

Race 1 News

Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

Phyllis Wyeth and Union Rags Made History Together

by Steve Haskin

I just learned of the death of Phyllis Mills Wyeth on Jan. 14 at age 78. Known for her philanthropic endeavors as well as her family history in the Sport of Kings, she had a love affair with her homebred colt Union Rags that has earned a place in the history books, most notably the chapter on the Belmont Stakes.

Her husband, Jamie is an artist and the son of Andrew Wyeth, one of the great artists of the 20th century, whose works can be seen at the Brandywine River Museum of Art, also known as the Wyeth Museum for its extensive collection of works by the Wyeth family - grandfather N.C., father Andrew and son Jamie.

Phyllis was born into racing, the daughter of James and Alice du Pont Mills.

The story of Phyllis and Union Rags played out like some great saga and seemed destined to end the way all fairy tales do.

The story began on Wyeth's historic Point Lookout Farm overlooking Pennsylvania's Brandywine Valley, scene of the Battle of Brandywine, fought in the Revolutionary War. Wyeth's parents raced under the name Hickory Tree Stable, based in Middleburg, Va., and bred and owned such top-class horses as Devil's Bag and Gone West. Phyllis, who would hotwalk her father's polo ponies as a young girl, said she could ride before she could walk. She worked on John F. Kennedy's presidential campaign

CENALTA GLORY

Reserved at the back for 3/4s, angled, urged, solid late interest. Extra week off. Some class relief, rail, must use.

ROSEBUDS FIRST

Settled into pocket behind fave at once, chased rest of way, little urging, easy 2nd best. Been tossing hints. Another player.

DAMORICDALESINO

Sent from gate, backed off 2nd panel, home with back to back 29.1 quarters, urged. Why not right back?

CARRO SPARKS

Looped leaving, parked long eighth plus to pocket, back out midfar turn, led late, solid try. Mooney's choice here. First start for new connections.

THATS HOW IT GOES

Led early, pocket behind fave into turn, stalked, light urging, away late. Looks like another gimmick possibility.

PECAN

Sat in whole trip, 3hole final bend, driven, best of the rest. Luke takes the drive. Longshot though.

SING N SANDI

Out into far turn, covered up, urged, failed to rally. Obvious tactical issues from outer post.



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1st Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	CENALTA GLORY
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	CENALTA GLORY
Fastest time last race	CENALTA GLORY
Fastest win time this year	CENALTA GLORY
Fastest win time last year	DAMORICDALESINO
Fastest last '1/4' last race	THATS HOW IT GOES
Closed Strongly last race	CENALTA GLORY
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	ROSEBUD'S FIRST
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	DAMORICDALESINO (W)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	CENALTA GLORY

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

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

Race 2 News

in 1960. In 1962, she was injured in a car accident, suffering a broken neck, which left her unable to walk. For 50 years, she has moved about in a motorized scooter.

"Phyllis is the most remarkable person I have ever met," said her close friend Rick Porter, owner of Fox Hill Farm, several years ago. "Her life was turned upside down and she's been prevented from doing the things she was always able to do, mainly ride and jump horses. As a person, she is in a class alone from anyone I have ever met. Every day is full of roadblocks that most of us can't even fathom. Yet, she always gets to where she wants to go, no matter how hard it is for her. She needs to have action and is always planning something. She never looks at a situation and feels defeated. She meets the challenge every time."

Wyeth always dreamed of having that special racehorse, and she thought she had found one in a young Union Rags, who was the last foal from her favorite broodmare, Tempo, who had difficulty breeding and maintaining a pregnancy. They even thought they'd lose her on a couple of occasions. Her foal by Dixie Union was so laid back and easy-going you could sit on him while he was lying down in his stall. But he showed great promise right from the start.

That's why Wyeth was devastated when her accountant told her she had to sell the colt in order to show a profit and run the farm as a business. This was the horse she had dreamed about her whole life and she was forced to give him up. She admitted she never had such affection for a horse.

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GLAD TO MEET YA

Led early, yielded, easy run to the lane, not a late danger. In a much easier spot tonight. Obvious gimmick must.

BRIGITTE BORDEAUX

Rode cones to far turn, edged out late, urged to get by stubborn leader. Continues to outrace her odds. Won't ignore Brigitte.

GOTURNUMBER

Led early, yielded, back out around last turn breaker, attacked near 3/4s, fair tuner. Was sharp off a layoff last year.

Why not again tonight?

LUCKY SEVEN OF LODI

Parked half turn, took back to drop, out again final bend, flattened into the lane. Facing tougher opposition now.



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2nd Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	LUCKY SEVEN OF LODI
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	BRIGITTE BORDEAUX
Fastest time last race	GOTURNUMBER
Fastest win time this year	LUCKY SEVEN OF LODI
Fastest win time last year	GLAD TO MEET YA
Fastest last '1/4' last race	BRIGITTE BORDEAUX
Closed Strongly last race	BRIGITTE BORDEAUX
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	GOTURNUMBER
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	BRIGITTE BORDEAUX

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She wound up selling the colt at the Fasig-Tipton yearling sale at Saratoga for \$145,000 to IEAH Stable, who had won the 2008 Kentucky Derby and Preakness with Big Brown. But she immediately began having seller's remorse and the thought of losing the horse brought her to tears. This was Point Lookout's and her family's legacy, and he was gone.

She kept having a recurring dream that she was meant to have this horse and told her longtime adviser an friend Russell Jones to see if he could buy him back. Then one day about six months later, Jones called her and said the colt was in the Fasig-Tipton Florida 2-year-old sale at Palm Meadows. IEAH was having some financial issues of their own and had been pinhooking horses in order to create as much cash flow as possible.

They had sent Union Rags to Eddie Woods in Ocala to prepare for the sale. "He was such a big, beautiful mover," Woods recalled. "He had the potential to be anything. And he was just the perfect gentleman to train." When Wyeth heard from Jones about her colt being in the sale, she was simple and to the point: "Get him."

Jones told her she was going to have to pay a lot more than she sold him for, but she was determined to buy him back. Jones thought he could go as high as \$400,000, and Wyeth told him to go to \$390,000, and if she had to she would borrow the money from the bank. When the colt stepped into the ring, the auctioneer said, "Oh, boy, isn't he beautiful?"

The bidding rose steadily in \$10,000 increments, reaching Jones' limit. He bid \$390,000 and

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FRANKS BEST

Left well, soft trip to the lane, cleared, urged, caught late for show slot. Hoping to grab a slice of it again.

ONE CHIEF

Rode cones whole trip, failed to keep up late stages. Apparently no fan of the goo.

WINDSUN GALAXIE

Led into turn, pushed before yielding, lugged back out final bend, urged, no close. Figures to be away fast again. Looking to take a piece.

SILVERLODE

Looped leaving, parked past quarter, braked to final bend, attacked by winner, gave way grudgingly. Raced well in all local starts. Obvious use.

SILVERHILL VOLO

Left 3wide, parked quarter, yielded, back out late last bend, urged to get past the fave, tough. Can he fire out again? Tough to ignore if it's raining.

ITS A HORSE

Far back to far turn, angled out on rim, carried wide into lane, urged, closed okay into rainy hw. Doesn't have 10 hole tonight. One to beat.



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3rd Race Computer Analysis

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

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).

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that was it. Down came the hammer. The auctioneer said, "Thank you and good luck," and Wyeth had her horse back.

"It was as if it was supposed to happen," Jones said. "She picked that number out of thin air and that's what he sold for. You have to believe he was meant to come home."

Wyeth turned Union Rags over to Michael Matz and was a bit apprehensive when he entered him in a five-furlong maiden race at Delaware Park. Matz, who has never had a reputation for sending out precocious 2-year-olds, realized the colt needed experience and had been training well, so he decided to run him short. When the colt won, he and Wyeth knew they had something special on their hands. Romps in the Saratoga Special and Champagne followed, and then came a tough defeat to Hansen in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

To Matz' surprise and indignation, Hansen not only won the Eclipse Award, but won in a landslide. "I didn't mind losing the Eclipse Award, but I didn't think Hansen should have gotten four times as many votes," he said. "It was one of those instances where you look at something and say, 'How can I be so wrong?'"

But what was on Matz' and Wyeth's mind now was the Derby trail. That was the race Wyeth dreamed about an felt Union Rags was destined to win to give the story its fairy tale ending.

Everything started off perfectly when Union Rags romped by four lengths in the Fountain of Youth Stakes. With his pedigree and

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BUDGIE SMUGGLER

Parked half turn, tracked to lane, cleared traffic, driven, no rally. Extra week off. Undercard price stab.

LICKCREEK SPEEDWAY

Left, broke into turn one, broke again late last bend. James returns. Expect a cheap price. It's an obvious choice.

TIYAGA

Gapped early, gapped again far turn, urged, no rally. Figures to be a longshot again.

REYS N A RUCKUS

Settled early, tracked to far turn, followed rival into lane, urged near wire, up. Main threat to the favorite?

THEREALGOODS

Moved from afar, loose cover final bend, just a mild rally. Mooney returns. Another gimmick must include.

HERECOMESTHETHUNDR

Left to tuck, quarter moved, attacked into lane, held tough to end. Ryan stays. Does he fire out again? Another use.



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4th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	REYS N A RUCKUS
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	LICKCREEK SPEEDWAY
Fastest time last race	BUDGIE SMUGGLER
Fastest win time this year	LICKCREEK SPEEDWAY
Fastest win time last year	THEREALGOODS HERECOMESTHETHUNDR
Fastest last '1/4' last race	REYS N A RUCKUS
Closed Strongly last race	REYS N A RUCKUS
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	REYS N A RUCKUS
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	LICKCREEK SPEEDWAY (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	BUDGIE SMUGGLER
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	REYS N A RUCKUS

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.

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running style, the talk around the sport was not about winning the Derby, but the Triple Crown. However, a third-place finish in the Florida Derby at odds of 2-5 came as a jolt of reality and put those dreams on hold temporarily. But the hope had not died. After all, any horse can be excused for one defeat. So Wyeth went to Louisville with high hopes and the utmost faith in the horse who she had fallen in love with as a baby and who had somehow managed to return to her. She never stopped believing that she destined to run him on the first Saturday in May.

That dream, however, was shattered when Union Rags was squeezed badly at the start and had to take up, falling far back. Passing the finish line the first time he was nearly last in the 20-horse field. After three-quarters, he was still back in 18th place, some 20 lengths off the lead. All hope was gone. He actually did well to finish seventh, making up early seven lengths in the final furlong.

Wyeth, crushed by the defeat, went to her home in Maine with her husband to unwind from the bitter disappointment of the Derby.

"She was good right after the race, but as the week went on it started to sink in that it's finished; that's it, the Derby is gone," Matz said.

"She took it tough and rightly so," said Russell Jones. "With all the attention she was getting, it put her on a level she wasn't used to being on. She really doesn't like all the attention. This colt has always been so special to her and to have the rug pulled out from

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TWIN B DELIGHTFUL
Sat in whole trip, gapped out final bend. Difficult to endorse off recent performances.

READ ME MY RIGHTS
Left well, brushed back before quarter, gassed 3rd panel, swallowed up final yards. Figures plenty tough against these.

CENALTA DRAGSTER
Sped to top, braked while untested to far turn, came under pressure late in bend, outrallied home. James choice. Another gimmick must.

BRUSHIN ALBERT
Looped leaving, parked eighth plus, tracked to lane, urged to get by fave, caught near wire. Price probably drops a bit tonight.

I WILL SCORE
Sped to top, yielded to fave's retake, followed balance, faded out final furlong. Ricky returns to drive.

WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE
Bided time to far turn, took cover midbend, angled into lane, few late taps to get up near wire. Slightly tougher post but still got to include.

ROCKET POWER
Reserved to half, tipped out on rim, no cover to lane, some drive, just fair. Stuck outside once again. Tactical concerns.



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5th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE
Fastest time last race	WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE
Fastest win time this year	WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE
Fastest win time last year	BRUSHIN ALBERT
Fastest last '1/4' last race	WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE
Closed Strongly last race	WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	CENALTA DRAGSTER
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	READ ME MY RIGHTS (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	ROCKET POWER
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	WINKWINKNUDGENUDGE

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.

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under her was very tough. She went up to Maine and when I talked to her recently she sounded better, but she was whipped."

The Derby wasn't the way the fairy tale was supposed to end. But there was still the Belmont Stakes, the "Test of the Champion." After the Derby, Union Rags returned to his home at the bucolic Fair Hill training center in Fair Hill, Md. Meanwhile, I'll Have Another had captured the hearts of racing fans all over the country with his gutsy victories over a stubborn and game foe in Bodemeister in the Kentucky Derby and Preakness. A new hero had been born, with the stamina, courage, and toughness to conquer the elusive Triple Crown. The decades of waiting seemed to finally be at an end.

But back at Fair Hill, far away from all the tumult, Union Rags awaited his final chance at Triple Crown glory. Fair Hill was the perfect place for Union Rags to unwind, with its forests and gentle rolling hills and winding horse paths, where horses frolic in sand pens and graze contentedly in paddocks.

One morning, shortly after the debacle of the Kentucky Derby, Matz was applying ointment on the cuts the colt suffered on his pastern at Churchill Downs. A steady morning rain prevented Union Rags was going out in the paddock and he made his displeasure known. Matz had decided to skip the Preakness and point for the Belmont to give the colt time to recover from his ordeal.

"Everything couldn't have gone any better except for the last two minutes," Matz said. "And that was

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CHINA KING

Left well, pocket tripped to midstr, cleared along cones, urged, solid close. Chip Lackey hops aboard. Facing much tougher.

BETTOR IN THE BANK

Sat in the trip, benefitted when able to squeeze between rivals in the lane, away easily. Sharp, also steps up. Who knows?

TO THE LIMIT

Sped from gate, braked while unchallenged to far turn, sped home on own, easy. Another in shape class hiker. Adds Dean.

WHY ASK WHY

Led early, yielded to winner passing quarter, tracked balance, faded out final furlong. What's his plan here?

ALMOST CUT MY HAIR

Away well, yielded, tracked to lane, cleared traffic, driven, photo'd for 2nd. Right trip puts him into the picture.

ICY BLUE SCOOTER

First over half, advanced on the rim to lane, kept pacing hard to the end. Plays very hard every week. Edge here.

KING OF THE CROP

Out mid turn to get cheap lead, braked while untested, sped up far turn, urged, home in 27.1. Also sharp but unlikely to control the pace again.



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6th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	BETTOR IN THE BANK
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	ICY BLUE SCOOTER
Fastest time last race	TO THE LIMIT
Fastest win time this year	ICY BLUE SCOOTER
Fastest win time last year	TO THE LIMIT
Fastest last '1/4' last race	CHINA KING ALMOST CUT MY HAIR
Closed Strongly last race	CHINA KING BETTOR IN THE BANK
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	WHY ASK WHY
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	BETTOR IN THE BANK (W) TO THE LIMIT (W) ICY BLUE SCOOTER (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	BETTOR IN THE BANK TO THE LIMIT ICY BLUE SCOOTER

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.

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the only part we couldn't control. I didn't know what to say to Phyllis, she was so disappointed. You can't criticize the horse if he isn't given a chance to run."

Union Rags, as most horses do, was flourishing at Fair Hill. Two weeks before the Belmont, he went out for a steady gallop following an early morning thunderstorm.

His regular rider, Matz' assistant Peter Brette, was taking his first day off in four months, and Paul Madden, an amateur rider who had competed at the Fair Hill races the day before, was given a leg up on the colt.

He walked in Union Rags' stall, gave him a smack on the neck and said. "It's an honor and a privilege to get on his back."

After his gallop, Union Rags was put in the sand pen for a while before being turned out in a spacious paddock, as he is every morning. Matz was hoping to salvage one of the Triple Crown events and felt his best chance to do so was skip the Preakness and train him for the Belmont.

"I don't know if a mile and a half is the place to accomplish that, but I feel he deserves to go in one of the last two Triple Crown races, and the Belmont looks to be his best chance," Matz said.

The colt remained cloistered at Fair Hill while I'll Have Another and trainer Doug O'Neill dominated the headlines. I'll Have Another's arch rival, Bodemeister, owned by Zayat Stables and trained by Bob Baffert, was skipping the Belmont, replaced by another lightly raced colt from the

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BLUE STAR TROOPER
Gapped early, lost contact. Extra time off. Takes a noteworthy drop. Dean returns.

RED STAR TIGER
Sat in to last bend, angled out nearing 3/4s, steadied before breaking, had some pace. Adds chip.

MUCHO MACHO MAN
Parked half turn, no pressure to 3/4s, faded out once passed. Gerry returns to steer.

TORNADO HENRY
Off gate 2, behind early gapper, grabbed cover near half, not good flow, still fair considering. Mooney's choice. Drops in for 3k.

NEVERMISSABEAT
Sat in whole trip, cleared traffic in the lane, urged, fair. Rene's choice.

HE GRINS AGAIN
Left under urging, behind last turn gapper, cleared, only fair once free. Returns to level where he was effective.

BEST DREAM SEEKER
Led into turn, yielded, popped out late last turn, urged, caught near wire. James takes the drive. The plan here?

REGINA BEACH
Stuck last from outset, gapped to lane, driven to narrow the gap. Another dropper. Luke's choice over 2 others.

MCCEDDES
Rode cones whole trip, failed to make any menacing moves. In a tough spot despite dropping.

LUCKY IVAN
Sat in for 5/8s, tipped out on rim, wide around breaker into lane, some urging, confident late. Adds Gerry, killer post.



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7th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	LUCKY IVAN
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	LUCKY IVAN
Fastest time last race	MCCEDDES LUCKY IVAN
Fastest win time this year	REGINA BEACH
Fastest win time last year	HE GRINS AGAIN BEST DREAM SEEKER
Fastest last '1/4' last race	BLUE STAR TROOPER LUCKY IVAN
Closed Strongly last race	LUCKY IVAN
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	RED STAR TIGER TORNADO HENRY
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	LUCKY IVAN

POST POSITION TEN - 10 Across

When there is a field of 10, the horses will score 10 across the track. Horses drawing post positions HIGHER THAN 10 will start from the 2nd tier.

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same connections named Paynter, who at one point was regarded as the more talented of the two.

On the Sunday before the Belmont, John Velazquez, who was replacing Julien Leparoux, went down to Fair Hill to work Union Rags, who breezed five furlongs in a brisk :59 flat.

"Michael just said he wanted me to get a feel for the horse," Velazquez said. "As soon as I got on him, the first words out of my mouth were, 'Man, he's pretty strong,' Michael said, 'Don't worry, he'll be good for you in the race. He's been a unlucky horse, so just try to get a clean trip and we'll go from there.' He did everything so easily in the work; I was very impressed with him. Hopefully, I can give him the trip he deserves. He's just a big, strong, gorgeous horse, and I think people are going to be surprised to see him return to the Union Rags they knew."

Although 12 were entered in the Belmont, only five were given a legitimate chance to win - I'll Have Another, Kentucky Derby third-place finisher Dullahan, Union Rags, Paynter, and Street Life, third in the Peter Pan Stakes. Atigun, trained by Kenny McPeck, who upset the 2002 Belmont with Sarava, looked to have the stamina to be considered a live long-shot.

Then the day before the Belmont, all hell broke loose as O'Neill and owner Paul Reddam announced at a press conference that I'll Have Another would not run because of a tendon injury and was being retired. The news came as a crushing blow to a sport in dire need of a hero and to all those

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DON'T DOUBT THE LAKERS

Tried to follow winner past half, couldn't, caught cover midlast bend, urged to narrow gap. Nathan's choice.

WET SHARK

Rode cones in Expo bow, failed to keep up late stages. Mooney's pick but let's watch another.

IM AN ATHLETE

Took out on rim nearing 3/4s, urged, closed well into fastest quarter of the mile. Drops from top class. James returns. Major player.

EASTENDER

Led into turn, forced 2hole 3/8s, sped up last bend, finally faded out deep in the drive. Ryan hops aboard.

GD ROCK MY WORLD

Rode cones whole trip, faded out suddenly final turn. Week off. Another dropper. Steve returns.

LAST DRAGON

Behind gapper to half, grabbed cover, kicked wide into lane, urged to narrow gap. Solid form, can also get nearby.

PANCETTA

Far back early, reserved to last bend, tipped out mid bend, angled to rail, urged late to save place, solid tuner. Tighter now? Obvious danger.

MINT TO CRUISE

Burst out from half, led midfar turn, went for air, stalled a bit into hw, still held. Luke's choice. Plan from far outside?



CAL EXPO HARNESS

8th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	MINT TO CRUISE
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	PANCETTA
Fastest time last race	LAST DRAGON PANCETTA
Fastest win time this year	MINT TO CRUISE
Fastest win time last year	I'M AN ATHLETE
Fastest last '1/4' last race	I'M AN ATHLETE
Closed Strongly last race	PANCETTA
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	MINT TO CRUISE (W)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	DON'T DOUBT THE LAKERS
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	PANCETTA MINT TO CRUISE

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

yearning to see a Triple Crown winner, many for the first time in their lives.

Although racing had just had the wind knocked out of it, there was still a Belmont to be run and a glorious opportunity for Union Rags to finally make history.

Velazquez had Union Rags down on the inside in fifth after breaking from post 3 and was just biding his time, waiting for room. The longer the race went the more uneasy Matz and Wyeth became, seeing the same scenario as the Florida Derby and Kentucky Derby unfolding.

"I was having flashbacks of the last two races and was starting to get nervous," Matz said.

Paynter continued to lead, while under a comfortable hold by Smith and looked to be in control of the race, slowing down the fractions with a 1:38.85 mile. Passing the three-eighths pole, Atigun made a bold move on the far outside and looked to be a legitimate threat. Union Rags, meanwhile, had made steady progress without having to break stride at all, but found himself directly behind Paynter, with the outside sealed off by Atigun.

Smith could sense the danger from Atigun and went to a left-handed whip after turning for home. Paynter eased slightly off the rail, just enough to allow Union Rags a path, as narrow as it was. Velazquez jumped at the opportunity and came through the tight spot. Paynter had repulsed the challenge from Atigun and now had to turn his attention to Union Rags, who was creeping up on his inside.

Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

TICKET TO ROLL
Stuck last while pace was slowed to half, failed to get into it. Nathan's choice here. Post relief.

REVOLER
Gapped early, rode cones to the lane, driven, no close in the tuner. Extra week off. Adds Ryan.

LAISSEZMOIPICOLER
Parked hard eighth plus, braked to far turn, attacked by strong winner, stalled a bit. Better post. Thought.

WESTERN DEVIL
Covered past half, advanced to the lane, failed to keep up late stages. Adds Dean. Not worst stab.

EXCEPTIONAL
Reserved at back to far turn, followed loosely behind winner round the bend, urged to save place. maybe a slice.

DEWEYDIDDONEGOOD
Parked half turn to pocket behind pace slowing winner, chased balance, no late moves. One of many in open event.

YANKEE TIME
Looped leaving, took back to drop, out again past half, failed to get involved. Week off. Plan here?

GENERAL TIME
Took out into far turn, failed to sustain the bid. Class relief, could awaken among these.

BOS SO HOT
Settled early, easy run to the lane, failed to rally. Tough spot again.

WHATCHAMACALLUM
Rode cones whole trip, gapped far turn, failed to show any late interest. Adds James. Can he leave?



CAL EXPO HARNESS

9th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	WHATCHAMACALLUM
Fastest time last race	YANKEE TIME
Fastest win time this year	
Fastest win time last year	LAISSEZMOIPICOLER GENERAL TIME
Fastest last '1/4' last race	EXCEPTIONAL
Closed Strongly last race	N/A
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	TICKET TO ROLL YANKEE TIME
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	YANKEE TIME

HI-FIVE - .20¢ WAGER COMBINATIONS

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Race 10 News

"I saw the hole and I waited for it to open up," Velazquez said. "I got lucky. The horse did it all."

Paynter dug in again, but Union Rags kept coming and was able to just get up by a neck.

The colt had come through for Wyeth and Matz and closed out the 2012 Triple Crown by writing at least one chapter of the trilogy and turning the fairy tale into reality.

As Wyeth, seemingly overwhelmed by the experience, was wheeled into the winner's circle, one of those cheering her on was her niece Sophie Derrickson, who lives in Bali with her husband Lance.

"I'm so happy for Phyllis," she said. "She really needed this. After the Derby, she was great until she got home. Once she got home she crashed for several days and then left for Maine. Phyllis is like my mother. We've done everything together. We traveled together just the two of us when I was young and she was able to. Whenever she had something exciting to do she asked me to be there with her. It's so wonderful to have such a great aunt who treats me like a daughter. I'm the only grandchild in the family. I only wish I'll Have Never would have been here for us to beat him."

After the race, the quiet and reserved Wyeth passed on the post-race interview, much to the disappointment of the media, and was taken to the director's room before heading back to the barn to see her hero.

"I want to see Peter and the boys," she said, holding a half-smoked

Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

RUSH AND A BRUSH

Took cover behind fav half, bad flow far turn, swung wide, rallied fastest too late. Rail, slim call over these.

NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS

Left to drop, traffic to lane, checked midstretch, tough to gauge. Back inside. Small shot.

DOUBLE MYSTERY

First over half, gapped flow far turn, stalled. Extra week off. Maybe a slice.

DUET

Out from quarter, rim the balance, held ok, caught for 2nd late, much best of the rest. Better post. Can show big speed.

FRISKIES ANGEL

Parked eighth plus, yielded past quarter, right back to top, attacked to 3/4s, stalled once passed. Fair form. Leaves?

HUSH A BYE BABY

Moved from back excess cover into far turn, angled to lane, fair burst at wire. Tougher post now. Longshot.

AWESUM WORLD

Left to midturn tuck, backed up to the lane, shook out, tough to gauge. Adds Steve. Tough post but she can play.



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10th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS
Fastest time last race	DOUBLE MYSTERY
Fastest win time this year	NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS
Fastest win time last year	RUSH AND A BRUSH
Fastest last '1/4' last race	DOUBLE MYSTERY
Closed Strongly last race	HUSH A BYE BABY
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	DUET
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	RUSH AND A BRUSH NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	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

cigar. "I went upstairs, but it got so hot I was ready to pass out. I had to go out and have a little puff of my cigar." Union Rags had just been out grazing for a short while and Brette asked her if she wanted to see him out.

"No, if you tell me he's alright, that's fine with me," she said. "You call me in two days and tell me if there's any heat. I'm sorry I didn't mention you (on TV); everything was out so of control."

But Brette had the colt brought out anyway, and Wyeth wheeled herself over to him and gave him a pat on the forehead.

And so, Wyeth and Union Rags got to complete their fairy tale and live happily ever after. The horse was put on a van that night and returned home to Fair Hill.

"Tomorrow he'll be turned out in a nice paddock," said Matz, "and can stay out as long as he wants to."

The Belmont would be Union Rags' final race, as a suspensory injury discovered a month after the Belmont ended his career.

As this year's Derby trail unfolds, Union Rags, who has developed into a top-class sire at Lane's End Farm, has three recent impressive maiden winners who look to be very promising - Dessman, trained by Bob Baffert, Motagally, trained by Chad Brown, and Laughing Fox, trained by Steve Asmussen.

Wyeth won't get to see how they pan out, but her legacy will live on through the grand-looking colt who miraculously returned to her and enabled her to live out her dream.

Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

ZACHARIAHS HONOR
Out past quarter, cover half, surged 3wide into far turn, broke, had pace. Post relief. Adds Luke. Use.

RAMSAY
Off gate pair, out near half, followed cover 3wide into lane, urged to narrow gap. Also moves inside. Adds chip.

BURNTISLAND BILLY
Rode cones to the lane, heavy traffic, never fully clear. Pretty good spot tonight. Figures.

BLUE STAR JET
Got away well, powered out from half, attacked the winner to lane, held okay into hw12, nipped for 2nd. Been tossing hints, beware.

TWOMICKEYTRIP
Parked eighth plus, quarter moved, yielded past half, on again into lane, caught, tuff try. Not worst stab either.

PL JALAPENO
Followed winner out past quarter, ended up battling him to far turn, stalled. James returns. May need some luck.

STORMING D ODDS
Sped to top, braked, couldn't stop winner's attack far turn, stalled bit while rough into lane, then tried to fight back. Mooney's choice. Yet another user.

CAMITA B AND E
Rode cones, backed up in shuffled, angled wide late, rallied okay considering. Adds Ryan. Killer post though.

IM BLUE TOO
Sat in whole trip, gapped far turn, under urging through the lane, safely 3rd. Dean's choice. Plan from outside?



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11th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	ZACHARIAHS HONOR BLUE STAR JET STORMING D ODDS CAMITA B AND E
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	STORMING D ODDS
Fastest time last race	I'M BLUE TOO
Fastest win time this year	BURNTISLAND BILLY
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Consistent early speed	BLUE STAR JET STORMING D ODDS
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Favorable post position change from last race	ZACHARIAHS HONOR RAMSAY
Blocked or in trouble last race	BURNTISLAND BILLY
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