

## Sunshine Delight (Credit Winner – On The Bright Side – Cantab Hall)



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Sent off at 105-1, Sunshine Delight worked out a pocket trip in the first elimination and finished third, three lengths behind Ariana G and timed in 1:52.1. Brett Miller drove for trainer Staffan Lind and owner James Wilhite Jr. The connections are all looking for their first Hambletonian Oaks champion, but Lind did finish third last year with Celebrity Eventsy.

Sunshine Delight, a \$125,000 buy at the Lexington Selected Yearling Sale in 2015, was bred by Brittany Farms (George Segal), who was the winning breeder in the Hambletonian Oaks in 2014 (Lifetime Pursuit), 2006 (Passionate Glide, who is the dam of Sunshine Delight's dam On The Bright Side), 2000 (Marita's Victory), and 1995 (Lookout Victory).

"She raced very good from a bad post," said Lind. "That was as good as she could be. I think she wasn't really tight coming back, so I think she is ready for another one next week.

"You try to have them peak for this race. It's not that easy, but it seems to be working so far. I'm happy with her. We've tried to pick our spots and aim for this. So far so good."

Sunshine Delight was third in the Breeders Crown final last year, and second in a Reynolds division at the Meadowlands, third in the Empire Breeders Classic final at Vernon Downs, and fourth in her Del Miller Memorial split at the Meadowlands this season. She has two lifetime wins to go with a bankroll of \$186,817 and a mark of 1:55.2 taken at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono.