

ROAD TO THE MEADOWLANDS PACE

Week 4 (May 24, 2018)

The Crawford Farms Meadowlands Pace – Saturday, July 14



RANK	HORSE	DRIVER, TRAINER, OWNER(S)	DAVE LITTLE'S COMMENTS
1	DORSODURO HANOVER (\$145,168 – 1:50.1)	M. KAKALEY, R. BURKE BURKE RACING, SILVA, PURNEL & LIBBY, WEAVER BRUSCEMI, WINGFIELD FIVE	LEAPS TO THE TOP OF THE HEAP OFF A SECOND STRAIGHT WIN IN PENNSYLVANIA SIRE STAKES ACTION ON SATURDAY, GUNNING DOWN 3-5 FAVORITE THIS IS THE PLAN IN A LIFETIME-BEST 1:50.1. THE WEEK BEFORE? ALL HE DID WAS BEAT WES DELIGHT. WHO IS WES DELIGHT? THE NON-PACE ELIGIBLE THAT TOOK DOWN LOST IN TIME AND STAY HUNGRY LAST WEEK. LAST RACE: 5/19 – PcD – PASS – 1ST (1:50.1)
2	LOST IN TIME (\$622,013 – 1:50.1)	S. ZERON, J. TAKTER DIAMOND CREEK RACING, J&T SILVA, W. RUFENACHT, TEAM S RACING	FINISHED SECOND IN A THREE-WAY PHOTO AT POCONO IN THE FEATURED RACE OF THE NIGHT. CAME UP A NOSE SHORT BUT GIVEN THE WINNER (WES DELIGHT) SAT THE POCKET AND THIRD-PLACE FINISHER (STAY HUNGRY) CUT OUT THE FRACTIONS, ONE COULD ARGUE LOST IN TIME WAS BEST OF THE THREE. PRETTY GOOD WHEN YOU CONSIDER IT WAS HIS FIRST START OF THE YEAR. LAST RACE: 5/19 – PcD – PASS – 2ND (1:50.4)
3	STAY HUNGRY (\$542,414 – 1:50.2)	D. MCNAIR, T. ALAGNA B. GRANT, I. SAMELMAN	THE THIRD PLAYER IN THE THREE-HORSE SOAP OPERA THAT WAS RACE 10 AT POCONO DOWNS LAST SATURDAY. AS THE SLIGHT 3-2 FAVORITE, HE SET THE FRACTIONS BEFORE FINISHING A CLOSE-UP THIRD BEHIND WES DELIGHT AND LOST IN TIME IN A SUPERB EFFORT, WHICH WAS HIS FIRST OUTING OF THE YEAR. LAST RACE: 5/19 – PcD – PASS – 3RD (1:50.4)
4	THIS IS THE PLAN (\$236,772 – 1:50.2)	T. TETRICK, C. RYDER C. RYDER, R. MONDILLO	GOT NAILED AS THE 3-5 PUBLIC CHOICE AT POCONO BY DORSODURO HANOVER OR IT WOULD HAVE BEEN HIM SITTING ATOP THIS POLL. COULD THIS RYDER TRAINEE BE MEADOWLANDS PACE WIN NO. 6 FOR TETRICK? LAST RACE: 5/19 – PcD – PASS – 2ND (1:50.1)
5	BABES DIG ME (\$71,447 – 1:52.3Q)	B. MILLER, T. ALAGNA B.J. GRANT, J. SBROCCO, J. LEBLANC, IN THE GYM PARTNERS	STAYED INSIDE FROM START TO FINISH TO GET THIRD IN AN ELIMINATION FOR THE \$380,000 ART ROONEY AT YONKERS. ALAGNA: "RATHER THAN TAKE EVERYTHING TO PENNSYLVANIA, WE FIGURED WE'D TAKE A SHOT GOING TO YONKERS." IN THIS WEEK'S ROONEY FINAL, WE FIND OUT IF HE'S A PREMIUM PLAYER IN THIS DIVISION. LAST RACE: 5/19 – YR – ART ROONEY ELIMINATION – 3RD (1:53.3)
6	CAPTAIN DEO (\$21,017 – 1:51.2Q)	D. MCNAIR, T. ALAGNA ALAGNA RACING, J. SBROCCO, IN THE GYM PARTNERS, CAPTAIN DEO PARTNERS	WENT PARKED OUT, FINISHED FIFTH IN THE DORSODURO HANOVER WIN. DEFINITELY WILL NEED A TOP EFFORT IN HIS NEXT START TO STAY IN THIS TOP 10. LAST RACE: 5/19 – PcD – PASS – 5TH (1:51.1)
7	NUTCRACKER SWEET (\$173,357 – 1:50.2)	T. TETRICK, J. TAKTER H. TAYLOR, ORDER BY STABLE, R. LOMBARDO	FINISHED AN EFFICIENT FOURTH BEHIND WES DELIGHT-LOST IN TIME-STAY HUNGRY AFTER DEPARTING FROM POST 8 IN HIS FIRST START OF THE YEAR. TAKTER SAID "THIS HORSE IS REAL." HE MIGHT BE RIGHT. LAST RACE: 5/19 – PcD – PASS – 4TH (1:51.1)
8	AMERICAN HISTORY (\$61,723 – 1:52.2)	Y. GINGRAS, T. ALAGNA BRITTANY FARMS, M. KATZ, AMERICAN HISTORY RACING	WENT THE TRIP HIS CONNECTIONS WERE LIKELY HOPING WAS THE ONLY ONE HE WOULD NOT GO. HAD TO RACE FIRST UP FACING OLDER STOCK IN HIS FIRST START AS A 3-YEAR-OLD. HE FINISHED A RESPECTABLE FOURTH DESPITE THE TOUGH TRIP. ALAGNA: "HE IS A MEADOWLANDS PACE-TYPE OF HORSE." LAST RACE: 5/19 – M1 – NW\$11,500L5 – 4TH (1:51)
9	THINKBIG DREAMBIG (\$1,500 – 1:55.3Q)	Y. GINGRAS, J. TAKTER BRIXTON MEDICAL INC., J. FIELDING, G. ANDERBERG, G. FALK	WAS NOTHING SHORT OF EXPLOSIVE IN THE STRETCH IN HIS FIRST START EVER (YES, HE WAS UNRACED AT 2) BUT HAD THE MISFORTUNE TO HAVE THE LEADER PUT A WHEEL UNDER HIM, CAUSING HIM TO BREAK AND COSTING HIM THE WIN AS THE 3-5 FAVORITE. COULD BE ANY KIND OF STOCK. LAST RACE: 5/19 – M1 – ESCORT – 4PL3 (2:06 – 1 1/8 MILES)
10	I'M A BIG DEAL (\$102,844 – 1:50.2)	G. NAPOLITANO JR., C. RYDER C. HENDERSON, R. MONDILLO, C. RYDER	FLYING UNDER THE RADAR YET WON THE FIRST OF THE THREE PENNSYLVANIA SIRE STAKES DIVISIONS IN A MOST IMPRESSIVE FASHION, HITTING THE WIRE 6½ LENGTHS TO THE GOOD AFTER CUTTING OUT FRACTIONS OF :26.2, :54.4, 1:21.3 AND 1:50.2. LAST RACE: 5/19 – PcD – PASS – 1ST (1:50.2)

KEY PREP RACES

MEADOWLANDS PACE ELIGIBLES IN CAPS – SUPPLEMENTS ARE PERMITTED PER THE CONDITIONS OF THE RACE

Date	Stakes	Site	Winner	Trainer	Driver	2nd Horse	3rd Horse	Time
5/5	PA Sire Stakes	Mea	THIS IS THE PLAN	C. Ryder	D. Palone	BABES DIG ME	Record Machine	1:53
	PA Sire Stakes	Mea	DORSODURO HANOVER	R. Burke	J. Pantaleano	Wes Delight	CAPTAIN DEO	1:50.3
5/19	PA Sire Stakes	PcD	I'M A BIG DEAL	C. Ryder	G. Napolitano Jr.	GRAND TETON	Whos Better	1:50.2
	PA Sire Stakes	PcD	DORSODURO HANOVER	R. Burke	M. Kakaley	THIS IS THE PLAN	PRO BEACH	1:50.1
	PA Sire Stakes	PcD	Wes Delight	M. Harder	C. Callahan	LOST IN TIME	STAY HUNGRY	1:50.4
5/20	OnSS Gold	F1m	Backstreet Shadow	R. McNair	D. McNair	St Lads Neptune	Wind Blast	1:52.3
	OnSS Gold	F1m	Western Passage	C. Coleman	D. McNair	Levis Day	SHADOW MOON	1:53.4
5/26	Art Rooney Final	YR						
6/1	NJSS	M1						

62	Somebeachsomewhere	Moh
69	NA Cup Elims	Moh
616	NA Cup Final	Moh
623	OnSS Gold	Moh
623	Hempt Elms	PcD
630	Hempt Final	PcD