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Heffering emotional about the end of Kadabra's magical run

Kadabra was officially retired from stallion duty on Thursday at Tara Hills Stud due to injury, bringing an end to one of the most prolific stud careers in Canadian history.

by Dave Briggs

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The long pause followed by the catch in David Heffering's throat says much more than words about the impact Kadabra has had on him, his family, his Tara Hills Stud Farm in Ontario and the breeding industry in Canada.

"It's a hard thing for us...We really thought that maybe he was going to have to be put down two months ago, that's how serious it was," Heffering said of the suspensory injury that has officially ended the 22-year-old trotter's 17-year stallion career with progeny credits exceeding \$100 million by Standardbred Canada accounting (Kadabra sits at \$91.6 million, eighth all-time among trotters, by USTA records).

"He's one of these horses that only comes along once in a lifetime for a stallion farm and we've been really lucky here with getting Kadabra. We've had a few other really great stallions here, so we've been really fortunate," Heffering said.

But his attachment to Kadabra goes far beyond the fact the trotter has been an exceptional stallion.

"He's always been in the first stall, since we built the new stallion barn," Heffering said. "He greets everybody when they

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first come in. He sticks his head out and chirps to everybody.”

For Heffering, much worse than seeing the end of a remarkable stallion career is the thought of what could have happened had they carried on collecting Kadabra.

Kadabra has battled suspensory problems for a few years and has been examined annually at the Ontario Veterinary College in Guelph, ON before starting the stallion season. In 2020, while being collected, Kadabra wore a special brace made in Ireland for support.

“But, he took a bad step, whether it was coming into the stall or somewhere else... and he hurt himself again,” Heffering said. “When they did the ultrasound and x-rays, they said, ‘We really, highly doubt (he can continue to be collected), but we’ll give him a couple of months to see if he’ll come along or not. He’s sound enough to stay in his stall.’”



Dave Landry

Leading Canadian trotting sire Kadabra has been retired from stallion duty.

Thursday (Jan. 14), Heffering announced Kadabra is now officially retired from stallion duty.

“He sounded himself up. Marissa Tinney, who is our stallion person now, she looks after him and keeps him wrapped,” Heffering said. “We examined him a couple of weeks ago and they said there’s no way. The next time that he does injure himself, he will probably have to be put down because he won’t be able to stand.”

Heffering said once syndicate manager Herb Liverman received that diagnosis, the choice was clear.

“(Liverman) said, ‘Well, that’s the final answer,’” Heffering said.

Inducted into the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame in 2012, Kadabra has produced such outstanding horses as 2013 U.S. and Canadian Horse of the Year Bee A Magician (a winner of more than \$4 million), 2019 Hambletonian winner Forbidden Trade (\$1.3 million), two-time Breeders Crown champion Emoticon Hanover (nearly \$1.8 million), millionaires Daylon Magician (just shy of \$2 million), Flanagan Memory (\$1.6 million), Caprice Hill (\$1.3 million), Poof Shes Gone ((\$1.3 million), Will Take Charge (\$1.2 million) and many more.



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Kadabra himself was a winner of more than \$1.8 million on the track. The Illinois-bred son of Primrose Lane out of Quillo was bred by Connie Hochstetler and campaigned by her husband, Homer, until being sold to a group led by Heffering's late father, Peter — the founder of Tara Hills Stud — in the early days of the trotter's 3-year-old season. Jimmy Takter trained Kadabra for the rest of the trotter's career, winning the Canadian Trotting Classic and Breeders Crown at 3, among other classics.

As a stallion, Kadabra was a game-changer for the Canadian breed.

From talking to many trainers, Heffering said what Kadabra passed on most to his offspring — besides being an out-cross for a province dominated by Balanced Image mares — was his disposition.

"He's got a great disposition and I think his horses were always fairly level-headed and were good to train. They always had a willingness to go forward. Over the years, a lot of times there were horses that brought big money... and if you had a good looking one you knew you were going to ring the bell, but there were some out there that didn't have perfect conformation, but they still were able to trot past that. He not only made (stakes and Ontario) Sires Stakes horses, but he made racehorses and that's what people were really impressed about him."

Apart from being inducted into the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame, Heffering said one accomplishment stands above the others.

"He had enough accolades... he's had Breeders Crown winners and he's had OSS winners... but to get that Hambletonian that really was the cherry on top," Heffering said, again pausing to compose himself.

He doesn't know how much time Kadabra has left. A wrong step can happen at any time — "It won't be because of his heart giving out, it'll be his leg," Heffering said.

But he does know this: Kadabra will live out the rest of his days treated like the king he is at one of Ontario's most picturesque farms. When the time comes, Heffering already knows where Kadabra will be laid to rest — in a beautiful spot at the top of a hill overlooking the Port Perry, ON farm.

Considering where Kadabra ranks in Canadian breeding history, that's only fitting.

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Donated breedings to support standardbred aftercare a lifetime in the making for Michelle Crawford

by Dave Briggs

Michelle Crawford said the decision to donate 12 stallion breedings to be auctioned off at the Tattersalls Winter Mixed Sale at the Meadowlands on Monday (Jan. 18), with 100 per cent of the proceeds going to support standardbred aftercare organizations and facilities, is truly a lifetime in the making.

“Ever since I was a little girl I had a need and desire to be around horses. I have cared about their welfare for as long as I can remember,” she said, adding that she and her husband, Al, are blessed to have the land at Crawford Farms in New York, along with, “the resources and strong devotion and will power to intervene and make a difference for many horses either during or after their racing and breeding careers.”

Michelle said donating the breedings was a way to try to maximize their impact to help retired racehorses.

“Al and I always end up with some extra breedings,” she said. “Sometimes I will donate them to the foundations just to sell them, but I figured let’s do something where we talk to (sale manager) David Reid. We said, ‘What can we do with this? Where are we going to sell the shares?’ He was instrumental in talking with us and saying, ‘Let’s just sell the breedings and maybe it can be an annual thing and maybe other people follow suit.’ We’re definitely trying to lead the charge to get something going for this industry as far as promoting this aftercare situation that we have a lack of.”

“Hopefully, people bid on them and they’re still looking to breed their mares. I’m hoping people step up knowing it’s charitable. Sometimes, instead of just giving them away or letting them sit there or putting them back in the pool, it will generate dollars and we can donate them.”

“I have gotten an overwhelming response to our sale breedings... and have been offered many additional breedings for the aftercare cause. It warms my heart and I love how most of us want to help our athletes, we just need everyone to step up and we can make this happen.”

The breedings being offered by the Crawfords are to: American Ideal, Crazy Wow, Devious Man (x3), Dover Dan, Racing Hill (x2), Roll With Joe (x3) and Swandre The Giant.

The full sale catalog is now available for the Tattersalls



Dave Landry

Al Crawford (left) and his wife, Michelle, consulted Tattersalls Winter Mixed Sale manager David Reid about auctioning off 12 breedings at Monday’s sale to benefit standardbred aftercare.

Winter Mixed Sale and can be downloaded now at <http://www.tattersallsredmile.com/> or on the Equineline Sales Catalog app.

Michelle said she also hopes the donation will draw attention to the need for Congress to pass the Safeguard American Food Exports (SAFE) Act which would prohibit the slaughter of horses in the United States for human consumption, as well as the export of live horses for the

An advertisement for Seelster Farms. It features a close-up of a brown horse's head with a white blaze on its face. The text "ALL BETS OFF" is prominently displayed in large white letters. Below it, smaller text reads "p. 2, 1:50f, 3, 1:48.3f, 1:48, BT1:46.2 (\$3,186,658)". Further down, it says "First crop foals in 2020 look EXCEPTIONAL". At the bottom left is the "Seelster Farms.COM" logo. At the bottom right, it says "TO BOOK TO ALL BETS OFF, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CLICK HERE".

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Nuncio finished first or second in 26 of 27 starts at 2 and 3. His stateside wins included the Kentucky Futurity, Yonkers Trot, Bluegrass and Matron Stakes. He finished second in the Hambletonian Final, Stanley Dancer Memorial and 2YO Breeders Crown. His European tour was highlighted by an undefeated 11 for 11 season as a five year old with wins in the 2016 Elitlopp, Oslo Grand Prix, Swedish Breeders Crown and UET Trotting Masters Final.

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"We need laws to protect them. It's one of those things I am passionate about and I'm going to keep saying it and pushing for it until it gets done," Michelle said. "We must pass the SAFE Act to stop the cycle and catch our horses before they fall. The reality is in my lifetime we cannot save them all from a horrible ending, but even if there's a system to save or humanely euthanize, it's our responsibility to have this program in place as an industry."

"Obviously, Washington is a mess and it's hard to lobby for

Buyer info for Winter Mixed Sale

Those planning on attending the Tattersalls Winter Mixed Sale at the Meadowlands on Monday (Jan. 18), or who expect to bid using the Proxibid website, are reminded of steps that need to be taken beforehand, per sales manager David Reid.

Those coming in person are asked to print and fill out the [COVID-19 questionnaire](#) available on the Tattersalls website and bring it with them to the sale. The usual COVID-19 precautions will be in place during horse inspection and during the auction, including the wearing of masks, social distancing, and hand washing.

Those planning to watch the livestream and bid using [Proxibid](#) must be sure to create a Proxibid account, and also have credit on file with the sales company. Both Proxibid sign-up and credit information is available on the home page of the Tattersalls website, tattersallsredmile.com.

The Tattersalls website will also provide a livestream of the sale.

The sale, which gets underway at noon in the Meadowlands race paddock, is highlighted by a large selection of racehorses – most currently racing – along with "Magnificent Mares" to race or breed and stallion shares and 2021 seasons.

Twelve 2021 stallion breedings have been donated by Crawford Farms, with all the proceeds earmarked for standardbred aftercare programs.

"This is maybe best described as an 'active racehorse' sale," said Reid. "A significant number of horses are racing right up to sale time, with 12 in-to-go just this weekend at the Meadowlands. At last count 17 have won their last starts, either at time of consignment or afterward."

As a service to buyers, [sale past performances](#) which include the supplement, will be updated a final time this Sunday (Jan. 17) so they include weekend starts.

– Tattersalls Sales Co.

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Tattersalls Sale Updates

Sale Date: 1/18 - Start Time: Noon

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#59, SWEET CHAPTER, 5, T, M

2, 1:57.1s; 3, 1:54.2f -'19 / \$293,415

Chapter Seven-Mom's Sweetie Pie-Donerail

• **Second on 1/9 at The Meadowlands.**

Timed in 1:53.4. Fourth Second in a row!

#69, FRILLS N LACE, 4, P, M

p, 3, 2:01.2h -'20 (\$18,410)

Heston Blue Chip-Princess Lace-Artsplace

• **WINNER on 12/30 at Monticello!**

Won by 6 3/4 lengths

#104, TEAM BEST, 4, P, G

p, 2, 1:53.2s; 3, 1:52s -'20 (\$63,148)

Somebeachsomewhere-Sports Chic-Sportswriter

• **Qualified on 1/9 at The Meadowlands.**

Timed in 1:53.4

#128, BLU CREW, 5, P, G

p, 3, 1:53.3f -'19 (\$39,520)

Heston Blue Chip-Crew Angel-Abercrombie

• **Qualified on 1/9 at The Meadowlands.**

Timed in 1:53.3. Last quarter :27

#130, ELITE RETREAT, 4, P, G

p, 3, 1:56h -'20 (\$42,218)

Dream Away-Wild Retreat-Allamerican Ingot

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the SAFE Act right now, but I've got Congressman (John) Katko in my corner and he's going to help push through the SAFE Act this year. It's something that needs to be done. Instead of always trying to save them, let's carve out a place to give them that path."

Michelle said while Crawford Farms is not a tax-exempt charitable organization, she has "become an interceptor, voice and advocate of horses that have ended up in horrific spots and work religiously with organizations to help them find funding, veterinary care and finally homes versus the 'slaughterbound' alternative."

As well, she has provided a home to many of her own retirees and recently started a program to use unwanted broodmares as embryo transfer recipients.

"We put out to the industry that we needed any mares that were

young enough... that had no real purpose. They broke down, or weren't fast enough to race and you can't afford to keep them. Some of them we purchased. We really don't have a big budget for that, but when you start looking at the Embryo Transfer program and mares that, a) Can't carry, b) Are still on a race schedule or c) For whatever reason you want to get them on an earlier schedule because they're due so late. It's a great program. We've taken 11 mares in that now have a permanent home. They have care for the rest of their days. They were donated to this program. Now they have purpose. They're going to be mommies. They might not normally been mommies. I don't know where some of them might have ended up. Some of them, the owners were conscientious and donate them and now they're embryo transfer mares."

As well, Michelle said she and Al are also hoping to help anyone in the industry struggling financially through the COVID-19 pandemic. One of their companies, Fundex Solutions, can assist with Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans that can provide a business with a loan for 2.5 times its average monthly payroll (restricted to 100k a year per employee). The customer service email for PPP loan assistance is: ppploan@fundexsolutions.com.

Horses in to go this weekend selling at Monday's Tattersalls Winter Mixed Sale



Date	Track	Race	PP	Horse	Hip #	Consignor
1/15/2021	Fhld Qual	2	5	Egomania	210	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	Fhld	6	4	Sporty Juliana	77	Northwood Bloodstock
1/15/2021	Fhld	9	7	The Veteran	123	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	Mea	4	6	Shake N Go	76	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	YR	6	1	Blu Crew	128	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	YR	8	8	Wild Bill	125	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	YR	9	6	Sweet Chapter	59	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	6	1	Super Schissel	122	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	9	1	Wayside	62	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	10	5	All American N	109	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	11	5	Sandy Win	75	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	11	8	Firefly	68	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	13	1	Show Stop	51	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	13	6	Gonnahaveonemore	94	Preferred Equine
1/15/2021	M	13	9	Rolling With Same	101	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	1	1	Kyrie Deo	97	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	3	2	Chief Mate	91	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	3	3	Captain Groovy	88	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	3	4	Mastery	47	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	3	5	Homebody	46	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	3	6	Parts Unknown	49	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	3	8	Wyatt J	106	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M Qual	5	1	Sugartown	212	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M	5	9	Pyro	119	Preferred Equine
1/16/2021	M	7	2	Team Best	104	Preferred Equine
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Alberta teen driver Jacob Cutting living the California dream as rising star at Cal-Expo

by Chris Lomon

Every time his wheels touch the racetrack in the California capital, the Canadian teenager takes brief pause to look into the Sacramento sky and the towering lights that shine across the one-mile oval.

It's not something that would be easily noticed, the handful of seconds Jacob Cutting allows himself every live race night to soak up the surroundings at Cal Expo Racetrack.

For the 19-year-old driver/trainer, it's a welcome reminder

that he is everywhere he wants to be.

"It really does make you feel like you're stepping into the spotlight," said Cutting. "Racing at night, it almost makes it feel as though it's more official, so to speak. It feels like you're on stage when you race at night."

The native of Calgary, AB came to the Golden State in late 2019, bringing seven horses with him, and the hope of attracting interest from local trainers.

Although it took some time to build trust and momentum, the wins and demand to have him sit in the sulky of more horses would eventually come.

Cutting kicked off his driving career in 2019, winning six races in 123 starts. His first two Cal Expo wins came with his pacing mare Paloma Ruiz. The daughter of Trust The Artist was 50-1 when she dead-heated for the victory on Dec. 6, 2019, and doubled up at 5-2 next time out.

That modest start was followed by a monster 2020 campaign for Cutting, a season highlighted by 87 wins, 221 top-three finishes from 534 starts, and \$395,742 in purse earnings.

"The reason why I came from Alberta to California at the start of 2020 was for some opportunities. There isn't that much opportunity in Alberta catch-driving wise, so I came



Nineteen-year-old Jacob Cutting winning a race at Running Aces in Minnesota. Cutting is now a leading driver at Cal-Expo.

here to see how things might go. It started out slowly, but it's really picked up. I also went to Running Aces [Minnesota] this year and came back to Cal Expo, and started getting some driving doubles and triples."

He kicked off 2021 in style, winning six races on the Jan. 3 card, including River Lassena in Race 7 and one dash later with Allmyx'sliventexas.

The second-generation horseman (his father Darryl won nearly 300 races as a driver/trainer) took his half-dozen bonanza in stride.

"I tried not to think about what was going on that night. It did hit me at the end of the card and I thought, 'Wow! Did I really just win six races?' When I'm driving, it doesn't matter if I hadn't won a race or if I had won three straight, I just try and keep a level head. I focus on the horse that I'm driving."

He hasn't slowed down a fraction since then.

This year, he's well on pace on to set a slew of personal-best marks for driving and training.

The move south of the Canadian border has paid off in more ways than just the numbers in the win column.

For Cutting, the opportunity to improve his driving skills and get more quality drives has been a huge boost to his profile.

"Whether you're driving favorites or longshots, the more chances you get to drive, the more things you learn. Every time you line up behind the gate, you know you're going to learn something new. As a young driver, that's so important. I've definitely gained more confidence driving at Cal Expo and Running Aces. When I first came here, I would tend to second-guess things, when to move horses – that kind of thing. Now that I'm winning more races and getting more experience, I'm putting horses in better spots. It's a good feeling to have that confidence and I'm grateful for the chances I'm getting."

He's also thankful for the support back home.

Daily texts from family and friends are the norm.

"There are a lot of people in Alberta who knew me when I was in diapers, watched me grow up and remember the days when I first started working with horses. There are a lot of people in Alberta that are very proud of me. It's nice to have people in your corner, people that are happy to see you doing well in something that you love."

When the Cal Expo meet comes to a close, Cutting will head northeast to compete at Running Aces, where he'll race during the summer.

Beyond that, there's no game plan, at least for the time being.

He's eager to see what lies ahead in Minnesota.

"I don't have anything drawn out on paper. We're just going to go with the flow and see how things go."

Until then, Cutting, who is currently racing nine of his own horses, will continue to do some California dreaming.

Don't expect him to be soaking up the sun, sand and surf over his time at Cal Expo.

"No, not really," said Cutting with a laugh, when asked if he's taken advantage of the warm weather. "Racing and taking care of the horses, it never stops. But that's fine with me. When I first came here from Canada, it seemed like every day was summer. Now that I've become more acclimatized, the so-called 'cold days,' they seem really cold, but they're not when I check what the weather is like in Alberta. I grew up in Alberta, and it gets really cold there at certain times of the year."

As long as things keep heating up, Cutting won't have a single complaint.

"I've really enjoyed everything about being here in California. I'm just really enjoying all of it. The people and the guys I drive with have been very good to me. I came to the U.S. hoping that I would be able to work towards getting more opportunities. I knew that wouldn't be a given, but I've been very fortunate that things have gone so well."

Cutting won't be resting on his laurels.

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(filly) p,2, 1:51.2s (\$276,081)

MARSALA HANOVER
(filly) p,2, 1:52f (\$275,006)

CHASE H HANOVER
p,2, 1:51f (\$225,797)

TOP SOPHOMORES IN 2020

PARTY GIRL HILL
(filly) p,3, 1:47.2 (\$880,345)

CATCH THE FIRE
p,3, 1:49.1s (\$698,201)

LYONS SENTINEL
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Trainers explain why COVID-19 meant the Meadowlands had less impact on Dan Patch races than usual

by Debbie Little

No one can say 2020 was a typical year.

Many races were cancelled while others were shifted to later in the year, but one thing that didn't change was that the majority of contenders for Dan Patch divisional honors passed through The Meadowlands.

In some cases, their only appearance was in a qualifier, but at least The Big M faithful had a chance to experience greatness, sometimes in its early stages.

The aptly named **Perfect Sting**, trained by Hall of Famer Joe Holloway, only made two appearances in East Rutherford – a qualifier in July and an overnight for 2-year-olds in August.

The pacing colt by Always B Miki should be a shoe-in for divisional honors, but why didn't the Jersey-based Holloway race him more at The Meadowlands? It wasn't for lack of trying.

"Things were held up because of COVID, but I still couldn't get him a start," said Holloway. "I would have raced at The Meadowlands."

According to Holloway, he was dropping Perfect Sting into the entry box, but the races weren't filling.

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"I've raced at the Meadowlands since 1978 and that's the first time I saw that," he said. "The night before the Hambo they finally filled one so he raced there once."

Perfect Sting finished his freshman campaign 10-for-10, but even in a year unaffected by the coronavirus, he would only have had maybe two additional starts.

"I would not have raced him more than 12 times and the horse is as sound a horse as I've had," said Holloway. "Maybe I would have had another overnight early on. I probably would have had two overnights before I went down for the Sire Stakes and maybe I would have done the Governor's Cup."

Meadowlands race secretary Scott Warren said that 2020 was not the first year where he had problems filling some of those 2-year-old races, especially for pacers. He started writing them the last week in June, but in some cases got only one entry and in others no more than four.

"Pennsylvania-breds can go to Pocono and Chester and race for around the same money and not have to go nearly as fast," said Warren. "This year we've put the Tompkins-Geers in June for people that are ready early and looking for a race to prep for a Sire Stakes somewhere else."

Unlike Holloway, trainer Brett Pelling did not have a problem finding starts at The Meadowlands for his filly **Test Of Faith** because he wasn't looking for any.

"She qualified at Magical Acres, which is close to home, and they don't have to go as much and she headed off to New York," said Pelling. "So, she had no need to be at The Meadowlands going the speeds they go there. I'm very protective. I just see it every year. I see these 2-year-olds that come out and they qualify in [1:]52 and they race in [1:]51, they do this, they do that, and very rarely are they the ones that have the great careers. I think more are ruined than are made."

The season for Test Of Faith was different than for Pelling's other fillies because co-owner Melvin Segal was in a New York state of mind.

"His input was, 'I want to be ready to go for the first Sire Stakes in New York,'" said Pelling. "So, her whole schedule, she was always three or four weeks ahead of my other ones simply to be ready for Monticello. I said to myself, 'If you're going to race in the first leg of the Sire Stakes at Monticello, you're really not going to be around for the Breeders Crown.'"

Because of coronavirus, Monticello was not open for the June 22 race, so Test Of Faith's first start was at Vernon Downs on July 4 instead. In all, she raced in five legs of the NYSS, winning four, before taking the big-money final.

"She was dominant," said Pelling. "The time that she was second she got run into from behind. They locked wheels, pulled up to a stop and then she caught the field, circled the field and finished second."

Pelling knows his filly is in a tight race for divisional honors with Fire Start Hanover, who raced later into the year and won the Breeders Crown and Kindergarten, but finished sixth in the Three Diamonds to end her season.

"Your season either starts early and ends or starts in the middle and ends later," said Pelling. "If I raced in the first Sire Stakes race at Monticello and went all the way to the Breeders Crown, I think it was 17 starts, and you're not doing that."

"They never raced against each other, which is unfortunate. They did race on the same day [at the Red Mile in divisions of the International Stallion Stake] and on that day, I think the other filly paced [1:]50 and change, we went [1:]48 and change."

Another 2-year-old that we didn't see as often as expected at The Meadowlands was **Lady Chaos**, trained by Hall of Famer Linda Toscano.

She qualified early at The Meadowlands at the end of June, raced in an overnight there for trotting fillies on July 24 and only returned to New Jersey for her last start of the season in the Goldsmith Maid.

"She was Pennsylvania eligible and she was Kentucky eligible," said Toscano. "In hindsight, I wish she had been eligible to the Doherty, but she wasn't. And then, unfortunately, she was sick in her last start. She didn't act sick going into the Goldsmith Maid, but the next morning she had [a fever of] 103."

Toscano shared a barn in Lexington with Holloway and said their 2-year-olds were both eligible to the Kindergarten at The Meadowlands.

"We were going to start them at The Meadowlands in the Kindergarten and prep them there and then they changed the Kindergarten and moved them to September because of COVID," said Toscano. "So that's why both his colt and my filly did not race in the Kindergartens."

Lady Chaos is in a divisional battle with Anoka Hanover, trained by Noel Daley.

The two fillies started their season together in a qualifier, won by Lady Chaos, and ended it together in the Goldsmith Maid, won by Anoka Hanover.

"I would be shocked if [Lady Chaos] wins it," said Toscano. "I think she deserves to be considered, but honestly, when push comes to shove, it's a horse race and Noel's won that day."

"If we had pulled the plug after the Breeders Crown, I think

people would say, 'it would be a much harder decision to make.' But, unfortunately, she wasn't great on the night of the Goldsmith Maid and I think it will cost her."

Trainer Chris Ryder didn't have a lot of input as to where **Party Girl Hill** would race in 2020 since she was staked prior to him getting the filly.

However, The Meadowlands followers did at least get to see her compete in two qualifiers and her first race of the year in an overnight for 3-year-old pacing fillies.

Ryder loves to race at The Meadowlands and certainly would have done so in any other year.

"There may have been one or two races dropped because of COVID that she would have been in," he said. "She was invited to the TVG [to compete against older mares] but we didn't do it. People say if she wins the TVG she might have been Horse of the Year, but I make one point that everybody misses that Tall Dark Stranger never went out of his comfort zone. He didn't go to the TVG but he's going to be Horse of the Year."

"He never went on a half. He never went on a five-eighths. He drew bad one time and finished fourth. I'm not taking anything away from Tall Dark Stranger. He's a hell of a horse, obviously. But he never stepped out of his comfort zone whereas Party Girl Hill did. She went against the boys at the Red Mile. She didn't have to but she did."

In addition to the divisional honor that Party Girl Hill has locked up, Ryder should have another one with **Bettor's Wish**.

The two marquee races of the 4-year-old pacing horse's season were at The Meadowlands in the Sam McKee and the TVG.

"The McKee was huge because the horse got slaughtered," said Ryder. "Parked out in :25, :52, 1:19 and he got a gap on the field and he was done, he was exhausted and he held on. It was [1:]47.3 and it was the Sam McKee. And who doesn't want to win the Sam McKee as much as we all loved Sam. It was a great win."

"The TVG was his final start and he won by open lengths and it's nice to dominate when you're going to stud. You like to race well at The Meadowlands. I told them [the night of the TVG], I complimented them on what a good job they did with the whole night. Because it's a mile track the racing is better and fairer."

As COVID-19 eventually fades in the rear-view mirror, one thing is certain, The Meadowlands will continue to play host to the sport's rising and top stars, especially this year, with the return of the Breeders Crown. But that's for another column.

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Likely stars on Dan Patch Awards night

by Bob Heyden

Some thoughts on Saturday's virtual Dan Patch Awards:

If Tall Dark Stranger is voted Horse of the Year:

Nancy Takter will join an elite group of two-time (or more) winning HOY trainers.

In addition, she would become the first female to win it twice-breaking a tie with Linda Toscano (2012 Chapter Seven) and Casie Coleman (2018-McWicked).

At age 39, only Takter's father, Jimmy, has won the HOY trophy with two different horses prior to age 40.

Jimmy, 37 — 1997 Malabar Man

Jimmy, 38 — 1998 Moni Maker

Jimmy, 39 — 1999 Moni Maker

Nancy, 33 — 2014 J K She's A Lady

Nancy, 39 — 2020 Tall Dark Stranger

Can anyone match Gingras?

Can anyone match Yannick Gingras' 2017 record? He drove the top four, all females, in that year's Horse of the Year balloting — the winner Hannelore Hanover, followed by Ariana G, Manchego and Youaremycandygirl.

The last decade has seen Gingras rise to prominence in a big way. He is closing in on \$200 million and he's not yet 42. His 22 Breeders Crown wins in an eight-year period is right up there (2012-2019) and he had five straight \$500,000 Hambletonian Oaks wins.

Turning 31 is special

In 2012, Tim Tetrick turned 31 on Nov. 22 and set the all-time mark with seven Dan Patch division winners.

In 2020, Dexter Dunn turned 31 on Sept. 1, and he's taking a run at Tetrick's record with a handful of divisional winners anticipated: Party Girl Hill, Kissin In The Sand, Amigo Volo, Bettors Wish and possibly Manchego and Fire Start Hanover.

Down Under celebration?

I hope the people in Australia and New Zealand will be tuning in for the Dan Patch Awards announcements on Saturday (Jan. 16).

New Zealand's Dexter Dunn appears likely to win the Driver of the Year. He was #1 in earnings this past year and the only driver past \$10 million (\$11.6M).

Australian Andy McCarthy and Ramona Hill look to be solid in the 3YOFT category. (McCarthy also drove Venerate to victory in the Mohawk Million and that colt is the leading money-winning 2-year-old in the sport for 2020).

Brother Todd McCarthy and Anoka Hanover look to have the inside track on the 2YOFT with Australian Noel Daley the trainer.

Kiwi Nifty Norman and Amigo Volo pretty much dominated the second half of the season in the 3YOFT division.

Down Under's Brett Pelling's Test Of Faith was dynamic in her 7-for-8 season. Her only loss was behind a pair of wheel lockers. Her 1:48.4 mark might seal the deal.

New Zealand's Chris Ryders has two divisional winners for sure 3YOFP Party Girl Hill and OPH Bettors Wish. Can he get his first HOY trophy, too?

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The Dan Patch Awards Show can be watched live on [USHWA's Facebook page](#), as well as through the Meadowlands simulcast signal, on the [track's website](#) and through the RTN broadcast network. The next day it will also be archived and available on [USHWA's website](#) and Facebook page as well as the USTA's YouTube channel.

To be announced on the Virtual Awards Show will be the 12 divisional winners in the racehorse categories, along with Trotter of the Year, Pacer of the Year, and the prestigious E.R. Harriman Harness Horse of the Year.

Also to be announced are the Norman Woolworth Owner, Driver, and Breeder of the Year, the Trotting and Pacing Broodmares of the Year, and the Fair Island Farm Caretaker of the Year. A unanimous selection by all the USHWA chapters, Nancy Takter has already been announced as the winner of the Glen Garnsey Trainer of the Year.

Here are the finalists for the human awards and broodmares:

Driver: Dexter Dunn, David Miller

Owner: Caviart Farms, Crawford Farms, Pinske Stables

Breeder: Brittany Farms, Order By Stable, Runthetable Stables

Trotting Broodmare: Dunk The Donato, Nantab, Margarita Momma, Steamy Windows

Pacing Broodmare: Beachy Girl, Great Memories, JK She'salady, Swinging Beauty

The winner of the Caretaker of the Year Award, sponsored by Art Zubrod and Leah Cheverie's Fair Island Farm, will receive a cash prize of \$500 and a plaque with a photo of the caretaker and a favorite horse.

Sixteen names were submitted to the seven-member committee, all USHWAs who had been caretakers, that was tasked to select the winner. Here are those names, with the stable for which they work noted in parentheses:

Erin Bonno (George Ducharme)
Margaret Gillon (Ron Burke)
Bethany Graffam (Graffam Stable)
Shelly Greico (Linda Toscano)
Michelle Hallett (John Hallett)
Kim Hines (Jason Robinson)
Diane Lewis (Joe Holloway)
Trish Nappi (Cory Deyermant)
Lisa Palmiter (Chris Lakata)
Katie Remmerswaal (Nancy Takter)
Kelly Smith (Chuck Sylvester)
Sierra Smith (Gerry Sarama)
Anki Wernis (Jim Campbell)
Dave Wisher (Joe MacDonald)
Vicki Wright (Noel Daley)
Cheyenne Yoder (James Yoder)

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Is shipping in to race a good or bad thing?

Is it better to stable at a farm or at the track?

by Ron Gurfein

Tidbits: A bill filed Jan. 9 to expand Kentucky wagering to include sports betting awaits committee. After a less-than-great reception last year we will try again to list sports betting on the calendar of what the Kentucky bettor can do in 2021. The neighboring states of Illinois, Indiana, Tennessee and West Virginia already have this type of wagering and thus allowing it in Kentucky would level the playing field by keeping the money within the state. These type of wagers would amount to billions of dollars. Stay tuned to learn if it becomes fait accomplis.

Joel Kravet asks: Is shipping in to race a good or bad thing for the horse, the owner or the trainer?

It depends on a lot of variables but overall I would say because of the financial burden it was a bad thing for all. If the ship is for a short period, like less than an hour, it is good for the horse because most often they relax and empty out (relieve bowels).

People will say that it's good to have a horse run around in



the paddock. I am not a big believer. Horses are creatures of habit and are perfectly fine in their environment when stabled at a track. If they are walked and jogged every day they will be happy campers. You must assume that they would be upset with staying at the track to think otherwise. Think back to Dancer and Haughton. Stanley was stabled at his home in New Egypt, NJ and had plenty of paddocks. Billy was stabled at the track with none. Do you actually think it hurt him in the long run? I most definitely don't.

Then, let's look at the financial aspect. If you race four times a month that adds \$1,000 minimum to your monthly invoice. That's a kick in the head to begin with. Now let's take the wear and tear of the shipping on the trainer. All trainers aren't like the elitist and have a shipper or agent do the work. Many do it themselves. That means waiting for the horses to cool out (a process seldom done) loading the horses and then unloading them at home and then going home themselves. There is a whole lot of time involved unnecessarily.

There are tracks like the Meadowlands and Pocono Downs where this procedure is forced on us, but many venues still have barn areas and remain a viable option.

Now, if you want to look at how this all began that's another story. People who first ran to farms were looking for an edge. No supervision whatsoever. You could do whatever you wanted. That's when milkshaking and other nefarious deeds were plentiful and no one was around to stop you.

Oddly enough, things haven't changed that much. They have come up with a semi-cure for milkshakes, but you still have a window to treat your horse without any detection. The powers that be really need to understand how to treat wrong doers. The way the system is bent they will never catch the bad guys only the poor guy trying to keep up. It truly is unfortunate and maybe it will change but as of today it isn't working.

Linda Forman asks: With all the great horses that you have trained, which one was your favorite?

A very easy question to answer. Continentalvictory was, without question, my favorite, mainly because I had two years of her and really one year of the others. Victory Dream was only one year as he was hurt as a 2-year-old after but a few starts. Self Possessed was basically a one-year horse as Carl Allen's C R Commando was a far better 2-year-old and Cantab Hall was undefeated at 2, but due to a sickness that

he never recovered from, was to play second fiddle to Trond Smedshammer's great colt Windsongs Legacy.

But Continentalvictory had it all. She was great at 2 and greater at 3. At 2, she won almost everything in sight. She ripped through the Midwest like a tornado and never stopped. She won at Springfield, DuQuoin, and took the winner's share of the lucrative Hoosier Stakes for 2-year-old fillies. Then she went on to the Red Mile where she won the Bluegrass and the International stallion. Then she returned to the Garden State where she obliterated a field in the Breeders Crown and ended the year by losing to Elke Frazer after making a break and spotting the field 20 lengths in a photo.

At 3 she was magnificent. With the exception of the Beacon Course, which I never won due to the inability of my driver to believe you can have a horse good for both the Hambletonian and the Beacon Course –which I cannot argue with as I will never know, but the results speak volumes for themselves.

Her win in the Hambletonian was one for the ages and was all about her perseverance and desire to be the best. She lost the battle of the pull down blinds behind the gate in the first heat and Michel Lachance was merely a passenger in that event trying to slow her as best he could under the circumstances. She went a mile in 1:52 with no effort whatsoever. Would she have something left in the tank for the final? I guess she did. More manageable with the blinds staying up the second heat, she hit the front and after a quick second quarter was comfortable on the lead till the top of the stretch when an unused Lindy Lane came out of the pocket and pounced. They went in tandem the entire length of the stretch and Continentalvictory wouldn't surrender the lead. Tail up and blowing in the breeze she held off the furious charge and was victorious on the wire.

Having previously won the Yonkers Trot she was on schedule to race in the Futurity. However that was not to happen. In a training accident (entirely my fault) she pulled a suspensory and was to never race again. Many blame the mile earlier when she got parked the half in :53, but she came back and won the next two heats so I don't think that was the answer.

One way or another her career as a race mare was over, it was time to look for bigger and better things.

Janelle Scherbik asks: Do you feel the 29-30 indicted trainers, veterinarians, and drug manufacturers will be proven guilty? Do you think there will be other names added to the list?

That is a hard question to answer. It is my feeling that most will be found guilty of something, but at this point it is very hard to say. The government has an excellent case against some of the top names. Men like Servis and Navarro have proven to have shoved their "expertise" in our faces to the point that it's almost comical. Their rash behavior and their wanton disrespect of the animal in and of itself will have them fry. But between the information they have collected and the wire taps it's pretty clear that they will do some time.

As for the others, it is beyond my pay grade to pass judgement. I would hope that the guilty will pay the piper and the innocent will go free because that is the right way to approach the subject. As for additional names on the list, I am sure there will be many. In exchange for lesser time behind bars there will be singing like we have never heard before. Stay tuned. It won't be soon, but it will be interesting.

Wayne Carroll asks: The thoroughbreds have lowered their stud fees 15 to 25 per cent this year due to COVID-19. Why haven't the standardbreds done the same?

There is a big difference in the amount of money that each breed races for and there are many more thoroughbred stallions. The effect of the pandemic on our sales pales in comparison to the effect it had on our thoroughbred counterparts. Most sales were okay or on the plus side. Therefore the reaction of the stallion owners never was at a decision-making point.

I will say that Adam Bowden lowered the price on Father Patrick as an incentive in a COVID year.

Thanks to all of you for your kind words. Please keep the questions coming in. It is time I heard from some new faces. Take this pandemic seriously as it is getting worse and you must be vigilant. Only a few more months and we will all have gotten the vaccine. Have a wonderful week.

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with THOMAS HEDLUND

Thirteen try to grab three spots in the Prix d'Amérique

by Thomas Hedlund

The \$135,000 Prix de Belgique over 2,850 meters is the last of the four B-races ahead of the Prix d'Amérique and 13 trotters while chase a top three spot in the race on Sunday (Jan. 17) at Vincennes.

Jean-Michel Bazire has four horses in the race and he has chosen Davidson du Pont as his drive while Matthieu

Abrivard is entrusted behind Bazire's exciting charge Vitruvio, earlier trained by Alessandro Gocciadoro and Björn Goop.

The Prix de Belgique is, what the French people call, a true "repare-race" where it's an understatement that trainers and drivers aim for the bigger target two weeks later. It's not really forbidden to give the horses easy trips, or if you want to call it by its right name, passively tactical dispositions. Still, there are horses that need to be among the top three to secure their spots in Prix d'Amérique, respectively, so the Sunday's race can be spectacular for the fans.

Prix de Belgique 2021

Horse – Driver

2,850 meters

Victor Ferm – Christophe Martens

Feerie Wood – Alexandre Abrivard

Elsa de Belfonds – Nicolas Ensch

Fakir de Lorault – Francois Lecanu

Frisbee d'Am – Anthony Barrier

Moni Viking – Pierre Vercruysse

Looking Superb – Francois Lagadeuc



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Jerry Riordan's Aetos Kronos will race at Vincennes on Saturday afternoon.

Feliciano – David Thomain
Delia du Pommereux – Eric Raffin
Tony Gio – Yoann Lebourgeois
Davidson du Pont – Jean-Michel Bazire
Vitruvio – Matthieu Abrivard
Billie de Montfort – Gabriele Gelormini

Top trotters at Vincennes Saturday's card

The \$121,000 Prix de Croix for 5-year-olds is scheduled at Vincennes racetrack Saturday (Jan. 16) and it's a great field of top trotters that will gather around the track.

The Swedish team consists of Guzz Mearas, Aetos Kronos and Power and the trio will, among others, face Prix d'Amérique horse Gu d'Heripre, winner of Criterium Continental on Dec. 27 in Paris.

Jerry Riordan's Aetos Kronos raced very well in Paris in his last performance and once again, Jean-Michel Bazire will drive the Bold Eagle son.

The race will be contested over 2,850 meters.

Prix de Croix 2021

Horse – Driver

Grand Art – Adrien Lamy
Golden Mary – Matthieu Abrivard
Go On Boy – Romain Derieux
Gala Tejy – Thomas Chalon
Gelati Cut – Gabriele Gelormini
Guzz Mearas – Pierre Vercruysse
Gu d'Heripre – Franck Nivard
Green Grass – Mathieu Mottier
Aetos Kronos – Jean-Michel Bazire
Power – Robert Bergh

Golden Bridge best in Nice

Philippe Allaire's Golden Bridge (Ready Cash) and David Thomain won the \$145,000 Prix de la Cote d'Azur over 1.8 miles in Cagnes-sur-Mer at the French Riviera on Thursday afternoon (Jan. 14).

Jean-Michel Bazire-trained Valzer di Poggio was first choice in the race and had a strong runner up performance from position first outside, but in the home stretch, Valzer di Poggio had nothing to say when Golden Bridge was given full attack order from third outside.

Golden Bridge came home in mile rate 1:58 and this was Philippe Allaire's trotter's biggest success so far in the career.

Urlo dei Venti retired

Italian champion trotter Urlo dei Venti made his last start in his career in Rome on Wednesday afternoon (Jan. 13).

Urlo dei Venti (Mago d'Amore) has had some problems staying sound during the last two seasons and after the race trainer Alessandro Gocciadoro announced that the horse will end his career.

Eight-year-old Urlo dei Venti attacked the best horses in Europe as a 5-year-old and won \$135,000 Prix de Luxembourg in Paris and \$843,000 Gran Premio Lotteria in Naples. He even was first in the \$372,000 Oslo Grand Prix the same year, but was later disqualified due to a positive doping test that showed triamcinolonacetone in both blood and urine samples.

Urlo dei Venti has been one of the best Italian-bred horses in the European Grand Circuit show and he ended his career with 17 wins in 43 starts and a lifetime earnings of approximately \$1,182,000.

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Chapter Seven, Father Patrick and Peaceful Way elected to Living Horse Hall of Fame

by Harness Racing Museum and Hall of Fame

The Living Horse Hall of Fame nominating committee of the Harness Racing Museum & Hall of Fame has announced the results of recent balloting to determine the 2021 inductees into the Harness Racing Living Horse Hall of Fame. Museum members voted for the three horses they felt best exemplified greatness. Their choices are: racehorses Chapter Seven and Father Patrick, and racemare Peaceful Way. The other nominees were: Andover Hall, Mission Brief and Yankee Glide.

Chapter Seven, Father Patrick and Peaceful Way will be inducted on Hall of Fame Day, Sunday, July 4, 2021 along with the class of 2020: Always B Miki, Bee A Magician, Sweet Lou, Danae and Precious Beauty. The ceremonies honoring these extraordinary standardbred horses will take place during the Harness Racing Museum & Hall of Fame's annual dinner. For information on the Hall of Fame weekend and other festivities surrounding this important occasion visit www.harnessmuseum.com from April 2021 onward or call or write the Museum at 240 Main Street, Goshen, NY 10924, phone: 845-294-6330.

Standardbreds are eligible for nomination to harness racing's highest accolade if they comply with the following criteria:

AS A RACEHORSE:

- Must be retired from racing for two years.
- Must have been the winner of \$2.5 million lifetime WITH two Dan Patch Awards OR
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- Been named Dan Patch Harness Horse of the Year.
- Horses over the age of 12 that are still racing and meet the criteria are also eligible.

AS A RACEMARE:

- Must be retired from racing for two years.
- Must have been the winner of \$1.5 million lifetime WITH two Dan Patch Awards OR
- Been the winner of \$2.5 million lifetime OR
- Been named Dan Patch Harness Horse of the Year.
- Mares over the age of 12 that are still racing and meet the criteria are also eligible.

AS A STALLION:

- Must rank among the 10 all-time leading Money-winning sires at his gait OR
- Have sired at least 100 \$200,000 winners OR
- Been the leading money-winning sire at his gait in three or more seasons.

CHAPTER SEVEN

(Nominated as Racehorse)

4,1:50.1 (\$1,954,966) Bay Horse, 2008

(Windsong's Legacy—La Riviera Lindy—Dream Vacation)

2012 Dan Patch Horse of the Year Chapter Seven was foaled on April 2, 2008 in Cream Ridge, NJ. The world champion trotter's lifetime race record is 28-20-4-1 with total career earnings of \$1,954,966.

In 2010, 2-year-old Chapter Seven finished on the board in all of his eight starts, winning seven and earning \$211,549. Victories included two legs and the final of the New Jersey Sire Stakes, the Harold Dancer Memorial and the Matron Stakes (in a stakes record 1:55.2f).

Three-year-old Chapter Seven earned \$720,392 while winning 5 of 10, including the elimination and final of the Breeders Crown, the Stanley Dancer Memorial, Bluegrass, and Matron Stake elimination.

As a 4-year-old in 2012, Chapter Seven won eight of 10 with two seconds (Maple Leaf Trot, Credit Winner), while recording four sub-1:51 miles. Chapter Seven opened his season with back-to-back world-record miles, winning in 1:50.4 in both the Titan Cup Prep and Titan Cup. He went on to victories in his second Breeders Crown, the Nat Ray (in a world record 1:50.1), Maxie Lee Memorial (setting a stakes record 1:52.1), the Allera and the American-National. Chapter Seven earned \$1,023,025 and was voted 2012 Dan Patch Horse of the Year, Trotter of the Year and Older Trotting Horse of the Year.

As a stallion with five crops racing, Chapter Seven has sired winners of over \$28 million, including 2018 Trotter of the Year, 2018 Dan Patch Three-Year-Old Trotting Filly of the Year and 2019 Dan Patch and O'Brien Older Trotting Mare, world champion Atlanta 4,1:49.1 (\$2,450,203), winner of the 2018 Hambletonian and Kentucky Futurity, 2019 Graduate and 2020 Maple Leaf Trot; and 2018 Dan Patch Two-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the Year, world champion Gimpanzee 4,1:50 (\$2,438,575), winner of the 2018 Breeders Crown, 2019 Breeders Crown and Yonkers Trot, and 2020 Breeders Crown, Hambletonian Maturity and John Cashman Memorial.

FATHER PATRICK

(Nominated as Racehorse)

3,1:50.2f (\$2,558,133) Bay Horse, 2011

(Cantab Hall–Gala Dream–Enjoy Lavec)

Foaled on March 12, 2011 in Versailles, KY, two-time world champion trotter Father Patrick has a lifetime race record of 33-23-6-0.

In 2013, 2-year-old Father Patrick won 10 of his 11 starts with 1 second, earning \$744,057. Victories included the Breeders Crown, William Wellwood and Peter Haughton Memorial. In his Breeders Crown elimination, Father Patrick set the still-standing world record 1:52.1 for 2-year-old trotting colts on a five-eighths mile track. The second-leading two-year-old money-winning standardbred of 2013, he was voted Dan Patch and O'Brien Two-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the Year.

Three-year-old Father Patrick finished on the board in 15 of 17 starts while earning \$1,693,081, the most of any Standardbred in 2014. Major victories included the Breeders Crown in a stakes record 1:51.4, Canadian Trotting Classic, Beal Memorial in a still-standing world record 1:50.2 for three-year-old trotters on a five-eighths mile track, Zweig Memorial, Stanley Dancer Memorial, Pennsylvania Sires Stakes championship and American-National. Father Patrick was voted 2014 Dan Patch Three-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the Year.

In 2015, 4-year-old Father Patrick had one victory in 5 starts – the Maxie Lee.

As a stallion with three crops racing, Father Patrick has sired winners of over \$11.5 million with two millionaires: 2019 Dan Patch Trotter of the Year and Three-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the year Greenshoe 3,1:49.4 (\$1,353,772), winner of the 2019 Kentucky Futurity and Zweig Memorial; and 2019 Breeders Crown and 2020 Kentucky Futurity winner, world champion Amigo Volo 3,1:51 (\$1,206,369).

PEACEFUL WAY

(Nominated as Racemare)

4,1:51.4 (\$2,746,240) Bay Mare, 2001

(Angus Hall–Royal Bait–Royal Prestige)

Foaled on Feb. 27, 2001 in Arva, ON, world champion trotting mare Peaceful Way garnered a career race record of 52-33-3-2 and earnings of \$2,746,240. She retired as the third-leading North American money-winning trotting mare of all time, behind Moni Maker and Peace Corps.

In her 2003 freshman season, Peaceful Way finished on the

board in nine out of 10 starts with eight wins and earnings of \$733,726. Major victories included the Goldsmith Maid, Oakville and Ontario Sire Stakes Super Final. The season's leading two-year-old money-winning trotter, Peaceful Way was voted O'Brien Two-Year-Old Trotting Filly of the Year.

Three-year-old Peaceful Way won 11 of 15 starts with one second and earnings of \$601,762 – second among trotting fillies in 2004. Victories included the Delvin Miller Memorial, Ontario SBOA Trotting Stakes and Ontario Sire Stakes Super Final. Peaceful Way was voted O'Brien Three-Year-Old Trotting Filly of the Year.

As a 4-year-old in 2005, Peaceful Way earned \$660,804, with nine wins in 10 starts. Major victories included the Breeders Crown, Armbro Flight, American-National and Classic Oaks, where she tied the world record 1:51.4 for four-year-old trotting mares on a mile track. Peaceful Way was voted 2005 Dan Patch and O'Brien Older Trotting Mare of the Year.

In 2006, 5-year-old Peaceful Way's victories included the Maple Leaf Trot, Armbro Flight and Matchmaker. In addition to \$709,763 in earnings, she received her second consecutive Dan Patch and O'Brien Older Trotting Mare of the Year Award.

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New Jersey



Meadowlands plays host to King Remembrance Race on Saturday

by Ken Weingartner / USTA media relations manager

The Meadowlands Racetrack will play host to its fourth edition of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Remembrance Race on Saturday (Jan. 16). The 10-horse \$15,000 pace, which features African American drivers, is race No. 2 on the card with a 6:22 p.m. post time.

Among this year's drivers are Montrell Teague, who won the event in 2018 and 2020, and 2019 winner Jim King Solomon.

The race honors the memory of slain civil rights leader King, who was born Jan. 15, 1929.

"This means a lot to me," said Solomon, who has worked with Meadowlands race secretaries Peter Koch and Scott Warren over the years to help organize the event. "To be part of a race like this, to have them put it together, I'm very honored. This is for everyone, for all people.

"Dr. King was a great man who stood for equal rights, not only for Black Americans but for all races where there was injustice. It's an honor to even be a part of keeping his memory alive."

Teague will start the race from post 10 with Rufo. Teague, who turned 30 earlier this month, was harness racing's 2015 Rising Star Award winner. He was the driver of 2015 Horse of the Year and fan favorite Wiggle It Jiggle It and has won 1,602 races in his career.

Solomon, who recently returned to action after ankle surgery, starts Saturday from post two with Duckies Dynasty. Solomon also won an edition of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pace at Monticello Raceway in 2009. He remembers the details.

"It was very cold," Solomon said about the snowy 12-degree day in upstate New York. "I put my horse on the front, backed him down a little bit, and then came on home with him. It was a great thrill."

The remaining eight drivers participating in Saturday's King Remembrance Race are Randy Crisler, Eric Tharps Jr., Orlando Greene, Deshawn Sample, Mark Sheridan, Jamaal Denson, Devon Tharps, and Chad Washington.

Washington finished second in the past two editions of the race. Sheridan finished third in the previous two.

"We've got good drivers, good horses," Solomon said. "This is going to be a very good race."

For complete entries for Saturday's 15-race Meadowlands card, which will be preceded by a [one-hour show](#) announcing the 2020 Dan Patch Awards, click [here](#).



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Ohio

It's Time For Fun brings joy to Wilfongs

by Ken Weingartner / USTA media relations manager

It's Time For Fun has brought plenty of pleasure to the Wilfong family over the years and trainer Brett Wilfong hopes the 6-year-old female pacer will add to the enjoyment in 2021.

Lynn Wilfong, Brett's dad, bred and owns It's Time For Fun, who was an Indiana Sire Stakes champion at age 3. She has earned \$312,395 during her career, winning 17 of 71 races and cashing a paycheck 55 times.

After a brief bout with sickness, It's Time For Fun makes her seasonal debut in tonight's (Jan. 15) \$22,500 open for fillies-and-mares at Miami Valley Raceway. Kyle Wilfong, Brett's son, will be in the sulky, leaving from post five in a field of nine. It's Time For Fun is 8-1 on the morning line. Miss You N is the 3-1 favorite.

"I think if she stays healthy, she could have her best year this year," Brett Wilfong said. "She's going to have to battle the open mares or the class below that all year, but if we can keep her healthy, she can have a good year. She tries hard that last quarter, and that's worth a lot. She has a real good closing kick.

"She's pretty competitive in that top class. If you can go for \$15,000 to \$25,000 every week, you can have a pretty good year."

It's Time For Fun closed last season with five consecutive on-the-board finishes, including one victory. Earlier in the campaign, she finished second in the Indiana Sire Stakes championship for older female pacers.

In 2018, It's Time For Fun won the Indiana Sire Stakes championship at odds of 11-1 with Kyle Wilfong at the lines at Hoosier Park.

"That sure was a nice evening," Brett said. "There are a lot of good memories."

It's Time For Fun is a daughter of Skydancer Hanover out of Irwin's Character. She was limited to six starts at age 2 because of a foot infection, but Brett liked the horse all along.

"We thought she had a lot of potential," Brett said. "She was



Dean Gillette

It's Time For Fun makes her seasonal debut in tonight's (Jan. 15) \$22,500 open for fillies-and-mares at Miami Valley Raceway.

a beautiful animal. She could pace free-legged, didn't really need the hobbles too much. She just had an effortless gait. Once she got over her foot infection, she had a lot more opportunity to show what she really was."

The Wilfongs owned It's Time For Fun's sire and dam. The family, which has farms in Indiana and Illinois, has bred hundreds of horses over the years.

"It's very family oriented," Brett said about the family's involvement in harness racing. "Everyone is active, everyone enjoys the races, enjoys the horses. My mom (Barbara) and dad enjoy watching the races and they raise the yearlings and take care of some of the broodmares. Dad needs to be occupied. When you've been a self-employed horseperson your whole life it's hard to sit down and not do anything."

Lynn Wilfong was inducted into the Indiana Standardbred Hall of Fame last year. In addition to breeding and racing, he helped lobby for pari-mutuel racing in Indiana and spent a dozen years as president of the Indiana Trotting & Pacing Association. In 1993, he received the very first Breeders Award given by the Standardbred Owners and Breeders of Indiana, now known as the Indiana Standardbred Association.

"It's a night we won't forget," Brett said. "My dad and uncle Ralph were part of the grassroots effort in Indiana to get pari-mutuel betting passed in the state legislature. My dad has a lot of ties other than owning a lot of horses over the years. I know my dad was very proud of it. It was pretty special for our whole family.

"We have a lot of good memories."

With It's Time For Fun aiming to create more.

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ALL NORTH AMERICAN TRACKS - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - All Tracks

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Michael Merton	42	14	33%	4	0	18	43%
Gerald Longo	13	4	31%	4	0	8	62%
Trace Tetrick	93	28	30%	7	12	47	51%
Adam Merner	30	9	30%	3	4	16	53%
Walter Hennessey	74	21	28%	15	6	42	57%
Brent Holland	18	5	28%	3	4	12	67%
David Miller	60	16	27%	13	9	38	63%
Barton Dalious	11	3	27%	0	1	4	36%
Thomas Jackson	24	6	25%	1	0	7	29%
Nick Roland	50	12	24%	5	6	23	46%

Who's Hot - All Tracks

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Candace Brandstatter	11	9	82%	1	0	10	91%
William Mackenzie	6	4	67%	0	0	4	67%
Richard Norman	8	5	63%	1	0	6	75%
Melanie Wrenn	8	5	63%	1	0	6	75%
Stacy Chiodo	5	3	60%	1	0	4	80%
Don Ray	5	3	60%	1	0	4	80%
Mark Goldberg	6	3	50%	1	0	4	67%
Scott George	22	10	45%	2	4	16	73%
Julie Miller	7	3	43%	0	0	3	43%
Ethan Sisco	7	3	43%	1	0	4	57%

Who's Not - All Tracks

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Eric Abbatiello	63	0	0%	5	7	12	19%
Thomas Tharps Jr	28	0	0%	0	1	1	4%
Mark Macdonald	27	0	0%	0	2	2	7%
Nick Clegg	21	0	0%	2	4	6	29%
Shane Taggart	20	0	0%	4	4	8	40%
Blaine Chappell	20	0	0%	2	1	3	15%
Samuel Schillaci	19	0	0%	2	1	3	16%
Brett Macdonald	19	0	0%	1	3	4	21%
Simon Allard	18	0	0%	3	3	6	33%
Myles Heffernan	18	0	0%	3	1	4	22%

Who's Not - All Tracks

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Marion Chupp	23	0	0%	3	5	8	35%
Jeffrey Cullipher	23	0	0%	7	1	8	35%
Robert Corbin	16	0	0%	2	2	4	25%
Philippe Belanger	15	0	0%	1	2	3	20%
James Doherty Jr	14	0	0%	2	1	3	21%
Jeffrey Smith	13	0	0%	0	4	4	31%
Ray Baynes	13	0	0%	2	1	3	23%
Thomas Tharps Jr	12	0	0%	0	1	1	8%
Robert Harmon	12	0	0%	1	0	1	8%
Thomas Hall	12	0	0%	3	0	3	25%

CAL-EXPO - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - Cal-Expo

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
James Kennedy	53	15	28%	10	5	30	57%
Jacob Cutting	108	27	25%	21	14	62	57%
Nick Roland	112	20	18%	12	16	48	43%
Luke Plano	116	18	16%	20	22	60	52%
James Lackey	37	6	16%	1	9	16	43%
Gerald Longo	34	4	12%	5	0	9	26%
Cordarius Stewart	73	8	11%	2	7	17	23%
Lemoyne Svendsen	107	11	10%	17	12	40	37%
Edward Long	12	1	8%	2	1	4	33%
Doug Chappell	82	6	7%	14	10	30	37%

Who's Hot - Cal-Expo

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
James Lackey	7	4	57%	0	1	5	71%
Jacob Cutting	30	12	40%	2	5	19	63%
Jennifer Sabot	7	2	29%	0	2	4	57%
Earl Kennedy	18	5	28%	3	1	9	50%
Nathalie Tremblay	40	8	20%	4	5	17	43%
Robert Johnson	35	7	20%	4	2	13	37%
James Kennedy	10	2	20%	3	1	6	60%
Luke Plano	36	7	19%	4	8	19	53%
Gerald Longo	29	5	17%	5	2	12	41%
Richard Bertrand	80	13	16%	7	8	28	35%

Who's Not - Cal-Expo

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Anthony Succarotte	38	0	0%	2	4	6	16%
Kevin Anderson	27	0	0%	2	2	4	15%
Carl Sibiga	10	0	0%	2	2	4	40%
Blaine Chappell	54	1	2%	3	3	7	13%
John Chappell	47	1	2%	3	9	13	28%
Tim Clevenger	24	1	4%	2	0	3	13%
Phillip Knox	43	2	5%	4	6	12	28%
Doug Chappell	82	6	7%	14	10	30	37%
Edward Long	12	1	8%	2	1	4	33%
Lemoyne Svendsen	107	11	10%	17	12	40	37%

Who's Not - Cal-Expo

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
John Chappell	16	0	0%	3	4	7	44%
Kevin Anderson	15	0	0%	1	1	2	13%
Jenna Cornellison	14	0	0%	4	0	4	29%
Carl Sibiga	10	0	0%	2	2	4	40%
Harold Herrera	8	0	0%	1	0	1	13%
Albert Sleva Jr	7	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Greig Watson	7	0	0%	2	0	2	29%
Darren Poloway	6	0	0%	2	1	3	50%
Anthony Succarotte	5	0	0%	0	1	1	20%
Pierre Girard	5	0	0%	1	2	3	60%

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DOVER DOWNS - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - Dover Downs

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Tim Tetrick	111	23	21%	20	13	56	50%
Barton Dalious	14	3	21%	1	1	5	36%
Andrew McCarthy	11	2	18%	2	1	5	45%
Victor Kirby	53	9	17%	5	6	20	38%
Corey Callahan	90	14	16%	14	13	41	46%
Anthony Morgan	86	13	15%	9	6	28	33%
Montrell Teague	71	11	15%	9	10	30	42%
Michael Cole	65	10	15%	6	11	27	42%
Dexter Dunn	52	7	13%	10	5	22	42%
George Dennis	16	2	13%	2	4	8	50%

Who's Hot - Dover Downs

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Greg Haverstick	5	2	40%	0	1	3	60%
Scott Di Domenico	11	4	36%	2	0	6	55%
William Dalious	6	2	33%	1	0	3	50%
Brenda Teague	6	2	33%	1	0	3	50%
Clyde Francis	6	2	33%	1	0	3	50%
Willard Reynolds	6	2	33%	0	1	3	50%
Justin Breneman	6	2	33%	0	1	3	50%
Arthur Stafford Jr	7	2	29%	1	1	4	57%
Victor Kirby	15	4	27%	3	1	8	53%
Bryan Truitt	11	3	27%	1	0	4	36%

Who's Not - Dover Downs

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Roger Plante Jr	12	0	0%	2	1	3	25%
Russell Foster	70	3	4%	11	7	21	30%
Ross Wolfenden	33	2	6%	3	3	8	24%
James Porter	12	1	8%	1	2	4	33%
Patrick Berry	86	8	9%	4	8	20	23%
Bret Brittingham	11	1	9%	1	2	4	36%
Arthur Stafford Jr	86	9	10%	7	22	38	44%
Jonathan Roberts	20	2	10%	0	4	6	30%
Allan Davis	98	11	11%	17	12	40	41%
Dexter Dunn	52	7	13%	10	5	22	42%

Who's Not - Dover Downs

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Jeffrey Stafford	10	0	0%	2	3	5	50%
Brooks Gray	10	0	0%	1	1	2	20%
Kathleen Brewer	9	0	0%	0	1	1	11%
Richard Ringer	8	0	0%	0	3	3	38%
Robert Shahan	8	0	0%	1	2	3	38%
Eric Foster	6	0	0%	1	0	1	17%
Ronald Millman	6	0	0%	1	0	1	17%
Brenda Bramble	6	0	0%	1	1	2	33%
Alexander Rice Jr	6	0	0%	1	0	1	17%
Mark Gray	6	0	0%	0	0	0	0%

FREEHOLD - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - Freehold

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Daniel Dube	46	13	28%	2	6	21	46%
Austin Siegelman	107	24	22%	13	16	53	50%
James Marohn Jr	80	14	18%	15	11	40	50%
Jack Pelling	54	9	17%	4	7	20	37%
George Brennan	42	7	17%	11	7	25	60%
James Marshall Iii	25	4	16%	3	2	9	36%
Stephen Smith	79	10	13%	14	8	32	41%
Eric Abbatiello	98	11	11%	10	11	32	33%
Luke Hanners	87	8	9%	7	8	23	26%
Shaun Vallee	11	1	9%	0	2	3	27%

Who's Hot - Freehold

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
William Mackenzie	6	4	67%	0	0	4	67%
David Wiskow	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Randolph Taft	8	3	38%	0	0	3	38%
John Wyatt	12	4	33%	1	0	5	42%
Vincent Stallworth	6	2	33%	0	1	3	50%
Tom Shay	7	2	29%	2	1	5	71%
Julie Miller	7	2	29%	1	1	4	57%
Michael Posner	15	4	27%	0	1	5	33%
Williams Hernandez	11	3	27%	4	0	7	64%
John Bavosi	8	2	25%	0	1	3	38%

Who's Not - Freehold

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Ray Baynes	14	0	0%	2	1	3	21%
Chase Vandervort	12	0	0%	2	2	4	33%
James Marshall Iv	11	0	0%	1	2	3	27%
Leon Bailey	10	0	0%	2	0	2	20%
Patrick Lachance	10	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Tyler Miller	66	5	8%	5	12	22	33%
Vincent Ginsburg	26	2	8%	2	3	7	27%
Joseph Bongiorno	24	2	8%	8	2	12	50%
Luke Hanners	87	8	9%	7	8	23	26%
Shaun Vallee	11	1	9%	0	2	3	27%

Who's Not - Freehold

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Ray Baynes	14	0	0%	2	1	3	21%
Laurie Molnar	14	0	0%	0	3	3	21%
Danielle Dacruz	11	0	0%	3	2	5	45%
William Mann	9	0	0%	1	3	4	44%
Joseph Eisenhower Sr	9	0	0%	0	1	1	11%
Edward Sager	8	0	0%	1	1	2	25%
John Novello	8	0	0%	1	3	4	50%
Mark Infante	7	0	0%	0	2	2	29%
Mark Ford	6	0	0%	1	1	2	33%
Doreen Dailey	6	0	0%	2	1	3	50%

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MEADOWLANDS - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - The Meadowlands

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Dexter Dunn	129	24	19%	14	12	50	39%
Todd McCarthy	119	21	18%	13	10	44	37%
David Miller	103	18	17%	21	13	52	50%
Yannick Gingras	89	12	13%	16	14	42	47%
George Napolitano Jr	80	9	11%	7	8	24	30%
Joseph Bongiorno	31	3	10%	3	5	11	35%
Andrew McCarthy	106	10	9%	20	15	45	42%
Marcus Miller	57	5	9%	2	3	10	18%
Simon Allard	56	5	9%	5	5	15	27%
Andy Miller	44	4	9%	2	4	10	23%

Who's Hot - The Meadowlands

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Julie Miller	5	3	60%	0	1	4	80%
Stacy Chiodo	7	4	57%	1	1	6	86%
Richard Norman	15	7	47%	2	1	10	67%
Raymond Vizzi	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Israel Estrada	9	3	33%	0	2	5	56%
Brett Pelling	6	2	33%	0	0	2	33%
Edwin Quevedo	19	5	26%	0	4	9	47%
Vincent Stallworth	20	5	25%	2	1	8	40%
Janice Connor	8	2	25%	0	1	3	38%
Tony Alagna	13	3	23%	3	3	9	69%

Who's Not - The Meadowlands

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Jason Bartlett	35	0	0%	1	1	2	6%
Eric Abbatiello	13	0	0%	0	1	1	8%
Vincent Ginsburg	10	0	0%	0	3	3	30%
Billy Dobson	23	1	4%	2	5	8	35%
Mark Macdonald	61	3	5%	2	7	12	20%
Alek Chartrand	18	1	6%	1	2	4	22%
Anthony Napolitano	41	3	7%	5	4	12	29%
Corey Callahan	78	6	8%	4	9	19	24%
Scott Zeron	71	6	8%	9	7	22	31%
Tyler Buter	12	1	8%	1	0	2	17%

Who's Not - The Meadowlands

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Mark Ford	15	0	0%	2	1	3	20%
Steven Brabrook	15	0	0%	2	2	4	27%
Monica Krist	14	0	0%	2	5	7	50%
Gary Levine	13	0	0%	0	1	1	8%
Michael Posner	12	0	0%	1	1	2	17%
Edward Sager	12	0	0%	1	2	3	25%
Amanda Kelley	12	0	0%	1	3	4	33%
Ricky Bucci	10	0	0%	2	0	2	20%
Shaun Vallee	8	0	0%	2	0	2	25%
Marissa Chadbourne	8	0	0%	0	0	0	0%

THE MEADOWS - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - The Meadows

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Ronnie Wrenn Jr	24	6	25%	5	2	13	54%
Tony Hall	121	28	23%	18	14	60	50%
David Palone	109	20	18%	23	10	53	49%
Dan Rawlings	116	18	16%	20	20	58	50%
Bryce Brocklehurst	25	4	16%	3	3	10	40%
Daniel Charlino	50	6	12%	2	6	14	28%
Brady Brown	108	11	10%	8	16	35	32%
Aaron Merriman	88	7	8%	10	10	27	31%
Ridge Warren	75	6	8%	5	2	13	17%
Christopher Shaw	101	7	7%	13	9	29	29%

Who's Hot - The Meadows

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Wm Buxton	5	4	80%	1	0	5	100%
Nathan Bresnahan	8	3	38%	0	1	4	50%
Michael Brocklehurst	10	3	30%	2	3	8	80%
Todd Keith	7	2	29%	0	1	3	43%
Scott Betts	29	8	28%	5	2	15	52%
Marcus Marashian	15	4	27%	4	1	9	60%
Mark Goldberg	15	4	27%	2	1	7	47%
Ronald Burke	67	17	25%	11	6	34	51%
Norm Parker	9	2	22%	1	1	4	44%
Jimmy Smith	9	2	22%	1	2	5	56%

Who's Not - The Meadows

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Wilbur Yoder	27	0	0%	4	6	10	37%
James Pantaleano	79	4	5%	10	10	24	30%
Jeremy Indof	37	2	5%	1	3	6	16%
Brian Zendt	54	3	6%	2	6	11	20%
Hunter Myers	17	1	6%	0	2	3	18%
Christopher Shaw	101	7	7%	13	9	29	29%
Aaron Merriman	88	7	8%	10	10	27	31%
Ridge Warren	75	6	8%	5	2	13	17%
Brady Brown	108	11	10%	8	16	35	32%
Daniel Charlino	50	6	12%	2	6	14	28%

Who's Not - The Meadows

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Wilbur Yoder	15	0	0%	4	3	7	47%
Peter Stratton	14	0	0%	3	1	4	29%
Justin Pirillo	13	0	0%	2	1	3	23%
Daniel Walski	12	0	0%	1	0	1	8%
Roger Hammer	11	0	0%	0	1	1	9%
William Daugherty Jr	11	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Dana Kahrig	11	0	0%	1	1	2	18%
William Provost	10	0	0%	0	2	2	20%
David Zito	9	0	0%	1	1	2	22%
Steven Bush	9	0	0%	0	1	1	11%

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MONTICELLO - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - Monticello

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Michael Merton	74	23	31%	6	4	33	45%
Gregory Merton	69	17	25%	13	8	38	55%
Justin Huckabone	11	2	18%	1	3	6	55%
Michael Miller	12	2	17%	1	2	5	42%
James Devaux	87	13	15%	18	13	44	51%
Bruce Aldrich Jr	90	13	14%	9	12	34	38%
Jim Taggart Jr	93	10	11%	17	14	41	44%
Kyle Dibenedetto	53	6	11%	4	8	18	34%
Cory Stratton	86	8	9%	13	9	30	35%
Renaldo Morales Ili	73	6	8%	7	12	25	34%

Who's Hot - Monticello

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Candace Brandstatter	16	10	63%	3	0	13	81%
Matthew Adamczyk	5	3	60%	0	0	3	60%
Ashley Eldred	5	2	40%	1	0	3	60%
Andrew Adamczyk	13	5	38%	4	1	10	77%
Robert Harmon	8	3	38%	1	0	4	50%
Christopher Petrelli	11	4	36%	3	2	9	82%
Gregory Decker	9	3	33%	0	0	3	33%
Mark Ford	6	2	33%	3	1	6	100%
Sheena McElhiney	6	2	33%	1	1	4	67%
Al Annunziata	11	3	27%	3	1	7	64%

Who's Not - Monticello

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Shane Taggart	31	0	0%	4	5	9	29%
Rocco Vinci	11	0	0%	0	1	1	9%
John De Simone Jr	14	1	7%	3	1	5	36%
Renaldo Morales Ili	73	6	8%	7	12	25	34%
McGwire Sowers	50	4	8%	4	9	17	34%
Jay Randall	12	1	8%	3	2	6	50%
Cory Stratton	86	8	9%	13	9	30	35%
Jim Taggart Jr	93	10	11%	17	14	41	44%
Kyle Dibenedetto	53	6	11%	4	8	18	34%
Bruce Aldrich Jr	90	13	14%	9	12	34	38%

Who's Not - Monticello

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Murray Bassen	15	0	0%	0	1	1	7%
Shane Taggart	15	0	0%	3	3	6	40%
Anthony Regina	12	0	0%	2	2	4	33%
Steven Moore	8	0	0%	1	2	3	38%
Mike Doherty	7	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Joseph Moeykens	6	0	0%	0	1	1	17%
Wendy Chellis	6	0	0%	1	0	1	17%
Rocco Vinci	6	0	0%	0	1	1	17%
Timothy Miller Jr	6	0	0%	1	1	2	33%
Frank Yanoti	5	0	0%	2	0	2	40%

NORTHFIELD PARK - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - Northfield Park

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Aaron Merriman	123	33	27%	25	14	72	59%
Chris Page	28	5	18%	6	3	14	50%
Kurt Sugg	105	17	16%	11	15	43	41%
Luke Ebersole	51	8	16%	5	7	20	39%
Donald Irvine Jr	40	5	13%	1	6	12	30%
Samuel Widger	15	2	13%	3	0	5	33%
Greg Grismore	114	14	12%	18	9	41	36%
Ryan Stahl	127	14	11%	16	12	42	33%
Patrick Beeler	18	2	11%	1	1	4	22%
Christopher Lems	134	14	10%	18	17	49	37%

Who's Hot - Northfield Park

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Don Ray	5	3	60%	1	0	4	80%
Spencer Kahrig	6	3	50%	1	0	4	67%
Timothy Roach	5	2	40%	0	1	3	60%
Ethan Sisco	8	3	38%	2	0	5	63%
Jessica Roegner	23	8	35%	3	3	14	61%
Luke Ebersole	12	4	33%	0	2	6	50%
Henry Beachy	6	2	33%	1	0	3	50%
Johnny Yoder	6	2	33%	2	0	4	67%
Lloyd Mansfield	6	2	33%	1	1	4	67%
Mervin Schmucker	10	3	30%	2	0	5	50%

Who's Not - Northfield Park

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Thomas Tharps Jr	30	0	0%	0	1	1	3%
Brett Macdonald	19	0	0%	1	3	4	21%
Tony Hall	10	0	0%	3	1	4	40%
Justin Irvine	25	1	4%	2	2	5	20%
Hunter Myers	56	3	5%	7	6	16	29%
Nick Clegg	21	1	5%	2	4	7	33%
Keith Kash Jr	78	6	8%	14	15	35	45%
Jason Thompson	63	5	8%	3	10	18	29%
Samuel Schillaci	23	2	9%	2	2	6	26%
Christopher Lems	134	14	10%	18	17	49	37%

Who's Not - Northfield Park

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Marion Chupp	26	0	0%	5	5	10	38%
Thomas Hall	17	0	0%	4	0	4	24%
Thomas Tharps Jr	13	0	0%	0	1	1	8%
Lonnie Graber	13	0	0%	2	1	3	23%
Christopher Allen	12	0	0%	1	3	4	33%
Gerald Sarama	12	0	0%	0	1	1	8%
Sue Stockwell	10	0	0%	3	0	3	30%
Bart Stimer	9	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Jason Seymour	8	0	0%	1	0	1	13%
Gregory Bateson	8	0	0%	0	1	1	13%

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POMPANO PARK - WHO'S HOT & WHO'S NOT

Who's Hot - Pompano Park

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
David Miller	21	8	38%	0	6	14	67%
Walter Hennessey	74	21	28%	15	6	42	57%
Thomas Jackson	24	6	25%	1	0	7	29%
Andy Shetler	32	5	16%	8	6	19	59%
Richard Plano	47	7	15%	9	8	24	51%
Kevin Wallis	49	7	14%	10	7	24	49%
Kenneth Holliday	14	2	14%	3	1	6	43%
Bryce Fenn	15	2	13%	1	1	4	27%
Michael Simons	59	7	12%	1	8	16	27%
Richard Macomber Jr	27	3	11%	3	4	10	37%

Who's Hot - Pompano Park

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Melanie Wrenn	5	4	80%	0	0	4	80%
Melissa Beckwith	33	13	39%	4	2	19	58%
Peter Blood	9	3	33%	1	1	5	56%
Devan Miller	7	2	29%	1	2	5	71%
Michael Simons	16	4	25%	0	1	5	31%
Jamie Macomber	8	2	25%	1	1	4	50%
George Anthrop	9	2	22%	2	1	5	56%
Andy Shetler	9	2	22%	2	2	6	67%
Jason Merriman	19	4	21%	2	0	6	32%
Joseph Chindano Jr	14	3	21%	5	3	11	79%

Who's Not - Pompano Park

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Andrew Santeramo	17	0	0%	4	3	7	41%
Braxton Boyd	15	0	0%	3	1	4	27%
Fernand Paquet Jr	27	1	4%	4	4	9	33%
Tyler Shehan	21	1	5%	1	2	4	19%
Denny Bucceri	21	1	5%	2	1	4	19%
Corey Braden	20	1	5%	3	2	6	30%
James Meitinis	15	1	7%	0	3	4	27%
Joseph Chindano Jr	44	4	9%	8	7	19	43%
John Macdonald	32	3	9%	1	6	10	31%
David Ingraham	41	4	10%	3	3	10	24%

Who's Not - Pompano Park

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Jennifer Sansone	10	0	0%	2	1	3	30%
Casandra Uppal	8	0	0%	1	1	2	25%
Mitchell Walker	8	0	0%	1	1	2	25%
Stacey McLenaghan	8	0	0%	3	1	4	50%
Andrew Santeramo	7	0	0%	2	2	4	57%
Donna Riedel	7	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Lawrence Cooper	7	0	0%	0	1	1	14%
Margaret Audley	7	0	0%	0	1	1	14%
Fannie Saul-Beaulieu	7	0	0%	1	1	2	29%
Brandy Wine	7	0	0%	1	1	2	29%

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Virgil Morgan, Jr. elected to Ohio Hall of Fame

Virgil Morgan, Jr., arguably the greatest trainer in Ohio history, has been elected as the 47th member of the Ohio Harness Racing Hall of Fame by a vote of the members of the Ohio Chapter of the United States Harness Writers Association.

Morgan, 55, was the first conditioner to win 5,000 races and has



Mark Hall / USTA

Trainer Virgil Morgan, Jr.

now won more than 6,700 races and \$60 million in earnings. He has career Universal Training Rating of .350 and has won the training title at Eldorado Scioto Downs for an astonishing 26 straight years.

He was introduced to the sport of harness racing through his uncle, Emory Lewis, and his father, Virgil Morgan, Sr. He bought his first horse at the age of 17 and later started working for trainer Randy Owens before striking out on his own in the late 1980s.

He has trained some tremendous performers including Mister Big, Pet Rock, Allamerican Captor, Action Broadway and this year's Ohio divisional champion's Street Gossip and Action Uncle.

He has won six Jerry Kaltenbach Memorial Trophies. This award is given annually to the trainer who has earned the most dollars competing in Ohio Sires Stakes. He trained 22 Ohio Sire Stakes champions.

Despite his past success, Morgan also has his eye on the future of the sport. His daughter, Kiara, is an aspiring driver and his son, Tre, is an owner. In the spring of 2018, Morgan opened the Winner Circle Training Center, the state's premier harness facility.

Morgan will be honored at the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association's virtual banquet on Saturday (Jan. 16). A more formal ceremony will occur during Scioto Downs' 2021 meet.

— Jay Wolf

2020 OHHA Terry Holton Youth Award presented to Noah Kenneth Newman

Noah Kenneth Newman of Streetsboro, OH has been named the recipient of the 2020 Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association Terry Holton Youth Award.

Newman, a sophomore at Streetsboro High School, has taken advantage of his opportunity to work with his family's horses in 2020. When Covid-19 shut down schools and high school athletics, Newman began helping at the barn.

"He would wake up at 5:30 and begin work at the barn," said his grandmother Melinda Bailey. "His dad thought he would waver, but during the year he only became more determined."

Newman has been jogging horses since he was 10 and he is enjoying the experience of working with his dad and grandfather. "I enjoy being out of the house and working with the horses," said Newman. "I like training horses and getting more experience."

Newman said he is not sure about his future but knows horses will be a part of it. "I know I would like to drive at some point in the future."

In addition to working with the horses, Newman is active in other sports including baseball, football, and golf.

The award, in its 20th year, is named for Terry Holton, a 2005 inductee into the Ohio Harness Racing Hall of Fame. Holton of Newark, OH, was the winner of over 1,700 races in his career. He

overcame many obstacles in his life, the biggest may have been overcoming pancreatic cancer.

The Terry Holton Youth Award is awarded to a youth between the ages of 13 and 19 who has actively participated in harness racing during 2020 as a driver, trainer, groom, breeder, race office/publicity assistant, track maintenance crew or has provided outstanding service to harness racing.

– *Frank Fraas / OHHA*

Warrawee Vital to stand stud in Ontario

The connections of multiple Grand Circuit stakes winner Warrawee Vital (p,3, 1:47.1; \$246,428) are pleased to announce that he will be standing stud privately in Ontario for the upcoming 2021 breeding season.

Limited bookings are now available to breed to Warrawee Vital, the fastest-ever offspring of champion racehorse and leading stallion Captaintreacherous, for an introductory fee of \$5,000.

Out of one of the most prolific broodmares in racing, Great Memories, Vital is a half-brother to both world champion Warrawee Ubeaut (p,2, 1:48.3; \$1.9 million), the co-fastest 2-year-old in the history of the sport, and former world champion Warrawee Needy (p,4, 1:46.4; \$1.2 million).

The Rob Fellows-trained Warrawee Vital will pull double duty in 2021 by returning to the racetrack for his 4-year-old season along with standing stud.

Warrawee Vital burst onto the Grand Circuit scene in late summer of 2020, posting dominant victories in the Simcoe Stakes and Somebeachsomewhere at Woodbine Mohawk Park – the latter over Little Brown Jug winner Captain Barbosa. Travelling to the U.S. afterwards, he took a career-best 1:47.1 victory in the Bluegrass Stakes at The Red Mile – matching Tall Dark Stranger and Papi Rob Hanover for the second fastest North American mile by a 3-year-old in 2020.

In two consecutive starts to follow, Warrawee vital finished a close second to probable Horse of the Year Tall Dark Stranger in the Tattersalls and their Breeders Crown elimination, pacing his final quarters in those races in :26.1 and :25.2, respectively.

Warrawee Vital posted seven wins and four runner-up finishes in 14 starts as a 3-year-old, with more than half of his wins recorded in 1:49.1 or better. Career-wise he has earned \$246,428 in just 16 starts for owners Blair Corbeil, Yolanda Fellows and M&S Racing Stable.

All inquiries can be directed to Rob and Yolanda Fellows : warraweevital@gmail.com / 519-993-1088 or Blair Corbeil: 780-916-7265.

– *Standardbred Canada*

Ohio chapter of USHWA selects award winners

The Ohio Chapter of the United States Harness Writers Association (USHWA) has selected its 2020 award winners.

The Ohio Chapter will honor Louise and Jay Weller as the recipients of the Winner's Circle Award for the Ohioan who has achieved outstanding accomplishments in the past year; Chris Presley as the Peter Haughton Memorial Award winner as the young Ohioan who is an "up-and-coming" star among harness horsemen; Jim Dailey into the Immortal Hall of Fame; Dancin Yankee into the Standardbred Hall of Fame; and Kurt Sugg as the winner of the Rambling Willie Award for the Ohioan who has done the most for harness racing over the past two decades.

The Wellers were the owners of Designer Specs, the 2-year-old filly trotter who completed her freshman season a perfect 14-for-14 and was the winningest 2-year-old in all of North America. The daughter of Full Count concluded her season with a gutsy victory in the \$40,000 Ohio Fair Championship at MGM Northfield Park in a lifetime best 1:57.4.

Presley is a 25-year-old native of Michigan and resident of Heath, OH. He is enjoying a great year with 76 driving wins and seasonal earnings approaching \$600 thousand in purse money. Presley currently sits just outside the top 10 in the Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway driver's standings.

As a driver, James "Bill" Dailey made 2,301 trips into the winner's circle. He trained multiple Ohio Triple Crown winners and numerous Ohio and Indiana Sire Stake champions. He conditioned at least 1,200 winners and in excess of \$12.3 million in earnings. He was awarded the Jerry Kaltenbach Memorial Award as the OSS's top trainer on three occasions. Dailey passed away suddenly in 2018 at the age of 57.

Dancin Yankee is a double world champion and a three-time Ohio 'Older Pacer of the Year.' The son of Yankee Cruiser recorded 80 career wins and over \$2 million in earnings. Dancin Yankee had several ownership groups and is currently owned by Burke Racing Stable, Weaver Brussemi, Melissa Patterson and Larry Karr. Next spring Dancin Yankee will stand his first season at stud at Cool Winds Farm.

Driver/trainer Kurt Sugg was born into a harness racing family – the son of Hall of Fame trainer Ivan Sugg and Patty Sugg. A veteran of 34 years, Sugg has won more than 4,600 events as a driver and has over 1,000 victories as a conditioner. His career earnings are more than \$26 million. He has been supportive of all levels of Ohio racing. Sugg will finish 2020 with more than 375 driving wins and \$2.9 million, both are career highs, despite missing a significant amount of time due to the COVID shutdown.

The award winners will be honored at the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association's virtual banquet on Saturday (Jan. 16).

– *Jay Wolf*

Governor signs Dancer legislation allowing employees to live on horse farms

Home is where the horse is— at least that's the case in New Jersey after Gov. Phil Murphy signed Assemblyman Ron Dancer's bill permitting full-time, year-round farm employees to reside on premises where horses are boarded.

"Groomers, trainers and other full-time farm employees often need extended access to the horses they care for," said Dancer (R-Ocean). "Permitting them to live on the premises will allow them to fully perform their duties and take better care of these animals."

The legislation (A2768/S1245) amends the Right to Farm Act to allow housing for equine-related farm employees as long as it is in a separate area or level from the horses, has its own ventilation system and meets all uniform construction code standards, including fire ratings. The Right to Farm Act protects responsible commercial farms from public and private nuisance actions and unduly restrictive municipal regulations.

"Taking care of a horse is one of the most demanding and worthwhile jobs one could do," said Dancer. "The horse industry is important to New Jersey's economy, providing over 13,000 jobs, as well as to our environment with more than 7,200 horse farms providing 176,000 acres of green pasture land and open space."

New Jersey has more horses per capita than any other state in the nation. Horses are so important to the state's economy, history and culture that they are designated the state animal.

— *Margo Riser*

Merry Ann named 2020 Ohio 2-Year-Old Trotting Filly of the Year

After finishing second in her first two career starts, Merry Ann reeled off five straight wins on the way to being named the Ohio 2-Year-Old Trotting Filly of the Year.

Merry Ann, the daughter of Southwind Spirit out of Witty Girl, won three legs of the Ohio Sire Stakes for 2-Year-Old filly trotters as well as the \$300,000 final. She finished the season winning five of eight races with two second-place finishes and earned \$245,200.

Merry Ann is trained by Ron Burke and owned by the Burke Racing Stable, Knox Services and Weaver Brussemi. She was bred by Knox Services.

"She had a great year, she's got that grit to her," said Chris Page who was in the bike for all eight of Merry Ann's races. "What I really liked was her look. She had the size and good gait. She was definitely a little headstrong." Page said Merry Ann has the versatility to win from the front, first up, or from the back and she showed it all year long.

Merry Ann will be honored during the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association's virtual award show on Saturday (Jan. 16). The awards

show is scheduled to air on the OHHA YouTube channel at 7 p.m.

— *Frank Fraas / OHHA*

Entries closing soon for Blooded Horse Winter Sale

Entries for the Blooded Horse Winter Sale will close at 5 p.m. Monday (Jan. 18). The one-day sale takes place on Tues, Feb. 9 at the Champions Center in Springfield, OH. Take a break and join horsemen from 27 states and Canada as they converge at this 58th annual event to replenish their racehorses, look for young prospects, pick up broodmares, and sort through yearlings. Visit www.bloodedhorse.com to enter or to order a catalogue.

— *Dot Morgan*

Action Uncle named 2020 Ohio 3-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the Year

Action Uncle picked up in 2020 where he left off, winning nine races on the way to being named the Ohio 3-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the Year.

Action Uncle, the son of Uncle Peter out of Action Broadway, started 10 times in 2020, winning nine and finishing second once. He earned \$351,960 for trainer Virgil Morgan Jr. and owners Carl Howard, Joyce McClelland, and Larry Wills.

In 16 career starts, Action Uncle has 12 wins, three second-place finishes and one third-place with earnings of \$577,535.

It is the second straight year that Action Uncle has won the year-end award as the top trotter in his division. Last year, he was named the 2019 Ohio 2-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the Year.

An Ohio Triple Crown winner in 2020, Action Uncle set a world record in the Ohio Breeders Championship on the Delaware County Fairgrounds half-mile track tripping the wire in 1:52.4.

"It's a thrill to train him," said Morgan. "He is a special horse, arguably the best trotter I have ever trained, and I have trained some very nice trotters including his mom."

Action Uncle will be honored during the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association's virtual award show on Saturday (Jan. 16). The awards show is scheduled to air on the OHHA YouTube channel at 7 p.m.

— *Frank Fraas / OHHA*

OHHA adds three stallions to P.A.C.E.R Stallion Auction

The Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association (OHHA) has added three stallions to the Stallion Auction to benefit P.A.C.E.R. (Political Action Committee for Equine Racing). Catch The Fire, Lather Up and Well Said join the list of 22 stallions up for bid. The three additions stand at Sugar Valley Farm in Delaware, OH.

P.A.C.E.R. helps the OHHA to support candidates and initiatives that impact Ohio harness racing.

Online bidding is available until Saturday (Jan. 16) at 5 p.m. For information on how to bid visit <https://hoofbid.com/OHHA>.

Bidders can create an account in the HoofBid app. Phone bidding will also be accepted on the final day of the auction beginning at 1:00 PM EST.

The online bidding time for each stallion auto-extend in one-minute increments until the bidding activity stops for one full minute.

All contracts are subject to P.A.C.E.R. and farm approval and are not transferable to another mare or individual without the consent of both.

P.A.C.E.R. helps the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association to support legislative quests for expanding gaming and other issues that could positively impact Ohio harness racing.

— **Frank Fraas / OHHA**

Harrah's Hoosier Park seeks track announcer

Harrah's Hoosier Park Racing & Casino announced this week that they are seeking an experienced track announcer for the upcoming harness racing season.

The track announcer position has potential to be a full-time, salaried position with benefits or be tailored to a per diem schedule. Track announcer experience in harness racing is required.

Interested and qualified candidates should send resumes and audio examples directly to vice president and general manager of racing Rick Moore at rmoore9@caesars.com.

Harrah's Hoosier Park's 28th season of live racing will begin on Friday, March 26 and extend through Saturday, Dec. 4. With a daily post time of 6:30 p.m., Harrah's Hoosier park will offer 160 days of racing and bring back Sunday live racing cards.

Beginning on March 26, racing will be held on a Wednesday through Saturday schedule through mid-May before adding Sunday evenings. The full schedule continues through September before dropping back down to a Wednesday through Saturday schedule through Dec. 4. For the first time ever, Harrah's Hoosier Park will also offer live racing on both the night before Thanksgiving and Thanksgiving night.

More information about Harrah's Hoosier Park Racing & Casino can be found at www.harrahshoosierpark.com.

— **Kiersten Flint / Harrah's Hoosier Park VP of marketing**

Penpaperpaige Named 2020 Ohio 3-Year-Old Pacing Filly of the Year

Penpaperpaige had a September to remember, winning the Ohio Sires Stakes Final and the Ohio Breeders Championship on her way to being named the 2020 Ohio 3-Year-Old Pacing Filly of the Year.

Penpaperpaige, the daughter of Pet Rock out of Park Lane Paige won four of her 12 starts, hitting the board nine times winning \$250,080 for trainer Jeff Smith and owner Shirley Le Vin.

As a 2-year-old, Penpaperpaige won the Buckeye Stallion Series final. In her 3-year-old season, she jumped ranks to the Ohio Sire Stakes and was a champion again. She won the \$300,000 OSS Final at Eldorado Scioto Downs and then won the OBC at the Delaware County Fairgrounds.

Smith credits his son Tyler for much of the horse's success. "Tyler has done an excellent job driving her. He deserves all the credit. If it weren't for him getting her around the track, she wouldn't be where she is," said Smith.

Penpaperpaige will be honored during the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association's virtual award show on Saturday (Jan. 16). The awards show is scheduled to air on the OHHA YouTube channel at 7 p.m.

— **Frank Fraas / OHHA**

Sectionline Bigry named 2020 Ohio Aged Pacer of the Year

For the second year in a row, Sectionline Bigry has been named the top aged pacer in the state of Ohio.

Sectionline Bigry, the son of Pet Rock out of Aquatic Yankee, won eight of 19 races for owner Harold Lee Bauder and trainer Steve Bauder earning \$181,000 in 2020.

The highlights of the year was winning the Ohio Sires Stakes Aged Pacing Championship at Hollywood Gaming Dayton Raceway and the Gene Riegler Memorial Open Pace at the Great Darke County Fair.

Sectionline Bigry was bred by Bauder of Delaware, OH, Michael Dixon of Hilliard, OH, and Harold L. Bauder of Delaware, OH.

"It's a privilege to win this award two years in a row," said Bauder. "It puts Bigry in the company of Dancin Yankee a three-time winner. He has big shoes to fill to try and win three in a row."

Sectionline Bigry will be honored during the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association's virtual award show on Saturday (Jan. 16). The awards show is scheduled to air on the OHHA YouTube channel at 7 p.m.

— **Frank Fraas / OHHA**






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RACE RESULTS - SUNDAY

MIAMI VALLEY RACEWAY *report*

Sunday's Results:

4, MVR, \$25,000, Pace, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 1ST LEG - 1ST DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$30,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 27.1, 56.3, 1:24.2, 1:54.0, GD

1-Venom (g, 6, Rock N Roll Heaven--Odds On Guinevere, by Dragon Again) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 55-11-9-10, \$123,091

O-Jack A Freeman. B-F Bellino & Sons LLC. T-Charles Stewart. D-Tyler Smith.

2-Caviart Stetson (g, 5, Well Said--Caviart Spring, by Somebeachsomewhere) \$6,250, Lifetime Record: 45-7-8-2, \$79,964

O-Douglas S Overhiser & A Harris Racing LLC. B-Caviart Farms. T-Jamie Macomber. D-Brett Miller.

3-Snowball's Romeo (g, 8, McArdle--Only Gossip, by The Panderosa) \$3,000, \$30,000 2014 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 137-16-36-22, \$259,045

O-Philippe L Belanger & Jeffrey A Koesters. B-Russell C Swank. T-Philippe Belanger. D-Josh Sutton.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1, T, T, 1, HD - Finish Order: Modern Rock As, Tullow N, Intrepid Ivy, Kingstons Bad Boy, Lifewithjohn, Crusades

7, MVR, \$25,000, Pace, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 1ST LEG - 2ND DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$30,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 27.0, 55.4, 1:24.1, 1:52.3, GD

1-Secret Threat (h, 9, Palone Ranger--Laxmy, by Real Artist) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 145-36-23-27, \$354,413

O-Justin Lloyd & Scott Tyler George. B-Larry E & Kim L Owen. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrick.

2-Manny (g, 8, American Ideal--Foolish Kiss, by Art Major) \$6,250, \$50,000 2014 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 164-24-23-22, \$366,262

O-Peter A Redder & Therl L Hensley. B-Lindy Racing Stable. T-Peter Redder. D-Brett Miller.

3-Angelo J Fra (g, 9, The Panderosa--Caila Fra, by Artsplace) \$3,000, \$15,000 2013 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 175-39-26-20, \$493,707

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-The Fra Stable LLC. T-Ron Burke. D-Chris Page.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1, 1, Q, NS, HD - Finish Order: Southern Flight, Revelry, Bold And Brassy, Hal N Sammy, Dislocator, Street Boy, Brave World

9, MVR, \$25,000, Pace, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 1ST LEG - 3RD DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$30,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 26.4, 54.4, 1:23.1, 1:52.0, GD

1-So So Delightful (g, 6, So Surreal--Diva Delight, by Bettor's Delight) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 62-18-10-6, \$156,871

O-Perry W Smith. B-William J & Jack M Heinz. T-Perry Smith. D-Trevor Smith.

2-Ginger Tree Marty (g, 7, Yankee Cruiser--For My Mom, by Western Hanover) \$6,250, \$40,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 125-23-16-19, \$217,486

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby & Lawrence R Karr. B-Vieux Carre Farms. T-Ron Burke. D-Chris Page.

3-Rockette Baby (g, 5, Big Bad John--O Narutac Rockette, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$3,000, \$19,000 2017 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 59-16-11-12, \$128,018

O-Peter A Redder & Tessa M Perrin. B-Midland Acres Inc. T-J D Perrin. D-Dan Noble.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1, 1, 1Q, NS, H - Finish Order: Dashing To Da Wire, Shane Adam, Fox Valley Hustler, Meadowbrook Raider, Crusher Q, Elite Awards, Rockin Inthe Hills



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RACE RESULTS - SUNDAY (CONTINUED)

11, MVR, \$25,000, Pace, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 1ST LEG - 4TH DIVISION HORSES & GELDINGS CLAIMING \$30,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 26.4, 55.3, 1:23.2, 1:51.3, GD

1-Voracity (g, 8, Sportswriter--Lu Lu Q, by Mcardle) \$12,500, \$47,000 2014 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 140-24-20-16, \$642,015

O-Brian&Ira Wallach Racing. B-Steve H Stewart. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrack.



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ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD
Selected Yearling Sale



Preferred Equine MIXED SALE
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2-Never Say Never N (h, 8, Bettor's Delight--Maid In Splendor, by Christian Cullen) \$6,250, Lifetime Record: 103-26-14-14, \$335,885

O-Donald F Morris & Norman Rae Racing LLC. B-Breckon Farms LTD, NZ. T-Christi Noble. D-Dan Noble.

3-Dont Judge A Book (g, 5, A Rocknroll Dance--Pan Hanover, by Artsplace) \$3,000, \$75,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 43-9-9-6, \$82,899

O-William P Mann. B-Midland Acres Inc. T-William Mann. D-William Mann.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1, 1H, T, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Rose Run Uriah, Rising To The Top, Fools Desire, Song Cycle Senese, Shark Play, Andreios Kardia, Union Station

RACE RESULTS - MONDAY

MIAMI VALLEY RACEWAY *report*

Monday's Results:

7, MVR, \$20,000, Trot, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 1ST LEG - 1ST DIVISION CLAIMING \$20,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 28.0, 57.3, 1:26.2, 1:57.3, FT

1-For A Dreamer (g, 6, Cantab Hall--For A Dancer, by Conway Hall) \$10,000, \$45,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 72-13-11-10, \$187,961

O-Black Magic Racing, LLC. B-Bluestone Farms LLC. T-Todd Luther. D-Brett Miller.

ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD
Selected Yearling Sale

2-Swan Before All (g, 5, Swan For All--Lady Jane Hall, by Tom Ridge) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 52-8-13-9, \$103,117

O-Timothy G Betts & Nicholas A Catalano & Keith J Pippi. B-Glen M Hershberger. T-Scott Betts. D-Tony Hall.

3-Here Comes Moony (g, 5, Dejarmbro--Meghan's Halfmoon, by Valley Victor) \$2,400, \$18,000 2017 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 72-14-11-5, \$140,187

O-Joseph Gary Cirusuola. B-Tom Schmucker. T-Joe Cirusuola. D-Jason Brewer.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 7H, 4T, 2T, 2H, T - Finish Order: Away My Baby, Riverdancing Diva, Warrawee Shipshape, Triumphant's Chip, Whether Or Not Fi, Club Belvedere, Mr Houdini, Insomniac

9, MVR, \$20,000, Trot, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 1ST LEG - 2ND DIVISION CLAIMING \$20,000 W/ALLOWANCES, 28.0, 56.4, 1:26.1, 1:56.4, FT

1-Majestic Brayden (g, 7, Majestic Son--Keystone Stephanie, by Donerail) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 87-21-14-11, \$139,041

O-Vip Internet Stable LLC. B-Dennis E Morrissey, CA. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrack.

2-Another Breath (g, 8, Lou's Legacy--Jailhouse Broad, by Jailhouse Jesse) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 143-22-32-22, \$431,976

O-A 1 Racing & D Racing Stable Inc. B-Duane M Lowe. T-Christi Noble. D-Dan Noble.

3-Hill Side (g, 6, Muscle Hill--Enjoy The Sun, by Enjoy Lavec) \$2,400, \$37,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 69-11-6-14, \$94,437

O-Taylor Racing LLC & J And N Farms. B-Arden Homestead Stable & Vieux Carre Farms. T-Robert Taylor. D-Jordan Ross.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1, 1H, 1H, 2, 1 - Finish Order: Serene Hall, Rockinthepines, Ursis Des Caillons, Winding Hill, Lindy's Big Bang, Tyson, Guilty Desire, Optimist Blue Chip

YONKERS RACEWAY *report*

Monday's Results:

3, YR, \$20,000, Pace, CLAIMING HANDICAP ALLOWANCE \$25,000/ \$30,000. 3 YO 50%, 4 YO 25%, F&M 20%, 27.1, 56.0, 1:24.4, 1:54.1, FT

1-Twin B Speedo (g, 10, Art Major--Beach Bound, by Beach Towel) \$10,000, \$27,000 2012 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 192-26-29-36, \$610,517

O-Fiddler's Creek Stables LLC. B-Twinbrook Limited, CA. T-Travis Alexander. D-Scott Zeron.

RACE RESULTS - MONDAY (CONTINUED)

2-Machiavelli (g, 7, Somebeachsomewhere--So Perfect, by Western Ideal) \$5,000, \$85,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 131-22-22-11, \$309,361
O-Triple D Stables Inc. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Scott Di Domenico. D-George Brennan.

3-Givenupdreaming (h, 10, If I Can Dream--Ain't Given Up, by Jenna's Beach Boy) \$2,400, Lifetime Record: 225-49-38-31, \$659,647
O-Eric J Walstrom & David J De Martino. B-Jeffrey R Brooks. T-Jimmy Nickerson. D-Jason Bartlett.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: NS, 1H, 1H, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Cheyenne Reijane, Big Bad Bill, Itsonlyrocknroll A, Cinnamack, Electric Western

5, YR, \$17,500, Pace, NW \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS. AE. WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$10,000 L5", 27.4, 56.3, 1:24.1, 1:53.0, FT

1-Ideal Jimmy (g, 8, Western Ideal--Armbo Nectarine, by Direct Scooter) \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 91-26-13-9, \$844,740
O-D R Van Witzenburg. B-D R Van Witzenburg. T-Erv Miller. D-Brent Holland.

2-Mac's Jackpot (g, 7, Somebeachsomewhere--Michelle's Power, by Camluck) \$4,375, Lifetime Record: 107-26-14-14, \$911,774
O-Howard M & Michael A Ouriel. B-Jeffrey S Snyder. T-Jeffrey Smith. D-Todd McCarthy.

3-Hundie N (g, 7, Bettor's Delight--Zagami, by Christian Cullen) \$2,100, Lifetime Record: 70-12-17-10, \$171,062
O-Joseph Davino & Brad Shackman, CA & Anthony Perretti Farm LLC & Double The Fun Stable. B-Mrs C M Dalgety, NZ & A Zame, NZ & Lang Breeding Limited, NZ & D Zame, NZ. T-Nik Drennan. D-Tyler Buter.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1H, 1 - Finish Order: Lyons King, Keystone Phoenix, Orillia Joe, Mcspidey, Caviart Luca

6, YR, \$17,500, Pace, NW \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS. AE. WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$10,000 L5", 28.0, 57.2, 1:26.1, 1:54.1, FT

1-Pat Stanley N (g, 7, Western Ideal--Jaz Tanner, by Artiscap) \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 55-16-11-6, \$132,371
O-Bukers Stable. B-M J McGuire, NZ. T-Shane Tritton. D-Jordan Stratton.

2-Alta Leroy N (g, 11, Life Sign--Classic Lace, by Cam's Trickster) \$4,375, Lifetime Record: 95-15-20-7, \$158,059
O-Jeffrey T Dauplaise & Barry J Haskell. B-Alta Breeding Co LTD, NZ. T-Pat Lachance. D-Pat Lachance.

3-Fine Diamond (h, 8, Rock N Roll Heaven--Yellow Diamond, by Western Terror) \$2,100, \$50,000 2014 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 153-18-32-28, \$633,986
O-Thomas Ceraso Jr. B-Save Jones & Fair Winds Farm Inc. T-Paul Stafford. D-Brent Holland.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 2, 1H, 1H, 1T - Finish Order: Ballerat Boomerang, Kerford Road A, Treasure Mach, Imarocnrollegend N, Mcclinchie N

7, YR, \$30,000, Pace, OPEN HANDICAP 1 ASSIGNED 2 - 4 DRAWN 5 - 8 ASSIGNED, 27.0, 56.3, 1:24.3, 1:52.1, FT

1-Let It Ride N (g, 8, Rock N Roll Heaven--Love A Gamble, by Bettor's Delight) \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 60-24-6-8, \$375,958
O-William A Hartt & Enzed Racing Stable Inc. B-N F Nixon, NZ & Mrs M Carson, NZ. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.

2-Speed Man N (g, 7, Rocknroll Hanover--Waihemo Anvil, by In The Pocket) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 71-19-12-8, \$214,815
O-Dilloian Stable LLC & Pit Bull Stable LLC. B-Small Car World LTD, NZ. T-Doug Dilloian Jr. D-Scott Zeron.

3-Hesa Kingslayer N (g, 8, Christian Cullen--Millwood Manhattan, by Bettor's Delight) \$3,600, Lifetime Record: 39-16-5-6, \$109,262
O-Michael D Deters & Joel T Warner. B-K J Carville, NZ. T-Michael Deters. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 8, 6H, 3T, 1T, 1 - Finish Order: Tookadiveoffdipper, Raukapuka Ruler N, Bettor Memories, Western Fame, San Domino A

8, YR, \$25,000, Pace, WO \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS., 28.0, 56.3, 1:25.0, 1:53.2, FT

1-I'm Some Graduate (g, 8, Somebeachsomewhere--Western Graduate, by Western Hanover) \$12,500, \$85,000 2014 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 125-29-17-12, \$568,668
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby & Lawrence R Karr. B-Kdm Stables Corp.. T-Ron Burke. D-George Brennan.

ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD
Selected Yearling Sale

 **Preferred Equine** YEARLING SALE GRADUATE

2-Carlisimo (h, 5, Shadow Play--Putnam Mackenzie, by Grinfromeartoear) \$6,250, \$13,000 2017 ATL-CL, Lifetime Record: 52-14-9-5, \$143,600
O-William A Hartt. B-Kent G & Dan Livingston, CA. T-Lance Hudson. D-Scott Zeron.

3-Windsun Ricky (g, 5, American Ideal--Windsun Soho, by Cam's Card Shark) \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 48-10-6-12, \$120,234
O-Thomas Ceraso Jr. B-Murray L Brethour, CA & Windsun Farm Inc, CA & Noblock Racing Stable, CA. T-Paul Stafford. D-Brent Holland.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 5, 4T, 1H, NS, H - Finish Order: Mykindachip, Tin Roof Raider A, Rock Diamonds N, Bronx Seelster, Tony Too Tall

9, YR, \$17,500, Pace, NW \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS. AE. WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$10,000 L5", 28.4, 58.2, 1:26.1, 1:54.1, FT

1-Capozzo (h, 10, Bettor's Delight--Annie McGuire N, by In The Pocket) \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 196-32-35-32, \$565,219
O-Howard A Taylor & Thomas R Finelli. B-Standardbred Equities LLC. T-Tom Shay. D-Todd McCarthy.

2-Santafe's Coach (h, 7, Bettor's Delight--Thesantafe Express, by Western Hanover) \$4,375, Lifetime Record: 77-9-15-11, \$175,466
O-Edward P De Rosa & Matthew J Iovaldi & Ralph L Woythaler. B-Edward P De Rosa. T-Pat Lachance. D-Pat Lachance.

RACE RESULTS - MONDAY (CONTINUED)

3-Mcmike (g, 5, McArdle--Tymal Tigerlily, by Mach Three) \$2,100, Lifetime Record: 22-10-2-1, \$66,006

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Phillip Collura. B-Patrick A Karcher. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 2, 1H, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Flaming Flutter N, Anthem N, Perfectly Close, The Bus A, Virgin Storm

10, YR, \$20,000, Pace, NW \$20,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS. AE. WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$15,000 L5", 26.1, 55.4, 1:23.4, 1:52.3, FT

1-Rockapelo (g, 6, **Rock N Roll Heaven--Capelo Rose, by Camluck**) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 74-17-19-10, \$417,106

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Phillip Collura. B-Enviro Stables LTD. T-Ron Burke. D-George Brennan.

2-Redbank Blaze A (g, 8, Rocknroll Hanover--African Dancer, by Safely Kept) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 140-23-21-12, \$248,110

O-Godinez Racing Stable LLC. B-Redbank Lodge Standardbreds, AS. T-Jose Godinez. D-Scott Zeron.

3-Artie's Ideal (h, 5, American Ideal--Midnight Art, by Artsplace) \$2,400, Lifetime Record: 45-10-13-6, \$400,724

O-Bay Pond Racing Stable. B-Winbak Farm. T-Erv Miller. D-Brent Holland.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2T, 1T, 2, 2H, 2T - Finish Order: Yayas Hot Spot N, Glacis, One Off Delight A, Flying Finn N, Soho Lennon A

RACE RESULTS - TUESDAY

MIAMI VALLEY RACEWAY *report*

Tuesday's Results:

12, MVR, \$22,500, Trot, OPEN, 27.4, 56.1, 1:24.2, 1:53.4, FT

1-Swan Chase (g, 7, **Swan For All--Precisionist, by Muscles Yankee**) \$11,250, \$15,000 2015 Hoosier, Lifetime Record: 81-30-8-13, \$549,517

O-John E Barnard. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC & J&T Silva Stables, LLC. T-Luis Quevedo. D-Trace Tetrick.



2-Pass The Vape (g, 6, Dejarmbro--Vapor Rises, by Vaporize) \$5,625, Lifetime Record: 76-25-13-8, \$465,946

O-Lionel Ray Watiker. B-Lionel Ray Watiker. T-Derek Watiker. D-Trevor Smith.

3-Lane Of Stone (h, 5, Wishing Stone--Wisteria Lane, by Lindy Lane) \$2,700, Lifetime Record: 37-20-4-5, \$498,052

O-Harry Horowitz. B-Harry & Iris T Horowitz. T-Mark Winters. D-Dan Noble.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1, 2, 1H, 1H, H - Finish Order: Annas Lucky Star, Sweet Mr Pinetucky, Workinonbroadway, It's A Herbie, Glidinthrparadise, Voyage To Paris, Cash Hit

YONKERS RACEWAY *report*

Tuesday's Results:

9, YR, \$16,000, Pace, 3,4&5 YO C,H&G NW 6 P-M RACES OR \$75,000 LT., 27.0, 57.2, 1:25.0, 1:53.2, FT

1-Century Fury (g, 5, **Sunshine Beach--Up Front Holly, by American Ideal**) \$8,000, \$40,000 2017 LONDON, Lifetime Record: 62-12-6-6, \$81,808

O-Robert M Weinstein. B-Glenn E Bechtel, CA & Century Spring Farms, CA. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

2-Captivate Hanover (h, 4, Bettor's Delight--Carolina Angel, by Western Ideal) \$4,000, \$15,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 24-2-5-5, \$52,954

O-William A Hartt. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Lance Hudson. D-Scott Zeron.

3-So Many Roads (g, 4, Captaintreacherous--City Delight, by Bettor's Delight) \$1,920, \$45,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 30-5-7-4, \$74,996

O-Patrick D Lachance & M & M Harness Racing LLC & Royal Flush Stable LLC. B-Steve H Stewart & The Bay's Stable LLC & Daniel J Baer. T-Pat Lachance. D-Pat Lachance.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3, 2, 1, 4, 4Q - Finish Order: Mountain High, Better Be Gouda, Patriot Nation, Sports Obsession, Diamondbeach



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RACE RESULTS - WEDNESDAY

DOVER DOWNS *report*

Wednesday's Results:

12, DD, \$16,000, Pace, FILLIES/MARES SELECT WINNERS OVER \$8,000 (DE \$9,600) LAST 5 STARTS OR WINNERS OVER \$100,000 LIFETIME POST POSITION #1 ASSIGNED, 26.4, 55.3, 1:23.4, 1:52.4, FT

1-Moments Of Joy (m, 7, Western Terror--Joy Luck Hall, by Cambest) \$9,600, \$6,000 2015 CHICKS, Lifetime Record: 81-24-9-14, \$331,785
O-Bryan J Truitt. B-Winbak Farm. T-Bryan Truitt. D-Victor Kirby.



2-Edge Of Eternity (m, 5, A Rocknroll Dance--Margin Blue Chip, by Artsplace) \$4,800, \$55,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 56-12-14-6, \$163,819
O-David R Hamm. B-Gabe K Prewitt & James R Mc Laughlin. T-Chuck Crissman Jr. D-Corey Callahan.

3-Scuola Hanover (m, 6, A Rocknroll Dance--So Artsi, by Artsplace) \$2,304, \$12,000 2016 GOSHEN, Lifetime Record: 76-21-8-12, \$359,055
O-Arthur C & Andrew J Stafford & Thomas L Ireland. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Andrew Stafford. D-Art Stafford Jr.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, H, T - Finish Order: My Last Bet, Anytime N, Feeling Sweet, Rockn Philly, Sylph Hanover

THE MEADOWS *report*

Wednesday's Results:

4, Mea, \$16,200, Trot, **OPEN HANDICAP** P.P.1-5 & 10 DRAWN; 6-9 DRAWN, 26.4, 57.0, 1:25.0, 1:54.4, FT

1-Jeffery P (g, 6, Full Count--Betty Jean, by S J's Photo) \$8,100, \$14,000 2016 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 81-22-12-9, \$195,523
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Phillip Collura. B-Robert G Slowey & Anthony V Minute & Dennis J Osterholt. T-Ron Burke.
D-Dave Palone.

2-Lady's Dude (g, 10, Victory Sam--Lady's Star, by Hi Noon Star) \$4,050, Lifetime Record: 142-51-20-18, \$858,140
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Johnny E Yoder. B-Duane M Lowe. T-Ron Burke. D-Tony Hall.

3-Jessiejesorjessica (m, 5, Justice Hall--Ziggy Wiggy, by S J's Photo) \$1,944, Lifetime Record: 48-19-9-3, \$120,632
O-Gina Young. B-Sea Of Green Inc, CA. T-Shawn Johnston. D-Brady Brown.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 6H, 6, 3, 4H, T - Finish Order: Icanflylikeanangel, Maewegonow, Foxy Trottin Stick, Overserved, Smalltownthrowdown, Bank Guard, Oh So Pine

YONKERS RACEWAY *report*

Wednesday's Results:

7, YR, \$18,000, Pace, 4,5 & 6 YO F&M NW 8 P-M RACES OR \$100,000 LT., 28.4, 58.2, 1:26.3, 1:54.0, FT

1-Demeter N (m, 6, Art Major--Weka Lass, by Badlands Hanover) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 47-14-11-8, \$89,111
O-Martin R Budkey & A Harris Racing LLC. B-L J Smith, NZ. T-Andrew Harris. D-Jason Bartlett.

2-Anne Bonney N (m, 6, Net Ten Eom--Galleons Reward, by Badlands Hanover) \$4,500, Lifetime Record: 25-7-6-3, \$63,149
O-J M F Racing LLC. B-Macca Lodge LTD, NZ. T-Paul Fusco. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

3-Sezana N (m, 6, Shadow Play--Regal Banner, by Caprock) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 58-7-10-9, \$113,024
O-Ricky A Bucci. B-D M Moore, NZ. T-Ricky Bucci. D-Tyler Buter.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Donegalartchokin N, Msamrcasweethart A, Affluent Seelster, North Star Ideal, New Year



RACE RESULTS - THURSDAY

DOVER DOWNS *report*

Thursday's Results:

11, DD, \$15,000, Pace, CLAIMING HANDICAP \$25,000 - \$30,000 - \$35,000 POST POSITIONS DRAWN BY PRICE, 26.2, 54.4, 1:22.3, 1:51.4, FT

1-Bettorever (g, 10, Bettor's Delight--Forever Cam, by Western Hanover) \$7,500, \$80,000 2012 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 179-23-38-27, \$530,571
O-Gary E Ewing. B-Walnut Hall Stock Farm. T-Gary Ewing. D-Anthony Morgan.

ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD *Selected Yearling Sale*

2-Razor's Edge (g, 5, Sweet Lou--Naughtytilltheend, by Western Ideal) \$3,750, Lifetime Record: 47-14-7-4, \$111,387
O-Patrick M Tortorello. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Michael Hall. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-Dancinat Midland (g, 6, A Rocknroll Dance--Pan Hanover, by Artsplace) \$2,160, \$25,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 78-7-11-19, \$119,202
O-Arty Foster Jr. B-Midland Acres Inc. T-Arty Foster Jr. D-Russell Foster.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 9H, 6, 2T, 1H, HD - Finish Order: Just N Ace, Monty's Play, Seventh Secret, Twin B Speed Dial, Stark Hanover, Cole On The Beach

12, DD, \$20,000, Pace, OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS 1 - 2 DRAWN POST POSITIONS 3 - 5 DRAWN POST POSITIONS 6 - 7 DRAWN, 27.1, 55.2, 1:22.4, 1:50.2, FT

1-Itsrockandroll A (g, 6, A Rocknroll Dance--Miss Worthy Whitby, by Bettor's Delight) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 51-13-15-11, \$231,014
O-Michael Casalino Jr & Dylan P Davis. B-E Dewar, AS. T-Dylan Davis. D-Corey Callahan.

2-Tiger Thompson N (g, 8, Big Jim--Aziza, by Pacific Rocket) \$6,000, Lifetime Record: 74-16-16-8, \$254,124
O-Nanticoke Racing Inc & Joshua Davis Parker & Stephen R Messick & Prestige Stable. B-H A Mcpherson, NZ. T-Joshua Parker. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-Soho Burning Love A (m, 7, Auckland Reactor N--Soho Bordeaux, by Western Terror) \$2,400, Lifetime Record: 64-18-17-8, \$357,268
O-Richard Poillucci & Jo Ann Looney-King. B-R J Watson, WA. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrick.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 6, 5T, 3Q, 1, NS - Finish Order: U S Captain, Major Pocket A, Sandy's Bolt, Shadow Cat

13, DD, \$15,000, Pace, CLAIMING HANDICAP \$25,000 - \$30,000 - \$35,000 POST POSITIONS DRAWN BY PRICE, 28.1, 56.3, 1:23.1, 1:51.4, FT

1-Da Magician (g, 7, Dragon Again--Hottie Hanover, by Real Desire) \$9,000, \$18,000 2015 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 101-45-14-9, \$384,674
O-Bd Racing LLC & Marc R Pitts. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Les Givens. D-Art Stafford Jr.

ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS!

ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD *Selected Yearling Sale*

2-Senor Macray A (g, 9, Dawn Ofa New Day--Signorina Macray, by Pacific Fella) \$4,500, Lifetime Record: 104-21-17-12, \$160,201
O-Jo Ann Looney-King. B-I D W Kitchin, AS. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrick.

3-Hey Run Me Over (h, 4, Captaintreacherous--Charisma Hanover, by Dragon Again) \$1,800, \$52,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 34-8-2-5, \$65,490
O-Gary E Ewing & John T Cappa Jr. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Gary Ewing. D-Corey Callahan.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: Q, 1, H, H, 1Q - Finish Order: Allwillworkout, Banderbear, Henry The Dragon, Bluejeansnredwings, Rockabilly Charm, Shady's Shark Bait

15, DD, \$15,000, Pace, CLAIMING HANDICAP \$25,000 - \$30,000 - \$35,000 POST POSITIONS DRAWN BY PRICE, 26.4, 55.0, 1:22.3, 1:51.3, FT

1-Major Key (g, 7, Art Major--Capri Hanover, by Western Ideal) \$9,000, \$50,000 2015 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 136-20-16-17, \$177,637
O-William L Sartin. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Joseph Hundertpfund Jr. D-Allan Davis.

Another BRITTANY FARMS Bred Winner!

ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD *Selected Yearling Sale*

Another BRITTANY FARMS Bred Winner!

2-Sevens Hope A (g, 10, Art Major--Hope Springs, by Fake Left) \$4,500, Lifetime Record: 168-34-23-20, \$303,052
O-Christine M Crissman-Bier. B-M C & J P Mcgeechn, AS. T-Crissy Crissman-Bier. D-Sean Bier.

3-Movin' On Up (g, 6, Bettor's Delight--Green Space, by Artsplace) \$2,160, \$20,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 87-13-14-16, \$183,452
O-Jason T Lynch. B-Dunroven Stud LLC. T-Jason Lynch. D-Jason Lynch.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2H, 1H, H, 2, NK - Finish Order: Always Flashing A, Trente Deo, Iwontdothatagain, Sams A Champ A, Bills Fella, Firenglow A

RACE RESULTS - THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

YONKERS RACEWAY *report*

Thursday's Results:

2, YR, \$16,000, Trot, 3,4&5 YO NW 7 P-M RACES OR \$80,000 LT., 27.4, 57.0, 1:25.3, 1:56.0, FT

1-Grinder (g, 5, Andover Hall--Wishful Me, by Yankee Glide) \$8,000, \$35,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 27-12-3-5, \$86,535
O-Scheigert Racing Stbl LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Amanda Kelley. D-Tyler Buter.

 **ANOTHER WINNER BRED BY HANOVER SHOE FARMS!**

 **Preferred Equine** MIXED SALE GRADUATE

2-After All Paul (g, 4, Swan For All--After Jesse, by Jailhouse Jesse) \$4,000, \$26,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 35-8-5-4, \$133,139
O-William A Hartt. B-Bobby A Brower & Mystical Marker Farms LLC. T-Lance Hudson. D-Scott Zeron.

3-Context (m, 4, Father Patrick--Glide Power, by Yankee Glide) \$1,920, \$45,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 21-7-3-2, \$46,812
O-Jorgen Jahre Jr, NO. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Anette Lorentzon. D-Jason Bartlett.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 6Q, 5Q, 3H, 1H, 1 - Finish Order: Windsong Pioneer, Hayek, Kasha V, Stravinsky

7, YR, \$30,000, Pace, F&M OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITION 1 ASSIGNED DRAW 2-8, 27.4, 56.3, 1:24.2, 1:52.0, FT

1-Alexa Skye (m, 4, Somebeachsomewhere--Pirouette Hanover, by Western Ideal) \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 31-11-4-1, \$131,140
O-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc & John E Lengacher. B-Jeffrey S Snyder. T-Brett Pelling. D-Todd McCarthy.

 **Preferred Equine** MIXED SALE GRADUATE

2-Bettors Heart N (m, 8, Bettor's Delight--Valiant Heart N, by Sokys Atom) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 47-12-9-4, \$232,309
O-Enzed Racing Stable Inc. B-Peter D Bagrie, NZ. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Jason Bartlett.

3-Seaswift Joy N (m, 8, Bettor's Delight--Swift Belle, by Christian Cullen) \$3,600, Lifetime Record: 81-25-9-9, \$412,285
O-Bradley J Grant, CA. B-M J Prendergast, NZ & Mrs P G Redmond, NZ & M I Shinn, NZ. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 2, 1T, 1H, 2, 2Q - Finish Order: Siesta Beach, Maczaffair N, Machnhope, Robyn Camden, Feelin Red Hot

9, YR, \$17,500, Pace, F&M NW \$16,750 IN LAST 5 STARTS. AE. WINNER IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW\$10,000 L5" AE. OPT. CLMG. ALLOW. \$25,000, 28.3, 57.3, 1:26.2, 1:54.3, FT

1-Monica Gallagher (m, 7, Mach Three--Vindacor, by Western Hanover) \$8,750, \$7,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 83-26-15-8, \$308,934
O-D'Elegance Stable Ix & Carmen Iannacone & T L P Stable & The Gandolfo Stables. B-Garth S & Glenn E Bechtel, CA. T-Chris Height. D-Jason Bartlett.

2-Betterb Chevron N (m, 8, Bettor's Delight--Waihemo Anvil, by In The Pocket) \$4,375, Lifetime Record: 82-26-12-14, \$384,291
O-William A Hartt. B-Small Car World LTD, NZ. T-Lance Hudson. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

3-Bye Bye Felicia (m, 7, Woodstock--Tea Time, by Camluck) \$2,100, \$7,000 2015 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 129-26-22-17, \$394,337
O-Rick Howles. B-William D Walters & Joseph Patrick Mclead. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

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10, YR, \$17,500, Pace, F&M NW \$15,000 IN LAST 5 STARTS. AE. WINNER IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW\$10,000 L5" AE. OPT. CLMG. ALLOW. \$25,000, 27.3, 57.1, 1:25.1, 1:53.4, FT

1-Imprincessgemma A (m, 7, Village Jolt--Melody Stride, by In The Pocket) \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 53-19-15-7, \$257,079
O-Jennifer Bongiorno Stable LLC & Joseph Bongiorno LLC & Steve M Manzi & Wish Me Luck Stables LLC. B-M G & J Davis, AS. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

2-Bronskimackenzie A (m, 7, Mach Three--Bronski Gorgeous, by Fake Left) \$4,375, Lifetime Record: 74-14-13-13, \$135,080
O-Tahnee J Camilleri. B-Ravelyn Pty LTD, AS. T-Tahnee Camilleri. D-George Brennan.

3-Ideal Classic (m, 7, American Ideal--Shanghai Lil, by Jenna's Beach Boy) \$2,100, Lifetime Record: 103-10-20-21, \$173,643
O-All Star Racing Inc.. B-All Star Racing Inc.. T-Mark Ford. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

▶▶ [Replay](#) ▶▶ Calls: 5H, 6H, 1H, H, H - Finish Order: Clear Idea, Diamondtoothgertie, I'm Very Special, Poppy Drayton N, Tipp City



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