



Monmouth Park, which opened in 1946, begins its 2015 summer meet May 9

Jersey Jump

*Monmouth Park turns the corner;
eyes sports betting*

BY JERRY BOSSERT
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ROBERT KULINA has been a fixture at Monmouth Park since 1972, shortly after graduating from the University of Charleston in West Virginia, but in late 2011 the 65-year-old thought he was out of a job.

Monmouth Park was operating in the red, and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie wanted the state out of the sport of Thoroughbred racing. New Jersey had bought into the business of racing in 1986 when the New Jersey Sports & Exposition Authority purchased the Monmouth Park Jockey Club. Initially it started as a good investment but over time it began to lose

money and Christie wanted to pull the plug.

It was estimated the state was losing close to \$17 million a year on Monmouth, and Christie was going to shut it down.

Kulina, who earlier had resigned his position with the NJSEA, had joined the team led by Morris Bailey, the co-owner of Resorts Atlantic City casino, to purchase the Jersey shore oval, but the deal fell apart late in December 2011 and it looked like Monmouth Park wouldn't open in 2012.

"I thought I was going to the unemployment line," Kulina
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1	BIG BROWN (05, Boundary), Dutchess Views Farm	\$8,500	84/23	1/3	0/1	(Dortmund, \$930,000)	\$1,792,982	*413	13	1.37	1.83
2	POSSE (00, Silver Deputy), Rockridge Stud	\$5,000	86/20	0/0	0/0	(Possessed, \$66,750)	\$687,763	*624	26	1.38	1.37
3	FREUD (98, Storm Cat), Sequel Stallions New York	\$10,000	68/18	0/0	0/0	(Fenwick Hall, \$70,200)	\$597,089	*874	39	1.68	1.28
4	BOB AND JOHN (03, Seeking the Gold), Saratoga Stud	\$6,000	47/14	1/1	0/1	(Pain and Misery, \$112,350)	\$503,336	*189	9	0.98	1.39
5	HERE'S ZEALOUS (97, Dehere), Kaz Hill Farm	\$1,000	26/7	0/0	0/0	(Green Gratto, \$131,050)	\$389,527	179	0	0.87	0.97
6	CATIENUS (94, Storm Cat), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	\$2,000	42/15	0/0	0/0	(Jcs American Dream, \$51,874)	\$354,710	*544	23	1.13	1.26
7	DESERT PARTY (06, Street Cry), Sequel Stallions New York	\$7,500	33/11	1/1	0/1	(Shore to Party, \$44,310)	\$332,375	94	3	0.87	1.48
8	STONESIDER (03, Giant's Causeway), Saratoga Stud	\$3,500	32/8	0/0	0/0	(Big Gally's Answer, \$41,800)	\$277,797	*184	3	1.17	1.22
9	FROST GIANT (03, Giant's Causeway), Keane Stud Operations	\$10,000	29/5	0/0	0/0	(Lady Luciano, \$77,900)	\$256,365	*144	5	1.85	1.17
10	DISCO RICO (97, Citidancer), Keane Stud Operations	Died, 2014	23/6	0/0	0/0	(Goodtolook, \$82,592)	\$256,347	250	11	1.36	1.22
11	NOBLE CAUSEWAY (02, Giant's Causeway)	Died, 2014	51/9	1/1	0/1	(Noble and a Beauty, \$83,000)	\$254,737	227	6	0.84	1.08
12	CONGAREE (98, Arazi), Saratoga Stud	\$7,500	29/7	1/1	0/1	(Shrinking Violet, \$120,000)	\$226,519	*337	13	1.37	1.46
13	BUSTIN STONES (04, City Zip), Waldorf Farm	\$5,000	19/5	0/0	0/0	(Lulu Rocks, \$57,000)	\$173,141	106	2	1.35	1.44
14	MR. SEKIGUCHI (03, Storm Cat), Mole's Hill Farm	\$2,500	18/6	0/0	0/0	(Yourdreamsormine, \$27,740)	\$164,710	*89	1	0.88	1.27
15	LEWIS MICHAEL (03, Rahy), Questroyal North	\$2,500	22/6	0/0	0/0	(Los Bambinos, \$28,450)	\$156,450	98	2	0.78	1.18
16	GOLDEN MISSILE (95, A.P. Indy), Milfer Farm	\$3,500	23/6	0/0	0/0	(Papa's Missile, \$31,533)	\$138,591	*629	13	1.05	1.54
17	MUSKET MAN (06, Yonaguska), Waldorf Farm	\$2,500	10/4	0/0	0/0	(H Man, \$31,800)	\$105,647	35	1	1.48	1.11
18	ALEX'S PAL (99, Valid Expectations)	Died, 2015	10/4	0/0	0/0	(Gypsy Fire, \$32,200)	\$101,959	101	2	1.28	0.95
19	TEUFLESBERG (04, Johannesburg), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	\$5,000	13/6	0/0	0/0	(Lady Asano, \$33,000)	\$89,318	80	4	1.76	1.18
20	SIR WHIMSEY (04, Jump Start), Mill Creek Farm	\$2,500	2/1	0/0	0/0	(Take Issue, \$52,800)	\$85,800	8	0	0.85	0.99
21	COSMONAUT (02, Lemon Drop Kid), Saratoga Stud	\$5,000	11/3	0/0	0/0	(Moldavite, \$29,500)	\$83,511	64	1	1.01	1.11
22	RELATO DEL GATO (01, Tale of the Cat)	Died, 2014	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Town Kitty, \$69,600)	\$70,104	12	0	1.11	0.76
23	THE CLIFF'S EDGE (01, Gulch), McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds	\$2,500	22/3	0/0	0/0	(Gabb'i's Amor, \$8,444)	\$55,915	234	4	0.83	1.20
24	SAY FLORIDA SANDY (94, Personal Flag)	Pnsd	7/2	0/0	0/0	(Say Mr. Sandman, \$20,200)	\$43,092	*189	1	0.80	1.12
25	GRIFFINITE (98, Unbridled's Song)	N/A	7/1	0/0	0/0	(Lexsoya, \$13,950)	\$32,852	66	0	0.60	0.89

na said. "We believed that the governor would have closed it."

Not knowing what was going to happen, Kulina suggested the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association "throw their hat into the ring to have a dog in the fight," and when nobody else came up with a plan to purchase the track, the NJTHA was the only one left standing.

A deal with the NJTHA was struck on March 1, 2012, whereby the NJSEA would lease the track to the horsemen's group, saving Thoroughbred racing in the Garden State.

Monmouth Park opened in 1946 and has never missed a summer of live racing. When Atlantic City Race Course closed for good in January, Monmouth became the only racetrack in New Jersey dedicated to

2015 NEW YORK SIRE BY WINNERS

Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs
Big Brown	84	23
Posse	86	20
Freud	68	18
Catienus	42	15
Bob and John	47	14
Desert Party	33	11
Noble Causeway	51	9
Stonesider	32	8
Congaree	29	7
Here's Zealous	26	7
Disco Rico	23	6
Golden Missile	23	6
Lewis Michael	22	6
Mr. Sekiguchi	18	6
Teuflesberg	13	6
Frost Giant	29	5
Bustin Stones	19	5
Alex's Pal	10	4
Musket Man	10	4
The Cliff's Edge	22	3
Cosmonaut	11	3



Dennis Drazen, left, and Robert Kulina kept Monmouth Park going in 2012

Special Note For Sire Lists:

For stallions that stand, will stand, or stood (deceased) in New York (stallions that are dead or exported prior to 2011 are excluded), and have runners in North America. Listed below are all available statistics for the Northern Hemisphere through April 12, 2015. As supplied to Blood-Horse by The Jockey Club Information Systems Inc., include adjusted money from Japan, Hong Kong, and Singapore. Adjusted earnings are put on par with average North American earnings from the previous year. For example, the average North American purse in 2014 is \$21,617 or 45% of the 2014 average purse in Japan. To put earnings on par, all Japanese progeny earnings are multiplied by 45% before being credited to a sire's progeny earnings. Hong Kong earnings are adjusted by 19%; Singapore by 54%. Current year stakes winners include all N.H.-foaled stakes winners worldwide and any S.H.-foaled horses that won a N.H. stakes. *Foal counts include Southern Hemisphere. Cumulative stakes winners includes all countries. (A ♯) indicates a sire represented by his first crop to race).

*AVERAGE-EARNINGS INDEX and COMPARABLE INDEX: Lifetime AVERAGE-EARNINGS INDEX indicates how much purse money the progeny of one sire has earned in relation to the average earnings of all runners in the same years; average earnings of all runners in any year is represented by an index of 1.00; COMPARABLE INDEX indicates the average earnings of progeny produced from mares bred to one sire, when these same mares were bred to other sires. Only 32% of all sires have a lifetime AVERAGE-EARNINGS INDEX higher than their mares' COMPARABLE INDEX.



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1	ROCKPORT HARBOR (02, Unbridled's Song)	Died, 2013	113/39	1/1	0/1	(Weast Hill, \$83,400)	\$1,137,089	435	20	1.39	1.44
2	JUMP START (99, A.P. Indy), Northview	\$10,000	83/26	2/2	0/2	(Pants On Fire, \$60,140)	\$829,965	*1099	37	1.58	1.35
3	SMARTY JONES (01, Elusive Quality), Northview	\$4,000	54/15	1/1	1/1	(Old Time Hockey, \$87,000)	\$644,557	*565	22	1.67	2.05
4	CORINTHIAN (03, Pulpit), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$4,000	115/28	0/0	0/0	(Summer Place to Be, \$45,000)	\$594,192	*457	9	0.83	1.40
5	MEDALLIST (01, Touch Gold), Northview	\$2,000	30/18	0/0	0/0	(Medallicious, \$45,745)	\$385,295	183	5	1.28	1.42
6	FAIRBANKS (03, Giant's Causeway), Northview	\$2,500	48/13	0/0	0/0	(Brazilian Symphony, \$50,910)	\$374,285	187	2	1.10	1.30
7	SILVER TRAIN (02, Old Trieste)	Died, 2013	80/17	0/0	0/0	(Fiftyshadesofbay, \$45,195)	\$371,731	*433	10	1.03	1.31
8	LOVE OF MONEY (01, Not For Love)	Died, 2012	18/8	0/0	0/0	(Jack's in the Deck, \$40,050)	\$205,205	123	1	1.05	1.26
9	TALENT SEARCH (03, Catiemus), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	22/7	0/0	0/0	(Total Talent, \$52,350)	\$203,296	76	0	0.98	1.39
10	WEIGELIA (01, Safely's Mark), WynOaks Farm	\$3,500	22/7	0/0	0/0	(Fat Kat, \$44,090)	\$198,633	63	2	1.21	1.00
11	ALBERT THE GREAT (97, Go for Gin), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$2,500	27/8	0/0	0/0	(Mia Alberta, \$20,080)	\$139,942	*368	8	1.17	1.15
12	PARTNER'S HERO (94, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	22/7	0/0	0/0	(Pink Hero, \$24,095)	\$137,984	447	15	1.20	1.33
13	ACTIVIST (94, Wild Again), Godstone Farm	Private	20/4	0/0	0/0	(Hot Trial, \$23,643)	\$133,937	175	3	0.93	0.86
14	REAL QUIET (95, Quiet American)	Died, 2010	14/5	0/0	0/0	(Darn Quiet, \$40,040)	\$131,936	*624	15	1.19	1.23
15	LITE THE FUSE (91, Buckaroo)	N/A	12/4	0/0	0/0	(Parrakeet, \$29,538)	\$96,197	536	22	1.23	1.19
16	FORMAL DINNER (88, Well Decorated)	N/A	16/6	0/0	0/0	(Wild Kira, \$17,318)	\$91,219	*639	23	1.08	1.10
17	GIMMEAWINK (00, Elusive Quality), Mountain Springs Racing Stable	\$2,500	24/6	0/0	0/0	(Gimmeadrink, \$27,600)	\$90,004	*213	1	1.78	1.06
18	WISEMAN'S FERRY (99, Hennessy), Dana Point Farm	Died, 2015	21/3	0/0	0/0	(Wise Lou, \$23,490)	\$89,489	*279	6	1.71	1.09
19	SNOW RIDGE (98, Tabasco Cat)	Died, 2012	15/7	0/0	0/0	(Victor's Tuition, \$17,745)	\$87,184	*284	5	1.00	1.16
20	DELAWARE TOWNSHIP (96, Notebook), Maui Meadow Farm	\$1,000	15/4	0/0	0/0	(Picketts Corner, \$17,940)	\$74,068	283	7	1.08	1.23
21	SIR SHACKLETON (01, Miswaki), Dana Point Farm	\$1,000	20/4	0/0	0/0	(Ameritude, \$17,550)	\$68,890	*94	1	0.68	1.08
22	AISLE (99, Pulpit), Whirlwind Stables	\$1,000	13/3	0/0	0/0	(Circular Drive, \$12,492)	\$66,191	84	0	0.83	0.79
23	MORE SMOKE (02, Smoke Glacken), Pin Oak Lane Farm	\$1,500	13/3	0/0	0/0	(Nina Smoked'm, \$16,368)	\$61,673	47	1	1.02	1.25
24	IT'S A BIRD (03, Birdonthewire)	N/A	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Thinks He's a Bird, \$39,330)	\$58,022	14	0	0.37	1.06
25	RIMROD (00, Danzig), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	14/2	0/0	0/0	(Nacho Macho Man, \$12,540)	\$56,817	95	2	1.45	1.20
26	CITY SHARPSTER (99, Carson City), Woodvale Farm	\$1,000	17/3	0/0	0/0	(My Favorite City, \$9,936)	\$56,536	53	0	0.58	0.75
27	BULLSBAY (04, Tiznow), Northview	\$3,000	6/0	0/0	0/0	(Last Confession, \$13,986)	\$51,538	34	1	1.76	0.98
28	ANDIRON (06, A.P. Indy), Xanthus Farms	\$2,000	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Roxbury N Overton, \$19,320)	\$49,967	31	0	0.58	0.62
29	POWER BY FAR (95, Power of Mind), Castle Rock Farm	\$1,500	6/1	0/0	0/0	(Power of Snunner, \$29,600)	\$49,516	108	1	1.21	1.19
30	GOULDINGS GREEN (01, Charismatic), Mohns Hill Farm	Private	4/2	0/0	0/0	(La Mala, \$29,442)	\$48,978	20	0	0.67	1.47
31	GOT THE LAST LAUGH (04, Distorted Humor), Diamond B Farm	\$2,500	12/2	0/0	0/0	(Snickering, \$10,193)	\$47,907	31	0	1.17	1.22
32	PURE PRECISION (99, Montbrook), Blackstone Farm	\$1,000	12/2	0/0	0/0	(Godiva's Queen, \$19,210)	\$46,441	161	3	1.12	1.01
33	TRAJECTORY (97, Gone West), Mountain Springs Racing Stable	\$3,500	10/1	0/0	0/0	(Daniel Did it, \$17,450)	\$46,013	362	14	1.09	1.37
34	COASTAL STORM (99, Storm Cat)	N/A	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Stormy Woman, \$13,140)	\$45,130	139	3	1.08	0.83
35	CAPITANO (01, Belong to Me), Fox Tale Stud	\$1,500	7/2	0/0	0/0	(Capablanca, \$11,945)	\$34,164	27	0	0.65	1.15

Thoroughbred racing.

"Personally, I'm kind of amazed we were able to put it all together," said Kulina, who is the president of Darby Development, the management team that runs Monmouth Park.

Kulina along with attorney Dennis Drazin, who is an adviser to Darby Development, and the NJTHA worked together to

form a plan to get Monmouth up and running by May.

"If the horsemen had not stepped up to the plate, we would have closed," said Drazin, who resigned as chairman of the New Jersey Racing Commission to advise the horsemen's association. "It was a real threat. The governor was not bluffing."

The initial five-year lease expires Dec. 31, 2016. The NJTHA has the right to extend the lease for up to three 10-year terms while the NJTHA and the NJSEA may jointly agree to extend the lease for a fourth 10-year term.

During the initial lease the rental payment is just \$1 per year, but it increases to \$250,000 or 5% of NJTHA's net operating profits, whichever is greater, during the first renewal term. During any subsequent renewal terms the annual rent will be either \$500,000 per year or 5% of the net operating profits, whichever is greater.

"We inherited a racetrack in turmoil and placed her on the path to prosperity," Drazin said.

In 2012 Monmouth saw a 22% increase in attendance compared to 2011, thanks to the addition of four large video boards, the installation of a 36-hole miniature golf course, a new caterer, and additional group areas.

While the first year under Darley Development was a success, it had to overcome a major hurdle late that October when Super Storm Sandy slammed the Jersey shore oval causing \$4 million in damages from flooding and powerful winds.



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1	NOT FOR LOVE (90, Mr. Prospector), Northview Stallion Station	Pnsd	57/16	0/0	0/0	(Lovable Lady, \$47,112)	\$607,875	921	75	1.71	1.45	
2	ORIENTATE (98, Mt. Livermore), Northview Stallion Station	\$5,000	63/18	0/0	0/0	(Mappin Time, \$60,924)	\$450,186	*747	32	1.30	1.75	
3	LION HEARTED (96, Storm Cat), Northview Stallion Station	\$2,500	50/14	0/0	0/0	(Bazinga B, \$54,444)	\$441,956	*598	17	1.21	1.30	
4	GREAT NOTION (00, Elusive Quality), Northview Stallion Station	\$3,500	27/9	0/0	0/0	(Great Drive, \$44,730)	\$301,379	189	10	1.59	1.21	
5	GIACOMO (02, Holy Bull), Heritage Stallions	\$3,500	48/13	0/0	0/0	(Just Dancing, \$23,080)	\$264,527	*290	10	1.11	1.27	
6	LOUIS QUATORZE (93, Sovereign Dancer), Murmur Farm	\$2,500	32/12	0/0	0/0	(Louisa Girl, \$36,630)	\$251,641	*961	21	1.15	1.34	
7	OUTFLANKER (94, Danzig), Shamrock Farm	\$3,000	26/8	0/0	0/0	(Javerre, \$39,000)	\$239,911	*518	21	1.39	1.14	
8	SCIPION (02, A.P. Indy), Murmur Farm	\$2,500	26/9	0/0	0/0	(Scip's Sonata, \$56,641)	\$231,778	109	3	1.13	1.09	
9	TWO PUNCH (83, Mr. Prospector)	Died, 2011	22/5	0/0	0/0	(Jackson P, \$35,646)	\$212,725	*1103	56	1.42	1.40	
10	STREET MAGICIAN (04, Street Cry), Heritage Stallions	\$3,000	12/4	0/0	0/0	(Blitzensmajikreign, \$69,660)	\$210,358	49	2	1.13	1.19	
11	GATORS N BEARS (00, Stormy Atlantic)	Died, 2012	18/7	0/0	0/0	(Change of Command, \$46,100)	\$168,727	151	5	1.05	1.20	
12	PETIONVILLE (92, Seeking the Gold), Murmur Farm	\$5,000	36/9	0/0	0/0	(Pesci to De Niro, \$34,800)	\$168,250	*687	41	1.33	1.28	
13	ROCK SLIDE (98, A.P. Indy), Shamrock Farm	\$2,000	21/2	0/0	0/0	(Aix En Provence, \$67,390)	\$166,632	259	8	1.02	1.21	
14	DANCE WITH RAVENS (02, A.P. Indy), Northview Stallion Station	\$3,000	38/8	0/0	0/0	(Charm City Dancer, \$20,180)	\$157,996	328	9	1.17	1.48	
15	CHEROKEE'S BOY (00, Citidancer), Murmur Farm	\$2,000	17/6	0/0	0/0	(Lunar Rock, \$23,556)	\$121,546	88	1	1.19	1.05	
16	M EIGHTY (99, Lite the Fuse), Shamrock Farm	Private	5/2	0/0	0/0	(Fran's Buckaroo, \$73,857)	\$108,803	14	0	1.40	0.89	
17	GO FOR GIN (91, Cormorant)	Pnsd	6/2	0/0	0/0	(Shaunna Alexandra, \$68,630)	\$107,571	*400	12	1.24	1.40	
18	GREEK SUN (01, Danzig), Marathon Farm	Private	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Periwinkle, \$27,070)	\$31,078	32	0	1.00	1.17	

"We never took the focus away from the racing and just put the track back together," Kulina said. "The place is as nice as it's ever been."

In addition to the track, the NJTHA was also granted the right to operate the highly successful off-track wagering facility in Woodbridge, N.J., and is planning to open another off-track wagering facility this year in Hillsborough.

Kulina credits the employees and the horsemen for the successful turnaround.

"We didn't come in with a magic bullet," Kulina said. "A lot of people have made huge sacrifices to keep Monmouth Park operating and move it to where we want it to be."

Kulina noted that there were 20% reductions in salaries across the board and that they reduced their union workforce from 16 labor unions to 15.

"We're on sound financial footing to move forward," Kulina said.

This year Monmouth will open an upscale restaurant that will run year round and hopes to have a concert venue in place by next year.

"Dennis' concept and my concept is that Monmouth will be a year-round entertainment facility, with top-flight horse racing," Kulina said. "We have a 36-hole miniature golf course. We are building an incredible, beautiful restaurant that we hope will be open by the beginning of the

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2015 LEADING SIRES IN WEST VIRGINIA

Rank	Stallion (Foreign foaled), (YOB,Sire), Where Stands	2015 Stud Fee	Rnrs/ Wnrs	Stakes Wnrs/ Wns	Rstrct SW/ BT SW	(Chief Earner, Earnings)	Cumulative				
							2015 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	BROTHER DEREK (03, Benchmark), Naylee Farm	\$3,500	40/14	2/2	1/2	(Sam's Sister, \$148,500)	\$554,664	*115	4	1.33	1.24
2	WINDSOR CASTLE (98, Lord Carson), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$3,500	55/22	0/0	0/0	(Ruby Red Rocket, \$28,320)	\$384,449	253	10	1.15	1.08
3	SWISS YODELER (94, Eastern Echo), O'Sullivan Farms	\$2,000	44/15	0/0	0/0	(Swissarella, \$60,280)	\$384,188	748	15	1.01	1.06
4	LIMEHOUSE (01, Grand Slam), O'Sullivan Farms	\$3,500	49/15	1/1	1/1	(Recount, \$35,295)	\$307,344	*349	19	1.24	1.23
5	BOP (97, Rahy)	Died, 2012	34/9	0/0	0/0	(Silver Bop, \$31,209)	\$185,756	*192	4	0.98	0.90
6	CHARITABLE MAN (06, Lemon Drop Kid), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$3,500	16/6	0/0	0/0	(Charitable Annuity, \$30,340)	\$146,423	80	0	0.90	1.18
7	LUFTIKUS (96, Meadowlake), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$750	24/6	0/0	0/0	(Devil's Gate, \$18,800)	\$145,220	281	8	0.99	1.11
8	PEAK DANCER (97, Mt. Livermore), Householder Farm	Private	25/8	0/0	0/0	(Honybadgerdontcare, \$17,990)	\$136,541	79	4	1.02	0.91
9	REPARATIONS (96, Forty Niner), Blue Spruce Farm	\$1,500	16/3	0/0	0/0	(Roche, \$27,370)	\$87,318	135	3	0.98	0.81
10	DENIS OF CORK (05, Harlan's Holiday), Taylor Mountain Farm	\$3,500	12/3	0/0	0/0	(Lady of Cork, \$20,210)	\$82,180	59	0	0.70	1.25
11	FIBER SONDE (05, Unbridled's Song), Beau Ridge Farm	\$1,000	12/2	0/0	0/0	(Morningsbreaking, \$33,330)	\$75,534	63	3	1.38	0.74
12	GARNERED (98, Holy Bull), Naylee Farm	\$1,000	7/3	0/0	0/0	(Nay's Back, \$35,160)	\$75,434	90	0	0.68	0.74
13	FOREST GROVE (01, Forestry), Naylee Farm	\$1,500	10/4	0/0	0/0	(Arborville, \$29,780)	\$64,537	106	2	0.91	1.22
14	REAL ESTATE (04, High Yield), Flamingo Run Farm	\$1,000	11/3	0/0	0/0	(Sharp Razor, \$17,425)	\$46,052	38	0	0.62	0.85
15	FEAR THE CAPE (01, Cape Town), Blue Spruce Farm	\$1,500	8/4	0/0	0/0	(Wye Not Win, \$18,810)	\$43,949	35	1	1.02	0.89

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							2015 Earnings	Foals	Stks Wnrs	A-E Index	Comp Index
1	REBELLION (GB) (03, Mozart), Hickory Tree Farm	\$3,500	7/3	0/0	0/0	(Rebellion Heart, \$8,843)	\$31,034	*40	1	1.09	1.37
2	UP PERISCOPE (00, Unbridled's Song)	N/A	4/1	0/0	0/0	(Surfing Up, \$8,210)	\$13,075	20	0	0.20	0.58

meet. We have layers and layers for entertainment and other uses for the site and still remain focused on the core business of horse racing.”

This year Monmouth Park is stepping into the world of fantasy sports and hopes to offer legalized wagering on professional sports later this year, depending on court decisions.

In February, Monmouth announced the formation of a marketing partnership with Fantasy Sports Network, which will assist in the launch of a paid Monmouth Park Daily Fantasy Game, featuring professional sporting events.

“Fantasy Sports Network is a tremendous partner as Monmouth Park looks to strengthen its gaming and entertainment presence in New Jersey and across the national market,” said Bill Knauf, vice president of business operations at Monmouth Park.

Plans call for Monmouth’s first fantasy game to launch sometime during the 2015 baseball season.

“We are excited to play such an important role in the pioneering process of bringing fantasy sports to such a historic New Jersey destination,” said Louis M. Maione, chief strategy officer

of Anthem Media Group and its FNTSY Sports Network. “Already on the cutting edge of Thoroughbred racing, Monmouth Park is now expanding into one of the most exciting areas of sports entertainment and interactivity, one that is experiencing continued exponential growth.

“Adding our fantasy expertise and distribution will allow Monmouth Park to take off with this endeavor, catering to fantasy enthusiasts in both local and remote locations.”

The new Monmouth Park Fantasy Game will be the latest addition to the track online gaming portfolio, which already includes the free, season-long racing game *Survival at the Shore*, as well as the free, one-day *Haskell* game. Both games attracted more than 6,500 participants in 2014.

But where Monmouth can make its strongest impact is with sports wagering.

On March 17, attorneys for Monmouth Park made their case to a three-judge federal appeals panel to allow sports gambling in New Jersey and for Monmouth Park to take all the action.

Christie proposed allowing Monmouth to host sports gambling last fall, but a federal court granted an injunction sought by the major sports leagues.

“This doesn’t just help a little racetrack,” Kulina said. “It will have national implications. It’s time for sports wagering to become legal and come out of the shadows. If it happens this year or not, it’s going to happen.”



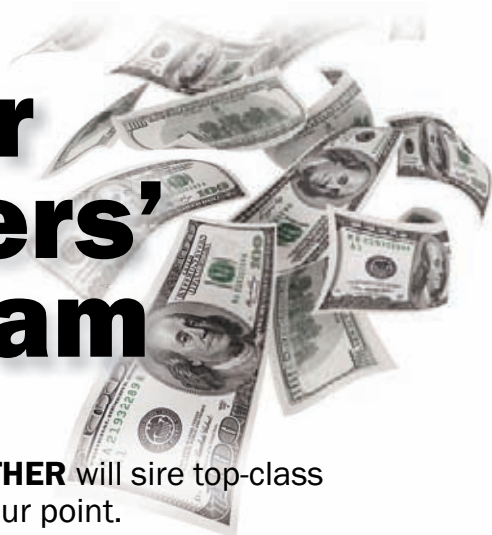
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1	DEFERRE (92, Deputy Minister), Wainford Stud	\$2,000	17/5	0/0	0/0	(Oak Bluffs, \$35,830)	\$127,704	*581	21	1.23	1.18
2	DON SIX (00, Wild Escapade), Greenfields Farm	Private	15/3	0/0	0/0	(Don's Honour, \$30,180)	\$82,066	73	2	1.17	1.21
3	PRIVATE INTERVIEW (92, Nureyev), Colonial Farms	\$1,000	5/1	0/0	0/0	(Amblin Easy, \$36,200)	\$49,981	222	3	1.08	1.22
4	UNBRIDLED JET (96, Unbridled)	Died, 2011	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Gringo Bay, \$25,695)	\$38,423	*257	8	1.04	1.22
5	CHIPS ARE DOWN (02, Distorted Humor), Greenfields Farm	Private	3/1	0/0	0/0	(Play It Again, \$7,490)	\$14,290	8	0	0.35	0.58

To prepare for the legalization of sports wagering, Monmouth Park opened a Las Vegas-style sports book in 2014 with partner William Hill, the world's leading sports betting company.

In May 2013, Monmouth and William Hill announced a long-term agreement whereby Hill became the racetrack's exclusive sports betting provider and the sponsor of the \$1 million Haskell Invitational Stakes (gr. I).

"We had to find a new revenue source to provide a more stable bottom line while increasing purses," Drazin said. "We are the only state in the Northeast that operates without a form of (ca-

sino) assistance. We are the only track or casino to step up and are willing to implement this. Other tracks and casinos will sit back and wait to see if we're successful. Sports betting has a realistic chance of prevailing this year, but the movement is such I think it's inevitable."

Monmouth officials are also waiting to see what voters decide in November when an expansion of casino gaming outside of Atlantic City is brought to the ballot for both Jersey City and the Meadowlands.

Monmouth Park, because it races an additional 13-days of turf racing at the Meadowlands in the fall, has an agreement with Jeff Gural, the owner of the Meadowlands, to share in the revenue to get money allocated to purses.

"The future will be bright and rosy for Monmouth Park after voters pass this in November," Drazin said.

Since taking over in 2012, Drazin estimates that the track lost \$4 million in both 2012 and 2013 but came close to breaking even in 2014.

One of the reasons for the improvement was taking control of its account wagering platform, which has increased from \$90 million to \$180 million through the use of TVG.

For the 2015 racing season that begins May 9, Monmouth Park has announced a graded stakes schedule worth \$3.5 million, led by the \$1 million Haskell Aug. 2.

There will be 58 days of live racing and Monmouth will once again offer a bonus program for owners and trainers in 2015.

All trainers will receive a \$300 bonus for every non-state-bred starter regardless of the surface, and owners will receive a minimum of \$700 for every non-state-bred dirt starter and a minimum of \$500 for every open turf runner.

Haskell Day will see four of Monmouth's 17 graded stakes events, with the Monmouth Cup (gr. II), the WinStar Matchmaker Stakes (gr. IIIT), and the Metropolitan Jets Oceanport Stakes (gr. IIIT) completing the huge day of racing.

"We had a successful meet in 2014," Kulina said. "It was solid. We had great horses run here—Bayern, Untapable, Main Sequence. Horsemen across the country support us."

Haskell winner Bayern went on to capture the \$5 million Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I) while Haskell favorite Untapable won the Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff (gr. I) before being named champion 3-year-old filly of 2014.

Other highlights for 2015 include the \$500,000 United Nations Stakes (gr. IT), won in 2014 by turf champion Main Sequence, and the \$150,000 Salvator Mile (gr. III), July 5; the \$200,000 Monmouth Stakes (gr. IIT), June 7; the \$150,000 Molly Pitcher (gr. III), July 3; and the \$150,000 Philip H. Iselin Stakes (gr. III), Aug. 30.

The graded stakes action begins May 16 with the running of the \$100,000 Red Bank Stakes (gr. IIIT).

"A lot of employees and horsemen made great sacrifices to make Monmouth Park one of the great racetracks in the country," Kulina said. "I think we do have a strong future and I'm looking forward to it." **BH**



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	Florida	3%	\$3,000
3rd Place	New York	15%	\$40,000
	Florida	2%	\$1,500

2014 Auction Results per The Jockey Club Fact Book	State Bred	Gross	Average	Median
Yearlings	New York	\$26.3M	\$50,068	\$30,000
	Florida	\$21.8M	\$31,438	\$12,000
Weanlings	New York	\$3.5M	\$31,740	\$20,000
	Florida	\$2.7M	\$22,558	\$10,000
Two-year-olds	New York	\$16.4M	\$57,147	\$35,000
	Florida	\$21.9M	\$37,951	\$27,000