

# Race 1 News

## Dr. Fager 1968 Part 5: Farewell, Doc

by Steve Haskin

Dr. Fager emerged from his street brawl in the United Nations Handicap in good shape, despite having to withstand the fight of his life against the tenacious Advocator, the 134 pounds on his back, and the 22-pound weight concession to his adversary.

But, unlike his previous races, the Doc was not ready to come back in only 17 days to face his arch rival Damascus in the Woodward Stakes. John Nerud had to come up with another swan song for his horse, one worthy enough to sing the Doc's praises and send him off with the fanfare he deserved.

Nerud decided on the seven-furlong Vosburgh Handicap on November 2, which would give him plenty of time to get over the United Nations and have him fresh enough and sharp enough to go out with a bang. After all, only a performance for the ages would prove a fitting farewell for a horse as special as Dr. Fager after all the

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

## STORMING D ODDS

Sat in, shuffled to last, cleared traffic, some urging. Easier spot. And Mooney returns. User.

## HARRY FREDRICK

Looped leaving, parked turn to drop, back out late last bend, urged, nice try. Inside post for a change. Solid threat for all.

## SPIKELIKE

Grabbed cover past half, good lead up, urged to get by the fave. Facing winners. Adds James.

## LILBITOFMAMA

3rd over past half, not a good flow, only fair late stages. Class and post relief. Use for sure.

## WIZZEL STIX

Left to hold pocket behind speedy winner, chased balance, urged, almost. Segues from speedy nw500 class. Could be overbet.

## JOHNNY BE ON TIME

Sped to top, braked to far turn, shook off first attacker, caught by 2nd over foe. Tries Gary Clark here.

## HF CARD

Looped leaving, pocket to 3/4s, tipped out, caught late, avoided break. Adds chip. Plan from outside?



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 1st Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	HF CARD
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	LILBITOFMAMA
Fastest time last race	WIZZEL STIX
Fastest win time this year	LILBITOFMAMA
Fastest win time last year	WIZZEL STIX
Fastest last '1/4' last race	SPIKELIKE
Closed Strongly last race	SPIKELIKE
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	STORMING D ODDS HARRY FREDRICK LILBITOFMAMA
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	LILBITOFMAMA

## PICK 5 (16% Takeout) - 50¢ WAGER COMBINATIONS

50 Cent Wagers	Your Cost		
1 x 1 x 1 x 1 x 1	\$.50	2 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2	\$16.00
1 x 1 x 1 x 1 x 2	\$1.00	2 x 2 x 2 x 3 x 3	\$36.00
1 x 1 x 1 x 2 x 2	\$2.00	2 x 2 x 3 x 3 x 3	\$54.00
1 x 1 x 2 x 2 x 2	\$4.00	1 x 2 x 3 x 4 x 5	\$60.00
1 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2	\$8.00	2 x 3 x 3 x 3 x 3	\$81.00
1 x 1 x 3 x 3 x 3	\$13.50	3 x 3 x 3 x 3 x 3	\$121.50
		2 x 3 x 4 x 5 x 6	\$360.00

# Race 2 News

Herculean feats he had performed that year.

This was s perfect race for the Doc to let loose and run a hole in the wind. There were no more tomorrows, no more races to save him for. It was time to empty the tank and see just how fast Dr. Fager could run.

Meanwhile Damascus' once stellar 4-year-old campaign had taken an unfortunate turn. Frank Whiteley had been reluctant to use Braulio Baeza on the colt, but it started out looking like a good move, as Baeza guided Damascus to victories in the William DuPont Handicap and Aqueduct Stakes, both carrying 134 pounds.

Then Whiteley sent Damascus to Detroit Race Course for the September 14 Michigan Mile and an Eighth and it all began to unravel. Damascus was assigned 133 pounds, and despite the weight was sent off as the 1-5 favorite. It was an odd spot in which to run him, but Whiteley had been showing Damascus off all over the country throughout his career. There wasn't a racetrack he couldn't handle, regardless of the

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

## SILENT RESCUE

Sent to top, yielded near quarter, right back to top, attacked by winner far turn, held okay. Exotic user from rail.

## KG EXPLORER

Rode the rail, failed to get into it. Drops. Rene returns.

## KING OF THE SWAMP

Little ruff turn one, back to last, out again near half, failed to advance. Steve returns. Another longshot.

## ELVIS PACELEY

Parked hard quarter to top, battled quarter mover to str, collapsed late. Better post. Down the road again for Elvis?

## PRODIGAL

Moved up on cover train, angled wide into lane, solid tuner. Class relief and figures to be tighter. Major player.

## STYLEMASTER

Looped leaving, yielded, 3hole far turn, heavy traffic into str, tough to gauge. Luke's choice. Fair form. Another thought.

## SECRET CHORD

Slow leaving, followed cover last bend, angled wide, no close. Extra week off. Stuck outside though.



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 2nd Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	SILENT RESCUE STYLEMASTER
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	STYLEMASTER
Fastest time last race	PRODIGAL
Fastest win time this year	ELVIS PACELEY
Fastest win time last year	PRODIGAL
Fastest last '1/4' last race	KG EXPLORER
Closed Strongly last race	N/A
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	ELVIS PACELEY
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	PRODIGAL (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	KG EXPLORER KING OF THE SWAMP STYLEMASTER
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	PRODIGAL STYLEMASTER

## March 2018

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# Race 3

# News

condition, and that devastating move was lethal anywhere.

The race would prove to be controversial, as Baeza kept Damascus far back and never really got into him until it was way too late. Damascus, who usually had his field buried by the eighth pole and often by the quarter pole, was still back in sixth at the eighth pole, nearly seven lengths behind the 3-year-old Nodouble, who had taken over the lead under a feathery 111 pounds. Once Damascus got rolling, he came flying late, but had to settle for second. Damascus was never a deep closer, so one had to wonder why Baeza waited so long to move on him. Whiteley was not happy with Baeza's ride, feeling he gave Damascus way too much to do. But Baeza said Damascus did not kick in like he normally does and didn't feel like the same horse he rode in his two victories.

The bottom line was that Damascus' quest for back-to-back Horse of the Year titles had taken a bit of a blow, and many believed that Dr. Fager, having won

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

## FRANKS BEST

Parked eighth, back 3wide around bad flow far turn, urged to save place. Hikes. Longshot.

## SILVERHILL VOLO

Sent from gate, pushed before yielding, back out middle last bend, had narrow lead near wire, caught. Good form. Exotic player.

## SILVERLODE

Left 3wide, parked past quarter, braked, attacked late final bend, held tough to end. Controls the pace again. How far can she go?

## TALKIN TOOTSIE

Reserved to middle last turn, followed cover near 3/4s, surged strongly late to get upset. Money's choice. Price gonna drop the time.

## PRIDECREST

Reserved for half, popped out into far turn, cover midbend, surged to late lead, nailed wire. No 10 hole tonight. He is the obvious choice.



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 3rd Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	PRIDECREST
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	PRIDECREST
Fastest time last race	FRANKS BEST
Fastest win time this year	SILVERLODE
Fastest win time last year	PRIDECREST
Fastest last '1/4' last race	TALKIN TOOTSIE
Closed Strongly last race	TALKIN TOOTSIE
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	SILVERHILL VOLO
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	FRANKS BEST (B) PRIDECREST (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	FRANKS BEST
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	PRIDECREST

# CAL EXPO PICK 3 RULES

1. Any scratch in the first leg of a Pick Three is now a refund.
2. A wager with a scratch in the second leg creates a consolation pool.
3. A wager with a scratch in the third leg creates another consolation pool.
4. A wager with scratches in the second and third leg creates another consolation pool.
5. A consolation pool is the sum of all wagers that include the scratch(es) for that leg or legs. The winning combination for the consolation pool is a wager with the winner or winners of the non-scratch leg(s).

# Race 4 News

the U.N. three days earlier, was now the leading contender. Unfortunately, unlike the year before, there would be no show-down in the Woodward Stakes.

Without Dr. Fager, the Woodward looked like a mere formality for Damascus, who finally was back in a weight-for-age race without being burdened with heavy weights. All Damascus had to do was sit back against lesser competition and unleash his run. But to the surprise of everyone, Baeza put Damascus right on the lead going head and head first with Grace Born and then the hard-knocking New York-bred Mr. Right. Both Damascus and Mr. Right were at each other's throat every step of way through moderate fractions of :47 1/5 and 1:11 1/5. As they came to head of the stretch, it was time for Damascus to burst clear. But Damascus was a horse who needed to be roused, and Bill Shoemaker would often go to an early vigorous whip on him, even as early as the half-mile pole. Baeza, however, never went to the whip and Damascus basically

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

**OH YEAH**

Sped from gate, braked to half, gassed 3rd panel, urged, tough. One of many in wide open event.

**LINCOLN**

1st out near half, long grind on rim, surged late to save the place tie. Good form. Another thought.

**REGINA BEACH**

Rode cones whole trip, some stretch traffic, tough to gauge. Ryan returns. Not worst stab.

**GOOD CITATIONS**

Hopped on cover train near half, angled 3wide into lane, urged, fair. Tries Gary Clark. Slice maybe

**SANTANNA SAM**

Came from back, gapped flow far turn, driven, failed to rally. Dropped in for 4k tonight.

**ART GENTA**

Parked eighth plus to drop, good trip to lane, urged along cones, saved the place tie. Mooney's choice. Obvious use.

**FLY AWAY**

Pushed from gate, yielded, back 2nd over behind fave half, angled wide, away off the drop. Steve's choice. Returns to 5k level. One to beat.



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 4th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	GOOD CITATIONS
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	GOOD CITATIONS
Fastest time last race	OH YEAH FLY AWAY
Fastest win time this year	FLY AWAY
Fastest win time last year	ART GENTA FLY AWAY
Fastest last '1/4' last race	FLY AWAY
Closed Strongly last race	LINCOLN FLY AWAY
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	OH YEAH
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	ART GENTA (B) FLY AWAY (W)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	REGINA BEACH
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	FLY AWAY

## **PYLON RULE**

(For Horses Racing Without Interference)

1. Going inside two (2) pylons and lapped-on at the finish: The offending horse will be disqualified and placed behind any lapped-on horses at the wire.
2. Going inside three (3) or more consecutive pylons: The offending horse will be disqualified and placed last.
3. If an unfair advantage is gained by going inside, over, or in-between one or more pylons in order to pass another competitor: The offending horse will be disqualified.

**The steward's discretion applies to all placement.**

# Race 5 News

loafed home through a slow final quarter and was beaten the scantest of noses in a pedestrian 2:03. Damascus, with any encouragement, could run that fast backwards.

Whiteley was livid and let Baeza know how he felt after he returned, shouting several choice words that can't be repeated. The fans booed Baeza, and even owner Tom Bancroft questioned why Baeza didn't hit him. Whiteley's most telling comment was, "I don't know why Baeza did it and I didn't ask him." Whiteley never spoke to Baeza again.

Baeza, as he stated after the Michigan Mile and an Eighth, said Damascus didn't feel right, suggesting that there was a problem with the colt.

Dr. Fager was now the clear-cut favorite for Horse of the Year. All he had to do was win the Vosburgh and the title likely would be his.

Next for Damascus was The Jockey Club Gold Cup, run one week before the Vosburgh, this time with Larry Adams aboard. The year before, Damascus had won this race as if in a

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

## LUCKY IVAN

Left well, soft trip to midstr, cleared, urged to save place. Mooney returns. User.

## BEST DREAM SEEKER

Led early, yielded, tracked to lane, had pace, trapped in traffic late. Adds Richard. Price thought.

## ALLAMERICAN SOLO

Rode cones throughout. Fair close in fast quarter. Readiness concerns after layoff.

## HOLLA AT UR BOY

Settled early, tracked to lane, tipped, urged, faded out final furlong. Class drop noted. Can awaken.

## HOT ON THE PACE

Sat in to lane, cleared, angled wide, strong rally late. Sits in, sprints home again?

## PL JALAPENO

Cover near half, followed to lane, kept grinding, 4vying for 2nd. Steve returns. Another must use.

## MIGHTY FINE HIHO

Out nearing half, quick cover, angled into lane, flew too late. Luke's choice. Deserves top billing as usual.



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 5th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	MIGHTY FINE HI HO
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	MIGHTY FINE HI HO
Fastest time last race	HOT ON THE PACE P L JALAPENO MIGHTY FINE HI HO
Fastest win time this year	MIGHTY FINE HI HO
Fastest win time last year	P L JALAPENO MIGHTY FINE HI HO
Fastest last '1/4' last race	HOT ON THE PACE
Closed Strongly last race	HOT ON THE PACE MIGHTY FINE HI HO
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	LUCKY IVAN (B) MIGHTY FINE HI HO (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	BEST DREAM SEEKER
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	MIGHTY FINE HI HO

### CHRB Rule No. 1699

(b) A horse shall not interfere with or cause any other horse to lose stride, ground or position in a part of the race where the horse loses the opportunity to place where it might be reasonably expected to finish.

(c) A horse which interferes with another and thereby causes any other horse to lose stride, ground or position, when such other horse is not at fault and when such interference occurs in a part of the race where the horse interfered with loses the opportunity to place where it might, in the opinion of the Stewards, be reasonably expected to finish, may be disqualified and placed behind the horse so interfered with.

# Race 6 News

workout. There were rumors that Damascus was having physical issues, but Whiteley and Bancroft felt it wasn't serious enough to scratch and that Damascus could cakewalk the two miles as he did the year before. But when the colt came on to the track wearing front bandages for the first time in his life, it sent up warning flares.

Damascus never was comfortable in the race and wasn't moving well. Adams didn't like what he was feeling and tried to ease him, but Damascus, now trailing the field, refused to come to a stop until one step past the finish line. To him, only then was the race over. It was a sad sight seeing Damascus, one of the toughest, soundest, and most durable horses of all time, being loaded into a horse ambulance. It was a humiliating way for him to bid farewell. But in his own way, by refusing to pull up until he crossed the finish line, it was a proud and noble way to make an exit.

No one will ever know the true reasons for his defeats in the Michigan Mile and an Eighth and Woodward. Was

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

## MOONSHINEMONKEYS

Led early, yielded, backed up bit to lane, cleared, rallied fast once free. Sharp, steps up.

## SMASH

Parked eighth plus, yielded, chased fave to far turn, stalled a bit late. Week off. Class relief noted.

## FIRE DANCE

Left 3wide, parked eighth plus, yielded, back out late last turn, held well. Regularly plays tough.

## KISS ON THE LIPS

Sat in whole trip, 3hole far turn, found room late, light urging, up. Now she is facing tougher.

## GETTER QUEEN FLUSH

Led early, yielded, brushed back past quarter, attacked far turn, held tough to end. Solid form. Steve's in the bike.

## BETTOR LADY

Led into turn, yielded to quarter mover, right back to top, attacked last bend, battled rest of way, caught. Week off. Obvious use too.

## WINDSONG LINDSEY

Left 3wide, moved alongside fave past quarter, got lead but not rail, faded from hard use. Week off. Mooney's choice. Drops a level.



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 6th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	BETTOR LADY
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	GETTER QUEEN FLUSH
Fastest time last race	MOONSHINEMONKEYS
Fastest win time this year	GETTER QUEEN FLUSH
Fastest win time last year	KISS ON THE LIPS
Fastest last '1/4' last race	KISS ON THE LIPS
Closed Strongly last race	MOONSHINEMONKEYS KISS ON THE LIPS
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	WINDSONG LINDSEY
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	BETTOR LADY (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	KISS ON THE LIPS

# THE 50¢ CAL EXPO PICK 6

Winning tickets with six correct selections will share in 75% of the daily net pool, and 100% of the carryover. Ticket holders with five correct selections share in 25% of the daily net pool.

If there are no tickets with six winners, all ticket holders with the greatest number of winners share in 25% of the daily net pool, with the remainder of the net pool carried over to the next racing day.

There is a mandatory payout of the entire net pool on the last night of the race meet. (.50 cent minimum)

# Race 7 News

it Baeza's inexplicable rides or was the horse already feeling the effects of the injury that would end his career? Until the day he died, Whiteley blamed Baeza for the defeats, especially since he was Dr. Fager's regular rider. Most people had been shocked when Baeza, of all riders, was named to ride Damascus, so it came as no surprise when the relationship ended in such bitter controversy.

So, Damascus was now gone from the scene, leaving Dr. Fager and his farewell performance in the Vosburgh as the grand finale of one of the most extraordinary chapters in racing history.

Nerud wanted to make it an event people would remember for a long time. With racing secretary Tommy Trotter pondering how much weight to put on Dr. Fager, Nerud went to him and said, "I'll tell you how much to put on him, Tommy. I want you to put 145 on him and then I'll send him home."

But Trotter couldn't justify putting that much weight on. It had never been done before, and it meant he

## Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

### CHINA KING

Took out on rim, gapped flow far turn, a needed tuner. Class and post relief. Adds Ryan.

### PAYDAZE A ROCKIN

Excess cover from half, not a good flow, no chance into fast final quarter. Week off. Hikes. Adds Gary.

### JULERICA

Pushed hard leaving, yielded to winner, popped pocket midfar turn, didn't advance. Also had week off. Adds to speed equation?

### JUMP THE SHARK

Rode cones in return, chased to lane, some urging along rail. Another dropper after skipping week. Thought.

### PANCETTA

Sped to mid turn lead, yielded, stalked to lane, cleared along cones, nipped for 3rd. drops. Adds James. Use.

### LUMBERJACK WILLIE

Out nearing half, covered up, not a good flow, back to rail, more traffic, finished fair once free. Skipped a week. Hikes. Stab?

### ALMOST CUT MY HAIR

2nd over well before half, not a good lead up trip, swung wide, closed okay. Another dropper. Mooney returns. Plan?

### WHY ASK WHY

Rode cones the trip, cleared, urged no rally. Chip's back. Tough spot from #8.

### GORGEOUS FOR REAL

Left with many, parked full 2nd over behind winner, kept coming, driven. Outside again. Plan though?



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 7th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	LUMBERJACK WILLIE
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	GORGEOUS FOR REAL
Fastest time last race	PANCETTA
Fastest win time this year	JULERICA JUMP THE SHARK
Fastest win time last year	JULERICA LUMBERJACK WILLIE GORGEOUS FOR REAL
Fastest last '1/4' last race	ALMOST CUT MY HAIR
Closed Strongly last race	N/A
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	JULERICA
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	PAYDAZE A ROCKIN
Blocked or in trouble last race	PAYDAZE A ROCKIN LUMBERJACK WILLIE ALMOST CUT MY HAIR
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	JULERICA LUMBERJACK WILLIE

## STARTER'S RULES

**1728. Starter's Control.** The starter shall have control over the horses from the formation of the parade until he gives the word 'go.' The starter shall report to the stewards any misconduct or violation on the part of the driver and may order any unmanageable or disabled horse declared (scratched) from the race with the concurrence of the stewards.

**1729. Starting the race.** The starter shall bring the horses to the starting gate as near one-quarter of a mile from the starting point as the track may permit, and shall endeavor to get all horses away in position and on gait. If a horse refuses to come to the gate, is unmanageable or liable to cause an accident or injury to any other horse or driver, it may be declared and all monies wagered on that horse shall be refunded.

**1730. Recalls.** The starter may sound a recall for only the following reasons: 1-A horse scored ahead of the gate; 2- There is interference prior to the word 'go' being given; 3-A horse has broken equipment; 4-A horse falls prior to the word 'go' being given. There shall be no recall after the word 'go' is given and any horse, regardless of his position or an accident, shall be deemed a starter from the time he entered into the starter's control unless dismissed.

# Race 8 News

would be assigning Dr. Fager 11 pounds more than he had carried at Atlantic City. It would set a precedent in which he refused to partake. So he compromised and raised Dr. Fager five pounds off his gut-wrenching win in the U.N., assigning him a staggering 139 pounds. With that much weight it would take an otherworldly performance, even for Dr. Fager, to break the track record.

If anyone still felt the Doc was capable of breaking the track record in spite of the weight, their optimism dissipated quickly when the New York Racing Association winterized the Aqueduct surface several days before the race, putting in a deeper cushion. The day before, Nerud noticed the track had changed dramatically. The great Hirsch Jacobs and his son John had walked the track that morning, and the elder Jacobs commented, "It's pretty deep today."

With the track considerably slower than it had been, and with 139 pounds piled on Dr. Fager, any kind of record now seemed out of the question.

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

**POORLITTLERICHGIRL**  
Out near half, long uncovered move, led, nailed. Sharp. Rail. Use.

**SHESAMYSTERYTOME**  
Hopped on cover train half, great lead up trip, urged, 3on the wire. Another gimmick must.

**SHARK FESTIVAL**  
Out from half, cover late last bend, some urging, surged wire, tough. Closer returns to top class.

**BLUE NOTE**  
Left, brushed back near half, attacked, faded from the skirmish. Tries Rene tonight.

**CAPITOL HILL**  
Led early, yielded, traffic behind breaker 3/4s, cleared, rallied okay. Steve's back. Fires out?

**DELIGHTFULLY WILD**  
Out past quarter, tucked before half, shuffled, loose late, urged, solid close. Sharp form. Must use for sure.

**DIRECTING TRAFFIC**  
Moved from last 3rd over half, angled wide, urged, flew to get it. Luke's choice. Plan from outer post?



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 8th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	POORLITTLERICHGIRL
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	DELIGHTFULLY WILD
Fastest time last race	SHARK FESTIVAL
Fastest win time this year	SHARK FESTIVAL
Fastest win time last year	CAPITOL HILL
Fastest last '1/4' last race	DIRECTING TRAFFIC
Closed Strongly last race	DELIGHTFULLY WILD DIRECTING TRAFFIC
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	BLUE NOTE CAPITOL HILL
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	SHARK FESTIVAL (W) DIRECTING TRAFFIC (W)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	CAPITOL HILL DELIGHTFULLY WILD
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	SHARK FESTIVAL CAPITOL HILL DELIGHTFULLY WILD DIRECTING TRAFFIC

## Pick Four (16%) - \$30,000 Guaranteed Pool

To win the **Pick Four**, you must select the winners of the four (4) races designated as the pick four races. Otherwise, pursuant to (CHRB 1976.9): **If no ticket correctly selects all four winners, 10% of the net pool will be paid to the winner(s) correctly selecting the most winners, 90% of the net pool will CARRYOVER to the next Pick Four Pool.**



# Race 9 News

The Vosburgh wasn't going to be a walk in the park for the Doc with the presence of the California speedster Kissin George, who Dr. Fager eyeballed earlier in the year in the Californian Stakes. But this was a totally different scenario. Kissin George was back sprinting and was now in the hands of the "Giant Killer" Allen Jerkens. Before being sent East, Kissin George had won the six-furlong Peninsula Handicap at Bay Meadows in a scintillating 1:08 4/5 under 128 pounds. Jerkens started out by running him in the six-furlong Sport Page Handicap at Belmont, which Kissin George won by 3 1/2 lengths in 1:09 1/5, the fastest six furlongs of the meet.

Having upset the legendary Kelso three times with Beau Purple, shocking Buckpasser in the Brooklyn Handicap with Handsome Boy, and upsetting champion fillies Cicada, Moccasin, Straight Deal, Lady Pitt, and Gamely, the Giant Killer now aimed his slingshot at Dr. Fager.

Kissin George was assigned 127 pounds, 12 fewer than Dr. Fager, with the classy

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

**RAGINS FLIGHT**  
Away to tuck, no room to lane, rallied with good late interest. Finally back inside. Big shot.

**BETTOR IN THE BANK**  
Cover near half, good lead up, followed 3wide into str, urged, surged, up. Hikes. Inside. Adds Gary.

**JAZZMANIAN DEVIL**  
Out past quarter, followed to far turn, gapped the flow, faded. Also gets post relief. Mooney's choice over 2 others.

**WHO DAT LOVE**  
Left from pole, yielded, tracked, tired. Also drops. James choice over 2 others.

**BLUE STAR MAVERICK**  
1st out well before half, advanced to top of lane, faded from the skirmish. Rene returns. Stab?

**BEACON OF HOPE**  
Returns from missed time. Probably gonna need one.

**RUSTY CARTER**  
Sped from gate, yielded mid turn, tracked top pair from quarter, urged, held fair. Tries Tony tonight.

**ARMY OF ONE**  
Rode cones, shuffled to last, out far turn, bad flow, back inside, driven. Outside. Adds William.

**SCARY HARRY**  
Left 3wide, parked quick quarter, braked, shook off 1st attacker, lost to pocket fave, game. Chip's back. Plan from outside?

**DONTOUBTTHELAKERS**  
Sat in for 3/4s, angled out, urged, solid rally. Adds Luke. What's he do from 10?



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 9th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	BLUE STAR MAVERICK
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	BEACON OF HOPE
Fastest time last race	SCARY HARRY
Fastest win time this year	BLUE STAR MAVERICK
Fastest win time last year	SCARY HARRY
Fastest last '1/4' last race	BETTOR IN THE BANK
Closed Strongly last race	RAGIN'S FLIGHT BETTOR IN THE BANK DONTOUBTTHELAKERS
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	RAGIN'S FLIGHT BETTOR IN THE BANK JAZZMANIAN DEVIL
Blocked or in trouble last race	ARMY OF ONE
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	BETTOR IN THE BANK

## HI-FIVE - .20¢ WAGER COMBINATIONS

10 Cent Wagers	Your Cost		
1 with 23 with 23 with 45 with 45 .....	\$ .80	1 with 234 with 2345 with 23456 with 234567.....	\$16.20
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1 with 2345 with 2345 with 2345 with 6.....	\$4.80	12345 with 12345 with 12345 with 123456.....	\$48.00
12 with 123 with 1234 with 12345 with 123456 .....	\$6.40	123 with 1234 with 12345 with 123456 with 1234567.....	\$48.60
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		123456 with 123456 with 123456 with 123456 with 12345678.....	\$288.00

# Race 10 News

late-running sprinter Jim J. carrying 125. The low weight, carrying a mere 105 pounds, was Villamor, who would be in receipt of an unheard of 34 pounds from Dr. Fager.

The night before the race, Dr. Fager started acting a little colicky, so Nerud stayed with him until two o'clock in the morning, walking him and giving him something to help settle his stomach.. He couldn't treat the horse with medication because it was too close to the race. In his 47 years as a trainer, Nerud was never fined or suspended for a medication violation.

Dr. Fager came out of it fine and was none the worse for wear on race day. Dr. Fager broke from post 3 and Kissin George from post 6. With Dr. Fager coming off distance races, this was an opportunity for Kissin George, a pure sprinter, to get the jump on him out of the gate. The last time they had met going 1 1/16 miles, Kissin George outran Dr. Fager for five furlongs and gave him a battle around the far turn.

After an opening quarter in :22 1/5, both horses were

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

**IF YOU SAY SO**  
Left 3wide, parked turn, yielded to quarter mover, followed, faded out final sixteenth. Class and post relief noted.

**WINDOW WIPER**  
1st over well before half, covered up, urged in lane, strong score. Confidence builder? Steps back up. Adds Willie.

**YESWELLMAYBE**  
Reserved to midfar turn, tipped out, urged, surged, flew. One of many.

**SPARKIN YOUR FIRE**  
Parked half turn, tracked to lane, cleared, urged, no rally. Another drop. Beware.

**NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS**  
Moved from last 3rd over past midfar turn, urged, closed fast. Late speed's her game.

**WINDSUN T BIRD**  
1st out half, attacked to the lane, faded from the skirmish. Mooney's back, his choice.

**ROCKINAROUNDHEAVEN**  
Out past quarter, attacked leader far turn, kept marching, urged, tough. Extra week off.

**TOTALLY RACY**  
Sent to pocket, tracked to deep in drive, cleared late, led near wire, edged. Negative post switch.

**CORDEES FANTASY**  
First over into far turn, advanced to lane, stalled suddenly final furlong. Also moves way outside.

**CENALTA ARTISTRY**  
Parked turn, went for air last bend, held well till deep in drive. Rene returns. Leaves?



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 10th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	WINDOW WIPER
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	SPARKIN YOUR FIRE
Fastest time last race	YESWELLMAYBE
Fastest win time this year	YESWELLMAYBE
Fastest win time last year	CENALTA ARTISTRY
Fastest last '1/4' last race	NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS
Closed Strongly last race	YESWELLMAYBE NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	TOTALLY RACY
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS (B) WINDSUN T BIRD (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	WINDOW WIPER
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	YESWELLMAYBE NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS

## C.H.R.B. BREAKING RULES

**1722. Breaking.** Should any horse break from its gait in either trotting or pacing, the driver shall:

(a) Where clearance exists, take such horse to the outside.

(b) Attempt to pull the horse to its gait.

(c) Lose ground.

**1723. Lapped-on Break.** The driver of a horse which has broken from its gait who has complied with the breaking rule shall not be set back unless a contending horse on his gait is lapped on the hind quarter of the breaking horse at the finish.

# Race 11 News

at each other's throat. Bill Boland, on Kissin George, was pushing and scrubbing for all he was worth, but couldn't shake loose from Dr. Fager.

Still locked together, they blazed the half in a spectacular :43 4/5, and on a slower winterized track. It had to be discouraging for Boland to be in an all-out drive and looking over and seeing Dr. Fager under cruise control, as if he were just humoring him. Turning for home, Baeza let the Doc loose and he kissed Kissin' George goodbye. A shocked Boland said afterward, "He went by me at the three-sixteenths pole like I was tied to the rail. And my horse was running pretty good at that point."

As he did in the Washington Park Handicap, Dr. Fager drew clear under no urging at all from Baeza, who could have gone for a record, but chose to just sit on him. Dr. Fager led by three lengths at the eighth pole, as the crowd began its thunderous salute to a great champion. Despite the slower track, Dr. Fager, on his own, had scorched the six furlongs in 1:07 4/5, four-fifths of a

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

## VOW TO WIN

Saved ground to top of lane, stuck in behind gapper, fair interest after clearing late. James returns. Not worst stab. IM BLUE TOO

Out well before half, never covered, gapped big last bend, still held fair. Post relief noted. Mooney returns.

## HELLO SEVENS

Left 3wide to midturn lead, yielded, back out late far turn, urged, tough. Good form. Another user.

## HI HO HOUDINI

Parked turn, yielded, back 2nd over past half, kicked 3wide into lane, urged. Rounding into shape. Post relief too.

## DARK PRINCE

Took out past half, gapped the flow far turn, kept grinding, faded out from the chase. One more in tough field.

## WINONEFORDOUG

Sped to top, yielded quarter, inherited 2hole far turn, squeezed out into lane, urged, away. Steve's choice over 2 others.

## TWOMICKEYTRIP

Quarter moved, got lead but not rail, held well till deep str. Negative post switch but another price stab.



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 11th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	I'M BLUE TOO HELLO SEVENS HI HO HOUDINI TWOMICKEYTRIP
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	HI HO HOUDINI
Fastest time last race	WINONEFORDOUG
Fastest win time this year	I'M BLUE TOO
Fastest win time last year	I'M BLUE TOO
Fastest last '1/4' last race	VOW TO WIN
Closed Strongly last race	HELLO SEVENS DARK PRINCE WINONEFORDOUG
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	I'M BLUE TOO
Blocked or in trouble last race	VOW TO WIN I'M BLUE TOO HELLO SEVENS DARK PRINCE
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	I'M BLUE TOO

## THE WARM-UPS

The track is busy between races, with horses warming-up for later races. Standardbreds are a rugged breed and this activity enhances their performance. About two hours prior to racing, the trainer will "jog" the horse, the same way any athlete runs to loosen-up prior to competing. Generally, the horse is jogged by going the "wrong way" (clockwise) on the track, follow-

ing a traffic pattern that is standard on tracks all over North America. About an hour before his race, he's warmed-up again. Different trainers have different methods. Some go slowly, others ask for speed. Only experts can detect such things as lameness. Look, though, to see if his gait is fluid. If it is, chances are he's ready to do his best. As a rule, those working out between races ONE and TWO are in final prepara-

tion for the FOURTH RACE, those between TWO and THREE will be preparing for the FIFTH RACE, etc.

## SADDLE PADS

Saddle pads at Cal Expo will indicate the horse's betting number and the race number in a smaller size, in upper right hand corner. In the adjacent example: HORSE NUMBER 3 IN THE SEVENTH RACE.

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# Race 12 News

second faster than Near Man's track record for the distance, set under 112 pounds.

Dr. Fager continued to pour it on, with Baeza merely hand riding him. He crossed the wire six lengths ahead of Kissin' George, and his time of 1:20 1/5 broke Rose Net's track record by a full second and came within a fifth of a second of the world record, which he would have easily broken with any urging from Baeza.

But Baeza knew the track was slower than usual and felt Dr. Fager was going so easily there was no way he was going to break any records, especially with 139 pounds on his back.

"John said this was his last hurrah and to let him put on a show," Baeza said. "I was concerned about the 139 pounds, but at the quarter pole I was already looking back. There was no competition, so I took a hold of him. If I knew how fast he was going I would have chirped to him and he would have gone faster."

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*Tomorrow's Program*

# Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

## RICHELLU COWBOY

No hurry leaving, soft trip to midstretch, cleared, urged to eke out 2nd slot. Gimmick must from rail.

## GENUINE DESIRE

1st out near half, quick cover from winner, solid lead up trip, driven, edged for 2nd. Fair form. Small shot.

## HOWTOTRAINURDRAGON

Led early, yielded, slid out behind winner late far turn, urged, no rally. Drops one level. Figures with these.

## CR ARTISTIC

Parked half turn, some traffic to lane, no late moves. Better post. Trainer hops aboard.

## HES DONE IT ALL

Out behind fave half, gapped flow far turn, disappeared. Segues from claimers. Better post here.

## COSMOS

Far back, failed to get into it. Might be tighter now. Still long-shot.

## CRUSIN FOR YOU

Parked turn, yielded to retaker, chased to lane, urged best of the rest. Outside again. Steve in the bike. Big shot for all.



## CAL EXPO HARNESS

### 12th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	RICHELLU COWBOY CRUSIN FOR YOU
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	RICHELLU COWBOY
Fastest time last race	HOWTOTRAINURDRAGON
Fastest win time this year	CRUSIN FOR YOU
Fastest win time last year	CRUSIN FOR YOU
Fastest last '1/4' last race	RICHELLU COWBOY
Closed Strongly last race	N/A
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	CRUSIN FOR YOU (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	CRUSIN FOR YOU

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