Monticello Raceway features 2-year-old pacing fillies on Tuesday

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Monticello, NY --- A total of 52 pacing Fillies entered the box for Tuesday (Aug. 11) at Monticello Raceway for the New York Sires Stakes for 2-year-old pacing fillies.

The day's card features three heats of Sires Stakes racing for a purse of \$35,866, three Excelsior Division A's (\$15,000) and two Excelsior B classes going for \$6,800.

The actions kicks off in race one as No Clouds Blue Chip (post five) with Brian Sears driving is looking for her third consecutive win in NYSS company. The daughter of Roll With Joe is owned by Richard and Farrell Carny and Barbara Berger and is trained by John Berger.

America Ivy (post three) has been a model of consistency with one win and two show performances in this company for her connections.

The second heat of Sire Stakes is in race five. The <u>American Ideal</u> filly Soft Idea (post six), trained by Linda Toscano, sports an impressive resume. In four starts this year, she has three wins and a second with earnings of \$77,000 and a mark of 1:54.2.

Time On My Hands starts from the rail for driver Jim Morrill Jr. and trainer Chris Ryder. She comes into the race with a qualifier under her belt after being scratched sick. Prior to that she won at Saratoga in 1:54.2, last quarter in :28.

The final heat for this class comes in race eight. Ron Burke has a two-horse entry in Rockin Dare and Matt Kakaley (post two) and Art Critic with Bruce Aldrich Jr. (post five).

Killing Them Softly has recently shown her prowess on a half-mile oval with wins at Saratoga and Yonkers.

In the Excelsior A class, the races are carded as the second, sixth and 12th.

In race two Wine Snob and Rolling Going Gone are the morning line favorites. On paper, Nevada Blue Chip (post three), with Jason Bartlett at the helm, seem like the best in race six.

The Excelsior B division goes to post in races four and seven. Jim Morrill Jr. drives Rocknroll Shamayim in the first race of this class. The <u>Rock N Roll Heaven</u> lass sports a three-race win streak for trainer Erv Miller and owners Tanah Merah Farms LLC. She will start from post position three.

Local trainer Ed Hart brings Seafood Linda to do battle. Two starts ago at Yonkers the daughter Rock N Roll Heaven was ultra-impressive. After making a miscue at the start, she came back, took the overland route and prevailed with a win.