

ROAD TO THE MEADOWLANDS PACE

Week 4 (of 10) – Thursday, May 22

The Meadowlands Pace is on Saturday, July 12, 2025

Rank	Horse (Earnings – Mark)	Driver, Trainer Owner(s)	Dave Little's (and trainer's) Comments
1	Louprint (\$778,460 – 1:48.4)	R. Wrenn Jr., R. Burke Burke Racing Stable LLC, Weaver Bruscemi LLC, Phillip Collura, Lawrence R. Karr	Dominated a short field after being permitted to cut a slow half. Burke: “He could have gone a lot more. He’s sharp right now. I’d like to race him out of a hole. Hopefully, we draw in tougher Sunday at Chester. I just want to make sure that that part of his game is good.” Breeding: Sweet Lou-Rockin Racer Last Race: 5/17/2025 – PcD – PaSS – 1st (1:50.2)
2	Captain Optimistic (\$454,830 – 1:49)	D. Dunn, N. Takter 3 Brothers Stables, Marvin Katz, Caviart Farms	Qualifier was of the eye-popping variety. Back half was paced in :53.4. The trainer wanted to race on the big track this week, but that’s a no-go. Takter: “The Meadowlands didn’t fill any classes for him on Saturday, so we will race him in the Pennsylvania Sire Stakes on Sunday at Chester.” Breeding: Captaintreacherous-Cinamony Last Race: 5/17/2025 – M1 – Qualifier – 1st (1:50.3)
3	Fallout (\$573,200 – 1:48.4)	T. Tetrick, T. Alagna Robert J. LeBlanc, Pryde Stables Inc, Caviart Farms	Was second best to Build The Wall after sitting a three-hole, being forced three-wide at the head of the stretch, and sprinting home to just miss in a race that included several solid older performers. Alagna: “He raced really well and scoped sick afterward. He had some mucus, scoped a 4 out of 10. Nothing serious but it definitely affected his performance. That race was exactly what we had in mind. We wanted to race at The Meadowlands this week but none of the classes are going to go, so I’m calling an audible and going to Chester on Sunday.” Breeding: Captaintreacherous-Aria Hanover Last Race: 5/17/2025 – M1 – W4NW8 – 2nd (1:50.2)
4	Prince Hal Hanover (\$312,416 – 1:49.3)	D. Miller, Dr. I. Moore Prince Hal Hanover Stable	Moves up five spots to No. 4 after stepping his game up in a big way with a lifetime-best effort in the Poconos. What’s up, Doc? Moore: “He lived up to my expectations. He relaxed pretty good once he got to the top. He’s good, that was a new record for him. We are not going to Philadelphia this week, and will go to the Somebeachsomewhere next week.” Breeding: Captaintreacherous-Percy Bluechip Last Race: 5/17/2025 – PcD – PaSS – 1st (1:49.3)
5	Papi’s Rocket (\$315,763 – 1:50.4)	Y. Gingras, R. Burke Burke Racing Stable LLC, Weaver Bruscemi LLC, Knox Services Inc, Slaughter Racing Stable LLC	Off a second consecutive failure as the favorite in PaSS action but was in a traffic jam at the head of the stretch. Burke: “If he gets out, I think he would have won. It was just a tough spot. I was happy with him.” Racing Sunday at Chester. Breeding: Papi Rob Hanover-Real Touch Last Race: 5/17/2025 – PcD – PaSS – 2nd (1:51.3)
6	Papis Pistol (\$184,867 – 1:49.3)	A. Miller, S. DePinto Shannon C. DePinto, Chris Arvanitis, Anthony Perretti, Brad Shackman	Took the week off. DePinto: “We entered him for Saturday at The Meadowlands but they didn’t use the race, so we put him in to qualify Saturday morning and then we are off to Canada for the Somebeachsomewhere. I was concerned about his readiness but he’s got the two qualifiers and I worked him in 1:55 the other day, so I think he’ll be OK. I don’t think he’ll be short. I think he’ll be ready to roll.” Breeding: Papi Rob Hanover-Bang Bang Last Race: 5/10/2025 – M1 – Qualifier – 2nd (1:52.4)
7	Manolete	S. Zeron, B. Saunders	Took the week off. Saunders: “I’m happy to be where we are [having drawn post one in the New Jersey Sire Stakes final on Saturday]. He

	(\$250,993 – 1:50.3)	M and L of Delaware LLC, M & M Harness Racing LLC	had a nice, easy week. There is a ton of speed in there. How hectic things are, will determine how Scott will drive him. There are a lot of leavers in there, at least four horses outside of us who are going to be moving forward.” Breeding: Cattlewash-Glancewithme Last Race: 5/10/2025 – M1 – NJSS – 1st (1:50.3)
8	American Son (\$176,815 – 1:49.3)	Y. Gingras, C. Ryder Henderson Farms	Qualified 5 th at The Big M. Ryder: “I think we’re alright but it’s frustrating because we can’t get a race for the horse at The Meadowlands or Chester so I’m qualifying again on Saturday at The Meadowlands.” Breeding: American Ideal-Lady Captain Last Race: 5/17/2025 – M1 – Qualifier – 5th (1:52)
9	Making History (\$15,500 – 1:52.1)	B. Beckwith, T. Alagna Riverview Racing LLC	Took the week off. Alagna: “He trained very well [Tuesday] morning. [Having last week off] could not have worked out any better for us. We’re looking for good things on Saturday [in the New Jersey Sire Stakes final at The Meadowlands].” Breeding: American History-Mystery Game Last Race: 5/10/2025 – M1 – NJSS – 3rd (1:51.3)
10	Fusion (\$106,322 – 1:50.4)	T. McCarthy, B. Pelling Diamond Creek Racing	Second best to Captain Optimistic in a good qualifier. Pelling: “He was very good, very willing. That’s what I like best about him. He’s going forward so I want to race him right back. He’ll race Sunday at Chester. He’s a very happy horse.” Breeding: Always B Miki-Pure Country Last Race: 5/17/2025 – M1 – Qualifier – 2nd (1:51.1)

KEY PREP RACES

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

Date	Stakes	Site	Winner	Trainer	Driver	2 nd Horse	3 rd Horse	Time
5/3	PaSS	Mea	Twisted Destiny	C. Ryder	D. Dunn	Railroad Station	PRINCE HAL HANOVER	1:49.1
			LOUPRINT	R. Burke	R. Wrenn Jr.	Dreamboat Hanover	WILD BILL WYATT	1:49.3
			Go Go Grasshopper	J. Bongiorno	D. Palone	PAPI’S ROCKET	Shipmaster	1:50
5/3	NJSS	M1	MAKING HISTORY	T. Alagna	B. Beckwith	MANOLETE	Expedited Service	1:52.1
			Smooth Dream	N. Daley	T. McCarthy	Twin Fury	TOM HORN	1:49.3
5/10	Pa All-Stars	PcD	Beach Club Monty	B. Pelling	S. Zeron	Shipmaster	SEAWORTHY HANOVER	1:51.2
			Lou’s Starr	S. Warnick	M. Kakaley	WAFFLE BLUE CHIP	Wedlock Blue Chip	1:51.2
			Snack Attack	J. Bongiorno	J. Bartlett	PAPI’S ROCKET	Delray Beach	1:51.1
			Railroad Station	R. Burke	Y. Gingras	Odds On No Limit	Federer	1:50.4
			Makes Sense	R. Cleary	A. McCarthy	Bulldozer	Dreamboat Hanover	1:51.4
5/10	NJSS	M1	MANOLETE	B. Saunders	S. Zeron	Odds On Broward	Expedited Service	1:50.3
			Smooth Dream	N. Daley	T. McCarthy	Twin Fury	MAKING HISTORY	1:50.4
5/17	PaSS	PcD	LOUPRINT	R. Burke	R. Wrenn	Twisted Destiny	Th Kay C Crunch	1:50.2
			Wedlock Blue Chip	R. Mallar	D. Miller	PAPI’S ROCKET	Shipmaster	1:51.3
			PRINCE HAL HANOVER	Dr. I. Moore	D. Miller	Railroad Station	Lou’s Starr	1:49.3
5/24	NJSS final	M1						

5/24	OnSS Gold	WMP						
5/25	PaSS	Phl						
5/31	Somebchsomewhere	WMP						
6/7	N.A. Cup elims	WMP						
6/14	N.A. Cup final	WMP						
6/20	Messenger elims	YR						
6/27	Messenger final	YR						
6/28	OnSS Gold	WMP						
7/5	Meadowlands Pace elimis	M1						
7/12	Meadowlands Pace final	M1						