

Rank	Horse (Earnings – Mark)	Driver, Trainer Owner(s)	Dave Little's Comments
1	Abuckabett Hanover (\$255,021 – 1:49.1)	A. McCarthy, T. Alagna Crawford Farms Racing, Alagna Racing, Jablonsky Held Stable, Barbera N Wienick Stable	Vaults to the top spot in the Top 10 off a dominant win in his Messenger Elimination. He does face a tough task, having drawn Post 8 in the half-million-dollar final on Friday night at Yonkers. Alagna: "He's doing great. He had a little issue in the first turn at Yonkers but only because of the gating pole. He didn't like it. It would be nice if he didn't draw the eight hole but he'll float out of there and should be OK." Breeding: Betting Line-All Tucked Up Last Race: 6/25 – YR – Messenger Elimination – 1st (1:51.3)
2	One Eight Hundred (\$106,708 – 1:48)	T. Tetrick, N. Takter Brixton Medical, Nancy Takter	Jumps up to No. 2 in the poll off an eye-popping 1:48 win that featured a back half in :52.2 in a field where every other horse was at least 4 years of age. He's taking this week off. Takter: "I wasn't surprised that he was able to do that. It didn't look like he was going very fast. He was never asked. Never popped the plugs. I'm really happy with the situation we are in right now." Breeding: Somebeachsomewhere-Economy Terror Last Race: 6/26 – M1 – Non-Winners of \$12,500L5 – 1st (1:48)
3	Perfect Sting (\$629,977 – 1:48.1)	D. Miller, J. Holloway Brittany Farms, Val D'Or Farms	Placed 1 st at The Meadows after the judges disqualified Rockyroad Hanover after that one outsprinted 'Sting' to the wire from the pocket along the inside. Holloway: "Perfect Sting is doing well. I think he bounced a little bit [on Saturday off his Big M win]. No excuses, he just got beat. I'm going to train him this weekend and get ready for next week. He'll be fine." Breeding: Always B Miki-Shebestingin Last Race: 6/26 – Mea – Pennsylvania Sire Stakes – 2nd pl 1st (1:49.4)
4	Southwind Gendry (\$709,841 – Q1:49.3)	Y. Gingras, R. Burke Burke Racing, Phillip Collura, Knox Services, J&T Silva- Pumel & Libby	challenged Perfect Sting from the half to three-quarters but weakened when they turned for home. Finished third but was later put up to second. Drops from No. 1 to No. 4 in the Top 10. He will take the week off. Burke: "He didn't get the best trip. I just don't think he's real sharp right now." Breeding: Always B Miki-Gambler's Passion Last Race: 6/26 – Mea – Pennsylvania Sire Stakes – 3rd pl 2nd (1:50.2)
5	American Courage (\$218,633 – 1:49.4)	M. Kakaley, T. Alexander Fiddler's Creek Stables	Scored impressively in the other Messenger Elimination in 1:50.4. Will leave from Post 6 in the Final. Continues his climb in the poll, as he now sits at No. 5. Alexander: "He's done everything we've asked him to do so far. I think he's just finally getting into shape. Wait until this horse is race fit." Breeding: American Ideal-Nota Fool Bluechip Last Race: 6/25 – YR – Messenger Elimination – 1st (1:50.4)
6	Lawless Shadow (\$260,669 – 1:50)	B. McClure, I. Moore Ian Moore, R G McGroup Ltd, Serge Savard, Frank Cannon	Took last week off after a monster score the week before at Mohawk. Moore: "He's had a superb week. We are getting ready to come to New Jersey. I trained him [Tuesday] a mile-and-a-half and he seemed good. He'll be at Mohawk Saturday in the Ontario Sire Stakes Gold." Breeding: Shadow Play-Ladycino Last Race: 6/19 – Wbsb – Non-Winners of \$16,500L5 – 1st (1:50.2)
7	Charlie May (\$378,627 – 1:49.3)	B. Miller, S. Carter Don Tiger	Rallied to grab second to American Courage at Yonkers. Will depart from Post 3 in The Messenger Final. Carter: "He's very sharp right at this moment. He's overcome sickness and has no quarter-cracks. His feet are good and he's not sick. And he's good on a half-mile track." Breeding: McArdle-Stipple Hanover Last Race: 6/25 – YR – Messenger Elimination – 2nd (1:51)
8	Heart Of Chewbacca (\$288,848 – 1:48.4)	D. Noble, R. Burke Dennis Owens, Norman Rae Racing	Made a big charge at the leader – and eventual winner – American Courage before fizzling out and failing to qualify for the Messenger final. Burke: "It was a disaster of a trip. You're not going to come first-up against those kind [and do well]. We'll take the week off and go to The Pace." Breeding: Bring On The Beach-JT's Chewbacca Last Race: 6/25 – YR – Messenger Elimination – 7th (1:51.3)
9	Exploit (\$432,402 – 1:50.3)	T. McCarthy, T. Alagna LeBlanc and Kribbs, Joe Sbrocco, In The Gym Partners, Joseph Barbera	The 'Bad-Post Blues' continued for the 2020 Metro winner, as he was never close from Post 7 in his Messenger Elim. He's drawn Post 6 or 7 in three of his last four outings. Alagna: "He got run into by a breaker the other day, so he gets a week off. He's on target for The Pace." Breeding: Somebeachsomewhere-Time On My Hands Last Race: 6/25 – YR – Messenger Elimination – 6th (1:52.3)
10	I'll Drink To That (\$123,391 – 1:51)	D. Dunn, C. Ryder Craig Henderson, Lawrence Minowitz, Robert Mondillo, Oompa's Farm	Makes his debut in the Top 10 after having kept the entire field – with the exception of Abuckabett Hanover – at bay in his Messenger Elimination. He has wins on his card this year at The Meadowlands, Harrah's Philadelphia and Buffalo Raceway. Leaves from Post 2 Friday night at YR. Ryder: "He's a nice handy horse who has some gate speed. He's done everything right. We'll see how he handles the big boys." Breeding: American Ideal-Margarita Monday Last Race: 6/25 – YR – Messenger Elimination – 2nd (1:51.4)

KEY PREP RACES

MEADOWLANDS PACE ELIGIBLES IN CAPS – Supplements are permitted per the conditions of the race

Date	Stakes	Site	Winner	Trainer	Driver	nd	rd	Time
5/1	Pa. Sire Stakes	Mea	LITERL LAD HANOVER	R. Burke	D. Miller	STONEBRIDGE REEF	Water Sports Teen	1:51.1
	Pa. Sire Stakes	Mea	SOUTHWIND GENDRY	R. Burke	Y. Gingras	CHASE H HANOVER	Sweet Angel Boy	1:49.4
5/8	Pa. All-Stars	PcD	HELLABALOU	E. Dennis	A. McCarthy	Komodo Beach	Six Degrees	1:52.1
	Pa. All-Stars	PcD	Emblaze Hanover	R. Burke	J. Bongiorno	Crunch Hanover	RED RIGHT HAND	1:50.2
	Pa. All-Stars	PcD	Gamblin Mo	J. Butenschoen	T. Buter	STONEBRIDGE REEF	CAPTAINS PLACE	1:50.1
	Pa. All-Stars	PcD	ONE EIGHT HUNDRED	N. Takter	T. Tetrick	Water Sports Teen	Warrawee Whynot	1:50.1
5/16	Pa. Sire Stakes	PcD	EXPLOIT	T. Alagna	J. Bongiorno	Gamblin Mo	LITERL LAD HANOVER	1:50.3
	Pa. Sire Stakes	PcD	ABUCKABETT HANOVER	T. Alagna	A. McCarthy	PERFECT STING	RED RIGHT HAND	1:50.0
	Pa. Sire Stakes	PcD	ONE EIGHT HUNDRED	N. Takter	T. Tetrick	SOUTHWIND GENDRY	ROCKYROAD HANOVER	1:50.3
5/30	Pa. Sire Stakes	Phil	ABUCKABETT HANOVER	T. Alagna	A. McCarthy	Gamblin Mo	RED RIGHT HAND	1:51.1
	Pa. Sire Stakes	Phil	SOUTHWIND GENDRY	R. Burke	Y. Gingras	HELLABALOU	BILLY CLYDE	1:51.0
6/25	Messenger Elim.	YR	AMERICAN COURAGE	T. Alexander	M. Kakaley	CHARLIE MAY	CHASE H HANOVER	1:50.4
	Messenger Elim.	YR	ABUCKABETT HANOVER	T. Alagna	A. McCarthy	I'LL DRINK TO THAT	HIGHLANDBEACHSBEST	1:51.3
6/26	Pa. Sire Stakes	Mea	PERFECT STING (2P1)	J. Holloway	D. Miller	SOUTHWIND GENDRY (3P2)	Lou's Pearlman (4P3)	1:49.4
7/2	Messenger Final	YR						
7/10	Mead. Pace Elim.	M1						
7/17	Mead. Pace Final	M1						