

Miller Hopes “Drop And Pop” Works For Opulent Yankee

It may have taken a drop in class for Opulent Yankee to win his first race in 13 starts dating back to early last February, but trainer Julie Miller is hoping the confidence booster will serve the 5-year-old trotter well.

On the heels of a 1:54 victory in a \$10,200 conditioned event on Nov. 25 at the Meadowlands, Opulent Yankee will start from post 1 in a \$13,000 contest on Friday night (Race 2) at the Big M.



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—Julie Miller on Opulent Yankee

“That’s the goal. He dropped down and raced that well; I hope (confidence) plays into it quite a bit,” said Miller, whose husband Andy does the driving. “Time will tell. As they all get a year older, it gets a little harder to stay at the same level.”

A dominant force at the Meadowlands when the calendar turned to 2016, Opulent Yankee had two wins, two seconds and three thirds in his first eight starts in Open company. The efforts were a continuation of a stellar 4-year-old campaign in 2015 where Opulent Yankee had six wins and 11 seconds in 21 starts with \$154,381 in earnings.

In 2015 he competed against JL Cruze, Shake It Cerry, Resolve and Father Patrick. While there were wins in legs of the Super Bowl, Singer Memorial and Shiaway St. Pat series at the Meadowlands and the Weiss Series at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono, Opulent Yankee had to settle for second in all four finals.

Friday’s race is just the third start back for Opulent Yankee after an extended layoff since late May. He finished seventh in a May 20 Open Trot at the Meadowlands and then was sent overseas to compete the following week in the Sweden Cup at the Solvalla Racetrack in Stockholm. Needing a top-three finish in his elim to advance to the final, Opulent Yankee was fourth.

The Swedish race was not transmitted to the U.S. Trotting Association, thus it is not on Opulent Yankee’s current race lines. The trotter returned to the races with a winning qualifier on Oct. 28. On Nov. 4 he finished seventh in an overnight after being parked the entire mile.

“When he went to Sweden it was hard on him so I gave him some time off after that,” explained Miller of the trotter’s five-month respite from racing.



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Miller said Opulent Yankee came up sick after his Nov. 4 contest, thus the three-week break before his next start, which was the Nov. 25 victory.

“When he got sick...I wanted to get him fixed up a little bit,” said Miller.

Opulent Yankee’s overall North American scorecard in 2016 reads 17-3-4-4 and \$66,200 in earnings for owners Arthur Geiger, David Stolz, Meadowlands general manager Jason Setlemoir and Little E LLC, the nom de course of Meadowlands owner Jeff Gural. Overall, Opulent Yankee’s career earnings stand at \$250,723 with a mark of 1:51.4 set as a 3 year old at The Red Mile.—By Gordon Waterstone

Nominations Open For 2016 Caretaker Of The Year

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2016 Caretaker of the Year. The award, in its second year of sponsorship by Hard Rock Rocksino Northfield Park (HRRNP) in conjunction with the United States Harness Writers Association (USHWA), recognizes the unsung heroes of the sport—the caretakers who maintain the health and welfare of the horses on a daily basis.

Initially titled Groom of the Year Award when first presented in 1982, the honor was instituted as a result of a suggestion made by Delvin Miller at the annual Harness Tracks of America meeting when he received HTA's Stanley F. Bergstein Messenger Award. Previously sponsored annually by HTA and Hanover Shoe Farms, the tradition lapsed in 2014 but was re-established in 2015 by HRRNP and USHWA.

The HRRNP Caretaker of the Year will receive a cash prize of \$500, a trophy, and transportation costs to the USHWA Dan Patch Awards Banquet in Las Vegas on Sunday evening, Feb. 26, 2017, where he or she will be recognized. The winner also will enjoy a two-night stay at the Planet Hollywood, host hotel for the USHWA activities, as well as two complimentary dinner tickets.

"The United States Harness Writers Association is proud to join with Hard Rock Rocksino Northfield Park in presenting this prestigious honor," said USHWA president Tim Bojarski. "The caretakers of our sport and the role they play in the success of our animals are many times sorely overlooked. This award gives everyone a way to honor those who work in your stable so they can be recognized by everyone else in our industry for what they do."

Any caretaker working for any stable in North America is eligible. All that is needed to nominate is a letter or email, 200 words minimum, from an individual or group detailing the skills and special qualities of the caretaker.

The winner will be chosen by a seven-person selection committee comprised of USHWA members, all of whom are former caretakers: Tim Bojarski (chair), Tom Charters, Moira Fanning, Dean Hoffman, Rob Pennington, Kim Rinker and Shawn Wiles. All nomination letters and emails must be received and/or postmarked by Monday, Jan. 9, 2017, and sent to Chair Bojarski at a159star@gmail.com or mailed to Tim Bojarski, 7523 Maple Road, Akron, N.Y. 14001. (USHWA)



THIS WEEKEND'S FEATURED RACES

Friday, December 2

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7:40p M2 **Conditioned** Trot [Trackmaster PPs](#)

8:50p Wdb5 **Conditioned** Trot [Trackmaster PPs](#)

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Saturday, December 3

9:10p YR7 **Preferred** Pace [Trackmaster PPs](#)

9:30p YR8 **Open** Pace [Trackmaster PPs](#)

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Sunday, December 4

12:00p YR1 **Preferred** Trot [Trackmaster PPs](#)

2:30p YR6 **Open** Trot [Trackmaster PPs](#)

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Harper Blue Chip Searches For First Win Of 2016

When trainer Mark Steacy accepted Harper Blue Chip's O'Brien Award in early February 2015 as Canada's 2014 Three-Year-Old Colt Trotter of the Year, he knew that it could be some time before his stable star made his 4-year-old debut as a result of a leg injury.

A winner of more than \$650,000 in 2014, Harper Blue Chip swept his way through the Ontario Sires Stakes and was third in the Hambletonian and Canadian Trotting Classic. But in a fourth-place finish in his season-ending race in the Breeders Crown final at the Meadowlands, Harper Blue Chip tore a suspensory in a front leg, an injury that kept him on the shelf until the fall of 2015.

"He just hasn't fired up like I expected he might."

—Mark Steacy
on Harper Blue Chip

Harper Blue Chip made just one mid-October start, making a break and finishing 5p9. It wasn't until nine months later—

July 2016—that the son of Majestic Son resurfaced. Harper Blue Chip has since made 13 starts, but coming into a \$16,000 overnight on Friday night at Woodbine, he has yet to post a victory. That means the last time Harper Blue Chip stood in the winner's circle came on Oct. 11, 2014, when he won the \$222,500 Ontario Sires Stakes Super Final at Mohawk.

In his 14th start this year, Harper Blue Chip starts from post 6 in Race 5 with driver James MacDonald. He's been a "money-burner" in his last five starts as four times he was the betting favorite and failed to hit the board. In his last start he led through three-quarters before going inside the pylons and fading to a 7p10 finish.

Steacy said he hopes a win is soon in the cards for Harper Blue Chip.

"I'm hoping that he will get some confidence back," he said. "Last time I raced him it was disappointing because he backed through the field and that's not him."

Steacy admitted the original suspensory issue took more of a toll than he expected.

"It turned out to be quite a problem and wouldn't go away," said Steacy. "That pretty much killed him last year. We got him back for one start and he ran and it wouldn't go away."

When Harper Blue Chip returned this July he raced once in an overnight and then in a pair of top-class events, where he finished third, fourth and second, respectively. He then dropped down in class where he finished third and second, but he then finished no better than fourth in his next six starts.

"When he started back he had to be in the Open class the first couple starts and he raced respectable," remembered Steacy. "But after three or four starts he went the other way on us."

Steacy said he's had a couple of vets look at Harper Blue Chip in recent weeks but no culprit was found and the suspensory does not appear to be the issue.

American-Bred Propulsion Earns Invitation To Prix d'Amerique

The serious pursuit of the prestigious Prix d'Amerique has begun in Europe with a prep race held in Paris on Sunday, Nov. 20, and more to follow.

In the Nov. 20 Prix de Bretagne at Vincennes in Paris, the American-bred Propulsion finished a strong second. Now owned by Bengt Agerup's Stall Zet and trained by Daniel Reden, Propulsion has eight wins and three seconds in 13 starts this season.

ROAD TO THE PRIX D'AMERIQUE

Dec. 11—Prix du Bourbonnais
Dec. 15—Criterium Continental
Jan. 1—Prix de Bourgogne
Jan. 15—Prix de Belgique
Jan. 29—Prix d'Amerique

Propulsion and his driver, Orjan Kihlstrom, controlled the 2,700-meter Prix de Bretagne, but in the long Vincennes stretch Anna Mix turned in a huge rally and nailed Propulsion near the wire. The 7-year-old French mare Anna Mix was driven by Franck Leblanc.

Princess Grif, trained by Fabrice Souloy, was third. In a new policy, the first three finishers of the official Prix d'Amerique prep races receive automatic invitations to the big race, and the Prix de Bretagne is the first of the preps.

Propulsion was a \$210,000 purchase at the 2015 Tattersalls January Mixed Sale by Stall Zet. The Zet Stable is Agerup's Swedish division. He races horses in North American under the banner of Brixton Medical. Before he bought the horse Tony Alagna trained the son of Muscle Hill-Danae, who was bred by Fredericka Caldwell and Bluestone Farms.

Another horse who may be a Prix d'Amerique contender in 2017 is 2016 Elitlopp champion Nuncio. Trained by Stefan Melander and driven regularly now by Kihlstrom, he is scheduled to race Dec. 7 at the Solvalla track in Stockholm.

Last year's Prix d'Amerique winner, the French horse Bold Eagle, is back racing but was defeated by the 4-year-old Italian trotter Traders on Nov. 10. Traders, a son of Ready Cash, set a new world record for the 2,100-meter distance. —By Kathy Parker

"I've had two or three different vets and there is nothing serious physically that we can find," he said. "The problem he had seems to be under control. It's stable now and I don't think that's his problem. Actually, he runs in and it's the inside leg, so he's running into it."

"He just hasn't fired up like I expected he might. He's been a little disappointing."

Steacy also re-purchased an interest in Harper Blue Chip and he now shares ownership with David McDonald, David Reid and Shaun Finucane. Overall, the trotter has earnings of \$869,619, just \$24,571 earned this year. —By Gordon Waterstone

Drivers Helping Former Trackside EMT Who Became Paralyzed In Fall

Yes, another driving tournament has been announced. But this one is different. The drivers will only be competing for glory. The prize money that was put up for the event will instead go to a paramedic who once was stationed on the backstretch in case drivers were ever in need, but now is paralyzed from the waist down.

On Saturday night, Dec. 10, Buckeye drivers will take on a Hoosier Park team at Hollywood Dayton. The contest will include six races on the card with equal post positions assigned to each driver from both squads, and the horses drawn randomly into those assigned drivers. Points will be earned in accordance with the official order of finish on a 30-24-18-14-11-9-7-5-3-1 basis. The team that accumulates the most points will be declared the winner.

The real winners will be Crystal Wilson and children in Dayton.

All horsemen—drivers, trainers, owners and patrons—are encouraged to donate a new toy to the Dayton Firefighters Local 136 campaign to assure that every child in its Dayton precinct has a new toy at Christmas. Called “Christmas from the Firehouse,” last year the harness drivers donated about \$3,000 in prize money, which helped Local 136 take care of more children than usual.

This year the drivers have earmarked the prize money to help Wilson, their former backstretch EMT stationed trackside during all live performances.

Wilson was paralyzed earlier this year in a fall from a ladder. Just a couple of years ago she was a regular paramedic at Hollywood Dayton Raceway.

“She loved the racetrack and while the paramedics switched off, she was there more than anyone. She’s a sweetheart of a lady and if we needed something, she was always helpful,” said Brett Merkle, the Ohio Harness Horsemen’s Association’s (OHHA) representative at Hollywood Dayton. “She helped a lot with the toy drive last year and she was going to help this year. It’s Christmas, so we’re going to help her now.”

The Hoosier team will be comprised of the five leading dash winners at Hoosier Park during their recently-completed 2016 season: Captain Trace Tetrack, the winningest driver in Hoosier Park history, and Sam Widger, Ricky Ma-

JK Endofanera’s First Book Full And Closed

The first stud book for JK Endofanera p,2, 1:51.4; 3, 1:48.2 (\$2,049,580), who was retired from racing earlier this year, is full and closed.

JK Endofanera will stand his first season at stud in 2017 at Victory Hill Farm in LaGrange, Ind. He was bred and campaigned by the 3 Brothers Stable of Steven, Alan and Ron Katz. They sold a significant interest to a group comprised of the same principals who brought Always A Virgin to Indiana.

“He’s an exceptional horse and we’re thrilled that he’s received so much support from significant breeders and will have a great start at stud,” said Bob Boni, a spokesperson for the stallion’s ownership group.

A son of Art Major, JK Endofanera is out of the Presidential Ball mare Presidential Lady, who also has produced 2014 Horse of the Year JK She’salady.

Trained by Ron Burke at ages two and three and Jimmy Takter during his 4-year-old season, JK Endofanera beat every top colt of his generation. As a 2 year old he won four of seven starts, among them the \$534,500 Governor’s Cup at the Meadowlands, when he took his freshman mark of 1:51.4. At age three he captured the \$1 million North America Cup, defeating a field that included He’s Watching and McWicked. In 2015, at age four, he captured the Dan Patch Free-For-All at Hoosier Park by 2 ½ lengths in 1:48.4, exploding past his rivals with a :26.2 final quarter.

comber, Tyler Smith and Andy Shetler (Shetler replaces John DeLong, who had a previous out-of-town engagement).

The Buckeyes squad will include the five leaders in the current meet dash derby after the Saturday, Dec. 3 program. As of Dec. 1 that included Captain Josh Sutton, Kayne Kauffman, Jeremy Smith and Dan Noble. Peter Wrenn currently has a one-win edge over Chris Page for the final spot.

Hollywood Dayton Raceway and the OHHA puts up \$2,500 in prize money for the Buckeyes vs. Hoosiers Challenge. Last year, the first year of the challenge, the drivers from both squads voted unanimously to donate the entire prize pool to the Firefighter’s Toy Drive. — By Kathy Parker

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George Teague named HHI Person of the Year

George Teague Jr. has been awarded the Dominic Frinzi Person of the Year award by Harness Horsemen International. Teague is best known for conditioning and owning such greats as Wiggle It Jiggle It and Rainbow Blue. [more](#)

Racing Hill to stand in Ohio at Hickory Lane Farm

Owner Tom Hill, Lancaster, UK and Hickory Lane Farm, Findlay, Ohio are pleased to announce that they have reached an agreement to syndicate and stand Racing Hill (Roll With Joe-Chasing Ideals-American Ideal) 2,1:51.2, 3,1:48 (\$1,727,689.00) at Hickory Lane Farm beginning in 2017. [more](#)

A conversation with New York's Drew Monti

Drew Monti has enjoyed a season to remember, and it's not finished yet. Among the 22-year-old driver's accomplishments so far are: graduating from college, winning a New York Sires Stakes race for the first time, and posting seven victories on a single card. He also is in the hunt for the driving title at Batavia Downs, where he trails Jim Morrill Jr. by 12 wins with eight more dates on the schedule. [more](#)

Shamballa is racing with a purpose

Shamballa, the surprising 6 year old with earnings closing in on the million-dollar mark, makes a difference in memory of Taylor Vit, the late son of Kathie and Bill Vit, long-time owners, who race under the stable name of Cool Cat Racing. [more](#)

Meadowlands approved for 91 dates in 2017

The Meadowlands management is announcing that a total of 91 live harness racing dates have been approved by the New Jersey Racing Commission for the 2017 season. [more](#)

Hochstetler wins HANA Grand Circuit contest

Jay Hochstetler has been crowned the champion of the 2016 Hambletonian Society Grand Circuit Handicapping Challenge sponsored by DRF Harness, Green Acquisition Corporation, The Hambletonian Society, Hoosier Park Racing and Casino, Meadowlands Racing and Entertainment, Northfield Park, The Raceway at Western Fair District, Red Shores Charlottetown Driving Park, Tioga Downs, and Vernon Downs after crossing the wire first in a dominating victory; his total of 3,631.13 points being 635.31 more than runner-up Matt Rose who finished with 2,995.83. [more](#)

Clarification on Muscle Hill staying in NJ

In a release last week announcing that Muscle Hill would stand the 2017 breeding season at Southwind Farms in New Jersey, a statement was made regarding the stallion's libido, health and general well being affected by the movement between Marion Farms and Southwind, where he has been returning after each of the past three breeding seasons. That statement was misinterpreted by some as a complaint against Marion Farms and that could not be further from the truth. [more](#)

Gingras, Burke sweep Grand Circuit titles

The 2016 Grand Circuit season has come to a close, with the 2017 schedule set to be released in January. The Grand Circuit leaders among drivers, trainers and owners were tracked in a points system for the top three finishers in both the divisions/finals and eliminations/legs. Sponsored by Winbak Farm, the 2016 Grand Circuit Awards went to driver Yannick Gingras, trainer Ron Burke and owner Burke Racing Stable. [more](#)

Harness Museum holiday concert Dec. 8

Great music and fun are traditions of the Harness Racing Museum & Hall of Fame's annual Holiday Concert. Celebrating its 42nd year, this community event kicks off the festive season. Although much has changed in the world since that first concert in 1974, the charm of sleigh bells and the warmth of gathered neighbors continue to make the season bright. Mark your calendar for Thursday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. and don't miss out. [more](#)

Ron Stokley, trainer of Lightning Wave, dies

Ohio horseman Ron Stokley, 81, of Lebanon, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 29, at his residence. [more](#)

Harness racing historian, fan Marie Hill dies

Marie Catherine Hill, a Canadian who fell in love with harness racing as a young girl and became an important author of books about participants in the sport, died Nov. 22, in Merlin, Ore., near the residence of her daughter, Irene, after a brief illness. She was 85. [more](#)

Norm "Toledo Red" McClurg dies at 83

Norman McClurg, who owned, bred and trained Standardbreds at racetracks in Ohio, Canada and the eastern United States, died Nov. 12, in the Franciscan Care Center, Sylvania. He was 83. [more](#)

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Final Standardbred Poll

Hambletonian Society/Breeders Crown Poll compiled by
 Harness Racing Communications for the week of November 22, 2016

	AGS	St-1-2-3	Earnings	Pts	Pvs
1. Always B Miki (27)	5ph	18-12-5-0	\$1,487,292	342	1
2. Wiggle It Jiggleit (8)	4pg	24-15-7-2	1,719,062	307	2
3. Hannelore Hanover	4tm	20-17-2-0	1,119,111	264	3
4. Betting Line	3pc	15-14-1-0	1,467,386	191	4
5. Marion Marauder	3tc	15-10-3-0	1,484,532	177	5
6. Lady Shadow	5pm	20-12-2-1	851,981	122	6
7. Ariana G	2tf	11-9-1-0	743,967	101	7
8. Walner	2tc	8-7-0-0	484,037	93	8
9. Racing Hill	3pc	16-7-5-2	1,594,366	81	9
10. Resolve	5th	13-5-4-1	1,341,553	68	10

Others receiving votes: Pure Country 40, Huntsville 35, Broadway Donna 34, Bar Hopping 17, Obrigado 16, Manhattan Beach, Southwind Frank 7, Downbytheseaside 6, Snowstorm Hanover 5, Krispy Apple 4, That's The Ticket 3, Magic Presto 2, Bee A Magician, Someomen somewhere, The Real One 1.

Harness Racing Leaders

Compiled by the USTA—through November 29, 2016 (week difference Nov. 22-29).

Leading North American-Based Money-Winning Horses

	Sts.	W	P	S	Earnings
Wiggle It Jiggleit (4pg)	24	15	7	2	\$1,719,062
Racing Hill (3pc)	16	7	5	2	1,594,366
Always B Miki (5ph)	18	12	5	0	1,487,292
Marion Marauder (3tc)	15	10	3	0	1,484,532
Betting Line (3pc)	15	14	1	0	1,467,386
Bar Hopping (3tc)	19	9	2	4	1,191,195
Resolve (5th)	11	5	2	1	1,184,780
Southwind Frank (3tc)	14	6	6	1	1,164,468
Hannelore Hanover (4tm)	20	17	2	0	1,119,111
Pure Country (3pf)	21	10	4	3	1,082,430

Leading Money-Winning Drivers

	Sts.	W-P-S	UDR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Yannick Gingras	1,979	391-300-272	.328	\$12,842,411 (\$179,878)
David Miller	2,085	379-361-285	.324	12,480,267 (101,502)
Tim Tetrick	2,838	568-396-362	.320	11,861,005 (219,653)
Scott Zeron	2,131	300-290-277	.260	8,766,210 (101,627)
Jason Bartlett	2,450	584-386-344	.373	8,705,780 (137,436)
Matt Kakaley	2,553	286-357-350	.235	7,559,818 (101,030)
Brett Miller	2,020	260-252-255	.240	7,553,644 (70,267)
Brian Sears	1,679	300-251-200	.301	7,486,183 (94,875)
Aaron Merriman	3,890	786-638-574	.342	7,012,262 (142,458)
Corey Callahan	2,821	398-401-383	.265	6,999,491 (142,215)

Leading Money-Winning Trainers

	Sts.	W-P-S	UTR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Ron Burke	4,419	834-680-588	.319	\$20,803,253 (\$307,260)
Jimmy Takter	722	159-129-92	.362	10,231,974 (27,968)
Rene Allard	2,003	420-329-255	.343	5,275,516 (96,940)
Tony Alagna	602	128-91-73	.337	4,838,394 (1,680)
Ake Svanstedt	652	122-82-76	.296	4,547,668 (61,560)
Erv Miller	970	173-144-133	.307	3,925,594 (7,500)
Linda Toscano	711	135-105-102	.320	3,487,503 (32,821)
Chris Oakes	716	219-120-88	.440	3,482,054 (54,685)
Julie Miller	601	131-98-86	.356	3,301,707 (13,550)
Jeff Bamond Jr.	866	137-121-114	.280	2,985,202 (29,515)

Leading Breeders

Breeder	Starters	Winners	Wins	Earnings
Hanover Shoe Farms Inc.	1,012	717	2,262	\$26,151,179
Winbak Farm	983	652	2,095	19,501,541
Brittany Farms	257	196	693	8,436,300
White Birch Farm	156	118	410	5,865,598
Perretti Farms	227	169	632	5,737,404
Diamond Creek Farm LLC	138	92	307	5,227,678
Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc.	182	124	417	4,790,678
Fair Winds Farm Inc.	96	68	241	4,353,184
Kentuckiana Farms Gen Par	192	140	445	4,066,311
Seelster Farms Inc.	189	133	492	3,969,182

Leaders Of The Week

Ranked by wins for Nov. 22-29 from results at major North American pari-mutuel tracks.

Drivers	Starts	W-P-S
Ronnie Wrenn Jr.	82	26-10-9
Josh Sutton	54	20-7-7
Mike Wilder	64	20-11-8
Aaron Merriman	114	19-15-12
Bob McClure	71	16-13-10
Bruce Aldrich Jr.	67	14-12-7
George Napolitano Jr.	66	14-8-6
Simon Allard	45	13-5-3
Tim Tetrick	66	13-12-12
Wally Hennessey	44	13-10-6
Alfred Carroll	70	12-10-9
Jim DeVaux	58	12-10-8
Jason Merriman	79	11-14-9
Corey Callahan	84	10-13-15
Eddie Davis Jr.	42	10-9-7
Frank Coppola Jr.	29	10-3-2
Ryan Stahl	59	10-3-7
Vincent Ginsburg	37	10-6-4
Yannick Gingras	37	10-5-8
Greg Merton	37	9-8-5
Jason Bartlett	31	9-3-4
Jason Brewer	36	9-4-3
Jim Pantaleano	54	9-6-4
Peter Wrenn	57	9-14-7
Tony Hall	50	9-7-12
Larry Stalbaum	33	8-6-2
Ray Fisher Jr.	31	8-6-5
Scott Zeron	49	8-6-5

Trainers Wins

Ron Burke	14
Rene Allard	10
Dolores Basilone	7
Vincent Fusco Jr.	7
Carmen Auciello	6
Mark Ford	6
Ron Steck	6
Thomas Milici	6
Virgil Morgan Jr.	6
Heidi Rohr	5
Jose Godinez	5
Michael Dowdall	5
Philip Sowers	5
Scott Di Domenico	5
Tyler Stillings	5

2016 DECEMBER



sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
27	28 <small>Progress 3CP final (DD)</small>	29	30	1	2 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	3 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>
4	5	6	7 Horseman	8	9 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	10 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>
11	12	13	14	15 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	16 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	17
18	19	20	21 Horseman	22 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	23 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	24
25 <small>Christmas Chanukah</small>	26 <small>Boxing Day (Can.) Kwanzaa</small>	27	28 <small>First day of Winter</small>	29 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	30 <small>Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>	31 <small>New Year's Eve Meadowlands 7:15 p.m.</small>



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