Teagues Taking Another Shot At Jug Glory With Wiggle It Jiggleit

George Teague Jr. hasn’t had the best of luck over the years in the Little Brown Jug as a trainer, so maybe this year he can get the job done as an owner.

It’s not as if Teague hasn’t brought his share of good horses to the Delaware, Ohio, fairgrounds in his quest to capture the pacing classic: Badlands Nitro, Custard The Dragon, Delmarvalous, Mr. Wiggles, I’m Gorgeous, Total Truth and Southwind Lynx. All talented horses, but none seemingly in the class that the Teague-owned Wiggle It Jiggleit is in.

“It hasn’t been my luckiest race,” said Teague. “My luck hasn’t been that good out there.” Things could all change this year on Thursday when Wiggle It Jiggleit starts from post 5 in the second of two eliminations for the $677,000 Little Brown Jug presented by Fazoli’s. With Teague’s son Montrell driving, Wiggle It Jiggleit has been installed the 4-5 morning line favorite in his elim. Reigning divisional champ Artspeak, who starts from post 1, is the 5-2 second choice, with My Hero Ron the 4-1 third choice from post 4.

“It’s a quality field of horses,” said Teague, who has given the training responsibilities of Wiggle It Jiggleit to longtime assistant Clyde Francis. “Artspeak has the rail and he’s sharp right now, and My Hero Ron is sharp. There’s a lot of speed inside. Hopefully we can get a trip up close, and if not on the front end, have a straight target the rest of the mile.”

Wiggle It Jiggleit has won 16 of 18 starts this year as he has dominated the sophomore pacing division. Not nated to the Jug, by virtue of his Meadowlands Pace victory he was able to be supplemented, with Teague writing the $45,000 check.

While rival Artspeak will be making his debut on a half-mile track, Wiggle It Jiggleit has already shown a proficiency for the two-turn oval. In a May 11 overnight at Harrington, Wiggle It romped to a 1:49 victory, the fastest mile ever by a 3-year-old pacer on a half-mile track. Wiggle It’s 1:49.3 win in the Carl Milstein Memorial on Aug. 14 at Northfield Park set a new track standard for sophomore gelding pacers.

“This guy gets around a half better than any other track,” said Montrell Teague.

Two heats doesn’t concern George Teague either, noting that Wiggle It Jiggleit’s prior back issues are a thing of the past.

“I don’t see it to be a problem,” he said about double heats. “It doesn’t bother me. I think this horse is geared for that. Just as long as you have enough time to recover and not have to rush him back.”

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Wiggle It Jiggleit has not raced since capturing the Battle of the Brandywine on Aug. 22 at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono. He tuned up for the Jug with a 1:50.2 qualifying victory on Sept. 13 at Harrah’s Philadelphia.

“We had a little bit of time to back off and work on him so I think he’s better,” said Teague. “He’s picked up some weight and stays fit. He’s going into it well. He seems to be sounder. He had a big qualifier the other day. He’ll be off five weeks and he needed to be stretched out a little (in the qualifier), but it really wasn’t much of a stretch since he did it so easy.

Teague said while he had hopes of drawing post 1, post 5 is better than post 8. “I think anybody would be lying if they didn’t want the rail over any other post, but I think my horse can do what he needs to do and still have a good chance to get it done,” said Teague.

Montrell agrees. “It could have been worse,” said Montrell, whose lone prior Jug drive came with Custard The Dragon in 2011, finishing sixth in his elim and not advancing. “Overall, I’m happy about it (post 5). With the five I’ll be right up on the gate, although I won’t know my plan until the race starts.”

As for possibly capturing his first-ever Jug, Montrell said, “This race is at the top of my list. This would make the whole year worth it.” — By Gordon Waterstone

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Little Brown Jug Eliminations

Thursday, September 24

| 2:14p Del7 | Ohio Breeders 3CP |
| 3:22p Del10 | Old Oaken Bucket |
| 4:08p Del12 | Little Brown Jug 1st Elim |
| 4:31p Del13 | Little Brown Jug 2nd Elim |
| 4:54p Del14 | Standardbred 2CT |
| 5:17p Del15 | Ohio Breeder 3CP |
| 5:43p Del16 | Miss Versatility MT |
| 6:13p Del17 | Little Brown Jug final |

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DAY 1 LINEUP, MONDAY 10/5
#18, TAILORED TO FIT, P, C, PA, 1st Foal
Betters’ Delight-Ideal Observation-Western Ideal Dam is 1/2-sister to Handsomelycookie. p. 1:51.3f ($1,382,145)

#27, STAGE REVIEW, P, F, NY
Art Major-Observe Me-Cambest Full-sister to Handsomelycookie. p. 1:51.3f ($1,382,145)

#40, JULIEANN B, T, F, PA
Cantab Hall-Yankee Blondie-American Winner 1/2-sister to Horse of the Year, Muscle Hill. 3:150.1 ($3,266,835)

#56, TUXEDO BAY, P, C, PA, 1st Foal
Somebysomewhere-Spring Break-Dream Away Dam is Spring Break. p. 3:1:50.3f ($787,057)

#71, LOVELY LYNNY, T, F, NY, 1st Foal
Credit Winner-Fitness Girl-Muscles Yankee Dam is Fitness Girl. 2:1:56s ($246,302)

#92, BEACH CLUB, P, F, PA
Somebysomewhere-Sand Speed-Matt’s Scooter 1/2-sister to Speed Again. p. 1:48.1s ($851,353)

#105, PASSPORT TO ART, P, C, NY
Art Major-Western City-Western Hanover Family of Captaintreacherous. p. 3:1:47.1 ($1,147,545)

DAY 2 LINEUP, TUESDAY 10/6 (CONTINUED)
#217, MISTY MISSY, P, F, NY
Art Major-Misty Speed-Matt’s Scooter 1/2-sister to Powerful Mist. p. 1:501 ($518,631)

#231, VARSITY INN, T, C, PA
Explosive Matter-CR Sister Suzie-Royal Troubador 1/2-brother to On The Tab. 1:54.4f -15 ($743,788) Dam is full-sister to CR Kay Suzie. 1:52.3 ($1,611,131)

#345, MEETMEINMIDDLE, T, C, NY
Chapter Seven-Promising Dead-Promising Catch 1/2-brother to Andie Sophia. 3:1:54.4f ($549,322)

#354, CHILLIN IT, P, F, PA
Well Said-Fibberton-Libel-Albert Albert 1/2-sister to Switl As A Shadow. 1:51.1f -15 ($301,414)

#360, CATCH MY IDEA, P, F, NY
American Ideal-Catch The Show-Real Artist Dam is full-sister to Whatanartist. p. 3:1.49 ($747,432)

#371, ASHLEY’S SPITFIRE, P, F, NY
Holl With Joe-Ashley’s Way-Western Hanover Family of Lady Graceful. p. 2:1:52.3s ($983,164)

DAY 3 HIGHLIGHTS, WEDNESDAY 10/7
#290, PRIVATE OPINION, P, C, NY
American Ideal-Wisdom-Artscape Dam is 1/2-sister to Allamerican Captor. p. 3:1:50.2h ($950,523)

#307, SMOOCHER, P, F, PA
Well Said-Stonebridge Kisses-Artscape Dam is Stonebridge Kisses. p. 1:50.2s ($1,011,737)

#340, LADY LYNNY, P, F, ON

#357, BILLION DOLLAR DAY, P, C, PA

#425, UNITED IDEAL, P, F, NY
American Ideal-Cambridge United-Toppednotcher 1/2-sister to Warning Zone. p. 1:48.3 ($725,228) & Real Sparks. p. 1:50.3 ($519,853)

#438, EXPAND THE DEAL, P, F, ON, 1st Foal
Mach Three-Flirtwithedealer-Cam’s Card Shark Dam is Flirtwithedealer. p. 1:51.1f ($469,175)

DAY 4 HIGHLIGHTS, THURSDAY 10/8
#449, BRIDGE TO TOMORROW, P, F, PA
Betters’ Delight-Village Journal-Western Hanover Dam is 1/2-sister to Village Jitty. p. 1:50 ($527,689)

#476, HAIRONEND, P, C, PA
Western Terror-Tiger Style-Life Sign Dam is 1/2-sister to Art Maker. p. 1:49.1 ($1,036,217)

#526, INDEPENDENT ONE, P, C, PA
Rocknroll Hanover-Sun N Sand-Astros Dam is 1/2-sister to Somebeachsomewhere. p. 1:46.4 ($3,221,299)

#529, MR WILL, T, C, NY
Credit Winner-Mot A Diva-Muscles Yankee Dam is 1/2-sister to CR Kay Suzie. 1:52.3 ($1,611,131)

#563, TRAVEL LIGHTLY, T, C, ON, 1st Foal
Kadabra-Tracy My Love-Dream Vacation Dam is Tracy My Love. 1:54.2s ($1,256,186)

#569, MS PAIGE, T, F, PA
Andover Half-Peal-Seelster-Super Pleasure 1/2-sister to A Hay Luva Paige. p. 1:56.1h ($431,309)

#579, HAPPY KIM, P, F, ON
Camluck-Happy Doris-Direct Scooter 1/2-sister to Royal Flush Shark. p. 3:1.50 ($404,389)

#581, ADVICE COLUMN, P, F, ON
Sportswriter-Nilines Wild-Totally Ruthless Dam is Nine’s Wild. p. 3:1.51.1s ($1,166,473)

DAY 5 HIGHLIGHTS, FRIDAY 10/9
#647, MYSTIC STELLA, T, F, KY
Groton Hall-Mia Stellina-GR Commando Dam is 1/2-sister to CR Kay Suzie. 1:52.3 ($1,611,131)

#649, WALL OF SUCCESS, T, C, NY
Conway Hall-Krancy Crown-Speedy Centry 1/2-brother to Kaline. 1:54.1f ($570,733)

#692, SASSY KIM, P, F, PA
Western Ideal-Sass Newton-Storm Compensation Full-sister to Ideal Newton. p. 1:49.4f ($529,731)

#693, FRIENDLY’S SCOOTER, P, C, PA
Delmarvalous-Mercurell-Artscape Dam is 1/2-sister to Palone Ranger. p. 1:49.4f ($529,288)

#700, SNAPPY DRESSER, P, F, ON, 1st Foal
Artspeak: “Racing Much Better Than People Realize”

Although trainer Tony Alagna entered three horses in the 2013 Little Brown Jug and all three advanced to the decisive second heat (albeit finishing fifth, sixth and seventh), he took a lot of heat about the decision to not also enter Captaintreacherous, the reigning divisional champion, in the pacing classic.

Obviously not starting in Delaware, Ohio, held no bearing on year-end Dan Patch Award voting as The Captain received all 130 votes for repeat divisional honors as well as enough votes to secure him Pacer of the Year accolades over Foiled Again (68-57).

Alagna again has the reigning 2-Year-Old Colt Pacer of the Year in his barn this year in Artspeak, who won eight of 10 races last year on his way to taking home the Dan Patch trophy. But unlike Captaintreacherous, Artspeak will start in Thursday’s Little Brown Jug, starting from post 1 in the second of two eliminations.

“The other horse (Captaintreacherous) was a different situation,” Alagna explained to Weekend Preview at The Red Mile on Thursday, Sept. 17, shortly after taking Artspeak on a light training mile. “He didn’t need to add anything to his resume with what he’d already won. This year we’re trying to give Artspeak a chance to pick up major stakes...which would pick up his value.”

After opening up his sophomore campaign with a sweep of the two-week New Jersey Sires Stakes, Artspeak finished fifth in the North America Cup final after starting from post 10 and then was second in the Hempt final behind prohibitive Jug favorite Wiggle It Jiggleit. Placed on Lasix prior to the Meadowlands Pace, he was fourth in his elimination and then sixth to Wiggle It Jiggleit in the final. After a late-closing second-place finish in the Cane Pace at the Big M, he was fourth in the Battle of the Brandywine behind Wiggle It Jiggleit.

Alagna then qualified Artspeak on Sept. 4 at Mohawk, with the son of Western Ideal romping to a 23 ¼-length win in 1:50.1. Artspeak parlayed that into an impressive career-best 1:48.2 victory in a $168,680 Simcoe division the following week at Mohawk.

“This horse is racing much better than people realize,” said Alagna, who has also entered Revenge Shark and Trading Up in this year’s Little Brown Jug. “He raced big in the qualifier. He won’t need much (training).”

Artspeak, whose four wins this year helped boost his career earnings to $1,225,510, is owned by Brittany Farms, Marvin Katz, Joe Sbrocco and In The Gym Partners, only the latter entity not part of Captaintreacherous Racing. Myron Bell, Brittany’s racing manager, pointed out to Weekend Preview that while Captaintreacherous never had the Jug on his sophomore racing schedule, Artspeak always had the third jewel of pacing’s Triple Crown on his calendar.

“Captaintreacherous was the number one 3 year old and we had a commitment to race in two weeks at Lexington and the Breeders Crown, and because he didn’t win the Breeders Crown at two, we pointed him to that race. It was just scheduling,” explained Bell. “This horse (Artspeak) has a different schedule and he’s lightly raced (12 starts in 2015). Artspeak is being peaked for the Jug and Lexington. That’s what we’ve pointed him for.”

Alagna hopes to be standing in the Jug winner’s circle on Thursday, and if it’s not with Artspeak then with Revenge Shark or Trading Up.

“Everybody wants to win the Jug,” said Alagna. “It’s a very historic race deep in tradition.” —By Gordon Waterstone

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A Tony Alagna trains Artspeak on Sept. 17 at The Red Mile.
Dude’s The Man Has Another Adversary: Shadows

If anybody is hoping the current weather forecast for Thursday at Delaware, Ohio, of 80 degrees and sunny skies is wrong, it’s the connections of Dude’s The Man, one of 15 entered in the $677,000 Little Brown Jug for 3-year-old male pacers.

With Dude’s The Man showing a tendency to jump over shadows on the track, it’s really no surprise trainers Jessica and Howard “Howie” Okusko Jr. prefer cloudy conditions. They won’t mind if it’s hot—just cloudy.

“Corey (driver Corey Callahan) and Bones (veteran horseman Larry Rathbone, who is lending a hand in the Okusko stable) told me there were no distinct shadows from light poles, because there are no light poles,” Howard Okusko told Weekend Preview over lunch last Friday in Lexington, Ky., where he is currently based at The Red Mile. “But it’s not the big ones (shadows) that bother him; it’s the little short ones he’ll jump over.”

Dude’s The Man’s biggest victory this year came in the Adios final. Okusko walked the track the day before at the precise time the Adios would be contested. He plans to do the same in Delaware on Wednesday, so if you see someone surveying the track around 4 p.m., it’ll be Okusko.

“I will check it out,” he said. “It never hurts; at least I’ll sleep better.”

Both Okusko and his wife, Jessica, are optimistic about Dude’s The Man’s Jug chances despite having to go up against Wiggle It Jigglet.

“He trained awful good this week and now he has a little break,” said Howie, who has never attended the Little Brown Jug and has been to Delaware just once, that trip coming back in 1995, when he started Treasure For Trish in the Jugette.

“He acts good and we turned him out here in Lexington and there’s no better place,” added Howie. “Now I’ll turn him out a couple days, jog him good, and then go to battle.”

Howie’s trip to Delaware for the Jugette with Treasure For Trish resulted in a fifth-place finish in the first of the three eliminations, which kept the filly from advancing to the final. Okusko said the only thing he remembers vividly about that Jugette day was the big crowd.

“I can’t even imagine Jug day, because even on Jugette day, I couldn’t believe it because you couldn’t get to the track with your horse,” he said. “It will be a great experience for us.”

The Okuskos may not have Jug experience, but Rathbone does. He finished fourth in the 1989 final won by Goalie Jeff with Pilgrims Punch in his only trip to Delaware. — By Gordon Waterstone
Brown Agrees: Post 1 A Big Plus For Lost For Words

As a native Ohioan, and a trainer based at the Delaware County Fairgrounds, it's unlikely anyone could want to win the Little Brown Jug more than horseman Brian Brown. Last year he had horses eligible to the race, but by early summer, none stepped to the head of the class of 3-year-old pacing colts.

By Jug Day, one of Brown's Jug eligibles had left his stable when a substantial offer to sell was received. Naturally, that horse, Limelight Beach, went on to win the Jug for trainer Ron Burke.

But Brown is back with a contender this year, a colt named Lost For Words, whose chances to win increased tremendously when he drew post position 1 in arguably the weaker of the two Jug elimination heats.

Owned by Jim Koehler’s Country Club Acres, William Robinson, Richard Lombardo, and the Kantzler family’s Strollin Stable—all from Ohio—Lost For Words goes into the Jug with an incredible record of consistency. He has four wins in 11 starts and has only once finished farther back than third. In his most recent race, the $350,000 Pennsylvania Sires Stakes championship, Lost For Words had the misfortune of drawing the outside post 8, but with a big move to the front at the start, he took control of the race and then bravely finished third after doing all the work to set the 1:48.1 pace.

In the $405,000 Carl Milstein Memorial at Northfield Park in August, Lost For Words finished second to Wiggle It Jiggleit. As for the colts he faces in his Jug elim, he's only previously faced Yankee Bounty, Dude's The Man and Cooperstown, and he's beaten all three of those colts, al-

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—Brian Brown on Lost For Words

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HABITAT 3,1:53f-'15 ($1,217,341)

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though he was also beaten by Dude's The Man and Cooperstown in Adios action at The Meadows.

Brown dismisses the idea that he might have a home-track advantage, but he believes in his horse Lost For Words.

"With the rail, and missing those two (Artspeak and Wiggles It Jiggleit), that's a big plus," said Brown.

"I don’t think I have an advantage because I train here. It's too good a track," Brown continued. "But my horse is really handy, so on a smaller track, I should have an advantage."

Brown also noted Lost For Word’s ability to quickly accelerate when leaving the gate. "He left from the eight hole in :25.4 at Pocono."

Since that Pocono race was contested on Sept. 5, and three weeks between races could leave a horse a little less than sharp, Brown said he trained Lost For Words a fast mile on Thursday, Sept. 17. "He was trained with the three fillies I have in the Jugette, so he had company," added Brown, who has somewhere between 30 and 40 horses in training.

With his stable based at Delaware, and the owners of Lost For Words all from Ohio, the colt will have a big cheering section for the Jug.

"Ever since Won The West, who they owned, they’ve always had a big group here for the races, even their Ohio-sired horses," said Brown.—By Kathy Parker

### LITTLE BROWN JUG TRAINING HISTORY

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New Connections Bring Split The House To Jug

Although the 3-year-old colt pacer Split The House had won six times in his first eight races this year, including the Summertime final at Mohawk Racetrack, it wasn’t until the son of Rocknroll Hanover captured the $200,000 New Jersey Classic in 1:48.3 on July 25 at the Meadowlands that he made an impact on the divisional Richter scale.

One trainer who had been keeping an eye on Split The House was the Pennsylvania-based Chris Oakes, who convinced Al and Michelle Crawford of Crawford Farms of Syracuse, N.Y., to make an offer to buy the pacer. A deal was reached with the now former owners, Scott Horner, Peter Milligan and trainer James “Friday” Dean, with the colt sent immediately to Oakes.

“We bought him Wednesday morning (Sept. 16) and he was in my barn Wednesday night,” Oakes told Weekend Preview. “He’s a very good-looking horse, very big and strong.”

The first stop for Split The House for his new connections is Thursday’s $677,000 Little Brown Jug, where he will start from post 7 with driver Tim Tetrick in the first of two eliminations.

“We want to win the Jug,” quipped Oakes regarding the purchase.

It wasn’t a tough sell for Oakes as the Crawfords also own Split The House’s half sister Cult Status, a winner of more than $230,000 on the racetrack and in foal for the first time with American Ideal. Crawford said his wife received a text from Oakes the day after Split The House finished third to Artspeak in the Sept. 12 Simcoe at Mohawk.

“I laughed and said, ‘Obviously he doesn’t know we have a sister!’ and we said we’d be very interested...we’d want to vet him out but he’s Jug-eligible,” Al Crawford told Standardbred Canada.

“We wanted a horse for the Jug. Everybody wants to win the Jug!” –Chris Oakes about the purchase of Split The House

While Al Crawford has been to the Jug, it will be the first trip to Delaware for his wife. Split The House will also be Oakes’ first Jug starter although he won the Miss Versatility final there last year with Classic Martine.

“He trained good (Saturday, Sept. 19),” Oakes said of Split The House. “He had a long hobble on him racing on a big track, but I know going to Delaware it had to be a little snugger. So I took his hobbles up a couple inches. He was set up pretty good the way he was so that’s all I changed. I did nothing with his shoes, which are four steel ones.”

After the Jug, Split The House will head to Lexington for the Bluegrass on Oct. 3.—By Gordon Waterstone

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Driving the Jug . . . with David Miller

It would be difficult to argue that no one knows the half-mile racing oval at the Delaware, Ohio, fairgrounds better than native son and Harness Racing Hall of Fame David Miller. Miller is the all-time winningest driver at Delaware, and on some racing days in the past he has dominated, prompting track announcer Roger Huston to bellow, “It’s Miller Time!”

Miller also has three Jug wins to his credit. This year he’ll be taking another shot at Jug glory with Lost For Words, who is trained by Delaware-based Brian Brown.

Q: What’s the secret to your success in Delaware?

Miller: “Before I moved East, I lived in Ohio and I would race there all week. But there is no big secret to winning there. It’s all about having good horses to drive. It’s the fastest half-mile track in the world—bar none. The only one even close, in my opinion, is the Urbana, Ohio, fair track.”

Q: Since you first started driving at Delaware, has the style of racing there changed and required a change in driving strategy?

Miller: “Everybody is aggressive on the half. Also, you can race on the outside a long way and win. If there is any half-mile where a horse can do that, it’s Delaware, and if any one says differently, I would disagree.”

Q: Horses have won the Jug racing on the outside for a long distance. How tough an assignment is that for a horse?

Miller: “It all depends on the race. What usually happens is the favorite gets to the front, and then it’s tough to beat them unless they get tested some. But that happens, so you can win even if you race on the outside. The circumstances just have to be there so you have an opportunity.”

Q: You’ve won the Jug with No Pan Intended (2003), Shadow Play (2008) and Big Bad John (2011). Shadow Play ended up having a sore foot before the second heat. Were you surprised by any of those horses on Jug day?

Miller: “No Pan Intended and Big Bad John were both favorites. Shadow Play surprised me some. He had to beat Badlands Nitro, who people were high on at the time. (Badlands Nitro drew inside of Shadow Play in a Jug elimination heat and was the betting favorite, but Shadow Play beat him by 1½ lengths.) Somebeach—somewhere didn’t come to Delaware, and I thought Shadow Play really stepped up that day.”

Q: You’re driving Lost For Words in the Jug this year, and he’s stabled at the Delaware fairgrounds and trains regularly over the track. Big Bad John was stabled there as well. Can a horse have a home track advantage at Delaware?

Miller: “I think training there is an advantage for Lost For Words. He’s a real handy, versatile horse. I’ve raced him on the front (in the Hempt elimination at Pocono) and from off the pace (in the Adios final).
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FIRST ELIMINATION

Lost For Words — post 1

“Everybody knows how important the draw is. My horse can race on the front end. Truthfully, he can race any way and be tough. He’s just a tough little horse. Having the rail at Delaware gives us options, and the easier the trip, the better it will be with heats.” — driver David Miller

Rockin In Heaven—post 2

“When he raced at Yonkers (last start) the track was really hard and it didn’t really suit him. He raced good that night, considering, but he should be better at Delaware. If everything goes alright he should make the final. The best thing about him is that he is a real trier. He keeps going.” — driver Trevor Henry, who will be making his first-ever appearance at Delaware

Yankee Bounty—post 3

“I think he’s been racing good. I think the small track will help him. Hopefully we’ll get a good spot and go from there.” — driver Yannick Gingras about Yankee Bounty, who has never raced on a half-mile track

Dude’s The Man—post 4

“I’ve got the best horse in this division. Lost For Words drew the rail and that’s going to be the biggest obstacle for me. I’m glad I drew away from those guys in the other division. They’re going to race. But I’m sure they are going to make it a race in this division too; it always is.” — driver Corey Callahan

Trading Up—post 5

“He’s coming off a pretty good win at Chester (Harrah’s Philadelphia in Chester, Pa.). He hasn’t raced against the likes of Wiggle It Jiggleit and company, but I like him. We’ll probably respect David with the rail (with morning-line favorite Lost For Words).” — driver Scott Zeron

Cooperstown—post 6

“Obviously he’s not one of the best ones in there but he’ll be all right. He’ll definitely show up and put in a good effort. I can do whatever I want with him; he can leave or I can take him off.” — driver Matt Kakaley

SECOND ELIMINATION

Artspeak—post 1

“I’ll take post 1 against Wiggleit. He’s got the five hole and I’ve got the rail, and everybody knows what the rail is at the Little Brown Jug. My horse has a ton of gate speed and I don’t see a half-mile being an issue for him even though this will be his first time. Obviously, he couldn’t come into this race any better. We’re going to be charging as hard as I can into the first turn and I’m sure Montrell will be right with us, and I’ll let my horse tell me what he wants to do. I know he’s capable of cutting the mile or sitting in the pocket, so my options are open.” — Scott Zeron, who starts from post 1 with Artspeak vs. Wiggle It Jiggleit

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My Hero Ron—post 4

“It’s really not a bad spot. First of all, it’s Delaware, Ohio, so you have to be up close. I am going to look left because the one on my right is going to have to get around me. I’m more worried about what is going to happen on the inside to try and get position. I don’t know if he can beat these horses but I think he’s underachieved, like Limelight Beach last year. Hopefully my horse steps up this year like the other one did last year.” — Yannick Gingras, who starts from post 4 with My Hero Ron

Revenge Shark—post 7

“His thing is he’s very, very good at stalking a horse. If you can give him the right trip, he can literally sprint home with any colt that’s out there. (Revenge Shark was the fastest closer in the Meadowlands Pace, covering his final quarter in :25.4.) With the seven hole, it’s going to be tough. He’s going to have to be fairly close at the top of the stretch. There have been lots of times when I’ve won races at Delaware from off the pace, when the front end wasn’t holding up so much. I don’t know how the race will play out, of course, but having the seven hole at Delaware is better than sitting on the sidelines.” — Brett Miller, who will be driving the Messenger winner.
Canadians A Rich Part Of The Jug’s 70 Years

It is fitting that the first Canadian to win the Little Brown Jug was born in Delaware, Ont. The Jug, now a septuagenarian, was just a pre-pubescent 9 year old when Morris MacDonald drove Adios Harry to victory in 1954.

Sixty-one years on, the winning times—2:01.3 in the first, 2:02.3 in the second and 2:03.2 in the finale—seem positively pedestrian by today’s standards. One thing that hasn’t changed is Canadians’ deep-seeded love for the Delaware County Fairgrounds and the deft proficiency they have for winning the Jug relative to the size of the northern nation’s population.

Twenty-nine of the 69 Jug winners had a Canadian in the sulky, 20 Jug winners have been trained by Canadians and 18 have had at least partial Canadian ownership.

Just four years after MacDonald paved the way, Hall of Famer Joe O’Brien won the 1958 Jug with Shadow Wave, followed the next year by Clandeboye, Ont. native Clint Hodgins driving Adios Butler to victory.

In 1971, Quebec native Herve Filion won the Jug with Nansemond. A year later, Strike Out, driven by Hall of Famer Keith Waples, became the first Canadian-owned horse to win the Jug.

Canadians recorded a Jug hat trick in 1973 when O’Brien trained and drove the winner, Melvin’s Woe and the country added a fourth straight Jug when Canadian-owned Armbro Omaha won the 1974 test for Elgin Armstrong of Armstrong Bros. fame. Canada would record its fifth and sixth Jug victories when a young John Campbell won his first Jug for owner Dr. Ian Moore of PEI, who shared Shadow Play with Robert Burgess trainee Tell All won with Jody Jamieson in the sulky, followed by Shadow Play the next year for trainer and part-owner Dr. Ian Moore of PEI, who shared Shadow Play with R & G McGroup of New Brunswick and Quebec native Serge Savard, a 10-time Stanley Cup champion with the Montreal Canadiens. Canadians rounded out the decade with a win by Hot Hitter in 1979.

Seven horses with strong Canadian connections won the Jug in the 1980s. Trainer-driver Clint Galbraith got the decade started in style when he won with the legendary Nitroross in 1980. The following year, Fan Hanover became the only filly to win the Jug when she won for Dr. Glen Brown of Armstrong Bros. fame. Canadians marked three straight Jug victories when a young John Campbell won his first Jug with Merger, a horse he also trained and owned. In 1983, Ralph Hanover won the Jug en route to the pacing Triple Crown for an all-Canadian crew that included trainer Stew Firlotte, driver Ron Waples and an ownership group that counted Firlotte, Waples and other Ontarians. In 1985, Nova Scotia native Bill O’Donnell won the first of back-to-back Jugs with the great Nihilator a year before returning to the Delaware winner’s circle with Barberry Spur.

Canadians would be shut out until 1988 when BJ Scoot won for trainer Tom Artandi, Quebec-born driver Mike Lachance and an all-Ontario ownership group. Artandi and Lachance would also team up to win the Jug the next year when Goalie Jeff was driven to victory for an Ontario ownership group that included Charlie Juravinski, the man who built Flemish Downs.

In the 1990s, eight Jug winners had significant Canadian connections — Beach Towel in 1990 for trainer, driver and Saskatchewan native Ray Remmen; Precious Bunny in 1991 for owner Peter Heffering and trainer Bill Robinson; Fake Left in 1992 for driver Waples; Life Sign in 1993 for Campbell; Magical Mike in 1994 for Lachance; Nick’s Fantasy in 1995 for Campbell; Triple Crown winner Western Dreamer in 1997 for Robinson, Lachance and the Daly brothers of Ontario and Triple Crown winner Blissfull Hall in 1999 for trainer Ben Wallace and owner Daniel Plouffe of Quebec.

In the first decade of the 21st century, Canada laid claim to six Jug winners. Astrogoats got the decade started when he won for the father-son team of owner Charlambos Christoforou and driver Chris. A year later, Bettor’s Delight won for Ontario trainer Scott McEneny, Ontario owner John Grant and Lachance. In 2002, Luc Ouellette drove Million Dollar Cam to victory for Robinson. In 2006, Mr. Feelgood became the first Ontario-sired Jug winner when PEI native Mark MacDonald drove him to victory for an ownership group that included Canamerica Capital Corporation of Ontario. A year later, Blair Burgess’ Go All won with Jody Jamieson in the sulky, followed by Shadow Play the next year for trainer and part-owner Dr. Ian Moore of PEI, who shared Shadow Play with R & G McGroup of New Brunswick and Quebec native Serge Savard, a 10-time Stanley Cup champion with the Montreal Canadians. Canadians rounded out the decade with a share of the 2009 Jug won by Well Said, a colt owned, in part, by Lothlorien Stables of Cheltenham, Ont.

In the last four years, Canadians were only shut out in 2011. Quebec native Daniel Dube drove the 2010 champ Rock N Roll Heaven; trainer Casie Coleman, a British Columbia native living in Ontario, won back-to-back Jugs in 2012 and 2013—the former, Ontario-sired Michael’s Power, was driven by Ontario native Scott Zeron; the latter, Vegas Vacation had Ontario ownership. Last year, Quebec native Yannick Gingras was in the bike when Limelight Beach won the Jug.

One thing that hasn’t changed is Canadians’ deep-seeded love for the Delaware County Fairgrounds and the deft proficiency they have for winning the Jug.
Delaware Track Records
(through 2014 racing)

Pacing Records

- All-Age Pacing—1:48.1
  - Rock N Roll Heaven (2010)
  - Driver: Daniel Dube
  - Trainer: Bruce Saunders

- 2YO Colt—1:52.2
  - On Golden Ponder (2013)

- 2YO Gelding—1:54
  - Ain’t No Stopin Him (1999)
  - Show Me Big Slick (2007)
  - Beach Memories (2012)

- 2YO Filly—1:53.1
  - Isabella Blue Chip (2006)
  - Wild Honey (2014)

- 3YO Colt—1:49.2
  - Rock N Roll Heaven (2010)
  - Lucan Hanover (2013)

- 3YO Gelding—1:50.4
  - Shellscape (2012)

- 3YO Filly—1:51.2
  - Pet Rock (2013)

- 4YO Horse—1:49.2
  - Cinder Best (2003)

- 4YO Gelding—1:50.4
  - Gee Gee Digger (1997)

- 4YO Mare—1:51.5
  - She’s A Great Lady (1996)

- Older Horse—1:49
  - Jet Laag (1999)
  - Ponder (2006)

- Older Gelding—1:49.2
  - Lucky Man (2010)

- Older Mare—1:52.2
  - Cinder Best (2003)

Trotting Records

- All-Age Trotting—1:51.1 (Time Trial)
  - Cash Hall (driver John Campbell)—Sept. 21, 2015
  - Driver: Dan Dube
  - Trainer: Bruce Saunders

- 2YO Colt—1:55.3
  - Doyouforgetit (2012)

- 2YO Gelding—1:58
  - Uncle Vernon (2003)
  - Count Me In (2011)

- 2YO Filly—1:55.2
  - Wild Honey (2014)

- 3YO Colt—1:54.2
  - Triumphant Cavaro (2009)

- 3YO Gelding—1:53.3
  - Dennis (2008)

- 3YO Filly—1:53.1
  - Frau Blucher (2013)

- 4YO Horse—1:54.2
  - Pine Chip (1994)

- 4YO Gelding—1:55.1
  - Red Hot Herbie (2014)

- 4YO Mare—1:54.0
  - Maven (2013)

- Older Horse—T1:51.1
  - Cash Hall (2006)

- Older Gelding—1:55.2
  - He’s Nifty (1999)

- Older Mare—1:53.2
  - Mystical Sunshine (2007)
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LITTLE BROWN JUG CHAMPIONS

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