

MACH IT A PAR WINS FRIDAY NIGHT 44G DISTAFF DERBY
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YONKERS, NY, Friday, September 28, 2018—Favored Mach it a Par (Jason Bartlett, \$4.10) prevailed from the pocket Friday night (Sept. 28th), winning Yonkers Raceway's \$44,000 Filly and Mare Open Handicap Pace.

Making the first lead from assigned post position No. 4, Mach it a Par gave it up to second choice Newborn Sassy (Eric Goodell) before a :27.2 opening quarter-mile.

That one rated a :29.1 second subsection (:56.3 intermission) before Magic Forces (George Brennan) made her second move, first-up from fourth. However, a :27.4 third quarter (1:24.2) disposed of that challenger, 'Sassy' taking a length-and-a-quarter lead into the lane.

Mach it a Par then eased her way out and by, winning by a length-and-three-quarters in 1:53. Second went to Keystone Wanda (Jim Marohn Jr.), who closed from seventh at the three-quarters. Newborn Sassy saved the bottom of the ticket, with Terror at Night (Mark MacDonald) and Scandalicious (Brent Holland) rounding out the payees.

For 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 ninth win in 31 seasonal starts (career 46-for-139, earnings over \$982,000) The exacta paid \$37.60, the triple returned \$207.50 and the superfecta paid \$901.

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