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WELL SAID MAKES STRONG STATEMENT IN MEADOWLANDS PACE

Driver Ron Pierce boldly guaranteed Well Said's victory in the 2009 Meadowlands Pace, saying after the colt's dominant elimination win, "I haven't seen anybody out there that can beat him. I think by far, I have the best colt."

But Pierce also knew that even the most invincible looking favorite is sometimes beaten. Pierce had pulled off the biggest upset in Pace history just one year prior when he and Art Official handed Somebeachsomewhere his only career loss in a stunning world record 1:47 mile. However, Pierce's confidence in Well Said would prove to be well placed.

The colt gave Pierce his second straight win in the Pace, easily romping to a six-length victory in 1:47.3. Well Said entered the Pace Final on a four-race winning streak that included a stakes, track and Canadian record of 1:48.1 in the North America Cup and a decisive 1:49.2 score in his Pace elimination. Pierce and trainer Steve Elliott chose to start Well Said from post three in the final, and the colt was sitting fifth as they entered the first turn. As soon as Art Colony and John

Campbell moved to the lead, Well Said and Pierce quickly overtook them and accelerated away from the field. From there, the race was over; nobody was going to catch Well Said.

"Around the first turn, I wanted to sit him in, but he was looking around," Pierce said. "I just said there's no sense in messing around, we're going for \$1 million, so I moseyed on up to the lead and just kept on going. It was a big move, but he did it easily. This colt was wicked. He's by far the fastest colt I've ever driven in my life."

Well Said became the eighth horse to win both the North America Cup and the Meadowlands Pace in his 3-year-old season. He would later win the Little Brown Jug en route to being named the divisional champion and Pacer of the Year. Trainer Steve Elliott picked up his second Pace win in four years with Well Said after also taking the 2006 edition with Artistic Fella. It was the third Pace win for owner Jeff Snyder, who previously triumphed in the race with Rocknroll Hanover (2005) and Cam's Card Shark (1994).

1ST ELIMINATION - 7/11/09 - 1:49²

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1	Well Said	R
2	Art Colony	J
3	Vintage Master	
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5	Pair A Dice	D

Driver Ron Pierce John Campbell Daniel Dube Tim Tetrick David Miller

Trainer Steve Elliott Casie Coleman Jimmy Takter Tracy Brainard Steve Elliott

Horse 1 Hypnotic Blue Chip 2 Chasin Racin 3 Ideal Danny 4 If I Can Dream 5 Arctic Warrior

2ND ELIMINATION - 7/11/09 - 1:492 Se Driver Tr S Blue Chip Tim Tetrick Mark Racin Ron Pierce Geom nny Andy Miller Erv M Dream George Brennan Tracy arrior David Miller Sam

Trainer Mark Harder George Teague, Jr. Erv Miller Tracy Brainard Samuel Beegle

\$1,000,000 FINAL - 7/18/09 - 1:47³

	Horse	Driver	Trainer
1	Well Said	Ron Pierce	Steve Elliott
2	Vintage Master	Daniel Dube	Jimmy Takter
3	If I Can Dream	George Brennan	Tracy Brainard

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5 Vintage Master	5	8834	6°3¾	4°°5¼	$2^{6\frac{1}{2}}$	2^{6}	27 ²	1:484	D Dube	[5]	9.40	7.20	21.60
9 If I Can Dream	9	7°8½	8°5¼	6°6¼	5 ⁹	$3^{9\%}$	274	1:492	G Brennan	[9]		9.00	38.50
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Winning Trainer: Steve Elliott 10-cent Superfecta (3-5-9-8) 97.00													
Pick 3 (2-5-3)								72.00					
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Pick 6 (1-8-9-2-5-3-5) 433.80													