



Threefiftytwo

Brown colt, 3 by Royalty For Life – Four Damsals by CR Excalibur

OWNER: Dertermination [Serge Godin]
BREEDER: George Ducharme, Steven Diamond & Patricia Diamond, MA
SALE INFO: Private Purchase during 2-year-old season
TRAINER: Luc Blais
DRIVER: TBD

YEAR	STARTS	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	EARNINGS	MARK
2020	4	1	1	0	\$28,402	1:52.3 Wbsb
2019	9	4	1	1	\$139,416	1:55.4 Wbsb
LIFETIME	13	5	2	1	\$167,818	1:52.3 Wbsb

- Stalked the winner [Ready For Moni] in his elimination and finished a strong second by three-quarters of a length. Drew the six hole in the Hambletonian final at odds of 6-1.
- Broke in his previous start before his Hambletonian elimination and finished fifth.
- “He’s a nice horse,” Blais said. “He was a tricky horse a little bit in the beginning. I think it took us a little time to figure him out. We made a few changes. I think this year he is more mature. I know he made a break the start before (the elimination) but I think he went too fast in the turn. Two weeks ago, he raced super good and the other night he looked good again. He raced very good.”
- For the past seven years, the Hambletonian eliminations and final were raced on the same day. This year, the format returned to



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contesting eliminations the week prior to the final, which Blais said is a benefit to Threefiftytwo. "He's a different horse than Forbidden Trade," Blais said. "He's more anxious, he's not a cool horse. To have the elimination and then the final the week after is perfect for him. That is better than a doubleheader, that's for sure."

- His lone win of 2020 came in a condition race at Woodbine Mohawk Park on July 3 in a career best of 1:52.3.
- "When he's on his game he can go some real wicked fast miles, and it's just keeping his head on straight," said his regular driver Bob McClure. "His problem is not his gait. When he runs he gets throwing his head around, but once he's off and trotting, he's perfect, and he's one of the best gaited horses. You couldn't ask him to be any better gaited, and it's like he's almost flawless."
- As a freshman, he picked up a win in the Define The World Series at Woodbine Mohawk Park in 1:56.1.
- A strong two-year-old Ontario Sire Stakes performer, he recorded two wins and a second in Gold Series legs before finishing the year with a fourth place finish in the OSS Super Final.
- Sold to Determination in July of 2019 by breeder & owners George Ducharme, Michelle Larson, Patricia Diamond & Steven Diamond. Ducharme also trained the colt in his first OSS win.
- Luc Blais, 58, won the 2019 Hambletonian with Forbidden Trade, who upset favorite Greenshoe at odds of 15-1. Forbidden Trade went on to be named Canada's Horse of the Year. Blais' stable established a career high with \$2.14 million in purses.
- In 2017, Blais started Jake in the Hambletonian. The horse finished sixth in his elimination and failed to advance to the final. Also in 2017, Blais' filly Dream Together finished third in the Hambletonian Oaks final.
- Blais is a native of Papineauville in western Quebec, not far from Ottawa. He got hooked on racing at an early age, watching his father, a salesman, race his own horses on the Quebec fair circuit. After spending time in banking and construction, Blais pursued his passion and got involved full time in racing.
- He worked for several stables, including Canadian Hall of Famer Yves Filion's Bayama Farms, before going on his own. He now trains for information-technology mogul Serge Godin's Determination stable.
- Blais ranked eighth in purses among trainers in Canada in 2019, his third top-10 finish in four years.
- In 2018, Blais trained two O'Brien Award winners: two-year-old male trotter Forbidden Trade and older female trotter Emoticon Hanover. Past stars include O'Brien Award winner Intimidate.

- Determination [Serge Godin] won the 2019 Hambletonian with long-shot Forbidden Trade.
- Breeder George Ducharme trained 2013 Hambletonian winner Royalty For Life.
- Threfiftytwo's sire Royalty For Life won the 2013 Hambletonian and earned over \$1.6 million. His offspring have earned over \$3 million.