

Dave Little's Road to the 2025 Meadowlands Pace
Week 6 (of 10) – Thursday, June 5
The Meadowlands Pace is on Saturday, July 12

Rank	Horse (Earnings – Mark)	Driver, Trainer Owner(s)	Dave Little's (and trainer's) Comments
1	Louprint (\$798,821 – 1:48.4)	R. Wrenn Jr., R. Burke Burke Racing Stable LLC, Weaver Brusceci LLC, Phillip Collura, Lawrence R. Karr	Took the week off. It's go time for the horse with the target on his back, as the eliminations for the North America Cup are this Saturday. He's in the third elimination and departs from post 6. Burke: "He's ready to go and as good as he can be. I trust the horse. He doesn't really have a flaw. He's just a well-rounded horse." Breeding: Sweet Lou-Rockin Racer Last Race: 5/25/2025 – Phl – PaSS – 1st (1:50.2)
2	Captain Optimistic (\$464,910 – 1:49)	D. Dunn, N. Takter 3 Brothers Stables, Marvin Katz, Caviart Farms	Took the week off. Elim 1, post 7 in the Cup. Takter: "My horse is feeling good. We will train him a bit [Wednesday] and are looking forward to the Cup. We're happy we got the start at Chester as qualifiers are not the same as being in a race." Breeding: Captaintreacherous-Cinamony Last Race: 5/25/2025 – Phl – PaSS – 2nd (1:50)
3	Fallout (\$583,380 – 1:48.4)	T. Tetrick, T. Alagna Robert J. LeBlanc, Pryde Stables Inc, Caviart Farms	Took the week off. Elim 2, post 7. Alagna: "He's doing great, trained great [Tuesday]. We're heading to Mohawk Thursday." Is that late? "No, that's generally what we do." The trainer said there's nothing flashy about his student, just a good honest racehorse. "He's a lot like his old man, and, hopefully, continues to make progress." Breeding: Captaintreacherous-Aria Hanover Last Race: 5/25/2025 – Phl – PaSS – 2nd (1:50.2)
4	Prince Hal Hanover (\$341,799 – 1:49.3)	D. Miller, Dr. I. Moore Prince Hal Hanover Stable	Elim 3, post 1. Dug in through the stretch to win his Somebeachsomewhere split in a spectacular determined effort. Moore: "We are ready to go. I'm going to train him [Thursday]. Nothing special. It won't be a big mile, but probably a big last half. I

			<p>think Joel And The Jets [Elim 1, post 3] is just about as good as ‘Hal’, maybe just a notch below. He’s had some bad luck.”</p> <p>Breeding: Captaintreacherous-Percy Bluechip</p> <p>Last Race: 5/31/2025 – Wbsb – Somebeachsomewhere – 1st (1:49.4)</p>
5	<p>Manolete</p> <p>(\$307,243 – 1:50.3)</p>	<p>S. Zeron, B. Saunders</p> <p>M and L of Delaware LLC,</p> <p>M & M Harness Racing LLC</p>	<p>Took the week off. Not in the Cup. Saunders: “He’s having a nice casual week. Next Friday, he’ll probably go to Yonkers and qualify to get ready for the Messenger. He’s never been on a half-mile track, but we’re all sure he’s athletic enough to do it. We are looking forward to the Pace.”</p> <p>Breeding: Cattlewash-Glancewithme</p> <p>Last Race: 5/24/2025 – M1 – NJSS Final – 2nd (1:50.3)</p>
6	<p>Papis Rocket</p> <p>(\$320,601 – 1:50.4)</p>	<p>Y. Gingras, R. Burke</p> <p>Burke Racing Stable LLC,</p> <p>Weaver Brusceci LLC,</p> <p>Knox Services Inc,</p> <p>Slaughter Racing Stable LLC</p>	<p>Took the week off. Not in the Cup. A solid racehorse whose next stop will be the Messenger. In most barns, he’d be the star. But in this one, he’s got stablemates like Louprint, Swingtown and Sippinonsearoc, all of whom are heading to the North America Cup. Burke: “He’s just as good as some of the other ones [in the division]. I’ll mess around with shoes and a couple of other things, but sometimes, they are what they are, but that’s no knock.”</p> <p>Breeding: Papi Rob Hanover-Real Touch</p> <p>Last Race: 5/25/2025 – Phl – PaSS – 3rd (1:50.1)</p>
7	<p>Making History</p> <p>(\$42,500 – 1:52.1)</p>	<p>B. Beckwith, T. Alagna</p> <p>Riverview Racing LLC</p>	<p>Took the week off. Elim 3, post 2. Alagna: “They’re fresh legs and they’ve got talent” said the trainer about Making History and another student of his, Knockout Round, both of whom will join Fallout at Mohawk. “Making History has to learn a little bit more maneuverability. Brett [Beckwith] has done a great job with him. He knows that’s his horse to drive.”</p> <p>Breeding: American History-Mystery Game</p>

			Last Race: 5/24/2025 – M1 – NJSS Final – 3rd (1:51.4)
8	Fusion (\$116,322 – 1:50.4)	T. McCarthy, B. Pelling Diamond Creek Racing	<p>Took the week off. Not in the Cup. Pelling: “I think the horses who are not competing in the Cup can still feel some confidence about the Pace because they are not exposed. If you are happy with your horse, you can still go to the Pace and think you have a shot. As for Fusion, I’m not 100 per cent sure but I’m probably going to look for a race next week.”</p> <p>Breeding: Always B Miki-Pure Country</p> <p>Last Race: 5/25/2025 – Phl – TSS – 1st (1:51.2)</p>
9	American Son (\$181,516 – 1:49.3)	D. Dunn, C. Ryder Henderson Farms	<p>Things thus far this year have not gone as hoped for this one. Ryder: “He’s alright. I’m just disappointed with him. We are not going to the Cup. [Making decisions like these] are never easy. He’s got me scratching my head. We’ll go next on June 13th in the sire stakes at Vernon and are still pointing towards the Meadowlands Pace.”</p> <p>Breeding: American Ideal-Lady Captain</p> <p>Last Race: 5/31/2025 – Wbsb – Somebeachsomewhere – 4th (1:50.1)</p>
10	Papis Pistol (\$189,627 – 1:49.3)	A. Miller, S. DePinto Shannon C. DePinto, Chris Arvanitis, Anthony Perretti, Brad Shackman	<p>Elim 2, post 3. Was handled aggressively, led to the stretch, kicked home in :27, settled for fourth in his first race of the year. DePinto: “I thought he raced well considering it was his first start. He didn’t give it up until the very end. He should be a lot better this week. Coming off a helmet he should be real good.”</p> <p>Breeding: Papi Rob Hanover-Bang Bang</p> <p>Last Race: 5/31/2025 – Wbsb – Somebeachsomewhere – 4th (1:50.2)</p>

Key Prep Races

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

Date	Stakes	Site	Winner	Trainer	Driver	2nd Horse	3rd Horse	Time
5/3	PaSS	Mea	Twisted Destiny LOUPRINT Go Go Grasshopper	C. Ryder R. Burke J. Bongiorn o	D. Dunn R. Wrenn Jr. D. Palone	Railroad Station Dreambo at Hanover PAPI'S ROCKET	PRINCE HAL HANOVER WILD BILL WYATT Shipmaster	1:49. 1 1:49. 3 1:50
5/3	NJSS	M1	MAKING HISTORY Smooth Dream	T. Alagna N. Daley	B. Beckwit h T. McCart hy	MANOLET E Twin Fury	Expedited Service TOM HORN	1:52. 1 1:49. 3
5/1 0	Pa All-Stars	PcD	Beach Club Monty Lou's Starr Snack Attack Railroad Station Makes Sense	B. Pelling S. Warnick J. Bongiorn o R. Burke R. Cleary	S. Zeron M. Kakaley J. Bartlett Y. Gingras A. McCart hy	Shipmast er WAFFLE BLUE CHIP PAPI'S ROCKET Odds On No Limit Bulldozer	SEAWORTHY HANOVER Wedlock Blue Chip Delray Beach Federer Dreamboat Hanover	1:51. 2 1:51. 2 1:51. 1 1:50. 4 1:51. 4
5/1 0	NJSS	M1	MANOLETE Smooth Dream	B. Saunders N. Daley	S. Zeron T. McCart hy	Odds On Broward Twin Fury	Expedited Service MAKING HISTORY	1:50. 3 1:50. 4
5/1 7	PaSS	PcD	LOUPRINT	R. Burke R. Mallar	R. Wrenn	Twisted Destiny	Th Kay C Crunch Shipmaster	1:50. 2

			Wedlock Blue Chip PRINCE HAL HANOVER	Dr. I. Moore	D. Miller D. Miller	PAPI'S ROCKET Railroad Station	Lou's Starr	1:51. 3 1:49. 3
5/2 4	NJSS final	M1	Smooth Dream	N. Daley	T. McCart hy	MANOLET E	MAKING HISTORY	1:50. 3
5/2 4	OnSS Gold	Wbs b	Sterling Choice Control Rocks	B. MacIntos h J. Darling	B. Davis Jr. T. Borth	SET SHOT Tip Of Time	Aquinas Hanover Fifth And Five	1:50. 4 1:50. 1
5/2 5	PaSS	Phl	Twisted Destiny Wedlock Blue Chip LOUPRINT	C. Ryder R. Mallar R. Burke	T. McCart hy D. Miller R. Wrenn Jr.	CAPTAIN OPTIMISTI C Railroad Station FALLOUT	PAPI'S ROCKET Charge Me Up Go Go Grasshopper	1:49. 4 1:50. 3 1:50. 2
5/3 1	Somebchsomewh ere	Wbs b	PRINCE HAL HANOVER Bourbon Country	Dr. I. Moore P. Reid	D. McNair T. Henry	Ayeaye Captain Deo Lite Up The World	MADDEN OAKS Courts On Fire	1:49. 4 1:50. 1
6/7	N.A. Cup elims	Wbs b						
6/1 4	N.A. Cup final	Wbs b						