SPECIAL VICTORY FOR HENNY HUGHES

Henny Hughes (Hennessy) proved that a six-length romp at Monmouth June 17 and a 15-length procession in the July 4 Tremont S. was no fluke when he strode



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Henny Hughes Horsephotos

away to an impressive victory in Thursday's GII Saratoga Special S. at Saratoga Racecourse. Sent off the well-backed 4-5 choice over the much-hyped **Master of Disaster** (Dance Master), who wowed Delaware patrons with a 13 1/4-length victory in a July 23

maiden May 10, Henny Hughes made it to the front early, maintained a comfortable lead throughout and galloped home an easy 3 3/4-length winner. According to Biancone, the chestnut is likely to make his next start in the GI Hopeful S. Aug. 27. (cont. p2)

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Thursday, Saratoga SARATOGA SPECIAL S.-GII, \$150,000, SAR, 7-28, 2yo, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

1--@HENNY HUGHES, 121, c, 2, by Hennessy

1st Dam: Meadow Flyer (SP), by Meadowlake

2nd Dam: Shortley, by Hagley

3rd Dam: Short Winded, by Harvest Singing (\$180,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL). O-Darley Stable;

B-Liberation Farm, Trackside Farm & CHO, LLC (KY); T-Patrick L Biancone; J-G L Stevens; \$90,000.

Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$176,820.

2--Master of Disaster, 117, c, 2, Dance Master--More D'Amour, by Tour D'Or. (\$12,000 wlng '03 OBSOCT; \$63,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL; \$600,000 2yo 2005 OBSFEB). O-Puglisi Stables & Steve Klesaris; B-Padua Stables (FL); T-Steve Klesaris; \$30,000.

3--Union Course, 117, c, 2, Dixie Union--Sweetest Smile, by Dehere. (\$100,000 yrl '04 KEESEP). O-Sabine Stable; B-Damara Farm (KY); T-Robert Barbara; \$15,000.

Margins: 3 3/4, 3HF, 4. Odds: 0.90, 1.35, 8.00. Also Ran: Parkhimonbroadway, Hold On Tight, Short

Circuit. Scratched: Stormatic.

(Special report cont.)

"He was just playing around in the paddock," said trainer Patrick Biancone, explaining Henny Hughes antics prior to yesterday's Special. "But he wasn't sweating or nervous. He just wanted to be the boss-and he was the boss on the racetrack." Not guite as calm as the colt's trainer during the lead up to the race, Gary Stevens' worries were laid to rest in the race. "I think the most nerve-racking part was in the paddock," he said. "But he was very professional once they got the saddle on him and he got on the track."