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Own: Russell John E. and Russell, Diana L



Dk. b or b. c. 3 (Jan) FTKOCT21 \$120,000
 Sire: Army Mule (Friesan Fire) \$12,500
 Dam: Stormy's Song (Unbridled's Song)
 Br: Elevage II, LLC & St. Elias Stables, LLC (Ont-C)
 Tr: De Paulo Michael P(27 4 4 5 .15) 2023:(64 8 .12)

Life	7	2	3	0	\$156,440	85	D.Fst	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
2023	5	2	1	0	\$115,240	85	Wet(479)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
2022	2	M	2	0	\$41,200	71	Synth(331)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Wo	5	1	3	0	\$113,740	85	Turf(370)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
							Dst(313)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

23Jly23-9WO	fst	1 1/8	⊕	C	48 ²	1:124	1:372	1:494	PlateTriB152k	69	4/12	127 3/4	127 1/4	93 3/4	95	67 1/4	Contreras L	L126	*1.00	85-13	Paramount Prince ⁵	Cool Kiss ^{hd}	Twin City ^{1/2}	Advance 5-6w,even out
18Jun23-7WO	fst	1 1/8	⊕		24	:491	1:132	1:432	3x OC 32k/n1x-N	85	8/10	44	42 1/2	2 1/2	1 1/2	1	Contreras L	L119	*1.85	86-18	Stanley House ¹	Call Curt ²	Tecumseh's War ¹	To lead1/4,prevailed
6May23-7WO	fst	1 1/8	⊕		234	:491	1:14	1:431	3x OC 32k/n1x-N	85	6/7	45 1/2	42	4 1/4	2 1/2	2 3/4	Contreras L	L119	3.10	83-13	Tyson ^{3/2}	Stanley House ^{3/4}	Full Extreme ^{hd}	Bold move1/4 between
25Mar23-11GP	fst	1 1/8	⊕		242	:482	1:123	1:431		84	7/11	53 1/2	53	52	1 1/2	12 3/4	Castellano J J	L118	3.00	85-14	Stanley House ^{2 3/4}	Bel Amink	Nate the Great ^{4 1/4}	4p,bid6p upr,drw clear
16Feb23-9GP	fst	1 1/8	⊕		25	:484	1:114	1:391		70	5/8	53 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2	6 1/2	5 3/4	Castellano J J	L118	*1.50	90-08	Turf King ^{nk}	Nate the Great ³	Clever Thought ³	3p,5p str,lugged in1/8
4Dec22-6WO	fst	6f	⊕		222	:444	:571	1:101		70	2/10	10 1/2	10 1/2	7 3/4	72	2 3/4	Contreras L	L118	*90	88-14	Mr Speed ³	Stanley House ^{nk}	Alpha Meister ³	Tight brk,fan 8w,gain
6Nov22-5WO	fst	5 1/2f	⊕		22	:441	:562	1:031		71	7/8	4	6 5/8	5 3/8	3 3/8	2 1/2	Contreras L	L118	2.60	97-05	Armstrong ^{1/2}	Stanley House ⁴	Kinetic Stone ¹	Best stride late 5Wstr

WORKS: Aug13WO ⊕ 5f fst :593 B 5/76 Aug6WO ⊕ 5f fst 1:004 B 12/48 Jly16WO ⊕ 5f fst 1:002 B 16/94 Jly9WO ⊕ 5f fst 1:004 B 12/47 Jun11WO ⊕ 5f fst 1:00 B 5/31 Jun4WO ⊕ 5f fst 1:00 B 5/40
 TRAINER: Routes(142.14 \$1.57) Stakes(17.00 \$0.00)

- Trainer Mike De Paulo has three shots (Cool Kiss and El Cohete are the others) to win Canada's classic race.
- A model of consistency, Stanley House is 2-3-0 from seven starts. "I liked this horse when I bought him," said De Paulo. "He was a good-legged colt. From the first day I breezed him, he acted like he could run. Mike Cooke broke him in Ocala, and he was high on him all along."
- "I thought he should have won his first two races," De Paulo said of the horse bred by Elevage II, LLC and St. Elias Racing Stables, LLC and owned by John and Diana Russell. "It didn't happen, but he's a talented horse."
- De Paulo originally wanted to purchase the horse for himself and his son, groom Joseph De Paulo. "When we went to the sale, I had plans to buy him for us, but when the price started going up, I thought I should get on the phone. But it all worked out."
- "His last race (Plate Trial), if you had told me he was going to run sixth, I would have told you there was something wrong with you. It was not a true indication of his talent. He's always coming. He never stops in his races. Hopefully, he gets a nice, clear path and comes with a big run, something he always does."
- Hall of Fame jockey Javier Castellano, who won two legs of the U.S. Triple Crown this year, will ride Stanley House. He was aboard the son of Army Mule for his maiden win at Gulfstream in March.

Owners – John and Diana Russell

John and Diana Russell have been proud supporters of racing in Ontario and Woodbine for decades. John is president of J.E. Russell Produce Ltd. and owned horses years ago before jumping back in the game with encouragement from De Paulo. "He was in the game with [trainer] Buddy Carter back in the day," started De Paulo. "John was partners with Peter Lamantia (co-breeder of 2009 Kentucky Derby winner Mine That Bird) and they raced a really good filly Sweet Briar Too, the dam of Langfuhr. She won some nice races. He got out of the business for years, but I guess I bugged him enough that he made a comeback." Success, for the Russells, has come both as a couple and through various partnerships. "I've been training for John the past 10 or 11 years," said De Paulo. "He's a team player and a friend. We travel to the Breeders' Cup every year and have a great time."

Trainer – Mike De Paulo (see Cool Kiss bio)

Jockey – Javier Castellano

Javier Castellano, born in Venezuela on October 23, 1977, came to the U.S. in 1997 and began riding on the South Florida circuit. After topping the Tropical-at-Calder standings for two straight seasons, Castellano moved to the New York circuit in 2001 and quickly established himself. Castellano won four straight Eclipse Awards (2013-2016) and was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2017. Career highlights include wins aboard Ghostzapper in the 2007 Breeders' Cup Classic; a Preakness and Travers with Bernardini in 2006; and an upset of American Pharoah with Keen Ice in the 2015 Travers. In 2023, Castellano won two legs of the Triple Crown with two different horses: Mage in the Kentucky Derby and Arcangelo in the Belmont Stakes. It was his first career victory in each race.

Groom – Joseph De Paulo



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Jockey: Javier Castellano – 6 2019 – Avie’s Flatter (2 nd) 2018 – Rose’s Vision (14 th) 2017 – Inflexibility (3 rd) 2014 – We Miss Artie (4 th) 2010 – Dark Cloud Dancer (6 th) 2008 – Ginger Brew (2 nd)	Trainer: Mike De Paulo – 9 2019 – Rising Star (9 th) 2019 – Moon Swings (13 th) 2014 – Athenian Guard (10 th) 2011 – Pender Harbour (3 rd) 2008 – Deputiformer (4 th) 2006 – Shillelagh Slew (5 th) 1999 – Festive Knight (5 th) 1996 – Lorries Mane Man (11 th) 1995 – Desert Falcon (14 th)
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