



#1 - FAST CHOICE

[COURTLY CHOICE (NY) - FASHION GURU - RUSTLER HANOVER]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	8	4	1	0	\$254,520	1:50.3 VD
2025	2	0	1	0	\$33,281	
2024	6	4	0	0	\$221,239	1:50.3 VD

Owners:

Ashley Bako, Wallkill, NY

Trainer:

Jared Bako (Wallkill, NY – via Ontario)

1st Cup Starter

Driver:

Scott Zeron (Campbell Hall, NY – via Ontario)

10 Cup appearances – Best Finish: 1st in 2019 w/ Captain Crunch and 1st in 2023 w/ Its My Show

Breeder:

Winbak Farm – Chesapeake City, MD

Yearling Sale

LEXINGTON SELECT KY 05-OCT-2023 Hip# 728 \$13,000

Accomplishments:

- Won four New York Sires Stakes divisions at age two.
- Started career with four consecutive victories.

Notes:

- Only raced in New York Sires Stakes until appearing in NA Cup elimination.
- Highest earner of four foals from Rustler Hanover dam Fashion Guru.
- Sire Courtly Choice won NA Cup Consolation in 2018.



#2 - DANDY IDEAL

[AMERICAN IDEAL (NY) - OK HEAVENLY - SPORTSWRITER]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	12	5	2	2	\$195,917	1:50.3 DD
2025	2	0	0	1	\$6,000	Q1:50.3 PCD
2024	10	5	2	1	\$189,917	1:50.3 DD

Owners:

Susan M Oakes, Wilkes-Barre, PA-Thaddeus A Wier, East Aurora-Alan J Johnston, Syracuse, NY

Trainer:

Hunter Oakes (Wilkes-Barre, PA)

1st Cup Starter

Driver:

Jason Bartlett (Goshen, NY)

1st Cup Appearance

Breeder:

Stephen P Dey, Allentown, NJ- Dandy Farms Inc, Oak Park, IL

Yearling Sale

HARRISBURG PA 07-NOV-2023 Hip# 262 \$52,000

Accomplishments:

- Won the Matron Stakes on November 14, 2024 at Dover Downs.
- Finished 3rd in NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Dam OK Heavenly started her racing career in Ontario under trainer Mark Steacy.
- Half-Brother to Pass And Stow, a Pennsylvania Sires Stakes winner of more than \$279,000.
- Driver Jason Bartlett has won more than 11,000 races.



#3 - JOEL AND THE JETS

[STAY HUNGRY (PA) - BETTY AND THE JETS - JEREMES JET]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	9	3	2	2	\$90,622	1:51.3 WMP
2025	2	1	1	0	\$23,000	1:51.3 WMP
2024	7	2	1	2	\$67,622	1:52.1 MEA

Owners:

Joel And The Jets Stable, Cambridge, ON

Trainer:

Dr. Ian Moore (Cambridge, Ontario – via Prince Edward Island)

8 Cup Starters – Best Finish: 2nd in 2020 w/ Tattoo Artist

Driver:

Louis-Philippe Roy (Campbellville, Ontario – via Mont-Joli, Quebec)

4 Cup Appearances – Best Finish: 1st in 2024 w/ Nijinsky

Breeder:

Stephen P Dey, Allentown, NJ

Yearling Sale:

LEXINGTON SELECT KY 04-OCT-2023 Hip# 572 \$27,000

Accomplishments:

- Won Pennsylvania Sires Stakes Consolation on September 5, 2024 at The Meadows.
- Finished 2nd in NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Dam Betty And The Jets is a half-sister to Western Graduate (54 Wins, \$1.3M)
- Trainer Dr. Ian Moore was a 2024 inductee of the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame
- Driver Louis-Philippe Roy is looking to become first driver since David Miller in 2016-17 to win back-to-back NA Cups. Only John Campbell and Miller have accomplished the feat
- Roy is a two-time Canadian Driver of the Year at the O'Brien Awards (2018, 2019)



#4 - LOUPRINT

[SWEET LOU (PA) - ROCKIN RACER - ROCKIN IMAGE]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	14	11	2	1	\$1,121,440	1:48.4 LEX
2025	4	4	0	0	\$109,172	1:49.1 WMP
2024	10	7	2	1	\$1,012,268	1:48.4 LEX

Owners:

Burke Racing Stable Llc, Fredericktown- Weaver Brusceci Llc, Canonsburg-Phillip Collura, Mountain Top, PA-
Lawrence R Karr, Randolph, NJ

Trainer:

Ron Burke (Canonsburg, PA)

11 Cup Starters – Best Finish: 1st in 2014 w/ JK Endofanera

Driver:

Ronnie Wrenn Jr. (Chagrin Falls, Ohio)

1st Cup Appearance

Breeder:

Burke Racing Stable Llc, Fredericktown- Weaver Brusceci Llc, Canonsburg- Phillip Collura, Mountain Top, PA

Accomplishments:

- Won Breeders Crown 2-Year-Old Colt Pace.
- Won Kentucky Sires Stakes Championship.
- Won Dan Patch Award as 2024 U.S. 2-Year-Old Pacing Colt of the Year.
- Won multiple Pennsylvania Sires Stakes divisions.
- Won NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Louprint is the first foal out of Rockin Image mare Rockin Racer
- Hall of Fame trainer Ron Burke will send out his first Cup starters since 2021
- Michigan native Ronnie Wrenn Jr. will drive in his first Cup
- Wrenn has won more than 8,700 races and has surpassed 600 wins in a single-season seven-times
- Louprint is looking to become the fifth Breeders Crown winner to return at age three and win the NA Cup. The last to win both was Tall Dark Stranger in 2019-2020



#5 - LITE UP THE WORLD

[AMERICAN IDEAL (NY) - TURNOFFTHELIGHTS - JENNAS BEACH BOY]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	8	5	2	0	\$95,065	1:48.3 WMP
2025	4	3	1	0	\$64,375	1:48.3 WMP
2024	4	2	1	0	\$30,690	1:51.3 WMP

Owners:

Mac T & Carol E Nichol, Burlington, ON

Trainer:

Anthony Beaton (Waterdown, Ontario – via Nova Scotia)

3 Cup Starters – Best Finish: 1st in 2024 w/ Nijinsky

Driver:

James MacDonald (Guelph, Ontario – via Prince Edward Island)

5 Cup Appearances – Best Finish: 4th in 2024 w/ Legendary Hanover

Breeder:

Steve H Stewart, Paris, KY- John Lengacher, Grabill, IN- Minisink Farms Llc, Flemington, NJ

Yearling Sale:

LEXINGTON SELECT KY 04-OCT-2023 Hip# 520 \$95,000

Accomplishments:

- Won a leg of the Dream Maker Series at age two.
- Won NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Lite Up The World is a full-brother to Bedroomconfessions (20 Wins, \$1M)
- Dam Turnoffthelights has produced six winners, 3 of which have earned over \$250,000
- Trainer Anthony Beaton won last year's Cup with Nijinsky and looks to become the first trainer since Nancy Takter in 2019-20 to win back-to-back Cups. Bill Robinson and Takter are the only two trainers to win the race in consecutive years
- Driver James MacDonald is the four-time defending Canadian Driver of the Year and leading driver at Woodbine Mohawk Park



#6 - CAPTAIN OPTIMISTIC

[CAPTAIN TREACHEROUS (PA) - CINAMONY - ART OFFICIAL]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	13	8	3	1	\$667,337	1:49.0 M
2025	2	1	1	0	\$38,808	1:50.2 WMP
2024	11	7	2	1	\$628,529	1:49.0 M

Owners:

3 Brothers Stables, New York, NY-Marvin Katz, Toronto, ON- Caviart Farms, Vienna, VA

Trainer:

Nancy Takter (Allentown, NJ)

6 Cup Starters – Best Finish: 1st in 2019 w/ Captain Crunch and 1st in 2020 w/ Tall Dark Stranger

Driver:

Dexter Dunn (Millstone, NJ – via New Zealand)

4 Cup Appearances – Best Finish: 2nd in 2019 w/ Bettors Wish

Breeder:

Fair Winds Farm Inc, Cream Ridge, NJ

Yearling Sale:

HARRISBURG PA 06-NOV-2023 Hip# 130 \$160,000

Accomplishments:

- Won the Governor's Cup Final.
- Won NJ Classic Final.
- Won an elimination of the Metro Pace and finished 3rd in \$1M Final.
- Won an elimination of the Breeders Crown.
- Won NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Dam Cinamony is a half-sister to 2017 NA Cup winner Fear The Dragon
- Captain Optimistic is looking to become the fourth horse to win the Governor's Cup at age two and return to win the NA Cup. The last to win both was Takter trainee Captain Crunch in 2018-19
- Trainer Nancy Takter won her first two NA Cup starts with Captain Crunch (2019) and Tall Dark Stranger (2020).
- Nancy's Hall of Fame father, Jimmy Takter, sent out 7 NA Cup starters during his career, with his best finish a 2nd in 2012 with Time To Roll.
- Driver Dexter Dunn is a 5-time winner of the U.S. Driver of the Year Award at the Dan Patch Awards



#7 - SWINGTOWN

[DOWNBYTHESEASIDE (OH) - SWINGING BEAUTY - ART MAJOR]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	14	7	2	2	\$681,234	Q1:49.3 MEA
2025	3	1	0	1	\$28,032	Q1:49.3 MEA
2024	11	6	2	1	\$653,202	1:50.1 M

Owners:

Burke Racing Stable Llc, Fredericktown, PA- Hatfield Stables, Columbus- Knox Services Inc, Mt Vernon- R A S Racing Llc, Powell, OH

Trainer:

Ron Burke (Canonsburg, PA)

11 Cup Starters – Best Finish: 1st in 2014 w/ JK Endofanera

Driver:

Yannick Gingras (Allentown, NJ – via Quebec)

13 Cup Appearances – Best Finish: 1st in 2020 w/ Tall Dark Stranger

Breeder:

Steiner Stock Farm, Lima, OH

Yearling Sale:

OHIO SELECT OH 15-SEP-2023 Hip# 152 \$160,000

Accomplishments:

- Won Breeders Crown elimination.
- Won Next Generation Stakes at Scioto Downs.
- Won multiple Ohio Sires Stakes divisions.
- Finished 3rd in NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Swingtown is the fifth foal out of Art Major mare Swinging Beauty (16 Wins, \$893K)
- Half-brother to 2020 Little Brown Jug winner Captain Barbossa and \$1M earner Whichwaytothebeach, who is entered in Race 12 Cup night
- Hall of Fame trainer Ron Burke will send out his first Cup starters since 2021
- Driver Yannick Gingras won his first Cup in 2020 with Tall Dark Stranger



#8 - CRACK SHOT

[BETTORS DELIGHT (ON) - BEAUTYONTHEBEACH - SOME BEACHSOMEWHERE]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	12	7	2	0	\$333,049	1:51.0 WMP
2025	4	2	1	0	\$94,224	1:51.0 WMP
2024	8	5	1	0	\$238,825	1:51.3 WMP

Owners:

R Gregg McNair, Guelph-Dale R Hunter, London-Frank D Brundle, East Garafraxa-George D Kerr, Gowanstown, ON

Trainer:

Gregg McNair (Guelph, Ontario)

6 Cup Starters – Best Finish: 3rd in 1998 w/ Run To The Bank

Driver:

Doug McNair (Guelph, Ontario)

5 Cup Appearances – Best Finish: 4th in 2018 w/ Stay Hungry

Breeder:

James L Avritt, Lebanon, KY

Yearling Sale:

LEXINGTON SELECT KY 03-OCT-2023 Hip# 297 \$205,000

Accomplishments:

- Won Ontario Sires Stakes Super Final at age two.
- Won Ontario Sires Stakes Grassroots Final at age two.
- Won SBOA Stakes in May 2025.
- Finished 2nd in NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Dam Beautyonthebeach is half-sister to Precocious Beauty, who is a three-quarter sister to 2010 Cup winner Sportswriter and is the dam of 2020 Cup winner Tall Dark Stranger
- Trainer Gregg McNair campaigned Crack Shot's dam Beautyonthebeach
- Driver Doug McNair is a past O'Brien Award winner as Canada's Driver of the Year (2017)
- Co-owner Dale Hunter is the Head Coach/Owner of the London Knights, who recently captured the 2025 OHL Championship and 2025 Memorial Cup. Hunter is among the all-time winningest coaches in Junior Hockey history and played over 1,400 NHL games, amassing 1,020 points and 3,563 penalty minutes



#9 - PRINCE HAL HANOVER

[CAPTAIN TREACHEROUS (PA) - PERCY BLUECHIP - SHADOW PLAY]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	14	4	5	2	\$477,775	1:49.3 PCD
2025	4	2	1	1	\$87,604	1:49.3 PCD
2024	10	2	4	1	\$390,171	1:52.3 WMP

Owners:

Prince Hal Hanover Stable, Cambridge, ON

Trainer:

Dr. Ian Moore (Cambridge, ON – via Prince Edward Island)

8 Cup Starters – Best Finish: 2nd in 2020 w/ Tattoo Artist

Driver:

David Miller (Robinsville, New Jersey)

22 Cup Appearances – Best Finish: 1st in 2016 w/ Betting Line and 1st in 2017 w/ Fear The Dragon

Breeder:

Hanover Shoe Farms Inc, Hanover, PA

Yearling Sale:

LEXINGTON SELECT KY 02-OCT-2023 Hip# 38 \$130,000

Accomplishments:

- Won Tompkins-Geers Stakes at age two.
- Won multiple Pennsylvania Sires Stakes divisions.
- Finished 2nd in \$1M Metro Pace Final.
- Won Somebeachsomewhere Stakes division.
- Finished 2nd in NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Dam Percy Bluechip (12 Wins, \$1M) was an O'Brien Award winner that was also trained by Dr. Ian Moore
- Trainer Moore was a 2024 inductee of the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame
- Driver David Miller has the second most NA Cup appearances at 22. John Campbell has the most at 25
- Miller was 0 for 15 in the NA Cup until winning in 2016 with Betting Line. He then won the next year in 2017 with Fear The Dragon. Miller and John Campbell are the only drivers to win the Cup in consecutive years



#10 - MADDEN OAKS

[HUNTSVILLE (NY) - HARD EIGHT - BETTORS DELIGHT]

Year	Starts	Wins	2 nd	3 rd	Earnings	Record
Career	7	3	2	2	\$46,730	1:51.3 TGDN
2025	4	1	1	2	\$24,433	1:52.4 TGDN
2024	3	2	1	0	\$22,297	1:51.3 TGDN

Owners:

Samir A Tawil, Syracuse, NY-Paul V Kautz, Franklin Lakes, NJ-Alexander P Henn-Nathan J Fullmer, Manlius, NY

Trainer:

Cameron Capone (Clarksburg, NJ)

1st Cup Starter

Driver:

Braxten Boyd (Jonesville, Michigan)

1st Cup Appearance

Breeder:

The Bay'S Stable Llc, Englewood, CO- Polger Holdings Llc, Lajolla, CA- South Mountain Stables, Milburn- Mark C Mullen, Cranbury, NJ

Yearling Sale:

HARRISBURG PA 08-NOV-2023 Hip# 532 \$50,000

Accomplishments:

- Finished 3rd in Somebeachsomewhere Stakes division.
- Finished 3rd in NA Cup elimination.

Notes:

- Dam Hard Eight was an Ontario Sires Stakes in 2018, winning a Grassroots division (the lone win of her 11 career starts)
- 1st Cup appearance for trainer Cameron Capone and driver Braxten Boyd
- Capone is the son of trainer Mark Capone, who has won 762 races and sent out the winners of \$14M
- Michigan native Boyd is in his sixth full season driving and has nearly 1,300 wins and \$18M in earnings