

In The Arsenal takes NA Cup elimination

Following the impressive first elim win by undefeated Wiggle It Jiggleit in 1:49.2, it was heavily-favoured In The Arsenal's turn to show his firepower. And he did, but just barely.

With Brian Sears at the controls, In The Arsenal tracked from fourth for most of the mile, as Go Daddy Go took the field through a quarter in :26.3, the half in 54.4 and three-quarters in 1:22.3.



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In The Arsenal won his NA Cup elimination after a tough first over trip in 1:49.4.

The son of [American Ideal](#) had powered up to challenge the leader off the far turn, struck front in early stretch, then had enough left to hold off a raft of pursuers, including Penji Hanover, who once again finished a troubled second, a half-length behind, with Good Friday Three third and Revenge Shark fourth, in 1:49.4.

With the win, In The Arsenal remained unbeaten in four starts this year, including the rich Rooney final at Yonkers May 30, has taken 10 of 15 overall and will come into the Cup with earnings of over \$600,000.

"He did in the hard way," said trainer Kelvin Harrison. "He came first up. He was a safe winner. I think the biggest thing about him this year is he's a whole lot smarter than he was last year. When we started him up last year, he was hard to stop. Now he'll race smart. He's very athletic. He's grown a lot actually. He was really small early. He's come through it in good shape. Wasn't that hard a race for him and seems nice and fresh when he came back. So hopefully we'll be okay. He's got wild speed, he's got it all."

Sears has won two Pepsi North America Cups, one in 2005 with Rocknroll Hanover and last year with JK Endofanera.