

**MACH IT A PAR WINS FRIDAY 44G DISTAFF DERBY**  
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YONKERS, NY, Friday, June 15, 2018—Mach it Par (Jason Bartlett, \$4.60) repeated—barely—Friday night (June 15<sup>th</sup>), winning Yonkers Raceway's featured \$44,000 Filly and Mare Open Handicap Pace.

Forwardly-placed from post position No. 5 (in one notch after a defection), Mach it a Par easily worked around Medusa (George Brennan). There were cheapy fractions (:28.4, :58.1) before Motu Moonbeam N (Mark MacDonald) tried it first-up from fourth.

The one never came close in and out of a 1:25.3 three-quarters, with Mach it a Par owning a length-and-three-quarter lead off the final turn. Medusa edged out and closed resolutely, but missed a nose in 1:53.2.

Dude'salady (Brent Holland), just-over-even-money fave Newborn Sassy (Dan Dube) and Sell a Bit N (Jordan Stratton) came away with the minors.

Someone, somewhere jumped over some bridge, as the show prices returned \$8.30, \$17.20 and \$18.80, respectively.

For second choice Mach it a Par, an 8-year-old daughter of Mach Three co-owned by D'Elegance Stable IX, Carmen Iannacone, T L P & Gandolfo Stables and trained by Rich Banca, it was her sixth win in 17 seasonal starts. The exacta paid \$27.60, the triple returned \$100 and the superfecta paid \$217.

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(photo-Mike Lizzi-accompanies)

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