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ASSYMETRIC (IRE), BIG INVASION HEAD FIELD OF NINE IN WEDNESDAY'S WILLIAM WALKER; BABY YODA HEADLINES FIELD OF 10 FOR INAUGURAL ST. MATTHEWS OVERNIGHT STAKES

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Friday, April 29, 2022) – Rebecca Hillen's **Asymmetric (IRE)** and Reeves Thoroughbred Racing's **Big Invasion** top a field of nine 3-year-olds entered Friday for Wednesday's seventh running of the \$200,000 William Walker (Listed) going 5 ½ furlongs over the refurbished Matt Winn Turf Course.

The William Walker will go as the ninth race on Wednesday's 10-race program with a 4:52 p.m. (all times Eastern) post time. First post on Wednesday is 12:45 p.m.

A Group II winner at Goodwood last year, Asymmetric will be making his 2022 debut for trainer **Wesley Ward**, who won this race in 2019 with **Jo Jo Air. Irad Ortiz Jr.** has the mount and will break from post position four.

Trained by **Christophe Clement**, Big Invasion has won two of three starts with his most recent victory coming by 3 lengths as the 4-5 favorite in the Texas Glitter going five furlongs at Gulfstream Park on March 26. **Joel Rosario** has the mount and will break from post position five.

The field for the William Walker, with riders from the inside, is: **Magnolia Midnight** (Jose Ortiz), **Candy Landing** (Umberto Rispoli), **B D Valeski** (James Graham), **Asymmetric (IRE)** (Ortiz Jr., 122), **Big Invasion** (Rosario, 118), **Run Curtis Run** (Ricardo Santana Jr.), **Sooley** (Flavien Prat), **Millennial Moon (GB)** (Tyler Gaffalione) and **Lucci** (John Velazquez).

Wachtel Stable, Pantofel Stable, Gary Barber and Jerold Zaro's Baby Yoda tops a field of 10 4-year-olds and up entered Friday for Wednesday's inaugural running of the six-furlong \$160,000 St. Matthews Overnight Stakes.

The St. Matthews will go as the eighth race on Wednesday's 10-race program with a 4:19 p.m. (all times Eastern) post time. First post on Wednesday is 12:45 p.m.

Trained by **Bill Mott**, Baby Yoda enters Friday's race off a 3 ¾-length score at Keeneland on April 14. He closed 2021 with a runner-up finish to the undefeated **Flightline** in the Malibu (GI) at Santa Anita.

Joel Rosario has the mount Wednesday and will break from post position seven.

The field for the St. Matthews, with riders from the inside, is: **Just Might** (Rafael Bejarano), **A C Expressway** (Flavien Prat), **Bango** (Tyler Gaffalione), **Top Gunner** (Rey Gutierrez), **Sir Alfred James** (Jose Ortiz), **Tulane Tryst** (Brian Hernandez Jr.), **Baby Yoda** (Rosario), **Tiger Dad** (David Cohen), **Manny Wah** (Florent Geroux) and **Quick Tempo** (Luis Saez).

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