PAIR OF SIRE DIVISIONS INVADE YONKERS THIS WEEK BY FRANK DRUCKER, Publicity Director, Empire City @ Yonkers Raceway

YONKERS, NY, Tuesday, August 9, 2016—It's a downstate New York Sire Stakes two-fer this week, with Yonkers Raceway hosting Thursday night's \$164,874 Bruce Hamilton Pace (3-year-old fillies) and Friday evening's \$150,224 Milt Taylor Trot (2-year-old colts/geldings).

Since we're nothing if not chivalrous, the ladies lead the way with a pair of \$82,437 events (races 6 and 7). The opening division finds Angels Rockn Pink (Mark MacDonald, post 7) enjoying a solid season but obviously getting no help from the draw.



Time On My Hands

The daughter of Rock N Roll Heaven, owned by Crawford Farms and trained Chris Oakes, by has hit the board in eight of her nine seasonal starts.

Time on My Hands (Jason Bartlett, post 2) has won half of her of eight seasonal starts, including a sire stakes event here earlier this summer. That same fun factoid can also be said of Soft Idea (Scott Zeron, post 4), who goes after a third '16 win.

The second Hamilton group includes American Ivy (Brian Sears, post 5), who gets a fresh set of hands here. The American Ideal miss has been consistent enough to go 2-for-9 in each of her

racing seasons.

Friday night froshfest—two divisions (races 6 and 7) at \$75,112 each—includes some lads who've begun compiling quite the resume.

The opening event finds a potent Julie Miller-trained entry in Big Man Ev (Andy Miller, post 5)



Soft Idea

and Jealous Man (Sears, post 6). The former, a Chapter Seven colt, has a pair of NYSS wins (Buffalo, Saratoga), while the latter, a son of Credit Winner, was a small player in open stakes company who also owns a Buffalo sire stakes win.

Friday's second statebred social is led by Such an Angel (MacDonald, post 1), with three (NYSS) wins in four tries. Barn Winner (Jeff Gregory, post 2) is 2-for-4 to begin his career, sire stakes wins at Buffalo and Monti.

Note that since no one took down Tuesday afternoon's Pick 5, Thursday night's gimmick begins with a carryover of \$2,133.42 (50-cent base wager, races 7 through 11).

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