Melander Sends Greenshoe, Green Manalishi S To Zweig

Marcus Melander confirmed that his life is a little quieter now that the Hambletonian is over. But neither the stream of visitors to the Melander farm training center nor the two heats of competition in the Hambletonian seemed to affect his stable stars, he said. “They are fine,” he said of Hambletonian betting favorite Greenshoe, who finished second, beaten a neck, in the final, Gimpanzee, the third-place finisher, and Green Manalishi, who picked up fifth money. “They maybe came out of the Hambletonian better than I thought they would,” added Melander. “You never know when a horse goes two heats in one day.” Greenshoe and Green Manalishi S will be back in action on Saturday night at Vernon Downs, competing in the $330,000 Harry M. Zweig Memorial Trot. They drew excellent post positions, with Green Manalishi in post 2 and Greenshoe in post 6. He also has two other entries in Gerry (post 9) and Hatikvah (post 4). In between the top Melander duo is Don’t Let’em, who finished second to Greenshoe in a Hambo elimination, and Marseille, who was fourth in the same Hambo elim. “My horses trained very good last Saturday,” said Melander of Greenshoe and Green Manalishi S. “It’s not an easy field in the Zweig, but we drew well.” Melander will also be starting Miss Trixton in the $135,000 Zweig for filly trotters. She finished fourth in the $500,000 Hambletonian Oaks after starting from post 10. “It’s not that often she wins (she has two wins in 11 starts this year) but she always races really well,” noted Melander. “We have a good post position, but there are nice horses in there.” Following their Saturday night appearances at Vernon, Melander said his trotting colts will likely go their separate ways for a couple of starts. “Brian (Sears, who regularly drives Greenshoe) and I talked and we’re thinking Greenshoe will go to Lexington for the Kentucky Sires Stakes (Aug. 24),” said Melander. “Why not race at the Red Mile if you can?” Melander plans for Green Manalishi S to ship to Canada to race in the Simcoe and Canadian Trotting Classic. Gimpanzee, the 2018 New York Sires Stakes division champion and a half-mile track specialist, will start next in the Yonkers Trot, with eliminations on Aug. 24, if necessary. —By Kathy Parker
Thursday KYSS Start For Bettor’s Wish; Plans Call For Messenger Supplement

Bettor’s Wish, the richest Standardbred in North America and one of the sport’s biggest stars, will be in action Thursday night at The Red Mile as Kentucky Sires Stakes (KYSS) for 3-year-old pacers highlight the card. On tap are three KYSS divisions for male pacers and a single 1 1/4-mile race for filly pacers.

Twenty-one male pacers will race in three seven-horse fields that each carry a purse of $30,000, and the odds-on 4-5 favorite in the last split (Race 4) is Bettor’s Wish, just five days removed from his 1:50.3 victory in the $400,000 Carl Milstein Memorial at Northfield Park. With Dexter Dunn driving, Bettor’s Wish led at every call, turning on the burners after a :57 half to torch the half-mile oval with a back half of :53.3 to win by 3 1/2 lengths.

Dunn is back in the sulky for Thursday’s KYSS division, starting from post 5.

A son of Bettor’s Delight, Bettor’s Wish’s six wins in nine starts this year also includes the $300,000 Art Rooney in late May at Yonkers Raceway. Bettor’s Wish also has three seconds on his season ledger, including the rich North America Cup, Meadowlands Pace and Cane Pace.

With $824,544, Bettor’s Wish tops the earnings leaderboard in North America this year. His win in the Milstein boosted the career earnings for the $20,000 yearling purchase past the $1-million mark to $1,096,600 for owners Chris Ryder, Bella Racing, Fair Island Farm and Bettors Wish Stable.

According to Fair Island Farm’s Art Zubrod, plans call for Bettor’s Wish to be supplemented to the upcoming Messenger at Yonkers Raceway (elims if needed on Aug. 24, final on Aug. 31) for $30,000. A Messenger victory would then allow the connections to supplement Bettor’s Wish to the Sept. 19 Little Brown Jug at Delaware, Ohio, for $45,000.

Favored in the first two $30,000 contests for the boys (Races 2 and 3) are a pair of Tony Alagna-trained sons of Captaintreacherous. The favorite in Race 2 is Captain Ahab, who is winless in four starts this year but tuned up for the KYSS contest with a country-mile win (26 1/2 lengths) in 1:51 in an Aug. 3 qualifier at The Red Mile. Captain Ahab starts from post 6 with Andy McCarthy driving.

Favored in Race 3 is Odds On Boca Raton, who starts from post 1 with Dunn driving. Odds On Boca Raton has three wins in nine starts this year, a pair of Pennsylvania Stallion contests and an overnight.—By Gordon Waterstone
## Important Pennsylvania-Sired Winners from August 3—13, 2019

**DATE & TRACK** | **EVENT** | **WINNER** | **OWNER/BREEDER** | **SIRE-DAM**
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August 3 Meadowlands | $500,000 Hambletonian Oaks 3YOFT | When Doves cry | Go Fast Stable, Yves Sarrazin, Kapildeo Singh, Larry Dumain/William B. Weaver III | Muscle Hill
August 3 Meadowlands | $70,000 Hambletonian Elim 3YOT | Green Manalishi S | Courant Inc./AB Svensk Reklamföreningar | Muscle Hill
August 3 Meadowlands | $70,000 Hambletonian Elim 3YOT | Greenshoe | Courant Inc./Hans Bäcké, Lars Granqvist, Morten Langli/Ali Libfell & Marvin Katz | Father Patrick
August 3 Meadowlands | $324,550 Peter Haughton Mem. 2YOC | Real Cool Sam | Fashion Farms/ | Muscle Hill
August 3 Meadowlands | $285,362 Cane Pace 3YOCP | Captain Crunch | 3 Brothers Stbl., Christina Takter, Hovan Stbl., Cavali Farms/ | CaptainTreacherous
August 3 Meadowlands | $280,000 John Cashman Mem. 4&UT | Crystal Fashion | Fashion Farms/ Hanover Shoe Farms | Cantab Hall
August 3 Meadowlands | $186,000 J. R. Steele Mem. 3&UF&MT | Manchego | Black Horse Racing/ Britanny Farms | Muscle Hill
August 3 Meadowlands | $100,362 Shady Daisy 3YOFP | Tall Drink Hanover | Alogna Racing, Marvin Katz, Riverview Racing/ Hanover Shoe Farms | CaptainTreacherous
August 4 Pocono | $184,240 (div.) PASS 2YOFP | Beyond Ecstasy | Jeffrey Snyder, Michael Snyder, Four Friends Racing Stable/ Hanover Shoe Farms | SSomeBeachSomeWhere
August 4 Pocono | $184,240 (div.) PASS 2YOFP | Rocknificent | Envio Stables, South Mountain Stables, Little E LLC/ Deo Volente Farms, TLP Stable | CaptainTreacherous
August 4 Pocono | $184,240 (div.) PASS 2YOFP | JK First Lady | 3 Brothers Stables/ | Western Ideal
August 4 Pocono | $188,420 (div.) PASS 2YOCT | Can’t Say No | Ray Schnittker, Steve Arnold, Arden Homestead, Fred Hertrich III/ Fred Hertrich III | Explosive Matter
August 4 Philadelphia | $188,420 (div.) PASS 2YOCT | Swiss House Onfire | S R F Stable/ | Muscle Hill
August 4 Philadelphia | $188,420 (div.) PASS 2YOCT | Amigo Volo | Pinske Stables, David J. Miller, Kentuckiana Farms, Jorgen Jahn Jr/ | Father Patrick
August 4 Philadelphia | $188,420 (div.) PASS 2YOCT | Chestnut Hill | M. Hartman, D. McDougal, Little E LLC/ Melvin Hartman, David McDougal, Herb Liverman | Muscle Hill
August 4 Philadelphia | $83,100 (div.) Tompkins-Geers 2YOCP | Musclesandmascara | Consus Racing Stable/ | Muscle Hill
August 4 Tioga | $58,700 (div.) Tompkins-Geers 2YOCP | Manticore | M And L of Delaware LLC, M & M Harness Racing LLC/ Estate of George F. Hempf Trust | Western Ideal
August 9 Tioga | $64,900 Tompkins-Geers 2YOFP | Shining Beauty | Britanny Farms/ Britanny Farms | CaptainTreacherous
August 10 Meadows | $181,652 (div.) PASS 2YOCP | Adriano Hanover | Jo-Ann Looney-King, Joseph Palermo III/ Hanover Shoe Farms | Western Ideal
August 10 Meadows | $181,652 (div.) PASS 2YOCP | Cattleshine | W. J. Donovon/ | SomeBeachSomeWhere
August 10 Meadows | $181,652 (div.) PASS 2YOCP | Caliber | Diamond Creek Racing/ | Sweet Lou
August 11 Pocono | $168,480 (div.) PASS 3YOFP | Treacherous Reign | Alogna Racing, Big Als Stables, Let It Ride Stables, Dana Parham/ White Birch Farm | CaptainTreacherous
August 11 Pocono | $168,480 (div.) PASS 3YOFP | Warrawei Ubeaut | Suhe Racing Stbl., Philip Coluna, J & A Silva-Pumel & Libby, Weaver Bros/ Warrawei Farms | Sweet Lou
August 11 Pocono | $168,480 (div.) PASS 3YOFP | Tall Drink Hanover | Alogna Racing, Marvin Katz, Riverview Racing/ Hanover Shoe Farms | CaptainTreacherous
August 12 Mohawk | $50,000 Dream Maker Final 2YOFP | Capt Midnight | Marvin Katz, Kenneth Jacobs, Brad Grant, Capt Midnight Racing/ Hanover Shoe Farms | CaptainTreacherous
August 13 Meadows | $183,040 (div.) PASS 2YOFP | Rocknificent | Envio Stables, South Mountain Stables, Little E LLC/ Deo Volente Farms, TLP Stable | CaptainTreacherous
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August 13 Mohawk | $50,000 Whenuwishuponastar Final 2YOFP | Reflect With Me | Britanny Farms, Brad Grant/ Britanny Farms | CaptainTreacherous
Wiggle It Jiggleit Returns! 2015 HOY To Qualify Tuesday

For the first time in 1,026 days, Wiggle It Jiggleit will compete in a race on Tuesday, Aug. 20. Owner George Teague Jr. told Weekend Preview that the 2015 Horse of the Year, who has not made a start since finishing second in the Breeders Crown final to Always B Miki on Oct. 28, 2016, will start next week in a qualifier at Harrah's Philadelphia.

“The great news is that he’s absolutely perfect so far,” said Teague, who in May told Weekend Preview he didn’t expect Wiggle It Jiggleit to possibly return until 2020. Various health issues—primarily back problems—kept the star pacer on the sidelines so long.

Teague said recent training miles for Wiggle It Jiggleit over the half-mile track at Harrington went in 1:58 and 1:56.

“I’m going to train him one more time on Friday (Aug. 16) and then he’ll qualify. I hope now he can go in 1:55,” said Teague.

“He’s not in racehorse shape yet but he’s ready to qualify. In about six weeks he should be fine. He’ll have at least three qualifiers, maybe four. I don’t know where we’ll go with him, but I plan on starting him a couple times this year. He’s still six weeks from that though.”

The last time the now 7-year-old Wiggle It Jiggleit’s name appeared in a program page his resume showed 38 wins in 51 career starts, with his $3,907,557 in earnings placing him sixth on the all-time list for pacers.

“I hope I can see what he’s like this year and that will set him up a little bit more and try him back next year earlier,” said Teague, “and try to stake him up for the season.”

Teague admitted Wiggle It Jiggleit has continued to battle weight problems during the extended layoff.

“His like me. I can’t lose weight and neither can he and I’m not going to hold that against him if I can’t hold it against myself,” Teague said with a laugh. “Even when we work the crap out of him he just won’t lose weight. He’s got that old-age spread.”

Post time for the qualifiers is 10 a.m. Wiggle It Jiggleit’s regular driver, Montrell Teague, will be in the sulky.—By Gordon Waterstone

KYSS Starter Caviart Guilia: “A Pleasant Surprise”

The Kentucky Sires Stakes season kicked off at The Red Mile on Aug. 8 with 2-year-old trotters in action, and the freshman class are back for round two on Sunday night.

The first KYSS leg for first-year filly trotters was a good one for Caviart Farms as homebreds finished first and second in their respective $30,000 divisions.

Caviart Eva, who finished second in a pair of tight photos in New Jersey Sires Stakes preliminaries before finishing 2p4 in the final after making a late break, found the winner’s circle for the first time for Caviart Farms with a 1:55.2 effort for driver Andy McCarthy. The daughter of Trixton is trained by Nancy Johansson.

On Sunday, Caviart Eva looks to go back-to-back when she starts from post 7 in the second KYSS division (Race 4).

Caviart Guilia, bred by Caviart Farms in partnership with Noel Daley, starts from post 1 in the first KYSS division (Race 2) on Sunday.

After four consecutive wins in Pennsylvania to start her career the Caviart Farms-bred Caviart Guilia had to settle for a tough-loss second in her KYSS opener. With Scott Zeron driving, Caviart Guilia settled in third early, and then tipped to the outside approaching three-quarters. With a last quarter of :27.4, Caviart Guilia just missed catching leading Sequin by a nose in 1:56.1.

“We just have to get her steering a little better,” said trainer Brian Brown. “She got on the right line a little and it cost her a win.”

Brown said the daughter of Explosive Matter has surprised her connections early in her career. Her four wins in Pennsylvania include an overnight, a pair of PA Stallion contests, and an Arden Downs division in a career-best 1:57.1.

“She’s just a nice little horse, way better than we expected,” admitted Brown. “We thought she was pretty average, then she won the couple of Stallion races and then the Arden Downs. What a pleasant surprise.”

Brown said determination is what drives Caviart Guilia.

“She’s one of those that you don’t rush out of the gate, but once she hits the first turn, whatever size track it is, she straightens right up and you can race her any way you wanted,” said Brown. “She closes really well. She’s one of those I’m looking forward to racing.” —By Gordon Waterstone

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Hanna Dreamgirl Ready For Zweig Filly

After giving Hanna Dreamgirl the opportunity to boost her confidence, owner Ken Jacobs and trainer George Ducharme will give the filly the chance to reestablish herself on the Grand Circuit.

Hanna Dreamgirl will bring a three-race win streak to Saturday’s $135,000 Dr. Harry M. Zweig Memorial for 3-year-old filly trotters at Vernon Downs. All three of the filly’s recent victories came in the New York Excelsior “A” Series, which is the tier beneath the state’s top sires stakes level.

In the start prior to her win streak, Hanna Dreamgirl finished 10th in a division of the Reynolds Memorial. She had not won a New York Sires Stakes division since her 2019 debut in early May. Last year, while in the stable of trainer Linda Toscano, she had a win in each the NYSS and Kindergarten Classic Series and finished third in the James Dougherty Memorial. She also picked up checks in the Bluegrass and International Stallion stakes.

“Ken wanted to drop her down (to the Excelsior Series) and I fully agreed,” Ducharme said. “She was just chasing along in the sire stakes and was losing interest. She needed that (change). It seems to have really pumped her attitude up.

“This is going to be a pretty good jump for her, but Ken was willing to take the chance and see how she does back in the company we thought she would be able to go with.”

The Zweig’s main event for fillies includes Evident Beauty, whose four wins this year include a division of the Delvin Miller Memorial and the New Jersey Sire Stakes championship, as well as Reynolds Memorial division winner Starita and Continental victory division winner The Ice Dutchess.

Jacobs purchased Hanna Dreamgirl, then named Empress Crown, for $125,000 at the 2017 Lexington Selected Sale. The filly is by Chapter Seven is out of Shipps Empress. For her career, Hanna Dreamgirl has won seven of 24 races, hit the board a total of 15 times, and earned $176,972.

“We should get a better read on whether she can go forward the rest of the year after Saturday,” Ducharme said.
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$232,700 Empire Breeders Classic 3FP

Tioga Downs, Sunday, Aug. 18, Race 8, Post Time: 3:06 pm

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AEI—Rollwithpapajoe (Roll With Joe)

AE2—Fromthestartagain (So Surreal)

**Shartin N, McWicked Lead Stakes Fields At Tioga**

Tioga Downs has a big stakes card on Sunday, with racing getting underway at 1 p.m. The program includes the Empire Breeders Classics for 3-year-old pacers plus the third leg of the Miss Versatility for male pacers, the $137,000 Artiscape Mare Pace and the $170,000 Roll With Joe for older male pacers.

Entry fees for the Artiscape and Roll With Joe were $3,000.

The eight mares entered in the Miss Versatility (Race 4) include Custom Cantab, who goes into the race fresh off a 33-1 upset victory in the Joie de Vie Trot last Sunday at Tioga. Also in the Miss Versatility is Darling Mearas S, who caused confusion in the Joie de Vie when she broke stride in the first turn. She starts from post 6 in the Miss Versatility. Missing from the field are two mares in the Miss Versatility point standings after two legs—Emoticon Hanover and Hannelore Hanover.

The fourth leg of the Miss Versatility is scheduled for Sept. 6 at Tioga while the top eight point earners will compete in the final on Little Brown Jug Day at the Delaware, Ohio, County Fair.

From 17 eligibles, only five pacing mares were entered in the Artiscape (Race 5) and the field includes the seemingly invincible Shartin N, who has won 12 of 13 starts this season. She’ll start from post 3 with the rest of the field Caviart Ally, Wisdom Tree, Seawhift Joy N and Divas Image.

Lather Up was among the 25 horses eligible to the Roll With Joe, but he’s taking the week off. Leading the field is his archrival McWicked, who will start from post 6.

AEI—Rollwithpapajoe (Roll With Joe)

AE2—Fromthestartagain (So Surreal)
The August racing calendar is filled with sires stakes legs and this weekend is no different, with Ohio, Indiana and Ontario-sired horses in action on Friday and New York, Ohio, Kentucky and Pennsylvania Sires Stakes filling out the weekend.

Sires Stakes championships are coming up soon and the Ohio finals are first on the calendar, set for Sunday, Sept. 1, at Northfield Park. Pennsylvania’s finals are split between The Meadows (3 year olds on Saturday, Sept. 7) and Harrah’s Philadelphia (2 year olds on Sunday, Sept. 8).

On Friday night, first post at Scioto Downs is 6:30 p.m. and races 2 and 4 are Ohio Sires Stakes for 3-year-old trotting fillies. The defending champion ONLY TAKE CASH drew post position 8 in Race 2.

Switch to the Harrah’s Hoosier Park signal by 8:30 p.m. to catch the first of two $50,000 Indiana Sires Stakes divisions for 3-year-old colt and gelding pacers. In Race 8, LITTLE ROCKET MAN, who has eight wins in 11 starts this season, leads the field from post 6 for trainer Melissa Essig. Essig also has SHAMWOW, an Always A Virgin half brother to Shamballa, in the second split, Race 11. Shamwow did not race as a 2 year old but is 4-for-5 this season. He took a mark of 1:49.4 in winning his first Indiana Sires Stakes race.

The Meadows (3 year olds on Saturday, Sept. 7) and Harrah’s Philadelphia (2 year olds on Sunday, Sept. 8).

The Ontario Sires Stakes schedule in September, with starts scheduled some time in the paddock before resuming his training for the :57 half, but All Wrapped Up and driver Louis-Philippe Roy had no interest in yielding to the heavy favorites. The pair matched strides past the 1:24.3 three-quarters and on down the stretch until the wire, when Forbidden Trade got there a head in front to win in 1:53.

Trainer Luc Blais said Forbidden Trade will enjoy some time in the paddock before resuming his stakes schedule in September, with starts scheduled in the Simcoe, Canadian Trotting Classic and last Ontario Sires Stakes Gold event on Sept. 26. The Ontario Super Final is Oct. 12. The colt is not eligible to the Kentucky Futurity.

Forbidden Trade Wins Ontario Gold On Monday

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