

SELL A BIT N WINS FRIDAY NIGHT 55G DISTAFF DERBY
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YONKERS, NY, Friday, August 18, 2017—Favored Sell a Bit N (Jordan Stratton, \$4.40) proved the fastest femme Friday night (Aug. 18th), winning Yonkers Raceway's \$55,000 Filly and Mare Open Handicap Pace.

Away alertly from assigned post position No. 5, Sell a Bit N worked around second choice Delightful Dragon (Brent Holland) just after a :27.3 opening quarter-mile. The track, which had taken on water earlier in the card, wound up yielding equal halves (:57, 1:25.3, 1:54).

That was swift enough for the eventual victress, who held off a stubborn, two-move try by Regil Elektra to win by a neck. Delightful Dragon was a pocket third, with Sail to the Beach (Dan Dube) and Lispatty (George Brennan) rounding out the payees...the quintet separated by just two lengths at the wire.

For Sell a Bit N, a 7-year-old Down Under daughter of Julius Caesar owned by Harry von Knoblauch Stables and trained by Peter Tritton, it was her second win in 14 seasonal starts. The exacta paid \$36.80, with the triple returning \$75.50.

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