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Hey Adrian upsets in \$75,000 Petro Memorial Handicap

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Hey Adrian, at 46-1 odds, pulled off a major upset in Saturday's (June 22) \$75,000 William J. Petro Memorial Handicap at JACK Thistledown.



Hey Adrian & jockey Juan Velez capture the \$75,000 Petro Memorial Handicap at JACK Thistledown on June 22 at odds of 46-1. *Photo by Jeff Zamaiko*

Ridden by Juan Velez for owner/trainer Josh Faulkner, the 3 daughter by Twinspired—Zinn House Doll, by Milwaukee Brew endured the one and one-sixteenth mile event for Ohio-registered fillies and mares, 3-year-olds and up, and still came out on top, timed in 1:47.44.

Hey Adrian left the gate smartly, quickly taking the lead from her outside slot in the Thistledown gate. **Cali Dream** (Luis Quinones), at 5-1, was at her throatlatch, and with three furlongs to race, took the lead away from Hey Adrian. However Hey Adrian still had plenty left in her tank, as she rallied back gamely to retake the lead and sweep under the wire in front.

Cali Dream held on for second, with 3-1 **Mayas Queen Neetee** (Jose Bracho) notching third-place honors and 5-2 **School Board Prez** (Florent Geroux) getting up for fourth.

Hey Adrian now has four career wins, one second and a third in 11 starts, with \$174,930 in earnings. She captured both the \$75,000 Emerald Necklace and \$75,000 Loyalty Stakes last season.

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