

Dayson, 'Taco' take Townsend-Ackermans at Big M

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East Rutherford, NJ --- The Friday (Aug. 5) night-before-Hambletonian card at the Meadowlands featured 3-year-old colt and gelding trotters in two divisions of the Townsend Ackerman.



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Dayson is clear at the wire in a division of the Townsend Ackerman at the Meadowlands.

Dayson raised his seasonal record to six wins in eight starts, scoring from post 10 as the second choice for trainer Ron Burke and driver Yannick Gingras. The gelded son of [Conway Hall](#) made the lead at the half and sailed under the wire an easy 4-length winner in a lifetime-best 1:51.2, paying \$7.00 to win.

Cufflink Hanover, the 6-5 favorite, raced well, but was a non-threatening second.

Taco Tuesday got a superb steer from Scott Zeron to record an upset win in the other division. After tipping off cover after going a perfect second-over trip, the Frank Antonacci trainee rallied on the outside to nail 7-5 favorite Hititoutofthepark by a neck in a lifetime-best 1:53.1, paying \$21.60 as the fourth choice in the wagering.

SWEEP-STEDT: Trainer Ake Svanstedt took both divisions of the races for Hambletonian Amateur Drivers.

Blue Muse (\$2.80 to win, 1:54.4) was driven by Svanstedt's wife, Sarah, while Peter Arnqvist, one of the top amateur drivers in Sweden, made his Big M debut a winning one with Sky Hanover (\$15.60, 1:54)