

# HADDASSAH

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Own: Ulwelling Al and Bill



B. g. 3 (Feb)  
 Sire: Air Force Blue (War Front) \$10,000  
 Dam: Lady Haddassah (Whywhywhy)  
 Br: Al Ulwelling & Bill Ulwelling (Ont-C)  
 Tr: Attard Kevin(92 18 16 11 .20) 2021:(92 18 .20)

Life	3	1	0	2	\$90,510	82	D.Fst	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
2021	2	0	0	2	\$28,710	82	Wet(326)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
2020	1	1	0	0	\$61,800	79	Synth	2	1	0	1	\$62,296	81
Wo	2	1	0	1	\$81,600	81	Turf(237)	1	0	0	1	\$8,910	82
							Dst(287*)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

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**WORKS:** ● Aug8 WO ◊ 6f fst 1:11 B 1/4 Aug1 WO ◊ 5f fst 1:01 4 B 25/61 Jly25 WO ◊ 4f fst :48 3 B 43/117 Jly4 WO ◊ 6f fst 1:12 3 B 1/1 Jun27 WO ◊ 4f fst :50 B 58/83 Jun5 WO ◊ 5f fst 1:00 4 B 54/123  
**TRAINER:** 31-60Days(75 .20 \$2.07) Routes(197 .19 \$1.49) Stakes(48 .25 \$2.15)

- Haddassah can be a handful in the shed row, according to his trainer Kevin Attard. “He’s a little bit headstrong,” said Attard. “If you are walking by his stall, he’ll try and attack you. He loves to bite.”
- Haddassah is a homebred owned by Bill and Al Ulwelling, who are based in Minnesota but have become major supporters of Ontario racing. “When we were prepping him as a 2-year-old he was working really well,” said Attard. “It was really exciting to get him to the races; I thought he was going to be a special horse.”
- That opinion was vindicated when Haddassah debuted in a one mile and 70-yard race on the main track last Nov. 1, delivering an impressive come-from-behind victory in what would turn out to be his only start of the season.
- When Haddassah returned to action this June his stage was the E.P. Taylor Turf Course for a 1-1/16-mile allowance race in which he finished third behind far more experienced older runners. “We elected to run him on the turf, just to try and keep him and Stephen separated at the time (Stephen, also owned by the Ulwellings, had won the Coronation Futurity last year and entered this season as one of the Queen’s Plate favorites only to be sidelined by injury after making just one start).
- In his next and most recent outing, Haddassah had his final Plate prep in the Marine Stakes. Racing more forwardly than may have been anticipated, the son of Air Force One found himself on the lead before weakening to finish third.
- Attard does admit that the 1 ¼-mile distance could be a question mark for Haddassah. “It’s going to be a little tricky, I think maybe, for him,” said the trainer. “He may not be at his best going that far. It’s going to be about how he relaxes early. I think if Gary (Boulanger) can get him to settle he’ll be pretty competitive.”

### Owner – Bill and Al Ulwelling

Bill and his son, Al, owners of A&B Welding and Construction of Elk River, Minnesota, were introduced to the racing game at their home state’s Canterbury Park and got into the ownership realm there in 2005 through a long-time friend and customer, the late Bill Wiczek. The Ulwellings have become major supporters of Ontario racing, having horses here with Kevin Attard since 2017. Their top performers include Canterbury-based Stachys, winner of the Manitoba Derby in 2010, and Woodbine stakes winners Stephen (Coronation Futurity, 2020), Merveilleux (Wonder Where and Ontario Damsel, 2020), Pumpkin Rumble (Valedictory, 2019 and 2020) and Shakopee Town (Whimsical, 2019).

### Trainer – Kevin Attard

Kevin Attard again was one of Woodbine’s top trainers in 2020 and a Sovereign finalist for the third consecutive year. Attard — son of accomplished local trainer Tino Attard and nephew of prominent Woodbine conditioners Sid Attard and the late Joe Attard and former jockey and trainer Larry Attard — won his first career race on July 12, 2001 at Woodbine with next-out Nandi Stakes winner Jade Eyed. Since then Attard has won 64 more stakes, including the Grade 1 E.P. Taylor in 2019 and the Grade 1 Woodbine Mile in 2020 with Canada’s 2019 Horse of the Year, Starship Jubilee. Other top horses have included Munnyfor Ro, this year’s Woodbine Oaks heroine, Alezzandro (Prince of Wales, 2007), and Woodbine multiple graded stakes winners Amalfi Coast, Calgary Cat, and Melmich.

### Jockey – Gary Boulanger

Although he obviously would have preferred it to be otherwise, this has turned out to be another comeback year for Gary Boulanger. The jockey, who was recognized as one of the 2020 Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame inductees, was sidelined shortly thereafter by a knee injury suffered during a training accident. After undergoing surgery last September, Boulanger returned to action on June 18 and is enjoying a solid 2021 campaign. Boulanger had already overcome back problems, which required extensive surgery in the late 1990s, and later came back from an eight-year absence precipitated by a serious spill at Gulfstream, which led to life-threatening injuries, in 2005. Born in Edmonton, Alberta, Boulanger began his riding career in Washington State, where he won three straight jockey titles at Longacres in Seattle, and went on to be a top rider in Florida. Moving his tack to Woodbine in June 2000, Boulanger has been associated with Sovereign Award champions, including Dancethruthedawn who won the Queen’s Plate and Woodbine Oaks in 2001. He was the recipient of the 2017 Avelino Gomez Memorial Award for contributions to racing on and off the track.

### Groom — William Lawrence



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