

# Long shots steal the show in sophomore Matron

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**Dover, DE** — A pair of long shots in This Is The Plan and The Downtown Bus stole the show in the \$193,750 Matron Stakes for 3-year-old pacing colts and geldings on Thursday (Nov. 15) at Dover Downs, tag-teaming in deep stretch to nose out Jimmy Freight in a 1:49.1 dead heat.

While Jimmy Freight and local favorite Lather Up tasted defeat in their Matron split, divisional standouts Six Pack and Youaremycandygirl refused to disappoint in their respective events.

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## **\$210,150 3-Year-Old Colt and Gelding Trot (race four)**



**Six Pack rebounds from sickness to score at Dover Downs. Fotowon photo.**

In a meeting of the millionaires, dual classic winner Six Pack (\$3.00) made easy work of the first-over Met's Hall en route to a 1:54.1 score over sloppy going in his Matron Stakes division.

Trainer-driver Åke Svanstedt sent the son of [Muscle Mass](#) to the front immediately from post five, and the pair floated clear of Fashionwoodchopper (Yannick Gingras) midway on the first turn before rating early splits of :28.1 and :57.3. Up the backstretch, Met's Hall (Andy Miller) sustained a first-over ascent out of third to within half a length of the lead, but Six Pack shrugged off his rival under minimal hand urging through the final turn.

With Met's Hall no longer a threat past three-quarters in 1:26, Six Pack accelerated away from Fashionwoodchopper to take his 15th career win by four lengths. Mississippi

Storm (Andy McCarthy) saved ground after gapping cover to just collar the weakening Met's Hall for third.

Svanstedt co-owns Six Pack with Little E LLC, Stall Kalmar FF, and Lars Berg.

**\$159,350 3-Year-Old Filly Pace** (race 10)

Youaremycandygirl (\$2.40) strode strongly to the front and never looked back, avenging Breeders Crown defeat to stablemate Percy Bluechip with a 1:51.3 win in their Matron event.

Entering off a resounding 9-3/4 length win in the \$113,000 USS Indy at Hoosier Park, Youaremycandygirl and driver Yannick Gingras out-sprinted Percy Bluechip (Matt Kakaley) and Solitary (Andy Miller) through a :27.2 first quarter before pulling the pace back. With a circuit to go, Dance Blue (Andy McCarthy) commenced a first-over bid from fifth and advanced steadily as the pace slackened through a :56.2 half.

Up the backstretch, Youaremycandygirl's lead was cut to a length and a quarter by Dance Blue, but was never in jeopardy. The daughter of [American Ideal](#) coasted through a :27.1 third quarter to evade Dance Blue and kept the pocket-sitting Percy Bluechip 1-1/4 lengths at bay in 1:51.3. Alexa's Power (Tim Tetrick) chased evenly for third after being hemmed in until the top of the stretch.

Ron Burke trains 18-time winner Youaremycandygirl for William Donovan.