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Jess A Runner Demolishes Track Record in Great Lakes Stakes

Quarter Horse Stakes and a Pair of \$50,000 Thoroughbred Races Highlight Sunday Card at Canterbury

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Shakopee, MN -- Jess A Runner, owned by J K Running Horses LLC of Eldorado, KS, destroyed the track record in the \$18,100 Great Lakes Stakes on Sunday at Canterbury Park. Trained by Kenny Laymon, the five-year-old gelding won by three lengths, completed the 440-yard dash in 21.162 seconds and broke the track record by more than one-half second. The previous track record was set by Capone's Vault in 2004.

"We went about training him a bit differently for this race," Laymon said. "We've been swimming him regularly up here and it seems like he's responded. He appears to be back in top form."

The next stop for Jess A Runner will be Prairie Meadows, where he captured two graded stakes last year. Jess A Runner was ridden by Doug Frink. He went off as the wagering favorite and paid \$3.00 to win.

Lien on Me scored an upset in the \$17,150 Cash Caravan / Bob Morehouse Memorial Stakes. Owned by Tom Pouliot of Loretto, MN, Lien on Me stopped the clock in 20.081 seconds and defeated prohibitive favorite Six It Up by one-half length. Lien on Me returned \$18.20 for a \$2 win wager and was ridden by leading quarter horse jockey Jennifer Schmidt.

"This was a bit of a surprise," Pouliot said. "[Trainer] Brent [Clay] really had him ready to run today. He gets all the credit."

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Earlier on the card, thoroughbreds took center stage in a pair of \$50,000 stakes races. Tubby Time, bred in Minnesota, provided trainer Mac Robertson with his fourth consecutive Blair's Cove Stakes title. Tubby Time, a five-year-old gelding owned by Steve Erban of Stillwater, MN and Jeff Larson of Hudson, WI, took down the \$50,000 Blair's Cove Stakes with an impressive burst of speed late in the stretch. The Robertson trainee overtook Mack's Blackhawk, the pace-setter, to win by two and one-quarter lengths. Tubby Time has now earned \$87,872 from nine career starts.

"Tubby's been a bit of a late bloomer, I think he's just starting to realize his potential," Larson said. "We'll try him on the grass again, he seems to like it."

Tubby Time covered the one mile and one sixteenth in 1:42 and 4/5 and returned \$3.60 as the wagering favorite. Derek Bell was aboard for the winning ride.

Wild Jacob captured the \$50,000 Dean Kutz Derby. Owned and trained by Stanley Mankin of Trumbull, NE, Wild Jacob tracked leader El Seventyseven and drew clear in mid-stretch to win by two and one-quarter lengths under Jockey Ry Eikleberry. The three-year-old gelding covered the one mile over a turf course listed as firm in 1:35 and 2/5. He returned \$6.40 to win as the wagering favorite.

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