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Etonnant will be the first choice in today's Prix d'Amérique

by Thomas Hedlund

EUROPEAN REPORT



with **THOMAS HEDLUND**

Today is the day that European racing fans have waited for the entire winter.

The Prix d'Amérique goes this afternoon (Jan. 30) at Vincennes (4:20 p.m. CET time). The race will go off at 10:20 a.m. Eastern time in North America.

This year's tilt has developed into an unusually open race where, basically, 10-15 of the 18-horse field can win.

Yet, it seems like Richard Westerink's Etonnant will be the first choice in today's race. The son of Timoko has showed great qualities required for a tough race like the Prix d'Amérique and Westerink lives with the hope that Etonnant can manage to do what Timoko never did in six attempts.

WHAT'S NEW IN '22?



"Etonnant is fast and tough but he lacks the ability to accelerate explosively. On the other hand, we have a driver (Anthony Barrier) who suits the horse very well. I tried to win the Prix d'Amérique six years with Timoko and even if I had him in 120 per cent form, we never won, so I know it's difficult. I look forward to (today's) race and we have a shot since Face Time Bourbon is out of the game," Westerink said in an interview on Saturday afternoon.

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Etonnant will, first and foremost, have to face an armada of Jean-Michel Bazire-trained horses since the Bazire family have four participants in this year's Prix d'Amérique.

Program for Vincennes:

https://www.letrot.com/fr/course/pdflink?pdflink=20220130_VINCENNES_TROT.pdf

Some facts about the race:

<http://www.breedingtrotters.com/content-2/international/prix-damerique-2022.html>



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Vincennes grandstand on Prix d'Amérique Day in 2019.

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Elie de Beaufour best in Luxembourg

Bazire-trained **Elie de Beaufour** dominated the \$115,000 Prix du Luxembourg when the 2002 Vincennes' Prix d'Amérique meeting began Saturday (Jan. 29) afternoon.


The Prix du Luxembourg is open to geldings, which is not the case for most of the high-staked races in Paris, and Jean-Michel Bazire obviously had aimed for this objective with his strong 8-year-old, who now has won 25 of 35 career starts.

Elie de Beaufour didn't get anything for free in Saturday's race. A three-wide opening in a high pace ended with a second over trip for a short while before Bazire targeted the lead as the uphill portion of the race ended at the backstretch. Elie de Beaufour (Royal Dream) held attacking opponents behind him by a length over the stretch and the gelding came home in a mile rate of 1:53.1 over 1.3 miles.

Eric Raffin drove Tomas Malmqvist's **Jazzy Perrine** (Django Riff) in the \$135,000 Prix Roquepine for 3-year-old fillies and the duo left the rest of the field behind with 250 meters to go after a perfect pocket trip. The mile rate was 2:01.2 over 1.6 miles.

Jazzy Perrine claimed the \$135,000 Prix Gelinotte three weeks ago at Vincennes and for the moment she is dominating among the French-bred 3-year-old fillies.

Italian-bred **Deus Zack** (Victor Gio), trained by Sébastien Guarato and driven by Matthieu Abrivard, claimed the trophy in the \$135,000 Prix Paul Viel for 3-year-old colts. Abrivard found a pocket trip and attacked three wide at the top of the stretch.




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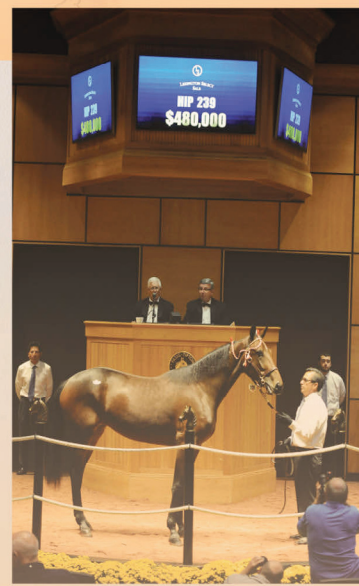
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Complete coverage of the Dr. Seth Fishman trial to date

The veterinarian's horse doping trial began Jan. 21 in New York. Closing arguments will be heard on Monday.

Editor's note: Harness Racing Update has joined the leading horse racing industry publications that are covering the Dr. Seth Fishman- Lisa Giannelli trial via pool reporting. To follow the trial from the beginning, here are all of the stories published to date in chronological order.

FRIDAY, JAN. 21

Full day of testimony in Fishman trial

by Robert Gearty

A New York jury heard a full day of testimony Jan. 21 in the horse doping trial of Dr. Seth Fishman and Lisa Giannelli. The entire morning and most of the afternoon featured a second day of testimony from a woman who worked for Fishman at his Florida business Equestology for five years.

Courtney Adams, 34, testifying from Florida via video conference, told jurors that Fishman and Equestology were all about "testability." That meant creating "product" that couldn't be detected in post-race testing by horse racing authorities, she said.

During her testimony in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, prosecutors showed an email in which a veterinarian who was a client of Equestology asked about one of the products, equine growth hormone, and whether it was testable.

"That was our biggest selling point, that he specialized in making product that wasn't testable," Adams testified, referring to Fishman.

The witness, who had been an Equestology office manager and then a sales rep, said that Fishman told her there was a risk of regulators coming up with a test to detect the substance. If that happened, Fishman said he would have to create another product that would be undetectable, she said.

"That was the whole point of that product to be not testable," Adams testified.

Fishman and Giannelli face conspiracy charges in a wide-ranging scheme to dope horses with performance-enhancing drugs to boost the treated horses' chances of winning races. Those charged include prominent trainer Jason Servis, who has maintained a not guilty plea and is awaiting trial. Others, such as trainer Jorge Navarro, have pled guilty and been sentenced.

Prosecutors say the accused were motivated by greed to win races and acted without regard to the welfare and safety of horses.

While on the stand, Adams admitted helping to mislabel products that Fishman created for clients around the country and in the United Arab Emirates. She said she also shipped vials of product without any labels.

Under questioning by prosecutor Andrew Adams, the witness said that she knew "in general terms" that some of those who purchased Fishman's drugs were horse trainers.

"He would discuss why they wanted them and why they were being used by them," she testified.

"And did he say why they were being used by trainers?" the prosecutor asked.

"He said they were being used because they were untestable," Adams replied.

The jury also heard the witness cite the names of some of the drugs Equestology sold.

Those products included Endurance, Bleeder, Hormone Therapy Pack, HP Bleeder Plus, and PSDS.

Adams testified that PSDS stood for Pain Shot Double Strength, describing it as a "double strength product for pain."

She indicated she didn't know what the other substances were for.

Adams said she stopped working for Equestology in 2017.



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"I was over it to be honest," Adams testified. "I didn't want to do it anymore."

As she left, Fishman asked her not to discuss their business with anyone, Adams noted.

"I said okay," she said.

She said in 2018 investigators with the Food and Drug Administration approached her to ask about Fishman. She said she wasn't comfortable talking to them without a lawyer.

After Fishman, Giannelli, Servis, and about two dozen others connected to horse racing were indicted in March 2020 in the doping case, Adams said a friend sent her a link with a story about the arrests.

She said after reading it she contacted law enforcement.

"I read the story, and I realized they didn't have the whole story, and I felt obliged to give it to them," Adams told the jury.

She said as a result of the information she provided, government lawyers offered her a non-prosecution agreement.

During cross-examination, Fishman's attorney Maurice Sercarz sought to suggest that Adams was motivated to contact law enforcement out of personal animosity against Fishman.

She admitted that before she left Equestology, Fishman had accused her of theft and using Equestology funds to purchase personal items.

She told Sercarz she was upset about those accusations "because they were false."

During his cross-examination, Giannelli's attorney, Louis Fasulo, questioned Adams about whether she would work at a place that put horses in danger.

No was her response.

Adams also said she didn't think she was breaking the law when labeling products she said were mislabeled.

Toward the end of the day, Long Island retired Federal Bureau of Investigation agent Angela Jett took the stand to read from notes of an interview she conducted with Fishman in 2010.

Jett said she had interviewed Fishman as a potential government witness in a \$190 million securities fraud case. That case involved a magnate named David Brooks and a body-armor company he owned on Long Island. Fishman worked for Brooks, an owner of standardbred racehorses that competed in New York and elsewhere.

According to the notes, Fishman told Jett that he had supplied performance-enhancing drugs to Brooks, who administered them to horses before racing.

Brooks was found guilty in 2010 of charges connected to the fraud and died in prison while serving a 17-year prison sentence.

Under cross-examination by Sercarz, Jett acknowledged that her notes don't say whether Fishman learned of the doping at

the time it occurred or "after the fact."

He also pointed out that Jett's notes show that when Brooks asked Fishman to dope a horse, Fishman refused.

Fishman's admissions to Jett never led to charges.

The trial resumes Jan. 24.

SUNDAY, JAN. 23

Doping trial pauses for weekend, but court filings don't

by T. D. Thornton

Although the federal racehorse doping conspiracy trial for veterinarian Seth Fishman and his assistant, Lisa Giannelli, paused for the weekend, attorneys for both sides remained busy on Saturday and Sunday, filing requests with the court over the admissibility of evidence regarding an equine fatality and the way witnesses must testify while wearing masks as a pandemic precaution.

On Sunday morning, the prosecution filed a motion in United States District Court (Southern District of New York) that asked for permission to present evidence related to Fishman being investigated in Delaware more than a decade ago when a standardbred died after being injected with one of his prescribed products.

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"The Government moves for the admission of evidence regarding Fishman and Giannelli's knowledge of the death of the horse 'Louisville' in light of the defendants' opening statements and lines of cross-examination," prosecutors wrote in the Jan. 23 motion.

"The Government is entitled to fairly rebut the joint defense theory that the defendants lacked criminal intent because they sought only to help animals. Given that defense counsel has placed the safety and welfare of animals squarely at issue with respect to the defendants' intent to defraud or mislead in distributing these drugs, the Rule 403 balancing has shifted significantly," the filing continued.

Rule 403 pertains to a judge's discretion to exclude certain evidence if it is outweighed by the potential danger of unfair prejudice to defendants or could cause confusion among jury members.

In this case, prosecutors had previously been told that the evidence related to Louisville would not be permitted. But now the feds are saying that based upon the defense's strategy presented in the first few days of the trial, the evidence related to that equine death and its investigation by the state is newly relevant and should be allowed.

"The defendants each have advanced the theory that Seth Fishman was acting only in the best interest of the animal, and that Lisa Giannelli acted in reliance upon Seth Fishman's so-called veterinary expertise," the motion stated.

"A defendant suffers unfair prejudice only where evidence 'lure[s] the factfinder into declaring guilt on a ground different from proof specific to the offense charged,'" the motion argued. "But defense counsel cannot have it both ways: they cannot raise the defense that the defendants were concerned with the welfare of horses (or had no reason to believe they risked the safety of horses), then exclude highly probative evidence to the contrary..."

"Countervailing evidence that Seth Fishman and Lisa Giannelli were aware of the risks of Pentosan, in particular, and IV drugs, generally, yet still distributed those drugs directly to racehorse trainers without prescriptions from or the oversight by a veterinarian is now highly relevant to the defendants' state of mind—the central point of contention as a result of defense counsel's arguments and questioning," the filing stated.

"By giving trainers and other non-medical personnel access to prescription and custom injectable drugs, Fishman and Giannelli provided the means by which trainers could do serious injury to their horses, and both defendants were aware of that fact at least as a result of the complaint lodged against them..."

"There is no question that Giannelli and Fishman were aware of these risks as of at least 2010 when the complaint was filed with the Delaware Division of Professional Responsibility. That they continued to distribute Pentosan, and other IV medications to trainers, grooms, and others, has significant relevance in light of the arguments now raised to the jury," the filing stated.

Fishman is charged with two felony counts related to drug alteration, misbranding, and conspiring to defraud the government. Giannelli, who worked under Fishman (her exact role is disputed) faces similar charges.

In a separate letter to the judge filed by Fishman's attorney on Saturday, the defense took umbrage with a courthouse COVID-19 safety protocol requiring witnesses to testify while wearing masks despite already being sequestered in a HEPA-filtered plexiglass box.

"In our respectful view, adding a mask requirement to the current precautions hampers adequate assessment of witness demeanor and credibility, impermissibly impairing defendants' Fifth and Sixth Amendment rights to confrontation, due process and fair trial," Fishman's lawyer wrote.

"Granted, balancing those essential guarantees against public health considerations is no easy task. But even amid an ongoing pandemic, an additional witness mask requirement seems unwarranted overkill, a belt-and-suspenders approach," the Jan. 22 letter stated.

"Conversely, the prevailing lesser restrictions—including ample distancing and continuously masking all trial participants and spectators save a single testifying witness and speaking lawyer, each sequestered in their own HEPA-filtered plexiglass box—appear more than sufficient," the defense stated.

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MONDAY, JAN. 24

Mistrial declared in Giannelli case due to COVID-19

by Robert Gearty

COVID-19 temporarily upended Jan. 24 the horse doping trial of Dr. Seth Fishman and Lisa Giannelli—who are among the 27 horse racing professionals, including prominent trainers, charged in the case.

As the trial's second week began, testimony was delayed after it was revealed that Giannelli's trial attorney had tested positive for the disease before the trial was to resume Monday.

Judge Mary Kay Vyskocil then declared a mistrial on Giannelli's behalf because her attorney Louis Fasulo wouldn't be able to return to court for at least 10 days.

"I can't have a jury on ice for 10 days," she said.

The jury never heard any witnesses Monday and Vyskocil sent them home after lunch with the resumption of the trial in doubt.

In the courtroom and without the jury present Fishman's attorneys also moved for a mistrial. Vyskocil reserved decision on the motion until Jan. 25 in the morning but during back and forth with the Fishman defense team she hinted she was considering having the trial resume with only Fishman. The trial continues

Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

The trial opened Jan. 19 with jury selection followed by two days of opening statements and testimony from three witnesses.

Prosecutor Anden Chow told the jury Fishman and Giannelli had for two decades operated a "black-market drug business" that peddled to horse trainers around the country performance enhancing drugs that were administered to horses on race days and that couldn't be detected by horse racing commissions in post-race testing.

Most of the testimony the jury has heard came from the government's first witness, a 34-year-old woman, Courtney Adams, who worked at Fishman's South Florida business for five years until 2017. She said Fishman was fixated on creating drugs that were untestable.

Fishman attorney Maurice Sercarz told the jury his client's actions were in accordance with his veterinary oath to protect the safety and welfare of animals. Fasulo said Giannelli didn't believe she was doing anything wrong while working for Fishman.

They are charged with conspiracy to violate drug adulteration and misbranding laws in the doping horses. Prosecutors say the 11 trainers charged in the case acted to win lucrative purses without regard to the health of their horses.

Both Fishman and Giannelli are out on bail and were in court Monday.

The U.S. District Court in New York has implemented numerous Covid protocols to avoid outbreaks. The witness stand has been outfitted with a HEPA-filtered plexiglass box. There's also a

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It was when Fasulo took the test in accordance with the new protocol that he learned of the positive result.

He showed up the courtroom briefly and then left. He spoke to the judge via an audio hookup.

His symptoms appeared mild. He told Vyskocil he had a "tickle in his throat."

"I don't know what we're going to do. I feel terrible," Fasulo said before consenting to the mistrial.

Giannelli's new trial date hasn't been set.

Fishman's other attorney Marc Fernich argued a mistrial was warranted given the positive Covid test. He also said it was warranted given that the trial's beginnings had exposed a conflict in defense strategy with Fasulo.

As proof Fernich and Sercarz pointed to Fasulo's opening statement.

"Mr. Fasulo's second line was, 'We sit here after hearing the government say Lisa Giannelli was a lone wolf in a herd of sheep. What she was more the proverbial sheep herded by the sheep master' a clear reference to Dr. Fishman," Sercarz said.

He and Fernich argued that it would be difficult to convince the jury otherwise after they heard that and Giannelli was no longer part of the case.

Vyskocil said she didn't see what the problem was.

"Opening statements are not evidence and the jury has been told that," she said.

Still awaiting trial is Jason Servis whose horse Maximum Security finished first in the 2019 Kentucky Derby only to be taken down for interfering with another horse. Prosecutors have accused Servis of doping dozens of horses in his barn, including Maximum Security.

TUESDAY, JAN. 25

Jury hears wiretaps in Fishman trial

by Robert Gearty

The jury in the federal horse-doping trial of Seth Fishman heard Jan. 25 a portion of a Federal Bureau of Investigation wiretap in which the veterinarian discusses whether the drugs he sold to horse trainers involved doping.

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"Any time you give something to a horse, that's doping," Fishman says in the conversation recorded by the FBI Apr. 5, 2019. "Whether or not they test for it is another story."

On the call with Fishman was an unidentified individual who had wanted to know more about the drugs.

"But it's not doping, yeah?" that person asks.

"Don't kid yourself," Fishman also tells him. "If you're giving something to a horse to make it better, and you're not supposed to do that, that's doping. You know, whether or not it's testable that's another story."

The wiretap was played in court on the fifth day of the trial as testimony resumed after a day's interruption. On Jan. 24, Judge Mary Kay Vyskocil declared a mistrial in the case of Fishman co-defendant Lisa Giannelli. Giannelli's attorney tested positive for COVID-19 before court on Monday, warranting the mistrial.

As the day began Tuesday, Vyskocil announced a ruling rejecting a motion for a mistrial by Fishman's attorneys. They moved for a mistrial because of the positive COVID-19 test they believed upset the flow of the trial and because of remarks the attorney for Giannelli made during opening statements last week that they said could prejudice the jury against their client.

That attorney, Louis Fasulo, had described his client as the "proverbial sheep" to Fishman's "sheep master."

Vyskocil countered that Fishman had not been prejudiced.

"Dr. Fishman has received a fair trial so far and will continue to receive a fair trial," Vyskocil said.

Fishman was one of more than two dozen members of the horse racing community charged in sweeping indictments in March 2020 with conspiring to dope horses at race tracks across the country with illicit performance-enhancing drugs that wouldn't show up in post-race testing. Those charged included top trainers Jason Servis, who awaits trial, and Jorge Navarro, who pled guilty to conspiring with others to dope horses and was sentenced to five years in prison.

Fishman is charged with two counts of conspiring to violate drug adulteration and misbranding laws. He faces a maximum of 15 years in prison if convicted.

As part of their case, prosecutors allege Fishman accepted tens of thousands of dollars from Navarro in exchange for untestable drugs.

On Tuesday, prosecutors called Dr. Jean Bowman, veterinary medical officer in the division of surveillance for the FDA, as a government expert witness.

During her testimony, prosecutor Sarah Mortazavi introduced into evidence photos taken on the day of Navarro's arrest in 2020 that showed him in possession at his Florida home of four alleged PEDS that came from Fishman.

Mortazavi drilled down on those drugs, named BB3. The indictment described BB3 as a customized "blood building" PED that



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The photo of BB3 seized by the FBI from the Navarro residence shows only the product's name on the bottle.

Bowman testified that BB3 had not been approved by the FDA and that she could find no studies in an FDA database about BB3 and its effectiveness and safety to horses.

Bowman also told the jury that the label on the BB3 bottle should have contained more information to pass muster with the FDA. She said the label should have contained the name of the prescribing veterinarian, how and when it should be administered, the identity of the manufacturer, and what precautions should be taken before administering it.

The doctor testified that BB3 and the other drugs Fishman sold should only be prescribed after a physical examination of the animal.

Prosecutors contend Fishman never did that before shipping his PEDs to buyers.

At one point during questioning, Mortazavi had Bowman read from an email Fishman sent to Giannelli on Jan. 5, 2019, that contained a list of drugs available from Fishman's South Florida business Equestology.

"BB3: would only let trusted clients have this," Bowman quoted the email as saying.

Fishman's lawyers Maurice Sercarz and Marc Fernich will have an opportunity to cross-examine the FDA expert when the trial resumes Jan. 26.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 26

Former harness trainer Cohen testifies in Fishman trial

by Robert Gearty

It was nearly two years ago when former standardbred trainer Ross Cohen was among 27 trainers, veterinarians and others snared in the largest horse doping prosecution in U.S. history.

In a New York courtroom Jan. 26, Cohen surfaced on the stand as a key government witness against Dr. Seth Fishman—the first of those arrested in the case in Mar. 2020 to go to trial on charges of conspiring to violate adulteration and misbranding laws.

As Fishman observed from the defense table, Cohen testified that when he was training horses at Yonkers Raceway years ago, he purchased performance enhancing drugs years ago from Lisa Giannelli, who worked as a distributor for Fishman and the veterinarian's Florida-based drug manufacturing business Equestology.

Cohen, 50, of upstate New York, testified he discussed with

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Fishman a product called “Frozen Pain.”

“He said it takes away pain and stops horses from getting tired in race,” Cohen said. “It had a performance-enhancing effect.”

Cohen testified about another conversation with Fishman in which he complained that Frozen Pain worked great for some horses when they were racing in his stable, but not so much other horses.

Cohen said the drug’s inconsistency upset Fishman.

“He said it was hard to keep it stable and to get good employees to make it,” the witness testified, referring to Fishman. “He said he was going to stop making it.”

During his testimony, Cohen said he agreed flip in June of 2020. He pleaded guilty to conspiracy and agreed to testify on behalf of the government in exchange for leniency at sentencing. Prosecutors kept the plea deal under wraps until Wednesday.

Prosecutors say Fishman produced performance drugs that trainers administered to horses to boost their chances of winning races. They said the doping put racehorses at risk of breakdowns and death. They said Fishman sought to create drugs that couldn’t be detected in post-race testing.

As he was questioning Cohen, prosecutor Andrew Adams introduced photos of six of those charged in the case and had the witness identify them. One of the photos was that of former top thoroughbred trainer Jorge Navarro, who has since pleaded guilty to conspiracy. He was sentenced in December to five years in prison.

After Cohen identified Navarro, Adams played for the jury a video of the Navarro-trained sprinter XY Jet winning the \$2.5-million G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen in 2019. The video shows an exuberant Navarro celebrating the victory in the paddock.

Adams next had the jury read a text Fishman sent to Navarro and the response he got.

“Congratulation, just saw the race,” Fishman’s text read.

“Thank you, boss. You’re a big part of it,” Navarro replied.

Cohen admitted to a checkered past when he was a harness trainer. He served suspensions for drugs and had been barred from racing at Monticello Race Track and Yonkers. He was eventually allowed to return to Yonkers.

In the plea agreement, Cohen admitted to fixing races.

“I paid drivers for somebody to hold their horses back in races,” he testified.

Maurice Sercarz on cross-examination sought to suggest that Cohen had turned on Fishman to save his own skin.

“Who decides if you’re telling the truth?” the lawyer asked.

“I assume the government,” Cohen responded.

The trial’s sixth day in U.S. District Court in Manhattan also featured testimony from Dr. Cynthia Cole, director of the racing lab at the University of Florida, where she oversaw drug testing of horses competing at Florida tracks.

Cole was called as expert witness to identify the drugs Fishman was peddling and if they would be performance enhancers if administered to horses when they raced. In her opinion, Fishman’s products were PEDs.

During her time on the stand, Cole was asked to comment on a Fishman product called Serenity. She said it appeared to be a sedative.

It was her testimony that it may seem counterintuitive to administer a sedative to a horse before a race, but she explained that some horses, especially young horses, can be high-strung.

“The ability to produce a mild sedative that could take the edge off, if you will; could help a horse perform better in a race,” she told the jury.

The trial resumes Jan. 27.

THURSDAY, JAN. 27

Trainers testify to racing horses on PEDs supplied by Dr. Seth Fishman

by Robert Gearty

Two current trainers testified Thursday (Jan. 27) at Dr. Seth Fishman’s horse doping trial that they raced horses on illegal performance-enhancing drugs that came from the accused veterinarian.

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The testimony from Adrienne Hall and Jamen Davidovich highlighted the seventh day of Fishman's trial on adulteration and misbranding conspiracy charges. Fishman was one of 27 individuals charged in the case and is the first on trial. Those charged include two prominent thoroughbred trainers — Jason Servis, who is awaiting trial, and Jorge Navarro, who pleaded guilty and has been sentenced to five years in prison.

Hall, of Monroe, NJ, trains horses at the Sunshine Meadows harness track in Florida and last raced a standardbred last month in New Jersey. Davidovich, also an owner, raced primarily in the Mid-Atlantic in 2020-21. He has starts this year in New York and Ohio and says he approaches the sport now more as a hobby.

Both told the jury of eight women and four men how they went about getting in touch with Fishman in 2017 and 2018 with the sole intention of obtaining PEDs that wouldn't show up in post-race testing.

"His reputation preceded him," Davidovich, 31, of Pennsylvania said.

Hall testified Fishman gave her a PED called VO2 Max, which she used to dope a horse and win a harness race in March 2019. Prosecutors have elicited testimony that VO2 Max increases horses' oxygen levels that enable them to run faster and longer but at risk to their safety and well-being.

The jury heard a portion of an FBI wiretap that captured Hall excitedly telling Fishman about the first-place finish.

"I wish you could have seen the race," Hall says to the veterinarian. "He was so fantastic. He dominated. He was a completely different animal. I was so happy."

Hall added the horse's final quarter time was 27 seconds.

"What is it usually?" Fishman asks.

"Usually it's :28 or :29 and struggling," she responds.

Hall testified that the PEDs were a gift from Fishman. She said she believed that was the case because Fishman wanted her to connect him to two trainers she knew.

One of those trainers was Todd Pletcher, the Hall of Famer who runs a large stable.

His name was revealed under cross-examination by Fishman attorney Maurice Sercarz.

Prosecutor Sarah Mortazavi, who initially questioned Hall, never asked Hall to reveal the names during her direct examination.

At the start of her direct testimony Hall had said that before she got her trainer's license, she worked at two thoroughbred farms and for Pletcher's stable in an administrative position, not with horses.

Hall told Sercarz that even though she told Fishman she would contact Pletcher, she never did.

Mortazavi then asked why that was when she questioned the witness again.

"He would never take my advice or opinion," Hall testified, referring to Pletcher. "I would never approach him about something like that."

Hall was on the witness stand, testifying against Fishman as part of a non-prosecution agreement with prosecutors. They agreed not to prosecute her for doping horses.

Davidovich was testifying without any such agreement. Instead, he invoked his Fifth Amendment right not to testify and then was compelled to testify by Judge Mary Kay Vyskocil under a grant of immunity. Under a grant of immunity, a witness can't be charged with any crimes he or she admits to.

Hall and Davidovich could, however, potentially face sanctions from regulators after their testimony. Servis and Navarro have been suspended from racing, as have other indicted individuals.

Davidovich told the jury Fishman began supplying him with PEDs after a meeting at a sushi bar in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He said there was a third person at the meeting, a person he described as "my owner."

Asked by prosecutor Anden Chow how the subject of PEDs came up, Davidovich responded, "We were talking about different things to make the horse run better."

Davidovich said that as they got to know each other, Fishman complained to him about Navarro. Prosecutors say Fishman was one of Navarro's suppliers of banned PEDS.

"He said Navarro owed him a lot of money, and he was going to cut him off if he didn't pay," the witness testified. "He also said he didn't want (Navarro) taking down the whole ship because he had a loud mouth."

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Davidovich said Fishman was referring to a video shot at Monmouth Park in which Navarro and one of his owners bragged after winning a race that Navarro was the “Juice Man.”

Davidovich said he stopped doping horses in 2018 after meeting Dr. Steve Allday, a well-known thoroughbred veterinarian.

“He was the first person in the business who took me under his wing and taught me a different way of being involved in horse racing,” he testified.

He added: “I know what I did was wrong, and I wanted to move forward in a different way.”

FRIDAY, JAN. 28

Government rests its case in Fishman trial; closing arguments on Monday

by Robert Gearty

New York federal prosecutors in the horse-doping trial of Dr. Seth Fishman neared the finish line Friday (Jan. 28), bringing their case to a close after calling 11 witnesses and presenting evidence from FBI wiretaps.

“At this time the government rests its case,” prosecutor Anden Chow told U.S. District Court Judge Mary Kay Vyskocil on the trial’s eighth day.

A short time later, the defense rested their case without calling any witnesses or putting the accused veterinarian on the stand to testify.

Without the jury present in the Manhattan courtroom, Vyskocil told Fishman he had a right to testify but was under no obligation.

“So, it’s your decision not to testify Dr. Fishman?” the judge asked.

“That is correct,” Fishman said.

“And it’s your decision alone not to testify?”

“That is correct,” Fishman said.

The conclusion of testimony sets the stage for the next phase of the trial: closing arguments followed by jury deliberations after the judge issues instructions on the law. Eight women and four men comprise the jury.

Vyskocil told both sides that summations would commence Jan. 31.

Fishman, 50, was one of 27 horse racing insiders arrested in March 2020 in the biggest horse doping bust in U.S. history. Those charged included two prominent trainers, Jason Servis, who is awaiting trial, and Jorge Navarro, who pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years in prison. Fishman is the first to go to trial in the case.

Prosecutors have accused Fishman of manufacturing illegal performance-enhancing drugs that harness and thoroughbred trainers, including Navarro, administered to their horses to win

lucrative purses and enhance their reputation. Prosecutors say those charged acted without regard to horse welfare, risking breakdowns and death.

Prosecutors allege that Fishman was especially sought after because he claimed that his products wouldn’t appear in customary post-race testing.

Fishman is charged with two counts of conspiring to violate adulteration and misbranding laws. If convicted, he faces a maximum of 15 years in prison.

He went on trial Jan. 19 with Lisa Giannelli, who worked with him for 18 years. Vyskocil granted her a mistrial after her lawyer tested positive for COVID-19 Jan. 24.

Fishman contends that he carried out the accused activities in the good faith belief that he was practicing veterinary medicine.

On Friday, prosecutors set up a table in front of the jury box with dozens of boxes and bins containing vials of substances worth tens of thousands of dollars, seized at the time of Fishman’s initial arrest in 2019. Prosecutors say the vials contained PEDs.

Additionally, Federal Bureau of Investigation agent Jarrett Concannon testified that during a search of Fishman’s business in South Florida last month, he took photos of the same products stored on shelves.

Prosecutors say the search showed Fishman was in possession of PEDs in violation of his bail conditions.

The government’s witnesses were a varied assortment. They included a woman who worked for Fishman and his Equestology business in South Florida for five years and testified after agreeing to a non-prosecution agreement with prosecutors.

They further included Ross Cohen, a defendant in March 2020 indictments. He agreed to flip as part of a cooperation deal with the feds.

Also testifying were two current trainers, Adrienne Hall who has small stable of harness horses in Florida, and Jamen Davidovich, who ran principally in Ohio in 2021 and has a start this year in New York.

Each testified Fishman supplied them with PEDs for their horses after reaching out to the veterinarian a few years ago.

Jurors also heard testimony from three FBI agents and two experts in veterinary medicine.

As part of their case, prosecutors played excerpts from more than two dozen wiretaps that captured Fishman discussing horse doping and bragging that his products weren’t “testable.”

“Don’t kid yourself,” Fishman is heard saying to an unidentified male individual on the other end of the line in a wiretap from April 15, 2019. “If you’re giving something to a horse to make it better, and you’re not supposed to do that, that’s doping. You know, whether or not it’s testable that’s another story.”

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CASUAL BREEZE

Event 6: Three-year-old filly trot.
Raced on **Friday, August 26, 2022.**
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Event 7: Three-year-old filly trot.
Eliminations raced on Saturday, September, 17, 2022.
Raced on **Saturday, September 24, 2022.**
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| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

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Event 10: Three-year-old open trot.
Eliminations raced on Friday, June 10, 2022 (\$30,000 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, June 18, 2022.**
Purse \$250,000 E (\$125,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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Event 9: Three-year-old filly pace.
Eliminations raced on Saturday, June 11, 2022 (\$35,000 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, June 18, 2022.**
Purse \$450,000 E (\$275,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$3,000 CAD | TBA | |

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Event 11: Three-year-olds and older open trot.
Eliminations raced on Friday, August 26, 2022.
Raced on **Saturday, September 3, 2022.**
Purse \$600,000 E Final (\$350,000 A).
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
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| SUSTAINING FEE | \$1,500 CAD | \$1,220 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$1,500 CAD | \$1,220 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$5,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

NOMINATIONS CLOSE FEBRUARY 15, 2022

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Owner: _____ Trainer: _____ Signature: _____

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PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2022

METRO PACE

Event 12: Two-year-old open pace.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, September 17, 2022 (\$40,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 24, 2022.**

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

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | \$815 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | \$815 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$5,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

MILTON

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

Eliminations raced on Saturday, September 10, 2022 (\$35,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 17, 2022.**

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

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$750 CAD | \$610 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,500 CAD | USD TBA | |

NASSAGAWEYA

Event 14: Two-year-old open pace.

Raced on **Saturday, August 27, 2022.**

Purse \$220,000 E (\$75,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

This race will be contested in divisions.

PEACEFUL WAY

Event 15: Two-year-old filly trot.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, August 20, 2022 (\$30,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, August 27, 2022.**

Purse \$400,000 E Final (\$175,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$2,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

ROSES ARE RED

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

Eliminations raced on Saturday, June 11, 2022 (\$35,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, June 18, 2022.**

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

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$750 CAD | \$610 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$750 CAD | \$610 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$2,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

SHES A GREAT LADY

Event 17: Two-year-old filly pace.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, September 17, 2022 (\$35,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, September 24, 2022.**

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

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$3,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE

Event 18: Three-year-old open pace.

Raced on **Saturday, June 4, 2022.**

Purse \$200,000 E (\$75,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

This race will be contested in divisions.

WILLIAM WELLWOOD MEMORIAL

Event 19: Two-year-old open trot.

Eliminations raced on Saturday, August 20, 2022 (\$30,000 G each).

Final raced on **Saturday, August 27, 2022.**

Purse \$640,000 E Final (\$200,000 A).

Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | \$815 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$4,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

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BATTLE OF WATERLOO

Event 80: Ontario Sired Two-year-old open pace.
Eliminations raced on Monday, July 25, 2022 (\$15,000 G each).
Final raced on **Monday, August 1, 2022.**
Purse \$240,000 E Final (\$90,000 A).
Sponsor: Grand River Agricultural Society.
Raced at Grand River Raceway.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,500 CAD | USD TBA | |

BATTLE OF THE BELLES

Event 81: Ontario Sired Two-year-old filly pace.
Eliminations raced on Monday, July 25, 2022 (\$10,000 G each).
Final raced on **Monday, August 1, 2022.**
Purse \$160,000 E Final (\$60,000 A).
Sponsor: Grand River Agricultural Society.
Raced at Grand River Raceway.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$200 CAD | \$165 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$200 CAD | \$165 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$200 CAD | \$165 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$200 CAD | \$165 USD | May 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

CONFEDERATION CUP XLIV

Event 82: Four-year-old open pace.
Eliminations raced on Sunday, May 15, 2022 (\$25,000 G each).
Final raced on **Sunday, May 22, 2022.**
Purse \$260,000 E (\$200,000 A).
Sponsor: Great Canadian Gaming Corporation.
Raced at Flamboro Downs.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,500 CAD | USD TBA | |

BALANCED IMAGE

Event 83: Ontario Sired Two-year-old trotting fillies & colts in 2022.
Eliminations raced on Saturday, August 20, 2022 (\$5,000 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, August 27, 2022.**
Purse \$40,000 E (\$20,000 A).
Sponsor: Hanover Bentinck & Brant Agricultural Society.
Raced at Hanover Raceway.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$200 CAD | \$165 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$400 CAD | USD TBA | |

DREAM OF GLORY

Event 84: Ontario Sired Three-year-old trotting fillies & colts in 2022, non-winners of \$75,000 (fillies \$100,000) in 2021. No allowances.
Eliminations raced on Saturday, July 23, 2022 (\$7,500 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, July 30, 2022.**
Purse \$50,000 E (\$40,000 A).
Sponsor: Hanover Bentinck & Brant Agricultural Society.
Raced at Hanover Raceway.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$500 CAD | USD TBA | |

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Event 85: Ontario Sired Three-year-old pacing fillies in 2022, non-winners of \$50,000 in 2021. No allowances.
Eliminations raced on Sunday, June 26, 2022 (\$7,500 G each).
Final raced on **Sunday, July 3, 2022.**
Purse \$50,000 E (\$40,000 A).
Sponsor: Clinton Raceway.
Raced at Clinton Raceway.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$500 CAD | USD TBA | |

NEW! 2022 WEG SBOA COLT

Event #76: Ontario Sired Three-year-old colt pacers and trotters.
Eliminations raced on Friday, May 13, 2022 (\$25,000 G each).
Final raced on **Saturday, May 21, 2022 (\$50,000 A).**
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |
| STARTING FEE | \$1,000 CAD | USD TBA | |

NEW! 2023 WEG SBOA COLT

Event #76: Ontario Sired Three-year-old colt pacers and trotters.
Race date to be announced.
Raced at Woodbine Mohawk Park.

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| NOMINATION FEE | \$200 CAD | \$165 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | USD TBA | Feb. 15, 2023 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | USD TBA | Mar. 15, 2023 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | USD TBA | Apr. 15, 2023 |

REMINDER: SUSTAINING PAYMENTS DUE

Event #71: 2022 CHAMPLAIN OPEN (foals of 2020)

Event #72: 2022 CHAMPLAIN FILLY (foals of 2020)

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| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | May 15, 2022 |

Event #73: 2022 SIMCOE OPEN (foals of 2019)

Event #74: 2022 SIMCOE FILLY (foals of 2019)

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| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
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Event #75: 2022 WEG SBOA FILLY (foals of 2019)

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| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Apr. 15, 2022 |

Event #73: 2023 SIMCOE OPEN (foals of 2020)

Event #74: 2023 SIMCOE FILLY (foals of 2020)

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| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | \$245 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$500 CAD | USD TBA | Feb. 15, 2023 |

Event #75: 2023 WEG SBOA FILLY (foals of 2020)

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| LATE NOM. FEE* | \$500 CAD | \$410 USD | Feb. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$200 CAD | \$165 USD | Mar. 15, 2022 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | USD TBA | Feb. 15, 2023 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | USD TBA | Mar. 15, 2023 |
| SUSTAINING FEE | \$300 CAD | USD TBA | Apr. 15, 2023 |

*only required if May 15, 2021 nomination not made

Race dates to be announced.



How Dr. J became a slam dunk star at Hanover Shoe Farms

by Murray Brown

When I first arrived at Hanover Shoe Farms in April of 1967, the physical structure was pretty much the same as it is today, but the makeup of its personnel was vastly different.

There were no females among those working directly with the horses. Not only that, but women were explicitly banned from the breeding shed, because it was thought unbecoming for them to be found there.

Was this unique to Hanover at the time? I doubt it. That was then. Today's world is quite different.

Women are now a prominent force in virtually all areas of horsemanship.

Dr. Bridgette Jablonsky (Dr.J) is now the executive vice president of Hanover Shoe Farms. It would be safe and accurate to say that all horse-related matters flow through her. In addition, the farm manager is Patti Murphy and the resident veterinarian is Dr. Megan Moschgot.

I've often wondered what Lawrence Sheppard, one of the Farms' founders and John Simpson, Sr., its leader for many years, would think about how the transition has gone.

Bridgette Jablonsky was born and raised in Syosset, NY on Long Island.

Her family had a small farm where turnouts from nearby Roosevelt Raceway were sent for R and R. It was a family thing from the beginning. Dr.J believes that her uncle Joe Barbera, her mother's brother, was the first to get the horse bug. This was in the mid-to-late '70s. He had a horse by the name of Lakewood Joe D that he had with Lucien Fontaine.

Soon uncle Joe's siblings, his brother Vinnie and Bridgette's mom Cathy became involved. They mostly raced claimers and bought and sold a few horses.

Bridgette recalls first going to the races at Roosevelt with her grandfather when she was younger than 10 years old.

She became enthralled by horses, most specifically harness horses and harness racing. She decided at a very young age that she was going to become an equine veterinarian. However, initially, and throughout her schooling years, she thought that



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Dr. Bridgette Jablonsky in 2019 after Elver Hanover set a 1:48.3 2-year-old world record at Red Mile.

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3-year-old Trotters

Arden Downs
Battle of Bunker Hill Trot
Earl Beal Memorial
Breeders Crown
Carl Erskine
Circle City
Crossroads of America (Filly)
Currier & Ives
Delmonica Hanover (Filly)
Dexter Cup
Hambletonian
The Horseman
Keystone Classics
Landmark Stake E.C.
Phil Langley Mem.
Liberty Bell
Matron Series
PA All-Stars
Pegasus Series
W. N. Reynolds Mem. E.C.
John Simpson Mem. E.C.
Star Destroyer Series
Thanksgiving Classic Series
Tompkins-Geers E.C.
MGM Yonkers Trot

3-year-old Pacers

The Delvin Miller Adios
Breeders Crown
Cane Pace
Circle City
Max Hempt Memorial
The Horseman
Jenna's Beach Boy
Keystone Classics
Landmark Stake E.C.
Liberty Bell
James Lynch Mem. (Filly)
Matron Series
MGM Grand Messenger Stakes
Monument Circle
PA All-Stars
Paul Revere Pace
Pegasus Series
Progress Pace
W. N. Reynolds Mem. E.C.
John Simpson Mem. E.C.
Star Destroyer Series
Thanksgiving Classic Series
Tompkins-Geers E.C.
USS Indianapolis Mem. (Filly)

Open Events

Breeders Crown
Caesar's Trotting Classic
Clara Barton Distaff Pace
Dan Patch
Dayton Trotting & Pacing Derbies
Dayton Distaff & Oaks Derbies
E. T. Gerry Jr. Hambletonian
Maturity (4-year-olds only)
Hoosier Park Pacing Derby
Spirit of Massachusetts Trot

2-year-old Events

Breeders Crown
Kentuckiana Stallion Mgt. Pace
Kentuckiana Stallion Mgt. Trot

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she was probably destined to become a racetrack vet, working with racehorses.

A turning point in Dr.J's career with horses was when the family acquired a broodmare by the name of Dragon Lady, who produced a foal by the name of Dragon Sam, which they raised and entrusted to Del Insko to train and race. Dragon Sam was very promising and showed a great deal of ability. They were offered very good money for him but turned it down. Sadly, the horse died from colitis shortly after.

Bridgette had become a student of the game, not only following the horses, but working with the ones turned out at the family farm. She followed their careers and was becoming well acquainted with standardbred bloodlines.

Two of the horses she remembers from those days were two chestnut Strike Out pacing brothers, Melvin's Strike and Sans Strike, who she describes as very good horses, but very difficult to work with.

You said that early on you decided that you were going to be an equine veterinarian. How did that transition go?

"I was a pretty good student all of my life. I didn't think my grades would be a deterrent. I had also shown horses and worked with them. I looked at most of the vet schools that had a good equine program. I decided that the University of Pennsylvania suited my needs best. I applied there and was accepted. During my years at Penn, I became enamored with reproduction, but I still had not dismissed becoming a track vet from my mind.

"In my senior year, I saw an ad from Hanover Shoe Farms looking for a resident vet. I applied, was interviewed and began working there on July 1, 1996. I've been here ever since.

"I, together with my younger sister Madeline, moved to Hanover where we initially lived together on the Farms. I to work at the Farms (while) she secured a job managing a nearby veterinary clinic. Madeline is the best sister a person could ever have. Not only is she a great person and sister, but she and her husband Jonathan have been a great help in helping me raise my son Nicholas."

Only three years later, you became the farm manager of the largest and most successful standardbred breeding farm in the world.

"Dr Peter Boyce, then the farm manager and my superior, decided to step down. I suppose that I had done a good enough job as his assistant. Jim Simpson, then the president, asked me if I felt I was up to the requirements of the position. I assured him that I felt I was. I have never been lacking in confidence. Those who know me, know that I put my heart and soul into everything I do. I am a very detail oriented person. Nothing that goes on

at Hanover, whether with the horses, the people working here and what is done on a daily basis is too small for me. I like to be on top of everything. I've been called a control freak. I suppose that to some degree I am. It's not something that I'm at all ashamed of."

What are the chief responsibilities in running the world's most prominent breeding establishment?

"There is a lot on my plate. I'm lucky enough to have a great staff that helps get the job done.

"The number one priority, of course, are the horses. That involves the whole gamut. It covers booking, breeding, foaling, raising, managing and acquiring and selling horses.

"It's very seasonal. The breeding and foaling season is upon us now. I'm still quite involved with reproduction, checking mares, collecting stallions and being involved with all the foals from the time they arrive until they find new homes as yearlings at the sales.

"To put things in simplistic terms, right now the ultimate goal is to get every mare in foal and make sure that every foal arrives healthy. Of course, that never really happens. But our goal is to get as close to that success rate as possible.

"During the course of the breeding and foaling season, I also do continuous evaluations of that year's yearling crop. I use these as an aid to determine which horses will go to which sales and to some degree their placement in the sale in which they are entered. I also follow racing and try to keep in constant communication with our customers. I'm very receptive to speaking with our clients and discussing any of our horses or also some of theirs which might be resident here. We also generally receive offers on mares that might be for sale. I look at all of them. In recent years, we have become more picky on which ones might interest us. We have transitioned, putting more of a focus on quality rather than quantity."

Let's talk about sales. You are presently back at Lexington with a relatively small, but very select group, with the "meat" of the consignment still selling at Harrisburg.

"I am a strong believer in exposure — both of the brand and the product. Having a presence at the sport's two most important sales helps to enable us to accomplish that goal."

You've been involved in raising and selling literally thousands of horses. From all of those do you have a favorite?

"That's a very difficult question. My favorite yearling was probably Elver Hanover, who we took to the Ohio Sale. He was a lovely

yearling in every respect. He had a great aura and personality about him. I loved him so much, that I literally begged Mark Weaver to let me buy a piece of him. They were fully subscribed in their buyers' group, but they managed to find a small piece for me. Then, to have him become a world champion and turn into the wonderful horse that he became is the stuff they write novels about.

"Interestingly enough, that yearling crop had perhaps the four pacing bred yearlings that I liked the most in all my years at Hanover. The other three were Captain Midnight, Captain Nemo and Papi Rob Hanover. Those four represented what I thought was a grand slam of yearling power.

"Dave McDuffee was the underbidder on Captain Nemo and was disconsolate at not getting him. He asked me if we had another one that I thought was in his class. I told him that I liked Papi Rob Hanover at least as much. He bought him. The rest is history.

"When speaking of favorites. Somebeachsomewhere has to be right there. What a horse. I believe him to have been the greatest race-horse and sire ever. I've never really got over losing him at such a young age. There was a time after he died that coming to the Farm was a struggle for me emotionally. It took me many months before I could walk into the stable he lived in and see his empty stall without completely breaking down. He was my pride and joy.

"The more I am around Papi Rob, the more he reminds me of Somebeachsomewhere. He looks like him. He acts like him. They have mannerisms in common. Now, all he has to do is become the great sire that he was. No pressure Papi."

You are presently standing eight stallions. As you mentioned there are only two of them, Bar Hopping and Captaintreacherous, that have had foals old enough to race as of now. Let's talk about them.

"Captaintreacherous is the greatest of all the active pacing stallions.

"As for Bar Hopping, it's my belief that considering the small number of foals he has had and the fact that few of them have been from the highest quality mares, he ranks among the leading trotting sires in North America.

"He was the leading trotting stallion by average earnings of 3-year-olds in 2021 and finished second to only Chapter Seven in total earnings, while having significantly fewer foals.

"We sold the first crops by International Moni and Stay Hungry last year.

"The early reports on the now 2-year-olds by each of them are very encouraging.

"Stay Hungry has all the qualifications of following the success that just about all the sons of Somebeachsomewhere have enjoyed. They were beautiful yearlings and were well received. The people that bought them seem to love them.

"International Moni was a bit of a harder sell, but those folks that bought them think highly of them. They are willing, light on their feet and cover ground well.

"I'm really excited about the first Greenshoe yearlings. If looks are the number one requirement of a top stallion, then Greenshoe is going to hit the ball out of the park. As a lot of people know, I'm a huge fan of Greenshoe. The speed, gait and athleticism he displayed was freakish. The Greenshoe yearling colt out of Hannelore Hanover is one of the nicest trotting colts we've ever raised.

"One of the greatest rivalries among modern pacing colts involved Tall Dark Stranger and Papi Rob Hanover. We hit the jackpot and got both of them to stand at Hanover. They each have had full books of truly extraordinary mares in their first two seasons at stud. I can't wait to see their foals. They are both beautiful horses. I'm certain that they will transmit that to their foals.

"Our youngest stallion is Captain Corey. He was the easiest horse to fill up and syndicate in all my years at Hanover. We were over subscribed to him almost immediately. There were many who wanted to buy into him and breed to him who were disappointed. He was a great colt with amazing speed at both 2 and 3. I expect great things from him. If he hits as I expect him to, he will open all sorts of doors to breeding availability with trotters."

I understand your 16 year old son Nicholas Croghan is a pretty accomplished stud colt as well.

"Yes, but he has very little interest in harness racing. His field of accomplishment is in competitive swimming. He has received lots of interest from colleges who want him in their swimming programs and a few who might want to give him a full scholarship to join them. He has recently received his driver's license. That concerns me a little. Nick likes speed. It's okay when it comes to swimming, but maybe not so okay when it comes to driving a car."

Here is almost always my final question: How have you and the folks at Hanover Shoe Farms responded to COVID-19?

"It has been somewhat of a challenge, but we have managed to get through it without too many problems. We had to close the Farms to visitors, something that I believe had never been done previously. I and all of farm management are big believers in vaccinations. I've had all three shots as have many of our employees. We have also offered incentives to those that got vaccinated. We instituted a mask policy early in the pandemic. I think it helps that the majority of our workforce works outdoors. Even if we have a sporadic case, it doesn't seem to spread quickly. I, like most, am looking forward to when this pandemic becomes endemic."

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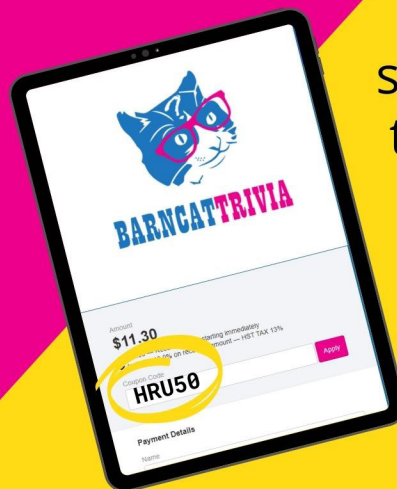
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THE ART OF BREEDING



with ALAN LEAVITT

My lovely friend, Lina

by Alan Leavitt

As I mentioned in passing last week, I received an interesting email from Lina Alm, a charming woman from Sweden. Alm and her significant other, Thomas Moberg, play a major role as advisors to one of Sweden's biggest players. Additionally, Alm herself is a successful breeder in her own right.

Here is as good a time as any to acknowledge that correspondents like Alm are probably just as knowledgeable about pedigrees as I am. That someone as smart and informed as Alm should ask my opinion of breeding matters is enormously flattering, although far from warranted.

Alm mentions her great respect for Hoot Mon, who, by now, is a

foundation sire. I knew Hoot Mon personally, as a young sprout living in Hanover, PA as I got into this biz light years ago. I frequently dropped by the stud barn at Hanover. Besides Hoot Mon, there was Star's Pride, Dean Hanover, Titan Hanover, and briefly, Scotch Victor. I can't recall any pacers being there, although Hanover had acquired a third interest in Adios by then, but they wisely knew better than to relocate a 15-year-old stallion.

Regarding Scotch Victor, he came with a little story. At that time, the biggest racing operation in the sport was S. A. Camp Farms, of California. Sol Camp was a rich man who had made his money, I believe, in truck farming, and he loved harness racing. Joe O'Brien was his private trainer, and they won every big race, including the Hambletonian and the Little Brown Jug.

The Harrisburg Sales at the time sold the yearlings on the last two or three days, as opposed to today's schedule. The last session was made up of the crème de la crème, which meant the Hanover yearlings sired by Adios.

As Norman Woolworth explained to me, all of the big players would each zero in on one Adios, and there may have been a little discussion beforehand among them, but it never stopped those Adios yearlings from bringing fabulous prices.

Woolworth was one of the major players, and he was thrilled the year he wound up with Muncy Hanover. For the record, Muncy was a world champion at 2 and 3, and won \$221,615. He also was the first good pacer I stood at my fledgling Lana Lobell Farms. I leased him from Woolworth, and he fell to colic after only serving



Dave Landry

Lina Alm in Lexington in 2018.

one crop of mares. If he had lived, he might have been the horse to carry on the Adios line, based on his only small crop.

Anyway, Woolworth told me about sitting with Sol Camp during one of those high-powered yearling sessions. He was still somewhat blown away as he described Sol Camp buying half a dozen of the priciest Adios yearlings, sans blinking an eye.

So, back to Scotch Victor, a Scotland colt who was one of the many great bred trotters Joe O'Brien had every year as Camp's private trainer.

Scotch Victor was a nice colt, although far from a great one. But, on a whim, O'Brien bred him to one mare before he started his campaign at 3. From that mating came a colt named Double Scotch, and he was a good stakes colt.

The thinking was that if that was what Scotch Victor could do with just one mare the sky would be the limit with a full book. So Hanover grabbed him when the Camp horses were dispersed, and they and everybody else bred to him with stars in their eyes.

Alas, Double Scotch was the only good horse Scotch Victor ever sired. But I think this was before his crash down, because I still can picture him in my mind. He was a good looking horse, and quite friendly. I soon became the only person who had a good word to say about him.

Back to smart Alm and her interest in Hoot Mon. He was a truly dominant sire, with winners of all the big races, including I don't know how many Hambos', but at least several.

Here's the hook. Although Hoot Mon didn't have me in mind when he did it (from the ancient saw that your father wasn't thinking of you when he made you), by far the best horse he ever sired was Scott Frost. O'Brien had picked him out for Camp as a yearling from the Frost Hill consignment, and he went on to be Horse of the Year at 2, 3, and 4.

Scott Frost was in the same class as Greyhound, and Volo Song on the racetrack, two immortals who set the all-time standards, and I rank Scott Frost right there with them. And when you look at Scott Frost's pedigree, he's by Hoot Mon, whose second dam, by Tilly Tonka, is by Spencer, and his dam, Nora, is also by Spencer.

That's a 2 by 4 inbred cross to Spencer,. It was synergistically explosive then, just as it can be today. Just as a refresher, when the same name appears twice in a horse's pedigree, and the sum of the two generations in which it appears is six or less, that horse is inbred to the common ancestor.

When the sum of the two generations is seven or eight, the horse so bred is considered line bred. When there is no common ancestor in the first four generations, that horse's pedigree is described as an outcross.

You can get a good horse, regardless of his pedigree, if the gods are smiling upon you. But, to continue the clichés, if you want to stack the genetic deck in your favor, you'll keep your friends close and your pedigrees closer.



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Look out North America, budding star Jack Callaghan is on his way

by Adam Hamilton

Remember the name Jack Callaghan.

Odds are you'll be seeing Australia's hottest young driver following the path paved by some of his idols and he will be driving in North America before too long.

Callaghan, 20, said as much as he prepared for one of the biggest drives of his career in next Saturday's (Feb. 5) \$A500,000

Group 1 Hunter Cup on exciting former New Zealand pacer Spirit Of St Louis.

"Absolutely. For sure I'd like to give it a go in the U.S. when the time is right," he said. "I watch it closely. I really admire the hard work Andy (McCarthy) had to do going over when he was so young and putting so much into getting to where he is now, a star.

"Then you watch Dexter (Dunn) and now Toddy (McCarthy) doing what they're doing... Of course, you think how cool it would be to do what they're doing. But I need to keep building here first. I'm only young. I think you need to be at the top of the tree here and really prove yourself before you can think about trying things in the U.S.

"First things first, I've got to actually go to the States. I've never been. I'll wait until I turn 21 and head across for a holiday to see it all for myself. I can't wait for that."

When Todd McCarthy left Australia to chase his dream in the U.S. in late 2020, most felt it was a big blow to Australian driving ranks.

At first it was, but the flipside has been the opportunities it created for Callaghan and New South Wales' other young gun, Cameron Hart, to rapidly become stars in their own right. Last year, the two great mates ran first and second on the NSW state-wide premiership.



Stuart McCormick

Driver Jack Callaghan and trainer Belinda McCarthy after Spirit of St Louis won the Ballarat Pacing Cup (Group 1) on Jan. 22, 2022 at Ballart & District Trotting Club.

"When Toddy left, it certainly opened some doors. He'd pretty much been the dominant driver in NSW, especially Menangle for four or five years," Callaghan said. "It was great driving against him, we all thought he was a freak, but the opportunities were so much greater when he went to the States.

"Cam (Hart) and I are great mates, he's pretty much my best friend, we do everything together. We sort of drive each other to keep getting better, too."

Callaghan's connection with the McCarthy family runs deep.

Like so many in the game, Callaghan grew up in a harness racing family. His father, Mark, has enjoyed plenty of success in NSW's Hunter Valley region around Newcastle, while opting to keep his team to "about a dozen in work.

"I always wanted to follow in dad's footsteps. I remember tipping feed into the bins when I was only 2 or 3 years old," Callaghan said.

"I loved working with dad, mum and my brothers in the family stable, but I jumped at the chance to go to John McCarthy's (father of Andy, Todd and Luke) stables whenever I got the chance in school holidays.

"John asked if I'd come and work for him when Toddy went to the States, but it took Toddy longer than he expected to get a visa and in that time the chance came up to go and work for Luke and Belinda (McCarthy). John was cool with it, he knew I couldn't keep waiting.

"I started with Luke and Belinda in July 2020, just a couple of months after I'd won my first Group 1 race as an 18-year-old on Kayne Crusader at my home track (Newcastle). It was a huge thrill, but the time was right to try a new challenge, the next step-up if you like.

"It was pretty awesome walking into a stable which had so many stars and were winning about half the races at Menangle every Saturday night.

"I knew I was going there to be a fourth string driver, but they had such great numbers and quality, I figured I'd still get some opportunities."

After Todd McCarthy left for the U.S. and Leonard Cain moved to Queensland, Callaghan slotted seamlessly into the number two driving role behind Luke McCarthy.

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"I do look back and think I've only been driving for about four years and think how far I've come and the opportunities I've had," Callaghan said. "I finished second on Alta Orlando in the (Group 1) Len Smith Mile late last year and then drove him to run third in the Inter Dominion final as well. He's been a great old horse to me.

"Aldebaran Revani (former North American trotting mare) has been another really important horse to me. She was a bit 'revvy' when she got here, but we got along well on the training track. Luke was away in Queensland when started racing, so I drove her and haven't gotten off since."

Luke McCarthy saw something special in Callaghan from day one.

"He was just a natural. Horses just run for him, he's cool and relaxed and he makes all the right decisions. He's so talented. He's got it all ahead of him," he said.

For Callaghan's success, it has been Spirit Of St Louis who has propelled Callaghan onto a national stage and underlined him as the most exciting young driver in Australia.

"I'd never driven Spirit Of St Louis in a race and I'd never driven in Victoria at all. It was only about 10 days before the Bendigo Cup we decided to send him down and I was so excited when Luke asked me to drive him," Callaghan said.

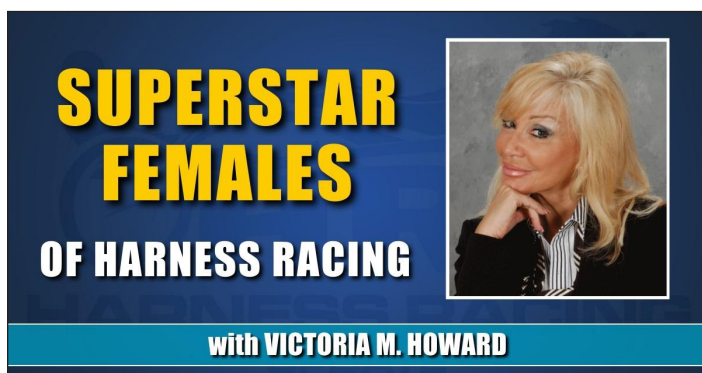
"To win the Bendigo, Shepparton and Ballarat Cups all within the space of three weeks was amazing. Ballarat was really special because it's my first really big Group 1 win and he had to beat a few of the best horses in the land (Amazing Dream, Lochinvar Art and Expensive Ego) to do it.

"He can definitely win the Hunter Cup this week. I know it'll be a bit harder again, but he's gone to another level. He's stronger and so versatile now. These are the races you dream of driving in, let alone winning."

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Mary Ellen McDuffee – Owner of the Year

by Victoria Howard

When it comes to Hollywood no annual event is more carefully scrutinized than the Academy Awards. In the music industry, it's the Grammy Awards and in journalism it's the Pulitzer Prize.

Harness racing has its own star-studded event in the Dan Patch Awards.

One of the top honors is the award for Owner of the Year. In February, David and Mary Ellen McDuffee will travel to Orlando, FL to accept the award.

It is well-deserved recognition for the couple who have put an enormous amount of money into the sport by breeding and buying yearlings every year.

As they say, behind every successful man (and David has been very successful in everything he does) is a strong woman. Mary Ellen is exactly that – and one of the nicest woman I know; always smiling and cordial to everyone.

Born in Boston, Mary Ellen lived her entire life in New Hampshire, except when she and her husband headed south to spend winters in south Florida.

Not coming from a horse family, horses – especially harness horses – were foreign to Mary Ellen when she was younger. That is, until one night when she grudgingly accepted a blind date.

"At that time I was attending the University in New Hampshire and was asked out on a blind date. Although I went, it did not go well. But the fellow whose name was David had a twinkle in his eye, so I caved in and accepted the second date.

"Yes, that man was and is my husband, David, who I have now been married to for 50 plus years. And, by the way, he still has that twinkle in his eye," Mary Ellen said, laughing.

"David always owned and loved horses. In fact, he owned his first horse before he owned his first car."

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"During one of our dates, David took me to Rockingham Park and showed me one of his horses. I thought the horse was extremely



Delores Bradley

Mary Ellen McDuffee.

small, but discovered that was because the horse was a 'digger' and had been standing in a hole in the middle of the stall.

"I had a lot to learn, but have enjoyed every single minute."

David McDuffee got his start in the sport as a young man when his father raced horses on the New England fair circuit. At that time, the family owned a half-mile training center where David would jog the horses. His dad never owned any champions, but that would change when David went all in.

And what champions the McDuffees have owned – starting with the great Bee A Magician, who made \$4 million, was undefeated as a 3-year-old and was the Horse of the Year in both Canada and the U.S.

There was also Miles McCool and Magical Mike, among many, many others. And we can't forget Papi Rob Hanover (\$927,979 p, 2, 1:50f, 3, 1:47.1 f), the son of the great Somebeachsomewhere. Papi Rob Hanover made his papas – both 2- and 4-legged – proud until that fateful day in the Adios elimination when he broke a coffin bone. But it's not over for Papi Rob, who is a stallion at Hanover Shoe Farms.

"Yes, that was definitely one of my biggest heartaches, as was when our filly Venerable made a break in the Breeders Crown elimination this year. I still see both of these races in my dreams," Mary Ellen said.

Another champion in the McDuffee barn. Venerable, a daughter

of Walner, partly owned by David and trained by Nifty Norman, was a 2-year-old trotting filly who competed against the boys at Woodbine Mohawk Park on Sept. 25 and won the second edition of the \$1 million Mohawk Million by a head in 1:54.2.

David buys yearlings and also breeds. One of his great broodmares is Bella Dolce, a Kadabra mare from Pizza Dolce.

Bella Dolce earned \$730,384 during her racing career and got a mark of 1:54.2 as a 3-year-old, so it was no surprise when her daughter, Bella Bellini (Bar Hopping) won the Hambletonian Oaks in 2021. The homebred won 10 times from 24 starts and entered millionaire's row, ending the year with \$1,021,463 for her owners. Although the McDuffees had won eight Oaks trophies as owners, this was their first time as a breeder.

I asked Mary Ellen what they look for when purchasing a horse or breeding.

"David treats his horses as a business and buys and sells accordingly. He tries to buy the best and has great luck in doing so. I do not have an opinion as to what he buys or sells. I just love looking at them. To me, they are all magnificent."

As far as being voted Owner of the Year, Mary Ellen said, "We are both very honored. We love the friends we have made over the years — not only the drivers, trainers, grooms, and veterinarians, but new and old partners, too. We have traveled with many of them and have welcomed them into our home.

"It is especially fun to go to the winner's circle with them for they are all hard-working, dedicated people we truly appreciate. They all deserve awards."

You can find Mary Ellen along with her husband watching the future potential champions train at Sunshine Meadows in Florida during the winter months.

"I do enjoy watching the horses in the winter — our own, and others. Leaving Florida in the spring takes us to Kentucky, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, to see the babies that make it to the races."

As far as family continuing their horse legacy, Mary Ellen said, "Some of our grandchildren are involved. There are two girls, ages 30 and 14, who love the horses and business as much as we do.

"One owns a farm in Ocala and the other would like us to buy her every horse she sees. Both girls do dressage, compete, and are successful in local shows.

"Harness racing has been very, very good to us and in during the 50 years we've been involved we have many wonderful memories, and hope to have many more."

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with TREY NOSRAC

The Hole story – choose your partners carefully

by Trey Nosrac

Missing red flags can be dangerous.

My first meeting/appointment/date/negotiation with Myra Jankowski took place at the *Doughnut Hole*. Known affectionately as The Hole, the restaurant is a remodeled Shell gas station that opens at 6 a.m. and closes at 2 p.m., earlier if they run out of doughnuts. Many of the clientele are horse racetrack workers who pull up to the drive-thru window to grab coffee and donuts on the way to the stables. Customers rarely venture inside, where a few tables and chairs perch on a speckled tile floor.

Myra walked in looking tidy in her black stretch pants, blue satin jogging jacket, white mittens, and beige knitted ski cap. To the casual viewer, she could be a mother whose teenage kids have flown the nest, and she is on her way to a yoga class. Surveillance reports identified her as a twice-divorced real estate agent without children who recently sold a condo to my ex-sister-in-law.

Red flag number one, be wary of meetings arranged by an ex-sister-in-law who has never been a fan.

Myra tilted her head and said, “You must be the infamous wayward brother-in-law, Trey.”

“Guilty as charged. Let’s grab a coffee and a doughnut.”

She deliberated on what kind of doughnut she wanted for a good two minutes. It was as if her life depended on maple or chocolate frosting. Clara, the round lady behind the glass wielding her enormous set of tweezers, caught my eye and rolled hers. A frosted chocolate cake was Myra’s final choice. Clara placed the doughnut on a paper plate, and we all shuffled a few steps to the cash register.

Myra asked Clara, “Could I have a fork?”

Clara reached behind and grabbed a clear cellophane package with a plastic knife, fork, and napkin inside. Wordlessly, she extended the packet to Myra.

“Do you have genuine plates and forks?” asked Myra.



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"At home, yes. Here, no."

Myra gave a soft sigh before accepting the packet in her mitten. Red flag number two. The difference between particular and peculiar is more than spelling.

We sat on battered folding chairs at a wobbly round ice cream table. I watched in wonder as Myra removed her mittens and revealed surprisingly long, shiny, red fingernails with white designs painted on each nail.

Immediately, I began to wonder how much those claws cost, how much damage they could inflict, how often they get replaced, who thinks these are a good idea, and how does she pick her nose without a trip to the emergency room.

Then she unfolded her paper napkin, set it on top of her paper plate, and began to carefully cut her doughnut into sections using BOTH the plastic knife and fork. I believe kidney transplants have less fanfare.

Myra set down her plastic fork and asked coldly, "What are the specific parameters if I decide to invest in this young horse?"

"Specific parameters?"

She peered at me from beneath fake eyelashes that looked like spiders had landed beneath her plucked eyebrows, then got down to business. "Your sister said you purchased a young racehorse for \$20,000, which is well beyond your budget, and that I might find the experience interesting. Half is \$10,000 for the purchase. Exactly what are my additional expenses and expected revenue?"

"Is this some sort of weird foreplay?" I asked.

She gave a fake smile, "I just like to know what I'm getting into."

"Well, Myra, this is horse racing. Nobody ever knows what in the hell we are getting into in the racing game. Horses can get sick or injured, be slower than box turtles, and many things happen. Many of the things that may happen are not great."

Her eyes were lasers. I felt like a perp on *The First 48 Hours*. In a monotone, she asked, "Give me a rough estimate for my half of the expenses for one year."

I scratched my ear and said, "\$10,000 for the horse, \$15,000 for everything else, so \$25,000 total. But you don't get half. You get forty-nine percent."

She lifted one of those eyebrows. "You want control?"

"I want to avoid conflicts. There will be several decisions along the way."

"And you don't think a woman can make those decisions?"

"Easy, Myra. Don't go *Me Too* on me. I'm an equal opportunity creatin. However, I have years of experience owning harness racehorses in this case. Yes, as my ex-sister-in-law has probably

reported, my horse ownership has been an expensive train wreck. Still, I would never supersede you if we were selling a Tudor Mansion, or a four-door mansion, or a yurt."

Myra did not chuckle. Using a single tine of her plastic fork, she impaled a piece of doughnut the size of a pea and asked, "Can you give me some data or statistics on ownership and my prospects of making a profit?"

"Sure, if you don't mind me making the numbers up. I paused, smiled, and asked, "You mind if I call you My?"

"Yes." She said quickly.

Red flag number three. Best to stay away from people without a sense of humor or appreciation of nicknames.

"Myra, racehorse ownership is a bad idea if you have a controlling personality. The ownership of a racehorse is an unknown, a mystery with plenty of things that are NOT controllable. The game is for dreamers. If you want to control, you might as well try to catch the wind. Hey, that was a song, *Catch the Wind*. Donavan had the hit single. I think Dylan wrote it."

"Yes, I remember that song. I like it, but I don't think it was a Dylan song."

"Pretty sure it was Dylan," I said.

Myra was not a debater. She whipped out her cell and typed at the speed of light, glanced at her screen, and then cackled, "Hah, I was right, written by Donavan." Myra was a gloater, "Catch the Wind came out in March of 1965 on [Pye Records](#). The label is spelled P-Y-E." She smirked and re-cackled, "My goodness, look at this list. At least 30 artists have covered the song, but I don't see Bob Dylan on the list."

I gave her a mini salute. "I stand corrected."

Red flag number four, avoid smirkers.

Myra extended her hand and said, "I'll give you \$5,000 for 10 per cent."

She surprised me so much with this random proclamation that I temporarily lost my ability to do simple mathematics. Nor did I calculate the ramifications. She flustered me. Impulsively, I nodded and shook her hand, careful to avoid the red claws."

With Myra as my partner, the following year with our 2YO trotter was a nightmare on many levels. Myra magnified the pain at every level. Let's just say Myra was the opposite of a silent horse partner, and she did not take losing gracefully. Bad deal. Bad partner. Bad racing season. Bad idea to share ownership with a sore loser you met five minutes ago.


My fault. Lessons learned. I missed the red flags at the *Doughnut Hole*.



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Trainer Norm Parker collects career win 1,000 at The Meadows

Trainer Norm Parker notched career win 1,000 Friday (Jan. 28) at Hollywood Casino at The Meadows when Dew A Little Dance captured the ninth race. Ronnie Wrenn, Jr. drove for owner/breeder Tom Klosky, Jr.

It seemed that Parker, whose horses have earned more than \$12.3 million in purses, always was destined to be a horseman. His father Dwane, now retired after many years as a Meadows-based trainer, was one of the most respected in the business for doing things the right way. Sister Kathy Parker was the long-time editor of *The Horseman and Fair World* and now holds a similar position with *Hoof Beats*, the magazine of the U.S. Trotting Association. Sister Sally Bolon is a horsewoman, the wife of one trainer/driver (Rod Bolon) and the mother of another (Kyle Bolon).

Yet, even as young Norm was attending Trinity High School near The Meadows and mucking stalls and jogging horses for his dad, Dwane threw him a curve.

"In my junior year," he said, "he ordered me to stay away from the barn. He didn't want me to have blinders on, but he was pretty smart about it. He wanted me to make an informed decision."

"I tried to kid myself. I enrolled at Edinboro University, paid the deposit and then decided, 'I'm not going.' There was never a chance I wouldn't make harness racing my career. Dad has been my biggest supporter and my biggest critic. I've taken the same approach with my son Ryan. It's neat to have somebody like that behind you. Young guys without a mentor can get off the path very quickly."

He launched his career primarily as a driver and amassed 207 wins but soon switched to full-time training, scoring his initial victory in 1997. Among his 1,000 training victories, Parker cites as the most memorable:

- AppleCider Hanover's win in the 2001 Eleganimage at Woodbine. "It was my first major stake. For her to win it was real special,"

- Arbitration's triumph in the 2004 Lynch Memorial at Pocono;
- With Anticipation's victory in the 2005 North America Cup Consolation at Woodbine;
- Looking For Zelda's victory in the 2017 International Stallion Stakes at the Red Mile.

Looking For Zelda was one of many horses Parker trained for Bob Key; Key's death last year and the subsequent partial dispersal of his racing stock had a dramatic impact on Parker's 30-horse stable, cutting it by about half. He bulked up a bit by partnering with others to purchase a few of the former Key horses, but he hopes that the ultimate result is addition by subtraction.

"I'm more comfortable with the 16 we have now," he says. "I'm looking for quality rather than quantity."

Parker also is counting on the continued advice of his wife Paulette, who dabbled as an owner years ago but now has no direct involvement in the sport. That, says her husband, makes her support especially valuable.

"She gives me 'away time.' I don't have to come home and have it be all horse, all the time."

Evan Pattak for The Meadows Standardbred Owners Association

Meadowlands expands on driver approval

The Meadowlands recently released notice of our intention to require drivers to apply for approval to race during the 2022 Championship Meet.

It is clear, that as the quality of The Meadowlands driver colony becomes diluted over the winter months, business on our racing declines. Handle and racing revenue are down nearly 20 per cent for the first three weekends of racing versus the same dates a year ago.

Meadowlands horseplayers expect our product to be of the highest quality, as do the connections of the horses when they come here to race. In recognition of those issues, the approval process will require participation on all Meadowlands race cards beginning on Friday, March 4. Exceptions may be considered for competing stakes and other valid reasons.

The drivers that will be expected to return to and race consistently starting on that date are those who made 200 starts and earned over \$1 million at The Meadowlands during the 2021 stakes season from May 1 through Nov. 20.

"The function of driver approval is designed to improve and strengthen The Meadowlands' racing product," said Meadowlands president Jeff Gural. "In no way should this be considered punitive; our sole goal is to improve the product. We hope everyone supports that concept."

Applications will be accepted starting April 18 for approval to

drive at the "Championship Meet" from May 6 through Aug. 6. A second round of applications will be accepted by May 17 and the process of application and approval will continue every month.

Approval will be based on attendance, adherence to the rules of racing and the spirit of competition from the start date of March 4. Warnings will be issued to those that have been approved that are not in compliance. Approval may be denied, revoked, or withdrawn if the practice that draws the warning continues.

It is imperative that we provide the most compelling racing product that we can, which includes competitive racing with movement and action. No courtesy tucks, no stalling the outside flow for more than a few beats while waiting to get another driver to commit to the outside and no imaginary passing lane created when the tiring leader fails to maintain a straight course off the final turn into the stretch in an obvious courtesy move to free a horse that may be pinned in behind them.

These practices are a violation of the rules of racing and constitute altering the outcome of a race and they will not be accepted.

"The Meadowlands succeeds or fails on the back of its racing product and the horseplayers that support it with their wagering dollars and these are the issues that they have consistently brought up," said Gural. "We are addressing them in the hope that with our best product, an exciting, more contested product, we can attract new fans and improve our share of the intense competition for the wagering dollar.

"If harness racing is to have a future we must change, we must get current and we have to generate new interest. We are missing out on the next generation that, now that sports betting is legal, are being barraged with incentives to draw them in that direction. The Meadowlands will be televising our races on the NYRA Fox Sports "A Day At The Races" platform for a dozen weekends in 2022, featuring the best our sport has to offer.

"Sports betting is more far relatable to them than horse racing. New Jersey has approved 'fixed odds' wagering, which is a more familiar format to sports bettors as the odds won't change after they make their bet. That might help us.

"We have to draw their interest and then we have to have a product that holds it. And we need to do that now."

Nick Salvi / Meadowlands media relations

Muscle Hill stallion El Ideal to stand in Italy

"We are happy to announce the arrival of El Ideal, (Muscle Hill—Courtney Hall) to Italy. The stallion was bought by a pool of breeders that include Allevamento Degli Dei, Allevamento della Serenissima, Scuderia Pimpicks and Scuderia Sant'Andrea. This will be an important addition to the European market, especially for Italy as he will be the first American son of Muscle Hill to stand stud there. The stallion will work in the north of Italy, precisely at Allevamento Della Serenissima. His stud fee will be 5,000 Euros.

Filippo Eigenmann / Scuderia Sant'andrea



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It's 2022 and racing odds are still changing constantly. Why can't we have fixed odds like sports betting? If I could get fixed odds I would bet way more. I am a value bettor. When I see what I perceive to be value I will bet on that horse. Unfortunately, many times I place a bet with less than a minute left, I see my value go down the tubes.

Examples of some wagers I have placed: 10-1 final odds 5-1; 5-2, final odds 6-5; 8-1, final odds 3-1.

I could go on and on. The fact of the matter is this happens at Meadowlands and Woodbine/Mohawk.

The handle at these tracks are significant so it has to be syndicates taking down the odds.

I am getting to the point that I am losing interest because of this. There is nothing wrong with odds changing, there just has to be a way to lock in your bet like sports betting. You can imagine how frustrating it is to think I have 10-1 only to find my odds are 5-1. Even worse is a horse I think is a value bet at 5-2 and his odds go down to 6-5. This is a horse I wouldn't bet at 6-5 so I am really upset at this. Sometimes I can cancel a wager if I can catch it, but many times I can't. Give the bettor what he wants.

Mike Kozuchowski / Elmhurst, IL

Thoughts on Yonkers

I read with interest (Jan. 22's) lead story about Yonkers having canceled two days of racing due to cold weather and the track issues ([full story here](#)).

I agree that Joe Faraldo points out that the management of the casino-racetrack only cares about the casino and not the racing product. This is a problem at many tracks that are owned by casino companies. As he mentioned in the article, there are several harness tracks that operate regularly in the winter months but only cancel race cards if it's due to bad snow or ice storms in their area. Cold weather usually does not stop them. However, I am sure that the other tracks keep their track maintenance crew on duty even on non-racing days to keep the track surface ready

for racing. With freeze and thaw issues it is important to have people available to work on the track as needed to try and keep it ready as possible for the next racing or training or qualifying use.

Besides the actual track surface issues, I also agree that Yonkers is not fan friendly to on-track patrons. I usually do not attend their races on track, but on the few times I have gone there, they don't seem to care about good service. It was hard to even find out where to buy a program. When I decided to watch the races from inside the grandstand on the simulcast level they did not even have the PA system on so I could hear the call of the live race. I feel the state racing and casino regulators are partially to blame for these issues as well. Yonkers and all the other racetracks got their casino licenses to help maintain and improve their racing product. It looks like the companies that own these facilities forgot that part of their license to race and run a casino. However, the state regulating agencies also need to do their part to make sure that a reasonable effort is made to promote and provide good services to get and keep on track attendance and wagering at a reasonable level. I know the days of on track attendance being a large part of the racing operation will never be as it was prior to casino operations. However, it still is in the track operator and states interest to try and maximize their on track business since the revenue generated is more beneficial to both parties.

John Chambers / Lansdowne, PA

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RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY

CAL EXPO *report*

Friday's Results:

1, CalX, \$20,000, Pace, California Sire Stakes Four Year Old Fillies, 28.0, 57.4, 1:26.2, 1:55.2, FT

1-Senga Nightmare (m, 4, Vertical Horizon--Nells Sweet Future, by Falcons Future) \$9,800, Lifetime Record: 25-7-5-4, \$35,473

O-Ryan Grundy, CA. B-Kenneth B Gunn. T-Ryan Grundy. D-Ryan Grundy.

2-May Day Maggie (m, 4, Special Forces--Faithful Ideal, by Western Ideal) \$4,800, \$9,000 2019 Minnesota, Lifetime Record: 44-12-13-8, \$82,882

O-Bill Dessert. B-Lisa M Lems. T-Nick Roland. D-Nick Roland.

3-Doubleontherocks (m, 4, Lettherockbegin--Double L Fab, by Camystic) \$2,200, Lifetime Record: 22-4-4-2, \$45,167

O-Nikki Hudson. B-Nikki Hudson. T-Luke Plano. D-Luke Plano.

Replay Unavailable - Calls: 8H, 4, 2H, 2, 1Q - Finish Order: Tartan Patch, Witch Hunter, Shewenthataway, Rockin The Dragon, Cookiesncream

THE MEADOWS *report*

Friday's Results:

4, Mea, \$17,600, Pace, **OPEN HANDICAP** P.P.1-6 DRAWN; 7 ASSIGNED, 27.2, 56.4, 1:24.3, 1:52.4, GD

1-Torrin Hanover (g, 7, Well Said--Transference, by Camluck) \$8,800, \$47,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 119-27-17-14, \$338,429

O-Kenneth Ashba. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Paul Corey. D-Hunter Myers.

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2-Shvaiko (g, 5, Art Major--Grace K, by Real Desire) \$4,400, \$14,000 2018 GOSHEN, Lifetime Record: 26-11-5-1, \$82,060

O-Timothy G Betts & Tar Heel Racing & Stephen M Moss & Lone Wolf Stable. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Scott Betts. D-Tony Hall.

3-Windsong Leo (g, 10, Jereme's Jet--Windsong Goldie, by Jenna's Beach Boy) \$2,112, \$8,000 2013 CAN-YS, Lifetime Record: 166-70-24-23, \$805,949

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC & Phillip Collura. B-William H Loyens, CA & Charalambos Christoforou, CA. T-Ron Burke. D-Dave Palone.

▶▶ *Replay* ▶▶ Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 3, 4H - Finish Order: Carolina Beach, Dorsoduro Hanover, Captainfabulous, Sb Bodacious

WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK *report*

Friday's Results:

1, Wbs. \$17,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 2 RACES OR \$15,000 LIFETIME. NW 1 RACE LIFETIME TO DRAW INSIDE, 29.0, 1:00.0, 1:30.1, 1:59.1

1-Siri Blue Chip (b,m,4 - Hes Watching-Southwind Swallow-No Pan Intended) \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 16-2-2-3, \$35,553

O-Gregg Mcnair, Jeffrey Skinner, George Kerr B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc T-Gregg Mcnair D-Douglas Mcnair

2-Snoah (b,f,3 - Hes Watching-Snowbird-Camluck)

O-Tess & Brenda Selwyn Waxman, Sally Peacock, Jordan Miller B-Tara Hills Stud Ltd T-Isaac Waxman D-Jonathan Drury

3-Rocket Girl (b,m,5 - Warrawee Needy-Kinda Cute-Bo Knows Jate)

O-David McCormick B-Charles Mcguire T-Roy Jeffries D-Scott Young

▶▶ *Replay* ▶▶

RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

3, Wbs, \$20,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$9,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$18,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$25,000. AE: NW \$45,000 IN 2021/22, 28.4, 58.4, 1:27.3, 1:55.4

1-Better Be Donna N (b,m,8 - Betterthancheddar-Hip Pocket-In The Pocket) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 109-26-16-17, \$392,815

O-Stephen Klunowski B-Alabar Nz Ltd T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury



2-Sunday Afternoon (b,m,7 - Dali-Manhattan Killeen-Run The Table)

O-Aaron Waxman B-Luc Ouellette, Zonica Martinovic T-Duane Marfisi D-Douglas Mcnair

3-Smoke N Reactor N (b,m,8 - Auckland Reactor N-Smoke N Mirrors N-Pacific Rocket)

O-Jean Rene Plante B-Peter Noel & Debra Joy & Patricia Margaret Smith T-Jean Rene Plante D-James Macdonald

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4, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, SNOWSHOE PACING SERIES - 2ND LEG - 3 & 4 YEAR OLD COLTS & GELDINGS. NON-WINNERS 2 RACES OR \$30,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2021, 27.2, 57.1, 1:26.3, 1:55.2

1-Bettorbeflyin (b,g,4 - Bettors Delight-Fast Flyin Mach-Mach Three) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 25-7-5-3, \$67,577

O-Dale Fritz, Randy Hyatt, William Wyatt, Robin Ferrier B-Dale Fritz, Mark Mackenzie, William Wyatt, Randy Hyatt T-Dale Fritz D-Louis-Philippe Roy

2-State Senator (b,g,4 - State Treasurer-Yoselin Seelster-Shadow Play)

O-Michael Arnold, Vernon Cochrane B-Bradley Grant T-Vernon Cochrane D-James Macdonald

3-Texas Miki (b,h,4 - Always B Miki-Momas Got A Gun-Somebeachsomewhere)

O-Benoit Baillargeon, Claude Hamel, Santo & Nunzio Vena B-Geoffrey Martin T-Benoit Baillargeon D-Trevor Henry

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6, Wbs, \$20,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 5 RACES OR \$60,000 LIFETIME, 29.3, 59.0, 1:28.1, 1:56.3

1-My Only Sunshine (b,m,4 - Sunshine Beach-Hat Trick Honey-Million Dollar Cam) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 27-5-6-4, \$65,991

O-Stuart & Patricia Bolender B-Stuart & Patricia Bolender T-David Kelly D-Austin Sorrie

2-Paulas Bet Hanover (b,m,4 - Betting Line-Paulas Best-Pro Bono Best)

O-Christopher Nicol B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Walter Whelan D-Michael Whelan

3-Racing Forthe Mark (b,m,4 - Racing Hill-Markella-Art Major)

O-Luc Loyer B-Albert Miller T-Luc Loyer D-Louis-Philippe Roy

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8, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, SNOWSHOE PACING SERIES - 2ND LEG - 3 & 4 YEAR OLD COLTS & GELDINGS. NON-WINNERS 2 RACES OR \$30,000 LIFETIME AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2021, 28.4, 58.2, 1:27.1, 1:54.3

1-Linedrive Hanover (b,g,4 - Betting Line-Lillian Hanover-Well Said) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$18,600

O-West Wins Stable, Mckinlay & Fielding, J L Benson Stables Inc, Mac Nichol B-Daniel Altmeyer, Richard Kelson T-Anthony Beaton D-James Macdonald

2-Merito Hanover (br,g,4 - Bettors Delight-Maremma Hanover-Western Hanover)

O-John Davidson B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Nick Gallucci D-Sylvain Filion

3-P L Octavius (br,h,4 - Bettors Delight-P L Emily-Real Artist)

O-Prince Lee Acres B-Prince Lee Acres T-Katie Huskinson D-Trevor Henry

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10, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace, FILLIES & MARES, NW \$6,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$13,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NOT AVERAGING \$1,510 PER START IN 2021-22. (MIN 10 STARTS) AE: POP UP STARTERS, 28.3, 58.4, 1:27.4, 1:56.2

1-Custard Lite (b,m,7 - Custard The Dragon-Enlightened One-Artsplace) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 126-27-26-16, \$325,168

O-Jean Rene Plante B-James Vinell, Surdale Farms Ltd T-Jean Rene Plante D-James Macdonald

2-Lyons Tilt Hanover (b,m,5 - Bettors Delight-Odds On Brittany-Western Hanover)

O-Three Lyons racing B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc T-Anthony Beaton D-Austin Sorrie

3-Greystone Natali O (br,m,5 - Shadow Play-Wiskywisky Nancy O-Mach Three)

O-Aaron Waxman B-Jean & James Caddey, Alana & Dylan Belore T-Duane Marfisi D-Douglas Mcnair

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RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY

FLAMORO DOWNS *report*

Saturday's Results:

5, Flm, \$18,000, Pace, POP UP SERIES - FILLIES AND MARES NW OF \$20,000 IN 2021 (MIN 15 STS) - FINAL- TOP NINE MONEY WINNERS MUST DECLARE IN, 28.4, 58.4, 1:28.4, 1:59.1

1-Kays Shadow (b,m,9 - Shadow Play-Pink Is Perfect-Cams Card Shark) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 160-24-16-11, \$246,019

O-James Dean B-Winbak Farm T-Jamesa Dean D-Nicholas Boyd



2-Georgia January (b,m,4 - Shadow Play-Three Xs-Northern Luck)

O-Elizabeth & Alan Fair B-Alan Elizabeth T-Alan Fair D-Jason Ryan

3-Bluewater Beach (blk,m,6 - Sunshine Beach-Galyn Seelster-Dexter Nukes)

O-Nancy Mcguire B-Jim Morrissey, Lorna Davis T-Clifford Mcguire D-Bruce Richardson

Replay Unavailable -

NORTHFIELD PARK *report*

Saturday's Results:

6, Nfld, \$19,500, Pace, FILLIES & MARES OPEN HANDICAP POST POSITION 7 ASSIGNED, 27.1, 56.3, 1:25.2, 1:54.3, FT

1-Adorabella (m, 6, Pet Rock--Bella Marta, by Art Major) \$9,750, Lifetime Record: 79-25-7-8, \$186,651

O-Vincent J Costa Jr. B-Vincent J Costa Jr. T-Sam Schillaci. D-Hunter Myers.

2-Betterthanamisus N (m, 7, Bettor's Delight--Lucy's Way, by In The Pocket) \$4,875, Lifetime Record: 75-12-14-19, \$164,580

O-Pod Stable LLC & Jessica E Millner. B-B L Calder, NZ & Mrs K E Calder, NZ. T-Jessica Millner. D-Billy Davis Jr.

3-Dojea Rita (m, 6, Tellitlikeitis--Maid's Last Work, by Dream Work) \$2,340, \$3,200 2017 MICHIANA, Lifetime Record: 113-31-27-16, \$325,752

O-James M Reed & Joe B Smith. B-Dojea Stables. T-C Brian Loney. D-Aaron Merriman.

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8, Nfld, \$15,500, Pace, FILLIES & MARES NON WINNERS \$10,000 IN LAST 4 STARTS. AE: N/W 10 PARI-MUTUEL RACES., M, 27.2, 55.4, 1:24.2, 1:54.2, FT

Preliminary Results: Northfield Park had not made results official via USTA at publication time

1-Shes Cruising Home (m, 6, Net Ten Eom--Cruisin In Pink, by Yankee Cruiser) \$7,750, \$7,000 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 111-23-19-7, \$149,133

O-Gina Young. B-Michael Schmucker. T-Cory Kreiser. D-Billy Davis Jr.

2-Free Flyin Ticket (m, 5, Betterthancheddar--Free Ticket, by Quik Pulse Mindale) \$3,875, \$36,000 2018 LONDON, Lifetime Record: 58-10-4-7, \$154,355

O-Racing To Win Stable. B-Winbak Farm. T-Jordan Hope. D-Chris Lems.

3-This Dragon Rocks (m, 8, Dragon Again--Rockumentary, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$1,860, Lifetime Record: 137-18-21-18, \$241,557

O-Myron W Yoder. B-Perretti Farms. T-Sam Schillaci. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr..

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WOODBINE MOHAWK PARK *report*

Saturday's Results:

1, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, CLAIMING HANDICAP \$22,000 TO \$30,000. ALLOWANCES FOR AGE & SEX. ENTER IN MULTIPLES OF \$1,000, 28.0, 57.4, 1:25.4, 1:54.1

1-Mach Impact (br,g,7 - Mach Three-Because Im Kg-Artsplace) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 132-30-19-21, \$241,754

O-Percy Elkins B-Lloyd Howley T-Duane Marfisi D-Douglas McNair

2-Royal Renegade (b,g,10 - Jk Royal Flush-Palma Ceia-Camluck)

O-Paul Sanders B-Cheryl & Bryan Brook T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

3-Goldinthebadlands (ch,g,7 - Badlands Hanover-My Friend Flicka-Firm Friend)

O-Ferne & Jack Frydman, Cory Hoffman B-Donald Anness T-Carmen Auciello D-James Macdonald

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RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

2, Wbs, \$36,000, Pace, PREFERRED, 28.1, 57.0, 1:25.3, 1:52.4

1-Wheels On Fire (b,g,7 - Somebeachsomewhere-Ab Fab-Western Ideal) \$18,000, Lifetime Record: 99-38-13-16, \$715,363

O-Bradley Grant B-W J Donovan T-Richard Moreau D-Douglas Mcnair

2-Uhtred (b,g,5 - Art Major-Seaside Rory-Mach Three)

O-Earl Hill Jr, Stephen Klunowski B-Stephen Dey T-Carmen Auciello D-Sylvain Filion

3-Jimmy Freight (b,h,7 - Sportswriter-Allamerican Summer-Western Ideal)

O-Adriano Sorella B-Alan & Randell Eden T-Richard Moreau D-Louis-Philippe Roy

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3, Wbs, \$20,000, Trot, NW 3 (FM 5) RACES OR \$40,000 (FM \$50,000) LIFETIME. AE: NW \$4,100 LAST 5 STARTS, 28.3, 57.4, 1:26.2, 1:57.0

1-L Dees Patrick (b,g,4 - Father Patrick-L Dees Cashmere-Donato Hanover) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 19-5-0-3, \$53,170

O-Thestable Dees Patrick B-Dumain Haven Farm, Carlo Lattinelli T-Jason McGinnis D-James Macdonald



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2-Bcs Rose (b,m,4 - Lous Legacy-Rose Principal-Rosemont Principal)

O-Allan Schmucker Jr B-Larry Price T-Richard Zeron D-Richard Zeron

3-Hone The Tone (b,g,5 - E L Titan-R Tonys Girl-Kadabra)

O-Thomas & Elizabeth Rankin B-Thomas & Elizabeth Rankin T-Benoit Baillargeon D-Trevor Henry

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4, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, 5 YEAR OLDS & YOUNGER, NW 3 RACES OR \$31,500 LIFETIME. AE: 4 YEAR OLDS, CLAIMING \$25,000, 28.4, 58.1, 1:26.4, 1:56.1

1-Dr Joe (b,g,4 - Bettors Delight-Somethincredible-Ponder) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 30-3-1-2, \$44,867

O-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, Dave Boyle, Mardon Stables B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, C S X Stables T-Robert McIntosh D-Louis-Philippe Roy

2-Hollys Treasure (b,h,4 - State Treasurer-L H Hollys Cam-Camluck)

O-Colonel Schneider Jr B-Colonel Schneider T-Cassidy Schneider D-Travis Henry

3-Peter Poole (b,g,4 - Hes Watching-So Cute Hanover-Dragon Again)

O-Daniel Sarafian B-Gerald Haggerty T-Carmen Auciello D-Douglas Mcnair

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5, Wbs, \$18,000, Pace, NW \$8,300 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$20,000 LAST 10 STARTS, 26.3, 56.3, 1:25.2, 1:55.0

1-Trafalgar (br,m,5 - Dali-Real Heart-Real Desire) \$9,000, Lifetime Record: 44-7-10-5, \$133,540

O-Aaron Waxman, Fox Racing Inc B-Pedigree Farm T-Carmen Auciello D-Douglas Mcnair

2-Jm Jack Of Hearts (b,g,7 - Shadow Play-Six Of Hearts-Art Major)

O-Ed & Ashleigh Hensley B-R K Joe Miskokomon T-Ashleigh Hensley D-Ed Hensley

3-Fabrizio N (b,g,6 - Sweet Lou-Zagami-Christian Cullen)

O-Mt Stables Ontario Inc, Aaron Waxman, Frank Cirillo B-C M Dalgety, A Zame, Lang Breeding Limited T-Duane Marfisi D-Louis-Philippe Roy

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6, Wbs, \$16,000, Pace, HORSES WHO STARTED IN A POP-UP EVENT, NW \$57,000 IN 2021-22, 28.0, 57.3, 1:26.2, 1:55.4

1-Champagne Phil (br,g,12 - Shanghai Phil-Champagne Gal-Electric Stena) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 254-51-45-35, \$658,301

O-Icr Racing B-Hudson Standrbrd Stb Inc T-Kenneth Oliver D-Trevor Henry

2-Capitano Italiano (b,g,6 - Captaintreacherous-On The Catwalk-Pro Bono Best)

O-Bruno Comegna B-Riverview Breeding LLC, Steve Stewart T-Nicky Comegna D-James Macdonald

3-Night Watchman (b,h,5 - Hes Watching-Midnight Jet-Jeremes Jet)

O-Nurko Sokolovic, Craig Barss B-Nurko Sokolovic T-Richard Moreau D-Sylvain Filion

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7, Wbs, \$22,000, Pace, NW \$11,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$22,000 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$40,000. AE: NW \$105,000 LIFETIME, 29.4, 58.1, 1:26.3, 1:54.2

1-Beyond Better (b,g,5 - Bettors Delight-Somethincredible-Ponder) \$11,000, Lifetime Record: 48-14-11-5, \$259,860

O-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, Dave Boyle, Mardon Stables B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, C S X Stables T-Robert McIntosh D-James Macdonald

RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

2-Rays Kredit (br,g,6 - Up The Credit-Casimir Hugs-Sir Luck)

O-Leonard Rosene B-Casimir Stables T-Carmen Auciello D-Trevor Henry

3-Real Willey (blk,g,7 - We Will See-Real Frightening-Real Artist)

O-K R S One B-Mervin Raber T-Richard Moreau D-Travis Cullen

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8, Wbs, \$16,000, Trot, NW \$6,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$14,700 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NOT AVERAGING \$1,250 PER START IN 2021-22 (MIN 10 STARTS) AE: POP UP STARTERS, 29.1, 58.2, 1:27.3, 1:57.2

1-Aussie Lover (b,g,5 - Angus Hall-His Mistress-Mutineer) \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 57-1-3-8, \$114,970

O-8113564 Canada Ltd, Gordon Remmen B-Winbak Farm T-Gordon Remmen D-Bradley Harris



2-Arrakis (br,g,10 - Federal Flex-Kawartha An Worthy-Worthy Bowl)

O-Francis Guillemette B-Robert & Donna Burgess T-Francis Guillemette D-Travis Cullen

3-What A Rush (b,g,11 - Federal Flex-Casual Breeze-King Conch)

O-Ronald Macdonald B-Al Libfeld T-Ronald Macdonald D-Sylvain Filion

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9, Wbs, \$25,000, Pace, NW \$16,000 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$26,000 LAST 9 STARTS. AE: OPT. CLM. \$50,000. AE: NW \$120,000 LIFETIME. AE: MARES, 28.1, 57.0, 1:26.1, 1:54.3

1-Points North (b,g,7 - Somebeachsomewhere-Northwest Hanover-Western Hanover) \$12,500, Lifetime Record: 11-27-12-19, \$596,574

O-Aaron Waxman, Frank Cirillo B-Pinske Stables T-Carmen Auciello D-Jonathan Drury

2-Snow Shark (b,m,5 - Custard The Dragon-Shark Fest-Cams Card Shark)

O-Jodie & Travis Cullen, Margaret & Keith Hannah B-Keith Clark, Kvp Farms T-Jodie Cullen D-Travis Cullen

3-Cold Creek Cabo (br,g,5 - Dali-Tymal Black Satin-Fit For Life)

O-Cold Creek Standardbred B-Daniel Walker T-William Slack D-Sylvain Filion

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10, Wbs, \$20,000, Pace, NW 4 RACES OR \$57,000 LIFETIME, 29.0, 58.2, 1:27.0, 1:55.3

1-Rock N Zeus (b,g,6 - Rock N Roll Heaven-Novascotia Hanover-Somebeachsomewhere) \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 45-4-11-0, \$52,905

O-Keith Cassell B-F Bellino And Sons Llc T-Macy Cassell D-Louis-Philippe Roy

2-Lou Ed Zeppelin (b,g,4 - Sweet Lou-Sir Erika Z Tam-Bettors Delight)

O-Gino Toscani B-Estate Of George F Hempt T-Desiree Jones D-Chris Christoforou

3-Long Weekend A (b,g,6 - Sunshine Beach-Quick Jet-Jeremes Jet)

O-Mt Stables Ontario Inc B-I L Carmichael T-Jean Rene Plante D-James Macdonald

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11, Wbs, \$15,000, Pace, NW \$5,100 LAST 5 STARTS OR NW \$10,750 LAST 10 STARTS. AE: NOT AVERAGING \$1,500 PER START IN 2021-22. (MIN 10 STARTS), 28.1, 57.3, 1:26.3, 1:56.1

1-Speedy Dominic A (b,g,8 - American Ideal-Bainfield Washington-Washington Vc) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 94-18-12-15, \$165,358

O-Mt Stables Ontario Inc B-J J Starr, F N Fitzpatrick, J W Murphy, S M Wilson T-Benoit Baillargeon D-Trevor Henry

2-Going Fast (b,g,5 - Western Terror-Tootsie J-Real Artist)

O-Elizabeth Fair B-Vae Llc T-Alan Fair D-Phillippe Hudon

3-Mission Bay (b,g,5 - Sunshine Beach-High Intentions-No Pan Intended)

O-Keith Cassell B-Parkinson Farms T-Macy Cassell D-James Macdonald

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