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An alternative to elimination races for major stakes

Instead of eliminations, what if horses accumulated points in assigned prep races for major races such as the Hambletonian, Meadowlands Pace and Breeders Crown?

by Brett Sturman

BETWEEN THE LINES



with **BRETT STURMAN**

Beginning the middle of next month, the first stakes payments become due for most stakes races to take place later this year. That, in turn, begins to form the basis for the horses that could eventually declare into those races, which in the case of most premier stakes would be in an elimination race.

If there's one thing that most people can agree on, it's that elimination races aren't particularly appealing to anyone. As a bettor, there's little incentive to participate in the races and an argument can be made that they should be made non-betting. With the primary objective of the elimination simply being to make the final and not necessarily win the elimination, there's usually a lack of optimum effort by drivers and horses in these races. And for the connections of the horses, there is little incentive to come in first (so as long as they qualify for the final) considering that the purse of the elimination race may only be five per cent of the purse of the final race.

Way back when, it was somewhat different when eliminations for the Meadowlands Pace had 30 horses entered and the eliminations were far more competitive, knowing you needed to finish in the top three out of 10 to

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make the final. Today, the horses entered in a number of these races are sparse and to make the final out of an elimination you only need to finish in the top 5 most of the time. Like the Meadowlands Pace, which had only 15 horses enter in 2019, the Hambletonian had only 16 horses enter. What it meant is that if you didn't finish in second-to-last or third-to-last in your elimination, you'd be in the final.

As an alternative, a points system could be established as to determine what horses race in a stakes final for races such as the Meadowlands Pace, Hambletonian, or even the Breeders Crown races. Modeled from what's used in the thoroughbreds to determine which horses can race in the Kentucky Derby, horses could accumulate points based from the current stakes schedule on the harness racing calendar.

For example, let's take the Hambletonian. Some 3-year-old trot races that precede the Hambletonian on the racing calendar include the Dexter Cup, the Goodtimes, the Earl Beal, the Landmark at Goshen, the Stanley Dancer, and so forth. Each of these races would award a varying degree of points to top finishers from those races, and the horses with the highest accumulated point totals would be the ones that race in a final.

Through that process, horses would have to earn their way into the Hambletonian final by how they perform in key designated races throughout the year. Races such as the Goodtimes and the Beal would carry more weight than the Dexter Cup because of the difference in quality of fields between those races, but all would play some role in assigning points towards the Hambletonian. In that sense, it would benefit the race as a whole because it would create a true "Hambletonian trail" that would last throughout much of the year inclusive of real buzz and suspense. Each week could have a role in which horses are trending to get in and which one's need more work to do.

In addition to the Hambletonian sticking with that race as the example, all races from the other tracks that serve as "prep" races would benefit greatly in the process as well. Today, the Currier & Ives at The Meadows attracts only so much attention as a race on its own, but it surely would take on even more significance if it had direct Hambletonian implications. Same goes for sire stake finals from different states if those were chosen to be included as well. And further, the prep races wouldn't need to be limited to only 3-year-old races. Horses could start accumulating points through races in their 2-year-old season such as the Peter Haughton or the Breeders Crown.

This may seem like a radical idea, but it wouldn't be the first time that something similar has been put into practice. I recall back around 10 years ago or so when Harrah's Chester ran their "Super Sunday" races that included the Battle of Brandywine, The Colonial and The Valley Forge, they took a different approach to traditional eliminations.

In those races, they ran a final and consolations for each race that were determined solely by earnings. In a year where the Battle of Brandywine went for \$500,000, there was also a consolation 1 that went for \$200,000 and a consolation 2 that went for \$100,000. How horses got entered into which race was determined by highest earners. This proposal would essentially represent the same type of process, only instead of using earnings there would be a slightly different criteria using points. As long as owners have been making sustaining stakes payments, horses would be assured of at least being entered into one of the races should they declare at time of race entry. The end result would be a set of races where all of them would be competitive, as opposed to how it is today when only the final is consistently competitive.

Admittedly, such a process would only work for the biggest races and the ones that take place later in the year so that there are enough sufficient prep races for horses to earn points. But, the idea seems like something worth exploring as there would be a positive impact for all races and all tracks involved. The end result would be more exciting races.

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Eliminations raced on Saturday, June 13, 2020 (\$50,000 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, June 20, 2020**.
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$500	\$390	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$2,000	\$1,545	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$8,000	TBA	

MOHAWK MILLION

Event 2: Two-year-old open trot.
\$1,000,000 USD Guaranteed Final Purse.
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Saturday, September 26, 2020**.
USD (payable in US funds only)

NOMINATION FEE	\$55,000	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$55,000	Jun. 1, 2020

ARMBRO FLIGHT

Event 3: Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares trot.
Eliminations raced on Friday, June 12, 2020 (\$35,000 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, June 20, 2020**.
Purse \$250,000 E Final (\$175,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$750	\$585	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,500	TBA	

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Event 4: Three-year-olds and older open pace.
Purse \$600,000 E Final (\$400,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Saturday, September 5, 2020**.
Please note: NEW conditions for 2020.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$500	\$390	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,500	\$1,160	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,500	\$1,160	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$5,000	TBA	

CANADIAN TROTting CLASSIC

Event 5: Three-year-old open trot.
Purse \$600,000 E (\$400,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Saturday, September 19, 2020**.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$500	\$390	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$5,000	TBA	

CASUAL BREEZE

Event 6: Three-year-old filly trot.
Purse \$180,000 E (\$75,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Friday, August 28, 2020**.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,000	TBA	

This race will be contested in divisions.

ELEGANT IMAGE

Event 7: Three-year-old filly trot.
Purse \$375,000 E (\$225,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Saturday, September 19, 2020**.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$3,000	TBA	

FOR ALL RACES LISTED, DECLARATIONS CLOSE AS POSTED ON WEEKLY CONDITION SHEET. RACE DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGES.



ETERNAL CAMNATION

Event 8: Two-year-old filly pace.

Purse \$240,000 E (\$75,000A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Saturday, August 29, 2020.**

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,000	TBA	

This race will be contested in divisions.

FAN HANOVER

Event 9: Three-year-old filly pace.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, June 13, 2020 (\$35,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, June 20, 2020.**

Purse \$450,000 E (\$275,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$3,000	TBA	

GOODTIMES

Event 10: Three-year-old open trot.

Eliminations raced on Friday, June 12, 2020 (\$30,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, June 20, 2020.**

Purse \$250,000 E (\$125,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$2,000	TBA	

MAPLE LEAF TROT

Event 11: Three-year-olds and older open trot.

Purse \$650,000 E Final (\$400,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on Saturday, September 5, 2020.

Please note: NEW conditions for 2020.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$500	\$390	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,500	\$1,160	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,500	\$1,160	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$5,000	TBA	

NOMINATIONS CLOSE FEBRUARY 18, 2020

Event #	Name of Horse	Sex	Age	Sire	Dam

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Email Address: _____ Telephone: _____

PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2020

METRO PACE

Event 12: Two-year-old open pace.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, September 19, 2020 (\$40,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 26, 2020.**

Purse \$850,000 E Final (\$325,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$500	\$390	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$5,000	TBA	

MILTON

Event 13: Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares pace.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, September 19, 2020 (\$35,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 26, 2020.**

Purse \$250,000 E Final (\$150,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$750	\$585	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,500	TBA	

NASSAGAWEYA

Event 14: Two-year-old open pace.

Purse \$225,000 E (\$75,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Saturday, August 29, 2020.**

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,000	TBA	

This race will be contested in divisions.

PEACEFUL WAY

Event 15: Two-year-old filly trot.

Eliminations raced on Thursday, September 3, 2020 (\$30,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 12, 2020.**

Purse \$400,000 E Final (\$175,000 A). Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

Please note: NEW conditions for 2020.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$2,000	TBA	

ROSES ARE RED

Event 16: Three-year-olds and older fillies and mares pace.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, June 13, 2020 (\$35,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, June 20, 2020.**

Purse \$330,000 E Final (\$225,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$750	\$585	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$750	\$585	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$2,000	TBA	

SHES A GREAT LADY PACE

Event 17: Two-year-old filly pace.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, September 19, 2020 (\$35,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 26, 2020.**

Purse \$540,000 E Final (\$250,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$3,000	TBA	

SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE

Event 18: Three-year-old open pace.

Purse \$190,000 E (\$75,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park on **Saturday, June 6, 2020.**

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$500	\$390	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,000	TBA	

This race will be contested in divisions.

WILLIAM WELLWOOD MEMORIAL

Event 19: Two-year-old open trot.

Eliminations raced on Thursday, September 3, 2020 (\$30,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 12, 2020.**

Purse \$610,000 E Final (\$200,000 A). Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

Please note: NEW conditions for 2020.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$1,000	\$775	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$4,000	TBA	

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BATTLE OF WATERLOO

Event 80: Ontario Sired Two-year-old open pace.
Eliminations raced on Monday, July 27, 2020 (\$15,000 G each).
Final raced on **Monday, August 3, 2020.**
Purse \$240,000 E Final (\$90,000 A).
Sponsor: Grand River Agricultural Society.
Raced at Grand River Raceway.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300	\$240	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,500	TBA	

BATTLE OF THE BELLES

Event 81: Ontario Sired Two-year-old filly pace.
Eliminations raced on Monday, July 27, 2020 (\$10,000 G each).
Final raced on **Monday, August 3, 2020.**
Purse \$160,000 E Final (\$60,000 A).
Sponsor: Grand River Agricultural Society.
Raced at Grand River Raceway.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$200	\$160	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$200	\$160	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$200	\$160	Apr. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$200	\$160	May 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,000	TBA	

CONFEDERATION CUP XLII

Event 82: Four-year-old open pace.
Eliminations raced on Sunday, May 10, 2020 (\$20,000 G each).
Final raced on **Sunday, May 17, 2020.**
Purse \$185,000 E (\$150,000 A).
Sponsor: Great Canadian Gaming Corporation.
Raced at Flamboro Downs.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$500	\$390	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500	\$390	Apr. 15, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$1,500	TBA	

BALANCED IMAGE

Event 83: Ontario Sired Two-year-old trotting fillies & colts in 2020.
Eliminations raced on Saturday, August 15, 2020 (\$5,000 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, August 22, 2020.**
Purse \$50,000 E (\$20,000 A).
Sponsor: Hanover Bentinck & Brant Agricultural Society.
Raced at Hanover Raceway.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$200	\$160	Feb. 18, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$400	TBA	

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DREAM OF GLORY

Event 84: Ontario Sired Three-year-old trotting fillies & colts in 2020,
non-winners of \$75,000 (fillies \$100,000) in 2019. No allowances.
Eliminations raced on Saturday, July 25, 2020 (\$7,500 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, August 1, 2020.**
Purse \$60,000 E (\$40,000 A).
Sponsor: Hanover Bentinck & Brant Agricultural Society.
Raced at Hanover Raceway.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$500	TBA	

KIN PACE

Event 85: Ontario Sired Three-year-old pacing fillies in 2020,
non-winners of \$50,000 in 2019. No allowances.
Eliminations raced on Sunday, June 28, 2020 (\$7,500 G each).
Final raced on **Sunday, July 5, 2020.**
Purse \$60,000 E (\$40,000 A).
Sponsor: Clinton Raceway.
Raced at Clinton Raceway.

	CAD	USD	
NOMINATION FEE	\$300	\$240	Feb. 18, 2020
STARTING FEE	\$500	TBA	

REMINDER: SUSTAINING PAYMENTS DUE

Event #71: 2020 CHAMPLAIN OPEN (foals of 2018)

SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	\$240 USD	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500 CAD	\$390 USD	May 15, 2020

Event #72: 2020 CHAMPLAIN FILLY (foals of 2018)

SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	\$240 USD	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500 CAD	\$390 USD	May 15, 2020

Event #73: 2020 SIMCOE OPEN (foals of 2017)

SUSTAINING FEE	\$500 CAD	\$390 USD	Feb. 18, 2020
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Event #74: 2020 SIMCOE FILLY (foals of 2017)

SUSTAINING FEE	\$500 CAD	\$390 USD	Feb. 18, 2020
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Event #75: 2020 WEG SBOA FILLY (foals of 2017)

SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	\$240 USD	Feb. 18, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	\$240 USD	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	\$240 USD	Apr. 15, 2020

Event #73: 2021 SIMCOE OPEN (foals of 2018)

SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	\$240 USD	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500 CAD	USD TBA	Feb. 15, 2021

Event #74: 2021 SIMCOE FILLY (foals of 2018)

SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	\$240 USD	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$500 CAD	USD TBA	Feb. 15, 2021

Event #75: 2021 WEG SBOA FILLY (foals of 2018)

LATE NOM. FEE*	\$1,000 CAD	\$775 USD	Feb. 18, 2020
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*only required if May 15, 2019 nomination not made

SUSTAINING FEE	\$200 CAD	\$160 USD	Mar. 15, 2020
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	USD TBA	Feb. 15, 2021
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	USD TBA	Mar. 15, 2021
SUSTAINING FEE	\$300 CAD	USD TBA	Apr. 15, 2021

RACE DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED



Does a driver's weight makes a difference, should you keep x-raying yearlings after purchase, should Tony Morgan be in the Hall of Fame and will the Mohawk Million ruin the sport?

Answers to all that and more in this week's edition of the sport's most popular advice column.

by Ron Gurfein

Tidbits: If you have an addictive personality STOP reading this paragraph now.

A few weeks ago I suggested reading a crazy Jeff Lindsay novel Just Watch Me. I have since learned that he had written an eight-season series called DEXTER, that I have binge watched through the first six seasons already. It's as crazy as the novel and a bit too gorey, but it continues to suck you in to keep watching. Dexter is a serial killer that only kills bad guys and has more escape routes than Jack Bauer of 24 fame.

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It looks like there is an excellent chance that the Commonwealth of Kentucky will pass a sports betting bill in the near future. The bill was passed in committee 137 to 0. As of this writing it seems they have enough votes to pass and Kentucky's newly-elected governor Andy Beshear is a champion of the bill.

The bill would allow Kentucky horse tracks and Kentucky Speedway to apply for gaming licenses at a cost of \$500,000 initially and \$50,000 per year thereafter.

Robert Sturman asks: (this is a reduced form of a novel he wrote me that I have reframed as a short question) Will the destructive thought process behind the Mohawk Million prove to be the final nail in this sport's coffin? Imagine the NFL allowing the Patriots, Eagles and Cowboys to pool their assets and compete against the rest of the league.

I think harness racing has become a sport of, for and by the

elite.

I spent a long time thinking about this before I put pen to paper and realize that you are not the only one that has echoed these sentiments to me in recent weeks. My take on the matter is quite different. I am not sure you are correct in thinking the Mohawk Millions is bad for the sport. I feel any grandiose plan executed properly is a major plus to the sport. This race doesn't hurt the small trainer or owner as you say because they don't have the money to compete, but look at the big picture and think that the small trainer may pick up some new owners because of the wonderful publicity that will come out of the extravaganza.

That said, I will say that the people who will get the least of the situation are the participants. They are putting up all the purse money and in addition they are paying for a free ride for one other. This format is much like the million-dollar All American Futurity at Ruidoso Downs for quarter horses. I am not sure but I think the starting fee was \$100,000.

I heard through the grapevine that the Mohawk Million spots were all sold and there was a waiting list.

It just shows the tremendous financial shape harness racing is in in 2020. We have come a long way.

Look back at the Grand Circuit from the inception, at the top this is an elitist sport and always has been to some

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extent. We didn't have the Phipps, Vanderbuilts, and Whitneys, that was traditional "old money." We had some, but we also had lots of new money. And what's so terrible about elitist? It gives the little guy something to strive for.

There are many Hall of Famers that had meager beginnings yours truly, Joe Holloway and Linda Toscano come to mind. We were all minnows watching the whales in our early years. I started training in the mid-1960s, won my first Grand Circuit race with Higher Power in the 1982 Adios (17 years later) and didn't win another till the late 1980s when Franconia won the Maple Leaf Trot at Greenwood.

I truly hope the Mohawk Millions is a tremendous success and other tracks follow suit. Hopefully, if new races develop from this scenario, the tracks will put up some of their money for the purses.

The trend toward dropping the elimination races format will certainly increase the available Grand Circuit dates and make room for many more racing opportunities.

Tom Santoro asks: Does the driver's weight make a difference?

For sure it does when you are comparing drivers of equal talent. I remember Marvin Maker at Liberty Bell when he just started driving. There were many 180lb guys in that driving colony and when "the mouse" who weighed 115lbs. soaking wet jumped on one of their previous drives, records would fall. I put Marvin down on a trotter that was doing okay in his class trotting around 2:07 week after week. Marvin put him on the front end and he won by many open lengths in 2:03. The previous driver who was sitting in the drivers' room not far from me took his whip and threw it at the glass window, no damage but amusing.

In my lifetime, there were plenty of excellent big drivers but few if any remain today. It is a light weights sport today. The top drivers probably average 140 lbs. many in the 130s. Jody Jamieson and Cory Callahan come to mind as the biggest I can think of and in no way do they resemble the big guys of the past such as Eddie Davis or Eddie Cobb.

Cat Manzi to me was the greatest big driver, certainly not fat but quite tall and he knew the secret of being bigger and remaining competitive. He was very still in the bike and on top of that he was very intelligent.

Charles Foster asks: I read your opinion on pre-sale x-rays ([full story here](#)). What are your thoughts on routinely x-raying yearlings immediately after their purchase to identify issues like OCDs etc. or do you prefer to wait till something shows up in training?

Without question you should x-ray right after purchase. The

sooner you remove OCDs etc. the better chance you have of a successful racing campaign. Waiting for something to rear its ugly head is just asking for trouble. Very important note, don't let anyone talk you out of operating because the OCD is not on a weight bearing surface, that has happened to me and it came back to bite me you know where.

Ray Hanna asks: Tony Morgan winner of 15,000 races is not in the Hall of Fame what are your thoughts on this?

Tough question to answer. I know Tony very well. He is smart and was a leader and an innovator on the Illinois circuit for a long time. He was the first catch driver that I had met that had his own bike. It was the old Chicago underslung and I am not sure if it was because he liked the bike itself or he was so tall that he wasn't as comfortable in the others. Tony was to Illinois as Joe Napolitano is to Pennsylvania. Both very mild mannered and quiet, no showboating, just doing their job in the talented way they always do. He never spent much time away from his home track in Illinois or the Pennsylvania, Delaware circuit. I am sure he has been nominated but he hasn't been enough of a fixture in Grand Circuit competition to plant the seed in the minds of the selection committee.

A lot has changed in the last few years in that regard which does bode well for the chance of his selection, so if you are a fan keep your fingers crossed it just might happen.



Susan Brown asks: I was wondering what you think about sickle hocked and cow hocked horses. I have a super bred pacer that is both what is your opinion?

One of the greatest trainers, if not the greatest of all time, Billy Haughton, always said that sickle hocked pacers are usually very fast. That said, for the most part I spent most of my life buying trotters and personally not fond of either characteristic. I have found that many yearlings that are cow hocked become straighter as the get older. I would buy a cow hocked pacer or a sickle hocked pacer way before a trotter. I don't even like to look at a sickle hocked horse they look strange to me. The brother to Father Patrick that I advised Lindy Farm to purchase from Hanover was ever so slightly sickle hocked and it bothered me so much – even though I loved the colt – that we went back to look at him three or four times being extra careful.

In the case of your pacer, if you are happy with his gait, I am sure he will overcome the minor conformation problems you have spoken of. Best of luck with him.

Thanks again to all of you for your kind words. I want all the naysayers that accuse me of being too positive about the situation our sport is in to take note that the Tattersalls Winter Mixed Sale at the Meadowlands Monday was up 41 per cent over last year's average and the gross was up \$1million with 22 fewer horses selling. In addition, Lindy The Great, the sales topper at \$450,000 and purchased by Rene Allard, was the highest price for a horse sold at that venue in the past 10 years. Please keep the questions coming in and have a wonderful week.

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Gerard Forni

Vincennes Racetrack in Paris on Prix d'Amerique day.



Prix d'Amérique celebrating 100 years - the field is set

by Thomas Hedlund

The \$997,700 Grand Prix d'Amérique is celebrating 100 years as an event. The first edition of one of the harness racing world's most prestigious races took place in 1920, when Pro Patria crossed the wire as the first winner.

Many great trotters have written their special histories in the Prix d'Amérique throughout the years. The Levesque family's super mare Rocquepine won the race three years in a row between 1966-1968, but she wasn't the first horse that was that successful in Paris. Already in 1926, mare Uranie won her first out of three editions of the PdA and three or

more wins in the race makes the particular horses immortal in the fans' minds.

Ourasie was the king of the trotting world in the 1980s and the Jean René Gougeon trained chestnut trotter succeeded four times on the black track in Paris.

Varenne, by many fans considered the best trotter in the world, had his years in Paris in 2001 and 2002 and the Italian bred champion showed his different abilities by winning the mile race Elitloppet in Sweden the same years.

Since Varenne's two victories, the Prix d'Amérique has been a story where the home country France has largely dominated, with three exceptions when Swedish-bred trotters won.

This year seems to similar to 2019, when Jean-Michel Bazire dominated in great style by winning paired with Belina Josselyn. Bazire has three horses in the race and his Davidson du Pont will most likely be the first choice when the 18 horses gather for the often tumultuous start.

Sébastien Guarato has one more weapon in his barn and his 5-year-old star Face Time Bourbon has attracted a lot of interest. The trotter has dominated among his crop brothers and sisters in Europe during two seasons ahead of this big objective.

The Prix d'Amérique is contested over 2,700 meters with a purse of 900,000 euros. The race is on at 4:10PM (CET) on Sunday (about 10:10 a.m. New York time).

Winners of Prix since 2000:

2000 – General du Pommeaux
2001 – Varenne
2002 – Varenne
2003 – Abano As
2004 – Kesaco Phedo
2005 – Jag de Bellouet
2006 – Gigant Neo
2007 – Offshore Dream
2008 – Offshore Dream
2009 – Meaulnes du Corta
2010 – Oyonnax
2011 – Ready Cash
2012 – Ready Cash
2013 – Royal Dream
2014 – Maharajah
2015 – Up And Quick
2016 – Bold Eagle
2017 – Bold Eagle
2018 – Ready Express
2019 – Belina Josselyn

Prix d'Amérique 2020

Horse (sire)– Driver (Trainer)

1. **Excellent** (Real de Lou) – Alexandre Abrivard (Laurent Claude Abrivard)
2. **Chica de Joudes** (Jag de Bellouet) – Alain Laurent
3. **Looking Superb** (Orlando Vici) – David Thomain (Jean-Michel Bazire)
4. **Vivid Wise As** (Yankee Glide) – Yoann Lebourgeois (Alessandro Gocciadoro)
5. **Enino du Pommereux** (Coktail Jet) – Matthieu Abrivard (Sylvain Roger)
6. **Delia du Pommereux** (Niky) – Sylvain Roger
7. **Davidson du Pont** (Pacha du Pont) – Frank Ouvrie (Jean-Michel Bazire)
8. **Bahia Quenot** (Scipion du Goutier) – Junior Guelpa
9. **Face Time Bourbon** (Ready Cash) – Björn Goop (Sébastien Guarato)
10. **Milligan's School** (Yankee Glide) – Anthony Barrier (Stefan Melander)
11. **Vitruvio** (Adrian Chip) – Alessandro Gocciadoro (Alessandro Gocciadoro)

12. **Uza Josselyn** (Love You) – Pierre Vercruysse (Réné Aebischer)
13. **Valko Jenilat** (Kepler) – Paul-Philippe Ploquin (Sébastien Guarato)
14. **Ringostarr Treb** (Classic Photo) – Jean-Philippe Monclin (Jerry Riordan)
15. **Billie de Montfort** (Jasmin de Flore) – Gabriele Gelormini (Sébastien Guarato)
16. **Belina Josselyn** (Love You) – Jean-Michel Bazire
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Peter Haughton –Can it really be 40 years?

by Bob Heyden

The sport of harness racing suffered immeasurable loss when Peter Haughton was killed in an auto accident on Jan. 25, 1980 – 40 years ago.

He was just 25.

Haughton had just won the Roosevelt International in with 1978 with Cold Comfort and in 1979 with Doublemint. No other U.S.-born driver has ever won the International in back-to-back years.

Haughton earned \$6,438,837 in his young career and, remember, this was the pre-million-dollar race era.

He was eight months older and about \$800,000 lifetime ahead of fellow driver/friend, 24-year-old John Campbell.

Haughton was described as charismatic, dynamic, captivating, and oh-so-good with a horse – especially a trotter. After all, his father was Hall of Famer Billy Haughton, who eclipsed \$30 million lifetime that very year.

Yes, Peter had regal bloodlines. But the horses didn't know that. He posted some big time impressive stats in his quarter century on earth. Here's a look at some of the highlight numbers:

Three Meadowlands track records at age 22: Aged mare trotter Keystone Pioneer – 1:58.3 (4/29/77); Aged Mare Pacer Meadow Blue Chip – 1:55.2 (6/11/77); 4-year-old Trotting Horse Speedy Romeo – 1:59.2 (5/24/77).

Peter posted history's fastest ever female race mile on Nov. 22, 1974 at Hollywood Park – 1:54.4 – beating the boys, including defending Horse of the Year Sir Dalrae and Yonkers Track record holder Armbro Nesbit. This mile came a month after she set the world record for a female time trial of 1:54.2. How unheard of today is a 3-year-old pacing filly beating older more established males?

Peter won the 1976 Kentucky Futurity with Quick Pay and repeated in 1978 with Doublemint. The first was done at age

22 and no one younger has won a Triple Crown race since.

Peter first tasted stakes action in 1974, when at the urging of Del Miller and his own godfather Stanley Dancer, Billy Haughton relented and put 19-year-old Peter up on such standouts as Handle With Care, Armbro Omaha and Keystone Gabriel – the latter winning the \$117,095 Colonial.

The list of major stakes races won by Peter include:

1974 – Colonial with Keystone Gabriel and the Tattersalls with Keystone Presto.

1975 – The Hanover Filly Stake with Keystone Model and The U.S. Pacing Championship with Handle With Care.

1976 – The Gaines with Windshield Wiper, the Currier & Ives with Steve Lobell, the Reynolds with both Quick Pay and Steve Lobell, and the Kentucky Futurity with Quick Pay spoiling the Triple Crown bid for Steve Lobell.

1977 – The Dexter Cup with Cold Comfort, the Florida Breeders with Jargon as well as the Betsy Ross with Future Fame.

1978 – The prestigious Fox Stake (\$113,681) with Crackers, The Currier & Ives and Hanover Stake with Cold Comfort, and his final Triple Crown race, at 24, with Doublemint in the oldest of all Triple Crown events, the Kentucky Futurity.

1979 – The Debutante with Cool Heel, The American Classic with Jurgy Hanover at Hollywood Park and the Dickerson Cup with Gin Tonic. Peter also won the first ever \$100,000 Hambletonian Oaks that year with Pagan Princess.

Here are some of Peter's year-by-year numbers:

1975 – \$629,059

1976 – \$727,090

1977 – 139 wins and \$1,377,265 which was #14 in the country. Billy was #10 with \$1,617,949

1978 – 130 wins and \$1,672,798 which cracked the top 10 (#9) for the first time. Dad was #8 with \$1,718,105

1979 – \$1.5 million

Peter last drove at the Meadowlands the weekend before his death. He drove Battling Brad, a horse he had success with on and off for four years.

Other horses driven by Peter to the winner's circle include Taurus Chip, the great trotting mare Keystone Pioneer who was the 1976 HOY runner-up, Luannes Jewel and Chapaquiddick.

He once paid nearly \$400 to place in the Jug with League Leader.

A flair for the dramatic — one that only grew in legend the year of his passing. The horse he was aiming for the 1980 Hambletonian, his colt Burgomeister, did make it to the trotting classic and had his stablemate Final Score — the first heat winner — was his major obstacle. They finish 1-2 with his dad Billy and Peter's brother Tommy. In a year that featured the sport's first \$1 Million and \$2 Million race, this was probably the moment most recall as THE most memorable of 1980.

Holley, Tommy, Cammie, Billy, Jr. are all still here. We lost Dotty in 2019. The Haughtons. The name and the records live on. Despite the two monumental losses too early, the Haughton family of today are caretakers to the legacy — a world-wide one.

If you think that the word "legend" might be a stretch for just a 25-year-old kid driving, remember the best trotting horsemen in the world found themselves chasing Peter twice in one of the most prestigious races of all — the International.

Sometimes you have the world as both your playground and your workplace, right in front of you. Peter sure did. The industry survives, but we would have been so much better with him than we are without him.

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Remembering Roosevelt Raceway and Good Time Park

by Dean A. Hoffman

Great horses and great people that played an important role in harness racing are not forgotten once they pass from the scene. They enjoy immortality through their accomplishments both on and off the track.

So it is also with many historic sites in the sport, the places that hold special significance in the harness racing for varying reasons. Some of these historic harness sites are long gone (and often forgotten) while others remain in varying form.

Just as we recognize and honor the most significant horses and people in standardbred history, so should we remember the sites where so much harness racing history was made, even if that site now happens to be a shopping center or subdivision.

This begins a series of five brief articles on sites that deserve recognition for their significance in the sport. While some may be gone physically, they should never be forgotten.

Roosevelt Raceway – Westbury, NY

It was the dream track, a palatial racing emporium far ahead of its time and it made its debut when harness racing was enjoying an unrelenting wave of post-World War II success.

Actually, the original Roosevelt Raceway first played host to harness contests in 1940. It was an inauspicious opening as bad weather and a shortage of entries threatened to doom the entire endeavor.

A year after Roosevelt's opening, the war in Europe blossomed into World War II with the bombing of Pearl Harbor. This was certainly not time to be operating a racetrack for horses that pulled sulkies.

Roosevelt Raceway's founding father George Morton Levy, a



File Photo

Roosevelt Raceway on Long Island was frequently packed to the rafters.

New York attorney, wasn't getting rich by owning a racetrack, but he persevered and held on during the lean years during World War II.

With the end of the war came not only the post-war baby boom, but also a period of extraordinary economic prosperity for America. Europe was in ruins; it was the same story in Japan. America's massive industrial resources were intact and the boys coming back from military service were ready to go to work during the day – and to play the ponies at night.

That led to such extraordinary success for Roosevelt Raceway that it outgrew its original plant by the mid-1950s. It was time for George Morton Levy to build his dream track.

And he did just that with marvelous amenities that racing fans had never seen at a harness tracks. Fans liked what that saw at Roosevelt and they flocked there in droves.

The "new" Roosevelt that opened in 1957 was unquestionably the most palatial harness track in North America. In today's dollars, the construction cost was about \$175 million.

USTA president Lawrence Sheppard (also master of Hanover Shoe Farms), said, "The world of racing has never seen anything that can remotely compare with it."

It was a split-level construction consisting of five separate levels and towering over the splendor was the Cloud Casino, affording racing fans splendor that they'd never experienced.

Naturally, Roosevelt attracted the best horses to new events such as the Messenger Stakes for sophomore pacers, which had started in 1956.

But Levy wasn't content to showcase merely the best



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Good Time Park in Goshen, NY during the 1940 Hambletonian.

standardbreds in North America; he wanted the world to come to Roosevelt.

And come they did with the creation of the International Trot in 1959. It pitted the best of North America against the best of Europe.

Roosevelt publicist Nick Grande seized the artichoke-eating habits of the French star Jamin and turned the trotter's peculiar taste in snacks into reams of publicity. And Jamin did the rest by winning the first Roosevelt International over Tornese of Italy.

The following year, Hairos of Holland, lugging a 300-pound driver, triumphed in front of 54,861 fans, the largest crowd ever at a pari-mutuel harness track.

When the new track opened in 1957, Roosevelt became the first raceway to offer a \$100,000 purse when the Messenger Stake was won by Meadow Lands, driven by Delvin Miller.

Just a few years later in 1962, the Messenger Stake was contested for a purse of \$169,430 and the winner Thor Hanover paid \$144 for a \$2 win ticket.

By 1970, Roosevelt was averaging \$2 million in handle. That's about \$13 million in today's currency. Keep in mind

that the track usually carded nine events per program and all betting was done on track. Yes, a \$13 million average nightly handle.

Crowds averaged about 20,000 fans per night.

Things began to change in the early 1970s when Off-Track Betting came to fruition in New York City and racing fans realized that they no longer had to trudge to the track to play the ponies. There were betting shops in business districts and many neighborhoods.

The convenience of Off-Track Betting and the growing competition from state lotteries affected Roosevelt in the 1970s. But then in America's Bicentennial year of 1976, Roosevelt confronted a gleaming new rival called the Meadowlands in what had been swampy New Jersey soil.

The Meadowlands was a mile track and could accommodate larger fields, and that led to increased pari-mutuel handle and soaring popularity among NYC-area bettors.

The Meadowlands campaigned hard to bring the Hambletonian to the Big Apple and staged its first Hambletonian on rainy summer day in early August, 1981.

By then the handwriting was on the wall. Roosevelt Raceway was no longer the dream track in the eyes of the harness world. It had lost that title to the Meadowlands and business declined at Roosevelt.

Still, it was a shock to many when it was announced that Roosevelt Raceway would host its final race in 1988 and close forever. The property is now occupied by offices, shops, and housing.

Good Time Park – Goshen, NY

If you exit from Rte. 17, you will see a large, flat field, but if you close your eyes and use your imagination, you can almost hear the hoof beats of the champion horses that gained fame at Good Time Park in Goshen.

For decades, the best trotters in America came to Goshen in quest of the Hambletonian, the biggest prize in harness racing.

Good Time Park, a three-cornered track owned by William H. Cane, played host to the Hambletonian from 1930 through 1956 (with the exception of 1943 when it was held on the site of Yonkers because of wartime restrictions). When Cane died, so did the racing at Good Time Park and the Hambletonian moved about a thousand miles west to Du Quoin, IL.

But during its prime, Good Time Park played host to the best of the breed, including Hambletonian winners such as Greyhound, Rosalind, Spencer Scott, Titan Hanover, Hoot Mon, Demon Hanover, Lusty Song and Scott Frost.

Good Time Park was a mile track with a sharp first turn that spelled doom for some shaky trotters, but horsemen loved the ambience of having the sport's biggest race in Trot Town, USA. Bill Cane staged the Hambletonian with hoopla and heartfelt hospitality and also made sure that the big-city scribes from New York City came up to the country to watch that race that some called the "Corn Tassel Derby."

Good Time Park was not a true kite track as some have suggested. It was more properly a triangular track, while nearby Historic Track was a traditional half-mile oval. While Historic Track welcomed the Grand Circuit in early July, the Good Time Park held its meet a month later.

Good Time was not known to be a speed track due to the first turn and its unusual shape. In fact, mile in a mile in 2:05 was good enough for Bill Gallon to win the Hambletonian in 1941 and a 2:04 mile got the trophy for the following year.

The Hambletonian provided reliable drama at Good Time Park each year. Hanover's Bertha was the first winner at Goshen in 1930 and then her daughter Shirley Hanover

made them the first mother-daughter combo with her 1937 win.

In 1931, winning owner W.M. Wright of Calumet Farm was in a coma and unable to enjoy the thrill of Calumet Butler's win.

The next year, Brown Berry was seemingly on his way to victory when he stumbled badly in the homestretch, unseating driver Fred Egan. Brown Berry crossed the finish line well behind Mary Reynolds.

In 1934, brothers Hugh and Daryl Parshall combined their stable stars Lord Jim and Muscletone to double-team the filly Princess Peg. Lord Jim won the Hambletonian – with its purse of \$25,845 – by virtue of a fourth-heat raceoff win.

Those attending the '35 Hambletonian will never forget the sweeping move by Greyhound on the backstretch that propelled him to victory. The next year, the filly Rosalind won for young Gib White, a victim of tuberculosis as a teenager.

In 1942, Pay Up won the first heat with a payoff of \$23.90 in the win pools, but the next heat went to The Ambassador, triggering a \$68.20 payoff. Longshot lovers got rich that afternoon.

Titan Hanover was so superior to his 17 rivals in 1945 that he was barred in the wagering and he won easily.

The next year, Tom Berry drove Chestertown cleverly to score a win over the record-priced yearling Victory Song.

Hoot Mon trotted the first 2:00 in Hambletonian history in defeating Rodney in a memorable 1947 event, while Harrison Hoyt became the only amateur ever to train and drive a Hambletonian winner when his beloved Demon Hanover won.

In 1953, the longshot filly Helicopter was the best of the 23 starters for the Armstrong Bros of Canada.

In 1955, Scott Frost won the Hambletonian, which was part of the new Triple Crown for trotters.

Some might have thought that the 1956 winner was named after the 1948 William Faulkner novel *The Intruder In The Dust* because The Intruder, a son of Scotland, flashed through the dusty track that August to score his first victory for young Ned Bower.

When Good Time Park ceased racing, its track trotting record was 1:58-1/4 set by Greyhound as a 5-year-old in 1937 while the pacing record was held at 1:58.3 by Direct Rhythm and Del Miller in 1953.

Good Time Park was used as a training center for many years afterwards by local horsemen.

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The Grind, part one

by Frank CotoLO

Veterans of pari-mutuel betting call it "The Grind." It is the first and foremost method of play for professional gamblers. The Grind is solely about making win wagers for a long-run profit, and that, literally, is a grind because there is no consistency to the return of investment per bet. A bettor hits a win for \$5.60 and another for \$10.40 and another for \$7.00 and along the way he or she loses "X" amount of cash from losing tickets and The Grind continues, until forbid, it turns a profit or a deficit.

But The Grind offers a terrific condition: only one result of each wager is necessary in the stream of wagers made to keep the bettor in the black. That single condition is the horse bet must win.

The win, place and show pools offer the same condition, respectively, with a bonus – you can cash on a solo place bet if the horse wins and you can cash on a show bet if the horse wins or places. The Grind offers these advantages barring any exceptional results (disqualification determined by the judges).

Many bettors find The Grind to be slow and tiresome and they are correct. That does not change its sole condition, which is unique compared to the exotic betting schemes available that keep bettors buzzing with action.

Exotic wagers demand many more conditions without displaying possible payoff prices, too. There is no way to apply The Grind's process to exotic wagers because the situations demanded to win exotics become more difficult per type of wager. Have you ever looked at exotic wagers based on what they demand?

BET TYPE – DEMANDED TO CASH

Daily Double – Two in separate races

Exacta – Two in a single race

Trifecta – Three in a single race

Superfecta – Four in a single race

Super Hi-5 – Five in a single race

Pick 3 – Three in separate races

Pick 4 – Four in separate races

Pick 5 – Five in separate races

Pick 6 – Six in separate races

Usually, a bettor does not respect the strength of the demands involved in winning exotics. That's because he or she almost never plays the base number of horses needed to satisfy a win. Who plays "cold" single or multi-race exotics?

Let me see a show of hands.

Just as I thought, no one.

Bettors accepted as a solution to playing cold exotics a most idiotic method – buy lots of losing tickets. That is, buy a single ticket with multiple choices in each exotic leg or finishing spot expected, knowing very well that many of the combinations they choose will not be in the correct orders and ultimately only one set of numbers will provide success. Of course, that makes all of the numbers that do not play into the winning set – there is no other way to label them – losing ticket combinations.

So what you say? The single set of correct numbers in a multiple ticket will pay off so greatly that the cost of purchasing losing tickets to come up with a winning one will be moot.

Not really and hardly ever. There are two reasons the exotics vary greatly in their payoffs. Here is one example from a veteran bettor:

Lucky Kalanges, my longtime associate in the betting business, tweeted a scene from an all too common situation on the topic of betting exotics with a novice bettor.

Lucky said, "I explain [to the novice] how the Pick 6 has changed to a 'Jackpot' and that the pot only pays out if there is a single winning combo. 'Well, that sucks,' he says. 'Let's just play the Pick 5 from now on.' Wish I had explained it before we put in that losing ticket."

The jackpot demand is a condition no bettor should accept.

Reason two concerns the types of winning sets. In pari-mutuels, winners share the pot. The more favorites appearing on a correct set, the less the winners collect. The more horses outside of public favor on a correct set, the larger the reward. More importantly, exactly what correct sets pay is not revealed until the race stream is official, so, it becomes possible that a correct set among incorrect sets on a multiple ticket could return less than the cost of the multiple ticket.

Those two reasons are challenges enough to make a multi-race-exotic ticket unassailable. Add to them a debilitating factor – the exotic becomes more important to hit than any winners it may supply, causing bettors to pass playing various horses in the win pool.

The Grinders, if you will, do not have such a problem, because, remember, nothing comes before a win bet and, as you will see in upcoming parts of this series, making win bets a priority is the key to playing any kind of exotic.

To be continued...

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Keith, Gwerner win Herveys; Hall and Gooden win Smallsreeds and WEG wins McKee award

Melissa Keith makes it four straight years HRU has won at least one John Hervey Award for journalistic excellence. HRU's James Platz earned honorable mention in both writing categories and Dave Landry in the photo contest.

by Ken Weingartner, for the U.S. Harness Writers Association

Derick Gwerner and Melissa Keith were named winners of the 2019 John Hervey Awards for excellence in harness racing journalism, while Chris Gooden and Mark Hall were named recipients of the George Smallsreed Awards for photography and Woodbine Entertainment Group was selected winner of the Sam McKee Award for broadcasting, the U.S. Harness Writers Association announced Tuesday (Jan. 21).

The winners will be recognized at the Dan Patch Awards banquet Feb. 23 at Rosen Shingle Creek resort in Orlando, FL. Meadowlands Racetrack Chairman Jeffrey Gural is continuing his longstanding sponsorship of the awards by providing banquet tickets for the winners.

Keith won in the feature writing category for her two-part story on the death of Ron Graham that appeared in *Harness Racing Update*. The first part, "The tragic and mysterious death of a harness horseman," appeared April 14 and can be read [here](#). The second part, "A wanderer with an incredible heart," appeared May 24 and can be read [here](#). It is Keith's third Hervey Award and second in this category.

Gwerner won in the news or commentary category for his column, "Rolling the sport into the future," which appeared in the Feb. 9 edition of *DRF Harness Weekend*. To read the piece, click [here](#). It is Gwerner's first Hervey Award.



Mark Hall / USTA

Mark Hall won his seventh Smallsreed award for this photo that appeared on the cover of the July issue of Hoof Beats.

Honorable mentions went to Mike Farrell (writing for the Hambletonian Society) and James Platz (*Harness Racing Update*) in news/commentary and to Platz, Brandon Valvo (writing for the Breeders Crown) and Gordon Waterstone (*The Horseman and Fair World*) in feature writing.

The writing categories were judged by NTRA Director of Communications Alicia Hughes, Eclipse Award-winning writer Joe Nevills, and former Philadelphia Inquirer Sports

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Editor John Quinn.

In the Smallsreed competition, Gooden won in the race/action category for his photograph, "Noses on the Gate," which appeared online Feb. 19 on The Meadows Racing website. Gooden is a three-time Smallsreed winner.

Hall won in the feature category for his photograph, "Shining Moment," that appeared on the cover of the July issue of *Hoof Beats*. It is Hall's seventh Smallsreed honor.

Honorable mentions went to Clive Cohen (Woodbine Mohawk Park Facebook and Instagram) in race/action and to Michael Burns (Woodbine Mohawk Park website) and Dave Landry (Harness Racing Update) in feature.

Judges for the photography categories were racetrack and newspaper photographer Bill Denver and former harness racing groom and long-time newspaper/magazine photographer Phil McAuliffe.

In the McKee competition, Woodbine Entertainment Group broadcast department was honored for its story on French trotter Bold Eagle's appearance in the Breeders Crown, which aired Oct. 26 on the TSN4 television network. The producer was Phil McSween, director of photography was Gage Fletcher and David Syrie, and the editor was Jason Vanderzee. The win gave WEG its fourth award in the broadcast division. To watch the piece, click [here](#).

Honorable mention went to True Nature Communications Inc.'s feature on Trevor Ritchie for the Breeders Crown.

Entries for the Sam McKee Award were judged by former long-time *Thoroughbred Week* host and co-producer John Henderson.

For more information about the Dan Patch Awards banquet, visit the U.S. Harness Writers Association's [website](#).



Chris Gooden

Chris Gooden won his third Smallsreed award for his photograph, "Noses on the Gate," which appeared online Feb. 19 on The Meadows Racing website.



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All Tracks - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Dagfin Henriksen	10	4	40%	2	2	8	80%
Walter Hennessey	73	26	36%	11	11	48	66%
J Campbell	52	18	35%	6	4	28	54%
John Wagner	19	6	32%	2	1	9	47%
Shawn Steacy	10	3	30%	0	0	3	30%
Luke Plano	56	15	27%	7	8	30	54%
Kenneth Holliday	11	3	27%	3	1	7	64%
Stephen Oldford	11	3	27%	0	0	3	27%
Tim Tetrick	116	29	25%	10	14	53	46%
Dexter Dunn	110	27	25%	18	15	60	55%

All Tracks - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
William Bercury	6	4	67%	0	0	4	67%
Austin Gilbert	5	3	60%	1	0	4	80%
Jeffrey Byron	8	4	50%	1	0	5	63%
Arlene Cameron	8	4	50%	2	0	6	75%
Tyler Raymer	6	3	50%	2	0	5	83%
Stephen Gass	6	3	50%	0	0	3	50%
Brian Hauck	9	4	44%	0	0	4	44%
Richard Norman	9	4	44%	1	1	6	67%
Darran Cassar	14	6	43%	2	1	9	64%
Stephen Bossence	7	3	43%	1	0	4	57%

All Tracks - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Stephen Smith	67	0	0%	1	3	4	6%
Scott Knight	45	0	0%	3	5	8	18%
Natasha Day	30	0	0%	5	1	6	20%
David Ingraham	29	0	0%	1	3	4	14%
Steven Wiseman	28	0	0%	5	2	7	25%
Jacob Fox	24	0	0%	4	0	4	17%
James Lackey	24	0	0%	3	2	5	21%
Jason Beattie	22	0	0%	2	3	5	23%
Shane Taggart	22	0	0%	1	2	3	14%
Curtis Grismore	22	0	0%	0	4	4	18%

All Tracks - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Paul Blumenfeld	38	0	0%	5	3	8	21%
Jennifer Bongiorno	36	0	0%	5	5	10	28%
Charles Stewart	29	0	0%	5	4	9	31%
Mark Winacott	27	0	0%	2	5	7	26%
Jose Godinez	24	0	0%	7	1	8	33%
Daniel Gill	22	0	0%	9	3	12	55%
James Stiltner li	22	0	0%	2	0	2	9%
Terry Gallant	20	0	0%	1	3	4	20%
Arthur Gregory Jr	19	0	0%	3	2	5	26%
Patrick Melloy Jr	19	0	0%	2	2	4	21%

Meadowlands - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Andrew McCarthy	32	12	38%	3	3	18	56%
Dexter Dunn	81	23	28%	9	14	46	57%
Yannick Gingras	52	12	23%	9	5	26	50%
Joseph Bongiorno	44	8	18%	6	4	18	41%
Austin Siegelman	30	5	17%	1	1	7	23%
William Mann	15	2	13%	0	0	2	13%
Corey Callahan	123	14	11%	13	17	44	36%
Marcus Miller	93	9	10%	7	6	22	24%
James Marohn Jr	41	4	10%	6	6	16	39%
Jason Bartlett	11	1	9%	1	0	2	18%

Meadowlands - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Tony Alagna	9	6	67%	1	0	7	78%
Eric Mollor	5	3	60%	0	0	3	60%
Brett Pelling	7	4	57%	0	1	5	71%
Richard Norman	10	4	40%	2	3	9	90%
Darran Cassar	8	3	38%	2	0	5	63%
Linda Toscano	14	5	36%	2	2	9	64%
Charles Connor Jr	10	3	30%	1	0	4	40%
Dylan Davis	10	3	30%	3	1	7	70%
Alek Chartrand	8	2	25%	1	0	3	38%
Shaun Vallee	13	3	23%	2	1	6	46%

Meadowlands - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Larry Stalbaum	25	0	0%	0	2	2	8%
Tim Tetrick	22	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Joe Hanney	17	0	0%	1	3	4	24%
Cid Del	10	0	0%	2	3	5	50%
Mitchell Cushing	71	1	1%	7	6	14	20%
Tyler Buter	140	6	4%	19	14	39	28%
Gregory Merton	53	2	4%	4	2	8	15%
Andrew Monti	52	2	4%	4	1	7	13%
Stephen Smith	47	2	4%	2	4	8	17%
Eric Abbatiello	40	2	5%	2	1	5	13%

Meadowlands - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Patricia Harmon	32	0	0%	1	2	3	9%
Tracy Tarantino	20	0	0%	1	1	2	10%
Vincent Fusco Jr	19	0	0%	2	2	4	21%
Ethan Sisco	18	0	0%	3	3	6	33%
Jimmy Nickerson	14	0	0%	2	1	3	21%
Rick Dane Jr	13	0	0%	1	2	3	23%
Newton Sheridan	12	0	0%	2	3	5	42%
Jennifer Bongiorno	12	0	0%	1	1	2	17%
Dan Morrissey	11	0	0%	1	1	2	18%
Blake Macintosh	10	0	0%	0	0	0	0%

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Woodbine Mohawk Park - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Douglas McNair	105	18	17%	13	8	39	37%
Louis Roy	60	8	13%	4	9	21	35%
Sylvain Filion	91	10	11%	13	7	30	33%
Mario Baillargeon	19	2	11%	4	3	9	47%
Scott Young	52	5	10%	3	3	11	21%
Travis Cullen	51	5	10%	3	5	13	25%
Jonathan Drury	97	9	9%	6	10	25	26%
Michael Saftic	44	4	9%	4	4	12	27%
Aaron Byron	11	1	9%	2	0	3	27%
Trevor Henry	104	8	8%	8	12	28	27%

Woodbine Mohawk Park - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Benjamin Wallace	6	2	33%	0	0	2	33%
Patrick Shepherd	16	5	31%	2	0	7	44%
Robert Fellows	20	6	30%	0	0	6	30%
Gary Lance	7	2	29%	1	1	4	57%
Julie Walker	16	4	25%	2	0	6	38%
Dagfin Henriksen	8	2	25%	0	0	2	25%
Chantal Mitchell	9	2	22%	0	3	5	56%
R McNair	20	4	20%	1	0	5	25%
Ronald Macdonald	5	1	20%	0	1	2	40%
Stephen Davis	5	1	20%	1	0	2	40%

Woodbine Mohawk Park - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Guy Gagnon	12	0	0%	1	0	1	8%
Ed Hensley	12	0	0%	2	1	3	25%
Michael Whelan	10	0	0%	0	2	2	20%
J Harris	35	1	3%	2	2	5	14%
Chris Christoforou	63	3	5%	5	10	18	29%
Phillippe Hudon	81	5	6%	3	6	14	17%
Trevor Henry	104	8	8%	8	12	28	27%
Bob McClure	102	8	8%	15	5	28	27%
James Macdonald	99	8	8%	8	10	26	26%
Jody Jamieson	64	5	8%	7	7	19	30%

Woodbine Mohawk Park - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Julie Robinson	19	0	0%	2	2	4	21%
Louie Eftimiadis	12	0	0%	2	1	3	25%
Herbert Holland	11	0	0%	1	0	1	9%
Vernon Cochrane	10	0	0%	1	1	2	20%
Ashleigh Hensley	10	0	0%	2	1	3	30%
Shawn Steacy	10	0	0%	3	1	4	40%
Jason McGinnis	9	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Stephen Charlton	9	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
David Daigneault	9	0	0%	0	2	2	22%
Jean Gagne	9	0	0%	1	0	1	11%

Yonkers - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Jason Bartlett	136	27	20%	26	9	62	46%
Patrick Lachance	11	2	18%	1	3	6	55%
George Brennan	129	20	16%	17	8	45	35%
James Marohn Jr	86	12	14%	9	9	30	35%
Brent Holland	105	12	11%	8	12	32	30%
Daniel Dube	77	6	8%	4	12	22	29%
Austin Siegelman	95	7	7%	6	8	21	22%
Jordan Stratton	123	7	6%	11	10	28	23%
Matthew Kakaley	97	6	6%	10	11	27	28%
Joseph Bongiorno	77	5	6%	11	13	29	38%

Yonkers - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Douglas Dilloian Jr	6	3	50%	0	0	3	50%
Linda Toscano	7	3	43%	0	1	4	57%
Darran Cassar	7	3	43%	1	0	4	57%
Andrew Harris	28	11	39%	2	0	13	46%
Ervin Miller	14	4	29%	0	2	6	43%
Scott Di Domenico	46	13	28%	3	3	19	41%
Brett Pelling	5	1	20%	2	0	3	60%
Richard Banca	43	8	19%	7	2	17	40%
Rene Allard	56	10	18%	8	10	28	50%
Patrick Lachance	11	2	18%	1	2	5	45%

Yonkers - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Gregory Merton	24	0	0%	2	2	4	17%
Eric Goodell	88	3	3%	8	11	22	25%
Jordan Stratton	123	7	6%	11	10	28	23%
Matthew Kakaley	97	6	6%	10	11	27	28%
Joseph Bongiorno	77	5	6%	11	13	29	38%
Austin Siegelman	95	7	7%	6	8	21	22%
Daniel Dube	77	6	8%	4	12	22	29%
Brent Holland	105	12	11%	8	12	32	30%
James Marohn Jr	86	12	14%	9	9	30	35%
George Brennan	129	20	16%	17	8	45	35%

Yonkers - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Paul Blumenfeld	28	0	0%	5	2	7	25%
Jose Godinez	24	0	0%	7	1	8	33%
Jennifer Bongiorno	22	0	0%	4	3	7	32%
William Adamczyk	11	0	0%	1	0	1	9%
Travis Alexander	11	0	0%	2	0	2	18%
Lisa Zabielski	11	0	0%	1	2	3	27%
Blake Macintosh	10	0	0%	1	1	2	20%
Carmine Fusco	9	0	0%	1	3	4	44%
Michael Temming	9	0	0%	1	2	3	33%
Jeffrey Bamond Jr	9	0	0%	0	1	1	11%

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Pompano Park - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Walter Hennessey	73	26	36%	11	11	48	66%
Kenneth Holliday	11	3	27%	3	1	7	64%
Richard Plano	45	8	18%	3	5	16	36%
Fernand Paquet Jr	30	5	17%	4	3	12	40%
John Macdonald	28	4	14%	3	5	12	43%
Peter Wrenn	21	3	14%	3	3	9	43%
Joseph Chindano Jr	21	3	14%	1	0	4	19%
Andrew Santeramo	17	2	12%	2	4	8	47%
Michael Micallef	17	2	12%	2	3	7	41%
Corey Braden	31	3	10%	3	5	11	35%

Pompano Park - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Jeffrey Byron	8	4	50%	1	0	5	63%
Brian Hauck	9	4	44%	0	0	4	44%
Rob Rittorf	8	3	38%	0	1	4	50%
John Macdonald	6	2	33%	1	0	3	50%
Stephen Oldford	6	2	33%	0	0	2	33%
Mitchell Walker	6	2	33%	3	0	5	83%
Joseph Pavia Jr	7	2	29%	0	1	3	43%
Joseph Chindano Jr	7	2	29%	0	0	2	29%
George Coblenz	15	4	27%	2	2	8	53%
Jake Huff	12	3	25%	3	2	8	67%

Pompano Park - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
David Ingraham	29	0	0%	1	3	4	14%
Tyler Shehan	14	0	0%	1	1	2	14%
Bryce Fenn	24	1	4%	3	3	7	29%
James Meitinis	34	2	6%	5	5	12	35%
Michael Simons	59	4	7%	8	9	21	36%
Reginald Gassien	14	1	7%	1	2	4	29%
Kevin Wallis	62	5	8%	13	11	29	47%
Joseph Sanzeri	25	2	8%	3	2	7	28%
Corey Braden	31	3	10%	3	5	11	35%
Tony Dinges	10	1	10%	1	1	3	30%

Pompano Park - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Kelly Case	13	0	0%	0	2	2	15%
William Popfinger	10	0	0%	1	0	1	10%
Thomas Petri	10	0	0%	2	4	6	60%
Walter Hennessey	9	0	0%	0	1	1	11%
Allen Saul	8	0	0%	1	2	3	38%
Chester Poole Jr	7	0	0%	1	1	2	29%
Thomas Wine li	7	0	0%	1	3	4	57%
Marna Shehan	7	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Fannie Saul-Beaulieu	7	0	0%	1	1	2	29%
Mike Murphy	6	0	0%	0	0	0	0%

Cal Expo - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Luke Plano	121	29	24%	19	22	70	58%
Nick Roland	109	15	14%	15	16	46	42%
James Kennedy	113	15	13%	9	13	37	33%
Gerald Longo	65	8	12%	8	6	22	34%
James Marshall Iv	33	4	12%	3	0	7	21%
Lemoyne Svendsen	119	13	11%	15	7	35	29%
John Roberts	66	7	11%	6	5	18	27%
Steven Wiseman	82	8	10%	10	13	31	38%
Dean Magee	112	10	9%	11	8	29	26%
Jacob Cutting	40	3	8%	4	4	11	28%

Cal Expo - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
James Wilkinson	10	4	40%	2	0	6	60%
John Roberts	33	7	21%	5	1	13	39%
Jennifer Sabot	10	2	20%	2	0	4	40%
Luke Plano	28	5	18%	2	5	12	43%
Jenna Cornelison	22	4	18%	3	0	7	32%
Marco Rios	24	4	17%	3	2	9	38%
James Kennedy	12	2	17%	4	1	7	58%
Gordon Empey	12	2	17%	1	1	4	33%
Gordon Graham	44	7	16%	4	3	14	32%
Edwin Quevedo	59	9	15%	8	5	22	37%

Cal Expo - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
James Lackey	44	1	2%	4	5	10	23%
Phillip Knox	30	1	3%	3	2	6	20%
Jacob Fox	46	2	4%	6	2	10	22%
Rene Goulet	25	1	4%	2	2	5	20%
Braxten Boyd	86	4	5%	7	12	23	27%
Jacob Cutting	40	3	8%	4	4	11	28%
Dean Magee	112	10	9%	11	8	29	26%
Steven Wiseman	82	8	10%	10	13	31	38%
Lemoyne Svendsen	119	13	11%	15	7	35	29%
John Roberts	66	7	11%	6	5	18	27%

Cal Expo - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Liberio Pacheco	28	0	0%	4	8	12	43%
Nathalie Tremblay	19	0	0%	1	0	1	5%
James Lackey	16	0	0%	3	2	5	31%
Robin Clements	15	0	0%	3	3	6	40%
Amber Carter	5	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Edward Smith	40	1	3%	1	6	8	20%
Quentin Schneider	49	2	4%	9	7	18	37%
Rene Goulet	27	1	4%	2	3	6	22%
Richard Schneider	43	2	5%	3	6	11	26%
Jacob Fox	32	2	6%	6	2	10	31%

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Flamboro Downs - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Travis Cullen	30	11	37%	2	2	15	50%
Shawn Steacy	12	4	33%	1	0	5	42%
Scott Young	11	3	27%	1	1	5	45%
J Harris	20	5	25%	2	2	9	45%
Robert Shepherd	93	19	20%	12	10	41	44%
Scott Coulter	38	6	16%	5	2	13	34%
Anthony Haughan	34	5	15%	5	4	14	41%
Travis Henry	35	5	14%	1	9	15	43%
Jason Ryan	72	8	11%	9	11	28	39%
Brett Macdonald	84	8	10%	12	7	27	32%

Flamboro Downs - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Melissa Lamoureux	6	3	50%	2	0	5	83%
Rachel Andrew	12	5	42%	2	0	7	58%
Dagfin Henriksen	10	4	40%	4	2	10	100%
Corey Giles	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Robert Fellows	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Jodie Cullen	16	6	38%	2	1	9	56%
Shawn Steacy	13	5	38%	1	0	6	46%
Isabelle Darveau	15	5	33%	2	0	7	47%
Paul Mackenzie	6	2	33%	0	0	2	33%
Jennifer Rankin	6	2	33%	0	0	2	33%

Flamboro Downs - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Natasha Day	19	0	0%	0	2	2	11%
Drew Neill	14	0	0%	2	2	4	29%
Ryan Desroche	11	0	0%	1	1	2	18%
Alfred Carroll	10	0	0%	1	0	1	10%
Billy Davis Jr	26	1	4%	2	2	5	19%
Nicholas Steward	19	1	5%	0	6	7	37%
Colin Kelly	86	5	6%	12	10	27	31%
Guy Gagnon	16	1	6%	1	1	3	19%
Paul Mackenzie	71	6	8%	3	11	20	28%
Austin Sorrie	39	3	8%	6	4	13	33%

Flamboro Downs - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Patrick Shepherd	37	0	0%	5	3	8	22%
David Daigneault	14	0	0%	2	2	4	29%
Ashleigh Hensley	14	0	0%	5	3	8	57%
Sheldon Rose	12	0	0%	2	2	4	33%
Jeffrey Williamson	11	0	0%	0	2	2	18%
Harry Poulton	9	0	0%	3	1	4	44%
Ruth Moore	9	0	0%	1	1	2	22%
Melville Giles	8	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Chantal Mitchell	8	0	0%	2	3	5	63%
Gary Kingshott	7	0	0%	0	0	0	0%

Northfield Park - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Aaron Merriman	152	40	26%	23	19	82	54%
Kurt Sugg	157	28	18%	27	21	76	48%
Joey Mapes	11	2	18%	0	1	3	27%
Ryan Stahl	123	17	14%	19	11	47	38%
Jason Thompson	83	9	11%	4	11	24	29%
Chris Page	28	3	11%	2	4	9	32%
Greg Grismore	103	10	10%	10	11	31	30%
Robin Miller	21	2	10%	1	4	7	33%
Arthur Mc Ilmurray	10	1	10%	0	0	1	10%
Patrick Beeler	10	1	10%	1	1	3	30%

Northfield Park - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Timothy Driver	5	3	60%	0	0	3	60%
Virgil Morgan Jr	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Sarena Evans	6	2	33%	0	0	2	33%
C Loney	52	15	29%	3	8	26	50%
Edward Miller	14	4	29%	1	1	6	43%
Ronald Van Wagoner	7	2	29%	0	2	4	57%
Ronald Burke	22	6	27%	2	1	9	41%
Jeffery Hollis	8	2	25%	1	1	4	50%
Luke Ebersole	13	3	23%	0	1	4	31%
Kent Sherman	24	5	21%	5	3	13	54%

Northfield Park - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Curtis Grismore	23	0	0%	0	4	4	17%
Mark Headworth	11	0	0%	0	1	1	9%
Jason Merriman	11	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Don Mc Kirgan	10	0	0%	3	3	6	60%
Keith Kash Jr	57	1	2%	3	6	10	18%
Hunter Myers	97	5	5%	5	18	28	29%
Luke Ebersole	85	4	5%	11	8	23	27%
Thomas Tharps Jr	21	1	5%	0	1	2	10%
David Lake	112	8	7%	9	7	24	21%
Christopher Lems	132	11	8%	18	13	42	32%

Northfield Park - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
James Stiltner li	24	0	0%	2	0	2	8%
Lloyd Mansfield	15	0	0%	2	3	5	33%
John Wengerd	13	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Trent Stohler	12	0	0%	2	0	2	17%
Charles Myrick	10	0	0%	1	2	3	30%
Thomas O'donnell	10	0	0%	4	1	5	50%
Joseph Kramp	10	0	0%	1	0	1	10%
Hage Ver	10	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Robert Eidens	9	0	0%	5	1	6	67%
Larry Ferrari	9	0	0%	0	1	1	11%

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The Meadows - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
David Palone	94	21	22%	16	11	48	51%
Brian Zendt	32	6	19%	2	3	11	34%
Greg Wright Jr	12	2	17%	1	1	4	33%
W Wilder	128	20	16%	16	20	56	44%
Tony Hall	130	19	15%	15	17	51	39%
James Pantaleano	107	13	12%	15	6	34	32%
Aaron Merriman	65	8	12%	13	5	26	40%
Daniel Charlino	28	3	11%	1	3	7	25%
Wilbur Yoder	25	2	8%	3	0	5	20%
Dan Rawlings	101	7	7%	9	12	28	28%

The Meadows - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
William Bercury	5	3	60%	0	0	3	60%
Bruce Riegler	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Rodney Bolon	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Daniel Altmeyer	6	2	33%	1	0	3	50%
Douglas Snyder	15	4	27%	2	0	6	40%
Scott Betts	28	7	25%	2	2	11	39%
Ronald Burke	50	11	22%	7	10	28	56%
Brandon Presto	18	4	22%	2	3	9	50%
John Zawistowski	10	2	20%	0	2	4	40%
Steven Walters	5	1	20%	0	1	2	40%

The Meadows - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
James Dodson	12	0	0%	1	2	3	25%
Cory Kreiser	11	0	0%	3	1	4	36%
Jeremy Indof	58	2	3%	7	5	14	24%
Shawn Johnston	26	1	4%	0	1	2	8%
Brady Brown	108	7	6%	8	17	32	30%
Christopher Shaw	95	6	6%	11	14	31	33%
Dan Rawlings	101	7	7%	9	12	28	28%
Jason Merriman	60	4	7%	2	2	8	13%
Aaron Johnston	14	1	7%	2	2	5	36%
Wilbur Yoder	25	2	8%	3	0	5	20%

The Meadows - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Neil Balcerak	13	0	0%	1	0	1	8%
William Zendt	12	0	0%	0	2	2	17%
James Rothfuss	12	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Roger Hammer	11	0	0%	0	3	3	27%
Ted Williams	10	0	0%	1	1	2	20%
Robert Barnard	10	0	0%	1	0	1	10%
Herman Hagerman	10	0	0%	0	1	1	10%
Micheal Wallace	8	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Gerald Lee Jr	8	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Tammy Cummings	7	0	0%	0	0	0	0%

Freehold - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Andy Miller	91	22	24%	10	17	49	54%
Joseph Bongiorno	47	9	19%	9	7	25	53%
Vincent Ginsburg	105	16	15%	9	11	36	34%
Eric Abbatiello	105	12	11%	15	9	36	34%
Stacy Chiodo	10	1	10%	1	2	4	40%
James Marshall Iii	95	7	7%	11	12	30	32%
Chase Vandervort	29	2	7%	1	7	10	34%
Stephen Smith	70	4	6%	3	4	11	16%
Joe Hanney	51	3	6%	5	4	12	24%
Patrick Berry	65	3	5%	9	7	19	29%

Freehold - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Philip Sowers	5	2	40%	0	1	3	60%
Karen Garland	9	3	33%	0	0	3	33%
Ronald Coyne Jr	10	3	30%	2	0	5	50%
Michael Russo	18	4	22%	1	3	8	44%
Taylor Gower	10	2	20%	0	0	2	20%
Lewis Nunes	10	2	20%	1	1	4	40%
Aaron Lambert	5	1	20%	1	0	2	40%
Tahnee Camilleri	5	1	20%	2	0	3	60%
Nick Surick	128	24	19%	16	19	59	46%
Jody Dunning	11	2	18%	1	1	4	36%

Freehold - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Martin Goldin	10	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Austin Siegelman	92	3	3%	9	7	19	21%
John Baggett Jr	67	3	4%	8	6	17	25%
Patrick Berry	65	3	5%	9	7	19	29%
James Marohn Jr	21	1	5%	2	2	5	24%
Stephen Smith	70	4	6%	3	4	11	16%
Joe Hanney	51	3	6%	5	4	12	24%
James Marshall Iii	95	7	7%	11	12	30	32%
Chase Vandervort	29	2	7%	1	7	10	34%
Stacy Chiodo	10	1	10%	1	2	4	40%

Freehold - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Michael Posner	17	0	0%	4	3	7	41%
Mark Infante	17	0	0%	2	2	4	24%
Ann Depietro	16	0	0%	1	0	1	6%
Alfredo Collazo	16	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
J Ehrhart	16	0	0%	4	0	4	25%
Allie Reynolds	12	0	0%	2	1	3	25%
Don Niccum	9	0	0%	0	1	1	11%
Mathew Aubin	9	0	0%	3	0	3	33%
Floyd Pratt	8	0	0%	1	0	1	13%
Alexandra Urbanski	8	0	0%	0	1	1	13%

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Dover Downs - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Tim Tetrick	112	32	29%	11	17	60	54%
Vincent Copeland	10	2	20%	0	0	2	20%
Dexter Dunn	76	14	18%	16	9	39	51%
Ross Wolfenden	82	11	13%	7	5	23	28%
Victor Kirby	77	9	12%	10	14	33	43%
Russell Foster	98	11	11%	13	13	37	38%
Yannick Gingras	19	2	11%	2	0	4	21%
Kimothy Vincent	18	2	11%	0	2	4	22%
Corey Callahan	111	11	10%	14	9	34	31%
Allan Davis	97	10	10%	8	9	27	28%

Dover Downs - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Tyler Raymer	8	4	50%	3	0	7	88%
Scott Di Domenico	10	4	40%	1	0	5	50%
Carlo Polisenio	5	2	40%	0	0	2	40%
Robert Reeser	8	3	38%	1	0	4	50%
Andrew Glassmeyer	9	3	33%	0	1	4	44%
Joshua Parker	9	3	33%	2	1	6	67%
James King Jr	25	7	28%	2	3	12	48%
Joshua Green	34	8	24%	5	4	17	50%
Brian Malone	9	2	22%	1	1	4	44%
Willard Reynolds	15	3	20%	2	4	9	60%

Dover Downs - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Jason Thompson	19	0	0%	0	2	2	11%
James Morand	18	0	0%	2	1	3	17%
Sean Bier	17	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
George Napolitano Jr	11	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Arthur Stafford Jr	100	6	6%	16	10	32	32%
Michael Cole	112	8	7%	7	19	34	30%
Bret Brittingham	14	1	7%	1	1	3	21%
Tyler Davis	25	2	8%	2	4	8	32%
Anthony Morgan	94	8	9%	15	8	31	33%
Jonathan Roberts	35	3	9%	2	7	12	34%

Dover Downs - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Eric Ell	20	0	0%	3	2	5	25%
Arthur Stafford Jr	18	0	0%	2	2	4	22%
Shane Long	11	0	0%	0	2	2	18%
Tim Crissman	10	0	0%	3	1	4	40%
Kathleen Brewer	10	0	0%	0	1	1	10%
Brian Wessells	8	0	0%	1	1	2	25%
Linda Mac Donald	8	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
Jeffery Clark	8	0	0%	0	1	1	13%
Eli Scott Jr	8	0	0%	0	3	3	38%
Darrell Lewis	8	0	0%	0	2	2	25%

Miami Valley - Who's Hot

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Brett Miller	111	19	17%	10	10	39	35%
Chris Page	96	15	16%	12	6	33	34%
Kyle Ater	19	3	16%	1	0	4	21%
Trace Tetrick	128	19	15%	10	12	41	32%
Brady Galliers	26	3	12%	2	5	10	38%
Brandon Bates	35	4	11%	4	3	11	31%
Randy Tharps	21	2	10%	2	3	7	33%
Joseph Putnam	10	1	10%	1	0	2	20%
John De Long	90	8	9%	11	11	30	33%
Joshua Sutton	88	8	9%	3	7	18	20%

Miami Valley - Who's Hot

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Scott Ferguson	5	2	40%	1	0	3	60%
Robert Phillips	14	4	29%	2	1	7	50%
Virgil Morgan Jr	36	9	25%	2	5	16	44%
Larry Finn	16	4	25%	3	3	10	63%
Jeffrey Smith	12	3	25%	1	3	7	58%
Brandon Pignet	8	2	25%	0	1	3	38%
Ronald Burke	34	8	24%	2	0	10	29%
Scott George	29	7	24%	1	4	12	41%
Lester Raber	9	2	22%	1	1	4	44%
Ronnie Roberts	5	1	20%	0	0	1	20%

Miami Valley - Who's Not

Drivers (min. 10 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Shawn Barker li	35	0	0%	0	3	3	9%
Jason Beattie	22	0	0%	2	3	5	23%
Taylor Lough	18	0	0%	0	1	1	6%
Cameron Mccown	45	2	4%	1	5	8	18%
Lewayne Miller	21	1	5%	1	2	4	19%
Kayne Kauffman	99	6	6%	12	11	29	29%
Jason Brewer	34	2	6%	3	5	10	29%
Richard Macomber Jr	34	2	6%	4	2	8	24%
Tyler Smith	126	10	8%	15	15	40	32%
Jeremy Smith	123	10	8%	18	6	34	28%

Miami Valley - Who's Not

Trainers (min. 5 starts)	Starts	Win	Win %	Plc	Shw	WPS	WPS %
Charles Stewart	27	0	0%	4	3	7	26%
Patrick Melloy Jr	18	0	0%	2	2	4	22%
Arthur Gregory Jr	17	0	0%	3	2	5	29%
Walter Haynes Jr	16	0	0%	0	1	1	6%
Daniel Stone	14	0	0%	0	2	2	14%
Robert Taylor	13	0	0%	3	0	3	23%
David Lough	13	0	0%	0	1	1	8%
Dale Loney	13	0	0%	0	1	1	8%
Roy Murphy Jr	10	0	0%	1	2	3	30%
Bobbie Brewer	10	0	0%	1	2	3	30%

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International Moni's first foal born at Glengate



Courtesy Sue Zammitt / Glengate Farms

The first International Moni foal has arrived at Glengate Farms in Ontario.

What is believed to be the first International Moni foal arrived in the afternoon on Jan. 22 at Glengate Farm in Ontario. The filly, a daughter of Da Miracle was "up within the hour, stands well" said Glengate's Sue Zammitt.

The filly is owned by Glengate's Jim Bullock.



Raymond Lance

Trainer Paul Holzman and Southwind Amazon's long time groom Alex Smith after the pacer surpassed \$1 million in career earnings on Monday at Northfield Park.

Southwind Amazon becomes a millionaire at Northfield Park

Storied pacer Southwind Amazon became a millionaire winning the \$15,000 open pace on Monday (Jan. 20) in MGM Northfield Park's ninth race.

Southwind Amazon went to the gate with 88 career wins and \$998,216 in earnings. Monday's victory yielded \$7,500, bringing his career tally to \$1,005,716.

The 10-year-old was assigned the outside post six in the evening's featured pace. He was fifth through the :26.4 opening quarter. Southwind Amazon started his first-over bid in the second split and remained there through fractions of :55.1 and 1:23. Amazon took the lead at the top of the stretch and bested his competition by $\frac{3}{4}$ -length in 1:52.

Greg Grismore was given the evening's driving assignment by Southwind Amazon's trainer Paul Holzman. The son of Camluck is owned by Ameer Najor of West Bloomfield, MI. Southwind Amazon was the race favorite and returned \$3.80 to win.

— *Ayers Ratliff / Northfield Park*

Dunn and Gingras off after memorable Big M weekend

The Meadowlands is known as a track with a driver colony that's got big-time talent from top to bottom, but last weekend, two standouts stood far above the rest of the crowd.

Over the course of the two-day race week at the Big M on Jan. 17-18, Dexter Dunn and Yannick Gingras were both at

the top of their respective games, to say the least.

Of the 28 races contested, the prolific pair won 18 times, with each pilot hitting the winner's circle four times Friday and five times Saturday.

Dunn, a 30-year-old New Zealand native, took both features with Down Under bred, winning Friday with Major Occasion A and then Saturday with Franco Totem N. His fans were especially thrilled with Dunn's Friday success as the United States Harness Writers Association's Driver of the Year scored with longshots Bold Goddess (\$43.80) and Auteur Hanover (\$54.60). In addition, DD swept the \$348.20 daily double that covered races seven and eight.

Gingras, whose \$13.4 million in earnings was good for second in North America during 2019, maintained his place as one of the most popular drivers at the Big M by scoring a half-dozen times over the weekend with non-favorites as both he and Dunn – not surprisingly – showed a flat-bet profit by the time the dust cleared Saturday night.

Racing fans won't get the chance to play Gingras or Dunn this weekend, however, as neither is listed to drive. Gingras will be in France attending – not participating in – the Prix d'Amerique while Dunn has a previous commitment.

Racing fans can look forward to another ace being in the fold, however, as Tim Tetrick, the leading money-earning driver from 2019 with over \$15.6 million, will be in the sulky at the Big M this Friday and Saturday night. Post time is the usual 7:15 p.m.

PICK-4 REPORT: The Meadowlands' signature wager, the 50-cent Pick-4, saw its usual big play last weekend, as a total of \$81,661 was bet Friday and \$91,480 was in the pool Saturday. Friday's final leg saw a 25-1 shot score, leading to a payoff of \$3,155.05. Chalk players hit the \$55.85 return Saturday as Dunn and Gingras each won twice during the sequence.

FREE PPs: When it comes to the 50-cent Pick-4, the Late 20-cent Jackpot Super High-Five and the 20-cent Can-Am Pick-4, if you want to play, but prefer not to pay for past performances, all you have to do is go to playmeadowlands.com or ustrotting.com where you can access them for free.

GIANT SCORE: One sharp handicapper made the score a lifetime Friday. Betting into the Oregon Express hub, that

player held the only 20-cent Jackpot Super High-Five ticket with the winning combination of 1-7-3-6-4 and cashed in for \$118,148.72.

The race was won by 2-1 favorite Lily Hammer and driver Corey Callahan. Finishing second through fifth, respectively, were Northern Swift (25-1), Moonshinecharleigh (8-1), Manhattan Play (3-1) and Justabitofcharm (30-1).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Tonight (Jan. 24), card players who are 21 or older can play Texas Hold'em on **"Free Poker Friday"**, hosted by World Free Poker.
- On Saturday (Jan. 25), the Big M plays host to its annual **"Chili Cook Off"**, which will have its usual "Homestyle Chili" division. This year, a "Chili Verde" contest has been added to the festivities. In addition, there will also be a competition for the best salsa. For complete information and registration, go to <https://chilicookoff.com/cookoffs/list>.
- On Feb. 2, **professional football's championship game** – that pits the Kansas City Chiefs against the San Francisco 49ers – kicks off at 6:30 p.m. Be sure to watch and wager in the Big M's FanDuel Sportsbook.
- On Feb. 7, come to the track and enjoy a **"Brunch for Love"** from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. The event benefits non-profits from the Meadowlands Chamber.
- On Feb. 14, bring your sweetheart to the races and enjoy a fabulous **Valentine's Day dinner** in the Big M's Pink Restaurant. You might be one of three couples to win a gift certificate for a bed and breakfast in Cape May, NJ. For reservations, call 201-THE-BIGM.

Yonkers to offer advance wagering for Pegasus card

Yonkers Raceway is offering advance wagering for Gulfstream Park's entire Pegasus World Cup card of this Saturday (Jan. 25).

Advance wagering begins tonight (Jan. 24), when mutuel windows open at Noon.

Post time for the Saturday Gulfstream program is 11:30 a.m., with the \$1 million World Cup Turf (11th race) and \$3 million World Cup (12th race) going at 4:49 p.m. and 5:34 p.m., respectively.

– **Frank Drucker / Yonkers publicity director**



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RACE RESULTS - TUESDAY

DOVER DOWNS *report*

Tuesday's Results:

10, DD, \$16,000, Trot, WINNERS OF 4 RACES LIFE (W/OF 8 N/E) FOR WINNERS OF A RACE LAST 4 STARTS 5YO & UNDER DSBF WINS EXCLUDED, 27.3, 56.3, 1:26.0, 1:55.0, FT

1-Quiksilver Bluechip (g, 4, Credit Winner--Sea Raven, by Andover Hall) \$9,600, \$40,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 28-7-2-2, \$97,214

O-Tyler J Raymer & Lorie S Davis & Stephen M Moss & Victor Kirby. B-Stephen E Anderson. T-Tyler Raymer. D-Victor Kirby.

2-Spee Club (h, 5, Cantab Hall--Almond Joy, by Enjoy Lavec) \$4,800, \$135,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 41-6-10-9, \$123,110

O-Dawn Erin Neilson. B-Jacqueline M Ingrassia & Arden Homestead Stable. T-D Erin Neilson. D-Art Stafford Jr.

3-Our White Knight (g, 4, Crazy--Psychotherapist, by Yankee Glide) \$1,920, \$22,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 30-5-11-5, \$224,120

O-Zippett Racing Stable. B-Dunroven Stud LLC. T-Edwin Gannon Jr. D-Corey Callahan.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: Q, 1H, H, 1H, 1 - Finish Order: Silent Symbol, Mind Yown Business, Northern Express, Embrace The Grind, Infinity Stick

11, DD, \$16,000, Trot, WINNERS OVER \$8,000 (DE \$9,600) LAST 5 STARTS OR WINNERS OVER \$125,000 LIFETIME, 28.2, 57.2, 1:25.0, 1:54.1, FT

1-Bluebird Rambo (g, 6, Swan For All--My Command To You, by CR Commando) \$8,000, \$21,000 2015 Hoosier, Lifetime Record: 97-23-18-4, \$285,433

O-Sunset Bay Partners & Denise L Dennis & John J Johannsen. B-Daryl D Miller & Kenneth E Bontrager. T-Robert Reeser. D-Ross Wolfenden.

2-Max's Beast (h, 5, Cantab Hall--Contender Hanover, by Donerail) \$4,000, \$25,000 2016 GOSHEN, Lifetime Record: 46-9-10-6, \$167,330

O-Crissman Inc & Niss Allen Inc. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Tim Crissman. D-Anthony Morgan.

3-Big Expense (g, 8, Lucky Chucky--Bankers Audit, by Wall Street Banker) \$1,920, \$13,000 2013 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 150-28-25-25, \$204,342

O-David J Brigham. B-Winbak Farm. T-Kyle Husted. D-Corey Callahan.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3, 1H, NS, 1T, H - Finish Order: Filled Donut, Royal Status, Il Mago, I Like My Boss, Monteverdi, Deep Impact

12, DD, \$25,000, Trot, OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS #1 - #5 ASSIGNED POST POSITIONS #6 - #8 DRAWN, 27.2, 55.0, 1:23.3, 1:52.2, FT

1-Home'n Dry (g, 8, Credit Winner--Beyond Blue, by Cantab Hall) \$12,500, \$19,000 2013 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 98-22-12-12, \$384,091

O-Peter Paul Venturini. B-Order By Stable, SD. T-Brian Malone. D-Tyler Davis.



Preferred Equine MIXED SALE
GRADUATE

2-Jack Vernon (g, 7, Muscle Hill--Vernon Blue Chip, by Sir Taurus) \$6,250, \$50,000 2014 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 87-24-16-9, \$371,513

O-Howard A Taylor & Michael Casalino Jr. B-Al J Libfeld, CA. T-Dylan Davis. D-Tim Tetrick.

3-Royal Becca J (g, 8, RC Royalty--Becca J, by Sir Taurus) \$3,000, \$10,000 2013 MORRIS, Lifetime Record: 154-24-35-21, \$387,720

O-James D Moore III. B-Kenneth E Jacobs. T-Carol Jamieson-Parker. D-Jack Parker Jr.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 1, 1T, Q, H - Finish Order: Lagerfeld, In Secret, Majestic Marvel, All Champy, Sheez On A Cruze



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RACE RESULTS - TUESDAY (CONTINUED)

MIAMI VALLEY RACEWAY *report*

Tuesday's Results:

6, MVR, \$15,000, Pace, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 2ND LEG - 1ST DIVISION FILLIES & MARES CLAIMING \$16,200 W/ALLOWANCES, 27.0, 56.2, 1:25.2, 1:55.0, FT

1-Smash (m, 8, Little Steven--I Need A Miracle, by Givemewhatineed) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 144-28-17-22, \$160,256

O-Wilfong Racing LLC. B-James W Wilkinson & Jay N Rosenberg & Billie Schwartz. T-Peter Redder. D-John De Long.

2-Galyns Gift (m, 7, Santanna Blue Chip--Galyn Seelster, by Dexter Nukes) \$3,750, Lifetime Record: 128-31-15-15, \$198,463

O-Galliers Racing LLC & Keith J Pippi. B-Jim P Morrissey, CA & Lorna E Davis, CA. T-Brady Galliers. D-Brady Galliers.

3-Crazy Bad K (m, 7, Big Bad John--Crazy For You, by Artsplace) \$1,800, \$31,000 2014 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 146-24-20-20, \$167,265

O-Ryan Bellamy & Paul Liakos. B-Anne M Okeefe, CA. T-Jason Brewer. D-Jason Brewer.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 2Q, 2Q, 2, 1, T - Finish Order: Grimalkin, Cas Art Apparel, Parkin In Heaven, Avila Beach

8, MVR, \$15,000, Pace, CLAIM TO FAME SERIES 2ND LEG - 2ND DIVISION FILLIES & MARES CLAIMING \$16,200 W/ALLOWANCES, 27.4, 56.4, 1:24.3, 1:54.0, FT

1-M E Radar Girl (m, 7, Radar Sign--K B Magic Lady, by Cam's Magic Trick) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 140-35-19-19, \$220,152

O-Carl T Howard & Virgil V Morgan Jr. B-Lester L Schmucker. T-Virgil Morgan Jr. D-Brett Miller.

2-Grant Me This (m, 5, Pet Rock--Champale Blue Chip, by No Pan Intended) \$3,750, \$10,000 2016 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 63-9-14-9, \$97,940

O-Adam B Short. B-Save H Stewart & Tom Hill, UK. T-Adam Short. D-Jeremy Smith.

3-Sweet Western (m, 4, Western Ideal--Burning Beaches, by Somebeachsomewhere) \$1,800, \$40,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 31-6-6-4, \$43,892

O-Carl T Howard. B-Save Schmucker. T-Virgil Morgan Jr. D-Tyler Smith.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 4, 1, NS, 1H, 3H - Finish Order: Dont Mach Mia, Keystone Nikki, Race With Grace, Turnitdownforwatt, Classic Comedy

12, MVR, \$25,000, Trot, OPEN HCP DRAW PP'S 1-3 & 10; DRAW 4-9, 27.4, 57.0, 1:25.0, 1:53.3, FT

1-Sweet Mr Pinetucky (g, 6, Pinetucky--Sweet Stockings, by Sweet Wiz) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 107-21-15-11, \$231,231

O-Lester & Floyd D Raber. B-Floyd D Raber. T-Lester Raber. D-Trace Tetrick.

2-Walter White (g, 8, Cantab Hall--Muscaloosa, by Muscles Yankee) \$6,250, \$57,000 2013 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 127-26-22-17, \$529,446

O-Robert Silberberg. B-Perretti Farms. T-James Eaton. D-Jeremy Smith.

3-Trumpets (m, 7, Holiday Road--Ilazue, by Dream Vacation) \$3,000, \$5,000 2014 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 145-15-22-26, \$230,260

O-Eg Trot LLC. B-Martinez Equine. T-Ed Greeno Jr. D-Ed Greeno Jr.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 1T, 2H, NS, 1H, 2Q - Finish Order: Signal Hill, Party At The Banks, Pine Dream, Northern Skyway, Merci Monsieur As, Whata Swan, Peggy Sue

NORTHFIELD PARK *report*

Tuesday's Results:

11, Nfld, \$15,000, Trot, GUARANTEED \$10,000 PICK 4 STARTS HERE CONDITIONED MINI SERIES NON WINNERS \$1000 PER START IN 2019. FINAL, 29.0, 58.2, 1:27.1, 1:56.3, FT

1-Better Call Saul (g, 8, Muscle Massive--Kelsies Song, by Windsong's Legacy) \$7,500, \$10,000 2013 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 146-18-25-20, \$197,370

O-Wolf Creek Farm. B-Charles E Keller III. T-Crist Hershberger. D-Ryan Stahl.



Preferred Equine YEARLING SALE
GRADUATE

2-Mainstreet Party (g, 7, Rompaway Wally--Trust Me Claire, by Veeba Rova) \$3,750, \$4,500 2014 BHS, Lifetime Record: 123-16-28-20, \$143,775

O-Jeffery E Shroyer. B-Cindy J Mays. T-Jeff Shroyer. D-David Lake.

3-Bend In The River (g, 7, Southfork--Cumindina, by Cumin) \$1,800, Lifetime Record: 135-20-18-14, \$145,087

O-J C & Rocky J Ratliff. B-Second Chance Stable Inc. T-Kent Sherman. D-Aaron Merriman.

▶▶ **Replay** ▶▶ Calls: 1, 1, 1, 1, T - Finish Order: Foundonabeach, Tartufo Lindy, Hupomone, United Bi, Justice Reigns, Pc's Alleyway



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RACE RESULTS - TUESDAY (CONTINUED)

THE MEADOWS *report*

Tuesday's Results:

1, Mea, \$18,000, Trot, **OPEN I HANDICAP P.P.1 ASSIGNED: 2-4 DRAWN; 5-6 DRAWN, 27.0, 56.3, 1:24.4, 1:53.3, FT**

1-Icanflylikeanangel (g, 6, Archangel--Fox Valley London, by Vaporize) \$9,000, \$27,000 2015 Goshen, Lifetime Record: 74-18-19-10, \$318,176
O-Randall B Bendis & Pollack Racing LLC. B-L Michelle Oglesby & John R Hallett. T-Randy Bendis. D-Mike Wilder.



2-Perlucky (g, 5, Lucky Chucky--Paper Girl, by Donato Hanover) \$4,500, \$15,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 52-15-13-5, \$368,159
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Phillip Collura. B-Fair Winds Farm Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-Dave Palone.

3-Final Breath (g, 10, Victory Sam--First Breath, by Hold Your Breath) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 142-47-24-15, \$591,058
O-Duane M Lowe. B-Duane M Lowe. T-Norm Parker. D-Tony Hall.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 3, 1, H, H - Finish Order: Wind Of The North, Whats The Word, Buzz

10, Mea, \$20,000, Pace, **F&M OPEN HANDICAP P.P.1-4 DRAWN; 5-8 DRAWN; 9 ASSIGNED, 27.2, 55.4, 1:24.0, 1:52.2, FT**

1-Dark Force (m, 5, Bettor's Delight--Skinny Dip, by Western Ideal) \$10,000, \$30,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 75-12-12-11, \$194,638
O-Randall B Bendis & Pollack Racing LLC. B-Stonegate Stdbred Fms Inc. T-Randy Bendis. D-Tony Hall.

2-Mcdazzle (m, 6, Art Official--Dream Mcqueen, by McArdle) \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 108-27-24-24, \$326,896
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Mark L Marroletti. T-Ron Burke. D-Mike Wilder.

3-Camera Lady (m, 6, Dragon Again--Ann Van Go, by Modern Art) \$2,400, \$5,000 2015 Goshen, Lifetime Record: 119-55-19-13, \$442,938
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Olive Branch Farm & Ann-Mari Daley. T-Ron Burke. D-Dave Palone.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 7H, 7H, 2, 1, NK - Finish Order: Art Of Norma, Magic Forces, Amelias Courage A, Touchamatic, Sansovina Hanover, Strawb's Chippie N

YONKERS RACEWAY *report*

Tuesday's Results:

9, YR, \$18,000, Pace, NON-WINNERS OF 7 P-M RACES OR \$76,000 LIFETIME. 3,4&5 YEAR OLD FILLIES & MARES, 27.3, 56.4, 1:25.0, 1:53.1, FT

1-Ba Ba Ba Banana (m, 5, Pet Rock--Princess Cruiser, by Yankee Cruiser) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 52-8-9-5, \$83,565
O-Nick A Clegg. B-Frank J Bellino. T-Nick Clegg. D-Austin Siegelman.

2-Privacy Hanover (m, 4, Captaintreacherous--Paula's Best, by Pro Bono Best) \$4,500, \$100,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 30-6-4-7, \$87,171
O-Millar Farms, CA. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Scott Blackler. D-Jason Bartlett.

3-Sezana N (m, 5, Shadow Play--Regal Banner, by Caprock) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 39-5-8-5, \$84,324
O-Ricky A Bucci. B-D M Moore, NZ. T-Ricky Bucci. D-Eric Goodell.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2Q, 2, 1, 1Q, 2Q - Finish Order: Tellawoman, Fool Me Again, Manhattan Night, Crisp Mane, Something Reel

10, YR, \$16,000, Pace, NON-WINNERS OF 4 P-M RACES OR \$50,000 LIFETIME. 3,4&5 YEAR OLD FILLIES & MARES, 28.3, 57.4, 1:26.3, 1:54.4, FT

1-Blackwell Ruby Ir (m, 5, Kikikolt--Blackwell Monsoon, by Harden) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 11-8-1-0, \$35,541
O-Gavin S Murdock, IR. B-Tom Mounsey, GB. T-Robert Cleary. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

2-I'm Very Special (m, 4, American Ideal--I'm Just Special, by Camluck) \$4,000, Lifetime Record: 25-4-4-2, \$32,690
O-Melvyn J Colby. B-Susan H & Theodore S Colby. T-Peter Pellegrino. D-Jordan Stratton.

3-Mi Nina Bonita (m, 4, Yankee Cruiser--Cheyenne Adrienne, by Jate Lobell) \$1,920, \$7,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 36-3-6-4, \$131,171
O-Robert D Siegelman & Robert I Horowitz & Juan P Vasquez. B-Barry Rubenstein Farms LLC. T-Jeffrey Smith. D-Brent Holland.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 4, 3T, 2T, 1H, 4Q - Finish Order: Clearly Better, Hp Xanadu, Princess Glydana, Major Maid, Some Fancy Beach

11, YR, \$17,000, Trot, NON-WINNERS OF \$10,800 IN LAST 5 STARTS STARTERS IN A CLASS HIGHER THAN "NW \$15,000 L5" OR A WINNER IN "NW \$10,000 L5" IN LAST START NE. AE. OPTIONAL CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$20,000 AE. WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$7,500 L5"; 28.3, 58.4, 1:27.4, 1:56.4, FT

1-Lily's Swan Pond (g, 8, Swan For All--Flawless Lily, by Striking Sahbra) \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 172-27-26-22, \$481,541
O-Second Chance Stable Inc. B-Second Chance Stable Inc. T-Nick Surick. D-George Brennan.

RACE RESULTS - TUESDAY (CONTINUED)

2-Con Air Hall (g, 7, Groton Hall--Charm's Chip, by Pine Chip) \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 115-9-17-12, \$179,104
O-Mark S Ford. B-Walnut Hall Limited. T-Mark Ford. D-Jason Bartlett.

3-Arrakis (g, 8, Federal Flex--Kawartha An Worthy, by Worthy Bowl) \$2,040, Lifetime Record: 164-16-22-24, \$332,072
O-Robert W Burgess, CA. B-Robert W & Donna G Burgess, CA. T-Carmen Auciello. D-Matt Kakaley.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, 2, 1T - Finish Order: Adagio De La Tour, Mighty Surf, Keystone Angel, Another Breath

12, YR, \$18,000, Pace, NON-WINNERS OF 6 P-M RACES OR \$75,000 LIFETIME, 3,4&5 YEAR OLD FILLIES & MARES, 27.2, 57.3, 1:25.2, 1:54.3, FT

1-So Frisky (m, 4, Dali--Beauty Delight, by Bettor's Delight) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 26-10-6-3, \$59,126
O-Luc R Ouellette, CA & Paul Bernard, CA. B-Luc R Ouellette, CA & Paul Bernard, CA. T-Pat Lachance. D-Pat Lachance.

2-Rocknroll Annie (m, 4, A Rocknroll Dance--Miss Annie J, by Bettor's Delight) \$4,500, \$37,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 27-5-3-3, \$78,075
O-Ricky A Bucci & Blue Meadow Farm LLC. B-Lindwood Farm. T-Ricky Bucci. D-George Brennan.

3-Lovers Cove (m, 5, Camluck--Paradise Cove, by No Nukes) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 28-5-6-5, \$74,230
O-Millar Farms, CA. B-Millar Farms, CA. T-Scott Blackler. D-Jason Bartlett.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 2Q, 2Q, 2, H - Finish Order: Take Abit Of Life, Betcha Baby, Apothic, Birch Island Betty, Triple Dip

RACE RESULTS - WEDNESDAY

DOVER DOWNS *report*

Wednesday's Results:

10, DD, \$15,000, Pace, FILLIES AND MARES CLAIMING HANDICAP \$20,000 - \$25,000 POST POSITIONS DRAWN BY PRICE, 26.3, 55.0, 1:23.4, 1:51.3, FT

1-Vh Princess Brea (m, 5, Big Bad John--Thatcher Bluechip, by American Ideal) \$7,500, \$3,500 2016 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 71-28-10-7, \$132,246
O-Triple D Stables Inc & Chris L Page. B-Midland Acres Inc. T-Scott Di Domenico. D-Tim Tetrick.

Another *Midland Acres* Bred Winner!

2-I Choose You (m, 5, So Surreal--Rodena, by Major In Art) \$3,750, \$4,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 51-8-11-6, \$92,647
O-Blindswitch Racing Stable & Vip Internet Stable LLC. B-Visionary Breeders LLC & Riverview Breeding LLC & Steve H Stewart. T-Chuck Crissman Jr. D-Art Stafford Jr.

3-War Crimes (m, 5, Western Terror--Woman Rebels, by Art Major) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 26-11-2-3, \$83,915
O-Green Racing Inc. B-Bulletproof Enterprises. T-Josh Green. D-Dexter Dunn.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1, 1H, 1H, 1T, 1Q - Finish Order: For The Record, Blacknsweet Adda A, Tae, Sea Princess, Auntmilysmartini

11, DD, \$16,000, Pace, FILLIES AND MARES WINNERS OVER \$8,000 (DE \$9,600) LAST 5 STARTS OR WINNERS OVER \$125,000 LIFETIME, 27.4, 56.2, 1:24.2, 1:52.1, FT

1-Rock N Shard N (m, 6, Rocknroll Hanover--All Time Glory, by Christian Cullen) \$9,600, Lifetime Record: 58-12-11-9, \$123,996
O-Allan W & Brendan Allan Davis. B-C M & Mrs D E Smith, NZ. T-Tyler Davis. D-Allan Davis.

2-Lady Driver (m, 4, Sportswriter--Lake Shore Drive, by Real Desire) \$4,000, \$45,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 41-9-8-8, \$111,352
O-Michael P Hall & Ctc Stable & Our Three Sons Stable LLC. B-Craig I Turner, CA. T-Michael Hall. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-Catch A Secret (m, 4, Captaintreacherous--Dream Of Treasure, by Western Ideal) \$1,920, \$80,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 23-9-1-5, \$73,220
O-Kenneth H Frieder & Ben D Mudry & Bradley R Maxwell, CA & Dr Fred S Kruszelnicki, CA. B-Dr Fred S Kruszelnicki, CA. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrick.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 4, 4H, 1H, 2, 3Q - Finish Order: Clarebear, Sweet Bobbie, Lil O'reilly, Shesarocker, Skateboard Chic, Glorious Nite

12, DD, \$25,000, Pace, FILLIES AND MARES OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS #1 - #4 DRAWN POST POSITIONS #5 - #7 DRAWN, 26.3, 55.0, 1:22.4, 1:51.1, FT

1-Delishka N (m, 7, Bettor's Delight--Balishka, by Badlands Hanover) \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 72-25-6-6, \$353,044
O-Legacy Racing Of De Inc & Nanticoke Racing Inc & Reginald A Hazzard II & Gary P Calloway. B-E W Knight, NZ & B K Mowbray, NZ. T-Wayne Givens. D-Allan Davis.

2-Sidewalk Dancer (m, 5, A Rocknroll Dance--Road Sign, by Life Sign) \$6,250, \$11,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 53-17-9-6, \$287,049
O-Hoosierland Farm. B-White Birch Farm. T-Chuck Crissman Jr. D-Montrell Teague.

3-Bettor Joy N (m, 6, Bettor's Delight--Joyfulbelle, by Road Machine) \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 44-15-7-4, \$473,580
O-Richard Poillucci & Jo Ann Looney-King & Tim Tetrick LLC. B-Miracle Lodge Syndicate, NZ. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrick.

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RACE RESULTS - THURSDAY

DOVER DOWNS *report*

Thursday's Results:

4, DD, \$15,000, Pace, WINNERS OVER \$8,000 (DE \$9,600) LAST 5 STARTS OR W/O \$125,000 LIFETIME, 26.4, 55.2, 1:23.0, 1:50.4, FT

1-Betterever (g, 9, Bettor's Delight--Forever Cam, by Western Hanover) \$7,500, \$80,000 2012 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 168-21-38-26, \$518,081
O-Gary E Ewing. B-Walnut Hall Stock Farm. T-Gary Ewing. D-Anthony Morgan.

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2-California Cruisin (g, 5, Somebeachsomewhere--Ohyouprettything, by Sportsmaster) \$4,500, \$65,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 74-12-18-10, \$167,515
O-Frank E Chick & David R Hamm. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Kevin Lare. D-Dexter Dunn.

3-Dialamara (g, 8, Lis Mara--Ladysai, by Real Artist) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 179-28-29-22, \$379,923
O-William E Garber. B-Doug G Mac Phee. T-Kenneth Mitchell. D-Tim Tetrick.

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6, DD, \$18,000, Pace, CLAIMING HANDICAP \$25,000 - \$30,000 POST POSITIONS DRAWN BY PRICE, 27.2, 55.3, 1:23.3, 1:51.4, FT

1-Twin B Speed Dial (g, 6, Well Said--Smart Card, by Cam's Card Shark) \$10,800, \$75,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 92-19-9-11, \$248,678
O-Andrew R Glassmeyer. B-Twinbrook Limited, CA. T-A Bobby Glassmeyer. D-Jonathan Roberts.

2-Rangers Sureshot (g, 9, Palone Ranger--Cadie's Sure Shot, by Gunthatwonthewest) \$4,500, Lifetime Record: 159-31-30-18, \$334,731
O-Gary E Ewing. B-Richard H Copp. T-Gary Ewing. D-Anthony Morgan.

3-Art Of Fire (g, 6, Barber Pole--Dee's Art Girl, by Art Major) \$2,592, Lifetime Record: 62-13-7-11, \$127,478
O-Forrest L Bartlett. B-Forrest L Bartlett. T-Kevin Lare. D-Dexter Dunn.

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8, DD, \$15,000, Pace, WINNERS OVER \$8,000 (DE \$9,600) LAST 5 STARTS OR W/O \$125,000 LIFETIME, 26.2, 55.0, 1:23.2, 1:51.2, FT

1-Bad Boy Brad A (g, 10, Righteous Hanover--Bubbas Babe, by Wilcos Kosby) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 153-29-22-15, \$227,218
O-Jeffrey D Fought & Brian K Carsey & David E Fought & Casey R Myers. B-D M Giles, VI & B J Thornely, VI & H M Chenhall, VI. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrick.

2-Johnny Disco A (g, 8, Jereme's Jet--Dalmore Disco, by Presidential Ball) \$3,750, Lifetime Record: 94-24-13-9, \$265,379
O-Michael Casalino Jr. B-J S & S E Awcock, AS. T-Dylan Davis. D-Corey Callahan.

3-Outcry (g, 6, Well Said--Lightning Dragon, by Dragon Again) \$2,160, \$60,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 94-15-16-7, \$150,226
O-Mark Salerno. B-Vieux Carre Farms. T-Joseph Hundertpfund Jr. D-Allan Davis.

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10, DD, \$27,500, Pace, BLUE HEN OPEN DELAWARE OWNED OR BRED POST POSITIONS #1 AND #7 ASSIGNED, 26.3, 55.0, 1:22.1, 1:51.0, FT

1-Hallie's Comet (g, 6, Roddy's Bags Again--Joyanna, by Badlands Hanover) \$16,500, Lifetime Record: 103-15-19-17, \$276,561
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Benjamin C Stafford & Dorothy A Hock & Katherine A Ricci. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.



2-Little Ben (g, 9, Jereme's Jet--Honey's Bud Lite, by Park Place) \$8,250, Lifetime Record: 166-40-21-26, \$564,275
O-Jo Ann Looney-King. B-Luc R Ouellette, CA & McMaster Stables Inc, CA. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrick.

3-Beach Art (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Artchitecture, by Artsplace) \$3,960, \$100,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 83-11-12-13, \$121,935
O-Arty Foster Jr. B-Vieux Carre Farms. T-Arty Foster Jr. D-Russell Foster.

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12, DD, \$25,000, Pace, OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITIONS #1 - #3 ASSIGNED, 27.0, 55.3, 1:23.0, 1:50.4, FT

1-Bo Mach (g, 5, Mach Three--Magnify This, by Run The Table) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 67-13-14-9, \$232,156
O-Howard A Taylor. B-Murray L Brethour, CA. T-Dylan Davis. D-Corey Callahan.

2-Eddard Hanover (g, 6, Dragon Again--Edra Hanover, by The Panderosa) \$6,250, \$18,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 93-18-18-17, \$603,897
O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Anthony Morgan.

RACE RESULTS - THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

3-Rock The Nite (g, 8, Rocknroll Hanover--Queen Of The Ball, by Ball And Chain) \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 168-28-18-24, \$371,959
O-Robert J Key. B-Robert J Key. T-Andrew Harris. D-Dexter Dunn.

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WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK *report*

Thursday's Results:

1, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace, 4 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 1 RACE OR \$7,000 LIFETIME. WITH ALLOWANCES, 28, 59.3, 1:29.4, 1:57.1

1-Excellent Nation (b,g,3 - We Will See-Allamerican Nation-Artsplace) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$12,800
O-Thestable Excellentionation, Dr Randall Hutchison B-Howard Mills T-Harry Poulton D-Anthony Macdonald

2-Journalistic (b,g,3 - Sportswriter-Enchanted Beauty-Western Ideal)
O-Blair Corbeil, Yolanda Fellows, Arpad Szabo B-Winbak Farm T-Robert Don Fellows D-Trevor Henry

3-Big Krell (b,c,3 - Big Jim-Lucky Louisa-Camluck)
O-Ian Fleming, Gregg McNair B-Ian Fleming, Gregg McNair T-Gregg McNair D-Douglas McNair

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4, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, BLIZZARD - 2ND LEG - 3 & 4 YEAR OLD FILLIES & MARES. NW 2 RACES OR \$30,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2019, 27, 56.3, 1:25.1, 1:52.3

1-Sugar Dance (b,m,4 - Ghees House-Sugar Biscuit-Modern Art) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 13-6-1-2, \$33,010
O-Sandra Hennessey, Paula Sugars B-Ohio State Ati T-Edward Hennessey D-Jody Jamieson

2-Playa Duhas (br,m,4 - Sunshine Beach-Histoire Duhas-Klingon Hanover)
O-Haras De L Estrie Inc B-Haras De L Estrie Inc T-Robert Young D-Scott Young

3-Betsea (br,m,4 - Bettors Delight-Pansacola-The Panderosa)
O-Michael Timpano, Seaspray Stables Ltd B-Michael Timpano T-Don Johnson D-James Macdonald

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5, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, 4 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 1 RACE OR \$7,000 LIFETIME. WITH ALLOWANCES, 28, 59.1, 1:28.1, 1:56

1-Cover Story (b,f,3 - Sweet Lou-Character Flaw-Bettors Delight) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$8,000
O-Garth & Glenn Bechtel B-Old Block Stables Inc T-Donald Lindsey D-Sylvain Filion

2-Mary Kat (b,f,3 - Bettors Delight-Nanny Withafanny-Incredible Finale)
O-David McDonald, Diane Bertrand, Robert Gilhespy, A K Malik Stable B-Stephen Dey T-Shawn Steacy D-James Macdonald

3-Kaylies Real (b,m,4 - Yankee Cruiser-Real Frightening-Real Artist)
O-Ellie Bale, John Pentland B-Mervin Raber T-Dale Devine D-Michael Saftic

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7, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, BLIZZARD - 2ND LEG - 3 & 4 YEAR OLD FILLIES & MARES. NW 2 RACES OR \$30,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2019, 27.4, 59, 1:27.1, 1:54.2

1-Back In The Game (b,m,4 - Articulator-Troxel Hanover-Badlands Hanover) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 28-8-5-1, \$33,919
O-Kevin Harvey, Charles Bowlin B-River Valley Management T-Tony Osullivan D-Douglas McNair

2-Morning Has Broken (br,m,4 - Dali-Honeys Bud Lite-Park Place)
O-Luc Ouellette Incorporated, Randy Lee, Anthony Kob Sr B-Luc Ouellette T-Anita Ouellette D-Sylvain Filion

3-Sirius Star (br,m,4 - Mach Three-Siri Hanover-Allamerican Native)
O-Mark Horner, Douglas Wilson B-Nicholas Malcolm T-Mark Horner D-Michael Horner

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9, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 2 RACES OR \$32,000 LIFETIME, 28.1, 58.2, 1:27.2, 1:54.2

1-Postmodernism (b,m,4 - American Ideal-Art Obsession-Art Major) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 15-3-1-1, \$34,609
O-Bob McClure, Jody Howard B-Flintlock Farm Inc T-Jody Howard D-Bob McClure

2-Kickin Cowgirl (b,m,4 - Big Jim-Best Lady-Cambest)
O-Kickin Cowgirl Racing, Emma Christoforou B-High Stakes Inc T-Jack Moiseyev D-Phillippe Hudon

3-Ally Elizabeth (b,m,4 - American Ideal-Glacier Express-Artsplace)
O-Glenn Bechtel B-Angie Stiller T-Isabelle Darveau D-Scott Young

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RACE RESULTS - THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

10, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 2 RACES OR \$30,000 LIFETIME, 27, 55.4, 1:25, 1:53

1-Caviart Cale (b,g,4 - Art Major-Caviart Cameron-Western Hanover) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 22-3-4-2, \$35,222

O-Kelly Goodwin, Deborah Spikepierce, Sarah Goodwin B-Caviart Farms T-Robert Don Fellows D-Sylvain Filion

2-Side Hill Gouger (b,g,4 - Sportswriter-Linatawa N-Holmes Hanover)

O-8113564 Canada Ltd B-St Lads Farm T-Melissa Lamoureux D-Bob McClure

3-Sunshines Finest (b,g,4 - Sunshine Beach-My Best Girl-Cambest)

O-Thestable Sunshinesfinest B-Frank Coleman T-Harry Poulton D-James Macdonald

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YONKERS RACEWAY *report*

Thursday's Results:

2, YR, \$18,000, Trot, NON-WINNERS OF 6 P-M RACES OR \$75,000 LIFETIME. 3,4&5 YEAR OLDS, 28.3, 58.1, 1:27.1, 1:56.2, FT

1-Sweet Chapter (m, 4, Chapter Seven--Mom's Sweetie Pie, by Donerail) \$9,000, \$37,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 27-6-4-7, \$250,325

O-Hutt Racing Stable & Blake C Macintosh, CA & Mortgage Boys Stable. B-Winbak Farm. T-Blake Macintosh. D-Matt Kakaley.



2-Gettin Messi (g, 4, Armbr Barrister--Hypnotic Kris, by Perfect Spiral) \$4,500, Lifetime Record: 30-16-4-2, \$66,968

O-Barbara Bongiorno Stb LLC & Bill K Lambos & Dionisios Liberatos. B-William E Andrew, CA. T-Robert Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

3-Cisco Pal (g, 4, Cisco Hall--Martz Creek Bev, by Master Lavec) \$2,160, Lifetime Record: 20-5-3-4, \$54,417

O-Ervin Miller Stable Inc & Hen-Shaut Stable. B-Wilker Family Farms. T-Erv Miller. D-Marcus Miller.

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3, YR, \$16,000, Trot, NON-WINNERS OF 4 P-M RACES OR \$50,000 LIFETIME. 3,4&5 YEAR OLDS, 29.3, 59.2, 1:28.2, 1:57.3, FT

1-Sexy Wow (m, 4, Father Patrick--No Pan No Gain, by Mr Vic) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 16-5-2-1, \$48,086

O-Crawford Farms LLC. B-Crawford Farms LLC. T-Nick Surick. D-Jason Bartlett.



2-Shamrock Shaker (m, 5, Holiday Road--Chef Heartsalot, by Angus Hall) \$4,000, Lifetime Record: 40-3-7-5, \$102,452

O-Van Camp Trotting Corp, CA. B-P G Van Camp Stables, CA. T-Carmen Auciello. D-Jordan Stratton.

3-Checkmate Hill (h, 5, Muscle Hill--I'm A Checkmate, by Cumin) \$1,920, Lifetime Record: 37-3-6-3, \$69,282

O-Roy D Dobbins. B-Roy D Dobbins. T-Dennis J Laterza. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

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4, YR, \$17,000, Pace, F&M NON-WINNERS OF \$10,050 IN LAST 5 STARTS STARTERS IN A CLASS HIGHER THAN "NW \$15,000 L5" OR A WINNER IN "NW \$10,000 L5" IN LAST START NE. AE. OPTIONAL CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$20,000 AE. WINNERS IN LAST START OF THE BASE CLASS "NW \$7,500 L5"; 28.0, 58.0, 1:26.2, 1:55.1, FT

1-Color Envy (m, 5, Mach Three--Pink Is Perfect, by Cam's Card Shark) \$8,500, \$30,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 46-8-7-9, \$115,376

O-Allard Racing Inc, CA. B-Winbak Farm. T-Rene Allard. D-Daniel Dube.



2-Amaderosa (m, 8, The Panderosa--Sweet Nectarine, by Artsplace) \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 147-18-19-24, \$245,019

O-Thomas Ceraso Jr. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Paul Stafford. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

3-Half A Virgin (m, 5, Always A Virgin--Enniscrone, by Grinfromeartoear) \$2,040, Lifetime Record: 78-9-13-18, \$90,563

O-M Spacc Stables. B-Jason Eden. T-Chris Marino. D-Joe Bongiorno.

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HARNESS RACING

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RACE RESULTS - THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

10, YR, \$19,000, Trot, NON-WINNERS OF 8 P-M RACES OR \$100,000 LIFETIME. AE. NON-WINNERS OF 6 P-M OR \$75,000 LIFETIME DRAWN INSIDE. 4,5&6 YEAR OLDS, 29.1, 59.1, 1:28.3, 1:59.0, FT

1-Interover (m, 5, Andover Hall--International Red, by International Chip) \$9,500, \$17,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 69-6-15-3, \$124,214
O-Ericka L Lugar. B-Kurt Hansen. T-Matias Ruiz. D-Daniel Dube.

2-Tommi Canu Hearme (m, 4, Royalty For Life--Tommi My Girl, by Ken Warkentin) \$4,750, \$41,000 2017 LONDON, Lifetime Record: 24-4-1-1, \$105,994
O-Dustin Jones Stables Inc, CA & Hebert Horses Inc, CA. B-Nicholas Malcolm, CA. T-Timothy Lancaster. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

3-Topspin S (m, 6, Muscle Massive--Haver, by Supergill) \$2,280, Lifetime Record: 33-5-5-5, \$75,419
O-Joseph Bongiorno LLC. B-Annika Goop, SD. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

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