

## "MOINET" SHOWS SHE LIKES BEING HOME IN ILLINOIS

After having raced mostly on the East Coast in 2011, Odds On Moinet seems to have found her niche in the Chicago filly and mare open ranks, and she definitely has shown a preference for Balmoral Park.

Though she had her five-race win streak snapped on March 11, the venerable mare returned to the winner's circle March 17 with a career-best 1:51.3 victory to retain her title as the queen of the Chicago pacing ranks. The 5-year-old daughter of Real Arist-Aparte (by Cambest) had racked up a quintet of victories

beginning Dec. 10 of last year at Balmoral Park, when she romped to a 1:53 score. She followed that up with a 1:52 triumph Dec. 17 and the wins on Jan. 14 (in 1:53.1), Feb. 12 (1:52.3) and Feb. 26 (1:53.4).

Conditioned by Robin Schadt throughout her career, Odds On Moinet now has career earnings of \$314,722.

Schadt first saw Odds On Moinet as a yearling filly in 2008. "We bought her for \$32,000," Schadt recalled. "Her pedigree looked inviting and Dana (Odds On principal

Dana Parham) liked the way she looked and the way she was put together."

Schadt said Odds On Moinet was tough to work with at first. "She had an independent mind and took her a while to mature," she explained.

Odds On Moinet earned \$15,289 at two, with two wins, and four seconds in nine trips postward that year, recording a record of 1:57.2h at Maywood Park in early November. As a sophomore in 2010, Odds On Moinet added \$197,438 to her bankroll via victories in an elim and the \$61,000 Tender Loving Care Series final at the Meadowlands; a pair of \$16,000 Night Style legs; and three Pennsylvania Sire Stakes victories at The Meadows. She took her 3-year-old record of 1:51.4 in a Night Styles win.

"She's the type of mare that you have to manage a bit," Schadt added. "We break up her schedule a bit—she gets a little bit of the pool, paddock time, a little bit of the wheel (Equi-sizer), and a little bit of track time."

Last year at age four, Odds On Moinet shifted between racing at Balmoral and the East Coast and earned \$68,075 from a 25-6-6-3 campaign.

"She wasn't as sharp in 2011, for no definitive reason," Schadt said. "But I think the main thing that's helped to turn her around is that she really just enjoys being home—being where she was raised and grew up, basically. She knows the routine there and she enjoys it."

"Her best asset is that she digs in at the wire," continued Schadt. "If she gets in front, she'll relax a bit and if a horse comes at her, she wants to fight and stave off a challenge."

Schadt, who has been winter-training nine babies at South Florida Trotting Center since last November, says she gives a lot of credit to her training assistant, Frank Moseley, and Odds On Moinet's caretaker, Jose.

"Frankie's been with me for years," said Schadt. "He does a great job of overseeing Moinet's schedule while I'm in Florida, and Jose just takes outstanding care of her."

Schadt—who will return to Odds On Acres in early April—said plans are to keep Odds On Moinet in Chicago for the time being.

"As long as that race (Filly & Mare Open) keeps filling at Balmoral, we'll stick to racing there," she said.—By Kimberly Rinker



Odds On Moinet, shown winning the Tender Loving Care final at the Meadowlands in 2010.

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