



You Ato Dream (Donato Hanover-Dream Child-Muscle Hill)

You Ato Dream sat a pocket trip in the first Hambletonian Oaks elimination, angled out past three-quarters and through the lane, and finished third, beaten three-parts of a length. She was timed in 1:53 flat.

In 2021 You Ato Dream has won two Pennsylvania Sire Stakes legs at Harrah's Philadelphia and The Meadows, a Currier & Ives split at The Meadows, and her division of the Delvin Miller Memorial at the Meadowlands. As a 2-year-old, You Ato Dream finished second in seven stakes events, including the PA Sire Stakes Championship and both of her Grand Circuit Stakes engagements at The Red Mile. She has an overall record of 5-7-2 from 18 tries, has earned \$388,698, and has a mark of 1:52.2 taken in her Del Miller Memorial triumph.

Quotes

Trainer-driver Jeff Gregory: "It worked out good. They were walking around the track, but she sat in fine. They were coming for home so fast, I just couldn't make up ground. Hopefully in the final if they get battling it out a little better, the fractions are a little better, maybe we can pick up the pieces in the stretch. But she raced good and I'm happy with her."

On winning with Jalopy in 2005: "We'll try to strike again."

Prior to elim, Gregory said: "Our first start [this year] at Pocono was a disaster. We made a couple of equipment changes in her mouth and since then she's been really easy to drive. Now that I can sit in a little bit with her, she's able to beat some better horses. It's really helped us. This is probably the heaviest I've ever staked a horse. Knock on wood, so far, she's shown she can go with the better fillies anyway. She's been a pleasure. I've got a core group of owners that are older guys that have been around forever and seen it all, the ups and downs, and this is the best horse they've had. They're really enjoying it. Over the years, we've bought a lot of horses, and [ones like her] don't come by that often. We know how lucky we are to have her.

"The chances of winning are not great for everyone, but it's a chance for us to dream."

Breeding Notes

You Ato Dream would be the first Hambletonian Oaks champion for sire Donato Hanover, the winner of the 2007 Hambletonian. You Ato Dream's dam, Dream Child, was third in her elimination and seventh in the final of the 2016 Hambletonian Oaks, and You Ato Dream is her first foal.

Bred by M Biasuzzi Stable Inc., You Ato Dream was purchased for \$45,000 as HIP 464 at the 2019 Lexington Selected Yearling Sale. She would be the breeder's first Hambletonian Oaks winner.

Trainer and Driver Bio

JEFF GREGORY

Born: 9/8/1966 – Birthplace: Saratoga Springs, NY – Resides: New Smyrna Beach, FL

Hambletonian Oaks wins (1): Jalopy, 2005.

Jeff Gregory won the Hambletonian Oaks with Jalopy for trainer Jonas Czernyson in 2005. He finished second in the Oaks with Resortful, also trained by Czernyson, in 2007.

In 2002, Gregory won the Yonkers Trot with Bubba Dunn. That same year, Gregory received the Rising Star Award from the U.S. Harness Writers Association.

He has won more than 6,900 races and \$73 million in purses as a driver, but in recent years has focused on training as well as driving.

Gregory grew up near Rochester, N.Y., and started driving in matinees at the age of 14. He worked with his father, Gary, and drove horses in the family stable before going out on his own. His dad is in the Upstate New York Harness Racing Hall of Fame.

His wife, Helene, is an accomplished equestrian.

Owner Bio

Jeff Gregory Inc., New Smyrna Beach, FL; William H. Richardson, Hamburg, NY; George L. Romanoff, Washington, PA; Martin P. Garey, Ventura, CA

You Ato Dream would be the first Hambletonian Oaks winner for any of her owners. Jeff Gregory did win in 2005 as a catch driver, tallying with Jalopy.