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NAMES OF THE DAY

Patrick Henry, first race. Country Life Farm's homebred is by Oratory. Nobody delivered an oratory like "Give me liberty or give me death."

The Tea Cups, eighth race. Bringing back memories of Funland at Rehoboth Beach, the 4-year-old filly is by Hard Spun.

Isthataallthereis, ninth race. Seemed appropriate for closing week.

Dream On, ninth race. Blue Devil Racing's 2-year-old filly is by Cosmonaut out of Salty Romance.

Hush Now, ninth race. Berkshire Stud's homebred is by Flatter out of Silence Please.

LICENSE PLATE OF THE DAY

New Hampshire: WOW (Name the make and model, get a prize).

BY THE NUMBERS

1.7: Million miles (with one engine rebuild) on the last truck retired by van driver Keith Cooper.

WORTH REPEATING

"It was going too smoothly Boss."

Nancy the Paper Lady, after her stash of papers arrived late Thursday morning

"You win the Travers and they still make you rake the shedrow."

V. E. Day, with a rake in his mouth,
via text from racing manager Cindy Curtis

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WORTH REPEATING

“Maybe they’ll breed her to Union Rags and get us a Triple Crown winner or something.”

Michael Matz assistant Joss Saville, on the retirement of multiple Saratoga winner Assateague

“The only tie I ever wanted to wear was the one they sew on the front of the silks.”

Former jockey Richard Migliore, who wears a tie every day in his job with NYRA

“A longer couch.”

Trainer Jack Fisher, while stretched across a love seat, when asked for suggestions to improve Saratoga

“Why do you always feel like you have something to prove here?”

Trainer Kate Dalton, as the horses lined up for Thursday’s jump race (her Cat Feathers proved herself, again, with a tough second)

“Hey, pony boy.”

Greeting to The Special’s Joe Clancy, as he rode one bike and led another through the stable area Thursday afternoon

“Looking for love.”

Trainer Mitch Friedman, while looking at a puddle shaped like a heart outside his barn

“It’s not the hat.”

Sheila Clancy, sister to Joe and Sean Clancy, to their father when he said he didn’t want to wear a hat because it made him look old

“Can I just change the names?”

The Special’s Tom Law, when Chad Brown, Klaravich and William Lawrence won their second 2-year-old turf stakes in a row

“Keep the whip up.”

Mike Grigely to The Special’s team, with three issues to go

“Paddle down the Shenandoah.”

Trainer Doug Fout, suggesting things to do next week

“I don’t feel a lot of pressure, any day I go to the races, I try not to go there expecting too much, I go there, do my thing, if it doesn’t work, I’m not overly disappointed, it brings me back better the next time, I’m not picking myself up off the ground all the time, you can’t take it to heart too much.”

Jump jockey Willie McCarthy

“You did bet her, didn’t you?”

Sheila Clancy, to her brother Sean, after Amazing Anne won the sixth race Thursday

“We’ve never been in it (this year), but it’s still good.”

Ginny Reid, getting her copy of The Special Thursday

“I’m entering my last two shots today. If they don’t win, I’m going to get a job selling newspapers.”

Trainer Merrill Scherer, on winning a race at Saratoga

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“She’s old-fashioned, but a grand looking animal.”

Owner, trainer, breeder Jonathan Sheppard about Thursday winner Brilliant Match



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Calfrmin-G2	100	1	4 ^{1/4}	5 ^{3/4}	6 ^{3/4}	5 ^{3/4}	1 ^{1/4}	Rosario J	L120	*.40
SAH-G1	92	5	4 ^{1/4}	5 ²	2 ¹	3 ¹	5 ^{3/4}	Rosario J	LB122b	*.50
Strub-G2	102	3	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹	1 ^{3/4}	1 ^{1/4}	Rosario J	LB123b	*.50
Malibu-G1	108	9	3	4 ²	4 ³	3 ¹	1 st	Rosario J	LB118b	3.50
Goodwood-G1	100	5	3 ¹	2 nd	1 ¹	1 ¹	4 ^{3/4}	Smith M E	LB121b	*.70
DMrDerby-G2	93	6	1 ^{1/4}	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ²	1 ^{3/4}	Rosario J	LB122b	*.20
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Oceanside112k	93	3	3 ³	3 ^{3/4}	3 ^{1/4}	2 ¹	1 ^{2/4}	Rosario J	LB119b	*.80
OC 80k/N1X-II	98	5	4	3 rd	3 ¹	1 ^{1/4}	1 ^{1/4}	Maragh R	LB122b	*1.10
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"There are a lot of good horses that weren't champions. Look at Kelly Kip, Duck Dance, their records would be great in that Champions book. Kelly Kip won the big race on Wood Memorial Day, the big race at Finger Lakes, the big race on Mass Handicap Day in Boston and he won the big race in Maryland, The De Francis. He won all those races and they gave it to the horse who won the Breeders' Cup. Which, I mean, maybe he deserved it. We didn't go to the Breeders' Cup because his ankle was getting to bothering him. God, he was a runner. He was working here one day, Jean-Luc would look over at me and see if I was going to wave him on or slow him down. I'd stand right at the eighth pole. He came around, he was flying, literally flying. He looked over at me and I waved him on. He must have gone that eighth in 10 and change. To this day, I don't know whatever made me wave him on, I guess I just wanted to see it."

– **Trainer Allen Jerkens**



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Turf Testing

Monmouth-based O'Connell, Scandalous Act aim for grass stakes

BY KRISTIN BRENNAN

Turf stakes for 3-year-old fillies are starting to get limited and Kathleen O'Connell figures there's no time like the present for Gilbert Campbell's Scandalous Act to make her grass debut.

Based at Monmouth Park since early July, the homebred daughter of Act of Duty gets that chance in today's \$100,000 Riskaverse Stakes for sophomore fillies going 1 mile on the inner turf at Saratoga Race Course.

Scandalous Act made headlines last summer and fall with a sweep of the Florida Stallion Stakes at Calder Race Course before finishing sixth in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at Santa Anita Park. She's run twice this season, finishing second in a small stakes

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at Calder and a well-beaten eighth in the Cash Run at Gulfstream Park.

O'Connell was in Ocala this week looking at yearlings during the OBS August sale and won't make the Riskaverse, the feature on the final Friday of the 2014 meeting. She and Campbell won a race here last summer with Kanturk Kid and finished fourth behind Deputy Commander, Behrens and Awesome Again in the 1997 Travers with Blazing Sword.

"It's one of my favorite places in the world ... it's like a slice of heaven," O'Connell said of Saratoga.

Scandalous Act is out of the Langfuhr mare Seductive Lady, a two-time winner on the dirt who was winless in



Coady Photo

Calder winner Scandalous Act tries the turf for the first time in today's Riskaverse.

two tries on the turf.

O'Connell said she and Campbell chose the Riskaverse, where their filly will face the likes of stakes winners Granny Mc's Kitten, Miss Frost and Old Harbor, since there are not a lot of options for just 3-year-olds in Florida.

"To me they need to run with straight 3-year-olds as long as they can," O'Connell said, adding that the distance should suit her filly.

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the turf pedigree,” she said.

Jose Lezcano picks up the mount on Scandalous Act, who is 15-1 on the morning line.

Granny Mc’s Kitten is the 9-5 morning-line favorite off a come-from-behind win in allowance/optional company Aug. 2. The daughter of Kitten’s Joy won the P. G. Johnson as a maiden last year – a feat accomplished by stablemate Partisan Politics for trainer Chad Brown Wednesday – and will be ridden by Javier Castellano.

Miss Frost is the 3-1 second choice as she comes off 18 days rest after winning the Tenski Stakes Aug. 11 for Dogwood Stable and trainer Tom Albertrani. The daughter of Curlin is 2-for-3 on the grass at Saratoga, including her maiden-breaking score here last summer. Edgar Prado gets the return call on the favorite.

Fashion Fund was a closing third in the Granny Mc’s Kitten allowance



Tod Marks

Granny Mc’s Kitten is favored in the Riskaverse.

win and she returns for trainer Shug McGaughey and jockey Joel Rosario.

Latique makes her stakes debut and her second start off a more than seven-month layoff for Graham Mo-

tion. The daughter of Elusive Quality exits a pair of wins, the first in a 1-mile maiden race Jan. 10 at Gulfstream Park and a 1-mile allowance July 25 at Monmouth Park.

“She’s put two races together although it was a long time between races,” Motion said earlier this week. “She won quite nicely. It always worries me coming back second race off a layoff coming off a big race. She’s had plenty of time but sometimes they don’t run that race back the second time.”

Others in the field are Nisharora, returned from 12-month layoff and finished fifth in her first start for Valor Ladies and trainer Rick Mettee last time in the Wild Applause in late June at Belmont Park, and Old Harbor, first and second in editions of the New York Stallion Series at Belmont and Saratoga for Russell Cash.

Prayed For, a daughter of Dynaformer who won her debut Aug. 9 for Jimmy Jerkens, faces winners for the first time.

Vero Amore, runner-up in the Black-Eyed Susan, and Faith Hall, a winner last time out for O’Connell at Calder, are entered for the main track only.

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Linda Rice	7
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Javier Castellano	54
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1ST (1:00PM). \$50,000, CLM \$25,000, 3 YO, F , 7F

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

1	.....	1	.....	Mr Rico Is Valid	.....	T. Rice	.....	P. Reynolds	.....	8-1
2	.....	2	.....	Lady Doris	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	H. Motion	.....	6-1
3	.....	3	.....	Tacones	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	M. Morales	.....	5-1
4	.....	4	.....	Da Wildcat Girl	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	S. Klesaris	.....	3-1
5	.....	5	.....	Little Gidding	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	R. Rodriguez	.....	4-1
6	.....	6	.....	Appearance	.....	J. Castellano	.....	B. Levine	.....	5-2
7	.....	7	.....	From Tiz Moment On	.....	A. Worrie	.....	A. Ronen	.....	20-1

2ND (1:33PM). \$42,000, CLM \$25,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 5 1/2F (TURF)

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

1	.....	1	.....	Pegasus Red	.....	A. Worrie	.....	O. Barrera, III	.....	15-1
2	.....	2	.....	Slimshady	.....	J. Rocco, Jr.	.....	L. O'Brien	.....	12-1
3	.....	3	.....	Kid Blast	.....	R. Maragh	.....	B. Levine	.....	4-1
4	.....	4	.....	Patrick Henry	.....	D. Davis	.....	M. Trombetta	.....	10-1
5	.....	5	.....	Golden Story	.....	M. Luzzi	.....	W. Hickey	.....	3-1
6	.....	6	.....	Greeley's Farewell	.....	L. Perez	.....	D. Conway, Jr.	.....	20-1
7	.....	7	.....	Greg's Intuition	.....	R. Napravnik	.....	D. Cannizzo	.....	7-2
8	.....	8	.....	Bajan Summer	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	C. Clement	.....	5-1
9	.....	9	.....	Recanted	.....	J. Castellano	.....	D. Jacobson	.....	5-1
10	.....	10	.....	Herd Mentality	.....	S. Bridgmohan	.....	S. Asmussen	.....	4-1

3RD (2:05PM). \$54,000, MCL \$65,000, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	1	.....	Late Night Artist	.....	R. Albarado	.....	D. Romans	.....	5-2
2	.....	2	.....	Amazing Littlelady	.....	E. Prado	.....	G. Weaver	.....	8-1
3	.....	3	.....	Shades of Indygo	.....	M. Franco	.....	J. Ryerson	.....	4-1
4	.....	4	.....	One More Song	.....	J. Rosario	.....	C. Clement	.....	7-2
5	.....	5	.....	Touch of Snow (IRE)	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	N. Saville	.....	5-1
6	.....	6	.....	Path to Power	.....	M. Franco	.....	L. Lewis	.....	15-1
7	.....	7	.....	Rachel's Temper	.....	R. Napravnik	.....	D. Cannizzo	.....	6-1
8	.....	8	.....	Winner's Legacy	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	G. Weaver	.....	4-1
9	.....	9	.....	Silverama	.....	T. Rice	.....	L. Gyarmati	.....	12-1

4TH (2:37PM). \$58,000, STR \$25,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/4M

Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	6	.....	For the Luv of Lil	.....	J. Castellano	.....	G. Contessa	.....	5-2
1a	.....	7	.....	Conspiracy	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	G. Contessa	.....	5-2
2	.....	1	.....	Sinorice	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	N. Zito	.....	7-2
3	.....	2	.....	Springcourt	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	S. Dutrow	.....	5-1
4	.....	3	.....	Desvelo (ARG)	.....	R. Napravnik	.....	K. Rubley	.....	10-1
5	.....	4	.....	Matt and Jesse	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	P. Ortiz	.....	20-1
6	.....	5	.....	Le Deluge	.....	C. Velazquez	.....	D. Jacobson	.....	6-1
7	.....	8	.....	Village Warrior	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	3-1

5TH (3:10PM). \$75,000, ALW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	1	.....	Take It Inside	.....	C. Velazquez	.....	M. Gorham	.....	5-1
2	.....	2	.....	Under Scrutiny	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	R. Ubillo	.....	20-1
3	.....	3	.....	Coriander	.....	T. Rice	.....	J. Hertler	.....	10-1
4	.....	4	.....	Lady Kreesa	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	D. Donk	.....	2-1
5	.....	5	.....	Golden Cheetah	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	D. Schettino	.....	15-1
6	.....	6	.....	Zafiro Azul	.....	M. Franco	.....	T. Bush	.....	12-1
7	.....	7	.....	Devious Maddy	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	L. Gyarmati	.....	7-2
8	.....	8	.....	Silver Silence	.....	D. Davis	.....	D. Farrell	.....	15-1
9	.....	9	.....	Life's a Stage	.....	J. Rocco, Jr.	.....	P. Serpe	.....	4-1

6TH (3:43PM). \$62,000, CLM \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 5 1/2F (TURF)

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

1	.....	1	.....	Hero Force	.....	R. Napravnik	.....	S. Asmussen	.....	20-1
2	.....	2	.....	Bear Tough Tiger	.....	R. Alvarado, Jr.	.....	D. Romans	.....	5-1
3	.....	3	.....	Flashlight (IRE)	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	B. Lynch	.....	20-1
4	.....	4	.....	Partly Mocha	.....	R. Maragh	.....	G. Weaver	.....	5-2
5	.....	5	.....	MTO	.....	Dighton	.....	P. Farro	.....	5-1
6	.....	6	.....	Joe Can Gallop	.....	J. Rosario	.....	G. Weaver	.....	3-1
7	.....	7	.....	Awakino Cat	.....	J. Castellano	.....	G. Contessa	.....	8-1
8	.....	8	.....	Jess Not Jesse	.....	C. Velazquez	.....	L. Rice	.....	10-1
9	.....	9	.....	Mish Mosh	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	M. Maker	.....	5-1
10	.....	10	.....	Decisive Move	.....	L. Saez	.....	D. Duggan	.....	12-1
11	.....	11	.....	MTO	.....	Attractive Ride	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	2-1

7TH (4:15PM). \$40,000, CLM \$20,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 6F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	1	.....	Star of New York	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	P. Quick	.....	12-1
2	.....	2	.....	Lucci the Lion	.....	L. Saez	.....	C. Englehart	.....	15-1
3	.....	3	.....	Won Great Classic	.....	C. Velazquez	.....	L. Rice	.....	5-1
4	.....	4	.....	Jeter	.....	J. Castellano	.....	M. Miceli	.....	7-2
5	.....	5	.....	Cay to Pomeroy	.....	C. DeCarlo	.....	C. Englehart	.....	8-1
6	.....	6	.....	Joe Mooch	.....	R. Maragh	.....	T. Albertrani	.....	6-1
7	.....	7	.....	N. F's Destiny	.....	M. Franco	.....	M. Ferraro	.....	5-1
8	.....	8	.....	Be Bullish	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	D. Jacobson	.....	3-1
9	.....	9	.....	Taxplayer	.....	T. Rice	.....	R. Sedlacek	.....	30-1

8TH (4:48PM). \$75,000, ALW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)

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

1	.....	1	.....	Willow U	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	R. Ubillo	.....	6-1
2	.....	2	.....	As Well	.....	J. Rosario	.....	M. Hennig	.....	12-1
3	.....	3	.....	Thatta Wrap	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	J. Kimmel	.....	8-1
4	.....	4	.....	The Tea Cups	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	J. Englehart	.....	12-1
5	.....	5	.....	Abbie's Butterfly	.....	L. Perez	.....	D. Conway, Jr.	.....	30-1
6	.....	6	.....	Brandini	.....	R. Maragh	.....	H. Bond	.....	15-1
7	.....	7	.....	Takeoff Your Hat	.....	L. Saez	.....	P. Serpe	.....	5-2
8	.....	8	.....	Milkyyourway	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	D. Schettino	.....	3-1
9	.....	9	.....	Keen Katana	.....	T. Rice	.....	J. Toner	.....	7-2

9TH (5:20PM). \$73,000, MSW, 2 YO, F , 6F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	1	.....	Captain Munnings	.....	L. Saez	.....	G. Contessa	.....	12-1
2	.....	2	.....	Isthataallthereis	.....	R. Maragh	.....	B. Tagg	.....	12-1
3	.....	3	.....	Q T Bird	.....	A. Worrie	.....	O. Barrera, III	.....	20-1
4	.....	4	.....	Temper Mint Patty	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	D. Romans	.....	5-1
5	.....	5	.....	Alexandrie	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	2-1
6	.....	6	.....	Saratoga by Design	.....	P. Gonzalez	.....	G. Goodwin	.....	30-1
7	.....	7	.....	Dream On	.....	J. Castellano	.....	C. Martin	.....	6-1
8	.....	8	.....	My Super Nova	.....	J. Rosario	.....	G. Weaver	.....	3-1
9	.....	9	.....	Madoo	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	R. Violette, Jr.	.....	8-1
10	.....	10	.....	Golden Starlet	.....	M. Franco	.....	R. Violette, Jr.	.....	15-1
11	.....	AE	.....	Hush Now	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	T. Bush	.....	15-1
12	.....	AE	.....	Freddie Anne	.....	J. Castellano	.....	E. Kenneally	.....	6-1
13	.....	AE	.....	Sandra	.....	M. Franco	.....	T. Bush	.....	15-1
14	.....	AE	.....	First Service	.....	S. Bridgmohan	.....	M. Dilger	.....	8-1
15	.....	AE	.....	Always Sarah	.....	T. Rice	.....	J. Ryerson	.....	20-1
16	.....	AE	.....	Sweetpollypurebrd	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	R. Rodriguez	.....	4-1

10TH (5:53PM). \$100,000, STK - THE RISKVERSE, 3 YO, F , 1M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Daily Double

1	.....	1	.....	Prayed For	.....	R. Maragh	.....	J. Jerkens	.....	15-1
2	.....	2	.....	Miss Frost	.....	E. Prado	.....	T. Albertrani	.....	3-1
3	.....	3	.....	Fashion Fund (GB)	.....	J. Rosario	.....	C. McGaughey III	.....	5-1
4	.....	4	.....	Latique	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	H. Motion	.....	8-1
5	.....	5	.....	Granny Mc's Kitten	.....	J. Castellano	.....	C. Brown	.....	9-5
6	.....	6	.....	Old Harbor	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	R. Cash	.....	12-1
7	.....	7	.....	MTO	.....	Vero Amore	.....	C. Velazquez	.....	2-1
8	.....	8	.....	Scandalous Act	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	K. O'Connell	.....	15-1
9	.....	9	.....	MTO	.....	Faith Hall	.....	K. O'Connell	.....	6-1
10	.....	10	.....	Nisharora (IRE)	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	R. Mettee	.....	6-1

11TH (6:26PM). \$83,000, MSW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 5 1/2F (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta

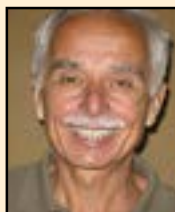
1	.....	1	.....	Galroyale	.....	C. Velazquez	.....	L. Rice	.....	6-1
2	.....	2	.....	Harp N Halo	.....	R. Maragh	.....	J. Terranova, II	.....	12-1
3	.....	3	.....	Korite	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	D. Donk	.....	12-1
4	.....	4	.....	Court Appeal	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	J. Shirreffs	.....	12-1
5	.....	5	.....	D' Kennesaw Cat	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	J. Servis	.....	8-1
6	.....	6	.....	Zindaya	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	C. Clement	.....	3-1
7	.....	7	.....	Golden Maria	.....	C. DeCarlo	.....	W. Turner, Jr.	.....	50-1
8	.....	8	.....	Braided	.....	L. Saez	.....	T. Albertrani	.....	4-1
9	.....	9	.....	Wavell Avenue	.....	J. Rosario	.....	C. Brown	.....	5-1
10	.....	10	.....	Miadora	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	C. Clement	.....	10-1
11	.....	11	.....	Queen of the Spa	.....	D. Davis	.....	D. Farrell	.....	20-1
12	12	Earth to Matilda	M. Franco	J. Terranova, II	20-1
13	AE-MTO	Believeinfaith	A. Arroyo	J. Antonucci	6-1

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Little Gidding
Lady Doris

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Appearance
Da Wildcat Girl
Lady Doris

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Da Wildcat Girl
Appearance

2

Kid Blast
Bajan Summer
Greg's Intuition

Golden Story
Bajan Summer
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Silverama
Late Night Artist

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Late Night Artist
Touch of Snow

Winner's Legacy
Path to Power
One More Song

Late Night Artist
Winner's Legacy
Silverama

Amazing Littlelady
One More Song
Late Night Artist

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Contessa Entry
Sinorice

Village Warrior
Conspiracy
Sinorice

Conspiracy
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Springcourt

Springcourt
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Village Warrior

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Life's a Stage

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Take it Inside

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Devious Maddy
Under Scrutiny

Lady Kreesa
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Lady Kreesa
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Attractive Ride
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Joe Can Gallop
Bear Tough Tiger

Joe Can Gallop
Jess Not Jesse
Partly Mocha

Attractive Ride
Joe Can Gallop
Bear Tough Tiger

Partly Mocha
Joe Can Gallop
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Startup Nation exits the winner's circle after Thursday's With Anticipation.

Big Jump

Startup Nation closes from last, survives inquiry for Grade 2 win

BY TOM LAW

WITH ANTICIPATION RECAP

The race for leading trainer at the Saratoga Race Course meet for 2014 got awfully tight after Chad Brown capped a three-win day with a victory in, what else, a 1 1/16-mile race on the grass for 2-year-olds.

Do not adjust your eyeglasses, computer monitor, laptop screen, tablet or however else you're reading this story, this is not a repeat. Brown won his fourth race for 2-year-olds on the grass over the last four days of racing when Startup Nation jumped from the state-bred ranks to open company and won Wednesday's Grade 2 With Anticipation.

Brown, who cut Todd Pletcher's lead in the trainer standings to one heading into today, won the \$200,000 With Anticipation the day after winning the P. G. Johnson for 2-year-

old fillies on the grass with Partisan Politics. Startup Nation and Partisan Politics are owned by Seth Klarman's Klaravich Stables and William Lawrence, who account for seven of Brown's 22 wins so far the meet.

Brown – ahead of Pletcher by win percentage at 26 versus 21 but behind him by earnings \$2,432,788 to \$1,772,484 – frequently walks the politically correct line when the topic is broached and he did again Thursday afternoon.

"Just going to go race-by-race and put them in the right spots," said Brown, who entered 16 horses for the final four cards to Pletcher's 13. "I thought I had good chances today go-

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ing in, all the horses are in the right spots.”

Startup Nation didn't look like he was in the wrong spot, but certainly was in where he'd need to improve off three weeks rest and against some solid open-company maiden winners. Throw in overcoming a claim of foul by Rosie Napravnik aboard the runner-up and a steward's inquiry into the stretch run and it's fair to say the With Anticipation was the right spot for the son of freshman sire Temple City.

Startup Nation won convincingly with a last-to-first move that resulted in a 4 ½-length victory in 1:41.63 over the firm turf. International Star and Napravnik were second, 2 ½ lengths clear of Florida shipper Nutty Fuddy, who was three-quarters of a length in front of 2-1 favorite Strong Coffee.

Rosario kept Startup Nation eighth as another Florida shipper, Kutuzov, set the early pace. International Star set off to take on the leaders approaching the half-mile pole, Napravnik getting the New York-bred Fusaichi Pegasus colt going on the outside as Kutuzov retreated and Creaky Cricket inherited the lead.

International Star kept Strong Coffee and Irad Ortiz Jr. inside and right behind Designed for War as Startup Nation swooped past on the far outside.



Tod Marks

Startup Nation rates behind the leaders early in the With Anticipation.

The quartet of Creaky Cricket, Designed for War, International Star and Startup Nation were together from the inside out as the field approached the final straight. Startup Nation never made any contact as he went by but International Star shied briefly, threw his head and took back between rivals. By that point Startup Nation

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was gone.

The replay of the incident in question rolled on the infield monitor as Napravnik told stewards that “even though you can’t see it” Rosario didn’t give any effort to “give us space ... for 10 to 12 strides.” The inquiry took a few minutes, and Rosario, Ortiz and Castellano all took their turns on the phone upstairs, before the result stood.

A few minutes after a fan yelled to Napravnik, “you’ll get ’em next time,” outside the winner’s circle, Rosario offered his take.

“I had a lot of horse,” he said. “I run by her and tried to give her some room on the inside. I thought the horse on the inside came out a little bit, too, and she was probably in a bad spot there, but I tried to give her some room. I was clear.”

Brown was a little more direct.

“I have no idea what the claim was about,” he said.

Startup Nation, a \$95,000 purchase by Klarman and Lawrence at last year’s Fasig-Tipton Saratoga New York-bred yearling sale, won in similar style Aug. 7. He didn’t come from last or survive an inquiry, but came from 10 lengths back early to win by 2 under Rosario.

“We were very impressed,” Brown said of Thursday’s win. “The horse had run similar in his debut, very impressive with a wide move going away but running back in three weeks and now against open



Tod Marks

Startup Nation (left) draws away late in Thursday’s feature.

company, nevertheless a stakes race, you need to move forward. To run back in three weeks the way he did, 1:41 and change, he’s a real runner.”

Startup Nation was Brown’s eighth winner through the first 18 days of the meet when he broke his maiden. The barn’s picked up considerably since and especially of late.

Startup Nation followed Thursday winners First

Bid in the second, a 1 1/8-mile maiden claiming race on the dirt, and Offering Plan in the third, a 1 1/16-mile turf maiden for state-breds. The other winners going the 1 1/16-mile trip on the turf were Partisan Politics in Wednesday’s \$100,000 P. G. Johnson and Lady Eli in a Monday maiden. Dayathespa won the 1 1/16-mile Yaddo Stakes for New York-breds Sunday.



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RIVER CITY HANDICAP (GIII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 8	Closes Oct. 22
\$100,000	(\$100 nomination Fee)
Three Year Olds & Up	1 1/8 Miles Turf

MRS. REVERE (GII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 15	Closes Oct. 29
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Fillies, Three Years Old	1 1/16 Miles Turf

COMMONWEALTH TURF (GIII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 15	Closes Oct. 29
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Three Year Olds	1 1/16 Miles Turf

CARDINAL HANDICAP (GIII)

Runs Sat., Nov. 22	Closes Nov. 5
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Fillies and Mares, Three Years Old & Up	1 1/8 Miles Turf

FALLS CITY HANDICAP (GII)

Runs Thurs., Nov. 27	Closes Nov. 12
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Fillies and Mares, Three Years Old & Up	1 1/8 Miles

CLARK HANDICAP (GI)

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Brilliant Match keeps old pedigree rolling for Sheppard

Way back in 1992, Jonathan Sheppard was at a 2-year-old sale at Calder when a former employee mentioned a filly by Gemini Dreamer and out of Victorian Lace. The sire meant nothing to Sheppard. The dam, mother of 1990s steeplechase great Victorian Hill, did.

"Lisa Berry, who used to work for me, was working for one of the consignors down there and told me about her," Sheppard recalled. "I opened my catalog and there she was. I think I got her for \$15,000."

That filly, Gemini's Gem, won three races but far more importantly became a foundation mare for Sheppard's Pennsylvania breeding operation. Daughter Brilliant Match won the \$75,000 Mrs.

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Brilliant Match (right) jumps the last with a slight lead on Cat Feathers.

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By Katie Brush

The Brothers Rap improved on a third earlier in the meet, when he acted up and need some shoe repair in the paddock, and won Thursday's fourth race at Saratoga Race Course.

Sugar Maple Farm's and H. Lewis Rapaport's homebred 4-year-old gelding by Dehere won the 1 1/8-mile allowance/optional by 3 lengths over Writingonthewall in 1:50.66.

"I thought the last race he ran was a winning race, but he had so much trouble in the paddock," said trainer Charlton Baker, winning his first race of the meet with his 20th starter. "His shoes came off and he wouldn't let them put them back on. He was acting up real bad last time and he ran really good for everything that happened that day."

Chris DeCarlo rode The Brothers Rap in his last two starts and again Thursday. The jockey settled the gelding at the back early and around the first turn before moving him up with a strong middle move. The Brothers Rap took the lead with about a half-mile to run and drew off late.

"He's a good horse that's always consistent," Baker said. "He fails to win all the time so it's great to see him win today. He had enough speed in there and he seemed like he wanted to do it today."

The Brothers Rap improved to 2-for-10 on the season with a second and four thirds and he's now won three of 15 in his career. Out of the winning Dynaformer mare Miss Blarney Stone, The Brothers Rap last won in a 1 1/16-mile allowance race in early February on the inner track at Aqueduct.

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1	Bittersweetheart (GB)	P. Young			\$2.50

Dk B/ Br M 2008, by Partner's Hero - Gemini's Gem by Gemini Dreamer
Owner: Sheppard, Jonathan, E.. Trainer: Jonathan Sheppard.
Breeder: Jonathan Sheppard (PA). Late Scratches: Kissar N Run
Time: 4:39.05. Exacta (5-2), \$17.40; Trifecta (5-2-1), \$36.60

SECOND \$50,000, MAIDEN CLAIMING \$50,000, 3 & UP, 1 1/8M

4	First Bid	J. Rosario	\$6.10	\$3.90	\$3.10
5	Aggrandizement	L. Saez		\$7.60	\$5.60
3	Identity Crisis	J. Alvarado			\$7.50

Dk B/ Br G 2011, by Street Sense - Feathered Diamond by A.P. Indy
Owner: LaPenta, Robert, V.. Trainer: Chad Brown.
Breeder: Dixiana Farms LLC (KY). Claimed: First Bid claimed by Miuccio, Antonino for \$50,000. Time: 1:51.76
Daily Double (5-4), \$43.40; Exacta (4-5), \$43.80; Quinella (4-5), \$24.40; Trifecta (4-5-3), \$368.50

THIRD \$88,000, NY-BRED MDN SPECIAL WEIGHT, 2YO, 1 1/16M

5	Offering Plan	J. Lezcano	\$10.00	\$4.60	\$3.20
2	Kerjillion	J. Castellano		\$3.70	\$3.00
4	Foxhall Drive	J. Alvarado			\$4.60

Dk B/ Br Colt 2012, by Spring At Last - Rosalie Road by Street Cry (IRE)
Owner: Dubb, M., Nantucket Thoroughbred Partners, Bethlehem Stables LLC et al.. Trainer: Chad Brown.
Breeder: C. W. Swann & Cygnet Farm (NY).
Late Scratches: Midnight Nick. Time: 1:42.37
Daily Double (4-5), \$35.40; Exacta (5-2), \$28.40; Superfecta (5-2-4-8), \$312.40; Trifecta (5-2-4), \$178.50; Pic 3 (5-4-5), \$191.50

FOURTH \$78,000, NY-BRED AOC \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/8M

5	The Brothers Rap	C. DeCarlo	\$11.80	\$5.30	\$2.90
1	Writingonthewall	J. Ortiz		\$4.00	\$2.80
2	Onecats Chance	J. Castellano			\$2.40

Dk B/ Br Gelding 2010, by Dehere - Miss Blarney Stone by Dynaformer
Owner: Rapaport, H., Lewis and Sugar Maple Farm.
Trainer: Charlton Baker. Breeder: Sugar Maple Farm & H. Lewis Rapaport (NY). Late Scratches: Fiona's Hero, Goodtolook. Time: 1:50.66
Daily Double (5-5), \$59.50; Exacta (5-1), \$48.00; Quinella (1-5), \$18.40; Trifecta (5-1-2), \$111.50; Pic 3 (4-5-5), \$278.00

FIFTH \$200,000, STAKES - WITH ANTICIPATION S., 2 YO, 1 1/16M

1	Startup Nation	J. Rosario	\$6.50	\$3.80	\$3.10
8	International Star	R. Napravnik		\$5.10	\$4.00
5	Nutty Fuddy	J. Valdivia, Jr.			\$4.80

Dk B/ Br Colt 2012, by Temple City - Pennyrile by Wagon Limit
Owner: Klaravich Stables, Inc. and Lawrence, William H.
Trainer: Chad Brown. Breeder: Spendthrift Farm (NY).
Late Scratches: Blame Jim. Time: 1:41.63
Daily Double (5-1), \$63.00; Exacta (1-8), \$36.00; Superfecta (1-8-5-9), \$818.00; Trifecta (1-8-5), \$257.00; Pic 3 (5-5-1), \$257.00

SIXTH \$32,000, CLAIMING \$16,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/8M

4	Successful Brothers	L. Saez	\$10.00	\$4.10	\$2.90
3	Grandpa Len	I. Ortiz, Jr.		\$2.90	\$2.40
1	Maximus Mike	C. DeCarlo			\$3.30

Ch Gelding 2010, by Invasor (ARG) - Contagious (GB) by Polar Falcon
Owner: Winning Move Stable and Team Classic Racing.
Trainer: Gary Contessa. Breeder: Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Wilkinson (KY).
Late Scratches: Stowe. Claimed: Successful Brothers claimed by Groff, Matthew T. for \$16,000, Grandpa Len claimed by Cohen, Yehuda for \$16,000, Maximus Mike claimed by The Holly and Ivy Stable LLC for \$16,000. Time: 1:51.92
Daily Double (1-4), \$44.80; Exacta (4-3), \$22.20; Superfecta (4-3-1-2), \$175.00; Trifecta (4-3-1), \$113.50; Pic 3 (5-1-4), \$390.50; Pic 4 (5-5-1-4), \$901.00; Pic 5 (4-5-5-1-4), \$7,543.00

SEVENTH \$73,000, NY-BRED MDN SPECIAL WEIGHT, 2YO, 1 1/16M

7	Amazing Anne	J. Alvarado	\$6.30	\$3.70	\$3.30
10	Battle Axe	L. Saez		\$3.50	\$3.10
6	Jadam	R. Napravnik			\$7.50

Dk B/ Br Filly 2012, by Freud - Plinking by Talkin Man
Owner: Winter Park Partners. Trainer: Thomas Morley.
Breeder: Anthony Grey (NY). Late Scratches: Momma Giovanna, Jules N Rome, Building Permit. Time: 1:45.25
Daily Double (4-7), \$61.00; Exacta (7-10), \$29.20; Superfecta (7-10-6-5), \$1,848.00; Trifecta (7-10-6), \$388.50; Consolation Double (4-1), \$10.40; Pic 3 (1-4-7), \$229.00; (1-4-1), \$36.80

EIGHTH \$67,000, CLAIMING \$50,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1M

6	Indian Starlight	J. Ortiz	\$8.70	\$4.10	\$2.70
9	Edie	I. Ortiz, Jr.		\$3.60	\$2.80
1	Sheza Heartbreaker	J. Lezcano			\$4.40

B M 2009, by Indian Ocean - Winter Melody by Frosty the Snowman
Owner: Klotzow, Sam. Trainer: Richard Violette, Jr.
Breeder: Bridlewood Farm (FL). Late Scratches: Majestic Marquet, Lotsa Noodles. Time: 1:37.12
Daily Double (7-6), \$31.00; Exacta (6-9), \$30.00; Superfecta (6-9-1-8), \$1,517.00; Trifecta (6-9-1), \$191.50; Pic 3 (4-7-6), \$363.50; (4-1-6), \$65.00

NINTH \$93,000, AOC \$80,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 5 1/2F

5	Heaven's Runway	J. Alvarado	\$10.60	\$4.00	\$3.20
3	Golden Rifle	J. Castellano		\$3.20	\$2.50
8	Stormy Rush	J. Lezcano			\$2.70

B Colt 2010, by Run Away and Hide - Heavens Passport by Awesome Again
Owner: Kalarikkal K. and Vilasini D. Jayaraman. Trainer: James Toner.
Breeder: Dr. K. K. Jayaraman & Dr. V. Devi Jayaraman (KY).
Late Scratches: Candyman E. Time: 1:02.15
Daily Double (6-5), \$51.00; Exacta (5-3), \$29.00; Superfecta (5-3-8-7), \$830.00; Trifecta (5-3-8), \$92.50; Pic 3 (7-6-5), \$220.50; Place Pix Nine (1/3/4-6/7/10-1/6/9-5), \$44.40

TENTH \$45,000, NY-BRED MDN CLM \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 6F

8	Okey Dokey Smokey	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$7.20	\$3.50	\$3.00
1	King Gettigan	J. Rosario		\$3.50	\$2.90
4	Mineral Water	R. Maragh			\$3.40

Ch Colt 2011, by Smoke Glacken - Queen of Valentine by Storm Creek
Owner: Dubb, Michael, Bethlehem Stables LLC and Sahn, Robert I..
Trainer: Rudy Rodriguez. Breeder: Eaton & Thorne, Inc. (NY).
Late Scratches: Party On, Hardwired, Tapidor, Keyaly. Time: 1:12.22
Daily Double (5-8), \$46.40; Exacta (8-1), \$21.80; Superfecta (8-1-4-6), \$130.50; Trifecta (8-1-4), \$81.50; Pic 3 (6-5-8), \$299.00; Pic 4 (1/4/7/11-6-5-8), \$684.00; Pic 6 (1-4-1/4/7/11-6-5-8), \$163.50; Pic 6 (1-4-1/4/7/11-6-5-8), \$17,913.00

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Thursday —

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Walter Jeffords Stakes Thursday. Two other daughters have won this year and grandson Italian Wedding won the Grade 1 New York Turf Writers at Saratoga last year.

“It’s been amazing family for us,” Sheppard said Thursday. “I’d never heard of Gemini Dreamer, but she was a half-sister to Victorian Hill (an earner of more than \$700,000 over jumps) and a nice type.”

As a broodmare, Gemini’s Gem produced steeplechase winners Three Carat, Sparkled, One Giant Step and Birth Sign among others.

Brilliant Match went right to jump racing with a career debut over hurdles last year. By summer, she was making two starts on the flat at Delaware Park and then won a maiden hurdle by 49 1/2 lengths at Aiken in October. Aiming for a spring return, Sheppard tabled it when the 6-year-old daughter of Partner’s Hero didn’t train as well as she can. This summer, she went back to the flat and finished second going 5 1/2 furlongs at Presque Isle Downs and then won a maiden racing going 1 mile and 70 yards.

Sheppard liked the success, but was thinking Saratoga all along.

“Very much so,” he said. “I thought if she’s going to Saratoga she better have a run or two. She was a maiden, she’s a Pennsylvania-bred, she might be able to pick up a bit of pocket change and get some fitness out of it. She ran two pretty good races.”

On Aug. 7, Brilliant Match finished third – beaten 6 lengths by Cat Feathers – in the Mrs. Ogden Phipps going 2 1/16 miles over hurdles here. Three weeks later, and five-sixteenths farther, she flipped the result – handing the far more experienced Cat Feathers a 1 3/4-length defeat in 4:39.05. Bittersweetheart finished third.

“She was very game,” Sheppard said. “If she wanted to quit at all, she’d have gotten beat.”

In just his third ride of the year thanks to a broken leg, Darren Nagle rode the winner.

“I still don’t feel 100 percent and I’m actually surprised to get a ride up here, I probably should



Tod Marks

Amazing Anne (left) pulls away to win Thursday’s seventh.

have just waited for the fall but to get the opportunity to ride a horse like that you have to take it,” Nagle said. “She was a bit green the last time, she learned a lot from that day, she was still pretty fired up today but she was tough. She got tired, but she kept galloping, that’s her best thing. She has ability but her toughness outweighs everything else for sure.”

Sheppard came into Wednesday winless in 10 jump races at Saratoga, but swept the last two. Both horses improved in their second runs at the meet.

“We had some things we hoped would have gone a little better early that didn’t,” he said. “You know, there’s a lot of variables. Darren had a pretty positive outlook and gave her a great ride. I thought he might fall apart in the stretch because he hasn’t ridden very much; Bernie’s pretty fit and has been riding up here all meet but Darren did a nice job.”

Gemini’s Gem, 24, is pensioned on Sheppard’s farm but she’s a long way from finished adding to her broodmare career. Full-sisters Brilliant Match, Glittering and Rare Mix have all won this year. They’re by Partner’s Hero out of necessity more than some pedigree nick. The mare, whose early foals were by Northern Baby, Citidancer, Storm Broker and Valley Crossing, had to have an ovary removed which meant getting her in foal was going to be a challenge. Sheppard talked it over with Dr.

Roy Bergman and came up with a plan.

“He said we needed to be very careful and breed her almost to the nearest hour (of ovulation),” Sheppard said. “If we were going to monitor it, that meant it needed to be a local stallion. I asked him who he liked and he said Partner’s Hero. I had bred some mares to him, and liked him. He sounded as good as any. The one year I sent her to Rimrod (who also stands at Castle Rock Farm) she didn’t get in foal.”

— Joe Clancy

• Amazing Anne lived up to her name Thursday, breaking her maiden in her second start and first on turf in the seventh.

The 2-year-old Freud filly, named by owner/breeder Tony Grey of Winter Park Partners after she showed early promise, won the 1 1/16-mile state-bred turf race by 1 1/2 lengths over Battle Axe as the favorite.

“I named her after my wife so it had to be a good one,” Grey said.

Winning trainer Tom Morley previously trained two full siblings of Amazing Anne - Scribbling Sarah, who was primarily a grass horse and also broke her maiden at Saratoga and Maggie’s Lad, who Morley said was better on the dirt.

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Tod Marks

Heaven's Runway (left) sweeps to victory in Thursday's ninth.

Thursday —

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Grey keeps his mares in New York at Becky Thomas' Sequel Stallions in Hudson and the veteran horsewoman handles all his breaking and early training, including the offspring of Freud and the Talking mare Plinking.

"(Becky) told me this filly was more talented than the rest of them so big kudos to her as well, she was spot on," Morley said.

Amazing Anne finished third, beaten 10 ¼ lengths, in her debut going 5 ½ furlongs in an off-the-turf race July 28. She was bumped at the start and raced five wide around the far turn in that race.

"I didn't really want to run her on the slop but she was desperate to have a run," Morley said. "She trains well enough over the dirt that we thought 'let her have a run, get the experience.' She ran third to two colts and beat all the fillies in the race so it was a nice introduction for her."

Amazing Anne's second race was a completely different experience, racing on turf and going two turns. She battled with Battle Axe and eventual fourth-place finisher Smilingsundae until prevailing in the stretch.

"Today is what she's always indicated she's wanted to do," Morley said. "She wants to go long and on the grass. Delighted she got the job done today."

Amazing Anne was Morley's third winner of the meet, meeting a goal he

set before racing started July 18.

"I did say to (Daily Racing Form's) Dave Grening at the beginning of the meet I wanted to have three winners this year," he said. "I had one last year, my first year. Wanted to have three this year, we got the three and we can go home now."

— Kristin Brennan

- A few setbacks limited Jimmy Toner's starters at the meet and he recorded his first win from just his seventh starter when Heaven's Runway won the ninth.

"I thought we would have a decent meet but some 2-year-olds got sick," Toner said. "I ran a couple of horses out of town that I was trying to run here, so I never really got going the way I wanted to."

Heaven's Runway was one of those horses who raced out of town. The 4-year-old Run Away and Hide colt finished second last time out in the Aug. 2 My Frenchman Stakes at Monmouth Park for Toner and owners/breeders Kalarikkal and Vilasini Jayaraman.

"He was actually, of the few that I have left to run, one that I thought could win here, but his race was the toughest race," Toner said.

Watching the replay on the big screen in the clubhouse, Toner watched Heaven's Runway cross the finish for his fourth win in 20 career starts.

"We needed that, we're off the duck," Toner said.

— Katie Brush

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To-do List

What do you do after this? It's a logical question after the madness of seven weeks at Saratoga. It's also part of the reason why you like us, you won't see us (much) until next year. The easy answer is we'll walk away – from the track, from the circus, from daily publishing, daily racing. We'll write, but at nothing near the intensity. We'll reintroduce ourselves to our wives, our children (or chickens in Tom's case) and go back to the regularly scheduled program.

It's really the best part of The Special, we get to stop. We take a deep breath and find some space. Writers need inspiration. Dave Grening, you are our hero, for the way you can keep going, from Saratoga to Belmont to Aqueduct and beyond, we are glad you don't work in a shoe store. As for us, we'll be watching the racing but not necessarily covering the racing, although, we'll plan some trips for the jump races at Belmont, the Jockey Club Gold Cup, the Pennsylvania Derby, the Maryland Million, maybe a weekend at Keeneland and the Breeders' Cup.

After living a daily checklist – distribute, sell, report, write, edit, proof, repeat – I have made a new to-do list. We'll see how many I can tick off by Christmas. And, yes, Joanie Morris, this is a list.

Tuesday, September 2, 2014.

Unpack the car.

Put away the voice recorder, hide it, stash it, lose it.

Send bills, hope to get paid.

Talk to people without hoping they say something funny for Here and There.

Watch a race to watch a race, just to see who wins. Turn the page and look at the next race, for fun, for a lark.

Take Miles to school. Pick him up. Listen to his stories. Read to him. Tuck him in at night.

Read.

Pack a picnic and spend the day with Miles at the Goose Creek.

Paddle down the Shenandoah with Doug Fout.

Go to the Virginia Fall Races, sit on the rocks, watch jumpers run across the horizon and fly the last at Glenwood Park.

Watch the Maryland Million to see Eighttofast-tocatch defend his title.

Win a race at Far Hills in October.

Catch up with the Chief in Florida.

Go to the French Hound or Forlano's or the Ashby Inn or all three with my wife. Just the two of us. Better yet, Manhattan for a weekend.

Go to the post office and the coffee shop, without hurrying.

Go to the Cake Walk at Welbourne, listen to the Loose Marbles or some other Louisiana jazz band, sipping bourbon and laughing with the locals late into the night.

Sleep late, at least once.

Watch Saturday morning shows with Miles. The two of us on the couch. Milk for Miles. Coffee for me. Jack Hanna's Wild Countdown, Wildlife Docs, Ocean Mysteries, Sea Rescue, Animal Exploration and Expedition Wild. Three hours of escape.

Have a beer with Andrew Motion, Jack Holz and Dan Haney.

Spend a day with Tim Keefe at Laurel Park.

Road trip to Woodbine to see Brent Harris.

Borrow a horse and go fox hunting, first flight with Piedmont, remembering what it's like to ride again. The simple escape of riding. Better yet, go hunting with 79-year-old father, first flight with Cheshire.

Count up the ATM receipts and figure out where the money went.

Walk around the farm. No aim, no schedule.

Pick the garden or what's left of it.

Ride a horse with my wife.

Write something for fun. For the sheer joy, rather than for the deadline.

Read an issue of The New Yorker.

Enjoy the view out the back of our farm, without worrying about the board that's broken, the grass that needs mowing or the horse who needs a new career.

Plant a tree at Riverdee's gravesite.

Go see Eddie Graham and Hardest Core.

Reload stable for a Saratoga 2015 campaign.

Go find Toadie wherever the hell he is these days.

Book airfare and hotel for Tattersalls October Sale, looking for turf horses and steeplechase prospects. Find clients.

Take the nephews to the Grand Canyon (come on, it can happen).

Visit Jack Clancy at school.

Get a dog.

Email landlords for our security deposits.

Recycle the 2014 Saratoga Special brochures.

Design the 2015 brochure.

Frame the New York Times article on The Special from this summer.

Breeders' Cup for HRRN, see who's still standing from Saratoga and who's waiting in California.

Write inspiring letters to Ryan, Dan, Katie, Kristin, Dan and all the interns/helpers from this summer.

Send thank you notes to everybody who was positive at the meet – to the supporters who rallied early, to the readers who left bake goods on our doorstep to the friends who invited us to parties, dinners and events.

Study the form from this year and figure out what we can do better next year.

Go see Annie's family in Birmingham, Alabama and my family in Unionville, Pennsylvania.

Walk away from Google Mail, Twitter, Facebook and DRE.com for a week. OK, a day.

Turn off the phone.



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