

WINNERUP, LIVINONTHEDASH DIVIDE
YONKERS' \$170,500 NYSS MILT TAYLOR TROT
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YONKERS, NY, Saturday, July 27, 2019—Winnerup (Trond Smedshammer, \$5.80) and Livinonthedash (Marcus Miller, \$2.20) proved best Saturday night (July 27th), dividing Yonkers Raceway \$170,500 New York Sire Stakes Milt Taylor Trot for 3-year-old colts and geldings.

A pair of \$85,250 races comprised the event.

Winnerup, who has been his own worst enemy more than once this season, was a good boy here. From post position No. 5, he worked it out from second-over.

Cavill Hanover (Dan Dube), as the 3-4 favorite, could not stand the prosperity of soft (:28.1; 57.2) fractions. He was rolled over by Lucky Weekend (George Brennan) right around the 1:26.1 three-quarters.

Meanwhile, Winnerup was waiting his turn before taking over. He widened through the lane, whipping his tow by 4¼ widening lengths in 1:55.1. Horns for Three (Miller) was third at 116-1, with Whimzical Chapter (Dan Daley)—trapped behind the stopping leader—and Chip Chip Conway (Jason Bartlett) picking off the minors.

Cavill Hanover tired to sixth, beating a pair of breakers.

For second choice Winnerup, a son of Credit Winner owned by Purple Haze Stables and trained by his driver, it was his fourth win in nine seasonal starts. The exacta paid \$25.60, the triple returned \$325 and the superfecta paid \$2,295.

The evening's second sire stakes rendition saw a determined Livinonthedash—essentially gifted a win when Winnerup jumped it off the first time this division came here—need no such largesse now.

From post No. 5, he sat out there as maiden Skyway Kon Man (Smedshammer) decided to park everyone. 'Everyone' included Jason's Camden (Bartlett) and a three-deep Our White Knight (Jim Marohn Jr.)

After intervals of :28.2; 56.4 and 1:26.4, the leader tired early in the lane. While this way going on, Livinonthedash went widest and closed fastest.

He defeated an out-the-mile Jason's Camden by a length-and-a-quarter in 1:56.2. Refi (Jordan Stratton), Skyway Con Man and Powerscourt (Mickey McGivern) settled for the small envelopes.

For Livinonthedash, a Muscle Mass colt co-owned by (trainer) Erv Miller, David Prushnok and Tangie Massey, it was his seventh win in a dozen '19 tries. The exacta (two wagering favorites) paid \$5.70, the triple paid \$60 and the superfecta paid \$167.50.

Saturday night's pair of \$46,000 Open Handicaps were won by...

--(Trot) Eye of a Tiger AS (Bartlett, \$54) in life-best-matching 1:54.2;

--(Pace) The Real One (Pat Lachance, \$8.10) in 1:51.3, a 50th career victory.

New York Sire Stakes returns downstate Friday night (Aug. 2nd), with the Frank Becerra Pace for 2-year-old fillies (purse TBA).

Total purses for the 2019 New York-bred program are estimated at \$14 million. For more information, please visit www.nysirestakes.com.

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