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Two year pacing colts were featured at Saratoga Gaming and Raceway as part of the NY Sire Stakes Late Closers on Tuesday. There were six \$13,000+ divisions for the freshman pacing colts as co-features and five were won by two year olds breaking their maiden.



Yacht King (Brian Cross) started out the evening as a 1:56 winner, parlaying a pocket trip to his first lifetime win. Gamblers Island matched the 1:56 time with a front running score as one of two winners in the Late Closers for driver Dan Cappello Jr, who also piloted Sectionline Barack to his maiden win in front running fashion.

Quinnman (Billy Dobson) pulled off a minor upset as he tracked down the leader with a two hole journey for the second consecutive start, scoring in 1:57.2. Dan Daley's Southwind Mario flew up the open stretch to overcome an early deficit to register his first lifetime win in 1:59.

The biggest longshot of the night came from the sixth and final Late Closer on the night when Brian Mattison and A Major Haze pulled off a major upset, circling their rivals to record the upset at 38-1. The maiden win came in just the second start for the freshman Art Major colt who set a mark of 1:57.2 in the upset.

Live racing continues on Wednesday night with post time set for 7:20pm.

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