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## Day Names His Choice For Million

August 24, 1989 | By Neil Milbert.

In the likely event Yankee Affair receives an invitation to run in Arlington Million IX on Sept. 3, his rider will be Pat Day, according to Fred Aime, agent for the three-time Eclipse Award winner.

The 14 starters and 10 horses on the standby list will be announced Thursday.

Yankee Affair, who is eligible because his owners paid a \$50,000 supplementary fee, is coming off a second-place finish in Monmouth Park's Grade I Longfellow Handicap. His major conquest this year came in the Grade I United Nations Handicap at Atlantic City.

Last year, when the Million was at Woodbine in Toronto, Yankee Affair finished 12th in the field of 14.

- Jorge Velasquez, who has moved nine winners ahead of runner-up Day in the Arlington jockey standings, doesn't have a Million mount at this juncture. But Velasquez stole the show Thursday when he brought in five winners, finest single-day performance of the meeting.

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Velasquez, who rode in all nine races, guided Secret Hello to a stretch-running five-length victory over Karen's Tom in the \$55,150 Waukegan Breeders' Cup Stakes for 2-year-old colts and geldings. Karen's Tom faded to second after leading by 3 1/2 lengths at the stretch call in the 6 1/2-furlong test, first stakes race for 2-year-old males of the Chicago thoroughbred season.

Trained by Frank Brothers, undefeated Secret Hello paid \$10.40, \$6.20 and \$3.60 in recording the second triumph of his career.

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