Layoff No Problem for Classy Marriedtothemusic by Bill Heller 1/18/2014

Showing absolutely no ill effects from a near-five-month layoff, Dutchess Views Farm's homebred four-year-old colt Marriedtothemusic romped to a six-length victory Saturday January 18th at Aqueduct as the 3-5 favorite in a 5 ½-furlong \$52,000 New York-bred allowance race. In doing so, he improved his career record to four wins and a pair of seconds in seven starts with earnings topping \$150,000.

Trainer Dominic Galluscio couldn't have done a better job returning the son of Disco Rico out of Significant Other by Not for Love to the races.

Cornelio Velasquez, who has ridden Marriedtothemusic in all but one of his starts – an uncharacteristic eighth in an open allowance race under Jose Ortiz – got Marriedtothemusic to the front immediately out of the nine post in the field of 11. He was two lengths clear after a quick :22.63 opening quarter, then stretched his lead to four lengths in a :46.34 half. The lead continued to grow until Marriedtothemusic hit the finish line in 1:04.91 all by himself. Western Tryst, a 15-1 longshot, finished second, a half-length ahead of 7-1 Billy the Bull. Between the Lines finished fourth at 9-1 odds.
