

# American History takes Breeders Crown Open Pace

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**Milton, ON** — Joe Bongiorno took a route up the rail late to win the \$655,000 Breeders Crown Open Pace final on Saturday (Oct. 26) at Woodbine Mohawk Park with American History. The time for the win was 1:48.3.



**American History captures the Breeders Crown Open Pace in 1:48.3. Michael Burns photo.**

This Is The Plan stormed to the top from post position 10 off the gate, passing American History, who also showed some early foot, and taking the top. Dorsoduro Hanover took a spot on the rail third in front of McWicked.

American History, bred by Brittany Farms, sat patiently through a swift quarter in :25.4 before taking the lead from This Is The Plan, with Dorsoduro Hanover poised to attack. Taking to the outside, Dorsoduro Hanover brushed to aim for an all-out charge as he had done in the elimination. The half was sizzling in :53.4 as McWicked staged a challenging route near Jimmy Freight, passing him for a chase at Dorsoduro Hanover at three-quarters in 1:21.3.

Into the stretch, Dorsoduro Hanover began to struggle as Always A Prince was using saved ground to get to McWicked, but on the inside, Bongiorno had a winning path before him and his charge as he passed Dorsoduro Hanover and won in 1:48.3. Always A Prince passed McWicked for third.

"No words can describe how I feel winning," said Bongiorno. "I'm grateful for all the help from Tony [trainer Tony Alagna]."

Alagna said he was confident about American History.

"He's matured and now he is able to go with these guys," he said.

Co-owner Marvin Katz was joyful for the win and said hello to his partner George Segal, who was watching from out of town.

Myron Bell of Brittany Farms said they liked American History as a yearling so much they, "bought him for a \$150,000 with one bid."

American History ([American Ideal](#)—Perfect Touch) paid \$12.10 to win.

Race replay available at <https://youtu.be/6-oeOckvn-4> (Race 6)