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**Had to Be Ivory tops Picov Derby Trials**

**AJAX DOWNS, MONDAY OCTOBER 2, 2018** - The brilliant 3-year-old **HAD TO BE IVORY**, whose only career loss came when he was a fantastic second to Horse of the Year **COUNTRY BOY 123**, headlines the second of two trials Monday for the upcoming \$75,000 Picov Derby.

Had to Be Ivory, a three time stakes winner who has won six of seven career starts, will be heavily favoured to win the second trial on Monday which goes as race 3. The giant, Ontario-bred sophomore will be ridden by the popular Tony Phillips for owners Carol and Jaime Robertson.

The first Derby Trial is race 2 (first leg of the big Pick 5 wager) and the fleet filly **ELENORR** figures to be favoured in a very contentious 400-yard dash. The Picov Derby final will be held on Oct. 15.

The nine-race card on Monday features a **carryover of nearly \$900 in the Pick 5 wager**, a bet that costs just 20 cents to play.

For more information on Ajax Downs and for **selections for Monday's card** please visit [www.ajaxdowns.com](http://www.ajaxdowns.com).

*(Photo below is of the impressive HAD TO BE IVORY by New Image Media)*

