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Connie Bush

Man vs. Dog. Capone noses out Tristan Barry in the 50-yard Horse Path Dash.

# here&there... at Saratoga

## LICENSE PLATE OF THE DAY

JOE SPA, New York.

## BY THE NUMBERS

**24:** Horses paddock schooling at the same time at 11:15 Wednesday morning.

**1:** Paddock schooler with a rider.

**1:** Minnesota North Stars T-shirt at the track Wednesday.

**8:** Pairs of shoes in Peter and Caroline Pugh's tack room.

**1:** Sandwich at Spring Street Deli named after Keen Ice (at least for a few days). As chosen by trainer Dale Romans, the feast was bologna and Velveeta cheese with mayonnaise on white bread.

**2:** Jump races run by Wednesday winner Diplomat in two days (July 29 and 30, 2013) at Galway in Ireland. He won the first, finished third in the second.

## NAMES OF THE DAY

**Do A Legger, second race.** New York-bred is by Run Away And Hide and out of Long March.

**Ian Smith, sixth race.** Two-year-old colt is out of Cry Hallelujah. Go to YouTube and check out D. Ian Smith singing Cry Hallelujah at Pub 340. Damn good.

**Day Six, seventh race.** We still like this one. Bred by Bonner Young, he's by Any Given Saturday.

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## WORTH REPEATING

“We rode up with him, we don’t want to go back with him.”  
**Trainer Tom Morley, making a golf-cart driver change Wednesday**

“It wasn’t me.”  
**Kevin Cox, in response to the announcement that Dulce de Leche would run in Wednesday’s fifth race in foal.**

“Can I throw my program into the infield?”  
**Ohio-based trainer Doug Cowans, whose horse Next Shares lost a tough one in Wednesday’s With Anticipation Stakes**

“Do you guys ever jump on the horses to get led around a little to get the good stories?”  
**Burlington, Vt.’s Nick Hinge, on The Special’s research and interviewing techniques**

“You just made the Worth Repeating section in The Saratoga Special with that question.”  
**Elizabeth Collins to Hinge**

“Every woman at the track looked like their boyfriend just broke up with them when he lost.”  
**Text from a fan to The Special’s Tom Law after American Pharoah lost Saturday’s Travers**

“Don’t say too much, you’ll hurt the price.”  
**Owner to trainer during a Fasig-Tipton Stable Tour last week**



Free Range & Grass Fed. This lead pony enjoys a taste of freedom on the backside Wednesday.

Connie Bush

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Going to Dubai and coming to America to work for Kiaran McLaughlin were probably – apart from marrying Kate – the best moves I ever made.”  
**Jump jockey Bernie Dalton, who used to gallop for McLaughlin**



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## NAME OF THE DAY

**Borseggiatore, seventh race.**  
Translated from Italian, it means a pickpocket or mugger.  
Four-year-old is out of Streetwiseandtough.

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## WORTH REPEATING

“I’m feeling this cover.”

**Photographer Susie Raisher, when seeing  
The Special cover with Keen Ice sleeping**

“I watched him win at Indiana Downs and I said, ‘Listen, I’m impressed.’ She said, ‘Do you want to ride him in the King’s Bishop?’ I worked him and I had a great feeling about the horse.”

**Jockey Edgar Prado, on how he got the ride on the  
Maria Borell-trained Runhappy, winner of the King’s Bishop**

“That was one of the best things about growing up in Brooklyn, there weren’t many snakes.”

**Owner Lewis Schaffel, when told Bill Mott’s  
pony was scared of snakes**

“Where were you yesterday?”

**Erma Scott, to The Special’s Sean Clancy,  
after taking a day off Tuesday**

“Kind of thin...”

**Owner Brant Laue, while handling Wednesday’s  
32-page Special (and to think Laue was here from  
the beginning when we printed eight-page editions)**

“He’s looking good isn’t he? He’s a beast.”

**Dallas Stewart, walking out of the paddock early  
Wednesday morning with 2014 Kentucky Derby  
runner-up and Woodward entrant Commanding Curve**



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# Stable Tour:

with  
**Bruce Brown**



Bruce Brown's barn on the Oklahoma Training Track is showing the signs of a waning meeting.

Occupied stalls alternate with empty stalls along the shedrow, the horses left behind slated to run over closing weekend or those left behind not too long from shipping back downstate to Belmont Park.

He's fairly loaded for the last few days of the meeting, including a busy closing day when he'll already be back home in Floral Park with his wife and three children.

"I've got a lot in closing day and I'm not going to be here," Brown said with a laugh. "I'm going home Sunday, so they'll definitely win."

Brown admits it's been a tough Saratoga for his stable, a year removed from a career meet when he won nine races and two turf sprint stakes with Spring To The Sky.

Brown won three races heading into today, including \$50 winner Escape To The Moon Wednesday, from 46 starters.

"It's been a rough meet all around getting the horses in, and getting the right ones in," Brown said. "And if there's a good thing about all the seconds, at least we didn't lose any conditions."

Brown spent a few minutes Wednesday morning with The Special's Tom Law, walking up and down the shedrow, before heading off to school some of his closing weekend runners in the paddock before the races.

**Love You Babe:** "She's going to run closing day here, New York-bred 2-year-old filly by Not For Love who's been training well on the grass. She was just OK on the dirt but we breezed her on the grass and she's really breezed well there. We're



hoping she shows us a little something on the last day."

**Domestic Warrior:** "He's a 3-year-old (by Majestic Warrior) who has never run, but shows a lot of promise. He probably won't run until Belmont but he should be pretty well meant."

**Broadway Bay:** "He might run closing day also, New York-bred, one-other-than. He's always competitive, broke his maiden up here so he likes it here."

**Why Not Whiskey:** "He's in (today, Race 7 for \$35,000 claiming tag on the grass). He's had a bit of a layoff but he's always run well here at Saratoga."

**Congress Park:** "She could run closing day. She was one of my heartbreakers

here, got beat a dirty nose (in Aug. 14 maiden special weight). She should have a good shot."

**So Good To Go:** "She's one we claimed up here. There's a few different races, I don't know that we'll get to run her here. We claimed her off Asmussen up here, older filly, for \$25,000. She won that day and got disqualified. Her last two starts she's been disqualified. She has a little trouble staying straight so hopefully we can fix that."

**Lakeside Sunset:** "Real nice New York-bred filly. She's another one, she chased Kathleen O'Connell's freak, Lady Shipman (and finished fifth in Aug. 3 Coronation Cup Stakes). Chased her all the way around here. She'll run down at Belmont. That filly is a monster."

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**Spring To The Sky:** "The big horse. Had a rough meet up here, just starting to have some trouble getting out of the gate and it didn't help he was running against Joe Sharp's horse (Shore Runner). We caught the horse getting hot at the right time, which is exactly what we were last year. I told the owner that, too, he's doing exactly what we did. His thing is when he did so well last year when he would break he'd be 2 in front, then it was like game on, try and catch him. If he didn't break well it kind of messes up his whole mojo. That's his deal. We might actually stretch him out a little bit to where the break doesn't mean as much. In these 5 1/2 furlong races if you don't break it's over. We can get 7, flat mile down there and there isn't as much pressure on the break."

**Same Kinda Crazy:** "She's a 2-year-old New York-bred filly, probably won't run up here but will be ready to roll for Belmont. She's by Posse. Showed a lot of promise and I think she'll run on the dirt down there."

**O K By Me:** "She's in (today, Race 5) maiden New York-bred \$40,000 claiming. Hasn't run, 3-year-old filly by Repent."

**Ten Penny Princess:** "She's another one of my seconds, she's in (today), maiden 40 New York-breds on the grass. She ran in that kind of race last time, just got beat. A lot of my heartbreaking seconds are coming back. Hopefully if they run how they did last time it should be good."



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**- Trainer Allen Jerkens,  
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# The Young and the Restless

Brown aims Ava's Kitten at stakes

BY TOM LAW

P.G. JOHNSON PREVIEW

Chad Brown's is feeling the pressure heading into the 36th day of racing at Saratoga Race Course and the \$100,000 P. G. Johnson Stakes.

Not because he's clinging to a three-win lead over Todd Pletcher in search of his first training title at Saratoga.

And not because he's about to run a maiden full-sister to Grade 1 winner Real Solution in a 2-year-old turf stakes for an outspoken and opinionated owner.

No, Brown is feeling the pressure from the unlikely of sources – his young daughter Ava.

"She already told me, if I don't win, I'm fired," Brown said as he watched training on the Oklahoma Training Track Wednesday morning. "She's harsh isn't she?"

Ava Brown, sporting a pink T-shirt with the appropriate phrase "I'm So Big Time," reiterated what her father knows to be true as they drove back to the barn in the golf cart.

"If she doesn't win you're fired," she exclaimed, laughing the way only children can as dust kicked up from under the cart's tires.



Tod Marks

Ava's Kitten tackles today's P.G. Johnson Stakes for trainer Chad Brown.

The source of Brown's pressure is Ava's Kitten, a filly by Kitten's Joy owners and Ken and Sarah Ramsey named after Brown's daughter and a filly her trainer expected plenty from when she made her debut Aug. 9. Brown wasn't under the gun for that race, when Ava's Kitten finished third behind fellow P. G. Johnson entrants

Thrilled and Harmonize, or at least he didn't let on about what was said over the dinner table back at home.

The only pressure came from Brown himself, because he liked the filly and might have been asking her a little too early.

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# Johnson —

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“She ran well first time out but I think I had her too short on fitness,” Brown said of Ava’s Kitten, who didn’t quicken enough in the stretch and finished 1 1/4 lengths behind those other two fillies. “Probably a couple works shy of where I should have been debuting her. I really like this filly so I got in a hurry entering her. The positive of that is the race has done her well. She got a lot out of it.”

Ava’s Kitten breezed two half miles on the Oklahoma dirt since her debut, similar moves of :49.96 Alabama Day and :49.98 last Friday.

Ava’s Kitten is one of three maidens of the six fillies entered in the P. G. Johnson and she’s got a bit of history on her side.

Brown won the last three editions of the P. G. Johnson, the last two with maidens Granny Mc’s Kitten in 2013 for the Ramseys and Partisan Politics last year for Klaravich Stable and William Lawrence. His first winner of the 1 1/16-mile turf stakes, recent Grade 1 Beverly D. Stakes winner Watsdachances, made her first start in the U.S. and for Brown in the P. G. Johnson.

Like Ava’s Kitten, Granny Mc’s Kitten and Partisan Politics both made a start at Saratoga about a month before the P. G. Johnson.

“It’s a short field, there’s some nice fillies in here and I think she’s one of them,” Brown said. “We’ll see how it shakes out, I’m not afraid to run a maiden in here.”

Timber Bay Farm’s homebred Seaside Schiller is one of the three winners in the field off a debut victory late in the Bel-

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Tod Marks

One-two in a maiden race Aug. 9, Thrilled (right) and Harmonize meet again in today’s P.G. Johnson.

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# Johnson —

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mont Park spring-summer meeting for trainer Michael Matz.

The daughter of Artie Schiller was a late entrant in the P. G. Johnson and is cross-entered in Saturday's \$300,000 Kentucky Downs Juvenile Fillies Stakes going 7 furlongs.

Joss Saville, Matz's assistant handling his Saratoga string, said Seaside Schiller was due in Saratoga from the Fair Hill Training Center in Maryland Wednesday afternoon.

"There weren't many other options we could have gone for," Saville said. "We were waiting to see what entries looked like at Kentucky Downs before we committed. It's a bit of a rush, but she shipped into Belmont and won."

Seaside Schiller will face only five opponents if she starts today.

She's one of a dozen entered in the Kentucky Downs race, which doesn't feature any maidens and attracted last-out Saratoga starters in Bolton Landing winner Simple Surprise and Grade 3 Schuylerville Stakes fourth Moment Is Right.

Seaside Schiller could be the speed of the P. G. Johnson under Luis Saez along with Harmonize, who showed speed and got nipped at the finish by Thrilled in their 1 1/16-mile grass maiden race Aug. 9.

"She shows a lot of speed and that's why we're a little concerned she might not get the two turns," Saville said. "However, she's always, from Day 1 when she came in, showed that she had a good head on her, a good and classy sort of horse that does everything well."

Finn's Girl is the 5-2 morning-line favorite for the P. G. Johnson and she's also based at Fair Hill.

Trained by Graham Motion, the daughter of Bernardini out of multiple Grade 2 winner Oonagh Maccool cost \$600,000 at last year's Keeneland September yearling sale.

She won her debut easily Aug. 4 going 7 1/2 furlongs at Delaware Park under Trevor McCarthy, who rides the filly back today for Motion and Chiefswood Stable.

Fooled By Magic, off the board in her only two starts and 15 1/2 lengths behind Seaside Schiller in her most recent effort, completes the field.

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Thursday, September 3.

1ST (1:00PM). \$65,000, ALW, 4 YO'S & UP, 2 3/8M (HURDLE)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	Perfect Union	.....	B. Dalton	.....	D. Fout	.....	5-2
2	.....	North Star Boy (IRE)	.....	D. Nagle	.....	N. Saville	.....	3-1
3	.....	Miguel Grau	.....	J. Doyle	.....	R. Valentine	.....	7-2
4	.....	Magical Moon (GB)	.....	P. Young	.....	R. Hendriks	.....	10-1
5	.....	See Trouble	.....	R. Walsh	.....	R. Valentine	.....	6-1
6	.....	Street Fight	.....	W. McCarthy	.....	A. Kingsley, Jr.	.....	5-1
7	.....	Hardrock Eleven	.....	K. Norris	.....	P. Fout	.....	12-1

2ND (1:33PM). \$75,000, ALW, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/8M

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

1	.....	Hunt's Road	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	5-2
2	.....	Sugar Gold	.....	I. Rodriguez	.....	J. Hertler	.....	20-1
3	.....	Futurazo	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	B. McCall	.....	10-1
4	.....	Zabaione	.....	E. Cancel	.....	H. Bond	.....	7-2
5	.....	Battle of Evermore	.....	J. Rosario	.....	C. Brown	.....	8-5
6	.....	Do a Legger	.....	P. Hernandez Ortega	.....	P. Farro	.....	6-1
7	.....	H Man	.....	K. Carmouche	.....	D. Cannizzo	.....	15-1

3RD (2:06PM). \$28,000, CLM \$14,000, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 6 1/2F

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

1	.....	She's Marvy	.....	E. Cancel	.....	G. Gullo	.....	5-1
2	.....	Cryptic Comet	.....	L. Saez	.....	J. Terranova, II	.....	12-1
3	.....	Gethot Stayhot	.....	M. Franco	.....	J. Toscano, Jr.	.....	15-1
4	.....	Saluda	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	M. Nevin	.....	4-1
5	.....	Stolen Victory	.....	J. Castellano	.....	G. Contessa	.....	5-2
6	.....	Annie Walker	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	D. Jacobson	.....	2-1
7	.....	Evangeline's Hope	.....	J. Baez	.....	J. Buckley	.....	8-1

4TH (2:39PM). \$100,000, STK - THE P. G. JOHNSON, 2 YO, F , 1 1/16M (TURF)

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

1	.....	Harmonize	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	W. Mott	.....	4-1
2	.....	Finn's Girl	.....	T. McCarthy	.....	H. Motion	.....	5-2
3	.....	Seaside Schiller	.....	L. Saez	.....	M. Matz	.....	4-1
4	.....	Thrilled	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	3-1
5	.....	Ava's Kitten	.....	J. Castellano	.....	C. Brown	.....	7-2
6	.....	Fooled by Magic	.....	T. Rice	.....	K. Rice	.....	30-1

5TH (3:12PM). \$45,000, MCL \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 6 1/2F

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

1	.....	Splash of Sass	.....	J. Davis	.....	R. Davis	.....	8-1
2	.....	Lady Chocolotta	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	G. Sciacca	.....	20-1
3	.....	Mamie Reilly	.....	S. Bridgmohan	.....	B. Brown	.....	20-1
4	.....	Lil Renegade	.....	M. Franco	.....	M. Friedman	.....	10-1
5	.....	O K by Me	.....	M. Luzzi	.....	B. Brown	.....	20-1
6	.....	She's All Even	.....	J. Rosario	.....	G. Contessa	.....	7-2
7	.....	Mohawk Lily	.....	K. Carmouche	.....	L. Gyarmati	.....	6-1
8	.....	She's Gifted	.....	J. Castellano	.....	E. Kenneally	.....	5-2
9	.....	Take a Bow	.....	E. Cancel	.....	J. Terranova, II	.....	15-1
10	.....	Dacoma	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	D. Jacobson	.....	4-1

6TH (3:45PM). \$83,000, MSW, 2 YO, 5 1/2F (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	Strike Midnight	.....	J. Lezcano	.....	L. Gyarmati	.....	12-1
2	.....	Light the Night	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	M. Trombetta	.....	6-1
3	.....	Handsome Hank (FR)	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	L. Lewis	.....	20-1
4	.....	Armando Big	.....	E. Cancel	.....	G. Delgado	.....	20-1
5	.....	Rappel	.....	M. Franco	.....	R. Ribaud	.....	7-2
6	.....	Whence	.....	J. Castellano	.....	S. Asmussen	.....	5-1
7	.....	Eyeing Victory	.....	K. Carmouche	.....	H. Motion	.....	10-1

8	.....	8	.....	Voluntario	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	R. Rodriguez	.....	10-1
9	.....	9	.....	Basic Hero	.....	J. Rosario	.....	B. Lynch	.....	8-1
10	.....	10	.....	Ian Smith	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	3-1
11	.....	AE	.....	Spicy Blonde	.....	E. Cancel	.....	W. Ward	.....	6-1
12	.....	MTO	.....	Wild Impulse	.....	T. Rice	.....	L. Rice	.....	5-1

7TH (4:18PM). \$45,000, CLM \$35,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1M (INNER TURF)

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

1	.....	5	.....	Dream Man	.....	M. Franco	.....	D. Carroll	.....	12-1
1a	.....	AE	.....	Film Shot	.....	J. Leparoux	.....	D. Carroll	.....	12-1
2	.....	1	.....	Matuszak	.....	K. Carmouche	.....	J. Sharp	.....	12-1
3	.....	2	.....	Classy Al	.....	L. Perez	.....	D. Conway, Jr.	.....	20-1
4	.....	3	.....	Day Six	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	C. Martin	.....	7-2
5	.....	4	.....	Moon Over Cuzco	.....	J. Castellano	.....	C. Brown	.....	3-1
6	.....	6	.....	Finn's Quest	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	R. Rodriguez	.....	6-1
7	.....	7	.....	Police Camp	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	G. Sciacca	.....	20-1
8	.....	8	.....	Lead Singer	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	T. Morley	.....	6-1
9	.....	9	.....	Why Not Whiskey	.....	L. Saez	.....	B. Brown	.....	8-1
10	.....	10	.....	Stage Door Sam	.....	F. Arrieta	.....	J. Quiles	.....	30-1
11	.....	11	.....	Inventor's Gate	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	K. Streicher	.....	15-1
12	.....	12	.....	Borseggiatore	.....	E. Cancel	.....	N. Zito	.....	15-1
13	.....	AE	.....	Elroi	.....	C. DeCarlo	.....	P. Pugh	.....	15-1
14	.....	AE	.....	Bajan Summer	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	G. Sciacca	.....	15-1
15	.....	MTO	.....	Inca Saint	.....		.....	S. Asmussen	.....	5-1

8TH (4:52PM). \$93,000, AOC \$80,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 6 1/2F

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pic 3, Daily Double

1	.....	2	.....	Noble Cornerstone	.....	J. Rosario	.....	T. Morley	.....	4-1
1a	.....	6	.....	Stephanoatsee	.....	E. Cancel	.....	N. Zito	.....	4-1
2	.....	1	.....	John's Island	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	J. Jerkens	.....	8-1
3	.....	3	.....	Pulling G's	.....	J. Alvarado	.....	J. Shirreffs	.....	5-1
4	.....	4	.....	Clearly Now	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	B. Lynch	.....	6-5
5	.....	5	.....	Ostrolenka	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	10-1
6	.....	7	.....	Stormin Monarcho	.....	I. Ortiz, Jr.	.....	D. Jacobson	.....	12-1
7	.....	8	.....	Green Gratto	.....	F. Jara	.....	G. Grant	.....	8-1

9TH (5:26PM). \$78,000, AOC \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 5 1/2F (TURF)

Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Daily Double

1	.....	1	.....	Summerdale	.....	M. Franco	.....	J. Englehart	.....	20-1
2	.....	2	.....	All Mine Tonight	.....	J. Ortiz	.....	E. Kenneally	.....	5-1
3	.....	3	.....	Bella Kateri	.....	J. Rosario	.....	L. Lewis	.....	3-1
4	.....	MTO	.....	Champagne Ruby	.....	T. Rice	.....	L. Rice	.....	7-2
5	.....	MTO	.....	Scat Away	.....	C. Velasquez	.....	L. Rice	.....	9-5
6	.....	6	.....	Royal Jest	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	R. Lugovich	.....	15-1
7	.....	7	.....	Hot Squeeze	.....	C. Velasquez	.....	G. Weaver	.....	8-1
8	.....	8	.....	Non Finisce Mai	.....	E. Trujillo	.....	G. Gullo	.....	12-1
9	.....	9	.....	Alexandrie	.....	J. Velazquez	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	4-1
10	.....	10	.....	Harlan's Honor	.....	J. Castellano	.....	T. Pletcher	.....	2-1

10TH (6:00PM). \$45,000, MCL \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, F & M , 1 1/16M (INNER TURF)






Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta

1	.....	1	.....	Weather Girl	.....	J. Castellano	.....	S. Asmussen	.....	2-1
2	.....	2	.....	Wild Inthe Streets	.....	R. Silvera	.....	P. Serpe	.....	30-1
3	.....	3	.....	Taramislew	.....	L. Saez	.....	J. Sharp	.....	15-1
4	.....	4	.....	Saratoga Smoke	.....	E. Cancel	.....	H. Bond	.....	20-1
5	.....	5	.....	Oakley Way	.....	K. Carmouche	.....	B. Levine	.....	20-1
6	.....	6	.....	Quiet Confidence	.....	I. Rodriguez	.....	J. Lawrence, II	.....	30-1
7	.....	7	.....	Flying K C	.....	C. Velasquez	.....	R. Rodriguez	.....	5-1
8	.....	8	.....	Little Mary Ellen	.....	A. Arroyo	.....	K. Grusmark	.....	10-1
9	.....	9	.....	La Dama de Hierro	.....	M. Franco	.....	M. Shevy	.....	15-1
10	.....	10	.....	Ten Penny Princess	.....	J. Rosario	.....	B. Brown	.....	3-1
11	.....	11	.....	Maggies Dance	.....	F. Jara	.....	S. Hobson	.....	15-1
12	.....	12	.....	Saratoga by Design	.....	S. Bridgmohan	.....	G. Goodwin	.....	8-1
13	.....	AE	.....	Q T Bird	.....	C. DeCarlo	.....	O. Barrera, III	.....	30-1

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Race #	 John Shapazian	 Tom Law	 Gaile Fitzgerald	 Charles Bedard	 Chad Summers
1	North Star Boy Miguel Grau Perfect Union	Perfect Union Miguel Grau Street Fight	Miguel Grau North Star Boy Perfect Union	Miguel Grau Street Fight Magical Moon	North Star Boy Perfect Union Miguel Grau
2	Battle Of Evermore Hunt's Road Zabaione	Battle Of Evermore Zabaione Hunt's Road	Battle Of Evermore Zabaione Hunt's Road	Battle Of Evermore Do A Legger Futurazo	Battle Of Evermore Hunt's Road H Man
3	Stolen Victory Annie Walker Saluda	Cryptic Comet Annie Walker She's Marvy	Annie Walker Stolen Victory She's Marvy	Evangeline's Hope Cryptic Comet Saluda	Stolen Victory Annie Walker Cryptic Comet
4	Thrilled Ava's Kitten Finn's Girl	Ava's Kitten Finn's Girl Thrilled	Thrilled Harmonize Finn's Girl	Seaside Schiller Thrilled Harmonize	Ava's Kitten Finn's Girl Seaside Schiller
5	She's Gifted Dacoma She's All Even	She's Gifted Mohawk Lily Dacoma	Dacoma Mohawk Lilly She's Gifted	She's All Even Lil Renegade She's Gifted	She's All Even Lil Renegade Dacoma
6	Ian Smith Rappel Light The Night	Ian Smith Whence Handsome Hank	Rappel Ian Smith Strike Midnight	Rappel Ian Smith Whence	Ian Smith Rappel Basic Hero
7	Moon Over Cuzco Day Six Inca Saint	Day Six Why Not Whiskey Moon Over Cuzco	Day Six Moon Over Cuzco Finn's Quest	Day Six Finn's Quest Moon Over Cuzco	Day Six Moon Over Cuzco Finn's Quest
8	Clearly Now Pulling G's Green Gratto	Clearly Now Pulling G's Noble Cornerstone	Clearly Now Pulling G's John's Island	Green Gratto Clearly Now Stormin Monarcho	Pulling G's Ostrolenka John's Island
9	Scat Away Harlan's Honor Bella Kateri	Harlan's Honor Scat Away Alexandrie	Bella Kateri Scat Away Harlan's Honor	Royal Jest Harlan's Honor Non Finisce Mai	All Mine Tonight Bella Kateri Harlan's Honor
10	Weather Girl Ten Penny Princess Flying K C	Ten Penny Princess Flying K C Weather Girl	Weather Girl Flying K C Ten Penny Princess	Flying K C Ten Penny Princess Little Mary Ellen	Weather Girl Flying K C Ten Penny Princess
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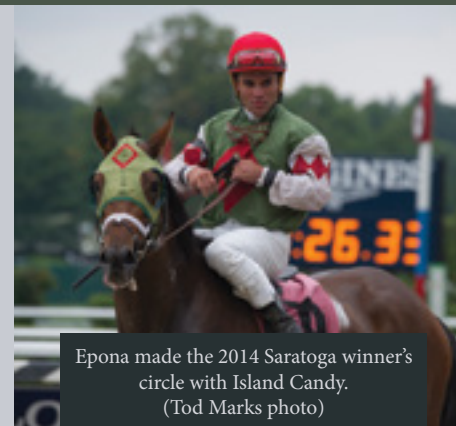
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Tod Marks  
Azar (second from right) and Next Shares battle  
toward the finish in Wednesday's feature.

# Azar arrives in time

WITH ANTICIPATION  
STAKES RECAP

BY BRANDON VALVO

When bloodstock agent Steve Young purchased Azar out of the 2014 Keeneland September yearling sale for \$300,000 for the Alto Racing partnership, he had high hopes for the colt.

"He stands on his own merit as a very good-looking, very well-balanced Scat Daddy," Young said of the colt out of Miss Ocean City, by Mineshaft. "You go a little further, I bought his older half-sister last year and even further than that, his mother won first time out for Nick Zito here a few years ago and she was a very, very good filly."

Although Azar had all the makings of a future stakes winner, he entered Wednesday's \$200,000 With Anticipation stakes as a maiden. He lost his

## Alto, Pletcher 2YO catches shipper in stretch

first two starts, a rarity for a Todd Pletcher-trained 2-year-old. Seventh in his career debut July 19 at Belmont Park, Azar set the pace and was caught late by stablemate and With Anticipation rival Unbridled Daddy here Aug. 16.

"I thought he ran a much improved race last time," Pletcher said. "He was on the lead most of the way, came back and worked really well. We were thinking about maybe running back in a maiden race. When this came up a short field, we decided to take a shot."

Taking a shot paid off.

Azar turned the tables on Unbridled Daddy and

topped the rest of the field in the Grade 2 With Anticipation. Despite being bumped at the start, Azar rated along the hedge just off Belterra Park shipper Next Shares through honest fractions of :23.19, :47.63 and 1:12.39. As Next Shares tried to get away in the stretch, Azar found more speed in the final 100 yards, angled out and was up in time to score at 11-1.

Sent off at more than double his 5-1 morning-line price, Azar won in 1:41.68. Next Shares held second while Unbridled Daddy finished third.

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# With Anticipation —

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"This is a horse that early in the summer, we thought he was a very good horse and sometimes 2-year-olds take a couple starts to get their head where it needs to be," Young said. "None of us thought he was losing the first time he ran at Belmont. And he not only lost, he didn't hit the board. He came back here, ran very good the other day. He was running with his head cocked a little bit. But today, he did nothing wrong and he ran like we had hoped he would back in June."

Although Young and Pletcher always thought Azar's talent was there, it took time to unlock it. He lacked a win on his resume, yet Pletcher was expecting a big effort based on what the colt showed in the morning.

"It's not something we do often," Pletcher said of running a maiden in a stakes race. "But we felt like with two-race experience and he did everything except win last time, he led most of the way. Really he sold us in the last breeze. He was acting like he was doing well and improved since the last race. Short field, figured we'd take a shot. He was much better today. Johnny (Velazquez) felt like he was much more focused, much more professional following horses and he gave a big last 100 yards."

Azar's final 100 yards were big. He ran his final sixteenth in 5.97 seconds, according to Trakus, and



Tod Marks

**Azar graduates the maiden ranks as a stakes winner.**

the preceding quarter was clocked in :22.86. Moving that quickly at the end of 1 1/16 miles, Azar looks to be another success story for Young and Alto Racing.

"I buy all their horses," Young said. "They are two families that own them, the Harrell family of

Houston, Texas, and the Moutray family of Alto, New Mexico. They've had a nice run. We've had horses run in the (Kentucky) Derby, we won the Florida Derby this year with Materiality, they've had Winning Cause, Peace Preserver, Sweet Whiskey. It's a situation where we've done good for each other."

Azar's victory boosted his career earnings to \$136,850 and it also brought Pletcher's meet win total to 27 through Wednesday. He's three shy of Chad Brown's 30 at the top of the standings.

Even though the race is close with five days to go, Pletcher isn't sure he has the horsepower to retain the title.

"You savor any win you can get at Saratoga and anytime you can win a graded stakes it's even better," said Pletcher, who has the last five and 11 overall Saratoga training titles. "We enjoy the competition and Chad is having a phenomenal meet. I don't know if we have enough firepower to battle him, but we'll keep firing away until the end. I keep an eye on the standings. We kind of dug ourselves a bit of a hole here, so we'd have to pull out some magic at the end to compete, but we'll see what happens."

As for Azar, the Grade 3 Pilgrim Stakes Sept. 26 at Belmont is the likely target with the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf in the team's sights down the road.

"I haven't talked to Todd or the Harrells or Gil Moutray," Young said, "but I would imagine without getting ahead of ourselves he'll probably run in the Pilgrim and see where that leads us. The Breeders' Cup is everyone's ultimate goal, but you have to take it one race at a time."

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# Bombs away at the old Spa

## Big prices rule start of final week

Longshot after longshot after longshot rolled home as the final week of racing got underway Wednesday at Saratoga Race Course.

The parade of big prices started in the steeplechase opener and continued through the finale, but none were bigger than Dendrite in the sixth race. The 6-year-old Rockport Harbor gelding went gate-to-wire in the 1-mile claimer on the inner turf at 45-1 odds.

Kendrick Carmouche rode Dendrite, who was stretching out after finishing 10th of 11 in a 5 ½-furlong turf sprint Aug. 5. They set a slow

### WEDNESDAY RACING RECAP

pace - :24.97, :49.61 and 1:14.43 – and had plenty left in the stretch to win as the longest shot on the board. Dendrite won by three-quarters of a length over favored Baldonnel.

“Last time we had no chance,” said winning trainer Carlos Martin. “I regrouped and took him back to Belmont.”

Martin breezed Dendrite twice at Belmont, both times bullet 5-furlong moves, before shipping him back to Saratoga for the \$40,000 claiming race.



Dave Harmon

**Longshot Dendrite heads for the finish in Wednesday's sixth race.**

“He (Carmouche) let the horse relax,” Martin said. “Dominick Schettino’s horse (Humboldt N Frost) took back, and we put them to sleep.”

Dendrite’s huge upset – a \$92 win payoff for a \$2 win bet – helped spring a giant pick 5 payout of \$295,641. He was just one of several enormous

upsets on the day.

Melodic (\$40.80), Iconic Artist (\$32.60), and Escape To The Moon (\$50) had chalk players cringing in races six through eight. Before Dendrite’s trip to the winner’s circle in the sixth, Arietta (\$47.80) shook things

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# Wednesday —

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up in the fifth, the opening leg of the pick 6.

Not surprisingly there is a two-day pick-6 carry-over of \$201,242 into today's card.

— **Billy Blake**

• On May 21, 2015, Albert Fried Jr.'s homebred gelding Towering Moon, a 6-year-old son of Malibu Moon out of the Giant's Causeway mare Towering Escape, was claimed for \$50,000 at Belmont Park. That was fine with the longtime New York breeder, since he had another one with the same bloodlines, Towering Moon's 5-year-old full brother Escape To The Moon.

The brothers met in a race for the first time June 25 at Belmont, with Escape To The Moon finishing fourth, besting his older brother by one position and 1 length. The duo met again in Wednesday's eighth race, with a more dramatic result.

Escape To The Moon broke well in the 7-furlong optional claimer, but the same could not be said for the slow-starting Towering Moon. Escape To The Moon took up a mid-pack position early while Towering Moon dropped out to trail behind quick early fractions. Around the far turn, both Moons started to get underway. Inside the final sixteenth, Escape To The Moon took a narrow lead and looked to hold off the late charge of Towering



Dave Harmon

**Full-brothers Escape To The Moon (right) and Towering Moon head to the wire in Wednesday's ninth race.**

Moon. Escape To The Moon reached the wire first, prevailing by a desperate neck.

"It's unbelievable," Fried said after the race. "Jenny (Carpenter) picked the stallion when we bred them and we get breeding awards on both of them. It's terrific."

Although Fried looked on as the horse he formerly owned nearly ran down his runner, he wasn't the slightest bit nervous.

"I thought, 'Boy, I'm going to get breeding

awards one-two,' " he said. "I'm never worried. It's never happened that I lose a race except daily."

To win at Saratoga and to have two of his New York-breds finish one-two is a massive source of pride for Fried, who races most of the horses he breeds.

"It's terrific," he said. "We have a farm in Rhinebeck an hour and-a-half away where Jenny is the manager and takes care of the farm and the hors-

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es. We've got 20 or 30 horses there. We've had it since '86 and it's good to be there and good to be in the winner's circle in Saratoga."

— **Brandon Valvo**

- When owner/trainer Jimmy Day and jockey Bernie Dalton discussed running Diplomat in Wednesday's steeplechase allowance-optional, the conversation went back and forth for a bit.

"Jimmy was hedging his bets about running him in here," said Dalton after steering the 6-year-old to a 3-length win in the \$70,000 opener. "Then he was worried about getting him claimed."

As he did on the track, Dalton had all the answers.


"Look, let me settle him in the back, I think he'll win," the jockey told Day. "He's got one run, you just have to come with it. And if he wins and gets claimed, you'll be laughing all the way to the bank."

Day collected \$42,000 in purse money for the win, and another \$40,000 when Newman Racing and trainer Charlton Baker dropped a slip for the Kitten's Joy gelding. The \$82,000 payday is more than the \$75,000 earned by Choral Society for winning the Grade 1 A. P. Smithwick Aug. 15. In that race, Diplomat finished sixth after making the lead late. Listening to Dalton's input, and hoping for a more settled early spot, Day took the blinkers off Diplomat and the Kentucky-bred rated in fifth behind a slow pace.


Andi'amu made the early running,

followed by Gimme Five, Overwhelming, All Together, Diplomat and Mandola in a train for seven fences. On the final run up the backside, Andi'amu still led, but had plenty of company as the pace quickened. Diplomat moved out from behind horses at the eighth fence. Mandola followed. On the final turn, Diplomat advanced toward the front while three wide. Outside of him and working harder, Mandola ranged up. Andi'amu still led off the turn and took the group to the last fence as Dip-

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Diplomat (left) challenges Andi'amu at the last fence of Wednesday's first.

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# Wednesday —

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lomat closed in. They left the ground in tandem, but Diplomat touched down with more run and drew off to his fifth win over jumps at 9-1. Andi'amu hung for second by a neck over All Together. A stride behind the leaders, Mandola fell at the last fence. He was vanned off with an injury, and being treated at trainer Jonathan Sheppard's barn Wednesday evening.

Diplomat raced for his breeders Ken and Sarah Ramsey in Ireland — winning twice and knocking heads with the likes of Declaration Of War on the flat — with trainer Dermot Weld. Sold to Ronan Lambe but still with Weld, the horse went hurdling and won twice more before Day spent about \$18,000 to buy him at the Tattersalls Horses in Training Sale last year.

He won his first start in the U.S. in March, taking the restricted Carolina Cup novice stakes, then finished fifth in open company in May and sixth in the Smithwick.

"Taking the blinkers off helped him, but I just had no cover in the Smithwick and it made the difference," Dalton said. "You watch the Smithwick and if you don't know the result you think the horse in front coming to the last wins. You don't think he gets beat but that's all he's got. He's kind of got one run if you can use it right. He's a nice little horse, a fun little horse."

Newman Racing campaigns New York-bred stakes winner Tricky Zippy among others, and hopes to get into jump racing with Diplomat.

— Joe Clancy

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Iconic Artist charges home in front of the field in Wednesday's eighth.



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## Saratoga Leaders

Trainers.....	1st	Jockeys.....	1st
Chad Brown .....	30	Irad Ortiz Jr. ....	54
Todd Pletcher .....	27	Javier Castellano .....	45
Christophe Clement.....	14	John Velazquez .....	41
Rudy Rodriguez .....	12	Luis Saez.....	30
Bill Mott .....	12	Jose Ortiz.....	30
Kiaran McLaughlin .....	11	Joel Rosario.....	21
George Weaver.....	10	Junior Alvarado.....	19
Jeremiah Englehart .....	9	Jose Lezcano .....	15
David Jacobson.....	9	Kendrick Carmouche.....	15
Shug McGaughey.....	7	Eric Cancel .....	15
Linda Rice.....	7		

Through Wednesday

## Wednesday —

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• Mike Luzzi walked into the paddock for the eighth race to a round of applause before getting a leg up on Artie Crasher.

The 45-year-old jockey was about to ride for the first time since breaking his leg and pelvis in a paddock accident in November at Aqueduct.

He went through a long and sometimes painful rehabilitation process, and even after finishing sixth aboard Artie Crasher was in good spirits.

"It felt like I never missed a day,"

Luzzi said of his first mount in ten months. "Once you get on the horse, it's like same old hat."

Presented with the George Woolf Award from his peers earlier this year and the Eclipse Award as North America's outstanding apprentice jockey in 1989, Luzzi will be back in action again today aboard O K By Me for trainer Bruce Brown in the fifth race.

"She's another horse I've been working," he said before trying to outline his plans for the rest of the summer and fall. "I don't even have an agent yet, so I'll crank it back up at Belmont."

— Billy Blake

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## SARATOGA RESULTS

Wednesday September 2.

### FIRST \$70,000, AOC \$40,000, 4 YO'S & UP, 2 3/8M

2	Diplomat	B. Dalton	\$21.20	\$7.70	\$5.00
1	Andi'amu (FR)	P. Young		\$5.30	\$3.60
5	All Together	R. Geraghty			\$4.90

B Gelding 2009, by Kitten's Joy - Waki Affair by Miswaki

Owner: Day, James, M.. Trainer: James Day.

Breeder: Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY). Late Scratches: Plated. Claimed: Diplomat claimed by Newman Racing for \$40,000

Time: 4:42.96

Exacta (2-1), \$107.00; Superfecta (2-1-5-3), \$1,323.00; Trifecta (2-1-5), \$447.50

### SECOND \$28,000, CLAIMING \$14,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 6 1/2F

5	Mach Seven	F. Jara	\$17.80	\$7.00	\$4.50
2	Chase Lane	J. Velazquez		\$4.10	\$4.00
6	Battlefront	I. Ortiz, Jr.			\$3.60

Ch Gelding 2010, by Big Brown - Little Miss Zip by City Zip

Owner: Johnson, Wilfred. Trainer: Joseph Parker.

Breeder: Runnymede Farm Inc. & Catesby W. Clay (KY).

Late Scratches: Alysaro, Aleander

Claimed: Battlefront claimed by Thistle Spring Stables for \$14,000

Time: 1:17.33

Daily Double (2-5), \$197.50; Exacta (5-2), \$71.50; Quinella (2-5), \$20.40; Superfecta (5-2-6-1), \$204.00; Trifecta (5-2-6), \$196.00

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

2	Azar	J. Velazquez	\$24.40	\$9.40	\$5.20
4	Next Shares	J. Rosario		\$13.20	\$6.90
6	Unbridled Daddy	I. Ortiz, Jr.			\$2.80

Dk B/ Br Colt 2013, by Scat Daddy - Miss Ocean City by Mineshaft

Owner: Alto Racing, LLC. Trainer: Todd Pletcher.

Breeder: Mike Connelly (KY). Time: 1:41.68

Daily Double (5-2), \$200.00; Exacta (2-4), \$186.00; Superfecta (2-4-6-5), \$1,521.00; Trifecta (2-4-6), \$596.00; Pic 3 (2-5-2), \$1,984.00

### FOURTH \$83,000, MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT, 2 YO, 6F

2	Nickname	J. Castellano	\$3.90	\$2.90	\$2.20
3	Sky My Sky	S. Bridgmohan		\$5.10	\$3.30
7	J La Tache	K. Carmouche			\$2.10

Dk B/ Br Filly 2013, by Scat Daddy - Nina Fever by Borrego

Owner: LNJ Foxwoods. Trainer: Steven Asmussen.

Breeder: Michael Hui (KY). Late Scratches: More That Lily. Time: 1:10.76

Daily Double (2-2), \$61.00; Exacta (2-3), \$16.60; Quinella (2-3), \$14.60; Superfecta (2-3-7-1), \$93.40; Trifecta (2-3-7), \$34.20; Pic 3 (5-2-2), \$625.00

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

4	Arietta	E. Cancel	\$47.80	\$18.40	\$13.20
5	Wantagh Queen	I. Ortiz, Jr.		\$11.60	\$7.90
3	Glare Ice	J. Ortiz			\$7.10

Dk B/ Br Filly 2012, by Raffle's Majesty - Musical by El Gran Senor

Owner: Bond Racing Stable. Trainer: H. Bond. Breeder: Song Hill Thoroughbreds LLC (NY). Late Scratches: Naughty Grace

Claimed: Street Lass claimed by Wentworth, John for \$40,000

Time: 1:02.95

Daily Double (2-4), \$132.00; Exacta (4-5), \$381.50; Superfecta (4-5-3-1), \$9,782.00; Trifecta (4-5-3), \$2,314.00; Pic 3 (2-2-4), \$1,417.00

### SIXTH \$47,000, CLAIMING \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1M

9	Dendrite	K. Carmouche	\$92.00	\$36.40	\$15.00
6	Baldonnel	J. Castellano		\$4.20	\$3.20
1	Transcend	M. Franco			\$4.30

B Gelding 2009, by Rockport Harbor - Tustin by Conquistador Cielo

Owner: Sperando Racing Stable. Trainer: Carlos Martin.

Breeder: Richard Forbush (KY). Late Scratches: Blue Shark

Claimed: Baldonnel claimed by On the Rise Racing Stables for \$40,000, Island Therapy claimed by Dubb, Michael for \$40,000

Time: 1:38.55

Daily Double (4-9), \$1,966.00; Exacta (9-6), \$601.00; Superfecta (9-6-1-4), \$24,345.00; Trifecta (9-6-1), \$3,430.00; Pic 3 (2-4-9), \$7,644.00; Pic 4 (2-2/4-4-9), \$51,838.00; Pic 5 (5-2-2/4-4-9), \$295,641.00

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

2	Melodic	K. Carmouche	\$40.80	\$11.20	\$5.00
1	Louisville First	M. Franco		\$4.80	\$2.90
4	Acapella	I. Ortiz, Jr.			\$2.90

Ch Filly 2013, Tale of the Cat - Christina's Melody by Unbridled's Song

Owner: Treadway Racing Stable. Trainer: Leah Gyarmati. Breeder: Mia Gallo, Dave Stack, Mary Kopley, SamPalazzole, Bernie R (NY).

Late Scratches: Ask the Lonely, Frostie Anne, Surprise Cameo, Rock Garden. Time: 1:12.03

Daily Double (9-2), \$2,154.00; Exacta (2-1), \$191.50; Superfecta (2-1-4-3), \$1,708.00; Trifecta (2-1-4), \$580.00; Pic 3 (4-9-2), \$42,074.00

### EIGHTH \$51,000, CLAIMING \$50,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1 1/16M

2	Iconic Artist	C. Velazquez	\$32.60	\$19.40	\$7.50
1A	Boss Man	J. Lezcano		\$8.30	\$5.40
7	Market Outlook	K. Carmouche			\$3.70

Dk B/ Br Gelding 2011, by Arch - Seeking Silence by Seeking the Gold

Owner: Stautberg, Caroline, C.. Trainer: Elizabeth Voss.

Breeder: Pin Oak Stud, LLC (KY).

Late Scratches: Dontbetwithbruno, Riviere Du Loup

Claimed: Market Outlook claimed by Stephens, Brad for \$50,000, Artie Crasher claimed by Kazdan, Alex for \$50,000, Pep the Champ claimed by Ramsey, Kenneth L. and Sarah K. for \$50,000. Time: 1:41.95

Daily Double (2-2), \$645.00; Exacta (2-1), \$237.00; Superfecta (2-1-7-4), \$5,705.00; Trifecta (2-1-7), \$963.00; Pic 3 (9-2-2), \$126,592.00

### NINTH \$78,000, NY-BRED AOC \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 7F

4	Escape to the Moon	M. Franco	\$50.00	\$17.80	\$10.20
1	Towering Moon	I. Ortiz, Jr.		\$8.00	\$4.30
9	Bond Vigilante	J. Ortiz			\$3.80

Ch Gelding 2010, Malibu Moon - Towering Escape, Giant's Causeway

Owner: Fried, Jr., Albert. Trainer: Bruce Brown.

Breeder: Albert Fried Jr. (NY). Late Scratches: So Noted

Claimed: Bond Vigilante claimed by JJ Schwartz Racing LLC for \$40,000, Comandante claimed by Midwest Thoroughbreds, Inc. for \$40,000. Time: 1:23.11

Daily Double (2-4), \$869.00; Exacta (4-1), \$247.00; Superfecta (4-1-9-5), \$9,225.00; Trifecta (4-1-9), \$1,337.00; Pic 3 (2-2-4), \$29,144.00; Place Pix Nine (1,2,6,9/1,2,4,7,11,12,13/1,2,7), \$215.50

### TENTH \$47,000, CLAIMING \$40,000, 3 YO'S & UP, 1M

2	Winter's Gift	E. Cancel	\$17.60	\$9.20	\$5.70
4	Dynamic Decision	J. Leparoux		\$5.40	\$3.90
10	Chunnel	J. Lezcano			\$4.50

B Gelding 2011, by Ghostzapper - Tease by Crowd Pleaser

Owner: Norman Stables, LLC. Trainer: Wesley Ward.

Breeder: EQB Inc. (PA). Late Scratches: Special Agent

Claimed: Dynamic Decision claimed by Midwest Thoroughbreds, Inc. for \$40,000. Time: 1:36.67

Daily Double (4-2), \$475.00; Exacta (2-4), \$103.00; Superfecta (2-4-10-5), \$3,894.00; Trifecta (2-4-10), \$632.00; Pic 3 (2-4-2), \$14,500.00; Pic 4 (2-2-4-2), \$160,755.00; Pic 6 (4-9-2-2-4-2), \$25,480.00

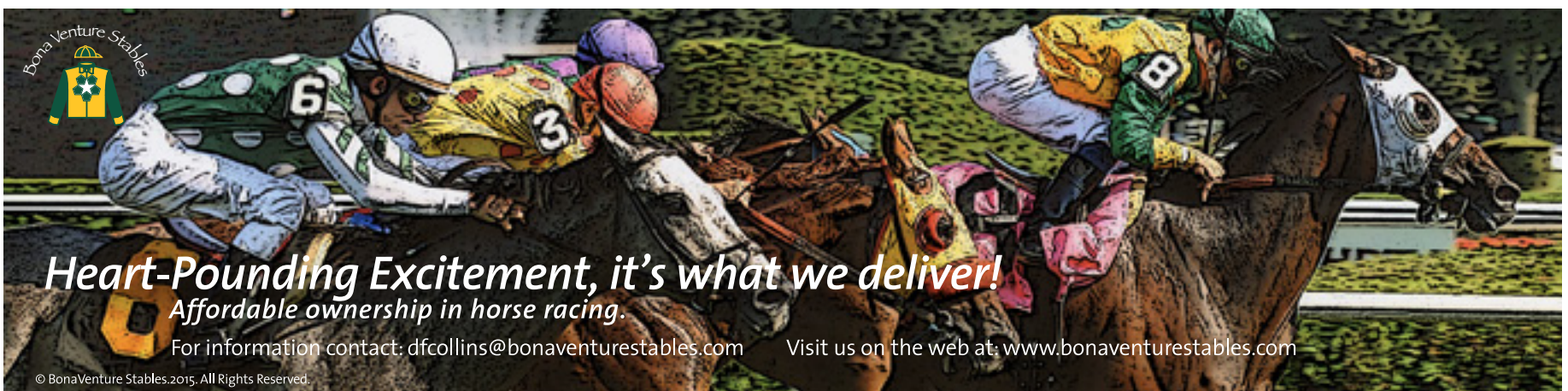
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# The Year

Time to define. How will Saratoga 2015 be defined?

A lot of ways, for a lot of people – some good, some bad, some career-changing, some life-altering. We don't look at stats about handle, attendance, fan enhancement or economic impact. We look at the human and equine impact.

Here are a few...

For Joe Parker, it was the year he won two races (at least), that's two more than a Hall of Fame trainer, a Travers-winning trainer and a Breeders' Cup Classic-winning trainer combined.

For Lisa Lewis, it was the year she went back on her own and did it her way, going 3-for-5 (before today) from her Belmont Park base.

For Todd Pletcher, it was more of the same.

For Chad Brown, it was the year – perhaps – he toppled Pletcher.

For Lauren Robson, it was the year of affirmation as she won her first race here as an owner.

For James Bond, it was a year he rocked the tote board three times.

For the fan, it was a long summer.

For Rudy Rodriguez, it was 'what might have been' early, and 'what was' later, as he won 12 races and counting.

For Flintshire, it was the year he wowed America.

For Gary Barber, it was the year he won a jump race.

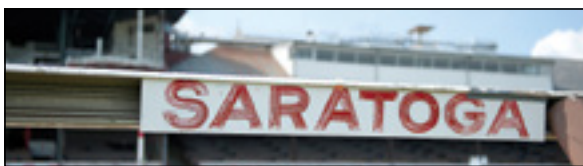
For stewards, it was the year of the hot seat, as they overturned the Sanford and the CCA Oaks.

For Billy Blake, Brandon Valvo and Annise Montplaisir, it was the summer they learned they wanted to stay in the game.

For Chris Antley's legacy, it was rest.

For restaurants, it was the year 15 Church became the most talked about spot in town.

For King Leatherbury, it was the year he was recognized for plying his trade, day in, day out.



For Sunday cards, it was the year of the stand-alone features Alydar, Tale Of The Cat and Smart N Fancy.

For Tony Dutrow, it was the year the light turned green for good.

For Eric Cancel, it was proof that apprentices can crack the top 10 at Saratoga.

For Rachel Alexandra, it was the start of her career as a foundation mare.

For Fasig-Tipton, it was another summer of proof that there is no place like Saratoga.

For owners Michael Dubb, Klaravich and Patricia Generazio, it was battle.

For some accomplished trainers (you know who you are), it was a summer to forget.

For steeplechasing, it was heartbreaking.

For Javier Castellano, it was the year he polished his craft, winning his fifth Travers and solidifying himself amongst the sport's best – ever.

For Kendrick Carmouche and agent Kidd Breedren, it was arrival time, the year they asked 'What took you so long?' rather than 'What are you doing here?'

For Irad Ortiz Jr., it was the breakthrough.

For Mark and Norm Casse, it was frustrating – and educational.

For Corey Lanerie, it was the year he fled.

For Alex Cintron, Rafael Hernandez and other accomplished jockeys, it was deep water.

For Tepin, it was two strides too long.

For Jeremiah Englehart, it was stellar, maybe next year will be the year they dump a truck a load of dirt for his shedrow in the hollow of Horse Haven.

For Untapable, it was a hangover from her stellar

3-year-old campaign.

For Doug Cowans, it was the year he almost pulled off the River Downs-Saratoga shocker in the With Anticipation and the year he had to leave his horse in Saratoga.

For Barclay Tagg, it was the year he reminded the world that he can still train, if given the horse, he was hitting 36 percent into today.

For Lane's End, it was the year A. P. Indy had an heir apparent.

For American Pharoah, it was the toughest of beats.

For the outriders, it was another year of unsung heroism, especially, the running grab of Bourbon Courage.

For Joel Rosario, it was slow, then strong, then painful.

For American Pharoah's fans, it was a reminder that the sport takes as much as it gives.

For Keen Ice, it was the perfect storm.

For Nolan Clancy, it was his last summer before high school.

For Brad Cox, it was another step up the New York ladder.

For The Special's photographers Tod Marks, Dave Harmon and Connie Bush, it was another year of bringing it every day.

For Adam Rice, it was the year bettors wrote his name in the beware column.

For crowd control, it was the year they sold out the Travers and the year we wondered why.

For Travers Day, it was the year of seven stakes.

For Jimmy Jerkens, Leah Gyarmati, Mike Hushion and all the other disciples of Allen Jerkens, it was the first summer that you couldn't call up The Chief for a word of advice or a vote of confidence.

For The Special, it was the most pages we ever wrote, certainly less drama than last year and another season of covering the best six-plus weeks of racing.



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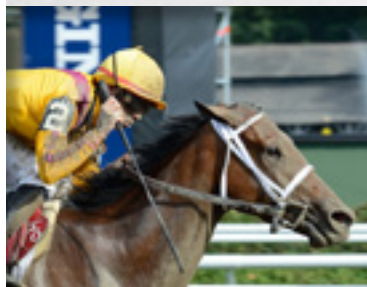
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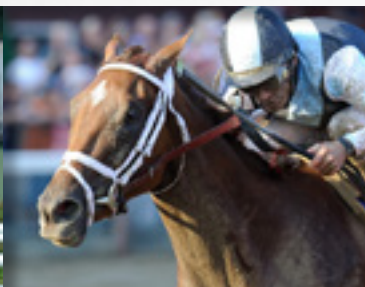
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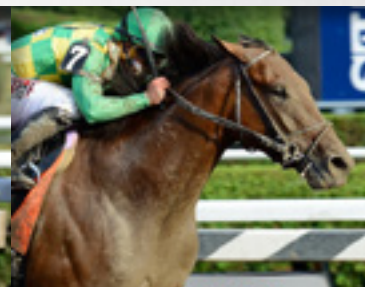
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*Diana*

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*Alabama*

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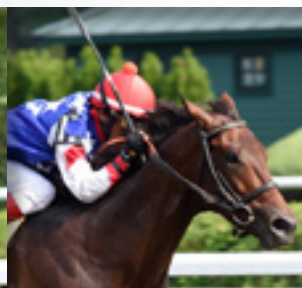
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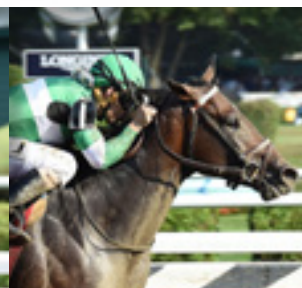
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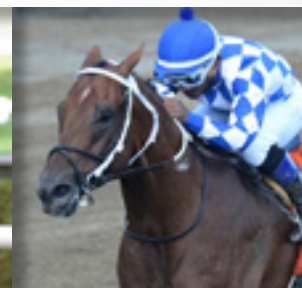
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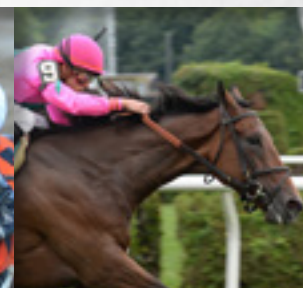
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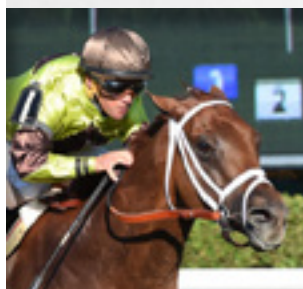
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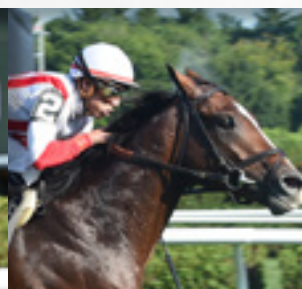
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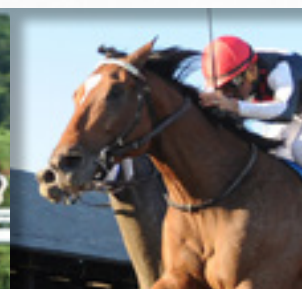
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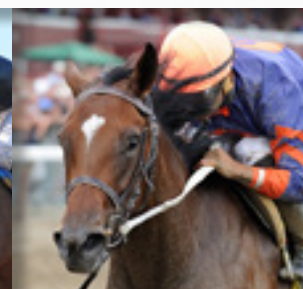
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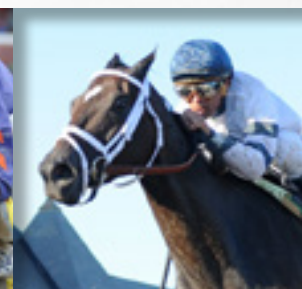
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*Jim Dandy*

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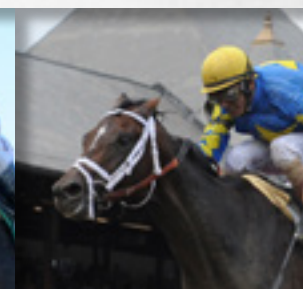
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