

**REGIL ELEKTRA WINS FRIDAY NIGHT 55G DISTAFF DERBY**  
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YONKERS, NY, Friday, July 7, 2017—Regil Elektra (Jason Bartlett, \$6.20) plotted into an early pocket and it served her well Friday night (July 7<sup>th</sup>), winning Yonkers Raceway's \$55,000 Filly and Mare Open Pace.

In play from post position No. 3, Regil Elektra was able to get in behind pole-sitting Frost Damage Blues (Brian Sears), then stalk the 11-10 favorite around a moist oval (:27.3, :56.2, 1:24, season's-best 1:52.2).

Frost Damage Blues, off three weeks after her Canadian stakes engagement, seated everyone early before getting grief from a first-up Mach it a Par (Brent Holland). She put away that stubborn lass, taking a length lead into the lane.

However, she wilted late, as Regil Elektra edged inside to win by three-quarters of a length. Frost Damage Blues saved second, third went to a second-up Lispatty (George Brennan), while Betabcool N (Steve Smith) and Mach it a Par settled for the remainder.

For second choice Regil Elektra, a 7-year-old daughter of Mach Three owned by Fred Monteleone Stable and trained by Keith Armer, it was her eighth win in 17 seasonal starts. The exacta paid \$15.80, the triple returned \$39.20 and the superfecta paid an even \$200.

Saturday night (July 8<sup>th</sup>), the Raceway offers three, \$25,000 eliminations for the Lawrence B. Sheppard Pace (2-year-old colts/geldings). The leading frosh (first two in each elim, plus two fastest third-placers) return for the \$110,500 finale next Saturday (July 15<sup>th</sup>).

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