## LOOKS LIKE MONI



Bay gelding, 3 by Muscle Hill – That's All Moni – Cantab Hall



**OWNER:** Brittany Farms LLC, KY; Marvin Katz, ON; Al Libfeld, ON

BREEDER: Brittany Farms LLC, KY; Marvin Katz & Al Libfeld, ON

SALE INFO: Homebred
TRAINER: Nancy Takter
DRIVER: Andy McCarthy

| YEAR     | STARTS | 1 <sup>ST</sup> | 2 <sup>ND</sup> | 3RD | <b>EARNINGS</b> | MARK        |
|----------|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|-----------------|-------------|
| 2022     | 8      | 1               | 2               | 0   | \$64,333        | 1:51.4 M    |
| 2021     | 9      | 1               | 1               | 1   | \$86,639        | 1:56.1 M    |
| LIFETIME | 17     | 2               | 3               | 1   | \$150,972       | 3, 1:51.4 M |

- Fifth in his Hambletonian elimination. He is listed at odds of 15-1 and leaves from post 10 in the final.
- Takter on Keg Stand's best qualities: "I think he's very nice to drive. He's pretty versatile, so
  I think whoever ends up driving him in the final will have a lot of options. He can leave, he
  can sit, so I think that's his strong suit. He's kind of handy, so that's good."
- Takter on the elim: "He raced good. It was the first time David [Miller] drove him. The first time a driver drives a horse they're maybe a little cautious with them. But he was good. I scoped him after the race and he didn't bleed, so that was good since he came off of Lasix. I think he needs to draw well in the final and he can probably get a piece."
- Entered into his Hambletonian elimination off a fourth place finish in his Stanley Dancer Memorial division at the Meadowlands on July 16.
- "We added the trotting hobbles [in his previous start] and they seemed to help steady him a little bit more," said Takter.
- Looks Like Moni broke and finished eighth in his Reynolds division at the Meadowlands on July 1.
- Finished a strong second in his Goodtimes elimination, but broke and finished ninth in the Final on June 18 at Woodbine-Mohawk Park.
- Started his three-year-old campaign in the New Jersey Sire Stakes. He finished second in the first leg, won his second leg in a personal best 1:51.4 and rallied for fourth in the final.

- Closed out his freshman campaign with a break in The Bluegrass at The Red Mile.
- Raced in the Kentucky Champion Series at The Red Mile, hit the board in the third leg for a second place finish and finished third in the \$250,000 Final.
- In 2021, he raced in the Peter Haughton Final on Hambletonian Day and finished fifth behind fellow Hambletonian contenders King Of The North and Fast As The Wind.
- Looks Like Moni won the first race of his career at the Meadowlands in a leg of the New Jersey Sire Stakes in 1:56.1.
- Sire Muscle Hill has sired three Hambletonian winners Ramona Hill (2020), Marion Marauder (2016) and Trixton (2014). He is co-stakes record holder with offspring Ramona Hill both winning the Hambletonian in 1:50.1.
- In 2013, Takter started her own training stable. In 2014, she guided 2-year-old female pacer
  JK She'salady to Horse of the Year honors. JK She'salady is the only 2-year-old filly pacer
  to be named Horse of the Year. Takter received the Rising Star Award from the U.S.
  Harness Writers Association in 2014.
- She has trained two Horse of the Year Award winners. JK She'salady, who earned the honor in both the U.S. and Canada in 2014, and Tall Dark Stranger in 2020.
- Takter was 1 when she moved with her family from Sweden to the U.S. Her father is Hall of Fame trainer Jimmy Takter, a four-time winner of the Hambletonian and record eight-time winner of the Hambletonian Oaks.
- Nancy Takter continued something of a family tradition by winning the 2020 Hambletonian Oaks with Sorella. Yannick Gingras drove Jimmy Takter's final five Oaks champs, which came consecutively from 2014 to 2018, and also drove Sorella. In addition to winning with Sorella, Takter finished third in the Oaks final with Panem. Later in the day, Takter-trained Ready For Moni was second in the Hambletonian final. She sent out three Hambo finalists in 2021 and finished second with 55-1 longshot Spy Booth.
- Takter was the caretaker of 2010 Hambletonian winner Muscle Massive, trained by her father. She made her Hambletonian final debut as a trainer in 2014 with Resolve, who finished fifth.
- Takter won 101 races in 2021, earning over \$4.8 million in purses. For her career, she has earned nearly \$27 million in purses and closing in on 545 lifetime wins.
- Andy McCarthy won the 2020 Hambletonian with filly Ramona Hill, trained by Tony Alagna.
   It was McCarthy's second appearance in a Hambletonian final.
- Ramona Hill became the fourth filly trotter to win the Hambletonian since it moved to the Meadowlands in 1981 and the 15th overall to capture the sport's premier event for 3-yearold trotters. She received the 2020 Dan Patch Award for best 3-year-old filly trotter.

- Last year, McCarthy drove Locatelli in the Hambletonian final. Locatelli went off stride and finished 10th.
- A native of Australia, McCarthy has raced regularly in North America since 2007. On May 7
  at Harrah's Philadelphia, he recorded his 3,000th lifetime win in North America. He now has
  won more than 3,100 races and \$64 million in purses since arriving.
- In 2021, McCarthy set career highs with 315 victories and \$8.72 million in earnings. He ranked No. 5 among all drivers in North America in purses.
- McCarthy is a third-generation horseman. His brothers Todd, who moved to the U.S. in 2020, and Luke, who raced in the U.S. in 2009, are also successful drivers and his father John is a highly regarded trainer. The McCarthy family was selected by the Bathurst Harness Racing Club as its 2016 Gold Crown honoree.
- Co-owner and breeder Brittany Farms is looking for its fourth Hambletonian win as a breeder Continentialvictory, 1996; Self Possessed, 1999; Glidemaster, 2006 and fourth as an owner (all in partnership) – Self Possessed, 1999; Glidemaster, 2006 and Muscle Hill, 2009.
- Co-owners and Breeders Marvin Katz and Al Libfeld previously won the Hambletonian in partnership in 2010 with Muscle Massive.