

ROAD TO THE MEADOWLANDS PACE

Week 6 (June 7, 2018)

The Crawford Farms Meadowlands Pace – Saturday, July 14



RANK	HORSE	DRIVER, TRAINER, OWNER(S)	DAVE LITTLE'S COMMENTS
1	DORSODURO HANOVER (\$160,168 – 1:50.1)	M. KAKALEY, R. BURKE BURKE RACING, SILVA, PURNEL & LIBBY, WEAVER BRUSCEMI, WINGFIELD FIVE	DREW POST 8 IN THE SECOND OF THREE NORTH AMERICA CUP ELIMINATIONS, WHICH TAKE PLACE SATURDAY NIGHT AT WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK. BURKE: "HE'S DRAWN OUTSIDE AND WILL HAVE TO BE PUT IN PLAY. YOU CAN'T SIT NINTH OR 10 TH . THOSE HORSES ARE ALL TOO CLOSE IN TERMS OF ABILITY TO DO THAT." LAST RACE: 5/28 – PcD – PA ALL-STARS – 1ST (1:50.3)
2	LOST IN TIME (\$633,563 – 1:50.1)	S. ZERON, J. TAKTER DIAMOND CREEK RACING, J&T SILVA, W. RUFENACHT, RIC FLAIR STABLE	FINISHED SECOND AS THE 4-5 FAVORITE IN HIS DIVISION OF THE SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE LAST WEEK. WHAT HAPPENED? ZERON: "HE'S FIGHTING THE HEAD POLE AND I COULDN'T GET HIM THROUGH THE TURNS. IT WAS PUSHING UP AGAINST HIS NECK REALLY HARD. WE'LL TAKE THE HEAD POLES OFF AND I THINK HE'LL BE PERFECT." (NA CUP ELIM 3, POST 1) LAST RACE: 6/2 – WBSB – SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE – 2ND (1:51.1)
3	STAY HUNGRY (\$542,414 – 1:50.2)	D. MCNAIR, T. ALAGNA B. GRANT, I. SAMELMAN	TRAINER OPTED TO QUALIFY AT THE MEADOWLANDS WITH LASIX ADDED SO HE CAN STAY ON THE DIURETIC FOR THE NA CUP (ELIM 1, POST 3). ALAGNA: "HE QUALIFIED WELL." THE NUMBERS BACK THAT UP: HE CLOSED IN :26.2 AND COMPLETED THE MILE IN 1:49.1. LAST RACE: 6/2 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 2ND (1:49.1)
4	THIS IS THE PLAN (\$240,372 – 1:50.2)	T. TETRICK, C. RYDER C. RYDER, R. MONDILLO	ONE OF ONLY THREE HORSES IN THE TOP 10 NOT HEADING TO TORONTO. RYDER: "THE PLAN IS FOR NO NORTH AMERICA CUP. THOUGHT WE MIGHT MAKE MORE MONEY CONCENTRATING ON POCONO AND THE HEMPT." LAST RACE: 5/28 – PcD – PA ALL-STARS – 3RD (1:50.3)
5	AMERICAN HISTORY (\$82,023 – 1:49.1)	Y. GINGRAS, T. ALAGNA BRITTANY FARMS, M. KATZ, AMERICAN HISTORY RACING	DREW POST 7 IN ELIM 2. LAST LINE WAS A SPIFFY 1:49.1 MILE AT VERNON. ALAGNA: "HE IS PLENTY FIT FOR THE CUP." WILL BE MAKING BUT HIS EIGHTH LIFETIME START SATURDAY NIGHT. LAST RACE: 5/28 – VD – NYSS – 1ST (1:49.1)
6	BABES DIG ME (\$107,447 – 1:52.3Q)	B. MILLER, T. ALAGNA B. J. GRANT, J. SBROCCO, J. LEBLANC, IN THE GYM PARTNERS	DREW POST 4 IN ELIM 3. AFTER RACING IN THE ROONEY, HIS TRAINER GAVE HIM THE WEEK OFF. ALAGNA: "I TRAINED HIM TUESDAY WITH AMERICAN HISTORY. HE'S GOOD ON A BIG TRACK AND DREW A GOOD POST FOR HIS ELIMINATION." LAST RACE: 5/26 – YR – ART ROONEY FINAL – 3RD (1:52)
7	THINKBIG DREAMBIG (\$25,000 – 1:49.2)	Y. GINGRAS, J. TAKTER BRIXTON MEDICAL INC., J. FIELDING, G. ANDERBERG, G. FALK	WILL COMPETE IN A NW2 EVENT AT POCONO FRIDAY. MADE BIG NEWS LAST WEEK BY WINNING IN 1:49.2 IN ONLY HIS SECOND CAREER START. HOW HE LOOKS FRIDAY CERTAIN TO GO A LONG WAY TOWARD HIS MEADOWLANDS PACE ASPIRATIONS. TAKTER: "IT'S POSSIBLE HE COULD BE THERE." LAST RACE: 5/26 – M1 – ESCORT FINAL – 1ST (1:49.2)
8	CAPTAIN DEO (\$26,017 – 1:50.2)	B. MILLER, T. ALAGNA ALAGNA RACING, J. SBROCCO, IN THE GYM PARTNERS, CAPTAIN DEO PARTNERS	BODY-SLAMMED A WEAK GROUP AT THE BIG M SATURDAY, BUT SO IMPRESSED HIS CONNECTIONS, THEY DECIDED TO HEAD TO TORONTO (ELIM 1, POST 10) WITH THE REST OF THE ALAGNA ENTOURAGE. ALAGNA: "I THOUGHT THE RACE AT THE MEADOWLANDS WAS A GOOD CONFIDENCE BOOSTER. THE WIN MADE THE DECISION TO GO TO TORONTO A LOT EASIER." LAST RACE: 6/2 – M1 – NW2 – 1ST (1:50.2)
9	NUTCRACKER SWEET (\$173,357 – 1:50.2)	T. TETRICK, J. TAKTER H. TAYLOR, ORDER BY STABLE, R. LOMBARDO	DID NOT HAVE A GREAT NIGHT IN THE SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE, LEADING TO THE STRETCH AS THE 6-5 FAVORITE BEFORE WILTING AND FINISHING 8 TH . COMES RIGHT BACK IN NA CUP ELIM 2, POST 9. LAST RACE: 6/2 – WBSB – SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE – 8TH (1:51.2)
10	I'M A BIG DEAL (\$110,344 – 1:50.2)	G. NAPOLITANO JR., C. RYDER C. HENDERSON, R. MONDILLO, C. RYDER	THE OTHER RTTMP MEMBER FROM THE RYDER BARN IS ALSO NOT HEADING FOR MOHAWK. RYDER: "BOTH OF MY HORSES ARE HEADING FOR THE MEADOWLANDS PACE AND THEN AFTER THAT, THERE ARE PLENTY OF ROAD TRIPS." GIVEN THE PLETHORA OF 3YO COLT PACING STAKES OPPORTUNITIES, MAYBE HE'S GOT SOMETHING THERE. LAST RACE: 5/28 – PcD – PA ALL-STARS – 2ND (1:51.3)

KEY PREP RACES

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

Date	Stakes	Site	Winner	Trainer	Driver	2 nd Horse	3 rd Horse	Time
55	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	Trump Nation	C. Oakes	J. Bartlett	Minnie Vinnie	BABES DIG ME	1:51.3
5/28	NYSS	VD	Courtly Choice	B. MacIntosh	D. Miller	Hitman Hill	Real Surreal	1:48.4
	NYSS	VD	AMERICAN HISTORY	T. Alagna	Y. Gingras	Rock Lights	Heavenly Sound	1:49.1

	NYSS	VD	My Delight	H. Hochstetler	M. Miller	Lyons Steel	Ostro Hanover	1:49.4
6/1	NJSS Final	M1	Melanie's Fran	K. Mc Dermott	D. Miller	Hypnotico	-	1:56.3
6/2	Somebeachsmwhere	Moh	Burning Midnight	C. Giles	T. Henry	Simple Kinda Man	GRAND TETON	1:50.4
	Somebeachsmwhere	Moh	Lather Up	C. Francis	M. Teague	St Lads Neptune	Scouts Report	1:50.3
	Somebeachsmwhere	Moh	Jimmy Freight	R. Moreau	L. Roy	LOST IN TIME	When You Dance	1:50.2
6/9	NA Cup Elims	Moh						
6/10	NYSS	Tioga						
6/16	NA Cup Final	Moh						
6/18	NYSS	MR						
6/23	OnSS	Moh						
6/23	Hempt Elims	PcD						
6/30	Hempt Final	PcD						