

NY-Bred, Gimpanzee remains unbeaten with Crown male trot elimination score

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Wilkes-Barre, PA --- New York Sire Stakes champion Gimpanzee (\$4.00) remained undefeated in eight career starts, overcoming a four-week absence and the tough tuck-then-first-over trip to post a 1:54.4 victory in one of two \$25,000 Breeders Crown eliminations for 2-year-old trotting males Friday (Oct. 19) at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono.



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Despite the arduous trip, Gimpanzee was able to draw away in the lane by 1-1/2 lengths, with Chin Chin Hall, Hudson River, and Prospect Hill next in line at the wire and advancing to the championship.

Trainer Marcus Melander thought early in the season that this horse was of Grand Circuit caliber, and wasn't especially concerned about either the layoff or the tough trip. Melander thinks the horse will acquit himself well next week, into which he will bring earnings of \$291,358.

Here is the draw for the \$600,000 Breeders Crown 2-year-old trotting colt and gelding final, to be held next Saturday at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono (*-elimination winner), followed by trainer and the driver in the elimination:

- 1 – Hudson River – Jimmy Takter - Yannick Gingras
- 2 – Chin Chin Hall - Melanie Wrenn - Peter Wrenn
- 3 – Prospect Hill – Julie Miller – Andy Miller
- 4 – *Smart As Hill – Paula Wellwood – Bob McClure
- 5 – *Gimpanzee – Marcus Melander – Brian Sears
- 6 – Super Schissel – Jimmy Takter – Yannick Gingras
- 7 – Trix And Stones – Carl Jamieson – Scott Zeron
- 8 – Green Manilishi S – Marcus Melander – Tim Tetrick
- 9 – Kings County – Domenico Cecere – Brian Sears