July 16, 2016

CONTROL THE MOMENT TAKES THE PACE

It was like he never left.

Brian Sears, the dominant driving force at the Meadowlands for the first decade of the new millennium, returned to his old stomping grounds Saturday night and won the \$732,050 Crawford Farms Meadowlands Pace for 3-year-olds at the Meadowlands in 1:48.2 with Control The Moment, a horse he drove for the first time last week in the Pace Elimination.

"It was great to get a spin with him last week," said Sears, who also won the 2005 Pace with Rocknroll Hanover. "And I was real happy with the post draw."

After winning a week ago from well off the pace, Sears had Control The Moment on the go early from post 3 and was up in the early fray as Lyons Snyder hit the quarter in :26.3. Racing Hill, the Tony Alagna trainee who opted to take a bye into the final, surged to the lead at the three-eighths before yielding the top to a headstrong Control The Moment, who had the lead at the half in :53.2 and three-quarters in 1:21.2.

Control The Moment looked home free after opening up a $2\frac{1}{2}$ -length edge at the head of the stretch but got leg weary nearing the wire as Racing Hill came back for more. In the final sixteenth, the 8-5 second choice was coming at the 3-5 favorite, but came up a nose short at the finish. Check Six was third.

"The trip worked out perfect," said Sears. "And I think the fractions were pretty comfortable. But it was pretty exciting at the wire."

Control The Moment returned \$3.40 to win for trainer Brad Maxwell and owners Control The Moment Stable of Philadelphia, and has now won 11 of 16 lifetime starts, good for earnings just shy of \$900,000.

ELIMINATION - 7/09/15 - 1:49.2

	Horse	Driver	Trainer
1	Control The Moment	Brian Sears	Bradley Maxwell
2	Lyons Snyder	David Miller	Mark Šilva
3	JK Will Power	Yannick Gingras	Ron Burke
4	Check Six	Matt Kakaley	Ron Burke
5	Good Living	Brett Miller	Thomas Cancelliere
6	Boston Red Rocks	Tim Tetrick	Steve Elliott
7	Manhattan Beach	Joe Bongiorno	Ron Burke
8	Another Daily Copy	Trace Tetrick	Nicholas DeVita
9	Talk Show	Corey Callahan	John Butenschoen

\$732,050 FINAL - 7/16/16 - 1:48.2

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vii	nning Trainer: Bradle	y Maxwell													