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## GLOBEFORM RANKING

### HARLAN'S HOLIDAY STAKES (G3) 8.5 fur dirt, Gulfstream Park, Sat. Dec. 20

Horses ranked in pounds (0.45kg). 1 length = 2 pounds over this distance

Rank	No.	Name of horse	Globeform	GF most recent runs	Trainer / Jockey
From right to left (most recent first)					
0	2	<b>SKIPPYLONGSTOCKING</b> GF 117 March '25 <b>1st</b> GF 117 Apr & Aug '24 GF 117 in Aug '23 GF 117 in Harlan's Holiday '22	117	0 - 98- 116	Joseph Jr / Gaffalione
3	5	<b>POSTER</b> 2nd 10-1 Exacta	106	103 - 97 - 106	Harty / Prat
6	1	<b>HOLD MY BOURBON</b>	107	100 - 107 - 93	Joseph Jr / I Ortiz Jr
11	7	<b>CON COMPANIA</b>	101	100 - 96 - 101	Dibona / Vasquez
13	6	<b>RACING DRIVER</b>	96	93 - 0 - 96	Delgado / Zayas
14	3	<b>CATALYTIC</b>	98	0 - 0 - 91 - 98	Sano / Castellano
14	4	<b>CLASSIC OF COURSE</b>	95	90 - 94 - 92 - 95	Biancone / Alvarado

*Globeform rating with a "p" attached = this was the horse's best rating to date and the horse is likely to improve*

*Globeform rating with a "+" = this was not its best rating but the horse ran better than the rating suggests*

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### Most recent winners of the Harlan's Holiday

2024	<b>ROCKET CAN</b>	<b>GF 115</b>	William Mott	Junior Alvarado
2023	<b>O'CONNOR</b>	<b>GF 115</b>	Saffie Joseph Jr	Tyler Gaffalione
2022	<b>SKIPPYLONGSTOCKING</b>	<b>GF 117</b>	Saffie Joseph Jr	Irada Ortiz Jr
2021	<b>FEARLESS</b>	<b>GF 118p</b>	Todd Pletcher	Luis Saez
2020	<b>TAX</b>	<b>GF 117</b>	Danny Gargan	Luis Saez

Average winning Globeform: 116.4

## **GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS**

**SKIPPYLONGSTOCKING** returns to action after a 17-week break since the Charles Town Classic in August, when he ran too bad to be true and was eased right down to be distant last. Something must have been amiss with him. The son of Exaggerator was off the work tabs for 11 weeks afterwards and he has had six works since November 7. His run prior to the Charles Town Classic was also well below his true form, though at least it was in hot company; he was seventh of nine behind Sierra Leone in the Whitney Stakes at Saratoga. The edition of the Harlan's Holiday represents a huge class drop and Skippylongstocking does not need to be anywhere near his best to win it. He enjoyed an excellent first half of the year. His most recent success came when he stretched successfully out to 10 furlongs to capture the Hollywood Gold Cup at Santa Anita in late May. Ridden positively against over-matched rivals, he kept on finding when coming under pressure and prevailed by three parts of a length from Midnight Mammoth, who won the Cougar Stakes in '24 and was coming off a wide margin allowance win. The two were well clear and ratings showed that Skippylongstocking wasn't far off his previous best. He has run to **Globeform 117** a few times, most recently when winning the Challenger Stakes (for a third time) over 8.5 furlongs at Tampa Bay Downs in March, after having been a good third in the Pegasus World Cup over 9 furlongs at Gulfstream Park in January. He was 6 1/2 lengths behind his top class barnmate White Abarrio that day but lost second by just a neck to Locked, who powered home by a wide margin in the Santa Anita Handicap five weeks later. He landed the Harlan's Holiday three years ago and he can repeat the feat this weekend. **Morning line 3-1 is way too big**, this horse should be more like 7-5.

**POSTER** won the 9-furlong Remsen Stakes at Aqueduct as a juvenile last year, improving to GF 104 as he took the race by a neck from maiden winners Aviator Gui and Tux. It was not a particularly good renewal of the Remsen, but the son of Munnings moved up to **Globeform 106** when making his 3yo debut in the Sam F Davis Stakes over 8.5 furlongs at Tampa Bay Downs in February. That wasn't enough to win the Derby prep but it got him third place behind the race-fit John Hancock, who beat next out Tampa Bay Derby winner Owen Almighty by half a length. Poster was beaten 2 3/4 lengths. He was spotting the top two 4lbs. A dull fourth in the Jeff Ruby Steaks at Turfway Park in March followed, then a long break up to early November, when he resurfaced with a win against older horses in a turf allowance race over a mile at Churchill Downs. Racing in the first three all the way, he beat Judge Davis by half a length. It was satisfactory comeback with form not too far off his previous best, and he should move forward here.

**HOLD MY BOURBON**, a barnmate to Skippylongstocking, is coming off two decent efforts and he might hit the board. He was a game off-the-pace fifth in the Parx Sprint over 6.5 furlongs in September, beaten 1 3/4 lengths behind Buccherino and running to **Globeform 107**. A month later he filled the same place behind Generous Tipper in a stakes quality allowance heat over 8.5 furlongs at Churchill Downs. Catching Freedom and Capital Idea, who were second and third in that event, filled the exacta (in reverse order) in a similar race four weeks later.

**CONCLUSION:** If Skippylongstocking goes off at anywhere near his **3-1 morning line** he is a must bet, and the Trifecta plan can be with Poster getting 2nd or 3rd combined with all. **85-1 Trifecta hit with 10 lines**

Sitting between the Suwannee River and the Fort Lauderdale, this race is also interesting as the middle leg of a **Pick 3** well worth going for. **Skippylongstocking** has to be the single, while the Suwannee River is not so easy. We can use five in that leg; with A-horse Public Defender (**massive at 12-1** on the morning line) the main play supported by B-horses Movin' On Up, **Crevalle d'Oro** and Sirona, plus C-horse Aussie Girl. The Fort Lauderdale is a race where we can use two; **Wolfie's Dynaghost** and Chasing the Crown, whose **8-1 morning line** looks like a mistake (he was a heavy favorite in the River City Stakes). This creates a Pick 3 plan of 10 lines. **Pick 3 | Crevalle d'Oro - Skippylongstocking - Wolfie's Dynaghost paid 121-1**

## **GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS**

<b>A</b>	<b>2 SKIPPYLONGSTOCKING WON 2.4-1</b>	
<b>B</b>	5 POSTER 2nd	<b>10-1 Exacta hit with just one line</b>
<b>C</b>	1 HOLD MY BOURBON	

**Skippylongstocking / Hollywood Gold Cup:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VIEFpxvqsq4>

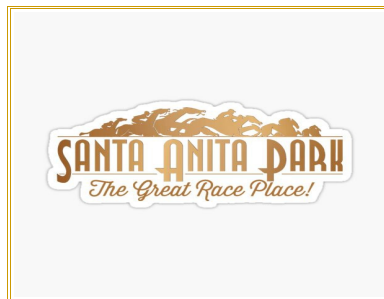
**Skippylongstocking / Challenger Stakes:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RfPjuUmTOQE>

**Skippylongstocking 3rd / Pegasus World Cup:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gU2b3B2dqNg&t=5s>

**Poster 3rd / Sam F Davis Stakes:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rTKpWkr1DIg>

**Poster / Remsen Stakes '24:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ybf46KHPKEw>

**Hold Your Bourbon 5th / Keeneland Alw (R8 / 4:20):** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IVVEgk0V9fs&t=13886s>



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