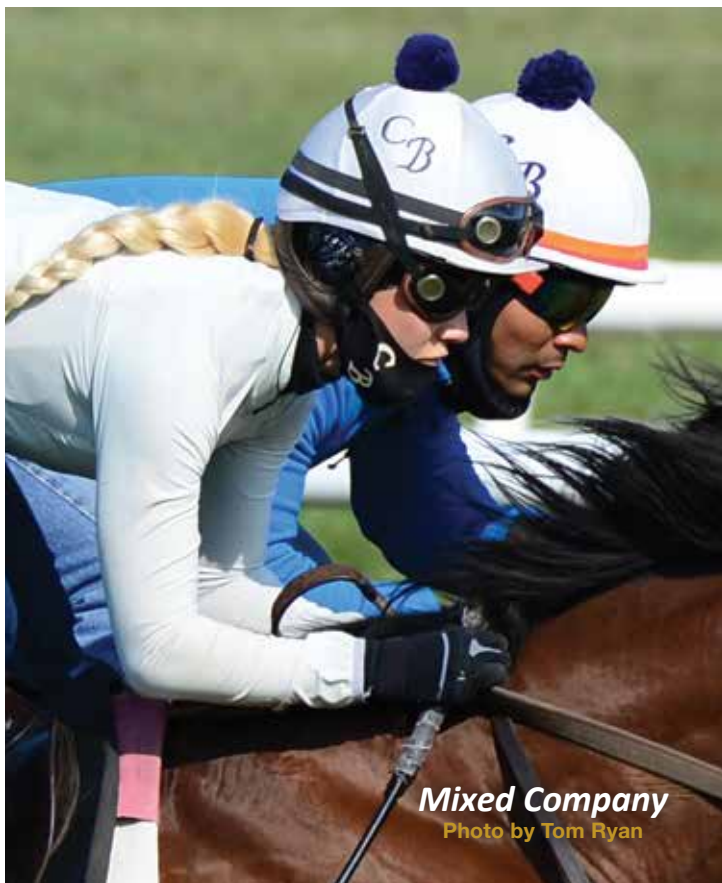


# 2022 GUIDE

to Saratoga Race Course Trainers'

## *Saddle Towels*



*Mixed Company*  
Photo by Tom Ryan

## *One More Time!*

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*The 159th Time for Saratoga Racing!*  
*The 3rd Time for The Wilson Chute!*  
*And One More Time to see what's new*  
*in this Guide!*

*14<sup>th</sup> Edition*



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**SUPERVISOR, CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS**

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the City of Saratoga Springs and the historic Saratoga Race Course. It is the jewel of our City and County and there is truly no other sporting venue quite like it anywhere in the United States.

Saratoga Spring prides itself on its history and does its best to preserve the cultural and built history of our community. The early history of Saratoga Springs focused on health with the unique geological conditions that created the world-renowned mineral springs which initially attracted visitors to our community. Both the Saratoga Springs History Museum and the Saratoga Preservation Foundation play a key role in preserving our city's heritage. Please visit the Museum on one of the track's 'dark days', to learn about our culture, or just walk around town to see the results of the preservation of our historic buildings downtown and in the surrounding area.

The Race Course is the main focus annually in our community and this year will be no exception. The restoration of the Wilson Chute promises a return to mile length races on dirt and all the excitement that comes along with it. And of course, all the traditional races will be back: the Whitney, Alabama, Travers, and Hopeful stakes all return and hope to be very competitive and exciting. And of course, let's not forget all the best owners, trainers, jockeys, and horses will be in Saratoga to compete for the highest levels of purse money found anywhere at any race meet.

For those racing fans who are new to Saratoga Springs, welcome to our beautiful City. Take some time to explore our City and County during your visit here. For those returning, welcome back and I wish you good luck at the Races this year!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Matthew E. Veitch".

**Matthew E. Veitch**  
Supervisor, City of Saratoga Springs

# Here We Go One More Time!

**O**ne More Time to watch top thoroughbreds train using the **ThoroFan Guide to the Saratoga Race Course Trainers' Saddle Towels**. The Guide includes trainers entered in races in 2021 and those that might enter in 2022. Unfortunately, not all Towels are shown. Missing ones are listed on page 57.

**One More Time** to recognize **Chad Brown** as the H. Allen Jerkens leading trainer of the 2021 Meeting – his 3rd at Saratoga. 2021 was a particularly memorable season for Chad, when he notched his 2000th career win – 5 years after his 1000th. Will he do it **One More Time**?

**One More Time** for Connections to grab a win and maybe a piece of the record high purses (\$22.6M) and 77 Graded stakes races at The Spa's 40 day gathering – \$1.1 M more than 2021. The number of trainers competing rose from the 222 in 2020 to 245, climbing to pre-Covid numbers. See page 34 for 2021's top 10.

**One More Time** the Jockey Colony returned to Saratoga in full force, rising from 28 in 2020 to 92 last year. The best of the best and those who want to be the best find their way here. It's an all-star show. See page 52 for last year's top 10.

**One More Time** for trainers, jockeys, exercise riders, grooms, and hotwalkers to set up camp at the famed backstretch on either side of Union Avenue as they have done for almost 160 years.

**And One More Time** to contest 1-mile races from the **Wilson Chute** first established in 1902 when Richard T Wilson Jr. rescued the track from decline and opened a new era of racing that still flourishes today. See pages 30 & 31.

We hope you find this Guide useful and give you to a better understanding of this sport—maybe even getting more involved and possibly standing in the Winners Circle with *your* horse! Enjoy your morning.





# H. ALLEN JERKENS

## SARATOGA TRAINING TITLE

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SARATOGA TRAINING TITLE Award winner,  
**Chad Brown** with his **41 WINS**

### CHAD BROWN 2021 SARATOGA WINNERS

7/17	Portfolio Company	8/21	Technical Analysis
7/18	Free Enterprise	8/25	Pocket Square
7/23	Technical Analysis	8/25	Digital Future
7/24	Sifting Sands	8/25	Gandy Dancer
7/24	Rastafara	8/25	Winter Pool
7/25	Royal Flag	8/25	Serve the King
8/1	Miss Teheran	8/26	Orchestration
8/4	Cousin Andrew	8/26	Union Maiden
8/4	L'Imperator	8/26	Rastafara
8/6	Public Sector	8/28	Jack Christopher
8/6	Digital Software	8/28	Viadera
8/7	Flavius	8/29	Gerrymander
8/8	McKulick	8/29	Sifting Sands
8/8	Regal Glory	9/2	Motivated Seller
8/11	Clever Fellow	9/3	Emaraaty
8/12	Key Point	9/3	Federalist Papers
8/12	Amano	9/4	Pipeline
8/18	Free Enterprise	9/4	Public Sector
8/19	Marvelous Maude	9/5	Coalition Building
8/21	Zainalarab (20)	9/6	Consumer Spending
8/21	Identity Politics		

### It was **One More Time** for local trainer Chad Brown!



The back-and-forth rivalry between Todd Pletcher and Chad Brown continued in 2021. This time it was Chad who took the **H. Allen Jerkens** title with 10-win margin. It was 15 years since he hung out his own shingle after taking a hard turn from breaking and training harness horses and heading down the

road to a leading trainer in the thoroughbred world. That road began with starting as a hotwalker, groom, and foreman for Hall of Famer Shug McGaughey. He then became an assistant for another Hall of Famer, Bobby Frankel, before deciding that this was the road he wanted to travel on his own. It's been a long journey since his application for stalls at Saratoga in 2008 was turned down. He now has 120+ stalls in 3 well maintained backside locations with a team of 70+ stable hands, exercise riders, foremen and assistants. He constantly credits this team that he has assembled as the foundation for the continued success of the CB logo. This team enabled him to garner his 2000th career win while at The Spa last year and with his 2022 Preakness win the road ahead looks bright indeed!



Team Chad Brown



# HOW to locate a Trainers' Towel

## BY BACKGROUND COLOR

In this years guide, trainers' towels have been indexed by the background color of the towel, into 6 color categories:

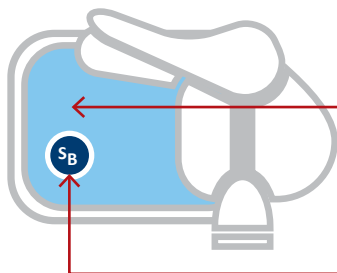
- BLACK & BROWN
- BLUE, TEAL, & PURPLE
- GREEN
- RED, ORANGE, & PINK
- WHITE & GREY
- YELLOW & GOLD

## OR BY NAME INDEX

An alphabetical listing of trainers' towels is on pages 49-52.

*Some trainers use Owners logos. In such cases the owner's name is in "( )".*

We encourage feedback at [saddletowels@gmail.com](mailto:saddletowels@gmail.com). Photos of new Towels can also be sent for inclusion in our next edition.



## WHILE WATCHING THE MORNING WORKOUT:

- identify the main color of the saddle towel
- go to the towels' main color section in this booklet
- identify the trainer by additional colors, letters, and logos

## WHY ARE SADDLE TOWELS USED?

Racehorses are athletes and therefore have to condition their muscles, just like human athletes do, before racing.

Jockeys on horses entered in the afternoon races wear the unique colors of the horse's owners. When horses train in the mornings, the trainers use unique saddle towels on their horses so that they, the Gap Attendants, and the Clockers can identify them as they conduct their workouts in accordance with New York State Racing and Wagering Board Rule 4003.53 which states:

*"...A trainer desiring to engage a horse in a work-out shall, prior to such work-out, cause the following to be specified to a work-out coordinator: the name of the horse, the distance the horse will work-out and at what point on the facility the work-out is intended to begin..."*

The people who time the horses as they workout in the morning are called Clockers. The Clockers not only time the horses and note the distance that they run, but also how hard they were ridden and urged by the rider.



## BLACK & BROWN TOWELS



JENA ANTONUCCI



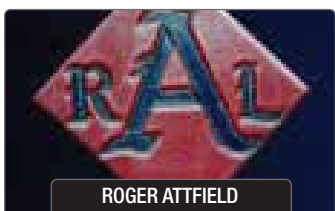
JOSIE CARROLL



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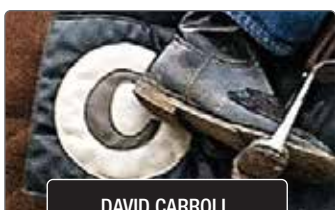
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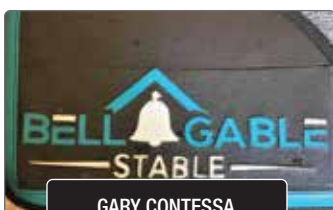
BRUCE BROWN



EDWARD COLLETTI



DAVID CARROLL

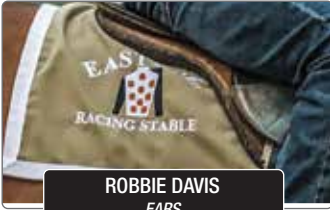


GARY CONTESSA



On The Rail

## BLACK & BROWN TOWELS



**ROBBIE DAVIS**  
EARS



**ANTHONY DUTROW**



**MICHAEL DEPAULO**



**JEREMIAH ENGLEHART**



**KEITH DESORMEAUX**



**NICK ESLER**



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**DANNY GARGAN**  
9th – 9 wins



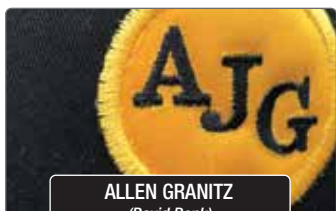
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## BLACK & BROWN TOWELS



DERMOT MAGNER



TOM MORLEY



MIKE MAREINA



MICHELLE NEVIN



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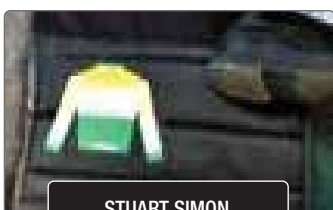
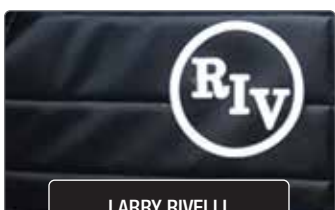
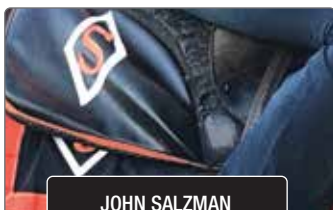


LEO O'BRIEN


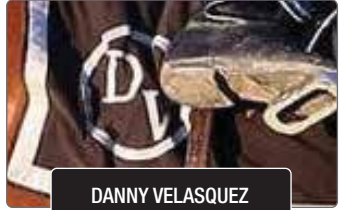
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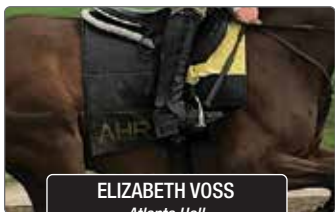
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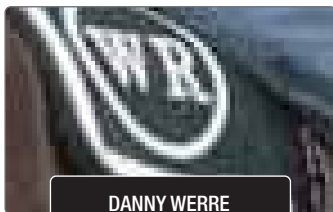
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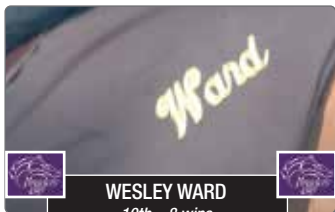
## BLACK & BROWN TOWELS



**ELIZABETH VOSS**  
*Atlanta Hall*



**DANNY WERRE**



**WESLEY WARD**  
*10th – 8 wins*



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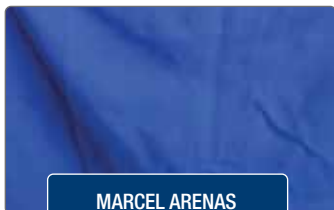
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## BLUE, TEAL, & PURPLE TOWELS



FERNANDO ABREU



MARCEL ARENAS



JORGE ABREU



STEVE ASMUSSEN  
*4th – 18 wins*



TOM ALBERTRANI



ROB ATRAS  
*7th – 13 wins (tie)*



TOM AMOSS



ROB ATRAS  
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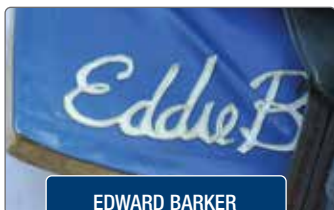
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CAIRO CARAMORI



CHAD BROWN

1st – 41 wins



LUIS CARVAJAL



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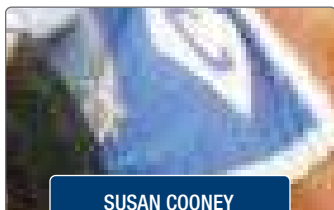
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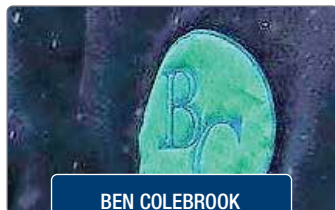
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**CHRISTOPHE CLEMENT**  
*5th – 17 wins*



**SUSAN COONEY**



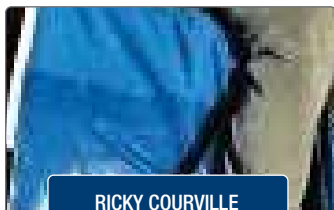
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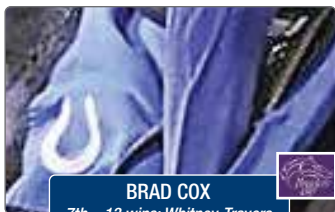
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7th – 13 wins; Whitney, Travers



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**BRAD COX**  
7th – 13 wins; Whitney, Travers



**JOE DEMOLA**



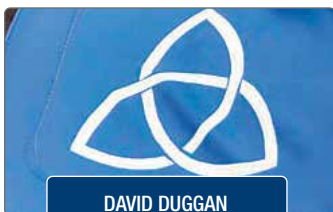
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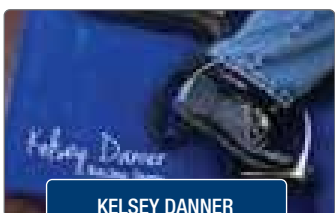
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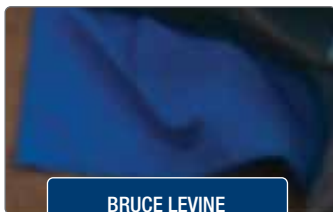
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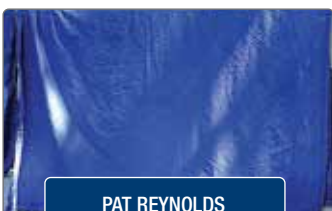
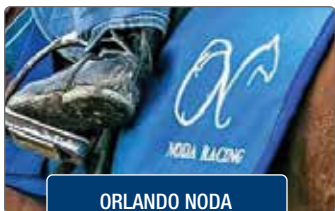


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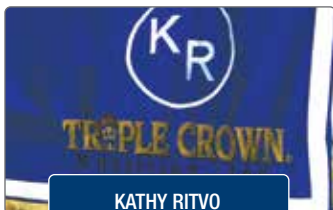
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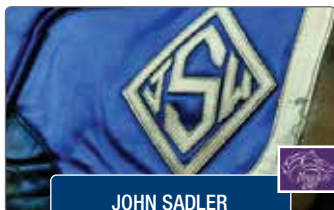




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KATHY RITVO



JOHN SADLER



KATHY RITVO



ANTONIO SANO



RUDY RODRIGUEZ  
8th – 11 wins; The Test



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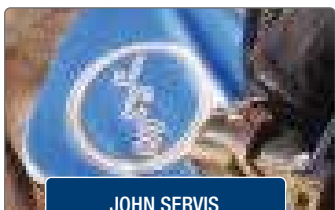
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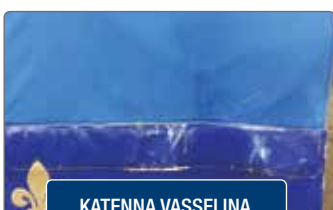
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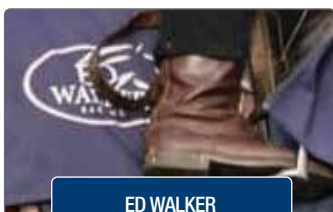
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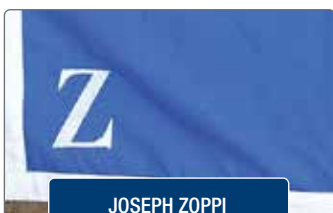
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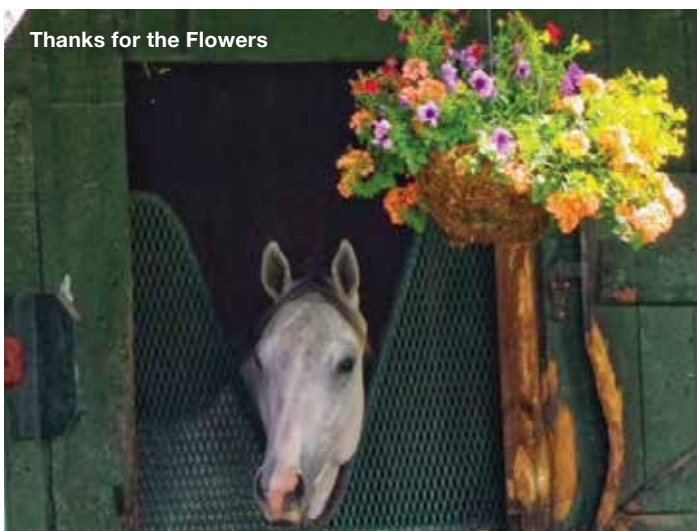


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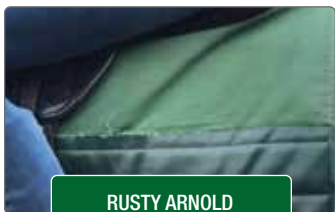


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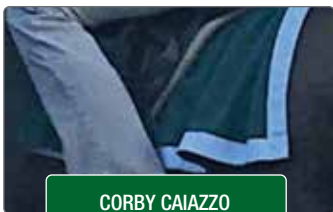
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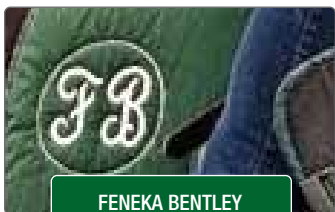
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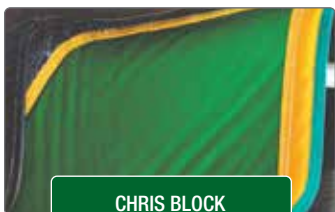
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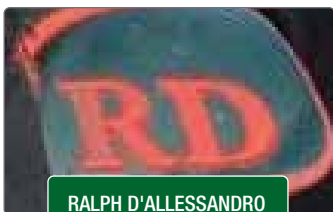
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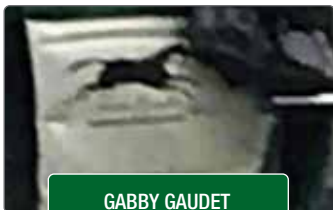
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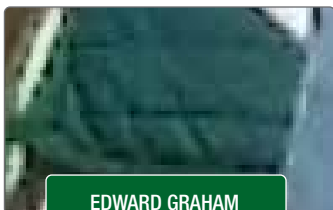
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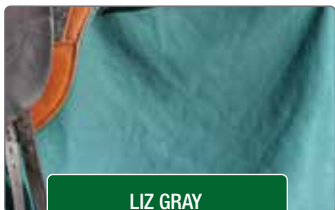
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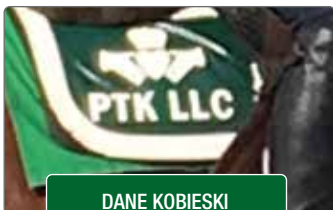
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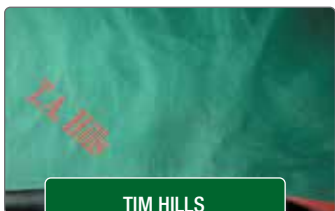
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# *The Wilson Chute Returns to the Saratoga Race Course ONE MORE TIME!*

## **WHO Was Wilson?**

**I**n 1899 Richard Thornton Wilson Jr. rescued Saratoga from its floundering reputation. He teamed up with W.C. Whitney to purchase the facility and bring the track back **One More Time**. It was the first of 3 times that he would do this.

In 1909, Wilson became President of the **Saratoga Association for the Improvement of the Breed of the Horse**. In 1902 he reoriented the layout of the original 1864 oval. As part of that he constructed a new starting chute to give a new popular 1-mile option for racing fans.

In 1911-1912 NYS banned racing. When it was lifted, Wilson brought back Spa racing **One More Time**. Later in 1919 Saratoga Association president WWI, a global Pandemic and Prohibition all occurred during his tenure and he kept it all together resuming racing at the top level **One More Time**. While at The Spa, Wilson established the Reading Room at the Grand Union Hotel (1910). He also brought the renowned Fasig-Tipton thoroughbred horse sales to town that added another facet to the gem that is Saratoga. In addition to the major reorientation of the initial 1864 racing oval (1902), Wilson oversaw the construction of today's Turf Terrace and the iconic Clubhouse (1928).

Wilson was a true racing enthusiast with many top runners. "**Hannibal**," and **Wilderness** in Wilson's green trimmed yellow silks, won The Travers in 1919 and 1923.



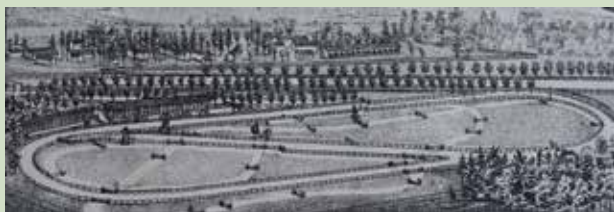
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It became the Wilson Chute in 1930 upon his passing in 1929 and the distance was honored as the Wilson Mile. A new race, the Wilson Memorial, was inaugurated at the 1-mile distance. The first running in 1930 under this name was won by **Battleship Gray**, son of Man O'War. Another son of **Man O'War**, **War Admiral**, took the race in 1938. See page 48 for other notable Wilson Stakes winners.

## WHAT is the Wilson Chute?

**F**or racecourses with a 1-1/8-mile distance, 1-mile races are difficult as horses can instantly bunch up approaching the first turn. The potential for accidents is high as jockeys race for position. A chute tangential the turn mitigates this problem by giving a longer straight run allowing the field to thin out as the race unfolds.



**Figure 1** Courtesy of the National Racing Museum and Hall of Fame

Saratoga had its first Chute in the early years (*Figure 1*). A diagonal intersected the original 11/8-mile oval. It cut across the infield from the first turn to near the end of the backstretch. Fans viewed both starts and finishes of most races. When the Travers Stakes was 1¾ miles long (1864 to 1889), horses passed the finish line twice. 5-furlong races started in the middle of the chute. Horses ran almost immediately into a first turn.

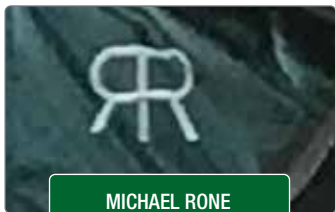


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In 1902 Wilson reoriented the track by 25 degrees westward to keep the sun out of fans eyes. The original diagonal was eliminated, and 2 new start points were added – a 7 furlong still used today (red) and a 1-mile one set back from the first turn – the Wilson Chute (yellow). Racing from the mile chute ceased in 1972. Interest had faded, possibly because inside-post horses had an advantage and fields were light. The Chute returned for the 2nd time in 1992 for 25 races. Additional parking off that first turn outweighed the need for races at that historic distance and it was not used until this year's return.

Now the Wilson Chute returns **One More Time** 30 years later in Saratoga's 159th year. Richard Thornton Wilson Jr. must be smiling from his spot on the Clubhouse ridge.

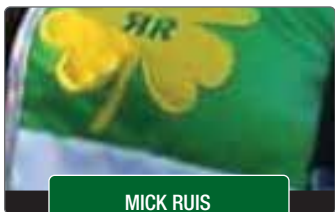
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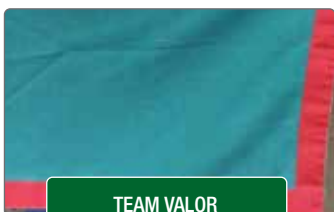
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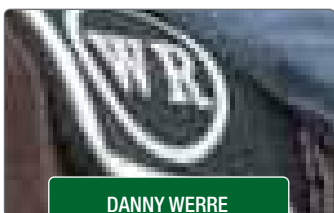
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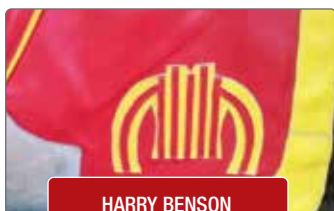
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# SARATOGA IN BLOOM AGAIN *ONE MORE TIME!*

2021 saw the return of Fans, Horses, Owners, Jockeys and Trainers to The Spa. More Stakes were on the card, 20 of which were graded. Purses were up, climbing to pe-Covid levels. The Track was in the best shape in years, the turf spectacular. Saratoga was ready to go!

And off we went. The chase for the *H. Allen Jerkens Leading Trainer Award* continued to be battled out between the perennial top two – Chad Brown & Todd Pletcher. The rest of the top 10 had some new names. Among them was retired Jonathan Sheppard protégé **Keri Brion**. Campaigning *Baltimore Bucko* and Eclipse Winner *The Mean Queen*, Keri burst onto the scene winning the 2 Grade 1 Steeplechase Events. She also picked up a 3rd stake win.

While Chad Brown notched his 2000th win during the 2022 season here at The Spa, Hall of Famer **Steve Asmussen** won 5 Grade 1s here, on his way to breaking Dale Baird’s record on August 7th to become the All-Time winning North American Trainer with his 9,447th Win Photo at Saratoga. He now has over 9,700.

2021 saw the best of racing return to The Spa *One More Time!* In 2022 The Spa is ready to welcome them back.

## 2021 SARATOGA LEADING TRAINERS (BY WINS)

	Name	Wins	Purse
1	Chad Brown	41	\$ 4,525,222
2	Todd Pletcher	31	\$ 3,602,386
3	Michael Maker	25	\$ 2,114,181
4	Steve Asmussen	19	\$ 3,216,818
5	Christophe Clement	17	\$ 2,070,407
6	William Mott	15	\$ 2,235,098
7	Rob Atras	13	\$ 739,136
8	Rudy Rodriguez	11	\$ 912,618
9	Danny Gargan	9	\$ 619,218
10	Wesley Ward	8(tie)	\$ 751,619
10	Charlton Baker	8(tie)	\$ 496,377

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9	Mark Casse	\$ 887,143	5
10	Linda Rice	\$ 814,083	7



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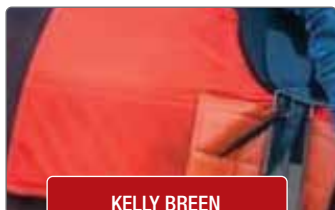
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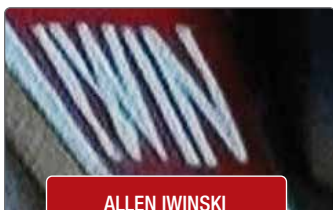
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## 2021 SARATOGA GRADE 1 WINNING TRAINERS

Stakes	Name	Purse	Winner
The Diana	Charles Appleby	\$ 500,000	<b>Althiq</b>
Coaching Club American Oaks	Rob Atlas	\$ 500,000	<b>Maracuja</b>
A.G. Vanderbilt Handicap	Jack Sistonson	\$ 350,000	<b>Imperial Hint</b>
A.P. Smithwick Memorial Chase	Keri Brion	\$ 150,000	<b>Baltimore Bucko</b>
The Whitney	Brad Cox	\$ 1,000,000	<b>Knicks Go</b>
The Test	Rudy Rodriguez	\$ 500,000	<b>Bella Sofia</b>
The Alabama	Todd Pletcher	\$ 600,000	<b>Maltha</b>
The Jonathan Sheppard	Keri Brion	\$ 150,000	<b>The Mean Queen</b>
Sword Dancer Invitational	Christophe Clement	\$ 750,000	<b>Gufo</b>
The Travers	Brad Cox	\$ 1,250,000	<b>Essential Quality</b>
The Ballerina	Bob Baffert	\$ 500,000	<b>Gamine</b>
The Forego Handicap	Steve Asmussen	\$ 600,000	<b>Yaupon</b>
Fourstardave Handicap	Mark Casse	\$ 500,000	<b>Got Stormy</b>
The Personal Ensign	Fausto Guitierrez	\$ 600,000	<b>Letruska</b>
H. Allen Jerkens Memorial	Steve Asmussen	\$ 500,000	<b>Jackies Warrior</b>
The Woodward	Stanley Hough	\$ 500,000	<b>Global Campaign</b>
The Spinaway	Steve Asmussen	\$ 300,000	<b>Echo Rule</b>
The Hopeful	Steve Asmussen	\$ 250,000	<b>Gunnite</b>
Flower Bowl	Bill Mott	\$ 600,000	<b>Warlike Goddess</b>
Jockey Club Gold Cup	Steve Asmussen	\$ 1,000,000	<b>Max Player</b>

## WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN A *Workout*

Owners, trainers, jockeys, clockers, handicappers and pretty much anyone else in racing watch morning workouts and try to learn something. How fast is that horse? How competitive is this horse? How fit? How ready? Expert or not, it can be great fun to watch training at a racetrack, especially one as historic and meaningful as Saratoga. A racehorse trains almost every day. He or she gallops (slower than race speed) sometimes as far as 2 miles; jogs (trots) to warm up or to get some light exercise. Racehorses work or breeze (race speed) once a week or so, usually a half-mile or 5 furlongs though sometimes longer. While watching the action, look for riders trying to teach horses how to switch leads (left on the turns, right in the stretch), how to relax, how to wait for their cues. Riders don't want horses to pull too hard, or to be too lazy. It's all about balance. A galloping racehorse should be energetic, bouncy, light on its feet, but manageable. Even a novice can tell if a horse is pulling too hard – its rider will be leaning back, tugging on the reins. A rider on a relaxed horse will look just the opposite – hands down, reins comparatively loose, weight balanced over the saddle. Working or breezing, the same thoughts apply. A breezing racehorse should be doing it at least somewhat on its own – with little encouragement or urging. Discerning names can be difficult in the busy atmosphere, but morning exercise offers a rare chance to find some heroes. Keep an eye on the saddle towels and other clues and you might just recognize a superstar such as Horse of Year, Eclipse, & Whitney winner **Knicks Go**, Travers winner **Essential Quality** and Hopeful winner **Gunnite**. Before and after a training session, you can see horses “standing in” to face the track. It's a way for them to relax, take a deep breath and realize life's not always about running.

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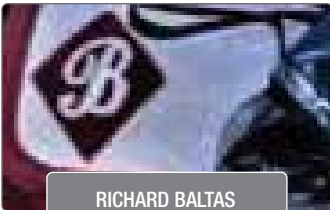
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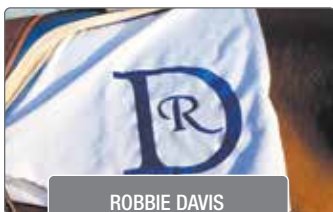
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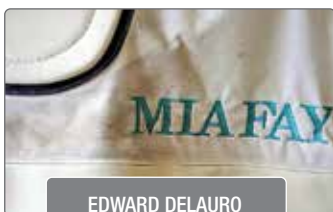
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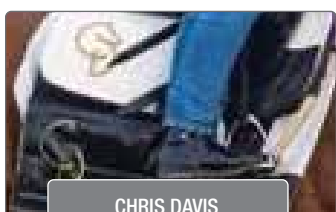
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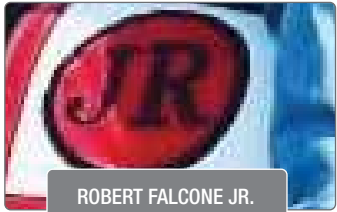
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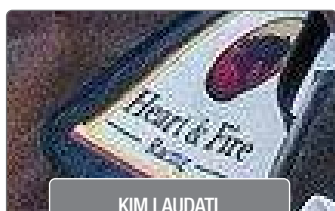
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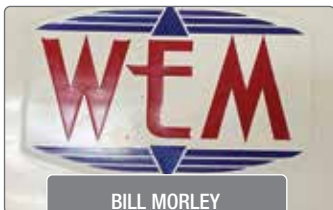
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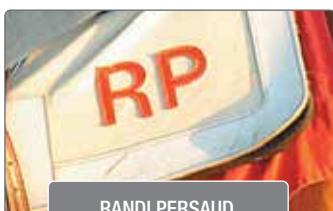
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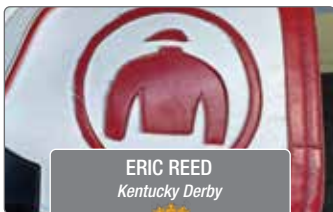
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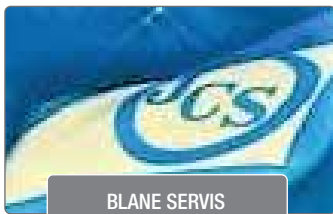
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\*Won the Wilson twice.

Trainer John M. Gaver Sr. won the race 6 times, and Owner John Hay "Jock" Whitney's **Greentree Stable** took home the trophy 6 times. Jockey Ted Atkinson was first to the wire 5 times. Atkinson rode the last edition of the Wilson in 1953 aboard Greentree's **Tom Fool**.

Other notables included: Oscar White's **Pavot** (1946) and "Sunny Jim Fitzsimmons' **Apache** 1942.



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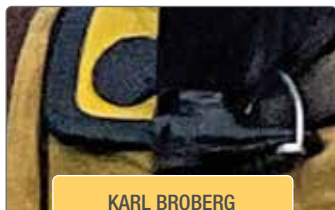
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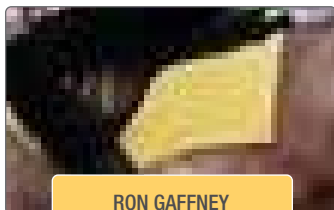


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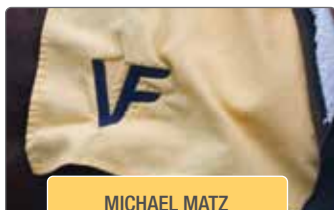
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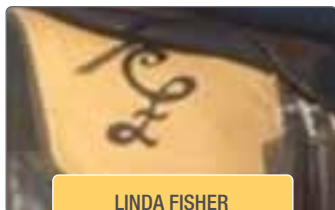
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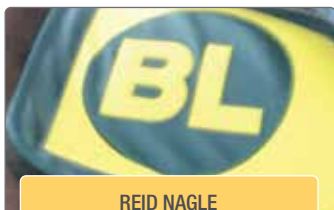
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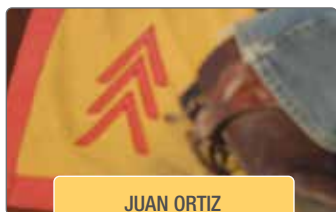
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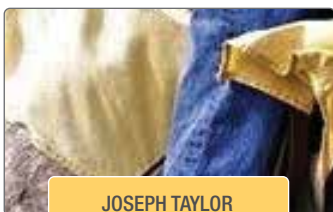
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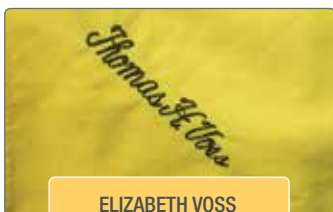
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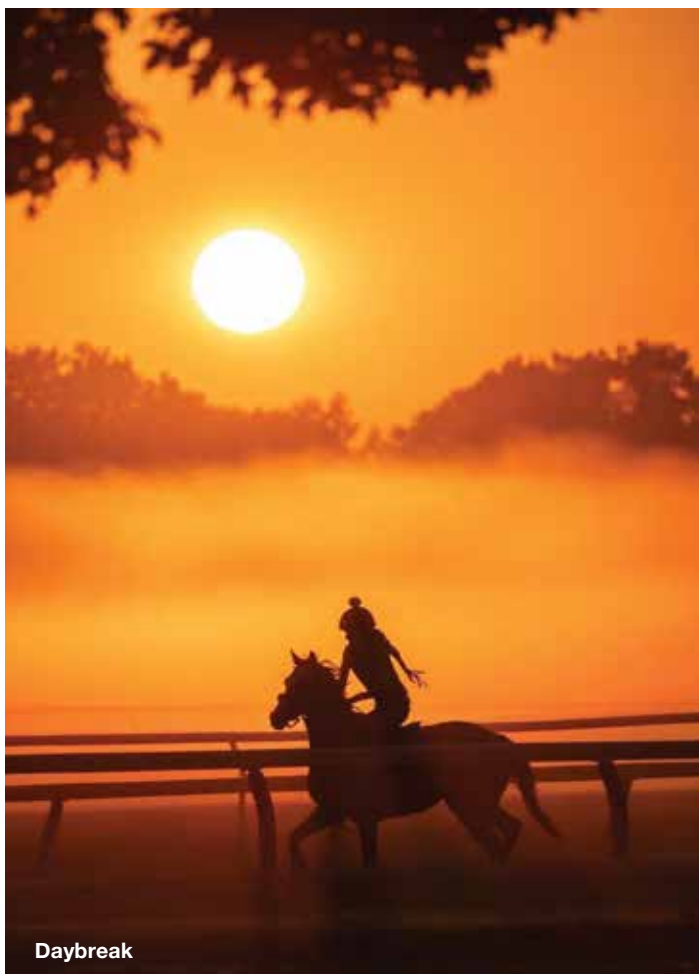
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