

DOWNSTATE NYSS RETURN IN TUESDAY'S 159G FRANK BECERRA PACE
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YONKERS, NY, Monday, July 23, 2018—A sort of quick in the schedule finds the statebred frosh fillies back for second time in 18 evenings, with Yonkers Raceway hosting Tuesday night's (July 24th) \$159,000 New York Sire Stakes Frank Becerra Pace.

Post time for the dozen-race card s 6:50 PM, with the sire stakes event going as races 7 (purse \$78,800) and 8 (purse \$80,200), respectively.

The opening event finds So Awesome (Tim Tetrick, post 4) going after a Westchester repeat. The daughter of So Surreal went the distance (1:55.3) as the 3-4 favorite the last time she hit town from this exact same venue. The lass, who has that lone win in three tries, is owned by William Hartt and trained by Scott DiDomenico.

Crazy Cute (Jordan Stratton, post 5) chased So Awesome around the oval from the pocket, while Boogie Roll (Tyler Buter, post 7) was a 12-1 upstetter when the ladies visited Tioga (1:54).

American Marilyn (Jason Bartlett, post 3) made an early break in her stateside/statebred debut (race won by Boogie Roll).

Tuesday night's second and final division has St. Somewhere (Yannick Gingras, post 5) eyeing a sire stakes hat trick. She had no eight-hole issues here, finishing what she started by open lengths (1:54.4). She returns off a Tioga win (1:52.2)

The daughter of American Ideal is co-owned (as Burke Racing) by (trainer) Ron Burke, Phil Collura, J&T Silva-Purnel & Libby and Weaver Brussemi.

Hurrikane Norakane (Dan Dube, post 3) was placed first the last time this caravan stopped by, while Zero Tolerance (George Brennan, post 8) was snapped late at Tioga by St. Somewhere in her first sire stakes try.

Gia's Surreal (Bartlett, post 1) has been a bridesmaid in her two Empire soirees.

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