

Showcase —

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lengths. Based at Finger Lakes, the victory earned Worrie his first Saratoga stakes win.

“It’s amazing. My first win at Saratoga this year and my first stakes,” said Worrie. “The original plan was that (Collegetown Girl) was a little faster and we were going to let her go and get outside, but that horse scratched. I thought, ‘I’m the speed,’ so I just went on with it. She got brave and just kept going.”

Englehart walked through the clubhouse after the race, glancing at the replay with a look of content astonishment.

“My brother’s his agent and I probably don’t use him enough,” said Englehart. “It was a pleasant surprise. I didn’t even think with the four scratching that she could get the lead, but she did. Andre gave her a really smart ride.”

— *Shayna Tiller*

Dugout goes deep in Funny Cide

The 2-year-old came out on top of a duel with runner-up Bankit in the \$200,000 stakes at 6 1/2 furlongs. The two New York-breds ran neck-



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Dugout (right) wins the Funny Cide, his second win of the meet.

and-neck from the start and battled through the stretch. Bankit on the inside, Dugout on the outside. The official margin was a nose.

“I had a lot of confidence and I knew he’d run well but it was a pretty good race and that was a hell of a battle,” winning trainer Larry Rivelli said by phone after the race.

Dugout was bred by Rivelli and Richard Ravin. Patricia’s Hope LLC joined those two as owners for the son of Adios Charlie’s racing career. He started that career July 23 at Saratoga when he won an off-the-turf maiden by 7 1/4 lengths under Javier Castellano, who rode the colt again Friday. Known to be a bit difficult after acting up prior to his debut, Dugout was allowed to leave the paddock early Friday.

“Today he was good. He’s a little studdish so he just doesn’t like to be around ponies and stuff like that,” Rivelli said. “They did us a favor and let us go out first, so he didn’t have to follow anyone. It’s just a little quirk

to him, that’s it.”

The win was Rivelli’s first stakes score at Saratoga, fitting that it came in a 2-year-old race since the Chicago-based conditioner is known for success with juveniles.

“I have a great team. It’s probably more to do with them than it is to do with me,” Rivelli said. “Dr. Jean White in Ocala handles all our mares, all our yearlings, all our 2-year-olds. She gets them to where they need to be. Caroline Webster breaks all of our 2-year-olds. Her and Jean work hand-in-hand together. They do all the hard stuff, they get them going good for me and I take it from there.”

The leading trainer at Arlington Park by a margin of 37 wins as of Friday is new to the New York-bred scene.

“It’s funny, this is our first that we’ve ever dropped in New York. Purses are good, so we said let’s take a mare,” Rivelli said. “I said ‘Jean, you pick whichever mare you want.’ She said, ‘I’m going to pick Rooney Doo-

dle because she’d the easiest mare.’ You know, the mare has to go to New York to be with somebody she’s never been with. Jean said, ‘she’s easy, she’s a good doer, she won’t be a problem.’”

— *Ben Gowans*

• Analyzethisandthat shipped to Saratoga Thursday from Monmouth. It was the gelding’s first time traveling for a race and trainer Russell Cash found the 2-year-old sprawled out in his stall in the receiving barn Friday morning sound asleep. Cash wasn’t sure if it was a good sign or a bad omen.

Soon after, jockey Wilmer Garcia called the trainer. Programmed to ride his first race in Saratoga since 2012, the rider was injured and couldn’t make the trip. Cash called Kendrick Carmouche and landed a replacement.

The jockey sent Analyzethisandthat straight to the front in Friday’s opener on the Saratoga Showcase card, a \$75,000 maiden special weight going 5 1/2 furlongs on the turf. The Freud son held off a late run from Wicked Grin to score a neck win in 1:03.12.

Bred by Joe Birnbaum, Analyzethisandthat is out of Peppy Candy, a mare Cash trained. The chestnut had two prior starts at Monmouth, finishing third going 5 furlongs on the turf July 14 and third again going 5 1/2 on the dirt July 28.

“That’s what we were looking for,” Cash said of the win. “We ran him twice at Monmouth. He was so green, he’s real spooky. We were afraid to come up. This time, I guess it was the right time.

“The race on the dirt was just to get another race into him, a little more experience. He likes the grass better. Each time, he’s much better. He’s improved. This is going to help him. He’s much better.”

Cash has trained for Birnbaum for more than 20 years and together have raised horses like multiple stakes winner Old Harbor and stakes placed Dark Roast and Adduce. Analyzethisandthat gave Cash his first win at the meet from just four starts.

“It’s a little tough and (Joe) knows it because we’re always developing the young horses and that makes it a little tough,” Cash said. “You get a lot of satisfaction out of what just happened.”

— *Brandon Valvo*

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Steve Asmussen	12
Bill Mott	11
Jeremiah Englehart	9
Rudy Rodriguez	8
Jason Servis	8
Shug McGaughey	7
Kiaran McLaughlin	7
Dave Donk	6
Joe Sharp	6

JOCKEYS	1ST
Irad Ortiz Jr.	40
Javier Castellano	32
Jose Ortiz	29
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Luis Saez	24
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