



CAPTAIN LUKE

Bay Colt 3, by Captaintreacherous – Bodacious Hanover – Dragon Again

OWNERS: Robert J. Leblanc, NY; Pryde Stables [Robbie Pryde], ON; Bradley Grant; ON; Steven Head, MD

BREEDER: Vieux Carre Farms, PA

SALE: Lexington-Selected \$135,000

TRAINER: Tony Alagna

DRIVER: Scott Zeron

YEAR	STARTS	1ST	2ND	3RD	EARNINGS	MARK
2024	6	1	2	1	\$33,625	1:49.3 M
2023	12	2	4	0	\$332,109	1:51.0 M
LIFETIME	18	3	6	1	\$365,734	1:49.3 M

- Has post eight in the Pace final and is listed at odds of 15-1.
- Trainer Alagna following the elimination, “It was a tough trip, but he made the final. I think he raced great. He left out of there (from post eight) in :25.4, got shuffled to last, and just had to come back and get a clear shot so he could get in the final. With a good draw, if things go his way, he could get a big piece of it next week.

He’s had a couple starts (this year) where he wasn’t his best, but it wasn’t anything but minor adjustments, bloodwork, stuff like that. The horse has had terrible draws.”

- Finished fourth in his Pace elimination, raced timed in 1:48.4, last quarter in :26.4.
- Alagna after the June 29th start (a close second in 1:49.1): “He raced very well. That was a kind of effort we were looking for heading into Saturday night.”
- Came into his elimination off a second place finish behind Mirage Hanover in a three-year-old open at the Meadowlands on June 29. He went to the lead, rated the fractions and sizzled home in :24.4.
- Finished third in his North America Cup elimination behind fellow Pace contenders Funtime Bayama and Legendary Hanover. He faded to sixth in the NA Cup final.
- Lone win of 2024 comes at the Meadowlands in a 3YO Open in a personal best of 1:49.3 on May 25.



- “You know a lot of times it seems like these colts have done a lot of travelling here and there, and have some sickness” trainer Tony Alagna began after this Governor’s Cup victory. “Sometimes Lasix gives him that little extra boost at the end of the year, he just kept scoping with a little bit of blood mixed with mucus, and we thought it was the time. It’s the end of his year and he has all Winter to heal up. It seemed to really help him.”
- Captain Luke’s two wins as a freshman came in his final two starts of the season after the added Lasix. He powered past Newsroom to take his Governor’s Cup elimination at the Meadowlands in 1:51.4. He followed that up with a surging win of 1:51 over fellow Pace contender Its Saturday Night in the Governor’s Cup Final.
- Three of his four second-place finishes as a two year old came against stakes caliber foes. He finished second in his Champlain division, second to Legendary Hanover in this Metro Elimination and second in his Breeders Crown elimination at Hoosier Park.
- 2023 was the Year of The Money Man. Scott Zeron captured his first Driver of the Year award. Overall, he won 215 races and \$10,063,089, and passed the \$100 million in career earnings. Zeron scored his third Hambletonian with post ten 12-1 upsetter Tactical Approach in 1:50.3. He also equaled the Lady Liberty stakes record of 1:47.3 with Silver Label and lit up the board at 23-1 from post ten in the Continental victory with Tactical Mounds. The Dan Patch Award winning Tactical Approach also followed up a Kentucky Futurity victory in 1:52 with a post ten score in a Breeders Crown in 1:51.2. Zeron also won the North America Cup and Little Brown Jug with It’s My Show, and the Jugette with Ucantotit Blue Chip.
- Zeron has three Hambletonian victories to his name – 2023 Tactical Approach, 2018 Atlanta and 2016 Marion Marauder.
- Zeron is still looking for his first Meadowlands Pace victory. In his previous eight tries his best finish was fourth in 2019 with Captain Crunch. His other drives: 2023 El Rey [Ninth]; 2022 Captain Cowboy [sixth]; 2021 Hellabalou [sixth placed fifth]; 2017 Boogie Shuffle [eighth]; 2016 Talk Show [eighth]; 2015 Artspeak [sixth] and 2014 Nation Debt [eighth].
- Zeron, 35, just surpassed 4,550 wins and has \$104.5 million in career earnings.
- Trainer Tony Alagna won his Meadowlands Pace debut in 2013 with two-time Pacer of the Year Captaintreacherous.



- Tony Alagna won the Hambletonian in 2020 with filly trotting sensation Ramona Hill. Alagna recently passed 2,000 career wins.
- In 2023, Tony Alagna finished second in The Big M trainer standings with 43 wins and \$1,749,444. Overall, Alagna won 199 races and \$7,448,784, and he passed 2,000 career wins and the \$74 million mark. His top horses included Honey's Sweet, Glamorous Hanover, Royal Filly, Heart On Fire, Mambacita, Slay, Energetic Hanover, Taurasi, Bellissima Hanover, Treacherous Penny, Boudoir Hanover, Hungry Angel Boy, I Did It Myway, Caviart Davia, Mars Hill, El Rey, Better Is Nice, Captain Luke and Ari Ferrari J.
- Sire Captaintreacherous won the Meadowlands Pace in 2013. He is also the sire of two other finalists Captain Albano and Captain's Quarters.
- Robbie Pryde [Pryde Stables] finished second in the 2023 Meadowlands Pace with Hungry Angel Boy at 70-1. Brad Grant's best finish was a third with Stay Hungry in 2018.

