kid Jeter	M. Franco	K. Rubley	30-1
4	4	Liberal Spin	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Contessa	6-1
5	5	Refer	J. Lezcano	J. Servis	9-2
6	6	Market Strength	J. Rosario	D. Gargan	6-1
7	7	Secret Bid	J. Alvarado	J. Fisher	15-1
8	8	Par	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	5-1
9	9	Kid Friendly	F. Geroux	R. Nicks	20-1
10	10	Peace Points	L. Saez	M. Trombetta	15-1
11	11	St. Louie	J. Ortiz	M. Maker	12-1
12	12	Know Your Customer	J. Castellano	C. Brown	7-2
13	AE	No Texting	I. Ortiz, Jr.	R. Rodriguez	10-1
14	AE	Steamboat Bill	J. Castellano	G. Contessa	12-1
15	AE	Inventor's Gate	A. Gryder	K. Streicher	12-1
16	AE	Araqeel	J. Lezcano	S. Asmussen	8-1

8TH (4:31PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, F, 7F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 5, Daily Double					
1	1	Krazy Kathy	I. Ortiz, Jr.	R. Rodriguez	12-1
2	2	For Honor	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Weaver	12-1
3	3	Bid List	J. Ortiz	S. Asmussen	8-1
4	4	Mint Condition	J. Rosario	K. McLaughlin	4-1
5	5	Teresa Z	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	5-1
6	6	Double Cast	M. Luzzi	L. O'Brien	15-1
7	7	Rollover Risk	F. Geroux	A. Stall, Jr.	8-1
8	8	Devine Union	J. Castellano	C. Brown	3-1
9	9	Malibu Stella	J. Bravo	T. Wismer	6-1
10	10	Momentimpo	M. Franco	J. Toner	10-1
11	AE	Montrachet	M. Franco	C. Clement	8-1
12	AE	Love Me in Malibu	J. Bravo	E. Kenneally	8-1
13	AE	Yorkiepool Princess	J. Torres	E. Barker	12-1
14	AE	Posse Needed	J. Alvarado	M. Hennig	7-2
15	AE	Tiz Rae Anna	J. Ortiz	J. Englehart	12-1
16	AE	Pinchpenny	C. DeCarlo	P. Pugh	20-1

9TH (5:08PM). \$93,000, AOC \$80,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 6 1/2F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 4, Daily Double					
1	2	Ocean Knight	J. Ortiz	K. McLaughlin	8-5
1a	4	Iron Fist	J. Castellano	S. Asmussen	8-5
2	1	Mewannarose	R. Santana, Jr.	D. Jacobson	20-1
3	3	Angry Moon	M. Luzzi	C. Englehart	12-1
4	5	J S Bach	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	6-1
5	6	Royal Squeeze	M. Franco	D. Cannizzo	12-1
6	7	Spartiat	J. Alvarado	L. Blusiewicz	20-1
7	8	Heaven's Runway	A. Arroyo	R. Rodriguez	20-1
8	9	Second City	L. Saez	J. Englehart	8-1
9	10	Scarly Charly	J. Rosario	L. Rivelli	6-1
10	11	All Star Red	I. Ortiz, Jr.	R. Rodriguez	4-1

10TH (5:44PM). \$90,000, AOC \$62,500, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M, 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	1	Now Power	L. Saez	B. Lynch	4-1
2	2	Off Limits (IRE)	F. Geroux	C. Brown	5-1
3	3	Mexican Gold	I. Ortiz, Jr.	C. Brown	5-2
4	4	Reversiontothemean	J. Bravo	R. Metivier	30-1
5	5	Zubi Zubi Zu	M. Franco	C. Englehart	20-1
6	6	Gotachancetodance	J. Rosario	T. Pletcher	8-1
7	7	Darling Sky	A. Arroyo	R. Reid, Jr.	15-1
8	8	Sky Painter	R. Santana, Jr.	K. McLaughlin	10-1
9	9	Kitzys Rocket	J. Ortiz	B. Tagg	8-1
10	10	Joyful Hope (GB)	J. Velazquez	C. Clement	12-1
11	11	Coming Attraction	J. Castellano	C. McGaughey III	12-1

11TH (6:20PM). \$300,000, STK - THE PRIORESS, 3 YO, F, 6F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Daily Double					
1	1	Coniah	I. Ortiz, Jr.	K. McLaughlin	15-1
2	2	Lucy N Ethel	J. Lezcano	C. Bradley	10-1
3	3	Lost Raven	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	12-1
4	4	One True Kiss	F. Geroux	S. Asmussen	20-1
5	5	Appealing Maggie	C. DeCarlo	M. Hushion	6-1
6	6	Coppa	J. Talamo	P. D'Amato	9-2
7	7	Off the Tracks	J. Ortiz	T. Pletcher	5-2

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Race #	John Shapazian	Gaile Fitzgerald	Tom Law	Chad Summers	Charles Bedard
1	Skill Not Luck Instant Replay Cotton Town	Skill Not Luck Instant Replay Don't Point	Skill Not Luck Instant Replay Are We Not Men	Skill Not Luck Instant Replay Don't Point	Skill Not Luck Instant Replay Don't Point
2	Mr. Sam Priest N the Rabbi Kangaroo Style	Mr. Sam There Goes Ben Kangaroo Style	Mr. Sam Meatlocker Man Priest N The Rabbi	Priest N The Rabbi Mr. Sam Street Fightin Man	There Goes Ben Kangaroo Style Priest N The Rabbi
3	Ectot Request Street Fashion	Ectot Street Fashion Request	Ectot Request Set To Music	Ectot Set To Music Request	Ectot Old Time Hockey Request
4	Best Case Commandeering Irst	Commandeering Irst Best Case	Commandeering Best Case Irst	Irst True Valor Dupree	Cape Lookout Best Case Lenstar
5	Benevolence Manipulated Bluegrass Prevails	Benevolence Manipulated Bluegrass Prevails	Manipulated Benevolence Bluegrass Prevails	Manipulated Bluegrass Prevails Benevolence	Manipulated Bluegrass Prevails Benevolence
6	Jo's Bold Cat Summer Sweet T Loves a Fight	Jo's Bold Cat Song For The Soul New York's Finest	Jo's Bold Cat Summer Sweet Song For The Soul	Summer Sweet Jo's Bold Cat New York's Finest	Baltic Sea Summer Sweet Jo's Bold Cat
7	Market Strength Refer Know Your Customer	St. Louie Market Strength Know Your Customer	Market Strength Know Your Customer Peace Points	Market Strength Refer Urban Bourbon	Market Strength Liberal Spin Know Your Customer
8	Devine Union Mint Condition Bid List	Posse Needed Malibu Stella Teresa Z	Double Cast Mint Condition Devine Union	Rollover Risk Mint Condition For Honor	Teresa Z Mint Condition Divine Union
9	Stonestreet Entry All Star Red Angry Moon	Stonestreet entry All Star Red J S Bach	Stonestreet entry All Star Red J S Bach	Stonestreet entry Scarly Charly J S Bach	Stonestreet entry Royal Squeeze Scarly Charly
10	Mexican Gold Off Limits Now Power	Mexican Gold Off Limits Now Power	Now Power Mexican Gold Off Limits	Mexican Gold Now Power Off Limits	Mexican Gold Now Power Kitzys Rocket
11	Off the Tracks Coppa Kareena	Off The Tracks Coppa Dearest	Off The Tracks Kareena Coppa	Off the Tracks Appealing Maggie Lucy N Ethel	Dearest Kareena Off The Tracks
12	My Fair Lily Fired Up Sensation Salty Mo	My Fair Lily Fired Up Sensation Avenesora	Fired Up Sensation Salty Mo My Fair Lady	My Fair Lily Salty Mo Avenesora	Touch Of Bling True Pleasure J R Star
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8	8	Takrees	J. Alvarado	K. McLaughlin	20-1
9	9	Kareena	J. Castellano	K. McLaughlin	4-1
10	10	Dearest	E. Zayas	G. Zerpa	6-1
12TH (6:54PM). \$83,000, MSW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 5 1/2F (TURF)					
Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta					
1	1	My Fair Lily	J. Castellano	C. Brown	5-2
2	2	Salty Mo	J. Velazquez	J. Carroll	6-1
3	3	True Pleasure	J. Lezcano	W. Mott	6-1

4	4	Yes Its Factual	L. Saez	M. Trombetta	15-1
5	5	Fired Up Sensation	J. Ortiz	C. Clement	3-1
6	6	Avenesora	J. Alvarado	C. Clement	8-1
7	7	J R Star	I. Ortiz, Jr.	R. Rodriguez	8-1
8	8	Modiste	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Contessa	20-1
9	9	Touch of Bling	M. Franco	M. Maker	12-1
10	10	Ranger Lady	L. Perez	R. Rohena	20-1

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MONDAY SARATOGA ENTRIES

Monday, September 5.

1ST (12:30PM). \$25,000, CLM \$12,500, 3 YO'S & UP, 6F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 5, Daily Double

1	1	Gambler's Ghost	I. Ortiz, Jr.	D. Jacobson	7-5
2	2	Storm Pursuit	A. Gryder	N. Terracciano	2-1
3	3	Chasing Bubbles	J. Torres	G. Contessa	9-2
4	4	Sound of Freedom	J. Davis	O. Barrera, III	15-1
5	5	American Creed	F. Arrieta	O. Barrera, III	6-1
6	6	The Silver Sniper	D. Davis	L. Linder, Jr.	10-1

2ND (1:03PM). \$73,000, MSW, 2 YO, F, 7F

Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 4, Daily Double

1	1	Frosty Gal	M. Franco	B. Tagg	8-1
2	2	Swing and Sway	R. Santana, Jr.	R. Moquett	4-1
3	3	Kabuki	J. Lezcano	L. Lewis	12-1
4	4	Strawberry Tequila	L. Saez	B. Brown	5-1
5	5	Moondance	J. Velazquez	K. McLaughlin	3-1
6	6	Indian Gem	F. Geroux	I. Mason	8-1
7	7	Mini Megan	I. Ortiz, Jr.	R. Rodriguez	7-2
8	8	Bree's Got Heart	A. Arroyo	R. Reid, Jr.	6-1

3RD (1:36PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, 1 1/16M (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	1	Menacing Dennis	J. Alvarado	G. Sciacca	12-1
1a	AE	Any Questions	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Sciacca	12-1
2	2	Panama Papers	M. Franco	M. Hushion	3-1
3	3	J. S. Choice	I. Ortiz, Jr.	T. Pletcher	7-2
4	4	Makarios	J. Velazquez	N. Zito	15-1
5	5	Data Room	J. Castellano	C. Brown	9-2
6	6	Giant Brownie	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Contessa	8-1
7	7	Now in a Drive	L. Saez	B. Lynch	8-1
8	8	Majestic Tom	J. Ortiz	R. Barbara	6-1
9	9	Saratoga San	D. Davis	J. Desormeaux	20-1
10	10	Markitoff	J. Lezcano	L. Rice	12-1

4TH (2:10PM). \$75,000, ALW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M, 6F

Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	1	Sing for Beauty	M. Luzzi	C. Baker	3-1
2	2	Golden Gem	J. Ortiz	R. Violette, Jr.	6-1
3	3	Sabrina Ballerina	L. Saez	B. Levine	9-2
4	4	Frostie Anne	I. Ortiz, Jr.	J. Sharp	8-1
5	5	Woodville	M. Franco	J. Abreu	8-5
6	6	Roman Reign	E. Cancel	R. Metivier	15-1
7	7	Pretty Enuff	J. Castellano	J. Englehart	10-1

5TH (2:44PM). \$47,000, CLM \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M, 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	1	Modern Lady	J. Lezcano	L. Rice	12-1
2	2	Lady Lucky	E. Cancel	D. Cannizzo	15-1
3	3	Saratiago	J. Torres	P. Kelly	30-1
4	4	Degrees of Freedom	J. Castellano	C. Brown	5-2
5	5	Sweet Ella	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	7-2
6	6	Undertherain	L. Saez	P. Serpe	9-2
7	7	Pussy Willow	R. Santana, Jr.	O. Barrera, III	20-1
8	8	Stormin Saratoga	I. Ortiz, Jr.	T. Pletcher	5-1
9	9	Taramislew	D. Davis	J. Schoeneman	30-1
10	10	Adirondack Luck	M. Franco	J. Toner	12-1
11	11	Candida	J. Ortiz	L. Rice	8-1

6TH (3:19PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, F, 1 1/16M (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 6, Daily Double

1	1	Hoponthebusgus	E. Cancel	C. Martin	20-1
2	2	Fifteen Church	I. Ortiz, Jr.	G. Contessa	20-1
3	3	Slew of Money	J. Alvarado	W. Mott	8-1
4	4	Starr Bear	L. Saez	B. Cox	9-2
5	5	Super Stacy	J. Ortiz	L. Rice	12-1
6	6	China Rider	M. Franco	D. Cannizzo	8-1
7	7	La Coronel	F. Geroux	M. Casse	5-1
8	8	Elude	R. Santana, Jr.	T. Albertrani	12-1
9	9	New Money Honey	J. Castellano	C. Brown	7-2
10	10	Its Only Fair	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	3-1
11	AE	My Sweet Stella	F. Geroux	D. Lukas	8-1

12	AE	Joust	J. Ortiz	C. Clement	6-1
13	AE	Awesome Boss	D. Davis	K. McPeck	8-1
14	AE	Jumby Bay	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	5-1
15	AE	Cosi Bella	I. Ortiz, Jr.	C. Brown	9-2
16	AE	Enstone	J. Lezcano	M. Casse	4-1

7TH (3:55PM). \$32,000, CLM \$16,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 6F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 5, Daily Double

1	1	House of Friends	J. Alvarado	W. Mott	10-1
2	2	Devilish Grin	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Gullo	15-1
3	3	Text Me	E. Cancel	R. Falcone, Jr.	30-1
4	4	Vandalize	M. Franco	T. Pletcher	8-5
5	5	Eye Love Michael	J. Lezcano	B. Levine	5-1
6	6	Kiner's Korner	L. Saez	J. Englehart	8-1
7	7	Hundred Percent	J. Ortiz	C. Englehart	12-1
8	8	Saratoga Sight	J. Davis	O. Barrera, III	15-1
9	9	Daggerpoint	S. Camacho, Jr.	R. Metivier	30-1
10	10	Roman Revival	I. Ortiz, Jr.	J. Toscano, Jr.	7-2

8TH (4:31PM). \$78,000, AOC \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 4, Daily Double

1	11	Hidden Vow	R. Santana, Jr.	P. Serpe	15-1
1a	AE	Front	L. Saez	P. Serpe	15-1
2	1	Powerful Instinct	J. Lezcano	J. Toscano, Jr.	15-1
3	2	Uncle Sigh	I. Ortiz, Jr.	W. Mott	7-2
4	3	Tiz a Chance	M. Franco	H. Motion	10-1
5	4	Hurry Up Alan	J. Castellano	J. Englehart	12-1
6	5	Cloontia	J. Alvarado	J. Jerkens	5-1
7	6	All Is Number	E. Cancel	R. Violette, Jr.	20-1
8	7	Dream Doctor	A. Arroyo	T. Woolley	8-1
9	8	Bullheaded Boy	J. Velazquez	D. Donk	15-1
10	9	Iced Over	L. Saez	M. Lauer	10-1
11	10	Make a Decision	J. Ortiz	L. Rice	3-1
12	12	Harbor King	F. Geroux	R. Metivier	20-1
13	MTO	Beyond the Green	Rider TBA	J. Ryerson	8-1

9TH (5:08PM). \$250,000, STK - THE BERNARD BARUCH, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	1	Take the Stand (ARG)	E. Prado	W. Mott	5-1
2	2	Ring Weekend	J. Velazquez	H. Motion	5-2
3	3	Natchez	L. Saez	D. Lukas	30-1
4	4	Dubai Sky	J. Lezcano	W. Mott	15-1
5	5	Takeover Target	J. Ortiz	C. Brown	3-1
6	6	Solemn Tribute	I. Ortiz, Jr.	B. Lynch	12-1
7	7	Farhaan	J. Alvarado	C. Martin	15-1
8	8	Jay Gatsby	J. Castellano	J. Jerkens	9-2
9	9	Reporting Star	F. Geroux	E. Voss	20-1
10	10	War Dancer	M. Franco	W. Mott	8-1

10TH (5:44PM). \$350,000, STK - THE HOPEFUL, 2 YO, 7F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Daily Double

1	1	Everybodyluvsrudy	A. Arroyo	R. Rodriguez	20-1
2	2	Practical Joke	J. Ortiz	C. Brown	3-1
3	3	Runaway Lute	R. Santana, Jr.	G. Contessa	9-2
4	4	Bitumen	J. Castellano	E. Kenneally	2-1
5	5	Royal Copy	L. Saez	D. Lukas	8-1
6	6	Classic Empire	I. Ortiz, Jr.	M. Casse	5-2
7	7	Pretty Boy Flash	J. Velazquez	S. Asmussen	15-1

11TH (6:20PM). \$83,000, MSW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M, 1 1/8M (INNER TURF)

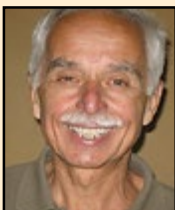
Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta

1	11	Chase Motto	J. Castellano	C. Brown	7-2
1a	AE	Sassy Little Lila	L. Saez	B. Cox	7-2
2	1	Blenheim Palace	J. Ortiz	C. McGaughey III	10-1
3	2	Crystal Wave	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	9-2
4	3	Joannie	J. Alvarado	W. Mott	8-1
5	4	Above the Mark	L. Saez	T. Albertrani	6-1
6	5	Tisbury	J. Lezcano	M. Dilger	15-1
7	6	My Kinda Devil	M. Franco	C. Clement	5-1
8	7	Gold Medalist	R. Santana, Jr.	M. Nevin	30-1
9	8	First Tomoe	I. Ortiz, Jr.	D. Gargan	10-1
10	9	Sea Cloud	D. Davis	B. Walsh	30-1
11	10	War Baby	F. Geroux	J. Sheppard	12-1
12	12	Ma Can Do It	E. Prado	D. Romans	15-1

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2	Moondance Mini Megan Bree's Got Heart	Moondance Swing And Sway Bree's Got Heart	Swing And Sway Moondance Mini Megan	Frosty Gal Moondance Swing And Sway	Mini Megan Swing And Sway Bree's Got Heart
3	Data Room J. S. Choice Panama Papers	J. S. Choice Panama Papers Data Room	J. S. Choice Now In A Drive Panama Papers	Panama Papers Now In A Drive Data Room	J. S. Choice Panama Papers Makarios
4	Woodville Sabrina Ballerina Sing For Beauty	Woodville Frostie Anne Pretty Enuff	Woodville Frostie Anne Sing For Beauty	Sabrina Ballerina Woodville Sing For Beauty	Sabrina Ballerina Pretty Enuff Woodville
5	Degrees Of Freedom Sweet Ella Candida	Degrees Of Freedom Sweet Ella Candida	Degrees Of Freedom Sweet Ella Undertherain	Degrees Of Freedom Lady Lucky Sweet Ella	Sweet Ella Candida Undertherain
6	New Money Honey Its Only Fair Starr Bear	New Money Honey Starr Bear Its Only Fair	Slew Of Money New Money Honey Starr Bear	Slew Of Money Fifteen Church China Rider	Enstone Hoponthebusgus China Rider
7	Vandalize Roman Revival Kiner's Korner	Vandalize Roman Revival Kiner's Korner	Eye Love Michael Roman Revival Kiner's Korner	Vandalize House Of Friends Text Me	Vandalize Hundred Percent Roman Revival
8	Make A Decision Uncle Sigh Cloontia	Uncle Sigh Powerful Instinct Cloontia	Uncle Sigh Front Tiz A Chance	Tiz A Chance Uncle Sigh Cloontia	Make A Decision Cloontia Uncle Sigh
9	Ring Weekend Takeover Target Jay Gatsby	Ring Weekend Jay Gatsby Take The Stand	Take The Stand Jay Gatsby Takeover Target	Takeover Target Jay Gatsby Ring Weekend	Takeover Target Take The Stand Jay Gatsby
10	Classic Empire Bitumen Practical Joke	Bitumen Classic Empire Practical Joke	Bitumen Classic Empire Practical Joke	Practical Joke Runaway Lute Bitumen	Classic Empire Bitumen Runaway Lute
11	My Kinda Devil Crystal Wave Above the Mark	War Baby Sassy Little Lila Above The Mark	War Baby Blenheim Palace Crystal Wave	Blenheim Palace Joannie Above The Mark	Ma Can Do It Brown/Cox entry Blenheim Palace
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Burke Equine offers horses change of pace to recover, recharge

BY LINZAY MARKS

Dr. Stowe Burke pointed to a stall next to his office.

"Recepta will go there," Burke said. "So I can keep an eye on her."

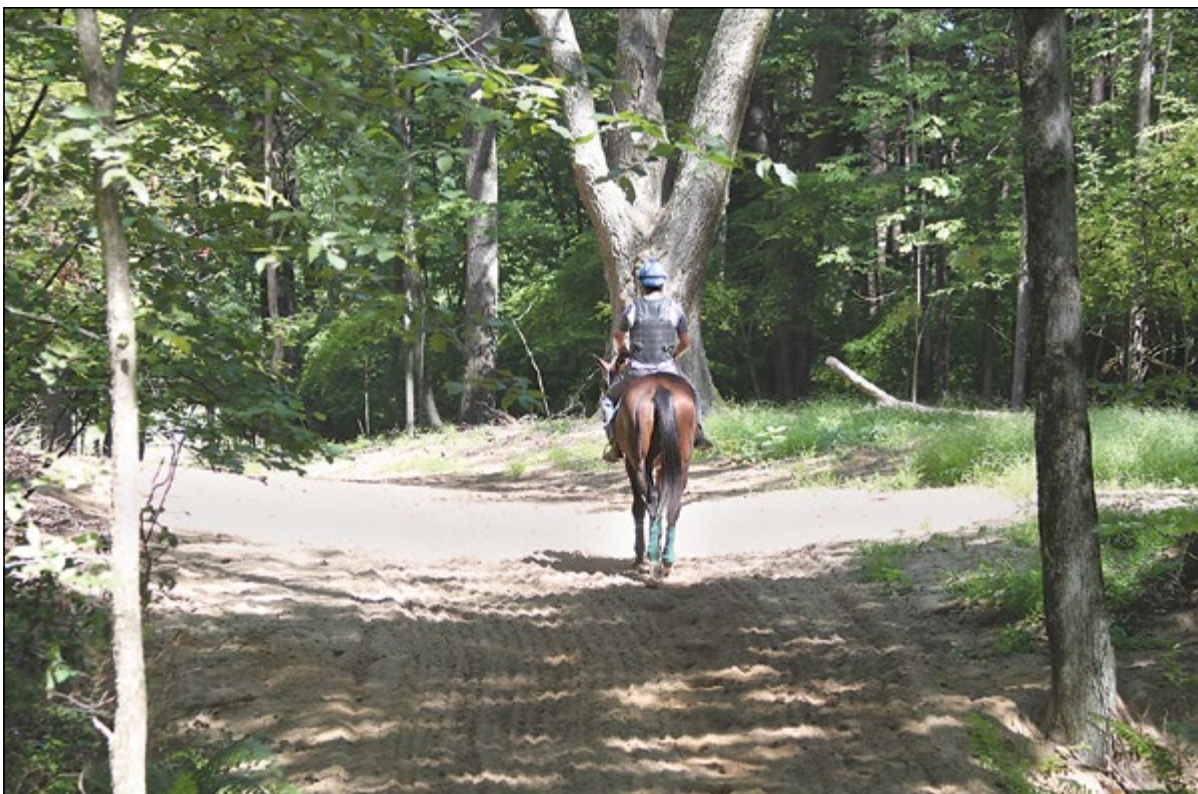
It was Tuesday, another tranquil morning at Burke Equine, a quiet respite for horses recovering from an injury or looking for a change in pace. Tucked behind an unassuming entrance on Hutchins Road, on the other side of SPAC and in another world from the bustle of Broadway and the buzz of the racetrack, Burke Equine offers horses a buffet line of treatments. Rest and relaxation, check. AquaPacer, check. Saltwater spa, check. Rolling gallop, check. Fields and paddocks, check, check.

By Thursday, Recepta was bedded comfortably down in that stall. The Diana runner-up fractured her pelvis in a routine gallop Aug. 5 and had been at Rood & Riddle recovering. She'll spend another month or so at Burke's before moving to Darby Dan Farm in Lexington, Ky.

For Recepta's trainer Jimmy Toner, Burke offers a comforting option in a stressful situation.

"I've known Stowe for a quite awhile, he's a very likeable person, a knowledgeable person and a trustworthy person. I have three horses at his place now," Toner said. "Thank God that he's here, that you have a facility like he has and that you're able to leave horses with somebody as competent as he is."

In a way, Recepta sums up Burke's career. He knew the filly as a 2-year-old when he was practicing as a racetrack veterinarian. Now, he will take



Linzay Marks

A horse explores some of the many options at Saratoga's Burke Equine.

care of her in his new career, as the owner/operator of Burke Equine, started two years ago on Burke's 104-acre family farm.

"I've known Recepta since she was a 2-year-old, running in a maiden special weight in 2013," Burke said. "The gameplan is for her to come here for another three to four weeks and make sure that she is recovered enough to go back to Kentucky."

A long, winding drive delivers visitors to a triangular cluster of 100-year-old barns. Behind the enclave is a large central barn, the therapy barn, which houses the AquaPacer and cold saltwater spa.

Walk into the therapy barn around 10 a.m. or earlier and you'll find Burke and farm manager Annie O'Brien tending to a horse calmly stepping along in the AquaPacer.

Burke explained that changing the water level effects everything from the horse's buoyancy to his range of motion and is effective for horses recovering from soft tissue injuries as well as fractures and such. The horse stepping along Tuesday morning was recovering from tendonitis.

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Burke —

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Once finished on the AquaPacer, Burke walked the horse to the wash pad and O'Brien took over the bathing chores as Burke jiggled the shank to keep the horse's attention and from nipping at his hands.

"It's fun to watch them settle in, become ponies," said Burke.

With the bath finished, Burke headed to his office in the central barn to give instructions to his grooms and riders.

"We are more than just the AquaPacer," Burke said giving a rider a leg up on a filly.

A half-mile dirt track, grass gallops and wooded trails offer horses a break from the mundaneness of the racetrack. Not every horse that comes to the center is recovering from an injury, some just need a mental break or chance to recharge. Among those are two Irish-bred fillies that needed more time adjusting to the American style of training.

One filly came to Burke because she had been tying-up regularly. She has not tied-up since her arrival.

Burke walked alongside the filly, cutting between paddocks and down a tree-lined trail on the way to the training track, stopping every so of-

ten to clear the path of small sticks. There they separated, the filly walked on a loose rein around the track and Burke stood in the field in the center of the track.

Burke pointed to the turn near where the trail meets the track.

"We're going to expand the track off this turn here and go straight through the woods, it'll be like Chantilly in upstate New York," Burke said. "I went to Chantilly last year and was like, 'Wait, I can do that at home.' Not too many people have it like that."

Burke plans to expand the track to a mile over the winter. In addition to the track expansion, a new barn is in the works that features an indoor track, to eliminate the need to haul horses to a nearby indoor arena in inclement weather. The new barn will also allow Burke Equine to take up to 40 horses.

The filly finished up her warm-up and the rider asked, "What are we doing today, sir?"

"Same as yesterday jog two, gallop one," responded Burke as he turned to watch the filly jog, relaxed enough to train without company.

Burke, 44, who lives on the farm with his wife Caroline and their two kids, will occasionally hop on one to get a feel for how the horse is progressing. He brings a wide array of

experience as a horseman. He grew up with show jumpers, tried his hand at polo and has been involved with all aspects of the Thoroughbred business from breeding to galloping horses for Tom Voss and Todd Pletcher.

"I think that helps, because different disciplines have different answers to different problems and you can take something from each part of the industry," Burke said.

Burke cited his grandfather, Hall of Fame show rider Bobby Burke, as inspiration for the kind of horseman he'd like to be. In addition to being a show rider, Bobby Burke rode steeplechase races, trained horses for flat racing and Thoroughbred yearling sales. The older Burke, 91, still comes out and helps his grandson train.

The rider pulled up the filly, walked a bit and Burke instructed him to take the long trail back to barn if she handled it OK the day before.

"Yes," the rider nodded.

With that, Burke turned down the lane through the paddocks to answer calls and ready the next horse to train.

"It's really fun to have them come in with a problem and leave and win," Burke said. "It's about as rewarding as I could have expected."



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So Long, Saratoga

And then there was one. The last page in the last paper, I think I've been here before, trying to find the words for the long goodbye.

It's down to this, the pressure of one final deadline and the levity of one final deadline. Tomorrow, I'll watch races but my voice recorder will be at home, I won't scramble around trying to figure out where the winner's watching the race, I'll simply enjoy a race like everyone else. I'll laugh at things people say, but I won't wonder if I can print them. I'll eat a real meal at a real table and go to bed when I want, instead of when the paper allows. That goes for Tom, Joe and the rest of The Special team who have brought you this year's volume of work, our 16th loop on this crazy ride.

Chad Brown and Jose Ortiz racked up numbers on the front side as we racked up numbers on the dark side – 33 issues, 1,260 pages, 27,225 words (give or take) for this column alone. Arrogate wasn't the only Travers record as we produced our biggest paper in history, a 72-page tome on Travers Day. And to think we produced eight-page editions when we started back in 2001.

I like to wait until everything else is finished for this final column, a sense of closure, shutting the door on the vault and spinning the big knob, locking it away until next summer. And, yes, I could probably re-run any of the final columns from the first 15 years and we might not know the difference. I'm sure they all sound the same.

I just wrote 1,188 words about the Woodward, starting with Kent Sweezey walking into the winner's circle and finishing with Jimmy Jerkens' career reclamation. Shaman Ghost came through, delivering a win for a trainer who is respected by his peers and appreciated by the purists.

Jerkens walked through the crowd after the Woodward, accepted congratulations from random fans to important owners, always gracious, he reminded me a little of his father walking out of the



Connie Bush

grandstand after Shine Again or Emma's Encore. I guess that's what I like the most about Saratoga and this crazy gig we've invented with The Special, just being there, sharing a moment with a trainer, a jockey, an owner, a fan or a horse, just playing a small role in something so big.

But, it's not always big.

Our Saturday started with the annual Little Guy Stable Tour, ferretting out the trainers who we hadn't talked to all meet, I never knew how many barns were over on the harness side. There was Mike Shevy holding his horse for the blacksmith, there was Oscar Barrera III sitting in the corner of his barn, ready to talk about a filly who he loves, there was Arch Kingsley in the farthest corner (were we in Albany?), two jumpers ready to go home, no wins but pride intact.

Shevy's words, delivered quietly, but soulfully, echo in my ear.

"I've been in a slump, but you just try to remember when things were good, when I won a race here and The Saratoga Special interviewed me, your whole life turns around in two minutes. All of a sudden, this dream is real."

In between the Little Guy Stable Tour and the Woodward, another day of Saratoga unfolded, the morning rhythm, the afternoon buzz and the last race rolling past, turf horses flashing through the fading light as revelers headed home and Billy Joel sang the finale one more time. We could use him in our office, signaling the end, the fading tune of another fading summer.

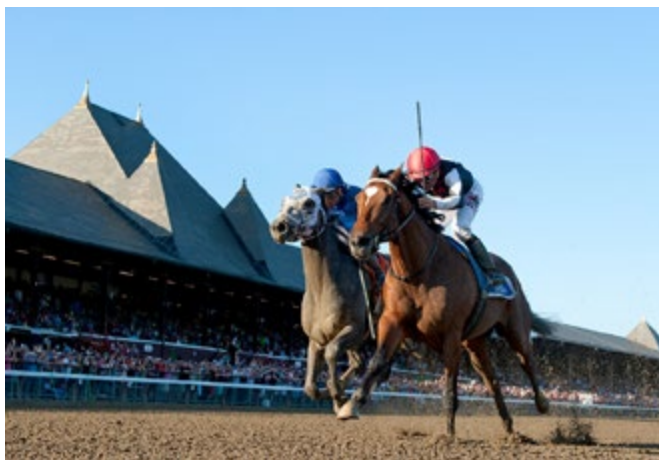
As I re-read what I've written here, as I check the word count, as I bleed my way to the ending of a disjointed, stop-and-start column, I sense movement in the main office, just around the wall from mine, it means they're finished writing and now they're lurking, waiting, time ticking. That's what it has felt for six weeks, time ticking, always ticking.

My 81-year-old father came to town this week, his annual late-meet visit. He's the one who brought me here the first day, he and my mom, nurturing an infant and planting a seed. The seed of Saratoga. I was here when Secretariat lost in 1973 and most summers ever since, every summer since 1989.

I didn't get to watch as many races with Dad as I wanted. I didn't get to eat as many meals with Dad as I wanted.

He mentioned church tomorrow. I guess that'll make up for missed races and meals, but probably not as entertaining. I'll go to church with my dad and my sister, maybe my brother and my nephew. It's been awhile for me. I'll pray for peace, love, health and good fortune to return to Saratoga next summer, rested and rejuvenated, to do it all over again.

Goodbye, readers. Goodbye, Saratoga.



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