Tetrick, Toscano sweep Tompkins-Geers filly divisions
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Nichols, NY --- Tim Tetrick and Linda Toscano teamed up to capture all three divisions of the Tompkins-Geers Stakes for 2-year-old pacing fillies on Friday (Aug. 12) at Tioga Downs, while Cougar Bait ($6.10) led 2-year-old pacing colts and geldings with a track-record performance in his Tompkins-Geers split.

Tetrick and Toscano wasted no time finding the winner's enclosure, teaming up with Robin J ($2.10) in the $26,356 third event. The daughter of Roll With Joe and Mommy Robin Q worked clear of Haviture Way Honey (Marcus Miller) with a circuit to go and used a :26.3 last quarter to repel a first-over push from runner-up Touchamatic (Mike Simons) by 2-3/4 lengths in 1:54.

They teamed up again with Planet Rock ($2.10), who kept her undefeated record intact in the $26,856 fifth race. The daughter of Rock N Roll Heaven and Villa Hanover settled off a contested pace, brushed out of midfield, and sprinted off to a 5-1/2 length margin of victory over Kiss Kiss (John Cummings Jr.) in 1:53.1 for her fifth triumph in as many career starts.

Robin J and Planet Rock also would give owner Kenneth Jacobs a stakes double on the night.

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World Apart ($2.60) completed the sweep of the filly divisions for Tetrick and Toscano in the $26,856 ninth, chasing live cover provided by Pleasant Roll (Marcus Miller) on the backstretch before continuing to the fore in upper stretch after losing cover. The daughter of Art Major and Polar Opposition posted a 1:53 win for the South Mountain Stables, The Bay's Stable, LLC, Little E, LLC, and the Radio Racing Stable.

Live racing returns to Tioga Downs on Sunday (Aug. 14) afternoon, with post time at 1:30 p.m. (EDT).