Marriedtothemusic Sizzles at 1-5 Friday by Bill Heller 1/31/2014

Dutchess Views Farm's homebred four-year-old colt Marriedtothemusic backed up his 1-5 odds with a sensational 10-length victory in a 5 ½-furlong \$54,000 New York-bred allowance/optional \$30,000 claimer at Aqueduct Friday. In doing so in a final time of 1:03.53, he finished just .03 off the track record set by another New York-bred, Head Heart Hoof, who won in 1:03.50 on Jan. 22, 2011.

Cornelio Velazquez rode the son of Disco Rico out of Significant Other by Not For Love, who is trained by Dominic Galluscio. Marriedtothemusic, who won his previous start by six lengths at 3-5 odds, may not have been as prohibitive a favorite Friday if a field of 11 hadn't scratched down to just five.

Marriedtothemusic shot out of the starting gate so fast that he had a three-length lead in a matter of seconds. Dan's Gold, the 4-1 second choice, tried keeping up, narrowing Marriedtothemusic's lead to one length at one point before Marriedtothemusic drew away, following a quarter in :22.56 with a half in :45.45.

Marriedtothemusic was never asked as he improved his record to five-for-eight with two seconds and increased his earnings to more than \$180,000. Dr Disco got up late for second, a half-length ahead of Dan's Gold.
