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NAMES OF THE DAY

Two Weeks Off, second race. Sounds good right about now.

Sinatra, third race. Peter Blum's homebred is out of My Way.

River Date, fourth race. Filly is by Pioneer of The Nile out of How Bout Tonight.

Security Check, seventh race. Peggy Steinman's homebred is by Sky Mesa out of Skirmish.

LICENSE PLATES OF THE DAY

EL BUG, New York. Of course it's on a classic VW.

BIGSTEAK, New York. Of course it's on a truck owned by a steak house.

BY THE NUMBERS

1: Stolen bike from the Oklahoma clockers' stand. Huffy, circa 1979. Reward.

0: Number of people standing at Doc Richardson's spot outside Bill Mott's barn Friday morning.

1: Dr. Lonnie Smith CD dropped off at The Special office. Thanks Jim.

1959: Year of the white Cadillac convertible (yesterday's WOW license plate) parked on the backside Thursday morning. The car is owned by Paul and Carol Magrath of Melvin Village, New Hampshire. Former owner Bill Austin was the husband of Hattie Myers Austin, founder of Hatties Chicken Shack on Phila Street. Thanks to Michele Phillips for the facts.



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"Good job number five."

Young fan to jump jockey Darren Nagle after winning the opener Thursday

"Only in Saratoga."

Racing fan when hearing the young fan

"She was a bit green that day."

Nagle, when describing Brilliant Match's career debut (flat or jump) as a 5-year-old in a maiden hurdle at Camden

"Apparently the only thing worse than that bike is no bike."

Observer, when hearing about the stolen Huffy

"Doesn't bother him."

Jack Doyle, riding a playful Paris Vegas Friday morning, when asked if the horse knew he was facing Wise Dan Saturday

"It's just quantum physics. Moreno is full of energy and the others really don't matter."

Trainer and apparently college professor Eric Guillot, assessing his horse's chances Thursday morning

"Normally Jose Lezcano rides him, but Jose Lezcano is obligated to actually be the favorite in the race, so fortunately for us Javier was open. You know we don't have to check his credentials."

Phil Serpe on Javier Castellano riding Weekend Hideaway in today's Forego

"This guy came and gave a presentation today and all I could see was Bruno with the Works guy."

The Special's Jack Clancy, after a man who did look like Bruno with the Works made a presentation at Salisbury University

"LUNDRY."

Label on a wash bucket on the backstretch

"I didn't know the special meant \$32."

Saratoga diner, who will order off the regular menu next time

"You were almost late for the Future Jumper Classic."

John Panagot, as The Special's Sean Clancy arrived late to the paddock for a 9-furlong maiden claimer Thursday

"Those damn quotes. Everybody came running up here looking for him and they wound up with me sitting in the golf cart. Man, were they disappointed."

Assistant trainer Tyler Wolbert, after The Special quoted his boss Wayne Catalano saying he was coming to Saratoga Friday (he'll arrive Saturday)

"She didn't want to cheat."

Cathy Sheppard, after hearing broodmare Gemini's Gem didn't get in foal to Rimrod after delivering three consecutive daughters of Partner's Hero

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Once you get past the idea of trying to win a horse race, you just admire the horse, you don't want her to get beat for her sake. My nervousness is about us making a mistake that costs her."

Trainer Phil Schoenthal, about sending out Miss Behaviour in today's Prioress



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Before... See Photo of the Day (page 6) for after.

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- Trainer Allen Jerkens



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Dual Horse of the Year
Wise Dan makes return
after May colic surgery

BY TOM LAW

The stressors were adding up as the days clicked by for Charlie LoPresti during his annual stay here in Saratoga and an incident last weekend involving a horse he had no association with helped put his 2014 meet in perspective.

LoPresti was running Enchanting Lisa, two-time Horse of the Year Wise Dan's younger half-sister also owned and bred by Morton Fink, in the fifth race on Travers Day. Disaster struck in the race before when Ludicrous, a 2-year-old first-time starter, suffered a fatal injury in the stretch. LoPresti and his crew were making their way to the paddock and they saw the things nobody wants to see on any racing day much less Saratoga's biggest day.

They were excited earlier in the day to run Enchanting Lisa before Saratoga's signature race, hoping she'd get the barn its first win of the meet. She ran big, finishing second to Chat in the 1 1/16-mile allowance race, but seeing the screens, horse ambulance and an ill-fated horse on the ground in front of the stands took any thrill out of the walkover and made it tough.

"When I saw that I told my staff, 'We've had a tough meet, haven't won a race, but at least they've all gotten to come home,'" LoPresti said a few days after the Travers. "Seeing something like that is horrible. Horrible for the people, horrible for racing and horrible for the horse."

Asked Thursday if that moment was symbolic of how fortunate LoPresti, his wife Amy and his staff back in Lexington, his Saratoga crew, and Fink and his family feel about getting Wise Dan back to the races and today's \$250,000 Bernard Baruch, the horseman offered his opinion.

"People don't realize that things like that can happen," said LoPresti, who lost a horse in a racing accident here last summer. "That's why I told my help.



Tod Marks

Horse of the Year Wise Dan, winning the Fourstardave last year, is favored in today's Bernard Baruch.

"People are talking about Horse of the Year, he's got to run on dirt, he's got to do this, he's got to do that, I don't care about any of that right now. That is not even in my mind. The thing for me is to get him to this race. I'm happy where he is. I'm glad he's alive. If I can get him to this race, everything goes well and I can get out of here, get him back home, that's what's important. Things like what happened there Travers Day or with Wise Dan having to go for colic surgery, those kinds of things are always in the back of your mind with horses."

A great deal has been written, talked, broadcast and discussed about Wise Dan's colic surgery and subsequent recovery in May but it's so much more than words.

The 7-year-old gelding went from under anesthesia and cut open – no small thing for any horse let alone one his age – to hand-walking and grazing at LoPresti's Forest Lane Farm, to jogging and then galloping at the farm and eventually back at LoPresti's Rice Road barn at Keeneland and ultimately to Saratoga.

Wise Dan spent the previous two summers at Saratoga, winning back-to-back editions of the Fourstardave. The chestnut gelding's presence on the main track in one of the first sets with Damien Rock in the saddle, breezing occasionally on the Oklahoma turf or grazing in the large grassy area

between LoPresti's barn and the road that runs parallel to the backstretch are as familiar here as the Big Red Spring, tourists on Broadway and overpriced seasonal rental properties.

Wise Dan trained well after he arrived this summer and he breezed a half-mile on the Oklahoma turf the morning of Opening Day in :49.12 with a motionless Rock in the saddle. He went once more to the Oklahoma, breezed 5 furlongs in 1:03.72 a week later before LoPresti decided Wise Dan wasn't getting as much out of those works as he did the last two years and kept him on the main track.

During that time LoPresti felt like he was "trying to fit 10 pounds of potatoes in an 8-pound bag ... trying to stuff it all in" as he considered the Aug. 9 Fourstardave. He eventually decided not to run in the mile turf stakes.

"I'd been fighting in my head about what to do," LoPresti said. "I knew the Fourstardave was the right thing. After I got here and I started to really think about the timing, I only had one breeze (at Keeneland) and then the half-mile breeze over on the Oklahoma."

Seek Again, who gave Wise Dan a stiff test the last time he raced before the colic surgery in the Woodford Reserve Turf Classic on the Kentucky

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Derby undercard, won the Fourstardave in course-record time. The morning of the race, LoPresti breezed Wise Dan 6 furlongs on the main track in 1:13.25, a move that showed the champion was starting to come around.

“When that horse started to come good, I knew I made the right decision,” LoPresti said. “I’m totally comfortable. I could have run him 80 percent like I did in the Maker’s (Mile, a win) and still done OK, but I was dealing with a little different thing. It wasn’t like dealing with winter off, it was dealing with colic surgery.”

Wise Dan, whose intestines righted themselves after surgeons opened him up and didn’t require the type of procedures that can lead to other issues, blossomed in the weeks between the Fourstardave and today’s Baruch. The back-to-back winner of the Breeders’ Cup Mile en route to his Eclipse Award titles puts Rock to work every morning.

LoPresti and Rock, a former jockey who trains for and competes in half-Ironman triathlons when he’s not riding, know the signs when Wise Dan is ready to roll. Rock feels the burn in his forearms and biceps when he gallops the powerful gelding and he’s felt it plenty these last three weeks.

Wise Dan was feeling so good earlier this

week that LoPresti considered taking him to Clare Court to keep him off the main track, a plan he wound up changing Wednesday morning. Wise Dan looked every bit like the Wise Dan Rock had a hard time pulling up the day before the Woodford Reserve after he schooled in the gate at Keeneland, when he was itching to keep an over-eager and significantly less accomplished stablemate at bay when they broke off for an easy gallop a few yards apart.

“He’ll train good today, you’ll see,” LoPresti said from his buckskin pony Donny as Wise Dan jogged the wrong way just after 6 a.m. Wednesday. “He’ll give Rock a workout. Or maybe he’ll give him a break, but I doubt it.”

Wise Dan started on his gallop and floated around the clubhouse turn. As he and Rock made their way toward the backstretch they came upon a few other gallopers and quickly closed the gap, Rock could have gone to the inside but that might have signaled go for Wise Dan so they stayed eight or nine paths off the fence. Wise Dan relished the work and churned up the backstretch, around the far turn and through the stretch with ease. Rock pulled him up without trouble as LoPresti looked on.

“How’s the burn level today?” the trainer asked.



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"Pretty good, pretty high," Rock responded with a couple pats on the gelding's neck. LoPresti and Donny, Rock and Wise Dan and Kelly Wheeler and Keening, entered in an allowance race Monday off a second at the meet, took the long walk back through the stable area.

At the barn Wise Dan could have passed for a horse yet to train, the only true signs that he did were the dirt on his bandages and just a touch of sweat from Rock's tack. Rock and Wheeler, an exercise rider from LoPresti's crew in Lexington, talked about Wise Dan back at the barn as they got ready for the next set, sounding more like admiring fans than people around the horse every day for years. Then again, like everyone else in the barn, they're both.

"Everything comes so easy for him," Rock said. "He's just so balanced."

When the conversation drifted to whether Wise Dan was taking it up a notch, Wheeler was quick to say, "He's on a different level. He's his own notch."

Wise Dan's half-mile breeze in :47.92 the morning after last Saturday's Travers was probably his best since returning to training and one that sets him up for today's formidable assignment.



Tod Marks

Five Iron harrasses Reen Guillen at the barn Friday.

The task of the Bernard Baruch is a tough one not because of the competition – he's handled much better than the eight entered for the grass fairly easily – but because he'll carry 127 pounds and give from eight to 13 pounds to his opponents.

The weight spread was another stressor thrown into the mix and one that got LoPresti thinking about running Wise Dan on the dirt in the Grade 1 Woodward or wait 15 days to return to Toronto to go for a third victory in the Grade 1 Woodbine

Mile. The final decision to run in the Bernard Baruch, a Saratoga staple and run since 1959, was made by Fink.

LoPresti entered Wise Dan Wednesday morning and Fink poured over the past performances of the contenders at home in Chicago before arriving in town Thursday.

"I called him and said, 'You tell me what you want to do. Do you want to run here or run at Woodbine? I'm 100 percent behind you whatever you decide.' He was at the house so he studied the whole thing. Then he said, 'Charlie, my opinion, we'll be 2-5 in that race. Run.' "

LoPresti was on board, even though he was enticed by the \$1 million purse and the "Win and You're In" status of the Woodbine Mile.

"It's the right thing to do," LoPresti said. "He's ready to run, he's doing good and he's dragging Damien around there. The logistics make it easier to run here.

"I beat myself up all the time trying to do the right thing with this horse. But I do know the Fourstardave, I feel great I didn't do that and I'm relieved now that Mr. Fink and I both agree that even though it's \$250,000, even though it's a Grade 2, even though it's a mile-and-a-sixteenth off the layoff, it's the right thing to do for him. You can cook something too long. You know? And he's been

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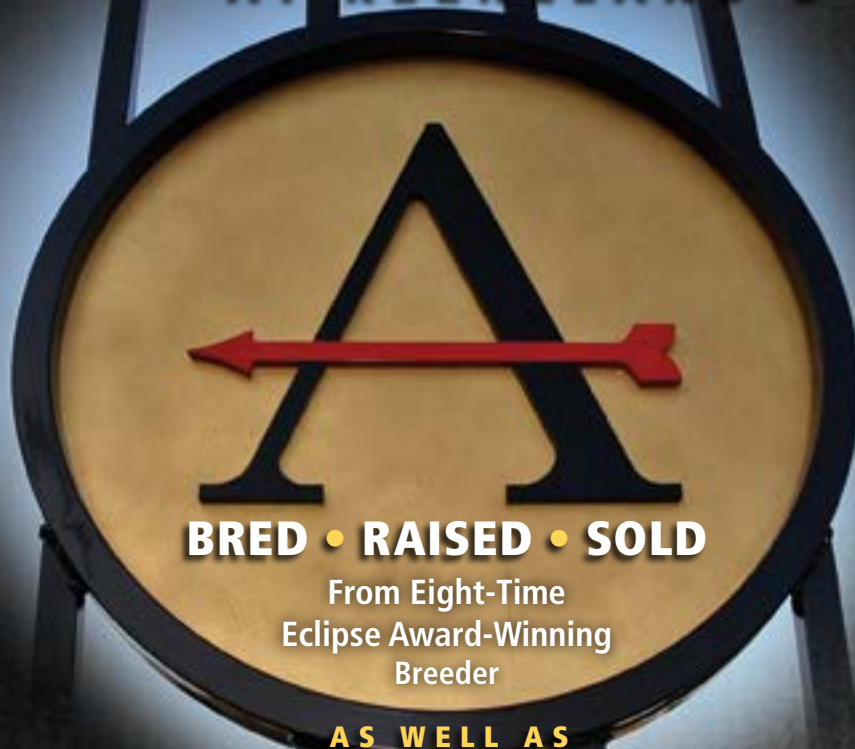
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cooking. He's where he needs to be. And I'm sure if you held a gun to my head I could hold him, it wouldn't be a problem. I don't think it's the right thing to do. With all the things he's been through, I want to get a race into him and get him home."

The makeup of the race figures to suit Wise Dan, who prefers to sit close to the pace before making a powerful run in the stretch, with plenty of speed expected from Canadian shipper Five Iron and Sayaad.

Five Iron, who along with Boisterous gets eight pounds from Wise Dan, won the Grade 3 Saranac last summer at Saratoga.

The Sharp Humor colt likes to do his running on the front end, opening up big advantages and hanging on. Sometimes it works, like the Saranac and small stakes on Polytrack and turf last year at Woodbine and the Grade 3 Fort Marcy at Belmont this year, and sometimes it doesn't, like the Grade 1 Manhattan going 10 furlongs and the Grade 2 Nijinsky II going 9 in his last two starts.

Brian Lynch, who shipped Heart to Heart from Woodbine to win the Better Talk Now gate-to-wire last week, said Five Iron is the kind of horse he's drawn to because of his style.

"Everybody's sort of got a favorite horse and he's one of mine because he's so exciting to watch when he opens up on them like that," said Lynch, 5-for-6 in the money this meet with two victories.



Tod Marks

Paris Vegas was second in last year's Bernard Baruch.

"People are like, 'he can't hang on,' stuff like that.

"Even when there's other front runners like him, nine times out of 10 they sit behind him thinking, 'oh man, look at this crazy fool out on the front end, look how much he's opened up.' And then all of a sudden they get game and they keep going and all of a sudden they're scrambling, throwing leather at their horses trying to make up the ground. Five Iron is the kind of horse that once he gets out there he takes a breather, has a little bit of a break and has something to finish with."

Shadwell Stable's Sayaad chased Silver Max, engaged that rival earlier than expected, took the lead and faded to fifth in the Fourstardave, beaten 2 ½ lengths by Seek Again and Grand Arch.

Kieran McLaughlin hopes the son of Street Sense can wait a bit longer this time, although Sayaad's best races were on the lead when he won the Dance of Life here last summer and the Forbidden Apple in July at Belmont Park.

"He felt like he moved a little early to Silver Max because he thought he was the horse to beat," McLaughlin said of Jose Ortiz, who rode last time and gets the return call. "When he got to him so easy we didn't have a lot left for the last furlong and finished fifth, beaten only two lengths. This time he'll ride him a little more confidently.

"He doesn't have to be on the lead and that spot will be occupied by Five Iron it looks like. So he'll lay second or third and treat him like a normal horse."

The Bernard Baruch field also includes Grade 1 winner Boisterous, who cuts back after finishing fourth in the 1 ½-mile Bowling Green in July at Belmont, and Grade 2 winner Optimizer, who makes his first start for trainer Jose Fernandez after being trained by D. Wayne Lukas. Others in the field are Bio Pro, North Star Boy, Paris Vegas and Sky Blazer.

Lea, dominating winner of the Grade 1 Donn Handicap in February but unraced since, and Red Rifle are entered for the main track only.

Additional reporting by Dan McDonough.

Winners are made in the morning.

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Trainer Eric Guillot plants a kiss on Woodward favorite Moreno.

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Whitney hero Moreno attempts
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BY JOE CLANCY

WOODWARD PREVIEW

Lagniappe. It's a Creole word used frequently in Louisiana to mean "a little something extra." Mark Twain wrote about it in the 1800s. Eric Guillot talked about it Thursday morning.

The trainer isn't planning to write a book, but he's got the right mindset about today's Woodward with his stable star Moreno. By winning the Whitney four weeks ago, the 4-year-old gelding erased the sting of a nose defeat in last year's Travers, collected \$800,000 and stuck his muzzle into a cloudy race among the older-male division. He returns as the 2-1 favorite vs. nine others in the Grade 1 Woodward. A win would be sweet. It would also be lagniappe, a bonus.

"The Travers isn't ever going away, it's going to haunt me," Guillot said of the last-stride loss to Will Take Charge. "But the Whitney was a little bit of redemption. It was fun. It was the richest race in Saratoga history, it's the Whitney, with a horse named

after my partner, a homebred. You can't make that up. You can't fabricate a story like that."

A win in the \$600,000 Woodward would be sweet, but it would also be gravy, a little something extra on top of an already momentous achievement.

Lagniappe.

"It's from back in the old general-store days when there would be candy for the kids in a little jar for free next to the cash register," Guillot said. "It means a little something for nothing. Anything from this point on with Moreno is lagniappe."

Not that Guillot is conceding. Owned and bred by Mike Moreno's Southern Equine Stable, the 4-year-old Ghostzapper gelding will likely be up front early and difficult to get past in a repeat of the Whitney's 9-furlong

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Itsmyluckyday adds blinkers after finishing second in the Whitney. Tod Marks

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trip. The Grade 1 is the 11th of 12 races on the card, with a post time of 6:46 p.m.

The field includes four others from the Whitney – runner-up Itsmyluckyday, plus Prayer For Relief (fourth), Last Gunfighter (fifth) and Romansh (seventh). New arrivals Long River, Micromanage, Zivo, Norumbega and Stephanoatsee complete the group.

Thursday morning, Moreno added two stops to an otherwise routine training day. Wearing white blinkers, he jogged on the main track, and went back to the starting gate with the stable pony. After two minutes of standing – with several glances over both shoulders – the earner of \$1.7 million backed out of the gate and continued on his way. A few hours later he was in the paddock, along with Horse of the Year Wise Dan and a host of other equine celebrities. Wearing four blue polo bandages, a Southern Equine saddle towel, pad and surcingle, Moreno put on the best show, bucking and kicking out with his hind legs and generally bouncing around like a kid on a field trip.

Guillot loved it.

“He’s sharp, right?” he said. “We might need two guys with him next time. He’s a lot to handle when he’s like that.”

The trainer wants him more relaxed today. After breaking slowly, Moreno set a steady

pace in the Whitney, getting the first half-mile in :47.50 and three-quarters in 1:11.31. Alvarado was riding on the turn, but the others didn’t get much closer and he scored at 10-1. The win confirmed Guillot’s faith and erased the ideas of taking the horse off the pace or shortening him up (after a 12th in the Met Mile).

“Everybody thought he was a miler,” he said. “I don’t read the Form that much, but I’ve been doing it long enough to know that inner fractions make races. Just because the horse is fast going a mile-and-an-eighth two turns doesn’t make him a miler.”

Guillot trains Moreno lightly, with an easy daily routine and fast works. He breezed 5 furlongs in a bullet :59.28 six days ago, similar to the :58.91 he zipped before the Whitney.

“I jog him a lot,” Guillot said. “Keep him happy, breeze him fast. It works for him. He’s quirky, but he’s more relaxed this summer than he was up here last year. He’s matured. Mentally, he’s better.”

Moreno won two consecutive races at Belmont last year – a maiden June 8 and the Grade 2 Dwyer July 6, then lost his next eight before taking the Whitney. He seeks his fourth lifetime win and can pass \$2 million in earnings with a victory.

Itsmyluckyday got closest to Moreno in the Whitney and eyes revenge while adding blinkers for trainer Eddie Plesa Jr. Sidelined for the second half of 2013 with a fracture in his pelvis,

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the 4-year-old son of Lawyer Ron got back to work with a fourth in the Grade 2 Gulfstream Park Handicap before winning three in a row. He bounded into the Whitney off a score in Monmouth Park's Salvator Mile and was game in defeat at Saratoga.

Plesa expects another solid try from Itsmyluckyday, who races for Trilogy Stable and Plesa's wife Laurie.

"Excellent," the trainer said to how his horse was doing. "Coming off the injury he had and coming back the way he did is very fulfilling for all of us. He came out of that race great. I'm not sure the (inside) post is an advantage or a disadvantage. Pace makes a race and it didn't work in our favor the last time."

Plesa called the Woodward a jockeys' race and is confident in Paco Lopez to work out a good trip and tackle Moreno when it's time. Plesa goes to the blinkers to help his horse focus, not necessarily to produce a sharper effort.

"It's been in the back of my mind for some time," he said. "I trained him in them a few days and I was very positive about it. Maybe he'll be a little bit more focused on the job at hand rather than the distractions. Working in them, he didn't get too strong or sharp and if he did I would have changed my mind and not run him in them."

An OBS March graduate, Itsmyluckyday is the 5-2 second choice on the morning line.

Thomas Coleman's Zivo handed Moreno a 3-length defeat in the

Grade 2 Suburban July 5 and rides a six-race winning streak for trainer Chad Brown. The New York-bred son of True Direction has been working every seven days at Saratoga since Aug. 3 and has never finished worse than third in 15 career starts. Jose Lezcano, aboard for the Suburban win, takes the return call at 5-1.

Brown also saddles John Gunther's Last Gunfighter, who has lost two in a row after starting his year with a score in the Mountainview Handicap at Penn National in May. The 5-year-old was ninth behind Zivo in the Suburban and fifth behind Moreno in the Whitney. Joe Bravo gets the ride at 15-1.

Repole Stable's Micromanage blasted five others in the 1 3/4-mile Birdstone here Aug. 7 and shortens up 5 furlongs for trainer Todd Pletcher. The 4-year-old finished seventh in the Suburban and was second in the Grade 2 Brooklyn on Belmont Stakes Day. Rajiv Maragh takes the ride at 8-1. Godolphin Racing runs an 8-1 entry of Long River, who adds blinkers for trainer Kiaran McLaughlin. The A.P. Indy 4-year-old finished fifth as the favorite in the Grade 2 Monmouth Cup last month. Irad Ortiz Jr. gets back aboard. Tom Albertrani's Romansh makes up the second half of the Godolphin duo, and tries to improve on a rough-trip seventh in the Whitney. Jose Ortiz rides.

Zayat Stable's Prayer For Relief finished fourth in the Whitney and aims to win his first race this year. The Dale Romans trainee gets John Velazquez, who was aboard for a second in the Grade 3 Pimlico Special in May, at 12-1. Stuart Janney III's Norumbega adds blinkers and returns to Saratoga, where he's 2-for-2 including an allowance win last year for trainer Shug McGaughey. The 4-year-old Tiznow colt won the 1 1/2-mile Brooklyn in June, but faltered in the Suburban in July. Javier Castellano rides at 10-1.

My Meadowview Farm's Stephanoatsee breaks from the outside for trainer Nick Zito while looking for his first win since October 2012. The 5-year-old was second in an optional claimer here July 25. Joel Rosario rides at 30-1.



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Zivo puts his six-race winning streak on the line.

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Here comes Trouble

Lynch hopes to avoid it with record-breaking sprinter Clearly Now

BY TOM LAW

Clearly Now has spent the better part of his 15-race career either finding trouble or trouble finding him.

The nearly black 4-year-old son of Horse Greeley sometimes bobbles at the start, frequently gets forced wide, occasionally gets squeezed, clips heels and gets bumped. He's amazingly still managed to win five times in his career and one of those victories, the Grade 3 Belmont Sprint Championship Stakes, went about as smooth as silk. The result that day was a 6 1/4-length victory over eventual Grade 1 winner Palace and a track

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Clearly Now (with Dermot Dawkins aboard) gets ready to train at Saratoga Friday.

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record of 1:19.96 for 7 furlongs.

Belmont Park can be a bit more forgiving for troublesome types, with its expansive layout and sweeping turns compared to the tighter configuration of Saratoga Race Course, where Clearly Now headlines a field of 10 for today's Grade 1 Forego Stakes.

"You always hope he would have a breakthrough performance in one of these races because he had been one of those horses that inevitably got himself in some kind of trouble or hampered somewhat," said Brian Lynch, who trains the colt for Up Hill Stable from his base at Woodbine. "Obviously we think he's a talented horse to run him in the spots we ran him in. It was nice to see that breakthrough performance to validate what we think of the horse."

Clearly Now was favored against eight others in the Belmont Sprint and is favored at 7-5 against nine others in the 7-furlong Forego. He's won three of seven at the distance, including last year's Grade 3 Bold Ruler at Belmont and the Grade 3 Swale at Gulfstream Park.



Tod Marks

Palace aims for a repeat of his win in the Vanderbilt Aug. 2.

The four races between the Swale and the Bold Ruler were adventures for Clearly Now, with trouble in each and a tendency to come out in the stretch in two.

He drifted in winning the Bold Ruler by 1 ½ lengths and returned a month later to finish fifth in the Grade 1 Cigar Mile after he clipped heels

near the top of the stretch.

Clearly Now was all business training the last two mornings at Saratoga, putting in a good gallop Thursday and an easy jog alongside the pony Friday. He made a trip to the paddock when he trained before the break Friday and was pretty laid back walking the shedrow back at the barn.

Lynch said he gave Clearly Now a bit of a "freshening by design" after the Belmont Sprint, opting to wait for the Forego instead of coming back in the Grade 1 Alfred G. Vanderbilt going 6 furlongs Aug. 2. Palace won the Vanderbilt for trainer Linda Rice and returns in the Forego as the 3-1 second choice.

"Because it was a career-best effort, the best numbers of his career, however you look at it, it was a good decision," Lynch said of skipping the Vanderbilt. "I've had better luck giving him a little bit of time off big races like that. With my luck I'd run him back in the Vanderbilt and he bounces to high heavens and everybody says it's a fluke. This way we've given him every chance to duplicate his race."

Barclay Tagg hopes Confrontation can do what he's done almost every time in his career and duplicate his previous race.

The 4-year-old War Pass gelding brings a 5-for-7 record into his stakes debut in the Forego, including a 2 ¾-length win in allowance/optional company going 7 furlongs earlier in the meet. He also brings a serious liking to Saratoga.

"He likes Saratoga," Tagg said Friday. See **FOREGO** page 26 ►

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day morning. “He’s run three times here in the last two years and won them all.

“Of course they were a lot easier races than a Grade 1, but he’s run so well lately and his last race he won easily. It didn’t really put a lot of pressure on him and I don’t think he seemed to come out of it like a cannon. It’s there, it’s a Grade 1. I can’t say he doesn’t belong in there. Maybe I would have liked to of had another stake or two in him before (the Forego) but things don’t always work out that way.”

Co-owned by Harry Astarita and Eric Dattner, who were part of the Sackatoga Stable that campaigned champion and dual classic winner Funny Cide with Tagg, Confrontation breaks from post 10 with Rajiv Maragh. He’s 10-1 on the morning line.

“I think 6 and 7 (furlongs) are probably his best distances right now,” Tagg said. “I am hoping to stretch him out to a mile. We’ll see what he does here. We can judge it from here. This is going to be such a tough race. I don’t know what we



Tod Marks

Confrontation tries Grade 1 company off back-to-back allowance wins.

will learn from it really, but we’ll see. Right now he’s doing well so we might as well run him. If I wait till next week something might go wrong with him.”

The opportunity for another race at

Saratoga enticed Phil Serpe and owner Mike Hoffman of Red and Black Stable to take a shot with Weekend Hideaway.

Winner of the John Morrissey last time out over state-breds, the 4-year-

old Speightstown colt is 3-for-4 at Saratoga with one second. He breaks in between Clearly Now and Confrontation and is 10-1 on the line with meet leader Javier Castellano aboard.

“We are obviously moving up in class considering some of the horses in the race, but that’s racing so we’re going to give it a shot and see how we do,” Serpe said. “He has been in a graded race before but obviously this is a Grade 1. His last three show that he’s a Grade 1 horse.”

Falling Sky finished third in the Vanderbilt and is the 6-1 third choice on the line for trainer George Weaver. The 4-year-old son of Lion Heart is 2-for-4 at 7 furlongs, including a win in the Grade 3 Gulfstream Park Sprint earlier this year.

The other five entrants are double-digit odds, including the trio of 15-1 shots in 2013 King’s Bishop winner Capo Bastone, Morrissey and Evan Shipman runner-up Big Business and Vanderbilt fourth-place finisher Vyjack. Zee Bros, second in an off-the-turf allowance/optional going 5 ½ furlongs, and former \$14,000 claimer-turned stakes winner Sensational Slam round out the field.

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Second helping of Saratoga

Test runner-up Miss Behaviour returns as player in Gr. 2 stakes

BY SEAN CLANCY

Lorna Chavez slid the bridle down Miss Behaviour's head and eased her trainer's mind about day-of-the-race training.

"She's good, do the same thing we did the last time," Chavez said to Phil Schoenthal, as she walked out of the stall and draped her saddle across a wooden railing between Wayne Catalano's string to her right and Hugh McMahon's fleet to her left in the shaded barn behind the main track.

Schoenthal agreed, paid Chavez and braced for the walk.

"I didn't train her the last time

PRIORESS STAKES PREVIEW

on the day of the race," the Maryland-based trainer said. "I could barely keep her on the ground."

Schoenthal kept her on the ground long enough to nearly spring an upset in the Grade 1 Test Stakes Aug. 2. Owned and bred by Cal MacWilliam and Neil Teitelbaum, the four-time winning daughter of Jump Start broke from the outside in the field of 10, stalked in third, reeled in the pacesetters and eventually succumbed to a tornado thrown down by Sweet Reason who earned her third Grade



Sean Clancy

Trainer Phil Schoenthal and Miss Behaviour get a feel for Saratoga.

1 victory.

A month later, the daughter of Jump Start returns for the Grade 2 Prioress while Sweet Reason waits for the Cotillion in the fall.

Sent off 15-1 for the Test, Miss Behaviour is 5-2 for the Prioress. A furlong shorter and without the long shadow of Sweet Reason, the Prioress

offers an opportunity. For the 3-year-old filly and the 36-year-old trainer.

"You grow up your whole life dreaming about being in a stake at Saratoga, standing next to these guys who were your heroes growing up," Schoenthal said. "There's this mo-

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Princess Violet exits a second in the Mother Goose. Tod Marks

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ment of relief and realization that you didn't waste your life honing your craft to never get the opportunity to have success at the highest level."

Miss Behaviour has placed Schoenthal at the highest level. Based at Laurel Park, Schoenthal aims for his 10th win of the year while Miss Behaviour seeks her fifth career victory, third stakes win and second Grade 2 tally. Leading jockey Javier Castellano takes the return call.

Miss Behaviour won her debut against Pennsylvania-breds at Parx Racing last June. Schoenthal was not surprised.

"She did whatever you wanted her to do, but she never flashed any signs of greatness, until the work before she was to run," Schoenthal said. "I started her four lengths behind three other horses, just to eat dirt and get experience, they hit the three eighths pole she was seven or eight behind and she crossed the wire eight or nine in front. I was standing at the pony shack at the three-quarter pole, Garry Cruise came back on her and said, 'Phil, you can run this filly anywhere in the country.'"

Schoenthal found a Pennsylvania-bred maiden which he thought would be easy. Tony Dutrow entered Gracer, a first-time starter, and Schoenthal thought otherwise.

"I got to the racing office and a guy at the counter says, 'Phil, I hear you got a real rocket.' Another guy says, 'I was at Fair Hill the other day and a

jock's agent said you have a runner.' I've got \$500 in my pocket, I thought there goes that," Schoenthal said. "Walking over and I look at the odds board and she's 13/1 and Tony Dutrow is 1/9. Tony doesn't come to the races that often, we walk in the paddock and there's Tony there to saddle there, I said, 'There goes this, I can't beat her.' I kept my money in my pocket."

Miss Behaviour routed Gracer and paid \$27.60.

Gracer won three stakes but stopped in February. Miss Behaviour won the Sorority and returned to win the Grade 2 Matron at Monmouth Park.

"After her maiden, I told them to sell. After the Sorority win, I told them to sell. After the Matron win, I think the final offer was \$675,000, I told them to sell," Schoenthal said. "Look, I'm thankful for it. A good horse is the goal and the dream."

After the Matron, Miss Behaviour finished second in the Sharp Cat at Belmont and fifth in the Grade 3 Delta Downs Princess Stakes, her only attempt at spanning two turns.

Freshened for the winter, Miss Behaviour returned on the turf, finishing third in a stakes at Pimlico before winning the Miss Preakness May 16. In search of bigger things, Schoenthal shipped to Belmont where she finished second in the Grade 3 Victory Ride. Five weeks later, she nearly won the Test at 7 furlongs, a distance Schoenthal thought was nearly out of reach.

"I trained her differently last time, she did a lot of galloping 2 1/2 miles, which you don't usually do with sprinters. I really leaned on her," Schoenthal

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Priores —

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said. “Her attitude was different, she looked different, she lost a little bit of weight, frankly I was really nervous that she would be different, because she always showed up, when it’s different...I told the owners, when they turn for home, she’s got as much likelihood of backing up and finishing last as she does running well. It was surreal watching it.”

Miss Behaviour wasn’t backing up, grinding past the leaders and trying to stave off Sweet Reason.

After applying an arduous routine to Miss Behaviour before the Test, Schoenthal thought he would back off and glide into the Prioress. Miss Behaviour wouldn’t allow it.

“After the seven eighths, I thought I would lay off her, freshen her up and get her feeling like a bear. She came out of the race so good, she didn’t let me take it easy with her,” Schoenthal said. “It’s kind of scary. She’s getting better. It makes you realize good horses are just good horses, you’re so used to having cheaper kind of stock, and there’s nothing wrong with cheaper stock, but then you get around a good horse, you realize they breathe different air.”

Miss Behaviour faces three rivals from the Test and four others who won or finished second in their most recent starts.

Sweet Whiskey finished fifth in the Test and attracts the favorite’s role. Owned by Alto Racing and trained by Todd Pletcher, the daughter of Old Fashioned finished a half-length behind Miss Behaviour a month ago. Sweet Whiskey hasn’t won since January but she’s posted big efforts in the Test, Acorn, Beaumont and Any Limit. John Velazquez rides.

Ashbrook Farm’s Southern Honey faded in the Test after stalking the pace in her first start since May. Trainer Rusty Arnold regroups with the daughter of Colonel John who had won three consecutive starts before the Test. Julien Leproux returns.

threaten in the Test, finishing seventh for trainer Michael Matz. Owned by Helen Groves, Jon and Sarah Kelly, Tea Time won two in a row before the Test and handled Miss Behaviour in the Sharp Cat last year. Today, Matz treats the daughter of Pulpit with Lasix for the first time. Luis Saez, who teamed up with Matz to win the Grade 1 Diana with Somali Lemonade earlier in the meet, returns.

Matz doubled his arsenal, entering Who’s In Town for Richard Golden. The Maryland-bred daughter of Speightstown finished second in her most recent start in the Miss Woodford Stakes at Monmouth. Alex Cintron travels for the ride.

Mike Hushion shortens Princess Violet from a pace-setting runner-up effort in the Grade 1 Mother Goose at Belmont Park in June. No match for Untapable, Princess Violet earned Grade 1 black type that day and returns to sprinting where she’s won twice against New York-breds. Jose Ortiz takes the call.

Larry Jones comes north for the third time this summer, sending Delaware-based Thirteen Arrows for her stakes debut. Owned by Fox Hill Farm, the daughter of Indian Charlie breaks from the rail with Rosie Napravnik.

Stonetastic leaps out of a confidence-boosting win at Monmouth Park for Kelly Breen and Stoneway Farm. The daughter of Mizzen Mast won her debut at Monmouth last summer, then lost four in a row while going long in four consecutive stakes. Paco Lopez, aboard for her easy win against allowance foes July 27, makes the trek from Monmouth.



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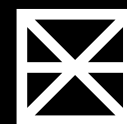
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SATURDAY’S SARATOGA ENTRIES

Saturday, August 30.

1ST (1:00PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, 1 1/16M (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 5, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	Congrats to Ken	J. Rocco, Jr.	G. Weaver	6-1
2	.....2.....	Andalusite	M. Franco	D. Donk	12-1
3	.....3.....	Firespike	J. Castellano	M. Maker	5-2
4	.....4.....	Quimet	A. Arroyo	N. Zito	20-1
5	.....5.....	Sierra Delta	L. Saez	D. Lukas	15-1
6	.....6.....	Vespers At Eight	J. Ortiz	G. Contessa	12-1
7	.....7.....	Epsilon	R. Maragh	K. McLaughlin	5-1
8	.....8.....	Tapkee	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	7-2
9	.....9.....	Mr Moneypants	E. Prado	W. Catalano	12-1
10	.....10.....	Gustnado	J. Rosario	W. Mott	10-1
11	.....AE.....	Lucky Leroy Brown	T. Rice	L. Rice	7-2
12	.....AE.....	Royal Squeeze	I. Ortiz, Jr.	C. Brown	3-1
13	.....AE.....	King of New York	E. Prado	K. McPeek	4-1

2ND (1:33PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, 7F

Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 4, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	Da Jenius	R. Napravnik	E. Guillot	4-1
2	.....2.....	Escalate	S. Bridgmohan	S. Asmussen	10-1
3	.....3.....	Easy Comparison	J. Ortiz	H. Motion	15-1
4	.....4.....	Two Weeks Off	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	5-2
5	.....5.....	Frammento	J. Lezcano	N. Zito	12-1
6	.....6.....	Gold Shield	J. Rosario	C. McGaughey III	5-1
7	.....7.....	Great Rezults	J. Leparoux	I. Wilkes	20-1
8	.....8.....	Evolution	L. Saez	M. Mareina	3-1
9	.....9.....	A Lot	J. Alvarado	W. Mott	10-1

3RD (2:07PM). \$93,000, AOC \$80,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	Readthebyline	J. Castellano	B. Brown	5-1
1a	.....7.....	Compliance Officer	J. Castellano	B. Brown	5-1
2	.....2.....	Victor Laszlo	J. Ortiz	D. Duggan	20-1
3	.....3.....	Set the Sail	S. Bridgmohan	C. LoPresti	6-1
4	.....MTO.....	Salutos Amigos	I. Ortiz, Jr.	D. Jacobson	2-1
5	.....5.....	Mshawish	I. Ortiz, Jr.	T. Pletcher	2-1
6	.....6.....	Marine Patrol	R. Albarado	D. Romans	7-2
7	.....8.....	Dangerous Lad	J. Lezcano	K. O'Connell	12-1
8	.....MTO.....	Honorable Dillon	J. Lezcano	J. Englehart	12-1
9	.....10.....	Sinatra	M. Franco	W. Mott	4-1
10	.....MTO.....	River Rocks	J. Rosario	J. Terranova, II	9-5
11	.....12.....	Morpheus (GB)	J. Rosario	W. Mott	15-1
12	.....MTO.....	St Moose		E. Kenneally	5-1

4TH (2:41PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, 7F

Exacta, Quinella, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	River Date	R. Napravnik	D. Cannizzo	15-1
2	.....2.....	Hillbilly Style	M. Franco	D. Lukas	12-1
3	.....3.....	Kick Off	J. Ortiz	K. McLaughlin	6-1
4	.....4.....	King Rontos	J. Castellano	R. Rodriguez	8-1
5	.....5.....	El Kabeir	I. Ortiz, Jr.	J. Terranova, II	5-2
6	.....6.....	Enjoy the Show	R. Maragh	J. Toner	10-1
7	.....7.....	Royal Son	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	9-5
8	.....8.....	King Thief	L. Saez	N. Zito	20-1
9	.....9.....	Birdie Barrage	C. Velasquez	R. Reid, Jr.	12-1

5TH (3:15PM). \$250,000, STK - THE BERNARD BARUCH, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	.....2.....	Bio Pro	J. Lezcano	W. Mott	5-1
1a	.....4.....	Boisterous	J. Castellano	T. Pletcher	5-1
2	.....1.....	Optimizer	A. Garcia	J. Fernandez	30-1
3	.....3.....	North Star Boy (IRE)	I. Ortiz, Jr.	N. Saville	20-1
4	.....5.....	Wise Dan	J. Velazquez	C. LoPresti	3-5
5	.....MTO.....	Lea	J. Rosario	W. Mott	4-5
6	.....7.....	Paris Vegas	L. Saez	E. Voss	12-1

7	.....MTO.....	Red Rifle		T. Pletcher	3-1
8	.....9.....	Five Iron	J. Rosario	B. Lynch	8-1
9	.....10.....	Sayaad	J. Ortiz	K. McLaughlin	6-1
10	.....11.....	Sky Blazer	R. Maragh	B. Tagg	15-1

6TH (3:50PM). \$58,000, STR \$25,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 7F

Exacta, Trifecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	Joan's Choice	J. Rosario	D. Jacobson	7-2
1a	.....12.....	M J Plus	I. Ortiz, Jr.	D. Jacobson	7-2
2	.....2.....	Tony B	J. Lezcano	N. Zito	12-1
3	.....3.....	In the Beat	A. Worrie	J. DeMola	50-1
4	.....4.....	Regulus	L. Saez	G. Contessa	4-1
5	.....5.....	Jade Master	I. Rohena	A. Lopez	15-1
6	.....6.....	Real Estate Rich	C. Velasquez	P. Quick	12-1
7	.....7.....	Doc Almon	J. Castellano	B. Brown	15-1
8	.....8.....	Twin Engine	J. Leparoux	I. Wilkes	20-1
9	.....9.....	Duke of the City	P. Lopez	K. Breen	5-1
10	.....10.....	Prosecution	S. Bridgmohan	B. Cox	9-2
11	.....11.....	Non Stop	A. Lezcano	D. Cannizzo	8-1
12	.....13.....	Pretension	M. Franco	G. Sciacca	20-1

7TH (4:25PM). \$83,000, MSW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 1M (INNER TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 6, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	Upstaged	C. DeCarlo	K. McLaughlin	20-1
2	.....2.....	Angel Choir	J. Ortiz	D. Duggan	4-1
3	.....3.....	Hope Cross (IRE)	J. Castellano	C. Brown	5-2
4	.....4.....	Colorful	J. Rosario	W. Mott	5-1
5	.....5.....	Love and Marriage	I. Ortiz, Jr.	C. Brown	6-1
6	.....6.....	Giant's Jewel	J. Rocco, Jr.	T. Bush	20-1
7	.....7.....	Passing Shower	R. Maragh	J. Shirreffs	20-1
8	.....8.....	Skidmore	J. Velazquez	M. Matz	12-1
9	.....9.....	Shift Colors	J. Lezcano	C. LoPresti	8-1
10	.....10.....	On Cloud Nine	T. Rice	J. Jerkens	15-1
11	.....11.....	Security Check	D. Davis	P. Fout	30-1
12	.....12.....	Place Card	J. Leparoux	H. Motion	12-1
13	.....AE.....	Truly Mizzed	M. Franco	D. Donk	12-1
14	.....AE.....	Engaginglee	R. Albarado	D. Romans	5-1
15	.....AE.....	Coronette	L. Saez	M. Matz	15-1
16	.....AE.....	See Ya Signe	M. Franco	E. Guillot	30-1

8TH (5:00PM). \$300,000, STK - THE PRIORESS, 3 YO, F , 6F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	Thirteen Arrows	R. Napravnik	J. Jones	8-1
2	.....2.....	Stonetastic	P. Lopez	K. Breen	6-1
3	.....3.....	Southern Honey	J. Leparoux	G. Arnold, II	10-1
4	.....4.....	Who's in Town	A. Cintron	M. Matz	20-1
5	.....5.....	Sweet Whiskey	J. Velazquez	T. Pletcher	2-1
6	.....6.....	Miss Behaviour	J. Castellano	P. Schoenthal	5-2
7	.....7.....	Tea Time	L. Saez	M. Matz	12-1
8	.....8.....	Princess Violet	J. Ortiz	M. Hushion	5-1

9TH (5:36PM). \$85,000, ALW, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 5 1/2F (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Pic 4, Daily Double					
1	.....1.....	Orient Harbor	J. Rosario	C. McGaughey III	7-2
2	.....2.....	Zamquick	R. Napravnik	E. Kenneally	12-1
3	.....3.....	Gratitude	I. Ortiz, Jr.	K. McLaughlin	8-1
4	.....4.....	Painted Poney	M. Franco	R. Rodriguez	30-1
5	.....5.....	Atlantic's Smile	J. Velazquez	C. Baker	8-1
6	.....6.....	Runway Ready	J. Leparoux	G. Contessa	20-1
7	.....7.....	Scatcapade	R. Maragh	C. Clement	5-1
8	.....8.....	Ballerina Belle	J. Ortiz	L. Rice	3-1
9	.....9.....	Silver Union	J. Castellano	M. Maker	10-1
10	.....10.....	Privately Speaking	L. Saez	L. Rice	30-1
11	.....11.....	Hot Squeeze	C. Velasquez	G. Weaver	8-1
12	.....12.....	Paddle Board	P. Lopez	A. Goldberg	15-1
13	.....AE.....	Insolvent	L. Mejias	J. Toscano, Jr.	30-1
14	.....AE-MTO.....	What the Frost	I. Ortiz, Jr.	G. Contessa	8-1

SATURDAY'S SARATOGA ENTRIES

10TH (6:14PM). \$500,000, STK - THE FOREGO, 3 YO'S & UP, 7F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	1	.....	Capo Bastone	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	15-1
2	.....	2	.....	Big Business	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	D. Jacobson	.....	15-1
3	.....	3	.....	Vyjack	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	R. Rodriguez	.....	15-1
4	.....	4	.....	Zee Bros	.....	J. Rosario	.....	S. Benzel	.....	20-1
5	.....	5	.....	Sensational Slam	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	P. Quick	.....	30-1
6	.....	6	.....	Palace	.....	C. Velasquez	.....	L. Rice	.....	3-1
7	.....	7	.....	Falling Sky	.....	E. Prado	.....	G. Weaver	.....	6-1
8	.....	8	.....	Clearly Now	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	B. Lynch	.....	7-5
9	.....	9	.....	Weekend Hideaway	.....	J. Castellano	.....	P. Serpe	.....	10-1
10	.....	10	.....	Confrontation	.....	R. Maragh	.....	B. Tagg	.....	10-1

11TH (6:46PM). \$600,000, STK - THE WOODWARD, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/8M

Exacta, Trifecta, Daily Double

1	.....	2	.....	Long River	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	K. McLaughlin	.....	8-1
1a	.....	6	.....	Romansh	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	T. Albertrani	.....	8-1
2	.....	1	.....	Itsmyluckyday	.....	P. Lopez	.....	E. Plesa, Jr.	.....	5-2
3	.....	3	.....	Micromanage	.....	R. Maragh	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	8-1
4	.....	4	.....	Moreno	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	E. Guillot	.....	2-1
5	.....	5	.....	Prayer for Relief	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	D. Romans	.....	12-1
6	.....	7	.....	Zivo	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	C. Brown	.....	5-1
7	.....	8	.....	Norumbega	.....	J. Castellano	.....	C. McGaughey III	.....	10-1
8	.....	9	.....	Last Gunfighter	.....	J. Bravo	.....	C. Brown	.....	15-1
9	.....	10	.....	Stephanoatsee	.....	J. Rosario	.....	N. Zito	.....	30-1

12TH (7:19PM). \$85,000, ALW, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 3/16M (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta

1	.....	1	.....	Jonrah	.....	M. Franco	.....	G. Contessa	.....	10-1
2	.....	2	.....	Street Gent	.....	R. Maragh	.....	L. Gyarmati	.....	20-1
3	.....	3	.....	Mack Miller	.....	J. Leparoux	.....	G. Contessa	.....	20-1
4	.....	4	.....	Lure of the South	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	B. Brown	.....	20-1
5	.....	5	.....	Countryman (GB)	.....	D. Davis	.....	N. Saville	.....	30-1
6	.....	6	.....	Protection	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	J. Sheppard	.....	15-1
7	.....	7	.....	Belisarius (IRE)	.....	J. Rosario	.....	W. Mott	.....	3-1
8	.....	8	.....	Iron Power	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	M. Hushion	.....	7-2
9	.....	9	.....	Golden Soul	.....	R. Napravnik	.....	D. Stewart	.....	8-1
10	.....	10	.....	Alarmed Ndangerous	.....	L. Saez	.....	L. Rice	.....	12-1
11	.....	11	.....	Make a Decision	.....	C. Velasquez	.....	L. Rice	.....	6-1
12	.....	12	.....	Special Agent	.....	J. Castellano	.....	C. McGaughey III	.....	5-1
13	.....	MTO	.....	Grand Strand	.....		.....	R. Rodriguez	.....	6-1
14	.....	MTO	.....	Matuszak	.....		.....	W. Mott	.....	5-2
15	MTO	Classic Sense	J. Castellano	C. Brown	4-1
16	MTO	Sir Leslie	A. Lezcano	P. Serpe	7-2

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Evolution
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El Kabeir
Royal Son
Kick Off

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River Date
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Wise Dan
Lea
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Clearly Now
Palace
Weekend Hideaway

Clearly Now
Palace
Falling Sky

Clearly Now
Confrontation
Vyjack

Clearly Now
Big Business
Vyjack

Clearly Now
Confrontation
Vyjack

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Zivo
Moreno
Itsmyluckyday

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Itsmyluckyday
Zivo

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Opportunity Knocks

Prado, Miss Frost
get loose on lead
to win turf stakes

BY TOM LAW

Edgar Prado can still be the right rider for your horse.

He didn't say it, but trainer Tom Albertrani did after Prado rode Dogwood Stable's Miss Frost to her second stakes win of the Saratoga meet in Friday's \$100,000 Riskaverse. Maybe neither needed to say it.

Anyone with a sense of what they watched un-
See **RISKAVERSE** page 38 ►



Miss Frost (center) sets up shop on the front end early in Friday's Riskaverse.

Tod Marks

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Tod Marks

Still in control late, Miss Frost reaches the finish with a stakes win.

Riskaverse —

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fold on the inner turf course could see as clear as the sky was blue for yet another day at Saratoga that Prado and the quirky daughter of Curlin are a good match. They made quick work of seven other 3-year-old fillies in the 1-mile stakes that seemed pretty analogous to her victory in the similar Tenski Stakes 18 days ago. Miss Frost did beat a completely different group this time, defeating Fashion Fund by 4 3/4 lengths in slightly faster time.

Prado rode her to both victories and those are his lone wins of the meet, a far cry from his meet-leading 46 wins when he collected his third Saratoga riding title in 2006.

"The only thing you can be thankful for is your health," Prado said, putting a proud face on a tough meet where he's ridden just 38 of the 379 races through Friday. "As long as I have my health and my family is in good order I'm OK. What I've done and what I've accomplished here, don't get me wrong, I like to win, but it is what it is. I've been blessed with my career and I've had a great career through the years and it is what it is now. It doesn't mean I'm happy, but I'll take it."

Prado and Miss Frost took the early initiative in the Riskaverse, setting

the pace going into the first turn and clicking off a fairly quick opening quarter-mile in :23.41.

Miss Frost opened up by 5 lengths up the backstretch but did it willingly as Prado kept her four or five paths off the inside. She didn't have a target like she did in the Tenski and was nearly a full second quicker to the half-mile split in :47.20 in the Riskaverse.

"No target, but she relaxed on the backside," Prado said. "You could see she pricked her ears and was waiting for competition and when the competition came she picked it up and finished good."

Given just enough of a breather up the backstretch before she reached the far turn, Miss Frost accelerated again around the final bend and maintained her lead. The immediate chasers Scandalous Act and Nisharora were done by that point as closers Prayed For, Latique, 8/5 favorite Granny Mc's Kitten and Fashion Fund started to unwind.

Miss Frost was still 4 1/2 in front past the quarter-pole in 1:11.12 and Prado had yet to ask anything remotely consequential to the filly.

She flew past the furlong marker, opened up by a little more and the only serious race was to see who'd fill out the exacta. Fashion Fund, who was third to Granny Mc's Kitten in

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Riskaverse —

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an allowance race Aug. 2 after closing from way back for Shug McGaughey and jockey Joel Rosario, did that again and secured the place by a neck over the favorite. Miss Frost won in 1:34.58 for her fourth win in 10 career starts.

Prado has been aboard for the four victories and for seven of the filly's 10 races.

Albertrani likes how the 46-year-old gets along with the filly Dogwood purchased for \$105,000 at the 2013 Keeneland April 2-year-olds in training sale.

"He really does," Albertrani said. "Edgar has ridden a few horses for me in the past, he hasn't ridden a lot for me this meet but I do like how he fits this filly. I think he gets along with her the best of any rider I've seen."

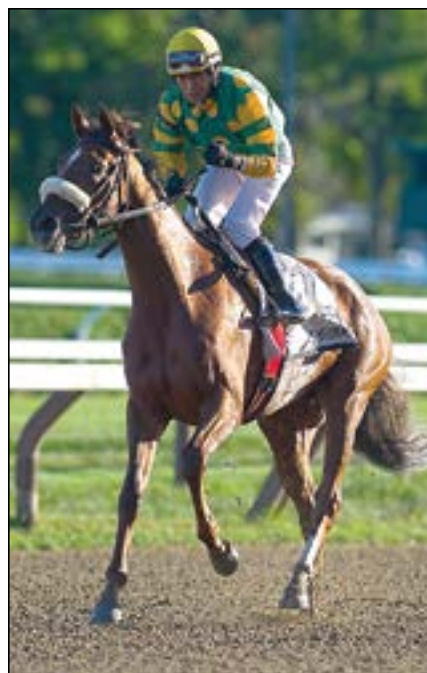
"She's a little quirky, yes. Ever since I got her as a 2-year-old she's been like that, but he seems to have a nice way with her. They're just a good match."

Miss Frost was fairly placid in the paddock, unlike some of the other Riskaverse entrants. Scandalous Act, who swept the Florida Stallion Series last summer and fall at Calder to earn a trip to the Breeders' Cup, got a little anxious saddling in the stalls. She was nothing compared to the handful Latique was for Graham Motion. Latique got very unnerved as Motion and valet Tony Millan tried to saddle her toward the back corner of the paddock near the hosing-off area.

Latique hopped slightly, came down on Millan's left foot and pushed off again.

Millan went down in noticeable pain, was attended to by the first-aid personnel stationed not 10 yards away and eventually got to his feet to a smattering of applause from people outside the fence. Getting into a golf cart he joked to a friend, "I told you you're a black cloud," before he was taken to first aid to get checked out. Latique went to another spot in the paddock near the Shake Shack to get saddled, with Nick Santagata pinch-hitting for his colleague.

Miss Frost didn't give her handlers an anxious moment during any of



Tod Marks

Miss Frost returns to the winner's circle.

those incidents. She was so calm that Albertrani started to wonder if that was a bad sign.

"In the paddock I almost said she was too quiet," Albertrani said. "She was really, really quiet for her. Nor-

mally she's a little bit edgy, looking around at everything, and today I'm like, 'wow, she's a little too quiet for her own good, but this might be good. It might be good or it might be really bad. There's only one way to find out.' "

Prado, Albertrani and the Dogwood partners might find out next how Miss Frost handles a return to graded stakes company, where she hasn't been since finishing eighth of 12 in the Grade 3 Miss Grillo last fall at Belmont.

Albertrani said he'd consider the Grade 1 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup the second weekend of October at Keeneland, a logical spot without a graded turf stakes on the New York calendar thanks to the move of the former Garden City Stakes to July. The Grade 3 Sands Point is one other option, but that comes up two weeks from today and the \$200,000 Pebbles isn't until Oct. 13.

"We might just step her up a bit," Albertrani said of going to Keeneland. "If everyone is willing to take that chance. You've got to try when they're in good form. Hopefully she stays that way."

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MONDAY • 9/8

- 7 c. **STREET CRY** – Lady Lochinvar
Half to two GSWs and G1-placed winner; family of AL MAMOON (G1), LA GUERIERE (G1), etc.
- 52 f. **CONGRATS** – Lucky Soph
Half to LUCKY PULPIT (SW, G2-pl); family of UNBRIDLED'S SONG
- 181 c. **BLAME** – Quipperry
Second foal from daughter of multiple GSP half-sister to STREET BOSS

TUESDAY • 9/9

- 195 c. **WAR FRONT** – Red Hot Buddha
Second foal from SW and half to two stakes horses; family of GSWs ALLAMERICAN BERTIE, HURRICANE BERTIE
- 284 f. **SCAT DADDY** – Stayclassysandiego
First foal from SP half to SEAN AVERY (Vanderbilt H-G1, etc.), etc.

WEDNESDAY • 9/10

- 385 c. **SKY MESA** – Westling
By 2nd Leading 2YO Sire in 2014, out of half to champion PEAKS AND VALLEYS, SW ALTERNATE (dam of GSW ALTERNATION), etc.
- 390 f. **ARCH** – Whisper to Me
Half to 2014 G2 SW OVERHEARD, won/placed in five graded stakes
- 406 c. **CANDY RIDE** – Winsome Ways
Out of \$166,799 earner and half-sister to three stakes horses; family of MS. ELOISE (G1), etc.
- 444 c. **ELUSIVE QUALITY** – Ansong
First foal from SP half to three SWs; family of RUSH BAY (G3), BELIEVE YOU CAN (G1)

THURSDAY • 9/11

- 615 c. **DISTORTED HUMOR** – Emptythetill
Half to GSW CONVEYANCE and SP Atlantic Bull; Family of SILENT ACCOUNT, PLUM PRETTY, etc.

SATURDAY • 9/13

- 865 f. **COLONEL JOHN** – Repeat
First foal from Bernardini daughter of G2 winner LETGOMYECHO
- 868 c. **TRAPPE SHOT** – Revel in the Win
Half to 2YO Graded SW, POKER PLAYER, also SP in 2014
- 909 c. **ARCHARCHARCH** – Silk Briefcase
Half to G2 winner, G1-placed BRIECAT (10 wins, \$683,263)
- 912 f. **TAPIT** – Silver Wolf
Out of half to G1 SW CORINTHIAN (by Pulpit), by 2014 Leading Sire
- 945 f. **SKY MESA** – Tap Mate
Out of sister to G2 SW, G1-placed TAP DAY (11 wins, \$784,897); by 2nd Leading 2YO Sire in 2014
- 983 f. **CONGRATS** – Winter Forest
Out of half/full sister to two SWs; family of champion BIG DRAMA
- 1150 c. **LEMON DROP KID** – Hi Beautiful
Half to undefeated 2YO and stakes-placed at 3, MALIBU HIGH
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Out of half to G2 SW and successful young sire OLD FASHIONED

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Big Improvement

New York-Bred of the Day



By Dan McDonough

Under Scrutiny might be in the running for the most improved award during the 2014 Saratoga meeting if such an honor existed.

The 3-year-old Freud filly, who toiled through her first eight starts, broke her maiden here July 21, ran fifth in an off-the-turf starter allowance Aug. 21 and came back on eight days rest Friday to win the fifth race. Two out of three isn't bad, especially when the second is a \$75,000 allowance race, and it's definitely better than 0-for-8.

"She was too green for her own sake," winning trainer Rodrigo Ubillo said of Chester and Mary Broman's homebred out of Unbridled Valor. "But she came along pretty nicely. She's hard to handle in the morning but she loves to race in the afternoon, and she loves the track here."

Under Scrutiny loves it so much that Ubillo decided he had to race her once more at the meet. She was unfazed by the quick turnaround and won the 1 1/16-mile race by a nose over Take It Inside at 33-1.

Under Scrutiny was the 11th winner of the meet for the Bromans, who are one back of Repole Stables in the owner's race.

"It's a Freud, right? Freuds win," Chester Broman said. "We breed a couple every year."

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Friday August 29.

FIRST \$50,000, CLAIMING \$25,000, 3 YO, 7F

4	Da Wildcat Girl	A. Arroyo	\$9.60	\$4.00	\$2.80
5	Little Gidding	J. Velazquez		\$5.00	\$4.00
2	Lady Doris	I. Ortiz, Jr.			\$3.40

Dk B/ Br Filly 2011, by Da Stoops - I'm Successful by Successful Appeal

Owner: Burnsworth, Richard and Klesaris, Steve.

Trainer: Steve Klesaris. Breeder: Mr. & Mrs. Marty Hershe (FL).

Claimed: Lady Doris claimed by Graham, Marshall for \$25,000, Tacones claimed by Old Lighthouse Stables for \$25,000, Mr Rico Is Valid claimed by Mic Duff Stables LLC for \$25,000. Time: 1:26.09

Exacta (4-5), \$42.80; Superfecta (4-5-2-3), \$521.00; Trifecta (4-5-2), \$199.50

SECOND \$42,000, CLAIMING \$25,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 5 1/2F

6	Greeley's Farewell	L. Perez	\$35.60	\$12.60	\$7.90
8	Bajan Summer	I. Ortiz, Jr.		\$4.40	\$3.30
3	Kid Blast	R. Maragh			\$3.30

Ch Gelding 2010, by Mr. Greeley - Seattle Envoy by Deputy Minister

Owner: Genecco, Frank. Trainer: Daniel Conway, Jr..

Breeder: Sam-Son Farm (ON). Late Scratches: Greg's Intuition

Claimed: Bajan Summer claimed by New Wiz Kid Stable for \$25,000, Golden Story claimed by Roman, Lawrence P. for \$25,000, Recanted claimed by Morton, Tobey L. for \$25,000. Time: 1:03.05

Daily Double (4-6), \$174.50; Exacta (6-8), \$205.50; Quinella (6-8), \$97.50; Superfecta (6-8-3-1), \$4,518.00; Trifecta (6-8-3), \$852.00

THIRD \$54,000, MAIDEN CLAIMING \$65,000, 3 & UP, 1 1/16M

8	Winner's Legacy	J. Lezcano	\$9.30	\$4.50	\$3.10
9	Silverama	T. Rice		\$11.20	\$4.70
2	Amazing Littlelady	E. Prado			\$3.60

B Filly 2010, by Midnight Lute - Very Very by Royal Academy

Owner: Alexander, Frank A. and JW Thoroughbred Holdings LLC.

Trainer: George Weaver. Breeder: McKee Stables, Inc. (KY).

Late Scratches: Rachel's Temper, Shades of Indigo, Touch of Snow (IRE). Claimed: One More Song claimed by Bran Jam Stable for \$65,000. Time: 1:42.21

Daily Double (6-8), \$184.50; Exacta (8-9), \$83.50; Superfecta (8-9-2-4), \$876.00; Trifecta (8-9-2), \$331.00; Pic 3 (4-6-8), \$1,044.00

FOURTH \$58,000, STARTERS ALLOWANCE \$25,000, 3&UP, 1 1/4M

7	Village Warrior	J. Velazquez	\$9.60	\$4.70	\$2.90
4	Desvelo (ARG)	R. Napravnik		\$7.10	\$3.30
1A	Conspiracy	I. Ortiz, Jr.			\$2.20

B Colt 2011, by Majestic Warrior - Maid Guinevere by Gilded Time

Owner: Repole Stable. Trainer: Todd Pletcher.

Breeder: Kinsman Farm (KY). Time: 2:04.41

Daily Double (8-7), \$48.80; Exacta (7-4), \$68.00; Quinella (4-7), \$41.40; Trifecta (7-4-1), \$169.50; Pic 3 (6-8-7), \$1,111.00

FIFTH \$75,000, NY-BRED ALLOWANCE, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M

2	Under Scrutiny	A. Arroyo	\$69.00	\$27.40	\$11.80
1	Take It Inside	C. Velasquez		\$11.00	\$7.10
7	Devious Maddy	I. Ortiz, Jr.			\$3.70

B Filly 2011, by Freud - Unbridled Valor by Unbridled

Owner: Chester and Mary Broman, Sr.. Trainer: Rodrigo Ubillo.

Breeder: Chester Broman & Mary R. Broman (NY). Time: 1:44.02

Daily Double (7-2), \$376.00; Exacta (2-1), \$598.00; Superfecta (2-1-7-4), \$8,872.00; Trifecta (2-1-7), \$3,782.00; Pic 3 (8-7-2), \$2,465.00; Pic 4 (6-8-7-2), \$48,219.00; Pic 5 (4-6-8-7-2), \$595,502.00

SIXTH \$62,000, CLAIMING \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 5 1/2F

9	Mish Mosh	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$9.40	\$5.00	\$3.50
7	Awakino Cat	J. Castellano		\$7.10	\$4.90
8	Jess Not Jesse	C. Velasquez			\$5.90

B Gelding 2008, by Bernstein - Stewper by Crafty Prospector
Owner: Kenneth L. and Sarah K. Ramsey. Trainer: Michael Maker.
Breeder: Richard Perkins (IL). Late Scratches: Attractive Ride, Dighton
Claimed: Mish Mosh claimed by Bruce Golden Racing for \$40,000,
Bear Tough Tiger claimed by Brewster, Clark O. for \$40,000
Time: 1:01.76

Daily Double (2-9), \$513.00; Exacta (9-7), \$51.00; Superfecta (9-7-8-4), \$1,135.00; Trifecta (9-7-8), \$285.00; Pic 3 (7-2-9), \$3,270.00

SEVENTH \$40,000, NY-BRED CLAIMING \$20,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 6F

6	Joe Mooch	R. Maragh	\$9.00	\$4.90	\$3.30
7	N. F.'s Destiny	M. Franco		\$5.40	\$4.00
1	Star of New York	A. Arroyo			\$4.30

B Gelding 2010, by Wild Desert - Touchy Broad by Touch Gold

Owner: Parker Lightfield Farm, Zucco, John, Butler, Thomas A. and Muccio, Raymond. Trainer: Thomas Albertrani.

Breeder: Parker Lightfield Farm LLC (NY). Late Scratches: Be Bullish, Cay to Pomeroy. Claimed: Joe Mooch claimed by Kupferberg, Saul J. and Max for \$20,000, N. F.'s Destiny claimed by Drawing Away Stable for \$20,000, Jeter claimed by Balsamo, Diane for \$20,000, Won Great Classic claimed by Cohen, Yehuda for \$20,000. Time: 1:10.86

Daily Double (9-6), \$53.00; Exacta (6-7), \$47.40; Superfecta (6-7-1-9), \$1,526.00; Trifecta (6-7-1), \$211.50; Pic 3 (2-9-6), \$2,480.00

EIGHTH \$75,000, NY-BRED ALLOWANCE, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M

4	The Tea Cups	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$14.40	\$7.00	\$5.30
1	Willow U	A. Arroyo		\$10.60	\$7.40
9	Keen Katana	T. Rice			\$4.50

B Filly 2010, by Hard Spun - Lunar Colony by A.P. Indy

Owner: Standlee, Kendel, D.. Trainer: Jeremiah Englehart.

Breeder: William Parsons Jr. & David S. Howe (NY). Time: 1:42.67

Daily Double (6-4), \$86.00; Exacta (4-1), \$143.50; Superfecta (4-1-9-8), \$4,416.00; Trifecta (4-1-9), \$796.00; Pic 3 (9-6-4), \$506.00

NINTH \$73,000, NY-BRED MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT, 2 YO, 6F

4	Temper Mint Patty	I. Ortiz, Jr.	\$15.80	\$7.00	\$4.60
8	My Super Nova	J. Rosario		\$4.20	\$3.60
5	Alexandrie	J. Velazquez			\$2.70

Dk B/ Br Filly 2012, by Congrats - His Beauty by Adcat

Owner: Stanley, Mark, H.. Trainer: Dale Romans. Breeder: Gallagher's Stud, Inc. (NY). Late Scratches: Q T Bird, Always Sarah, Madoo, Sweetpollpurebrd, Freudie Anne, First Service, Sandra. Time: 1:11.36

Daily Double (4-4), \$119.50; Exacta (4-8), \$65.00; Superfecta (4-8-5-2), \$728.00; Trifecta (4-8-5), \$181.00; Consolation Double (4-9), \$13.60; Pic 3 (6-4-4), \$620.00; (6-4-9), \$86.50

TENTH \$100,000, STAKES - RISK AVERSE S., 3 YO, 1M

2	Miss Frost	E. Prado	\$8.80	\$4.60	\$2.90
3	Fashion Fund (GB)	J. Rosario		\$4.90	\$3.10
5	Granny Mc's Kitten	J. Castellano			\$2.60

Ch Filly 2011, by Curlin - Allencat by Storm Cat.

Owner: Dogwood Stable. Trainer: Thomas Albertrani.

Breeder: Robert H. Lail (KY). Late Scratches: Faith Hall, Vero Amore

Time: 1:34.58

Daily Double (4-2), \$95.00; Exacta (2-3), \$40.60; Superfecta (2-3-5-1), \$391.00; Trifecta (2-3-5), \$93.00; Pic 3 (4-4-2), \$880.00; (4-9-2), \$88.50; Place Pix Nine (1/6/7-1/4/9-4/5/8-2), \$128.00

11TH. \$83,000. MAIDEN SPECIAL WGT. 3&UP. F&M. 5 1/2F TURF.

6	Zindaya	J. Lezcano	5.60	3.80	2.80
1	Galroyale	C. Velasquez		6.80	4.30
5	D' Kennesaw Cat	J. L. Ortiz			4.70

Dk. B./Br. f. 2011, More Than Ready-Aristocratic Lady, Kris S.

O: Regis Racing. T: Christophe Clement. B: Grapestock LLC (KY). Time: 1:01.94. Exacta: \$41.80. Trifecta: \$193. Superfect: \$2,714.

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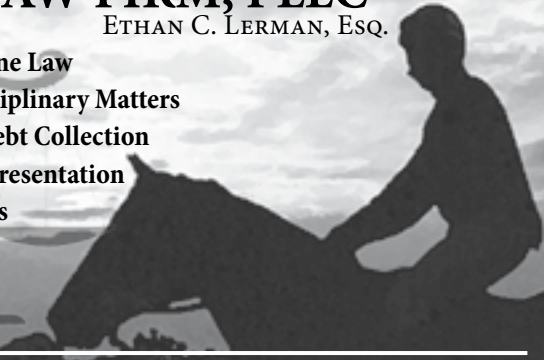
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Greeley's Farewell (6) wins the second for trainer Dan Conway.

Day Tripper

Finger Lakes-based group teams to win with Greeley's Farewell

The second race Friday at Saratoga Race Course featured plenty of firsts.

Finger Lakes-based trainer Daniel Conway Jr. and jockey Luis Perez made their first appearances of the meet. Frank Genecco, in the midst of his first year as an owner, was represented by his first entry at Saratoga.

With so many firsts it was also appropriate that the 4-year-old gelding Greeley's Farewell won in his first start at Saratoga in the 5 1/2-furlong

FRIDAY RACING RECAP

claiming race on the turf.

Genecco, a longtime fan of the game whose great grandfather was involved in racing, purchased Greeley's Farewell from breeder Sam-Son Farm.

"We thought he was going to have a big shot today," Genecco said. "He just had a bullet work before. We had huge confidence in him winning it. It's good when you're winning."

Conway, 10th in the Finger Lakes trainer standings through Friday, took the blinkers off Greeley's Farewell for his first start on the grass since Sam-Son and Malcolm Pierce ran him on it last October at Woodbine.

"I really liked this horse today, took the blinkers off and shortened him back up again," Conway said. "He had a little problem in his last race. He ran out of condition in his last to help fill a race at Finger Lakes, which I don't like to do."



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Trainer Dan Conway.

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Friday —

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Conway shipped Greeley's Farewell to Saratoga from Finger Lakes Friday morning. The first five finishers were separated by 1 length, with Greeley's Farewell winning by a neck over Bajan Summer.

Conway didn't linger long around the winner's circle after the race, heading to the bank of televisions in the clubhouse to watch a horse he was running in the third at Finger Lakes.

Even without having much time to soak in his Saratoga victory, Conway still said the win was a "wonderful experience and a great feeling."

Perez, who said it was like a "dream" winning at Saratoga, teamed with Conway in the eighth race when he rode Abbie's Butterfly to a sixth-place finish in the 1 1/16-mile turf allowance for state-breds.

— Kristin Brennan

- Trainer Joan Scott and owner Kendel Standlee sent The Tea Cups to New York with hopes of running the Hard Spun filly against state-breds after she raced exclusively in open company in the Mid-Atlantic, Florida and



Tod Marks

The Tea Cups enjoys Saratoga with a win in the eighth.

Canada.

The filly might be here to stay after winning the eighth, a turf allowance for New York-breds in her first start for Jeremiah Englehart.

"Joan Scott was sending her down to run and the first time that they ran the race it came off the turf," Engle-

hart said. "So she asked if she could keep the horse with me and I said, 'Yeah, no problem.' The second race that the horse was entered in came off the turf again. Finally she's like, 'Well, why don't you keep the horse.'"

The Tea Cups ended a three-race losing streak in the 1 1/16-mile race

Friday, winning by three quarters of a length over Willow U. She raced four times this winter and spring at Tampa Bay Downs and twice at Woodbine before her trip to New York.

"I know one thing, she's a New York-bred and she's never had to run against New York-breds," Englehart said. "The first time I was going to run her for Joan because she's stabled in Canada. I try to help her out if I can because I might need help from her some day too up there. She introduced me to the owner and ... we'll bring her back to Belmont if they'd like."

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Youth Movement

Bona Venture hopes to expose younger age group to ownership

BY DAN TORDJMAN

On a busier day at Saratoga, you might've missed Kyle Burrell standing about 20 feet from the Sea Hero statue in the center of the track's lush paddock. But on this day, there aren't many people here, and there certainly isn't anyone glowing quite like the sharp-dressed Bostonian. His pristine blue suit has nary a wrinkle and Burrell's smile appears permanently pressed on his boyish face.

Burrell's cool exterior hides the usual anxiety he feels in these situations. In just minutes, a dark bay

ridgling named Smooth Bert will take to the track. The horse will carry 120 pounds, as well as the hopes of more than a dozen unlikely owners, Burrell among them.

"I don't have any kids but I'm guessing it's what it feels like when your kids do well at sports. You get nervous thinking about it," Burrell said.

Just two years ago, Burrell could hardly conceive of such a physiological reaction. He had no connection to this horse, few ties to racing and even less knowledge of horse ownership. Then, one night, he saw something



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Dan Collins (second from left) talks racing in the paddock.

during an online stream of a basketball game involving his alma mater, St. Bonaventure University.

"There was a commercial on Bona Venture Stables with Dan's email address on it. I just said to myself, 'there's probably not a chance that I can buy a racehorse but I'm curious.' And that's how it started," Burrell said.

The Dan whose email Burrell got from the commercial was Dan Collins, founder and manager of Bona Venture Stables. Collins was looking to syndicate shares in horses and the estimated rate for 10 percent of their up-and-coming 2-year-old, Smooth Bert, was a little more than \$10,000.

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KEVIN "Brooklyn Cowboy" COX'S PLAY OF THE DAY Saratoga Race Course Feature Race

RACE 1: Follow the game long enough and you get to know certain trainers strengths and weaknesses without even looking at "The Form." For D.W. Lukas, in recent years, firsters and first turfers have been the bugaboo. That being said, he has to win sometime in those categories, and today's opener seems like it's worthy. **#1 SIERRA DELTA** has a whopping 381 Turf Tomlinson (45 points higher than the next best, and a cavernous 96 points more than anyone else), and is facing no monsters here. **#3 FIRESPIKE** has experience, which others lack, Javier on his back, and a race over the track ("Holy Nipsey Russell, Batman!"). Logical. **#7 EPSILON** is nicely bred for the green stuff, has been working well, and Kieran's finishing with a flourish. OFF TURF: 8-10-3-6-1

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“[Kyle] responded by saying, ‘Oh! I’ve only been out of college for a few years. I can’t afford that, myself,’ ” recalled Collins.

To help out a fellow St. Bonaventure grad who clearly wanted in on the partnership, Collins began brainstorming with Burrell. It was decided that the younger of the Bonnies would try to get his friends to co-invest in a 10 percent interest in the horse. Burrell got busy emailing.

“I said, ‘who wants to put in \$1,000 to buy a racehorse?’ ” Burrell recalled, while letting out a laugh. “And I got that money in two seconds from the same people who wouldn’t give me \$50 for fantasy football.”

His normally frugal friends were in – a group of 15 in all – each with a small slice of an already thin 10 percent share of a New York-bred son of Smooth Jazz. Who the horse was, what his chances of winning were or whether they’d make any money racing him, were of no consequence as the young investors journeyed to Saratoga for the first time as owners in August 2012.

“It was muddy. We were all at the finish line watching it and every horse was covered in mud,” Burrell said. “We had no idea where he was. We were asking, ‘did he win or did he get lost?’ We really didn’t know.”

As it turned out, Smooth Bert had finished third in his debut in a maiden special weight won by eventual multiple stakes winner Weekend Hideaway. For Burrell and his

friends, third was good enough. They were hooked and their investment had already paid off in full.

“We all went out in Saratoga and had a great time telling everyone that we owned a racehorse,” Burrell said. “It was a lot of fun.”

The fun experienced by Burrell and his crew would become an investment model for Collins and Bona Venture Stables. Collins, himself, got into ownership with four college friends of his in 2005. Investing with partners not only mitigated financial risk, it also allowed Collins to share a bonding experience of the greatest intensity with his friends.

Last July, nearly a year after Smooth Bert’s debut (two wins later, including a stakes victory), the horse was entered in the New York Derby at Finger Lakes. It was there that Collins had an epiphany.

“We had over 250 St. Bonaventure University fans, friends and young people (come out). And we’re sitting there at Finger Lakes and I suddenly realized that this was a great opportunity to really help the industry,” Collins said.

Collins’ idea was to spread the Burrell model. He decided to open the doors to Bona Venture Stables to anyone who showed an interest in walking through. He encouraged people to form their own investor pools amongst friends, like Burrell did, enabling them to buy into whatever small share of ownership they could afford. The result? Nearly 50 new investors have joined Bona Venture in the past year – and not just any investors.

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“These are young people all under the age of 30 – in their mid-20s – who individually couldn’t afford it, but together they share ownership,” Collins said. “Some of them had never known what horse racing was but the excitement of it really turned them on.”

Meanwhile, Bona Venture Stables has evolved from once consisting of mostly alumna of the university in Allegany to a nationwide syndicate. There are currently five separate small investor groups un-

der the umbrella of the partnership. Burrell’s group, for example, includes his college friends who live all over the country, from Rochester to Boston to Orlando to Arizona.

“It’s kept us all in touch and that’s been a really good part of it,” Burrell said. “Dan also sends out an email every week and it’s been amazing.”

New owners have been allowed to buy in for shares ranging from 10 percent to as little as 2.5 percent. To Collins, it’s all about introducing new fans to the sport by extending to them the incomparable thrills and camaraderie that come with ownership.

“A year ago, these guys weren’t interested in the horse racing industry. Now, I’ve got 50 people who

consider themselves horse owners and follow it in great detail,” Collins said.

Back in the Saratoga paddock, Smooth Bert is led around in a circle in front of Burrell. The proud owner is still grinning ear to ear, staring intently at the horse who has won three races, while racking up more than \$225,000 in purse money.

On this particular day, Smooth Bert wouldn’t add much to his lifetime earnings total, finishing fourth in an allowance/optional. But no matter to Burrell or his friends.

As unlikely as it is for them to be standing here as horse owners, they’ve already won – and that’s definitely worth smiling about.

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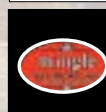
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BY DAN MCDONOUGH

Thanks, Mom and Dad.

That is where this story ends, but it's also where it begins. My parents, Anne and Matt, married 34 years. They are the reason I'm here, in Saratoga, now with two summers of memories and experience writing for a special (no pun intended) newspaper.

They first came here in the mid-1980s. My father sported goofy glasses and a hideous 80s haircut, which I can say confidently without needing photographic evidence. My mom, I'm sure, was a younger version of the beautiful woman she remains today. They went to Saratoga in search of action, a step up from harness racing at the old Roosevelt Raceway, and found it at the Spa. They never really left.

Years later, when they had their three kids, we left Long Island for a week every summer in Lake George with the Barilli family, headed by my father's incomparable best friend. Uncle Ron, we call him, but he's also known reverently by another name: the "Turf King," borne of his considerable handicapping ability. Those visits to Lake George, trips so much fun we would sob when we had to leave, always (probably not coincidentally) coincided with some of the first days of the meet here, so Saratoga ruled the TVs in our cabins while the husbands handicapped and the wives rolled their eyes.

We got older, and those trips ended. Wonderful times we all wish we could get back. Saratoga remained a yearly destination, however, always on Columbus Day weekend, my father, mother, two brothers and I all crammed into room number 10 at the Grand Union motel on South Broadway. Mom and Dad went to Chianti for dinner, we were happy ordering Pizza Hut to the room. Sometimes my brothers and I would sneak into the pool at the nearby Hilton. One weekend in 2002 we discovered a sports bar called the Stadium Café – owned by the Special's Dave Harmon – it remains one of my favorite places to watch my beloved Pittsburgh Steelers.

The memories added up. In 2006 my parents ensured many more when they bought a house here. It was a fixer-upper, to be sure, and boy did they fix it up, with the help of friends and family. My

late grandfather, the greatest man I ever knew and an accomplished bricklayer, got to work on walkways, steps and the like. The finished product was a living dream for my parents; in eight years since it has seen countless laughs, many drinks poured, bets won and bets lost, raucous parties and idyllic quiet nights. It really comes to life, of course, every summer when mid-July rolls around.

It wasn't until my first Opening Day at The Special, July 19, 2013, that I truly began to appreciate what it all means. This place, the atmosphere, the horses, the characters, the feeling. To be honest, and blasphemous, for a long time I thought racing wasn't for me. Even as a sports-crazed kid born to a horse-crazed father I had no interest.

I get it now. It didn't take long for me to realize why my parents love it here. In no place does vintage feel more authentic than Saratoga Race Course. For six weeks every year newspapers are still the preferred source of information, forget those fancy phones. I was lucky, very lucky, to hook on with one of the best publications around. It has been unforgettable and eye-opening to be inside this world.

I learned the routine. Mornings on the backside, a maze of horses and hay and coffee and characters. Afternoons at the races. That indelible sound, when the field turns for home and everyone is in full throat. The fierce competition and camaraderie between the players. The feel of Travers Day, when the air is different. The unmistakable style of the great, departing Tom Durkin. I'm going to miss all of it.

I have to say thanks, to the trainers who took time to answer questions from a kid with a broken iPhone voice recorder and limited racing knowledge, to the jockeys who are some of the nicest – and toughest – athletes I've ever seen, to the giddy owners who were always the happiest to talk when a race was won. Thanks to Pedro, who does a great job running the kitchen in the press box, and Rich, the affable fellow who guards the stairs leading to it.

Especially, thanks to the Clancy brothers, Joe and Sean, who prove that you can make a living doing what you love, if you're willing to put in 16-hour days for six weeks straight. I quickly learned I was working for an institution, the one you guys built. Thanks to Tom Law, who hired me, mentored me, had a good deal of fun at my expense and taught me to never, ever wear shorts when you're working at a race track. Thanks to the other interns I worked alongside on race coverage day after day. Thanks to Dave Harmon, who pointed out trainers to me before I could recognize them myself.

Thanks to my girlfriend, Nicole, who is maniacal about collecting every single issue of The Saratoga Special with my byline. Here's hoping it's only the beginning.

It has to come back to my parents. I haven't always been the easiest kid to deal with – OK, I never have – but they've been with me every step of the way regardless. Mom, thanks for being my biggest fan, for your over-the-top enthusiasm for every article I write, for ironing my shirts before I head to the races, for your (unsolicited, but still appreciated) grammatical advice. Dad, this sport means much more to me now than the Racing Form omnipresent in your back pocket and tedious stops at OTB when I ran errands with you as a kid. I'm glad I learned to appreciate something you love so much, even when it leaves you catatonic like when you lost out by a nose with Moreno in last year's Travers.

Thanks for the house, the one where I sit and write this now, in this town where our family's roots run so deep. One day my kids will be here too. I'll tell them about Lake George, and Columbus Day. I'll tell them about the Saratoga Special. And they'll be able to see it all for themselves.

Thanks, Mom and Dad.

Dan McDonough, 24, grew up in Merrick, N.Y. and graduated from SUNY Albany in 2012. He will always have a place at The Special.



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BY SEAN CLANCY

Winding Down

Trainers flee like thieves in the night, no good-byes, barns simply empty from one morning to the next.

I throw three copies of *The Special* on a wooden shelf, then look up and realize it's the only thing around, "Whoa, I guess they shipped out."

Broken straw bales scattered like tumbleweeds. The hanging flowers, drying and wilting, left behind like a hitchhiker at a crossroads. Baling twine hangs loose, blowing in the wind. A rub rag hangs from the wooden rail around the wash rack, too dirty to ship, it'll be there next year.

Phone numbers, scrawled on the wooden door of the tack room have already begun to fade. The kids are back in school, trying to adjust to watching a clock again, instructions for their long-forgotten paper route is all that is left behind. An auburn-colored leaf fell from the maple tree hanging over Graham Motion's barn and landed in my golf cart Friday morning.

It is time to go. As excited as we are to get here, we are just as excited to leave. As excited as the locals are to see us, they are just as excited to see us go. That's Saratoga. That's Life.

And, yes, this is part of my long goodbye.

One issue to go. Three cards to go. Enough races, opportunities and chances to get out – or get deeper. Be careful. Bettors, manage your money as you have all meet, don't try to correct your mistakes simply because the clock has just about ticked. Trainers, take the losses just like you've learned. Jockeys, wait for the hole to open, it always does.

Four stakes today, two Sunday and another two Monday. Now, that's a crescendo.

Bursting at the seams, Wise Dan finally gets to run, returning in the Bernard Baruch, a Grade 2 stakes scheduled as the fifth race on the 12-race card. The two-time Horse of the Year has come around in the past few weeks.

So around, trainer Charlie LoPresti thought about training him on Clare Court the other day, just to try to keep the lid on the pot. All trainers worry about their moves, LoPresti has anguished this meet, trying to make the right decisions for Wise Dan. After colic surgery this spring – and 21 wins and \$6.8 million before that – Wise Dan owes us nothing. If he wins, it'll be like he's never left. If he loses, it'll be like watching your little brother get bullied.

Miss Behavior will try to wipe away Phil Schoenthal's tears from the Test. Oh, who are we kidding, he'll be crying again if she wins the Prioress. The Maryland-based trainer's best horse stretched to 7 furlongs in the Test, succumbing to Sweet Reason's long, steady rally to finish second.

A month later, Miss Behaviour returns, a furlong shorter and without Sweet Reason. Friday morning, Schoenthal stood outside Wayne Catalano's barn, watching Miss Behaviour, "I'm not trying to be a downer, but the reality is, by the odds, I'll probably never have a horse as good as her ever again. It's almost bittersweet, to think you're at the pinnacle of your career." Guess we know why he was crying after the Test.

Brian Lynch re-crosses the border with Clearly Now. The Woodbine-based trainer has plucked purses all meet, but don't think he's confused about what lies in wait for his Belmont track record holder, "Certainly, there's a few Grade 1 winners in there and with a big field like that at Saratoga, you've got to respect everyone." It's called the Northway, not the freeway.

Moreno and Itsmyluckyday clash again in the Woodward. Trainers Eric Guillot and Eddie Plesa don't have better players in their barns. Now or ever. Just like LoPresti, Schoenthal and Lynch, the two trainers send out their best. Friday morning, Guillot hosted a gumbo lunch at his barn, it's his



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way of dealing with the nerves. Writers, grooms, van agents, vets, hotwalkers – every patch on this crazy quilt – stood in line for a ladle full of the Louisiana soup ("It's not stew," Guillot kept telling us). The gumbo is delicious, the hospitality even better. Saratoga survives on the afternoons, but it's the mornings I'll miss.

Sunday, Cat's Claw goes for her second stakes of the meet in the Glens Falls. Maiden winners try to become stakes winners in the Spinaway. Tom Durkin will throw his last pitch. Goodbye, maestro.

Monday, I Spent It and Competitive Edge settle who's the best juvenile of Saratoga while Storm and Beyond Smart put three-race win streaks on the line in the Saranac.

Sixteen thousand dollar claimers going 7 furlongs will pull the curtain Monday evening as the sun sets on another Saratoga race meet.

LoPresti yearns to finish it off strongly.

"I sure hope you walk back to the test barn with me like you've done all those other times," LoPresti said to me last week.

That's about all there is left to do, Charlie.



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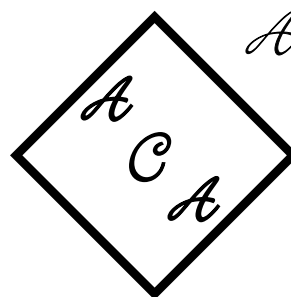


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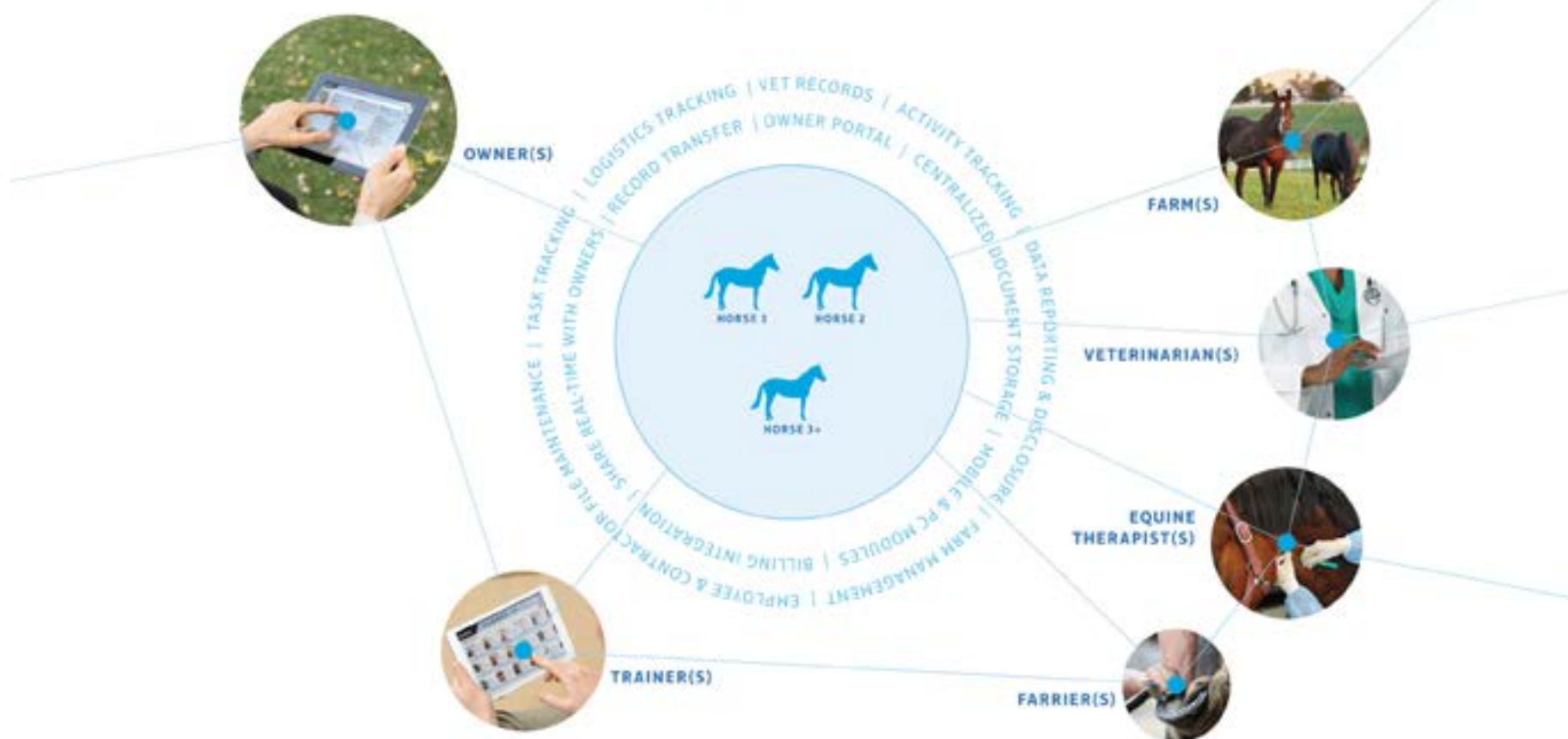
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