Winter Finals Set For Expected Frigid Night At Mohawk

The Polar Vortex that has gripped much of North America this past week will still be “visiting” the Woodbine Mohawk Park area on Friday night as the predicted high temperature for the day is just -12 Celsius (11 degrees Fahrenheit). So it’s only apropos that the track’s featured events on the 11-race card are the $40,000(C) Snowshoe Series final for 3-and 4-year-old filly and mare pacers and the $36,400(C) Blizzard Series final for 3-and 4-year-old colt and gelding pacers.

Doug McNair, the 2017 O’Brien Award winner as Canada’s Driver of the Year, has a drive in both series finals. In the Snowshoe final McNair will be behind Between The Sheets and in the Blizzard final he’ll direct Bidfora Hug.

Between The Sheets, a 4-year-old gelded son of Always A Virgin, raced for most of last year’s warm-weather months at Hoosier Park before trainer Rod Boyd shipped the pacer to Mohawk in late October. Between The Sheets picked up only minor spoils his first three starts before McNair received an opportunity to drive for the first time. Between The Sheets started from post 10 and eventually finished 10th, but not before leading through the first three calls.

McNair was back up behind Between The Sheets two starts later and this time finished a late-closing second. The following start on Dec. 20 McNair guided Between The Sheets to victory, and then the next week, with Jody Jamieson in the sulky, the pacer scored in a career-best 1:54.3. McNair got the call for round two and he took full advantage as Between The Sheets scored a 1:55.1 victory. In Friday’s final, Between The Sheets will start from post 3.

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Off last week’s first-over victory, McNair is optimistic for the final. “It was the toughest division and he didn’t get the easiest trip, and he dug in to win,” said McNair. “I think if he gets the right trip he’s got a big shot. You can do whatever you like with him but I like him better off a helmet.”

McNair admits he has a longshot chance with Bidfora Hug, a 4-year-old daughter of Royal Mattjesty who starts from post 4 in the Blizzard final.

Randy Waples drove the Brydown Farms-owned, James “Friday” Dean-trained Bidfora Hug to a fifth-place finish in the first round of the Blizzard Series. McNair got the first-call for leg two on Jan. 24, and after starting from post 5, opening up a three-length lead at the quarter, coasting through a middle half of 1:00.3 and leading through the stretch call, Bidfora Hug settled for fourth. “She got things her own way but didn’t have much of an excuse,” said McNair. “‘Friday’ says she has trouble breathing once in a while. “She’s a nice filly to drive, good gaited, but she’ll need a whole lot of luck to win that race. She can follow along and get a decent piece of it, but I’d be surprised if she won. I’ll try to trip her out and get as much money as I can.”

–By Gordon Waterstone
January A Looks For February Win At Big M

Trainer Rob Harmon hopes that January A will make a good impression on Feb. 1 at the Meadowlands. Harmon and his wife Patti, the listed trainer for the stable, will send out January A in the 6-year-old mare’s first North American start after a Down Under campaign.

January A has been in the Harmon barn at Mark Ford’s training center in Middletown, N.Y., since being purchased last November. The daughter of Cammibest arrived in the U.S. with a Down Under resume of 64-14-15-8 and $84,583 in earnings. She will start from post 3 in Race 8, an $11,550 conditioned pace, with Marcus Miller driving.

In January A’s last four starts in added-distance races in Australia, she finished second, first, fourth and fifth.

“She’s not bad,” Rob Harmon answered when asked if January A deserved the 15-1 morning line she was given by Big M odds-maker Dave Brower. “She was racing against the boys last couple times down there when she got moved up when she couldn’t race with the fillies and mares anymore. And she did pretty good against the boys.”

Harmon said he kept January A’s equipment virtually the same as what he viewed from videos of her racing. He said he was told January A had a preferred style of racing.

“I was told she was a nice mare and had one good run to her,” said Harmon, whose Harmon Racing Stable shares ownership with Seth Rosenberg Racing and Larry Kittenplan.

“It looks like she was worth the buy,” added Harmon, who said the price paid was a “fair price.”

January A’s last appearance in Australia came on Nov. 10, and Harmon qualified her for the first and only time on Jan. 23 at Monticello. In the qualifier with Harmon driving, January A dropped in third after starting from post 7 and then rallied with a last quarter of :28.4 to finish second by a neck in 2:00.3.

“She had some trouble with the sharp turns up there, but they weren’t lying as she had one big run on the end of it. She can go. She’s just so two-fingered. Being as smart as she is, she’s going to be OK.”

Harmon said he hoped to race January A at Yonkers but the classification system there would have put the mare in a tough class at the start.

“At Yonkers they make you go in non-winners of $20,000 right off the bat, no matter if you fit the bottom class,” he explained. “I thought the Meadowlands was going to do the same, and I didn’t want to race her against open horses. So I put her in at Freehold in the filly and mare open because it’s not as tough, but they didn’t use it. I wanted to get a couple starts underneath her.

“Then (the Meadowlands) called and said they could let her in this class, so I said, let’s race her,” said Harmon.—By Gordon Waterstone
2019

ALL NOMINATIONS CLOSE
FEBRUARY 15TH

PEPSI NORTH AMERICA CUP XXXVI
Three-year-old open pace.
Final raced on Saturday, June 15, 2019.
$1,000,000 Guaranteed Final Purse.

ARMBRO FLIGHT
Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares trot.
Final raced on Saturday, June 15, 2019.
Purse $250,000 E Final ($175,000 A).

CANADIAN PACING DERBY
Three-year-olds and older open pace.
Final raced on Saturday, August 31, 2019.
Purse $600,000 E Final ($350,000 A).

CANADIAN TROTTING CLASSIC
Three-year-old open trot.
Final raced on Saturday, September 14, 2019.
Purse $665,000 E ($400,000 A).

CASUAL BREEZE
Three-year-old filly trot.
Raced on Friday, August 23, 2019.
Purse $150,000 E ($60,000 A).

ELEGANT IMAGE
Three-year-old filly trot.
Final raced on Saturday, September 14, 2019.
Purse $350,000 E ($225,000 A).

ETERNAL CAMNATION
Two-year-old filly pace.
Raced on Saturday, August 24, 2019.
Purse $250,000 E ($60,000 A).

FAN HANOVER
Three-year-old filly pace.
Final raced on Saturday, June 15, 2019.
Purse $425,000 E ($275,000 A).

GOODTIMES
Three-year-old open trot.
Final raced on Saturday, June 15, 2019.
Purse $260,000 E ($125,000 A).

MAPLE LEAF TROT
Three-year-olds and older open trot.
Final raced on Saturday, August 31, 2019.
Purse $650,000 E Final ($350,000 A).

METRO PACE
Two-year-old open pace.
Final raced on Saturday, September 21, 2019.
Purse $850,000 E ($300,000 A).

MILTON
Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares pace.
Final raced on Saturday, September 21, 2019.
Purse $250,000 E Final ($150,000 A).

NASSAGAWEYA
Two-year-old open pace.
Raced on Saturday, August 24, 2019.
Purse $225,000 E ($60,000 A).

PEACEFUL WAY
Three-year-old filly trot.
Final raced on Saturday, September 14, 2019.
Purse $380,000 E Final ($175,000 A).

ROSES ARE RED
Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares pace.
Final raced on Saturday, June 15, 2019.
Purse $370,000 E Final ($225,000 A).

SHES A GREAT LADY PACE
Two-year-old filly pace.
Final raced on Saturday, September 21, 2019.
Purse $550,000 E Final ($250,000 A).

SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE
Three-year-old open pace.
Raced on Saturday, June 1, 2019.
Purse $180,000 E ($60,000 A).

WILLIAM WELLWOOD MEMORIAL
Two-year-old open trot.
Final raced on Saturday, September 14, 2019.
Purse $400,000 E Final ($175,000 A).

BATTLE OF WATERLOO
Ontario Sired Two-year-old open pace.
Final raced on Monday, August 5, 2019.
Purse $250,000 E Final ($90,000 A).

BATTLE OF THE BELLES
Ontario Sired Two-year-old filly pace.
Final raced on Monday, August 5, 2019.
Purse $165,000 E Final ($60,000 A).

CONFEDERATION CUP XLI
Four-year-old open pace.
Final raced on Sunday, May 19, 2019.
Purse $180,000 E ($150,000 A).

BALANCED IMAGE
Final raced on Saturday, August 24, 2019.
Purse $50,000 E ($20,000 A).

DREAM OF GLORY
Ontario Sired Three-year-old trotting fillies & colts in 2019, non-winners of $75,000 (fillies $100,000) in 2018.
Final raced on Saturday, August 3, 2019.
Purse $60,000 E ($40,000 A).

KIN PACE
Ontario Sired Three-year-old pacing fillies in 2019, non-winners of $50,000 in 2018.
Final raced on Sunday, July 7, 2019.
Purse $60,000 E ($40,000 A).

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Steve Stewart Shares Strategy On Breeding To Tactical Landing

No one knows the details of Tactical Landing’s early life better than breeder Steve Stewart. Tactical Landing was bred by Stewart in partnership with Black Creek Farm and Andrea Lea Racing Stable and was raised at Hunterton Farm in Paris, Ky., which Stewart operates with his wife, Cindy. Hunterton then sold Tactical Landing as a yearling and the Stewart family retained an interest in the colt.

The ownership group also included Steve Stewart’s brother, Bob, so Tactical Landing spent much of his early months in training with Bob near Hunterton, so Steve was able to watch the colt’s development.

If not for an injury that seriously jeopardized a continuation of his racing career, Tactical Landing would still be in training. Instead, he is at Southwind Farm in New Jersey, ready to begin his first season at stud.

Steve Stewart has 12 mares booked to the stallion. Among the group are Graceful Touch, the dam of Hambletonian winner Muscle Massive, Muscle Mass and That’snotmyname (the dam of two $500,000 yearlings).

“It’s always been a struggle for us to find a stud that will give size to a small mare, and that’s what I think is great about Tactical Landing.”

—Steve Stewart

Since Southwind Tesla (by Chapter Seven) is out of a daughter of Muscles Yankee and Tactical Landing is by Muscles Yankee’s son Muscle Hill, the resulting foal will carry a 3x3 cross to Muscles Yankee.

Also among the ownership of Tactical Landing is Taylor Stewart, the son of Steve and Cindy Stewart. In January, Taylor, an Air Force pilot, was married.

“They were married by the priest who knew Taylor from the days when he attended Lexington Catholic, and the priest had seen Tactical Landing, and he mentioned the horse during his homily,” said Steve. “The priest had actually come out to the farm and blessed Tactical Landing when he was first in training. I guess it worked out OK. In just four months the horse made $800,000!”

In other breeding news, the first foals of Fear The Dragon, Downbytheseaside and Huntsville, who battled in the summer of 2017, have been born. The first foal by Fear The Dragon was born at Anvil and Lace Farm in Kentucky on Jan. 25. The gray filly is out of the Cambest mare Calvados Hall. The first foal by pacing sire Downbytheseaside, a filly out of Rosa’s Touch, was born at Winterwood Farm in Ohio and Huntsville had his first foal, a colt out of Stonebridge Sunday, born Tuesday at Crawford Farms in New York. Also, on Sunday, Jan. 27, the first foal by trotting sire Resolve was born at Southwind Farm in New Jersey. The filly is out of the Angus Hall mare Chef Heartsalot.—By Kathy Parker

Kevin Greenfield of Hickory Lane Farm, the largest single shareholder in Tactical Landing, expects to breed eight mares (Greenfield, the farm, and his partners) to the stallion. He purchased New York Sires Stakes winner Southwind Tesla 3, 1:54 ($204,957) for $152,000 at the recent Tattersalls January Mixed Sale and plans to breed her to Tactical Landing.
New Year, New Connections
For Jewels Forreal

Stakes-winner Jewels Forreal makes her 2019 debut on Friday at the Meadowlands, and not only is it the pacer’s first race of the season it is her first race for owner Bill Donovan and trainer Kyle Spagnola. Donovan bought Jewels Forreal nine days ago for $85,000 at the Tattersalls January Select Mixed Sale.

A daughter of So Surreal out of Dandy’s Jewel, the 4-year-old mare has won eight of 33 career races and hit the board a total of 24 times. Her top wins last year came in divisions of the Circle City Stakes and Tompkins-Geers Stakes and the elimination for the Lismore Pace. She was trained previously by Ron Burke and earned $181,473.

Jewels Forreal enters Friday’s race off a second-place finish to Go West Go Fast in a qualifier on Jan. 19 at the Meadowlands. She was timed in 1:53.3.

She will start from post five in a seven-horse field with Yannick Gingras in the sulky. She is 8-1 on the morning line.

Divas Image, a 6-year-old who won last season’s Golden Girls at the Meadowlands, is the 2-1 favorite.

“Her qualifier looked pretty good,” Spagnola said about Jewels Forreal. “I don’t know if she’s going to be as tight as the rest of them, but she seems like a good horse. She’s done everything I’ve asked of her.”

After winning her Circle City division in October at Hoosier Park, Jewel Forreal spent the remainder of her 2018 campaign at The Meadowlands, where she held her own against older foes in the Fillies and Mares Preferred Handicaps. In five races in that class, she posted one win, two seconds and a third.

Spagnola plans to get Jewels Forreal two starts prior to the Feb. 15 deadline for stakes payments. She also could be pointed toward the Mares Open at Saratoga later this year.

Jewels Forreal has won at least one race on each a half-mile, five-eighths-mile, and seven-eighths-mile track. Friday will mark her first race on a one-mile oval. Her career-best win time, 1:51, came at five-eighths-mile Tioga Downs in the Tompkins-Geers.

“We’ll see how she comes back as a 4 year old,” Spagnola said. “I’m sure if she steps her game up we would stake her to some things. I can get two starts in her before we really have to look at anything. I think in the next two weeks we’ll be able to find out more before we have to make any decisions.”

Regardless of where she ends up racing, Spagnola is happy to have Jewels Forreal as an addition to his stable. Spagnola has about 20 horses at the moment.

“I like these kind,” Spagnola said. “She definitely acts like a racehorse.” (Ken Weingartner)
EARLY CLOSING EVENTS

MEADOWLANDS

**EVENTS CLOSE FEB 15, 2019**

Winner of Cutler Memorial may receive an invitation to the 2019 Elitlopp

- $800,000 KINDERGARTEN CLASSIC PACE & TROT
  - 2019 Kindergarten Finals at the Meadowlands
- $490,000 GOVERNSHMAID
- $470,000 GOVERNOR'S CUP
- $400,000 VALLEY VICTORY
- $400,000 THREE DIAMONDS
- $350,000 JIM DOHERTY MEMORIAL 2YO FILLY TROT
- $350,000 PETER HAUGHTON MEMORIAL 2YO COLT TROT

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**2YO**

- $650,000 MEADOWLANDS PACE
- $350,000 STANLEY DANCER MEMORIAL COLT TROT
- $250,000 DEL MILLER MEMORIAL FILLY TROT
- $190,000 MISTLETOE SHALEE FILLY PACE

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**3YO**

- $1,000,000 TVG FFA CHAMPIONSHIP PACE & TROT with Mare divisions for both
- $500,000 GRADUATE 4YO PACE & TROT FINALS with $75,000 legs
- $475,000 WR HAUGHTON MEMORIAL FFA PACE*
- $300,000 JOHN CASHMAN MEMORIAL FFA TROT*
- $260,000 SAM McKEE MEMORIAL FFA PACE*
- $200,000 LADY LIBERTY FFA MARE PACE*
- $200,000 GOLDEN GIRLS FFA MARE PACE*
- $200,000 ARTHUR CUTLER MEMORIAL FFA TROT*
- $155,000 DR. JOHN R. STEELE FFA MARE TROT*
- $100,000 MISS VERSATILITY FFA MARE TROTTING SERIES*
- *denotes leg of TVG championship series

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**OLDER HORSES**

- $1,000,000 EMPIRE BREEDERS CLASSIC 2YO, 3YO & STALLION NOMINATION for both Pacers & Trotters

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TIOGA + VERNON DOWNS

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**OLDER HORSES**

- $175,000 ARTISCAPE FFA MARE PACE*
- $175,000 JOIE DE VIE (formerly Muscle Hill) FFA MARE TROT*
- $175,000 CRAWFORD FARMS FFA TROT*
- $175,000 ROLL WITH JOE FFA PACE*

*All four FFA Stakes will be raced at Tioga Downs in 2019

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The line for this year’s Super Bowl opened up as a “pick ‘em,” but the money came in fast on the Patriots—they are now 2 1/2-point favorites over the Rams. Sixteen of the 37 who made selections for last year’s Super Bowl for HarnessRacing Weekend Preview went with the winning Eagles, who bested the Patriots 41-33. Given the edge for coming closest to the final score from the 16 backers of the Eagles, because he was the closest to the total points, was George Napolitano Jr., who had it 34-27. Completing the trifecta was Tim Bojarski (35-24) and Heather Vitale (30-27).

**SUPER BOWL LIII—NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS vs. LOS ANGELES RAMS**

- **TOM ALDRICH** (Northfield Park)
  Patriots 33, Rams 21. Out of pure admiration for Tom Brady and his accomplishments. I think he’ll do it one more time!

- **GARNET BARNSDALE** (handicapper)
  Rams 44, Patriots 40. Let’s go with the Rams because I am so sick of Tom Brady and Bill Belichick! I’m hoping the Rams can up their game one more time.

- **BRIAN BROWN** (trainer)
  Patriots 50, Rams 45. I think it will be a really high-scoring game. I’m not a gambling man, and I’m rooting for the Rams, but you never bet against Tom Brady. I expect the Patriots to win.

- **MURRAY BROWN** (Hanover Shoe Farms)
  Rams 30, Patriots 27. You have Brady and his receivers, but I think the Rams have more power. A great deal depends on if the Rams running back Gurley is healthy.

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  Patriots 28, Rams 14. I am a longtime fan of the Patriots. I think Tom Brady is still awesome and he is not too old. Everybody counted them out at the beginning of the season, but I never did.

- **COREY CALLAHAN** (driver)
  Patriots 34, Rams 21. The Patriots have momentum and I think they left a lot of points on the board in the AFC championship game. I think the Patriots are playing their best ball right now and I don’t think the Rams are.

- **DAVE BIANCONI** (Northfield Park)
  Patriots 34, Rams 30. It’s simple: Brady is the Foiled Again of quarterbacks. By the way, the score of the 2020 Super Bowl will be the Cleveland Browns 97, any NFC victim 0. Let the Baker Mayfield dynasty begin!

- **BOB BONI** (Northwood Bloodstock)
  Rams 21, Patriots 20. As a native New Yorker I learned early on that I could never cheer for any Boston franchise, or New England, under any circumstances. Therefore, selecting more with emotion than my better judgement, I’m hoping for the Rams to win. It’s just as I doubt there is anyone from New England worth their clam chowder that could ever root for a New York team.

- **TIM BOJARSKI** (Batavia Downs)
  Patriots 24, Rams 21. This year we have rams playing the GOAT. Whereas rams have larger horns, I don’t think size matters this time. Plus, my friends at Plainridge tell me their team has a shot.

- **GEORGE BRENNAN** (driver)
  Patriots 28, Rams 24. I’ve been on the wrong side of every playoff game so far, so I have to get one right. I’m going with the Patriots with their experience. Brady, Belichick, Gronk, they know how to win and will get it done.

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- **COREY CALLAHAN** (driver)
  Patriots 27, Rams 21. My wife is from Maine, and since my Washington Redskins suck so I never get to root for them, I support her.

- **TOM FANNING** (trainer)
  Patriots 24, Rams 17. The Patriots are hitting on all cylinders right now.

- **VICKI GINGRAS** (wife of driver)
  Patriots 28, Rams 14. I’d pick them no matter what, just because they are my team. But if you want an analytical perspective, it’s because the Pats will prepare the most. They will be “sharper, smarter and craftier.” That’s just what they do.
YANNICK GINGRAS (driver)
Patriots 34, Rams 28. My wife is all excited about the Pats and that's a good thing. I think it's an incredible story where the Pats are at. You have to respect Belichick and Brady as it's insane what they are able to do. You've seen dynasties in the past, but in the salary-cap era it's unheard of.

JEFF GURAL (Meadowlands/Tioga/Vernon)
Patriots 35, Rams 31. I never bet against Brady.

RICHARD GUTNICK (owner)
Rams 31, Patriots 28. New England didn’t really play that well this year but now all of a sudden they’re putting it together again. I’m saying to myself, will they put it together again? I think the Rams have a lot of talent and their running back Gurley will be playing more in this game.

MARK HERLIHY (trainer)
Patriots 42, Rams 28. I thought the Saints were the team to beat...and don’t get me wrong, the Rams are stacked and have unbelievable players, I just feel that the Patriots will find a way. Belichick has had two weeks to prepare. They use guys at different positions and I think they’ll have a game plan.

JOE HOLLOWAY
Patriots 36, Rams 20. Experience. It’s a big stage for Rams QB Jared Goff, and I think they were lucky to beat the Saints. Brady, Belichick, New England, they’ve been there so many times.

ROGER HUSTON (The Meadows)
Patriots 33, Rams 31. New England and Brady get the trophy for his last time. The Rams get the money with the +2 1/2. It’s a last-minute field goal by Gostkowski for the game winner.

NANCY JOHANSSON (trainer)
Patriots 28, Rams 21. I like the Patriots because they always win. I like their consistency.

PAUL KELLEY (trainer)
Patriots 34, Rams 28. After consulting with my NFL expert Mark Weaver, I absolutely had to go with the Patriots!

TOM KELLY (former MLB manager/owner)
Patriots 38, Rams 31. The Patriots have the coach and they have the quarterback and they find ways to win. It’s really hard to go against them. But I was really rooting for Kansas City because Patrick Mahomes’ father played for me with the Twins.

AARON MERRIMAN (driver)
Patriots 34, Rams 20. I didn’t think the Patriots would beat the Chiefs but they did. They always find ways to win.

GEORGE NAPOLITANO JR. (driver)
Patriots 24, Rams 17. Tom Brady is the GOAT, the greatest of all time. I think he will make it happen.

CHRIS PAGE (driver)
Patriots 34, Rams 28. Tom Brady and Bill Belichick get ordinary players to become extraordinary players.

DAVE PALONE (driver)
Patriots 28, Rams 24. It’s the same as always: You can’t give Belichick and Brady two weeks to prepare as they are lethal. As a Steelers fan, Brady has torn my heart out for the last 15 years.

PACEY MINDLIN (Miami Valley)
Rams 24, Patriots 21. It will depend on the Rams defense and if they can stop the Patriots.

KATHY PARKER (Weekend Preview)
Patriots 24, Rams 16. Tom Brady is a miracle worker so I’m going with the Patriots.

GABE PREWITT (Red Mile/Pompano Park)
Rams 31, Patriots 24. Everybody seems to be writing off the Rams going against the veteran Patriots, but they are a better team than people are giving them credit for.

NICK SALVI (Meadowlands/Tioga/Vernon/Red Mile)
Patriots 35, Rams 31. As I slept last night my recurring dream of being Tom Brady resulted in an epiphany as I (as Tom) passed for three TDs and ran for another, and was again named MVP. Wait for me Giselle, I’m coming home a winner!

GARY SEIBEL (Cal Expo)
Patriots 33, Rams 21. The Patriots are just so damn good! Their defense is incredibly strong, and they have Tom Brady on the offensive side.

JASON SETTLEMOIR
Patriots 36, Rams 20. Tom Brady is the GOAT!

HOWARD TAYLOR (owner)
Rams 40, Patriots 37. I always root for the little guy and I don’t like Bill Belichick.

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GEORGE TEAGUE JR. (owner)
Rams 34, Patriots 28. I like the Rams because I think they’re a little bit better of a team. The Patriots are a great team, but boy, they have a lot of luck on their side.

TIM TETRICK (driver)
Patriots 34, Rams 28. I think it’ll be a good game. LA has a good defense and they might put some pressure on Brady, but he’s playing too good.

HEATHER VITALE (TV personality)
Rams 27, Patriots 24. Brady is beatable and the Rams awesomesauce defense is what will win this for them. No doubt the Rams offense will have some surprises for the Patriots.

GORDON WATERSTONE (Weekend Preview)
Patriots 41, Rams 17. Does anybody really believe the Patriots will lose two straight Super Bowls? It ain’t happening. Way too much experience on the Pats side that the Rams won’t be able to overcome.

DAVE WEAVER (TVG host)
Rams 43, Patriots 34. The Rams high-powered creative offense will be too much for the Patriots defense to handle. Expect the GOAT to mount a fourth-quarter comeback, but the lead will be too big and the Rams will ultimately prevail.

MARK WEAVER (owner)
Rams 27, Patriots 24. Finally the referees will make calls that go against the Patriots rather than for them.

KEN WEINGARTNER (USTA)
Patriots 32, Rams 27. I just have a feeling this is the Patriots’ last stand and the group wins a final Super Bowl by knocking off the league’s two best up-and-coming teams in successive games.

SCOTT ZERON (driver)
Rams 24, Patriots 21. I like the Rams quarterback. I’m pulling for them. It’d be gigantic for a team like that to win rather than the same one winning every time.
NJ Lawmakers Approve 5 Year, $100 Million Appropriation

The Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association of New Jersey (SBOANJ) and Meadowlands owner Jeff Gural finally received a boost from New Jersey lawmakers late Thursday afternoon when the New Jersey state Assembly passed A4810 by a 68-6 vote, with one abstention.

The Senate had previously passed Senate bill S2992 unanimously. The legislation now awaits the signature of Gov. Phil Murphy, who has expressed his support for the horse racing industry.

The bills authorize the appropriation of $100 million to the state’s horse racing industry over five years, to be split equally between Standardbred and Thoroughbred racing and breeding.

“We are grateful for the commitment to our industry demonstrated by Senators Gopal, Sarlo, Oroho and Assemblymembers Burzichelli, Hougtaling, Downey and Dancer by ushering this bill through the Legislature,” said Mark Ford, president of the SBOANJ. “Senate President Sweeney and Speaker Coughlin took the time to understand the challenging position our industry is in and made this a priority. SBOANJ is thankful for their leadership on this issue. This funding will start to even the playing field for the New Jersey horse racing and breeding industry and help us to compete with the surrounding states which have very lucrative incentive programs.”

Meadowlands owner Jeff Gural said he has been in communication with N.J. Gov. Phil Murphy.

“I asked him to sign it before Feb. 15, when stakes payments are due,” said Gural, who had worried that without the appropriation, he might have to cancel some of the track’s top stakes events due to the added money needed to fund them.

Gural added that he expects purses at the Meadowlands to be increased once the legislation is signed by the governor and becomes law. He does not plan on any change in the number of racing dates.

The appropriation will direct $20-million annually to Standardbred and Thoroughbred purses—$10 million to each breed over the next five years. Following the unanimous approval of the appropriation in the state Senate last December, the legislation was delayed as the Assembly reworked its bill to also include several benchmarks for showing that the appropriation is improving New Jersey horse racing. The reporting will be handled by the New Jersey State Racing Commission.

The benchmarks for measuring the impact of the appropriation will include the following:

- Number of mares bred in New Jersey;
- Participation in New Jersey Sires Stakes
- Number of races held
- Field size of races
- Handle

The horse racing industry has been lobbying New Jersey lawmakers for months, looking for assistance for the racing industry in the state due to competition from surrounding states which receive a portion of gaming revenues generated at their tracks. The horse racing industry made its case that through farms, the industry aids and protects the preservation of open space in New Jersey, and that the horse racing industry heavily supports the agribusiness and ensures thousands of jobs around the state.

In a press release, the SBOANJ noted it is “proud of the strides taken by our advocacy efforts. The relentless work of the Association will pay dividends for the horse racing and breeding industry and the State of New Jersey, enabling the horse industry to continue to grow and provide top of the line purses that will undoubtedly attract unparalleled competitors back to the state. SBOANJ is also appreciative of the support shown by their long-standing partners – the Meadowlands Racetrack, Freehold Raceway, the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horsemen Association and the Thoroughbred Breeders’ Association of New Jersey.” — By Kathy Parker
## 21st Annual Stallion Auction

**to Benefit New Vocations**

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“Open Ended Format” (all bids are in US dollars)

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How To Bid: Bid at www.ongait.com 2:00 p.m. Tues., Feb. 5 - 2:00 p.m. Thurs., Feb. 7 in an Open Ended Format (bidding remains open up to 2 minutes after the last bid). All bids are in US dollars. Minimum raise is $100. Winning bidders owe a refundable 10%, minimum $100 deposit. Balance is due to New Vocations with a live foal. Winning bidders will be charged $50 by OnGait for each breeding purchased. (Please do not bid for mares over 20 yrs old, ones that have been barren two + consecutive years, ones due to foal after May 10, or those that are already booked.) FMI (937) 947-4020 or email dot@horseadoption.com www.NewVocations.org
American Girl Nearing Becoming Millionaire

Darla Gaskin will be at a loss when the time comes for her American Girl to retire to motherhood, but at the rate the 10-year-old pacing mare continues to put up wins and bank money, that time might not come for quite a while yet. And that is perfectly fine with Gaskin.

American Girl, the winner of four of her past five races dating back to mid-November, is on the verge of reaching $1 million in career earnings. The bay mare, purchased for $6,000 as a yearling, makes her first attempt for the $1-million mark in Friday’s Fillies and Mares Open Handicap at Miami Valley Raceway. She will start from post 9 and is 9-2 on the morning line, with Brady Galliers driving for trainer Tyler George.

“She’s been a good girl,” said Gaskin, who owns American Girl with Stanley Rosenblatt. “Everyone asks when we’re going to breed her. I tell them, she’ll tell us when she’s done. She seems as good as she has ever been. I admire her durability. She just keeps going; I guess she’s a warhorse.

“You have to be careful when they get to her age; do they still want to do it? She seems like she wants to do it. She tries hard; she loves her job. I think her desire to do it is her greatest attribute. We’ll just keep going. As long as she’s good we’ll keep going and see where it takes us.”

American Girl, a daughter of Art’s Chip out of L Dees Loredes, has won 54 of 197 lifetime races and hit the board a total of 139 times. She has earned six figures in each of the past three seasons and has already put $15,500 into her coffers this year.

“People enjoy following her,” Gaskin said. “I get texts after her races, ‘Wow what a girl; she’s got the heart of a champion.’ That’s something you can’t buy. You’ve got to find them.”

Gaskin and her husband Ernie found American Girl at the 2010 Hoosier Sale, where her quirkiness might have contributed to her price.

“I loved her, but she would not go in and out of a stall,” Gaskin recalled. “That turned a lot of people off because you didn’t know if she was going to balk or whatever. But she had a kind eye and I told Ernie that I thought she was just scared. She had to step over a pipe to get in the stall and she kept looking at it.

“She was hanging at $5,000 and Ernie looked at me and I told him I wanted her. We were lucky. You dream about getting a horse like that. We’re just fortunate. That’s what you’re looking for. That’s why we all do it. It’s always like a dream to get one like that. It’s once in a lifetime.”

American Girl was trained by Ernie until late in her 6-year-old season, when George, who is Gaskin’s nephew, took over. She won the Circle City at age 3 and also enjoyed success on the Indiana Sires Stakes circuit at ages 2 and 3, but was unable to win a championship. She finally got an Indiana Sires Stakes title at the age of 5.

In recent years, American Girl’s connections have favored racing the mare in the winter through spring and given her time off during the summer. The schedule seems to have contributed to American Girl’s longevity, not to mention her win total. Since the start of 2016, she has posted 26 wins, with the majority coming in the winter in Ohio. (Ken Weingartner)
Northfield changes stakes
to “invitation only”
As the time for stakes nominations for 2019 nears, Northfield Park reminds the connections of top open pacers, open trotters and 3-year-old pacers that the track’s richest three Grand Circuit events in 2019 will all be “by invitation only.”

Regulatory groups approve
track purchases by MGM
MGM Resorts International has received approval for its purchase of both Yonkers Raceway and Northfield Park.

Aldine Hanover looks
for Yonkers repeat
When Aldine Hanover joined the ranks of Michael Hall’s stable late last year, the filly immediately made her presence known. Aldine Hanover quickly asserted herself as the alpha in the Hall’s group of mares and she commanded respect in the barn. It was apparent to Hall that Aldine Hanover possessed something special that could not be taught.

New look for Big M’s
Big 3 in January
For the last several years, the Meadowlands has had a “Big 3” in its driver colony. Yannick Gingras, David Miller and Tim Tetrick have won many of the races—especially stakes events—at the Big M, but thus far in 2019, there are several new names in play when handicappers seek to use a top-three pilot.

Last call for Dan Patch
banquet room reservations
It is last call to make room reservations at the luxurious Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando, Fla., for the U.S. Harness Writers Association’s (USHWA) annual Dan Patch Awards banquet on Sunday, Feb. 24. If you are planning to attend the gala festivities that will honor the best equines and humans in the sport in 2018, room reservations must be made by Friday, Feb. 1. Rooms are nearly sold out so make sure you don’t get shut out!

Dan Patch Awards silent auction items
The Dan Patch Awards dinner on Sunday, Feb. 24, at Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando is rapidly approaching and along with it, the annual silent auction that is held in conjunction with the evening’s festivities. Once again the Harness Horse Youth Foundation and U.S. Harness Writers Association industry outreach will benefit from the proceeds.

Spirit Of Massachusetts returning
to Plainridge in 2019
Plainridge Park Casino and the Harness Horseman’s Association of New England are pleased to announce the return of the Spirit of Massachusetts Trot. After a one-year hiatus, the $250,000 Open even for North America’s top trotters will be contested on Sunday, July 28.

More Ont. tracks join integrity initiative
A group of Ontario’s signature race tracks – Flamboro Downs, Georgian Downs, Grand River Raceway and The Raceway at Western Fair District - have jointly announced a new ownership integrity stakes condition which will take effect on Feb. 15, 2019 and will apply to some of the province’s most high profile races.

Horses injured in Ont.
barn fire leave vet hospital
On Jan. 29, the gofundme page organized for donations following the barn fire that affected trainer Mark Steacy’s horses posted the following update: “As of today’s date, of the 9 horses that went to the University of Guelph for treatment, 1 still remains and is not doing so well. Two of them were retired to be broodmares and the other 6 seem to be doing well. The remainder of the stable have started back jogging and seem to be going in the right direction.”

American Ideal’s book full and closed
American Ideal, America’s leading active pacing sire in 2018 progeny earnings, combined 2 and 3-year-old earnings, and $100,000 winners, is now full and closed for the 2019 breeding season.

New program for training racing investigators
Beginning in the third quarter of 2019, the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI) and the University of Arizona’s Racetrack Industry Program (RTIP) will launch an educational program for horse racing investigators employed by racing commissions and tracks.

HHYF elects officers, modifies programs
The Harness Horse Youth Foundation (HHYF) recently held its annual meeting of trustees and members at Diamond Creek Farm in Wellsville, Pa. The morning consisted of a planning session/power point presentation about revenue stream development and summer program modifications led by dynamic facilitator Christy Landwehr from Aurora, Col.

CHHA Stallion Auction begins Thursday
CHHA Stallion Auction starts at noon Thursday, Thursday, Jan. 31 and runs through noon Saturday, Feb. 2. For an up-to-date listing of stallions and bidding information visit www.chha.net/stallion-auction.
## Harness Racing Leaders

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