ROAD TO THE MEADOWLANDS PACE

Week 1 (May 2, 2018)

The Crawford Farms Meadowlands Pace - Saturday, July 14



RANK	K Horse Driver, Trainer, Owner(s)		DAVE LITTLE'S COMMENTS			
1	STAY HUNGRY (\$535,742 – 1:50.2)	D. MCNAIR, T. ALAGNA B. GRANT, I. SAMELMAN	BREEDERS CROWN WINNER FROM 2017 WAS KEPT CLOSE TO THE ACTION IN HIS QUALIFIER AT THE MEADOWLANDS BEFORE CLOSING IN :27 TO REGISTER THE WIN. ALAGNA: "WE ARE LIKELY TO QUALIFY AGAIN WITH HIS FIRST START TO COME IN THE SECOND LEG OF THE PASS AT POCONO." LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 1st (1:50.4)			
2	LOST IN TIME (\$608,112 – 1:50.1)	S. ZERON, J. TAKTER DIAMOND CREEK RACING, J&T SILVA, W. RUFENACHT, TEAM S RACING	THE DEFENDING DIVISIONAL TOP DOG, WHO CAPPED HIS 2017 WITH A HARD-FOUGHT WIN OVER STAY HUNGRY IN THE GOVERNOR'S CUP, WAS KEPT WELL OFF THE PACE IN HIS QUALIFIER BEFORE CLOSING IN: 25.4 TO GET FOURTH. TAKTER: "I WAS VERY HAPPY WITH HIM." LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 4TH (1:53.1)			
3	PEDRO HANOVER (\$317,188 – 1:51)	D. Miller, A. Harris B. Gray, D. Guerriero	THE PASS CHAMPION FROM A YEAR AGO DISPLAYED SPEED IN THE STAY HUNGRY QUALIFIER AND PACED A FINAL QUARTER OF :27.2 TO HOLD SECOND. HARRIS: "HE HAD SOME BLOOD ISSUES, SO HE WASN'T 100 PERCENT, BUT HE RACED WELL. HE'LL MAKE HIS DEBUT SATURDAY AT THE MEADOWS IN THE SIRE STAKES." LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 2ND (1:51)			
4	Hayden Hanover (\$289,092 – 1:50)	A. MILLER, J. MILLER PINSKE STABLES, J. SIMPSON	BIGGEST WIN FROM 2017 WAS IN A DIVISION OF THE INTERNATIONAL STALLION STAKES AT THE RED MILE BUT STILL PUT TOGETHER A SUPERB SEASON. HE FINISHED SECOND TO LOST IN TIME IN THE METRO FOR HIS BIGGEST CHECK. JULIE MILLER: "I WAS REALLY PLEASED WITH HIM IN HIS QUALIFIER. I HOPE HE'S READY (TO GO UP AGAINST STAY HUNGRY AND LOST IN TIME), AND IF THINGS GO RIGHT, WE'LL BE RIGHT THERE WITH THEM. WE ARE GOING TO QUALIFY AGAIN THIS SATURDAY AND THEN THE TARGET IS THE PASS ON MAY 19 AT POCONO." LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 1ST (1:52.2)			
5	CLOSING STATEMENT (\$286,281 – 1:50.4)	C. CALLAHAN, J. HOLLOWAY VAL D'OR FARMS, ROJAN STABLES, TED GEWERTZ	BIGGEST WIN FROM A YEAR AGO CAME IN THE \$125,000 ELEVATION AT HOOSIER WHEN THE SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE PRODUCT BROUGHT HIS LIFETIME-BEST CLOCKING. SCRATCHED OUT OF HIS SATURDAY QUALIFIER, WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN HIS THIRD IN THREE WEEKS. LAST RACE: 4/21 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 7TH (1:54.4)			
6	CAPTAIN DEO (\$8,100 – 1:52.4)	B. MILLER, T. ALAGNA ALAGNA RACING, J. SBROCCO, IN THE GYM PARTNERS, CAPTAIN DEO PARTNERS	LIGHTLY-RACED COLT MADE ONLY FOUR STARTS DURING 2017, BUT HIS 1:51.2 QUALIFYING WIN WAS WORTH NOTING. ALAGNA: "WE'RE GOING TO THE MEADOWS FOR THE FIRST LEG OF THE SIRE STAKES THIS SATURDAY." LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 1ST (1:51.2)			
7	TWIN B TUFFENUFF (\$99,691 – 1:51.1)	D. Miller, J. Leamon M. Rounick	LED TO THREE-QUARTERS BEFORE SETTLING FOR THIRD IN HIS QUALIFIER SATURDAY MORNING. LONE 2017 VICTORY CAME IN A METRO ELIM BEFORE FINISHING FOURTH IN THE FINAL. LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 3RD (1:51.4)			
8	American History (\$60,683 – 1:52.2)	Y. GINGRAS, T. ALAGNA BRITTANY FARMS, M. KATZ, AMERICAN HISTORY RACING	RECORDED BACK-TO-BACK DOMINANT WINS AGAINST CONDITIONED STOCK LATE LAST YEAR BEFORE GETTING THIRD BEHIND LOST IN TIME AND STAY HUNGRY IN THE GOVERNOR'S CUP FINAL. FINISHED SECOND AFTER A STRETCH DUEL WITH HAYDEN HANOVER IN HIS OUALIFIER. LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 2ND (1:52.2)			
9	Babes Dig Me (\$39,236 – 1:52.3Q)	B. MILLER, T. ALAGNA B.J. GRANT, J. SBROCCO, J. LEBLANC, IN THE GYM PARTNERS	PROVED LATE LAST YEAR HE CAN GO WITH THE BETTER COLTS, FINISHING FOURTH IN THE BLUEGRASS, SECOND IN THE INTERNATIONAL STALLION STAKES AND FIFTH IN HIS BREEDERS CROWN ELIMINATION. FOLLOWED UP HIS GOOD-LOOKING 1:52.3 QUALIFYING WIN ON APRIL 21 WITH A THIRD- PLACE FINISH BEHIND STAY HUNGRY AND PEDRO HANOVER LAST SATURDAY. LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 3RD (1:51)			
10	PRO BEACH (\$63,190 – 1:53.3)	Y. GINGRAS, J. TAKTER BRIXTON MEDICAL, M. KATZ, HATFIELD STABLES	FINISHED IN THE TOP THREE IN FIVE OF HIS EIGHT OUTINGS A YEAR AGO, WITH HIS BIGGEST WIN COMING IN A DIVISION OF THE PASS IN 1:53.3 AS THE 3-5 PUBLIC CHOICE. PACED HIS FINAL QUARTER IN:27.1 IN HIS QUALIFIER ON SATURDAY, WHICH WAS HIS FIRST CHARTED LINE OF THE SEASON. LAST RACE: 4/28 – M1 – QUALIFIER – 5TH (1:51.1)			

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
5/5	PA Sire Stakes	Mea						
	PA Sire Stakes	Mea						
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	PA Sire Stakes	Mea						
5/19	PA Sire Stakes	PcD						
	PA Sire Stakes	PcD						
	PA Sire Stakes	PcD						
5/20	OnSS Gold	Flm						
5/26	Art Rooney Final	YR						
6/1	NJSS	M1						
6/2	Somebeachsomewhere	Moh						
6/9	NA Cup Elims	Moh						
6/16	NA Cup Final	Moh						
6/23	OnSS Gold	Moh						
6/23	Hempt Elms	PcD						
6/30	Hempt Final	PcD						