**Yonkers race week....sires, more sires and Sheppard**
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**Yonkers, NY ---** Yonkers Raceway’s upcoming week finds New York Sire Stakes times two, then 2-year-olds. Monday (July 11) night, the $166,374 Armand Palatucci Pace for 3-year-old colts and geldings. A pair of consecutive divisions, worth $82,437 and $83,937, respectively, comprise the event.

Missile J (Tim Tetrick, post four), already with the Art Rooney Pace here included in his seven-for-12 seasonal resume ($270,934), leads the second NYSS event. When last seen locally for Sire Stakes late last month, the American Ideal gelding found himself way too far back before closing for a non-threatening third.

Linda Toscano who trains Missile J for co-owning stables KJ and Purple Haze, also sends out the uncoupled Carlos Danger (Pat Lachance, post 5). The son of American Ideal and Anthony Weiner nom de plume broke his maiden in his 16th career start, winning here (1:55) a week ago.

Monday night’s first NYSS grouping includes Artmagic (George Brennam post two) and Roll Away Joe (Jim Morrill Jr., post seven), both of whom were state-bred winners the other time the road show stopped by.

Thursday (July 14) night’s $163,374 Michael Sorentino Trot finds two divisions of sophomore colts and geldings

Dayson (Yannick Gingras, post one), despite jumping it off in the half-million-dollar final of Pocono’s Beal, looms a very short price in the $80,937 opening division. The Conway Hall gelding makes his first purse try with straps looking for a 12th win in his 16th career start.

Dante (Ake Svanstedt, post one), fresh off a win in the Vernon’s Empire Breeders Classic—although 25 days between that start and this one—figures a puny parimutuel in the second ($82,437) Sire Stakes event. The son...