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Three new Ohio Sires Stakes winners at Northfield

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The three winners of Saturday night's (Aug. 11) Ohio Sires Stakes divisions for 3-year-old pacing fillies were each clocked in 1:52.4 or faster on a beautiful evening under mild skies.

In the first \$40,000 division, even-money favorite **Baron Remy**, a Ron Burke-trainee, paced to a winning 1:52 clocking with Chris Page at the lines. This Yankee Cruiser lass was second in legs one and three of the series for owners Burke Racing, Silva, Purnell& Libby, L Karr and Weaver Brussemi.

Sweetnfamous (Matt Kakaley) was second at 11-1 odds, while 60-1 longshot **Tipp City** (Sandy Beatty) was third.

Baron Remy now has \$191,934 in career earnings from five wins in 18 starts. She was bred by the Baron Racing Stable and is a half-sister to Gerard N Mo (by Rock N Roll Heaven) p, 4, 1:51.1f (\$98,585).

Matt Kakaley steered the Steve Carter owned & trained **Velocity McSweets** to a 1:52.4 clocking in the second OSS division. This McArdle filly, out of the Western Hanover mare Playful Sweetheart, left the gate at 3-2 odds and enjoyed a front-stepping journey to win her eighth win of the year in 18 starts.

Pure Paradise, the 7-2 choice, was second by a head for Chris Page, while 7-5 **Bad Girls Rule** (David Miller) was third. Velocity McSweets now has \$67,440 in career earnings and is a half-sister to Velocity Headlight (by I Am A Fool) p, 5, 1:52s (\$100,465).

Lily Grace, a 9-1 mild longshot, put in one of the most gutsy performances of the evening, leading from gate to wire for Joey Putnam, and holding off the hard-trying 1-1 favorite **Up Front Flor Ida** (Kayne Kauffman) by a head in the third OSS division.

The daughter of Shark Gesture was timed in 1:52.3 for the one mile test. **Princess Rougarou** (Matt Kakaley) picked up show honors at 11-1 odds.

Lily Grace is trained and co-owned by Dan O'Mara for Dawne Luce and breeder Teresa Maddox. She has amassed \$79,520 earned lifetime and is the first foal out of the Whatanartist mare Chappy's Calip, 2, 2:08.1 (\$7,097).

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Photo Cutline: Baron Remy strides out for driver Chris Page to win a \$40,000 Ohio Sires Stakes on Aug. 11 at Northfield Park. *Photo by Jeff Zamaiko*