

Smalltownthrowdown wins seventh consecutive race at Yonkers

by Frank Drucker, Publicity Director, Empire City at Yonkers Raceway

Yonkers, NY --- Last season's New York Sire Stakes champion and Yonkers Trot runner-up, Smalltownthrowdown (Yannick Gingras, \$6.40) maintained this season's form spree Sunday afternoon (Nov. 26), winning Yonkers Raceway's \$40,000 Open Handicap Trot.

With just a happy half-dozen, the weekly trotting feature went at the flat mile, after the first seven 'French' trots.



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Smalltownthrowdown wins his seventh in a row when he took the featured event at Yonkers on Sunday afternoon.

never seriously threatened.

Smalltownthrowdown, having won his last six races out of town, made short work of his inside five rivals in his local return. As the only leaver, he toured the terrain (:27.3, :59, 1:28, 1:56.4), taking no pressure whatsoever.

Smalltownthrowdown lead by 1-1/4 lengths in and out of the final turn, with the final margin a length.

Pole-assigned Buen Camino (Brian Sears) chased from the pocket and saved second over Melady's Monet (Jason Bartlett). 'Melady,' as the 2-5 favorite, was content to sit third until the three-quarters, when he left the cones but

Wings of Royalty (Steve Smith) crossed the line fourth, but was set down to fifth (behind DW's NY Yank [George Brennan]) for picking off a pylon early in the lane. Home'n Dry (Matt Kakaley) brought up the rear.

For second choice Smalltownthrowdown, a 4-year-old [Cash Hall](#) gelding co-owned as Allard Racing by trainer Rene Allard, Yves Sarazin, VIP Internet Stable and Bruce Soulsby, it was his eighth win in 14 seasonal starts. The exacta paid \$50, the triple returned \$100 and the superfecta paid \$508.