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# Horses the secret to Keith Waples' long, legendary life

*The harness racing luminary, who died Friday at the age of 97, once said, "A fellow has to have a reason – horses that need feeding, for example – to get out of bed in the morning."*

by Dave Briggs

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Sometime in 2005, I was completely schooled on just how legendary Keith Waples was in the annals of the sport. That was the year *The Canadian Sportsman* published a poll asking readers to pick the greatest Canadian horseperson in the history of harness racing.

Being young and naïve and, of course, never having seen

Waples in action, I thought it was a slam dunk that readers would crown John Campbell. Boy, was I wrong. Waples crushed a field of superstars on a list of five finalists that also included his cousin, Ron Waples, Campbell, Doug Brown and Joe O'Brien (A long list of other Canadian luminaries such as Bill O'Donnell, Ben White, Bill Wellwood, Mike Lachance, Bob McIntosh, Jack Kopas, Herve Filion and many

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more also received votes, but that was the readers' choice for the final five).

Sure the poll was utterly subjective and completely unscientific, but the fact Keith received nearly twice as many votes as the second-place finisher spoke volumes and will always stand, for me, as one of the more incredible things about his decorated career which ended Friday (May 7) when he died at the age of 97. Keith's legend transcended decades and, largely, came via word of mouth as there was not much video footage of his legacy on which younger generations could gauge his greatness.

### THE LEGENDS' LEGEND

When Keith won the poll, so began my education and I wrote the following announcing his victory:

*I never have had the good fortune to see Keith Waples race – unless, of course, you count Legends Days at Clinton Raceway in*



Dave Landry

**Keith Waples was 80 when he drove at the 2003 edition of Legends Day at Clinton Raceway.**

*2001 and 2003 when he drove in the Legends Day Trot at the ages of 78 and 80, respectively.*

*Mighty Dudley's ground-breaking mile – the first to smash the 2:00 barrier on Canadian soil – came in 1959, 10 years before I was born.*

*I was three when Waples won the Little Brown Jug in 1972 with John Hayes, Sr.'s great pacer Strike Out.*

*I missed the start of Waples' career at the Sundridge, ON fairgrounds at the age of 12 in 1936 by a whopping 33 years.*

*I never had the chance to see racing at Orangeville Raceway, which Waples helped build and I was just seven when Waples, his brother Murray and family friend Jim Keeling, Sr. opened Cloverdale Raceway (now Fraser Downs) in 1976 in suburban Vancouver, BC, an operation which became the cornerstone of racing on the west coast.*

*But I am, now, intimately familiar with the affect the (then) 81-year-old double Hall of Famer has had on people. Cemented in my mind is Aug. 31, 2003 in Clinton. That night, after a soul-stirring Legends Day card at the track, folks packed the Legion Hall to celebrate 10 of greatest Canadian horsepeople of all time.*

*His was the last name called in a lineup of legends, champions, Hall of Famers all. When Waples was introduced, the room erupted in a stirring standing ovation. Tears welled in*



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Waples' eyes. To his left, the other legends grinned and clapped enthusiastically, clearly delighted with the crowd's special recognition of Waples.

After all, Waples is the legends' legend; a man revered by his peers.

Bob Heyden from the Meadowlands has heard the reverence in their voices countless times. Though he too didn't have the good fortune to witness the peak of Waples' career, he can appreciate the impact Waples has had on the sport.

"Try talking to Herve Filion or Ron Waples or Bill O'Donnell about Keith, and you'll get a REAL sense of what kind of horseman he was," Heyden said.

### PROUDFOOT ON KEITH

Seven years before the poll, Hall of Fame writer Jim Proudfoot of *Toronto Star* fame penned a feature about Keith for *The Sportsman* that was both delightful and enlightening, especially since the subject lived to the cusp of 100 and was still active owning and, occasionally sitting behind horses, to the end:



**Waples was a man of few words and enormous talent.**

Keith Waples, (then) 74, has figured out how to be a happy, healthy possibly everlasting senior citizen – and is only too happy to share the secret with anybody who cares to inquire.

Never retire. Don't even think about it. And keep busy, which flows inevitably from item one if you happen to be involved with horses.

"I tried cutting away back in the 1970s, which was a big mistake," the maestro of standardbred teamsters said recently, supplementing a 40-year series of interviews or, to be totally accurate, chats. "It didn't take long for me to get sick of doing nothing. I was back training and driving real soon. And the comeback, if that's the right word, has lasted 22 years with no end in sight.

"It boils down to one very simple thing: A fellow has to have a reason – horses that need feeding, for example – to get out of bed in the morning."

Waples agrees with the notion a person who truly loves racing will always stick around at least one extra year just to see if that fledgling colt will actually fulfill his demonstrated promise – in other words, that science has yet to develop medicine as effective as equine potential...

Officially, Standardbred Canada statistics credit Waples with having reined 3,207 winning races and merely \$6,770,612 in combined purses, but these numbers tell a story laughably bereft of accuracy. He flourished during a period when such totals weren't compiled – and when the cash on offer was minuscule in comparison with today's nightly bonanzas.

Yet Waples' skills and judgments have never faltered, a claim easily substantiated by the fact he was 67 when he acquired what is now characterized as the finest steed he ever got his hands on. That would be Silver Almahurst, a free-for-all pacer that set world records, retired with a mile mark of 1:49.4 and amassed a bankroll of \$1,091,024.

There are innumerable highlights on the list of extraordinary steeds Waples has steered – among them *Strike Out*, the *Little Brown Jug* winner of 1972, *Alberts Star*, *General Star*, *Tie Silk*, first home in the 1962 *Roosevelt International*, *Duke of Decatur*, *Choir Boy*, *Blaze Pick* and going back to the 1954 *Maple Leaf Trot*, *Ben Boy*. But his name will be associated forever with *Mighty Dudley*, author in 1959 of the first Canadian mile under two minutes.

Waples is compelled to chuckle when he measures that historic 1:59.3 dash against Silver Almahurst's 1:49.4 – a staggering 49 lengths better.

"I knew horses were bound to get a lot faster, but I could never have predicted what would actually happen. It really is amazing," he said. "But you know, billions of dollars have been



*spent improving tracks, equipment, the horses themselves. We've had excellent breeding programs in place for a long time. And don't forget that in the old days, almost all racing took place on half-mile tracks."*

*Nobody knows the exact dimensions of the old competitive strip at the Sundridge, ON fairgrounds where 12-year-old Waples teamed his first victory in 1936. But you may be certain it was small and the turns were tight.*

*"I'd been jogging horses around the farm at Victoria Harbour since I was about 4, but never in a race," he related. "Now we were at Sundridge where the soil was sandy and they'd had a lot of rain. My dad weighed about 240, so he figured our horse, Grey Ghost, was in for a tough time. So he said to me, 'Son, see what you can do.' Well, actually, we won three heats.*

*"I can remember winning nine heats at Simcoe one afternoon and nine more at Strathroy the next day. Those were never recorded. Hardly any ever were. So I've never been one to get too excited about statistics. They're a recent development – since 1948, I believe. And I won a slew of races before then."*

*Waples would capture driving championships at Old Woodbine, later Greenwood, in 1955 and at Mohawk in 1963 and 1967. He toured North America in 1962 as staff trainer and driver for the powerful Miron Brothers string, a marvelous job he*

*quickly abandoned in favor of "getting back to the farm every night or first thing the next morning, at the latest."*

*Waples didn't enjoy the frantic pace.*

*"But you couldn't turn down the chance to work with the kind of stock those people assembled, and the scope of their operation," he said. "And at that stage, it helped me along a lot financially."*

*Waples can't pinpoint the instant in history but he came to realize, early in his career, that he'd stumbled onto a trick that enhanced his chances in any race – a technique Herve Filion emulated at the beginning of his march to 15,103 wins, a total still unmatched in North America.*

*What Waples would do was jump his sulky a couple of feet sideways so that his horse wasn't required to expend extra energy when a swift change of position seemed in order.*

*"You could get into a hole a lot more quickly and similarly, you could get out of trouble in a hurry," Waples explained. "I don't know how it started. It was like something you'd do with your wagon, as a kid. I suddenly realized I'd been doing it – keeping a real tight hold on the lines, see – and since it seemed like such a good idea, I just kept it up.*

*"You don't see it any more. The bikes they use today don't lend*



Dave Landry

**Keith Waples signing autographs at the 2013 Legends Day with help from Herve Filion.**



themselves to it.”

Filion would always mention the Waples magic in analyzing his own prodigious feats, having studied the man in yellow and blue going away back to Dufferin Park days in the west end of Toronto.

Jack Waples, patriarch of the Georgian Bay clan, became known as a harness racing official after World War II as sons Murray and Keith took charge of the family enterprise.

Ron Waples, Keith's highly-accomplished cousin, mastered early lessons in the game on Keith's staff and is prominent on any list of the world's best. Randy Waples, Ron's son, represents the current generation of pilots as he grapples with Luc Ouellette and Chris Christoforou for domination of the sport in this country.

And there was another time when Murray and Keith joined Jim Keeling of Owen Sound and other partners in building and operating Orangeville Raceway and then moving west to British Columbia to build Cloverdale Raceway (now Fraser Downs) in Surrey and Sandown Park on Vancouver Island. Waples and the Keeling family sold Fraser Downs and Sandown Park to the Great Canadian Gaming Corporation in March of this year and Orangeville Raceway no longer exists, but the memory survives as another milestone in a standardbred saga that remains exciting and valuable in its ninth decade.



Claus Andersen

**At the 2018 London Selected Yearling Sale, Keith Waples purchased pacing filly Karma Seelster for \$127,000. Karma Seelster went on to be a 2020 O'Brien Award finalist three months before Waples died.**

*“Like I mentioned before, it's hardly a job,” Waples said. “It's a way of life you love. You can't imagine yourself doing anything else. The work's hard, the hours long but you don't mind.*

*“The worst period of my own life was when I thought I could stay away from it. Not that I wasn't driving. I was driving lawn mowers, graders, tractors. Horses are trickier, I'll admit. But you can't teach a tractor to improve.*

*“I guess you'd have to be a horseman to understand the feeling you get when you finally have a colt figured out and it starts to move forward the way you thought it would.”*

Keith Waples has resided in every available Hall of Fame for a long time. He's done it all in standardbred racing. But you don't see the miracle he continues to manufacture. Beginning in Depression years, he has bridged all the eras as a driver, a trainer, a breeder, an owner, a racetrack builder and an official. Today, when harness racing occupies its rightful place in the major leagues, he remains what he always wanted to be, a competitor you ignored – or failed to respect – at your peril and always, always a dangerous man with a good horse. These words would make an excellent epitaph, assuming one is ever required.

## MURRAY ON KEITH

More recently, HRU columnist Murray Brown caught up with Keith and wrote a column called The enduring legacy of The Thin Man [that can be read in its entirety here](#).

Brown was a young man when he first became dazzled by Waples' mastery in the race bike while racing in Quebec:

*The first recollection I have of Keith Waples was of him driving an overnight trotter by the name of Ben Boy somewhere in the early '60s at Richelieu Park.*

*Ben Boy had previously won the Maple Leaf Trot in 1954 for Ruth Wray of Schomberg, ON, the mother of well-known Canadian racing participants Joanne and Jack Wray, but by the time I saw him he was just a solid overnighter.*

*Back then, harness racing was well covered by the leading Montreal English speaking newspaper The Montreal Star. The Star had two writers – Baz O'Meara and Elmer Ferguson – who not only covered the sport well, but also were avid fans of it.*

*The French-speaking Montreal newspapers, specifically Montreal Matin and later le Journal de Montreal covered it far more thoroughly. It wasn't unusual to see three or four full pages devoted to racing, most of it to Blue Bonnets Raceway or Richelieu Park, whichever one was racing at the time.*

*Their leading harness racing writers Jacques Beauchamp and Bob Chicoine were also great fans of the sport.*

*Back then, Keith Waples was the man or more specifically*





Dave Briggs

**Waples was still smiling at the 2015 edition of Legends Day.**

*"The Thin Man" as he had been named by O'Meara.*

*There were all the other drivers and there was Keith Waples at the summit.*

*It is no accident that he is a member of both the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame and the Harness Racing Living Hall of Fame at Goshen. Both honors, and several others including Canada's Sports Hall of Fame, were also well earned...*

*We talked a little about the three horses I was most familiar with.*

*"Mighty Dudley, who I co-owned with Jacques Girard was a good horse, but he wasn't as good as he is generally given credit for being, due to that first 2:00 mile in Canada. Champ Volo, who I was racing at about the same time, was better and more consistent. He was a real warrior who always came prepared to race.*

*"Strike Out was about as handy and well-mannered a horse as any I've ever driven. You could do anything with him. His versatility and great manners made him a lot of money.*

*"Tie Silk was a top trotter, maybe not a great one, but very good. Things worked out for us on the evening of the*

*International Trot. Su Mac Lad was the heavy favorite, but we managed to get a decent trip and I went by at the end."*

*I remarked that I had watched the replay of that International Trot ([available here](#)) very shortly before speaking with him. The one thing that stood out to me was that while Stanley Dancer driving Su Mac Lad was furiously whipping and flailing, that Keith never used the whip once on Tie Silk. Keith's response was that I was giving him undue credit.*

*"Tie Silk was a horse that you couldn't get results from if you used the whip. If you hit him, he would stop trying."*

*Nevertheless of the many hundreds of times I saw Keith Waples drive I rarely saw him use the whip. When he did, it wasn't used to any great degree.*

## **LOVING HORSES TO THE END**

Thankfully, Proudfoot and Brown were able to recount Keith's otherworldly abilities for those of us in the YouTube generation that missed most of the legend's exploits in the sulky.

In recent years, I knew Keith more as a man that was still buying yearlings to be trained by Gregg McNair. Keith even topped the 2015 Forest City Yearling Sale at the age of 92, a year after successful triple bypass surgery.

Just as photographer Dave Landry captured Keith sporting a huge smile at multiple Legends Days at Clinton Raceway, photographer Claus Andersen would often record Keith with an ear-splitting grin at the London sale.

And why not? Keith and his wife Eileen, and their daughter, Karen Hauver, even owned a 3-year-old pacing filly named Karma Seelster that was an O'Brien Award finalist just three months ago.

Proving, through nine decades of excellence in the sport, what Keith once said about horses being his reason for living.

For that we owe these amazing creatures yet another thank you for blessing us with Keith Waples' talent, knowledge and passion for so long.

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## A professional bettor on the success of Pompano

by Brett Sturman

When Pompano concluded its racing season one week ago, handle for the finale totaled a single night record of \$1.7 million. It was the 21st time over the course of the season that handle topped the \$1 million mark. Prior, the track experienced \$1 million in handle just six times total going back close to 60 years.

As director of racing for Caesar's Entertainment, as well as serving several other functions, Gabe Prewitt noted in a social media post this past week that total handle was a mere \$88,469 for his first night at Pompano in October of 2013. But what's the increase over that time and an even more recent surge attributed to? According to one professional bettor who drives more than a fair share of Pompano handle, it's mostly a combination of things.

"It's on the right nights when there's not a lot else going on," said the bettor, who asked to remain anonymous. "You kind of gravitate to it because it's one of the only products out there that has pools you can bet into during the timeframe when it's on. I'll give you an example. Pompano gets \$40-50,000 in their Pick-4 pools and Scioto has essentially taken over their time slot starting the other day and they had only a \$4,000 carryover in their Pick-4 so it shows you the discrepancy in harness tracks that have pool size and the ones that don't. Pompano gives you opportunities to bet into pools where you can win some money and create some volume in your wagering which most harness tracks don't offer, especially on off-nights. The Meadowlands offers it on Friday and Saturday, but especially factoring in thoroughbreds, they're up against a bunch of other signals. But Pompano isn't up against anything with pool size. Northfield does have some pool size, but not like Pompano does on a consistent basis with the Pick-x's."

For Pompano, the transformation from handle under \$100,000 to routinely over \$1 million was far from an overnight change. It was a gradual process that began to get the attention of this bettor about five years ago.

"When the pool sizes are small you get more carryovers. Albeit small carryovers, but those carryovers will create bigger pools. You kind of just watch tracks and there may not be interest in them when there's no carryovers but when there is a carryover the next

pool is big, so that's what you look for and that's what you notice at Pompano. They'll get \$3-4,000 carryovers in their early Pick-5 and then the pool will be \$20,000 the next day. You look for pool size and takeout reduction due to the carryover. That's what gets gamblers to notice your product, then they'll bet those and other races so it kind of snowballs."

What the track does between placing its product on the right nights and putting itself in positions to generate more carryovers (real ones, not Jackpots), seems like a simple formula even though most tracks don't do it. Another example of a simple thing the track does is actively promote on Twitter and boasts low takeout wagers.

"It's far from a perfect product. They've got those amateur races which are the scourge of the earth, but the track gives you opportunity throughout the card," the bettor said. "The Pick-5 pool is now big enough where it can stand on its own legs without a carryover, but back in the day you needed a carryover for the Pick-5. But even five years ago, Gabe rolled right into a Pick-4 after the Pick-5 and that was big enough then and with a low takeout to play without a carryover. But like I said, it's a combination deal. It's on the right nights and it offers pools that are big enough to where you can have interest and win some money, where other tracks don't do that on a nightly basis."

For this bettor who firmly believes that tracks have an obligation to not only cater to bettors but also educate them – especially newer ones – that is something that Pompano also does well.

"One of the best things that Pompano does that most other tracks don't do on a regular basis is that they display the remaining Pick-x money and how much is left in live money after each race of the sequence on their broadcast feed. Every beginning or normal gambler can learn a lot from that."

"I keep track mentally every race how much money has been left live and I keep track of the horses that win and with me it just reinforces the value that I already know is in the Pick-x's; why this horse and that horse are valuable when they win. If bettors really looked at that stuff, it's amazing what they can learn. And Pompano puts it up on the screen where it can cycle for seven or eight minutes. The key is that your players can learn from it. I'll give you an example. Let's say there is a race where three horses can win. And Wally (Hennessey) and David (Miller) are on two of them. And the one that Wally or David aren't on – even though they are all the same price as far as win odds – it's amazing how much value there is in the Pick-x's when you can get the non-Wally/David horse to win. A few weeks ago, there was that exact situation and the non-Wally/David horse ended up paying a flat \$7 to win in the race but paid a factor of 7-1 in the Pick-5. And that's the kind of stuff you need to know as a gambler, and of course be able to see it before it happens and be able to put yourself in a crushing position. It's an incredible learning tool."

For this gambler, Pompano has done a lot of the simpler things right while at the same time doing more than most others to cultivate new bettors. It's why Pompano has experienced growth.





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## Fifteen legendary horses better known for losses, not triumphs

by Bob Heyden

Any way you slice it, the following stars and standouts in horse racing are known more for a loss than any of their victories:

**1. ALYDAR** had three straight strong seconds to Affirmed in the 1978 Triple Crown. Valiant efforts all. It was maybe the most memorable Triple Crown year ever. Alydar made up for it some by out-siring Affirmed in Kentucky Derby winners 2-0. Plus, they later stood together as sires.

**2. C R KAY SUZIE.** Unfair as it might seem for a multiple world record holder and a two-time Breeders Crown winner, Suzie faltered making a break in the 1995 Hambletonian elims and did not make it to the final as the overwhelming favorite. Every conversation about her and her career seems to start right here.

**3. SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE.** The 2008 Meadowlands Pace was a race for the ages. Art Official edged out SBSW by a neck in world record time 1:47 for sophomore pacers. Incredible efforts by both. But, SBSW never lost before or after — two 10-race winning streaks. He was a standout stallion, too. But just ask Paul MacDonnell which race he is asked about the most.

**4. NIATROSS.** He was 37-for-39 lifetime, but ask anyone about his career and his falling over the hubrail at Saratoga and his valiant fourth-place finish in the 1980 Meadowlands Pace elimination would likely come up right away. Unbelievable as it might sound, especially when you go undefeated at 2, there's an air of invincibility that should not be penetrated.

**5. FATHER PATRICK.** In the 2014 Hambletonian, he started from post 10 and made a break off the gate losing all chance. His stablemates Trixton and Nuncio finished 1-2. Father Patrick was a huge favorite, but his career was a sparkling one both before and after that — and his sire

career has seen his first two 3-year-old crops dominated by Greenshoe and Amigo Volo — sons of Father Patrick.

**6. NIHILATOR.** In the 1984 Breeders Crown, he was upset by Dragons Lair in the final in world record time. His undefeated freshman season — and Horse of the Year hopes — went up in smoke. He is more than likely mentioned more about this defeat — his first — than in victories even though he was the richest and fastest horse in history upon retirement after his Nov. 30, 1985 Breeders Crown win at Garden State Park.

**7. WESTERN HANOVER.** Great in every aspect. At 2 and 3, in the breeding shed, etc. But, that 1992 Little Brown Jug stands out due to losing by a dirty nose to Fake Left in the final. It cost Western Hanover the Triple Crown. He raced his eyeballs out that day, and it is probably THE race that comes to mind first in his brilliant career.

**8. RAINBOW BLUE.** She made a break early in the 2004 Mistletoe Shalee and lost any chance. It was the only loss of the season in her HOY campaign that saw her win 20-of-21 times and beat out a Triple Crown winner for top year-end honors — Windsongs Legacy. You know you are truly great when the odd blemish or two sticks first in people's memories.

**9. ZENYATTA.** The Great Grey lost only once — by a torturous nose in the Breeders' Cup Classic. If only Mike Smith had started her up a touch earlier.

**10. JATE LOBELL.** Finished seventh in the 1987 Meadowlands Pace. It was the onlytime in his two-time division-title capturing career that he missed the board. He was the 1986 HOY runner-up after an unblemished freshman campaign. But, he was off the board in the Frugal Gourmet-won Pace that year and many won't let Mark O'Mara forget it.

**11. DONATO HANOVER.** His 19-race winning streak came to an end in his final two career starts — the 2007 Breeders Crown elim and final both won by Arch Madness. Still, Donato Hanover was easily HOY in 2007.

**12. NO NUKES.** He went to the post just 19 times in his life at 2 and 3 in 1981-1982. He was overshadowed at 3 by Cam Fella. But, nobody can forget No Nukes' 1981 Woodrow Wilson when, with \$1,957,000 on the line, he broke before the gate causing two recalls and then raced as a NON-wagering part of the field before breaking again at the start losing 20-25 lengths-minimum. His mind-numbing comeback to enter the fray at the top of the stretch before calling it a night was legendary. So great, in fact, that his \$5 million syndication deal was struck shortly after and that was the bargain of the century.

**13. PEACE CORPS.** She won four Breeders Crowns and nobody has done that. But, her 1989 Hambletonian is still gnawing at some. She was third overall as the favorite in both heats. That was the Park Avenue-Joe Probe dead heat year. Peace Corps had come in with a 17-race win streak and her driver, John Campbell, had won the previous two Hambletonians.

**14. NEVELE PRIDE.** This one is patently unfair, big time. His loss to Une De Mai in the 1969 Roosevelt International is almost certain to be in the first or second race mentioned of anyone recounting his career. But, get this, in the 13 days following his Aug. 23, 1969 loss to the great French mare, Nevele Pride posted the following:

1:54.4 all-time record for any trotter ever on Aug. 31 in

Indianapolis.

1:56.4 over the half mile track at Saratoga six days later.

It took a colt by the name of Mack Lobell to beat the half-mile mark-19 years later.

**15. ALBATROSS** In the 1971 Jug, Nansemond won it over Big Bird. Albatross was 25-for-28 at 3, but it seems that Nansemond defeat is front and center when his name — or certainly his 3-year-old season — comes up. I can tell you first hand that this was the race that bothered Stanley Dancer to the end.

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## Dave Palone on the quest for 20,000 wins and beyond

by Murray Brown

"I'm not quite sure about the exact number right now, You'd have to ask Roger Huston what it is. I'm hoping to reach 20,000 wins by sometime next year. If I get there, a great deal, of course, will depend on my health and outlook. As for right now, I'm 59 and I'm a new grandfather. Thank goodness I've still got the hunger and joy that going to the racetrack each day brings. Well maybe not so much on cold and rainy days, but they are still days at the track where a bad day can be better than a good day anywhere else".

Thus saith harness racing's all time race winning leader and Hall of Famer Dave Palone in a recent conversation.

Twenty thousand wins! Think about it. Nobody else has ever done it. Nobody has even come close.

Palone's dad, Butch, was a fan and sometimes owner in the sport. Butch Palone was a car dealer in Washington, PA. It was only natural that when Delvin Miller opened The Meadows that Butch started attending.

Butch would bring his son David along with him. It was



Claus Andersen

**Dave Palone currently has more than 19,500 career driving wins.**

instant love for Dave — the racetrack, the horses, the people; everything about the sport that was to become a big part of his life.

Any spare time he had while attending high school was spent at the racetrack. He began by working weekends for anyone for whom he could be of help. He'd pick up paddocks, as well.

His first job was as a groom for well-known horseman Herman Hylkema who maintained a stable at The Meadows.

"I couldn't possibly have had a better teacher or role model than Herman. He was a great horseman. He was known as sometimes being a difficult taskmaster. Everything had to be just right. There was no skimping. There was only one way, that was Herman's way. After all, he went to school at the alter of Howard Beissinger, one of the most rigid taskmasters in the history of the sport. As long as you did it Herman's way, you'd be fine."



Dave recalls jogging his first horse at the Waynesburg Fairgrounds as a teenager.

His dad bought him his first few horses to train and he used catch drivers.

Butch Palone had a box at The Meadows. In the neighboring box was an owner and fan by the name of Mike Demaria. Demaria took a liking to young Dave Palone and bought him a couple of horses for his small stable which then consisted entirely of claimers.

Dave started driving, initially with the horses in his own small stable and then with some success came the opportunity to catch drive.

His first big break came from trainer Mark Goldberg who then, as now, had a good-sized stable at The Meadows.

Dave was in the claiming game and claimed a few from Goldberg. Mark approached him with a proposition.

"I'll make a deal with you. You stop claiming horses from me and I'll put you down to drive the horses in my stable."

That was a deal that Palone couldn't turn down. Here he was in his early 20s when he became first call for one of the more successful stables at the racetrack.

Success with the Goldberg horses led to more success and within a relatively short time he became the leading driver at The Meadows.

It became something that hasn't changed much, if at all, for over the last 30 plus years.

Shortly, he gave up training, although, he has always been on call for those who have patronized him for advice or for training one that needs help.

As time went on, not only was he patronized by the trainers at The Meadows, but word had gone out about this nice kid at The Meadows who was part horse himself.

When there were stakes races being held at the track, it wasn't unusual for David to be put down on several, sometimes even the majority of those in a race.

***I think that there are many who consider you a one-track cowboy. Sure, the overwhelming number of your wins have taken place at The Meadows. What few realize is that you also have many Grand Circuit wins on your resume. You have shown time and again that you were able to compete everywhere, whether it be Lexington, Delaware, Ohio, Canada or at other tracks in Pennsylvania.***

"I suppose it is what it is. On the one hand, I certainly don't think that I am the greatest driver that ever lived, but on the other, I'm far from the worst. If I had the right horse, I don't think I've often embarrassed myself. I've won a Jug, two

Jugettes, three Breeders Crowns, an Adios – with many seconds – and perhaps the one thing I am most proud of 40 Pennsylvania Sires Stakes finals."

***What do you attribute most of your success to?***

"I like to think that I work hard in the sense that I believe that I am very competitive and well prepared. I watch replays. I know the horses as well as I am able to. I think I am a good communicator. I speak with and listen to the people for whom I drive. If I am able to add any insight to a horse I am more than happy to do so."

***More often than not, you are down to drive more than one horse in a race. How do you go about making your choices?***

"It's not all that difficult. I try to be as loyal as I possibly can. If the Burkes have me down behind one, that's almost always the one I'm going to drive. I try to drive my brother Mike's horses as often as I can. Otherwise, I'll generally go with the horse I think has the best shot.

"When it comes to stakes racing, there are some like Jimmy Takter, Chuck Sylvester, Linda Toscano, Brett Pelling and George Segal/Myron Bell affiliated horses, I'll go with those. These are people with whom I've built a relationship over the years. It goes without saying that the horses are competitive, otherwise they wouldn't have shipped them out here."

***You've been driving at the very top of your profession for more than 35 years. That is one incredible accomplishment.***

"I consider myself to be very, very lucky. I've driven with several generations of great drivers. I started in the tail end years of the Herve, Haughton, Dancer and Sholty eras. Then I drove with the John Campbells, Bill O'Donnells, Ronnie Pierces, Mike Lachance and others. Right here at The Meadows, I've driven regularly with Brian Sears, David Miller, Georgie Brennan and Dickie Stillings. We've now got some amazing talent out there with Yannick, Timmy, Dexter Dunn, the McCarthy brothers and our own iron man Aaron Merriman. Right here at The Meadows, we've got two kids who I believe have the "IT" factor in Drew Monti and Hunter Myers. I'd be surprised if they aren't at or near the top shortly."

***Here's an unfair question: Will you rate those guys?***

"That's not easy, but I'll try to compartmentalize them. Overall, and for a career, you'd have to go with John Campbell. The numbers prove it. He's accomplished more than any driver in history. For a given period of time, I'd say Billy O. At his best, Bill O'Donnell really earned his title of the Magic Man. Maybe the most talented driver ever is Brian Sears. If he had the extreme competitive spirit of a John



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Campbell or even myself, he could have done everything. He's a horse's best friend – always kind to one on the racetrack. His ideal race would probably be: get away mid pack; work out a second over trip and win only by all it took without using the whip. He's one of the few great drivers out there who may realize there is more to life than harness racing. The greatest instinctive driver ever, Ronnie Pierce. He is probably the only one who would have driven Art Official in the way it took to beat Somebechsomewhere. For me the greatest combination of a great driver, a great horseman and a wise man is Mike Lachance. I could sit and listen to that man for hours."

### **How about trainers?**

"There are so many great ones that I've been privileged to drive for. Of course, I'd have to start with Mickey and Ronnie Burke. I've driven for them for decades. I've probably driven more races for just them than some drivers have driven in a lifetime. Then of course there's Jimmy Takter, Bob McIntosh, Chuck Sylvester, Linda Toscano, Gene Riegle, Ronnie Gurfein, Joe Holloway and I'm sure a good many that I've left off.

"One of the greatest trainers that I didn't drive for is Dickie Stillings, right here at The Meadows. The obvious reason is that he drove for himself and was pretty darn good at it. From a small number of low to mid-priced horses he developed numerous champions."

### **Something that I'm sure you've been asked is why you haven't given The Meadowlands a shot?**

"In fact, I did give it a shot, perhaps not a long enough shot, but I did give it a try. I really didn't do that bad either. There were several issues that brought me back home to The Meadows. Charlie Ginsburg gave me several horses to train and drive and we did reasonably well in New Jersey. My problem was twofold. The first was I got homesick. I had trouble adjusting to big city life. The second was that my nature is of being a very competitive person. Those were the glory days of Campbell, O'Donnell and Lachance. Guys like Ronnie Pierce had the patience to wait it out, realizing that the multitude of drives would eventually come. I didn't. I had

problems with being down on just one or a few drives a night."

### ***You told me that one of the benefits of going there was in making a lifelong friendship with the late Scott Abolafia, AKA Scotty Tickets.***

"If one is extremely lucky, one is fortunate to have at least one friend like Scotty. Very few people in this life of ours have enjoyed and loved harness racing more than he did. He was known as the Commissioner of Freehold Raceway. After I went back to The Meadows we'd talk every single day, often as many as three or more times a day. I'd love to watch and listen to his discussions with Myron. There are very few who might occasionally get the best of Myron in an argument. Scotty was one of those."

### ***Speaking of late, great friends Mr. Ed (Ed Mullinax) was a dear friend of both of us.***

"There was never anybody, nor will there ever be anybody, like Ed. He was one of the greatest human beings to ever inhabit this planet. I have no idea how many horsemen he helped out, but they were many in number. He was like Will Rogers. He never met a person he didn't like and perhaps even more so those who didn't like him. There are so many Mister Ed stories. It was the greatest privilege imaginable for me to win the Little Brown Jug for him with P Forty Seven. It was the thrill of a lifetime for both him and me. Ed's mind was always on one speed - fast. Sometimes his brain wouldn't keep up with it. He'd be speaking of something and then change topics without you knowing he had. He loved the business and those in it fortunate enough to have known and loved him."

### ***Dave, you said you are looking for win number 20,000. Barring anything unforeseen, it won't be too long before you reach that goal. What comes next?***

"To be absolutely truthful, I don't really know. I find it difficult to visualize life without driving horses. I'm sure I will slow down. Not necessarily because I want to, but rather because Mother Nature and Father Time are and always will be undefeated. I'm going on 60. I'm not the driver that I was in my 30s and 40s. But I believe that I am still quite competitive on the racetrack. There are so many great, young and some not so young drivers out there – maybe now more than ever at a given period of time. I hope I know when I become non-competitive and am able to make the decision myself."

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## This Kit Rocks looks to be stepping up from the Indiana fair circuit

*A wire-to-wire victory in 1:51.2 at Harrah's Hoosier Park on Friday for the Putnam family and partners has the pacer on the verge of competing in the Indiana Sires Stakes.*

**by James Platz**

Last summer, This Kit Rocks was one of the toughest 2-year-olds on the Indiana fair circuit. Now a sophomore, his connections hope the Rockin Image gelding can step into the Indiana Sires Stakes ranks and compete with the best in the program. Friday night, May 7 the pacer collected his second seasonal win at Harrah's Hoosier Park, wiring his foes for driver Joey Putnam in 1:51.2.

"He looks like he's going to earn a shot to go with them," Putnam said of sires stakes, which kick off later this month. "He can leave, and he can get to the house. Those are the main things at Hoosier. You've got to be close early, and you've still got to be able to come home. We're going to give him a shot when the time comes."

Undersized as a freshman, This Kit Rocks made 13 starts on the fair circuit for Putnam's father, Joe, who trains the gelding, owns the horse in partnership with Trent Stohler, and is a co-breeder with Stohler and Bill Reepmeyer. The young pacer finished first or second 10 times last summer,



missing the board only twice while accumulating six wins and \$14,608 in earnings. In the Governor's Cup championship he raced fifth and was placed fourth by judges.

"He was really good. He was versatile. He liked the front, but he could come whenever," the young driver said. "Late in the year he got a little bit sore on us around the final."

This Kit Rocks managed to establish a new mark for freshman pacing colts at Corydon, IN last season with a 1:59.2 mile. He would take his 1:58.4 2-year-old mark on the half at Portland. His consistency earned divisional honors on the fair circuit. The connections could have moved him to Hoosier Park at the end of the fair schedule for another two months of racing. However, they decided to shut him down with eyes on 2021.

"We're about management. We were trying to do what was right. If he would have come to Hoosier as a non-winners of one, he would have been starting in a tougher spot than this spring," Putnam said.

The homebred grew over the winter, adding size and gaining



Dean Gillette

**This Kit Rocks (Joey Putnam) winning at Harrah's Hoosier Park on May 7 in 1:51.2.**





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**This Kit Rocks' dam Western Kit (Trent Stohler) winning an Indiana Sires Stakes event in 2009 at Indiana Downs.**

muscle in areas he was lacking. Like his mother, Western Hero mare Western Kit, This Kit Rocks had to wait until 3 to see his first pari-mutuel action. Campaigned by Joe Putnam, Stohler and Reepmeyer, Western Kit won multiple Indiana Sires Stakes legs at 3 and went on to earn just shy of \$120,000 that season, collecting eight wins and five runner-up finishes.

In order to be competitive in Indiana Sires Stakes, This Kit Rocks must show he has the ability to battle the best in the state. Debuting in the Jerry Landess Series, the gelding raced fifth in the opening leg before returning a week later to capture a division of the second leg in a time of 1:52.2. In the \$18,000 Landess final, Putnam ducked his charge and raced from the back. Ninth at three quarters, This Kit Rocks stormed home in :25.4 – the fastest last quarter in the field – to finish fifth. Moving to the Hal Dale series, the duo raced third in the \$11,000 opening leg before scoring a win Friday night. This time, when the gate folded, the pacer stepped out to the lead from post four and set every fraction on the way to a three-quarter-length victory as the favorite. Caption This and LeWayne Miller closed from fourth at the top of the stretch to finish second.

“At the fairs he was really good on the front even though he liked to look them in the eye. I think he’s just as good off a trip or shaking loose late,” said Putnam. “Twice he’s won, once on the front and the other one I was sitting in the pocket and I came up the passing lane. In the other starts, I took care of him and just ducked him in the back and he

paced home nicely.”

Western Kit has produced five foals of racing age, the previous four sired by Real Desire. Four of them have gone on to reach the winner's circle, including Rosie Kit p,5, 1:53h (\$98,880) and U'll Learn p,3, 1:51.3s (\$114,208), both spending time in the Putnam barn.

“As far as where his head is at, he’s a little more focused, but he can still be squirrely. He’s better gaited than the other two,” he said of This Kit Rocks. “He always finishes.”

That ability to finish will be valuable as times continue to get faster this month. Earlier on Friday's program, Saddle Up and Rogers Image were noses apart in another Hal Dale division in a time of 1:51.4, and Certifiable edged Jewels Virgin by three parts of a length in 1:51. The \$22,000 final, slated for May 14, will be a tough test leading into the opening round of sires stakes on May 21. It won't take long for the connections of This Kit Rocks to see if he belongs.

“I don't know what's in store for him. We'll have to try him in a leg of sires stakes and see where he stacks up,” Putnam said. “I think he could maybe surprise us this year a little bit.”

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## SUMMER SERIES NOMINATIONS DUE

### DREAM MAKER

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Purse: \$50,000 Guaranteed  
Final: Monday, August 9, 2021

### MILLARD FARMS

Two-year-old open trot.  
Purse: \$50,000 Guaranteed  
Final: Thursday, August 12, 2021

### WHENUWISHUPONASTAR

Two-year-old filly pace.  
Purse: \$50,000 Guaranteed  
Final: Tuesday, August 10, 2021

### PURE IVORY

Two-year-old filly trot.  
Purse: \$50,000 Guaranteed  
Final: Thursday, August 12, 2021

## YEARLING NOMINATIONS DUE

### 2022 CHAMPLAIN OPEN

### 2022 CHAMPLAIN FILLY

### 2023 SIMCOE OPEN

### 2023 SIMCOE FILLY

### 2023 SBOA FILLY

## SUSTAINING PAYMENTS DUE

### PEPSI NORTH AMERICA CUP XXXVIII

Three-year-old open pace.  
Final: Saturday, September 11, 2021

### ARMBRO FLIGHT

Three-year-olds and older  
fillies and mares trot.  
Final: Friday, September 17, 2021

### BATTLE OF THE BELLES

Ontario Sired Two-year-old filly pace.  
Final: Monday, August 2, 2021

### BATTLE OF WATERLOO

Ontario Sired Two-year-old open pace.  
Final: Monday, August 2, 2021

### CANADIAN PACING DERBY

Three-year-olds and older open pace.  
Final: Saturday, September 4, 2021

### CANADIAN TROTting CLASSIC

Three-year-old open trot.  
Final: Saturday, September 18, 2021

### CASUAL BREEZE

Three-year-old filly trot.  
Final: Friday, September 3, 2021

### CHAMPLAIN FILLY

Trot: Thursday, August 26, 2021  
Pace: Saturday, September 11, 2021

### CHAMPLAIN OPEN

Trot: Thursday, August 26, 2021  
Pace: Saturday, September 11, 2021

### ELEGANTIMAGE

Three-year-old filly trot.  
Final: Saturday, September 18, 2021

### ETERNAL CAMNATION

Two-year-old filly pace.  
Final: Saturday, August 28, 2021

### FAN HANOVER

Three-year-old filly pace.  
Final: Saturday, September 11, 2021

### GOODTIMES

Three-year-old open trot.  
Final: Saturday, September 11, 2021

### MAPLE LEAF TROT

Three-year-olds and older open trot.  
Final: Saturday, September 4, 2021

### METRO PACE

Two-year-old open pace.  
Final: Saturday, September 25, 2021

### MILTON

Three-year-olds and older  
fillies and mares pace.  
Final: Saturday, September 25, 2021

### NASSAGAWEYA

Two-year-old open pace.  
Final: Saturday, August 28, 2021

### PEACEFUL WAY

Two-year-old filly trot.  
Final: Saturday, September 11, 2021

### ROSES ARE RED

Three-year-olds and older  
fillies and mares pace.  
Final: Saturday, September 4, 2021

### SHES A GREAT LADY PACE

Two-year-old filly pace.  
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# THE ART OF BREEDING



with ALAN LEAVITT

## Overtrick is a complicated term

by Alan Leavitt

An overtrick is a bridge term so complicated that I can't begin to understand it. By bridge, that is a reference to the card game, not to the other game that was so popular during the Great Depression. But with a capital O, Overtrick is also the name of the great pacer who played a key role in this kid's life, among numerous others. He also was the racing rival to Meadow Skipper, of which more shortly.

Like every good story, Overtrick's was full of twists and turns, narrow escapes, and occasional smiles from God.

Overtrick's story begins in 1951. That was the year that his sire, Solicitor, and Solicitor's stablemate, Tar Heel, were offered for sale at Harrisburg. They were part of the dispersal of the W.N. Reynolds Estate. Reynolds, of tobacco fame, was a great supporter of harness racing, and with his trainer, Delvin Miller, had raced a great stable of horses.

The two highlights of the Reynold's dispersal were the 3-year-old pacing colts, Solicitor and Tar Heel. They had just finished 1-2 in the Little Brown Jug, with Tar Heel the winner. Both colts were gilt-edged stallion prospects. Lawrence Shepherd, the founder of the Hanover Shoe Farms in its present form, couldn't decide which horse would make the best sire, so he went up to Harrisburg and bought both of them. Shep gave \$125,000 for Solicitor and \$130,000 for Tar Heel, record prices at the time.

Both colts, by now 4-year-olds, were raced back at 4, and then retired to the stud. Tar Heel stood at the Shoe Farms, and Solicitor went to Bill Murray's Bonnie Brae Farm in Ohio. Tar Heel went on to be a great sire for Hanover, while Solicitor did nothing of particular note in the wilds of Ohio. But for reasons unknown to me, Mr. Shepherd and Jim Harrison, who was running the Shoe Farms as Shep's Assistant to the president, finally brought Solicitor back to Hanover, where he stood for the 1959 season for \$500.

At this point, enter this kid, stage left. A brash, Jewish

young guy, wildly ambitious, with a carefully cultivated relationship with Lawrence Shepherd is the most charitable self-description I can come up with.

It was early July of '59 that Jim Harrison called and said Mr. Shepherd wanted to talk to me. I immediately appeared, and Mr. Shepherd said, in words I well remember, as follows: "You need to stand a stallion at that farm of yours. I'll sell you Solicitor for \$25,000, \$5,000 a year for five years, no interest. When can you pick him up?"

At this point Jim Harrison added what turned out to be the most important point: "Don't forget, we just stood the horse here at Hanover this past breeding season. That means he's got a crop coming from the best mares he's ever been bred to."

One of those mares was Overbid, a great bred young mare owned by Helen Buck, aka Mrs. Leonard J. Buck, of African diamond fame. Blood diamonds maybe, but in those days a diamond was a diamond, period, paragraph.

The Bucks were big operators in harness racing, with a private stable and Tom Murphy, the Wizard of the Reins, as their advisor. Murphy had been a great standardbred trainer, then switched to runners and in two years trained a Derby winner, and then went to Wall St. and made a fortune. His son, Thomas, also went into harness racing as an owner, and had the champion pacer Laverne Hanover, but that's a story for another time.

The Bucks were big buyers at the yearling sales, and in appreciation of their business, Hanover offered Mrs. Buck a free breeding to Solicitor in '59, his one year at Hanover. This was not exactly a gift of rubies and pearls, but Mrs. Buck took it, and bred her mare, Overbid to Solicitor. Overbid was by Hal Dale, and out of one of the best maternal pacing families in the book, with four consecutive 2:00-producing dams. Not overwhelming today, but then it was the best there was.

The result of this free breeding mating was a bay colt, foaled in 1960, named Overtrick. As you can guess, the Bucks were avid bridge players. The Bucks had their own training place in Georgia, and their private trainer at the time was Johnny Chapman. Overtrick was raised at Hanover, and then in the early fall of '61, Chappy broke him.

Up until then, Overtrick didn't have too much to recommend him as a racing prospect. In fact, early in the summer of his yearling year he was involved in a shipping mix-up with a well-bred filly by Star's Pride, then the top trotting sire. Overtrick was supposed to be shipped to the Buck's place in Georgia, and the Star's Pride filly was to go to Jim Camp's Almahurst Farm, in Lexington, KY. Instead

Overtrick wound up in Kentucky and the filly was delivered to Georgia.

Jim Camp called Helen Buck when he was informed of the mix-up.

"Maybe it's fate," he said. "Why don't I keep your colt, and you keep my filly?"

On the surface, this would have been great for Mrs. Buck. The Star's Pride filly was probably worth three times more than a Solicitor colt. But Mrs. Buck wasn't interested in swapping, so Overtrick remained hers, even though nine out of 10 people would have gladly made the exchange.

But even though she hung on to her colt then, somehow or other Overtrick wound up consigned to the Harrisburg yearling sale. By then Chappy had been sitting behind Overtrick for more than a month, and the day before he was to be shipped to Harrisburg, he called Mrs. Buck. He told her that he'd seen enough of her colt to know he was something special, and if he went through the sale, he would buy him.

At this point, he had given the Bucks notice he was giving up their job and going back out on his own.

If Overtrick had been loaded onto the van the next day, he would have been bought for cheap by Johnny Chapman, and then shipped to his barn at Buffalo, where he was opening a public stable. Two weeks to the day after the Harrisburg yearling sale was over, Chappy's barn burned, and every horse in it perished.

Obviously, Mrs. Buck cancelled Overtrick's shipping and pulled him out of the sale. I still somewhere have the sales catalog in which a bay yearling colt named Overtrick is listed for sale. And this is only the start of the story of this amazing horse, who, among other things, happened to change this kid's life.

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## French driver Eric Raffin handed ridiculous whipping penalty after winning Paralympiattravet with Delia du Pommereux

by Thomas Hedlund

The \$360,000 Paralympiattravet final was held at Åby racetrack in Gothenburg, Sweden on Saturday afternoon (May 8) and the thrilling field of nine trotters offered a spectacular show for the harness racing fans.

Quite unexpectedly, Who's Who and Örjan Kihlström was eager to reach the lead after 450 meters and Kihlström had obviously one important thing in mind, to keep first choice Ecurie D. and Björn Goop on his outside. The hard staking from Kihlström's part cost a lot and the front horses reached the first 500 meters in way too high pace (approximately

:26.4 for the first quarter) with Who's Who in the lead.

Ecurie D. had to do the job as first over and the horse was beaten already with 500 meters to go. Aetos Kronos attacked from second over at the back stretch and in his back **Delia du Pommereux** (Niky) followed easily for driver Eric Raffin. Aetos Kronos fought strongly three wide, but Jerry Riordan's Bold Eagle son couldn't defend himself when Eric Raffin calmly asked Delia du Pommereux for some more speed at the stretch and the 8-year-old super mare sprinted to safe win in mile rate 1:54.

Very Kronos, placed in fourth over, finished very well as runner up and Aetos Kronos claimed the bronze medal. The entourage surrounding Delia du Pommereux received a ticket for Elitloppet directly after the race, but it's not at all certain that trainer Sylvain Roger will go back to Sweden in three weeks.

The impact of Raffin – completely incomprehensibly – getting suspended three days with an additional fine of approximately \$1,500 for using the whip incorrectly may make it harder to attract French trainers and drivers to Sweden again.

This fine and suspension for Raffin is, in my opinion, evidence of Swedish harness racing's judges' lack of knowledge, interest and comprehension for the sport for which they work. Judgements like this are a disgrace for the sport, especially when it's clear that it seems so much easier to judge foreign drivers racing in Sweden.



Please, [take three minutes and look at the race](#) and then tell me what Raffin is doing wrong (Horse number 4, Raffin in black colors in third over)

### Royal winners at Åby

The first two high staked races for 4-year-olds 2021 were on Åby's race card on Saturday (May 8) afternoon. The \$240,000 The King's Pokal for colts and geldings became a quite sleepy story when heavy favorite Önas Prince, paired with trainer Per Nordström, hit the lead at an early stage.

Önas Prince was allowed to keep very low pace midway into the race and when it was time for home stretch, Önas Prince had ditched all opponents except American bred Rome Pays Off, who followed easily after a pocket trip. Robert Bergh opted for open stretch with Rome Pays Off and the horse flew over the stretch. When the wire was hit, it wasn't obvious who won the race. The photo showed that leader **Önas Prince** (Chocolatier) held on by a nose in moderate mile rate 1:57.2 over 1.3 miles.

Rome Pays Off finished second ahead of Patricia Hogan bred Jacoby Keeper (Conway Hall-So Wonerful).

In the \$240,000 Queen's Pokal for 4-year-old mares, Bergh drove with great confidence behind American-bred Fifty Cent Piece (Muscle Hill—Thatsnotmyname) and came to the lead after a quarter of a mile, when first choice trotter Eagle Eye Sherry and Björn Goop chose a trip in second.

**Fifty Cent Piece**, owned by SRF Stable, who claimed the

horse for \$500,000 in Lexington 2018, won her elimination in great style and was too tough to beat when she reached the front position in Saturday's final, even if first over trotter Honey Mearas deserves high grades for the effort.

The mile rate for Fifty Cent Piece was 1:56.4 over 1.3 miles.

[Fifty Cent Piece replay.](#)

[Önas Prince replay.](#)

### Alrajah One impressive in Italy

Alessandro Gocciadoro's Derby winner **Alrajah One** (Maharajah) was outstanding in the \$185,000 Gran Premio Freccia d'Europa in Naples on Saturday afternoon (May 8). Gocciadoro sent his trotter to the lead and in the last turn they said goodbye to the rest of the field. Alrajah One noted a mile of 1:53.1, which must be considered as very fast in Naples and Gocciadoro continues to win high staked races in Europe. Gocciadoro is not only licensed in his home country Italy, he also has received a Swedish trainer's license. Solvalla is his home track in Sweden and he has Vivid Wise As ready for a start in the Elitloppet on May 30.

Alrajah One will most certainly be a name that will be mentioned in the coming weeks ahead of the big mile race in Stockholm.



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**Delia du Pommereux (Eric Raffin) winning the 2021 Paralympiatravet event Saturday (May 7) at Åby.**



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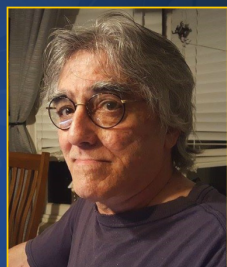
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## ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS



with FRANK COTOLO

### Warm-body bettors are still wanted and needed at raceway – Part 2

by Frank CotoLO

[Part 1 is here.](#)

Since the pandemic hit North America, the pari-mutuel racing business has been a few steps ahead of other sports. Racetracks were the last sport theaters to go into lockdown and they began doing business again much sooner than other professional sports. One could say a good reason is that social distancing is built into pari-mutuel racing since the main athletes are equines and the nature of their sport is trying to get far away from their opponents, be it running, trotting or pacing.

Although spring 2021 has already presented opportunities for live spectators, though not at full capacity, for fans of baseball, football and the rest of the human pro-sports world, racetracks have not reacted similarly. Churchill Downs made news playing host to two large live audiences at a racetrack for its biggest racing programs, Kentucky Oaks and Kentucky Derby days, but most other tracks still have the doors of admission locked. In fact, even as I write, Ontario racing is in lockdown again.

Even before reaching any goal near herd immunity, the population of our planet is ready to wander freely in the open. Many public businesses on the continent are accommodating humans at closer distances, thanks to the vaccine attacks calming the spread of COVID-19. It is the time now for planning alternative actions aimed at preserving live audiences of pari-mutuel race-goers – people spectating and wagering.

Simply opening the doors and saying, "Great to have you back," will not maintain a broad live audience. There needs to be a strong and exclusive campaign to attract people to tracks again and we are certain they have to be showered with welcoming incentives as never before to do so. Racetrack administrations must remember that long before the pandemic, attendance was in danger of becoming extinct. Alternative Actions (AA) has ideas for such campaigns and we want to inspire public relations figures to pave creative paths for attendance with our out-of-the-box suggestions.

As we mentioned, it is imperative to make all offers for live attendances exclusive. The digital audience must have its own exclusivity when it comes to "offers" for wagering. For the time being, at least, it must be clear that those attending the races are privy to "live benefits."

Remind veteran racetrack attendees that parking and admission are free and add more free stuff; not hats or shirts or trinkets, either. Add free bets for live attendees only. These gifts could come in many ways. Of course, always check the powers that be for the legality and logistics of "fresh free bet" presentations. Then, start spreading the word.

Contact your audience on social media: "You park for free, you come in for free – now you can get some bets for free." No details are necessary in promotions, but you have to have a plan on what kinds of bets you intend to give away – and how.

"Pick-Four Partners" is an idea to kick around. Since the multi-race "Pick" wagers have become enormously attractive, make the live audience aware that the track can become a partner in their Pick-4 wagers. Try this: In any Pick 4, the track will give anyone in attendance one free race in the stream, pushing the "ALL" button in that race. Then, a Pick 4 becomes a Pick 3 and bettors can construct tickets that allow them to have more choices in the remaining trio of races.

"Pick Your Picks" is a cool idea but needs some developing because it will certainly be an attractive addition for in-attendance bettors. In essence, the betting scheme is a parlay re-packaged.

A Pick Your Picks (PYP) wager targets three winners in separate races, chosen by the bettor, that all have to win. The payoff is produced as in a parlay, that is, the amount won in leg one is wagered on the second horse to win and if the second horse wins the new amount won is wagered on the third horse. Make the base bet \$2.00, which could attract new bettors and is easy to calculate.

Example 1 – PYP's first horse wins and pays \$8.00. That \$8 is wagered on the PYP's second race choice. If that horse wins, what the first two wins have accrued is wagered on the third PYP horse. If the third horse wins, as it must, the bettor has a much larger return than if he or she had played \$2 on each winner. Imagine winning three races that pay \$8, \$4 and \$6 respectively and your \$2 PYP payout is \$48. That's about 24-1 on a \$2 bet – and it is only available if you make the PYP wager in person.

Online wagering platforms are offering many promotions, all money-oriented plans. Racetracks that offer monetary benefits (from your creative wagering plans) and spread that word far and wide should attract new fans and veteran fans that will assist in raising the track handle.

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## Michelle MacDougall – veterinarian

by Victoria Howard

When children are asked what they want to be when they grow up, many answer, “I want to be a veterinarian.” But it’s not easy to become a veterinarian for it takes 8-10 long years of studying. After completing an initial four-year bachelor’s degree program, it takes an additional four years of vet school.

And becoming a veterinarian doesn’t mean only working with cute, cuddly animals, for there are times when a vet may have to make a heartbreaking decision to put an animal out of his misery in the last moments of their life.

It takes a strong-willed person to be able to handle the emotional and physical stress that goes along with being a vet. So why do these people do it? They do it mainly to promote the health and welfare of the animals.

In 1960, 98 per cent of veterinarians were men, but today it’s about 50/50 and in the future the women will be dominating this field.

Michelle MacDougall was one of those little girls who decided early on that one day she would become a vet.

“I was about 10 or 11 when I decided to become a vet. My family didn’t have horses, but when I was 4 years old I attended a daycare held at a dairy farm and the neighbor was a horse trainer of retired standardbreds. That’s how I initially became involved with standardbreds,” MacDougall said. “In fact, that particular farm still works to continue to retrain and place retired standardbreds, and I assist at retraining and placement as often as possible.”

Born in Portland, ME, MacDougall started practicing equine medicine in 2009, juggling her time between making farm calls for pleasure and show horses around southern Maine, and attending racetracks based out of Scarborough Downs and neighboring training centers.

Today, MacDougall spends her summer working at Tioga



Courtesy Michelle MacDougall

**Dr. Michelle MacDougall said she was about 10 or 11 when she decided to become a vet.**

Downs in New York and Pompano Park (Florida) in the winter.

Recently, she fulfilled her dream and purchased a farm that is located 10 miles from Tioga.

Presently, MacDougall owns some breeding stock, but is unable to own racehorses at the tracks where she practices.

### ***What is the most rewarding thing about being a vet?***

“When a stable makes me part of ‘the team,’ and when the trainer lets me in on the ‘nuts and bolts’ details of their operation. I can best identify possible areas for change and best help the horses, and when that happens and the horses start performing more and more consistently, I know I’ve been successful in helping them. Watching the horses that were previously struggling become more successful and then stand in the winner’s circle is proof that I am helping to make a difference.”

### ***What is the most difficult thing?***

“There’s not much easy about my job. I’d say the toughest thing is identifying areas of the horse that could use assistance and then follow through a plan that fits with the beliefs and values of each individual trainer and owner. There is no one way to run a stable and being able to adapt to the many different variations can be exhausting and frustrating.

“Every day I try to help educate on updated methods of nutrition, supplementation, and overall husbandry, while balancing the physical restraints – conformation, age, temperament, etc. – of the horses themselves, and the financial restraints of the connections with the newest treatments, diagnostics and therapies available.

“There is no one recipe for success, so sometimes it makes



my job very difficult to find the right combinations for success for my clients. When I take time to understand what is going on, offer a treatment schedule or therapeutic plan and the horse does not respond as expected, clients will move on to another veterinarian. Losing clients that I work hard to help is probably the hardest part of the business.”

### ***Do horses have feeling and emotions and do they understand humans?***

“Absolutely! Just spend 10 minutes in the barn during feeding time and you will see a plethora of feelings and emotions. And, they definitely understand us. When an issue arises it is most often because people don’t understand them.

“People may not know this, but I watch every race live at both tracks I work at. There isn’t a race that goes to post that I’m not watching my client’s horses and continue gaining information to better help them.

“I also challenge myself each year to take a currently racing standardbred to the National Show held in New Jersey.

I generally choose my un-ridden horse in May/June from my father’s string of racehorses. I break them to saddle myself and compete in August. I love showing how amazing the breed is by showcasing a newly saddle trained, currently racing horse in such a prestigious event as the National Standardbred Horse Sale.”

### ***What is the future of harness racing?***

“The future of harness racing is what we put into it. We need a constant influx of young people and newly interested people as drivers, trainers and owners.

“If we continue to put forward a good product and continue to work together as an industry, I think we can sustain a viable business, but we must remain united and rejuvenated.”

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# HRU Foal Spotlight



## Bettors Delight colt out of Incredible Beauty arrives at Blue Chip

by Nahuel Agosti

In April, a colt by Bettor's Delight and Incredible Beauty (Art Major—Precious Beauty) was born at Blue Chip Farms.

Incredible Beauty is the dam of Soto (\$617k) and a full sister to Precocious Beauty, dam of Tall Dark Stranger, making her colt a "blood brother" to Tall Dark Stranger.

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## Weekend with Bernie

by Trey Nosrac

"How did your weekend with Bernie go?" I asked my friend as we watched his friend shuffle up to the Departing Flights kiosk.

He shrugged. "Awkward. I worked with Bernie for 25 years, but it was surprising how little I know about him. Work friends can run out of steam in the real world. After we reminisced about the company and we bitched about how the new people were ruining everything, the air went out of the conversation balloon."

I smiled. "A pair of retired technology nerds, both single, sitting in an old farmhouse during a pandemic. Sheesh, don't pitch that as a screenplay."

"The crazy thing was that at work, we always had a lot to say. We were department heads in a big tech company, but away from work, we are pathetic. Away from our comfort zones, sitting around for two days, we couldn't find a thread to follow that did not seem stupid or foolish."

I pointed my index finger at him. "See, that's why you hire me for a driver. There is never dead air when Trey is around."

"Just hot air. Ironically, you were responsible for an odd subject that caused a little interest."

"Do tell."

"Remember telling me about the idea of renting Hansom Cab rides, using retired trotting horses for profit?" ([full story here](#)).

"I do."

"Yesterday morning, sitting on my front porch during another lag in our conversation, I mentioned the idea to Bernie. He doesn't know anything about horses or racing, but he understands business. After I gave him a broad outline, we

began kicking around the pros and cons of the concept. Suddenly our conversation got rolling. We felt like we were back at work in one of our ideation meetings."

"Like brainstorming?"

He nodded. "Exactly. At the company, we would meet in groups to explore new product proposals each month. One of us grabbed the felt tip marker and walked up to the whiteboard to jot down notes for the eternal question - *"Why would a customer want this product?"* Then we would freewheel. The technique is as old as dirt. It doesn't matter if it is designing a new house, a computer interface, or a streaming service."

"So, you and Bernie kicked around the Hansom Cab idea?"

"We did. I took notes on my iPad. For 20 minutes, the nerds came to life."

"What did you come up with?"

He looked at his phone screen, "Some of the spitballs for the horse ride project were **privacy, nature, history, unique, not intimidating, and the payment goes to beneficial purpose**. He looked at me and then continued, "**Not limited by age, not limited by physical ability, day or night, weather resistance, virus resistance, and the service could be tailored to a purpose like bird watching. Repeatable**. Do you want more of our ideas?"

"Dude, as I proved in high school, there are never enough spitballs."

He continued, "More on the list were **renovate the vehicle design with windscreens that flip up and down, seat belts, or headlamps. Consider a self-driving option, destination ride options, phone apps for narration on local history or about the vehicle or the local terrain, franchising possibilities, narration on the history of each horse, or of the history of the vehicle**."

I asked, "Man, this is how bigshot nerds socialize? Is this the way Silicon Valley operates? Is this how they built Microsoft?"

He chuckled. "Bernie and I felt like old horses hooked up to harness. We wanted to run. It's instinctive."

"What about obstacles? Creators have to look for downsides."

He nodded, "Of course. After about 15 minutes, Bernie and I started to exhaust our positives spitballs. Then we spent a few minutes making another list under the category of possible impediments."



“And what were they?”

He looked at his phone again, “**Mostly insurance coverage; it would be necessary for drivers, passengers, and employees. Then we had veterinarian costs, path maintenance, the legality of self-driving option, requirements for drivers, and aftercare for horses when they retire from carriage duty.**”

“Then what??”

“In my old world, each member of the think tank took a copy of the list home or back to our offices. We would let the project marinate, consider the issue for at least a week. Then at another meeting, we would begin to craft slightly more specific plans.”

“That was your job! Sitting around thinking about crazy stuff, barely working. That’s my resume. They should have hired me.”

He gave a shake of his head, “Oh, there was work, plenty of work that followed thinking. There was also a mountain of ideas that never got past the whiteboard.”

“What did Bernie think about the Hansom concept?”

“He liked it. I like it. Of course, this was a long way from our technology business, but right off the bat, Bernie had a thought about the concept that could lower costs, increase income, be a public relations dream, and excellent recruitment tool for your sport.”

“Please don’t go into artificial intelligence or computer software mode.”

“No, nothing along those lines. Bernie suggested that existing harness horse retirement and repurposing operations could lean into the positives and transition to offering Hansom rides. A charitable status, a **501(c)(3), could be useful.** Organizations that qualify are exempt from corporate income taxes on their program revenues, and gifts to these organizations can usually be deducted from individual income taxes as well.”

I tossed back, “Hansom cab rides for charity.”

“Maybe the idea could help people and horses in the sport. At this point, it is merely an idea on a whiteboard. Hansom rides could be a business, or they could be a wild pipedream. But as Dorothy Parker said, ‘Creativity is a wild mind and a disciplined eye.’”

I smiled. “I don’t know Dorothy, but I like her style.”



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## Cumberland opens with big crowd

Saturday's (May 8) opening day at Cumberland enjoyed a large crowd and widespread support from on-track punters, as well as simulcast outlets, for the nine-race card.

The first extended pari-mutuel meeting to open in over 20 years that was not owned by a casino enjoyed mild temperatures that brought several hundred people to the Cumberland Fairground's apron to enjoy a full day of harness racing.

Over nine races, the swiftest of the day went to iconic driver and Maine native Bruce Ranger who steered 12-year-old Ira Chief to victory for trainer Dennis Whittemore and owner Diane Whittemore in 1:57.2h. Six races went faster than 2:00 and only two races were won by the betting favorites.

First Tracks Investments CEO Mike Cianchette was pleased that the Maine owners, trainers and drivers supported the inaugural event.

"I am also very grateful to the team at Black Bear Racing and the fans that turned out to enjoy the races. None of this happens with any one person. It's only a success if we all work together."



Chris Tully

**A strong Opening Day crowd turned up Saturday (May 8) for the 2021 season opener at the Cumberland Fairground in Maine.**

Race secretary Marc Reynolds was equally excited about the energy in the air and enthusiasm of the horsepeople.

"The turnout for the crowd was more than anyone expected. You can feel the electricity in the air with the momentum of Maine harness racing.

Racing from Cumberland continues Tuesday and Wednesday, May 11 and 12, first post 4:15 pm. For more information go to our website:

[www.firsttrackscumberland.com](http://www.firsttrackscumberland.com) and follow us on Facebook at @FirstTracksCumberland.

– Chris Tully

## Woodbine Mohawk Park race secretary Scott McKelvie to retire

After 40 years of dedication and critical contributions, racing secretary Scott McKelvie has announced that he will retire from Woodbine Entertainment on March 31, 2022.

McKelvie joined the then named Ontario Jockey Club in 1981, working his way up to take leadership of the race office and has served as the long-time standardbred racing secretary of Greenwood, Woodbine and Woodbine Mohawk Park since 1992.

Through his time at Woodbine, McKelvie has been influential in creating a competitive year-round racing product and establishing Woodbine's prolific stakes program, including proudly working on all 37 editions of the Pepsi North America Cup.

McKelvie has been a key industry leader throughout his career, contributing to various boards and committees. He is a past president and current director of the American Harness Racing Secretaries Association and a current vice-president of the Grand Circuit.

"I'm proud to have spent the last 40 years with Woodbine. It has been an outstanding place to work. I would like to thank all my colleagues for their efforts, support and friendship during my career," said McKelvie. "The racing industry is a great community and I'm proud to have met and connected with many wonderful people over the years, including the horsemen and women that I've worked closely with on a day-to-day basis."

"Scott's imprint on standardbred racing in North America has been immense. We appreciate his great devotion to our sport, his professionalism and great expertise which has helped establish Woodbine Mohawk Park at the top," said Jessica Buckley, senior vice-president of standardbred and thoroughbred racing. "In addition to his expertise, Scott's



steady, kind way with people will be greatly missed day to day. All of us at Woodbine Entertainment, wish to say thank you to Scott and we wish him a wonderful retirement.”

McKelvie will continue to lead the race office until his retirement at the end of March 2022 and provide contributions to Woodbine’s standardbred operation in the future.

— *Woodbine communications*

## **American Courage leads W.N. Reynolds Memorial winners at Yonkers**

**American Courage**, who started his career seven-for-seven before an out-of-character seventh-place finish in the New York Sire Stakes final last September, began his 3-year-old campaign in style with an authoritative 1:52 victory in one of four W.N. Reynolds Memorial divisions for sophomore pacers of both sexes that took place on Friday night (May 7) at Yonkers Raceway.

Driven by Matt Kakaley in the \$23,750 event, American Courage gunned out from post six and was able to clear 1-5 choice I’ll Drink To That (Dexter Dunn) before the :27.1 opening quarter. American Courage remained the boss through the :56.1 half and the 1:24.3 three-quarters, then paced home in :27.2 to defeat I’ll Drink To That by a length and three-quarters. Shakespeare (Todd McCarthy) followed along in third throughout and ended up finishing in that spot.

The victorious American Ideal colt is trained by Travis Alexander for owner/breeder Fiddler’s Creek Stables LLC. American Courage has put away \$192,133 in his eight wins, half of which have come at Yonkers, and he returned \$9.40 to win as a 7-2 shot. The exacta was \$16.80, and the trifecta paid \$34.80.

In the other \$23,250 split for the colts and geldings, Coalition Hanover (Kakaley) made front from post five and had command through fractions of :28, :56.3, and 1:24.4, but 1-5 favorite **Whichwaytothebeach** (McCarthy), who bided his time in the third position, wore the pace-setter down from first-up on the final turn and then pulled away to prevail by 4 1/2 lengths in 1:53. Coalition Hanover held second over He’s A Snob (Mark MacDonald).

A Somebeachsomewhere gelding, Whichwaytothebeach is trained by Brett Pelling for owners Alan Johnston and John Craig. Whichwaytothebeach now has a record of 6-2-2 from 10 starts, and he pushed his earnings to \$135,733.

Whichwaytothebeach paid \$2.40 to win and led a \$4.20 exacta and a \$12.80 trifecta.

As far as the fillies, the first of their flights, worth \$28,500, went to 1-5 choice **Heart Of Mine** (Scott Zeron) in 1:55. The runner-up in the New York Sire Stakes final a year ago, Heart Of Mine lined up her foes in post position order and then stepped off panels of :28.2, :58.1, and 1:26.4 on her way to a two length decision. Pocket-sitter Shania Blue Chip (McCarthy) was next, followed by Natchez Belle (Tyler Buter).

Linda Toscano trains Heart Of Mine, a daughter of Roll With Joe, for owners The Bay’s Stable LLC., Radio Racing Stable, Fred Wallace, and Camelot Stable Inc. Heart Of Mine is now a three-time winner from 13 efforts, and she has pocketed \$152,655. She returned \$2.50 to win and was atop a \$16.20 exacta and a \$45.00 trifecta.

**Easy To Please** (Jordan Stratton) trailed through stations of :27.2, :56.4, and 1:25.2 in the second \$29,000 tilt for the ladies, but she went widest from fourth-over on the final bend and then powered home strongly to get up in time to prevail by a neck in a 1:55.1 mile. Carrington (MacDonald) was the runner-up from second-over, and DC Batgirl (George Brennan), who wore down leader Podium Girl (Dunn) from first-over through the stretch, got third.

Trainer Michael Hall also co-owns Easy To Please, another Roll With Joe filly, with partners Our Three Sons Stable LLC., Brad Grant, and Howard Taylor. Easy To Please has five victories from 11 lifetime appearances, and she has now banked \$64,150. Easy To Please paid \$38.00 to win, the exacta kicked back \$172.00, and the trifecta was worth \$628.00.

Live racing resumes at Yonkers Raceway on Monday night (May 10).

— *Yonkers Raceway*

## **Mickymaksomespeed sizzles opening day at H3R**

The track maintenance crew at the Hippodrome 3R had the half-mile racing oval in prime shape for Friday’s (May 7) opening day of the 2021 harness racing season.

Mickymaksomespeed and driver Richard “The Black Cat” Simard took full advantage of the fast track, sizzling to the lead and never looking back in the 7th race preferred pace feature.

Simard left with Mickymaksomespeed from post five and had a three-length lead on the field by the opening quarter in :27.2, then led to the half mile in :56.4. Then they opened

up at the three-quarters in 1:26 and was leading by six open lengths at the top of the stretch.

Going to the wire, Mickeymaksomespeed and Simard were on cruise control, crossing the wire five and one-half lengths in front of the pocket-sitting Big Petes Style (Marie Claude Auger) with Maracasso (Stephane Gendron) third. Mickeymaksomespeed covered the one-mile race in a blazing 1:54.2.

Now age 4, Mickeymaksomespeed is a son of Mickey Hanover and is trained, owned and bred by Michel Allard of Saint-Esprit and paid \$5.10 to win. It was his first start of the 2021 season.

In the fifth preferred-handicap trot, Keepall (Pascal Berube) went right out to the early lead with track record holder WildWild Men (Guy Gagnon) leaving from post eight and getting a two-hole tuck as they went by the opening quarter mile in :28.1.

Going to the half-mile marker, Severus Hanover, an 11-1

long shot, came first-over for driver Stephane Brosseau and started after the race leader past the half in :59.

At the three-quarters in 1:29, Severus Hanover kept the pressure on, wearing down Keepall and in the stretch, Severus Hanover dug in and cruised to a one and one-half length triumph in 1:59.2. Wildwild Men closed well to be second with Keepall third.

It was the first win in three starts this year for Severus Hanover, a 10-year-old gelding by Explosive Matter, who is trained and owned by Yannick Martel of L'Assomption. He paid \$25.00 to win.

**Track Notes:** Both Pascal Berube and Stephane Brosseau had driving triples and Yannick Martel a training double on the card. Racing will resume at H3R next Sunday, May 16 with first race post time at 12:30 pm. For more information, visit [www.hippodrome3r.ca](http://www.hippodrome3r.ca).

— *Quebec Jockey Club*



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## Big finale at Pompano Park

Closing night was a huge success at Pompano with a record \$1.7 million handle. Handicapper John Berry selected seven winners right on top including the final Pick 3. He also had the race 12 exacta \$49.60 and trifecta cold \$130.40. In race 13 he had the exacta \$120.80 and trifecta \$555.20 cold. Congratulations to Gabe Prewitt, John Berry, and all those who made this meet the best ever at Pompano Park.

— *Jerry White / Boynton Beach, FL*

## Thanks for the tribute to The Guru

As a harness racing mug for 55 years, I want to congratulate you on writing a very good introspective column on Ron Gurfein, The Guru, ([full story here](#)) who took the time about a few weeks before the doping scandal hit to email me back an opinion on one of my hundreds of issues with harness racing. Ron was blunt, but I could read that his answer was dead on the mark about his own vision and facts — so I was happy to be levelled with and that he took the time to lay it out for me ... I love the sport and reading HRU completely.

Bravo Dave. I like your columns.

— *Bryan Boughton / Toronto, ON*

## Murray Brown on The Guru

Upon learning of the death of Ronnie Gurfein, I thought that I might attempt to write a story about the legendary man I was proud to call my friend for over 50 years.

That thought was quickly put to rest after reading Dave Briggs extraordinary story in HRU this past Friday ([full story here](#)).

Nobody could come even close to describing the man known as The Guru as well as Dave did.

One thing that I feel compelled to add. Ronnie you left us without giving us a chance to say goodbye. Of course that was your right. I suppose that I am being ultra-selfish in saying this. It was your life and your right to decide to the very end how you wanted to live it.

However this comes from one those who feels empty in that he would have liked to express directly to you how he felt.

— *Murray Brown / New York*

## A great lesson can be learned from Gurfein

A great lesson can be learned from the life of Ron Gurfein. I was there when he first started. Horsemen routinely laughed at his incompetence. Horsemen would enjoy watching him try to simply hook up one of his horses in the paddock. I could tell many stories in that vein, but the important story is how that changed. Did it ever! Ron Gurfein provided a life-lesson for us all. If you believe in something and are willing to work hard, you cannot let early failures get in your way. From a running joke, to one of the most successful trainers ever — EVER!

Thank you, Ron Gurfein. Your family has a right to be proud of what you accomplished in your life.

— *Gil Winston / Manalapan, NJ*

## There is no reason to make a microchip or a freeze brand a one-or-the-other type of choice

I am writing to you all because of my concern about the lack of neck freeze brands making it harder to identify standardbreds, especially in the slaughter pipeline. To give you a little background, my great grandfather and grandfather bred, raised, trained, and raced standardbreds here in Maine for many years. I became involved in the breed over 20 years ago when I took on a retraining project of a retired pacing broodmare named Dreamy Starlet. Dreamy and I competed all over New England and the Mid Atlantic in both dressage and eventing, winning many horse show ribbons and national and regional championships. We were also part of the standardbred demonstration team at the 2010 World Equestrian Games in Kentucky. Dreamy is now 30 years old and is happily retired on my small farm. While I am not currently a member of the USTA, I was for many years and have always tried my hardest to support and promote this wonderful breed.

The notion that the lack of a freeze brand will somehow make the standardbred more popular in the show ring is complete rubbish. The lack of a brand does not make a horse more desirable and anyone that wants to say that has obviously never competed horses. In all the years I competed with Dreamy, and then later with the trotters Revenue Stream and Snap Dancer, I never ONCE had a judge look down upon my horses because of a freeze brand. If someone is willing to judge a horse's merits on a few white hairs on their neck, the problem is with the person, not the horse. In fact, the presence of the freeze brand often provoked a positive communication with others who were curious to know what the brand meant. This would always turn into an excellent opportunity for me to educate others about how great this breed is, and people would always be pleasantly surprised. The riders I hear who like to complain that a judge didn't like their horse because of the freeze brand use that as an excuse for poor training and preparation for the show ring. No, the judge isn't biased against the horse due to a freeze brand, but more likely because the rider made a mistake in the competition ring or didn't train their horse well enough to be competitive.

Bottom line, there is no reason to make a microchip or a freeze brand a one-or-the-other type of choice, as a horse can have both. There are certainly benefits to both identification methods. However, the freeze brand should continue to be mandatory and not cost an extra \$75 over the cost of registration. By removing the freeze brand, you are now making standardbreds invisible in kill pens, which I feel is a true disservice to the breed. Being able to identify the horse based on the brand makes it much easier to contact previous owners who may want to know if their horses are in a bad situation as well as anyone who may have enrolled the horse in the Full Circle Program. Unless, of course, one of the real reasons for changing to microchips is to make it appear as though standardbreds are not as prevalent in kill pens or to wrongly protect former owners who don't want to be contacted because their former horse ends up in a bad situation. If that is even remotely true, and I hope it is not, then shame on the USTA for being so callous and treating unwanted racehorses in such a way! Additionally, as far as I know, unless the state rules have suddenly changed, it is

illegal in New York, Pennsylvania, and Illinois for anyone other than a veterinarian to implant a microchip in a horse. So it is curious to me how USTA might be circumventing that law.

Over the years, I have had innumerable people ask me to help look up horses for them. Not everyone knows the USTA offers a free lookup search on the website. Without the freeze brand, we can no longer look up the horse. A chip reader costs a minimum of \$250, and it is not something everyone can purchase. Further, even if someone owns a chip reader and wants to try to identify a horse in a kill pen, it will be nearly impossible to safely read the chip in the crowded pens. Granted, at times a brand can be more difficult to read. However, if the brands are becoming that hard to read, perhaps that is more a problem with those creating the freeze brands, which would indicate better and more comprehensive brand training is needed.

I understand you might feel it is easy to discount someone like me, who is not involved in racing and is not currently a USTA member. I also know it feels uncomfortable to have someone call you out on a topic you might wish to sweep under the carpet. However, it is also true that it is people like me who are effectively helping the discarded horses from your industry. There are many wonderful people who are rehabbing, rescuing, and retraining these horses for a chance for a secure job as a riding horse for the future. With that said, I do feel our opinions should matter.

Bottom line, the USTA would NOT be doing these horses a favor by allowing them to be registered without a freeze brand. I implore you all to rethink this decision and realize that it is not helping anyone, especially these wonderful horses we are so lucky to have in our lives.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

— Elizabeth Sanborn / Hiram, ME

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## RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY

### HARRAH'S HOOSIER PAKK *report*

#### Friday's Results:

**2, HoP, \$11,000, Pace, \*\*THE HAL DALE\*\*** Non Winners of 2 (3yo 3) Ext PM Races or \$25,000 Lifetime up to and inc. 3/15/21 - IN sired - Leg 2 (purse reflects \$9700 from SBDF), 27.1, 55.1, 1:23.4, 1:51.0, FT

**1-Certifiable (g, 3, Rockin Image--Psychotic, by Art Major)** \$5,500, \$20,000 2019 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$23,500

O-Ervin Miller Stable Inc & Louis A Willinger. B-Mystical Marker Farms LLC. T-Erv Miller. D-Trace Tetrack.

**2-Jewels Virgin (g, 3, Always A Virgin--Dandy's Jewel, by Space Shuttle)** \$2,750, \$40,000 2019 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 14-2-3-0, \$28,309

O-W J Donovan & Joe Sbrocco & Jim Winske. B-Dale R & Lloyd Wittmer. T-Ron Burke. D-Louis Roy.

**3-Whiskey Wizzard (g, 3, Tellitlikeitis--Chicky Dee, by Sportsmaster)** \$1,320, \$26,000 2019 ILL-CL, Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-1, \$21,010

O-Jeff Fought Racing & Brian K Carsey & John E McGill. B-Eli M Yoder. T-Walter Haynes Jr. D-Sam Widger.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 1Q, 1, 2, 2H, T - Finish Order: Rockinsomewhere, La Tomcat, Big Chief Arrow, Quik And Shady, Rockinstorm

**7, HoP, \$20,000, Pace, Open, 26.2, 56.1, 1:24.1, 1:50.1, FT**

**1-Little Rocket Man (g, 5, Rockin Image--Gt Miss Royal, by Pilgrims Punch)** \$10,000, \$18,000 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 35-22-3-3, \$337,930

O-Russell E Beeman & Jack A Freeman. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Melissa Essig. D-John De Long.

**2-Family Recipe (g, 4, Always A Virgin--Tia Maria Hanover, by Bettor's Delight)** \$5,000, \$32,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 40-11-10-3, \$237,461

O-Lewayne L Miller & Arnold W Manders, BM & Joseph A Vieira, BM & Never 2 Late Stable. B-Lyndar Stables. T-Lewayne Miller. D-Lewayne Miller.

**3-Brassy Hanover (g, 5, Well Said--Bold Pink, by Big Towner)** \$2,400, \$23,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 41-9-12-9, \$395,305

O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Sam Widger.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 3Q, 4Q, Q, Q, HD - Finish Order: Americanprimetime, Saying Grace N, Odds On Osiris, Rockin Speed

**9, HoP, \$11,000, Pace, \*\*THE HAL DALE\*\*** Non Winners of 2 (3yo 3) Ext PM Races or \$25,000 Lifetime up to and inc. 3/15/21 - IN sired - Leg 2 (purse reflects \$9700 from SBDF), 26.2, 55.4, 1:25.1, 1:51.4, FT

**1-Saddle Up (g, 3, Jk Endofanera--Musette Mindale, by The Panderosa)** \$5,500, Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$18,330

O-Jeff Fought Racing. B-Cornerstone Stock Farm. T-Melissa Essig. D-John De Long.

**2-Rogers Image (g, 3, Rockin Image--Remi's Rocket, by Jate Lobell)** \$2,750, \$27,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 14-2-3-0, \$48,203

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & J&T Silva-Purnel & Libby & Ras Racing LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-Stephanie Smith-Rothaug. T-Ron Burke. D-Trace Tetrack.

**3-Roll Em (g, 3, Time To Roll--Feetonthedashboard, by Panspacificflight)** \$1,320, Lifetime Record: 14-2-1-3, \$23,210

O-David C & Karen A Arrenholz & Dtm Stable. B-David C & Karen A Arrenholz & Dtm Stable. T-Dale Hiteman. D-Dale Hiteman.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 1Q, 3Q, 1, 2Q, NS - Finish Order: Betterrock, Goldie's Legacy, Wenistopdreaming, Luc Rocks, Townline Jated, Just Kidding Katie

**12, HoP, \$11,000, Pace, \*\*THE HAL DALE\*\*** Non Winners of 2 (3yo 3) Ext PM Races or \$25,000 Lifetime up to and inc. 3/15/21 - IN sired - Leg 2 (purse reflects \$9600 from SBDF), 26.3, 56.0, 1:24.3, 1:51.2, FT

**1-This Kit Rocks (g, 3, Rockin Image--Western Kit, by Western Hero)** \$5,500, Lifetime Record: 18-8-4-2, \$27,278

O-Joseph W Putnam & Trent P Stohler. B-Joseph W Putnam & Trent P Stohler & William V Reepmeyer. T-Joe Putnam. D-Joe Putnam.

**2-Caption This (g, 3, Jk Endofanera--Bc's Jesse, by Park Place)** \$2,750, \$20,000 2019 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-1, \$11,660

O-Lewayne L Miller & James H Hays & Nathan A Yoder. B-Frontier Farms. T-Lewayne Miller. D-Lewayne Miller.

**3-Tj's Indy Pacer (g, 3, Jk Endofanera--Lucky Amy, by Camluck)** \$1,320, \$47,000 2019 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 10-0-2-4, \$29,703

O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Roman H Miller. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Sam Widger.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 1Q, 1H, 1T, 3Q, T - Finish Order: Keene William, Pbr Street Gang, Nick's Monster, Never Easy Z Tam, Townline Big Rigs, Dirty Judge

# RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

## HAWTHORNE RACECOURSE *report*

### Friday's Results:

**2, Haw, \$12,000, Pace**, The Walter Paisley Elim Fillies & Mares Non-Winners of \$30,000 (ICF \$45,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021, 28.3, 57.4, 1:28.0, 1:55.3, FT

**1-Nora Tova (f, 3, Western Terror--Give Me Points, by Pro Bono Best)** \$6,000, Lifetime Record: 17-2-4-2, \$26,594

O-Clifford N Grundy. B-Pacey A Mindlin & Kenneth I Cohen. T-Britney Dillon. D-Kyle Wilfong.

**2-Sister Said (f, 3, Well Said--Sister Pippa, by Sportsmaster)** \$3,000, \$4,500 2019 BHS, Lifetime Record: 16-5-4-3, \$32,565

O-Henry H Trimble. B-Andrew W Troyer. T-Derrick Flowers. D-Derrick Flowers.

**3-Pootie Cat (m, 4, Riggins--Odds On Casey, by Ft Apache Hanover)** \$1,440, Lifetime Record: 29-2-2-9, \$16,205

O-Dennis H Brightwell. B-Dennis H Brightwell. T-Dennis Brightwell. D-Todd Warren.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1, 1Q, 1Q, 2H, 4Q - Finish Order: Dirtylittlelies, Dancin Eyes, Pell Mell

**3, Haw, \$12,000, Pace**, The Walter Paisley Elim Fillies & Mares Non-Winners of \$30,000 (ICF \$45,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021, 29.0, 58.3, 1:28.1, 1:55.1, FT

**1-Wildcat Delight (m, 4, Bettor's Delight--Wildcat Hanna, by Mach Three)** \$6,000, Lifetime Record: 20-5-5-1, \$34,171

O-Blueshoe Investments. B-Wildcat Stables Inc, CA & Cj Stable, CA. T-Dean Eckley. D-Kyle Wilfong.

**2-Cassie Marie's T T (m, 7, Tux Time--Og's Marie D, by Anthony P)** \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 37-10-13-3, \$37,752

O-William J Weinberger. B-Don R Brown. T-David Brooks. D-Todd Warren.

**3-Style And Spirit (m, 4, Serious Style--Rearin And Ready, by Place To Be)** \$1,440, Lifetime Record: 22-3-0-4, \$32,572

O-Jonathan R Gordon. B-Jonathan R Gordon. T-Merv Chupp. D-Clifton Bell.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: H, 1Q, HD, HD, 1Q - Finish Order: Ashlees Fine Girl, Yankee Joanie, Te's Smoothas Silk

**5, Haw, \$12,000, Trot**, The Bea Farber Elim Non-Winners of \$30,000 (ICF \$45,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021, 30.0, 1:00.0, 1:30.1, 1:58.3, FT

**1-Reign And Shine (m, 4, Cassis--Faith And Trust, by Ft Apache Hanover)** \$6,000, Lifetime Record: 26-4-1-6, \$29,065

O-Mr Carroll A. & Diane Hays. B-Mr Carroll A. & Diane Hays. T-Mr. Carroll Hays. D-Jordan Patton.

**2-Really Railee (m, 4, Cassis--Railee Super, by Donerail)** \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 36-0-4-8, \$28,943

O-Mr Kennedy L Lindsey. B-Fair Meadow Farm. T-Mr. Kennedy Lindsey. D-Tyler Shehan.

**3-Justa Nother Bag (g, 4, Pine Credit--Kay Express, by Dakota Spur)** \$1,440, \$3,500 2018 MICHIANA, Lifetime Record: 38-4-7-6, \$28,380

O-Lane N Avenatti. B-Marlin R & Eloise I Yoder. T-David Avenatti. D-Wyatt Avenatti.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 6T, 6H, 5Q, 2, 1 - Finish Order: Fox Valley Elicit, Joe Joes Violet, Gogo Riches, Loyz Say When, Stormont Timbit

**6, Haw, \$12,000, Trot**, The Bea Farber Elim Non-Winners of \$30,000 (ICF \$45,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021, 29.1, 58.0, 1:27.0, 1:57.2, FT

**1-Rockyroad Aldo (g, 5, Guccio--Bars Dutchess, by Above The Bar)** \$6,000, Lifetime Record: 24-8-2-1, \$34,728

O-Kimberly P Roth. B-Rocky Road Stable. T-Kimberly Roth. D-Kyle Husted.

**2-Lous Voodoo Woman (f, 3, Lou's Legacy--Powerful Force, by Powerful Emotion)** \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 24-7-7-3, \$42,938

O-Steven G Renard. B-Flacco Family Farms LLC. T-Steven Searle. D-Juan Franco.

**3-Easy Eo (g, 4, Cassis--Tropical Trixie, by Armbro Tropicana)** \$1,440, Lifetime Record: 49-4-12-8, \$33,062

O-Charles & Cary J Doebling. B-Charles Doebling. T-J D Finn. D-J D Finn.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, HD, 10, 11, 10Q - Finish Order: Lousintuit, Pilgrim Caviar, Muscle Gene, High Queen Anne, Gucci Goo, Swan Of Dreams

**7, Haw, \$11,000, Trot**, The Daryl Busse Elim Non-Winners of \$10,000 (ICF & F&M \$15,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021, 30.1, 1:00.0, 1:30.2, 1:58.4, FT

**1-Skyway Bebop (m, 4, Guccio--Broadway Line, by Broadway Hall)** \$5,500, \$7,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 21-8-3-2, \$25,928

O-Suellen Smith. B-Karl D Slabach. T-Larry Lee Smith. D-Larry Lee Smith.

**2-Fox Valley Specter (g, 3, Whom Shall I Fear--Fox Valley Diva, by Armbro Charger)** \$2,750, Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$12,200

O-Ervin Miller Stable Inc & Robert R Mc Cormick. B-Fox Valley Standardbreds. T-Erv Miller. D-Kyle Wilfong.

**3-She Loves Tojiggle (f, 3, Cash Hall--Jiggles, by Conway Hall)** \$1,320, \$12,000 2019 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 12-1-1-1, \$5,845

O-Robert Silberberg & John R Schwarz Jr & James N Eaton & F Phillip Langley Estate. B-Morrisville Col Fdn Inc. T-James Eaton. D-Todd Warren.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2Q, 1H, H, 1, 3Q - Finish Order: Allforone Hanover, Lous Livia, Salute The Hero, Stormy Dangles, Te's Game Changer, Starlit Luke Warm, Scorecard Victor



## RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

**8, Haw, \$11,000, Trot,** The Daryl Busse Elim Non-Winners of \$10,000 (ICF & F&M \$15,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021 The Papa Bear starts from 2nd tier, 30.4, 1:00.1, 1:30.1, 1:58.2, FT

**1-Rsvp (m, 4, Ss Poseidon--Rapid Recall, by Armbr Tunnel)** \$5,500, Lifetime Record: 15-3-5-0, \$20,665

O-Mr Lynn G Wilfong. B-Mr Lynn G Wilfong. T-Nicole Agosti. D-Kyle Wilfong.

**2-Look At Dat Kat** (g, 3, Jailhouse Jesse--Miss Dat Kat, by Coventry) \$2,750, Lifetime Record: 4-0-2-2, \$5,048

O-Suellen Smith. B-Suellen Smith. T-Larry Lee Smith. D-Larry Lee Smith.

**3-The Black Beauty** (m, 4, Swan For All--Constance Hall, by Striking Sahbra) \$1,320, \$33,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 12-1-1-3, \$10,345

O-Dean M Eckley. B-Walnut Hall Limited. T-Dean Eckley. D-Terry Skinner.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1T, 1H, 1Q, 2, 1H - Finish Order: The Papa Bear, Alwaysbmygg, Lou Lou Lamour, High Idol, Hallmark Jethro, Jamaican Smile, Sweet Dream, Locked Up

## MEADOWLANDS *report*

### Friday's Results:

**3, M, \$21,000, Trot,** 6 Year Olds and Under Winners of 5 But Not More Than 8 Ext. PM Races Life (St. Bred or L/C Wins Excluded) AE: Starters in N/W \$7,500L5 or Less in L3 Starts Drawn Inside, 27.2, 55.2, 1:23.4, 1:51.4, FT

**1-Chin Chin Hall (g, 5, Cash Hall--Canland Hall, by Garland Lobell)** \$10,500, \$50,000 2017 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 29-7-9-6, \$576,889

O-Oldford Racing LLC & David H Mc Duffee. B-Walnut Hall Limited. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.

**2-Gotwuteverittakes** (g, 5, Bluto--Raysofgrace De Vie, by Windsong's Legacy) \$5,250, \$13,000 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 42-8-7-7, \$188,020

O-Ricky A Bucci. B-James B Hilty. T-Ricky Bucci. D-Simon Allard.

**3-Reign Of Honor** (g, 5, Father Patrick--Margarita Momma, by Yankee Glide) \$2,520, \$120,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 44-7-10-7, \$448,599

O-Deo Volente Farms LLC & Howard A Taylor. B-Kentuckiana Farms LLC & Jorgen Jahre Jr, NO. T-Marcus Melander. D-Tim Tetrick.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1H, 2T, NS - Finish Order: Chiplosive, Steuben Hanover, El Ideal, Smart As Hill, Beads

**4, M, \$16,000, Trot,** 3 Year Old Colts & Geldings Winners of 1 But Not More Than 2 Extended PM Races Lifetime, 28.1, 58.1, 1:27.0, 1:55.0, FT

**1-Take This Society (c, 3, Muscle Hill--Thatsnotmyname, by Windsong's Legacy)** \$8,000, \$475,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$23,348

O-Howard A Taylor & Order By Stable, SD & Marvin Katz, CA & Christina Takter. B-Order By Stable, SD. T-Nancy Takter. D-Dexter Dunn.

**2-Zenith Stride** (c, 3, Muscle Hill--Open Access, by Credit Winner) \$4,000, \$350,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-0, \$230,168

O-Emilio & Maria Rosati, AS. B-Fair Winds Farm Inc. T-Mark Harder. D-Brian Sears.

**3-Tangled Love** (c, 3, Love You--Tangled Sheets, by Muscle Hill) \$1,920, \$180,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 7-1-2-2, \$20,620

O-S R F Stable. B-Carter H Duer. T-Anette Lorentzon. D-Tim Tetrick.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: T, 1Q, 1Q, 1, T - Finish Order: Caruso, Share The Wealth, Capital T Storm, Tart Tongue, Mycrownmykingdom, Warrawee Whisper, Beyond The Hill

**5, M, \$16,000, Pace,** 3 Year Old Fillies Winners of 1 But Not More Than 3 Extended PM Races Life, 27.4, 56.3, 1:25.1, 1:51.4, FT

**1-Staycation Hanover (f, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Stacia Hanover, by Western Ideal)** \$8,000, \$130,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$31,500

O-David H Mc Duffee. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Brett Pelling. D-Andrew McCarthy.

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

**2-Jk Alwaysbalady** (f, 3, Always B Miki--Jk She'salady, by Art Major) \$4,000, Lifetime Record: 11-2-5-2, \$222,782

O-3 Brothers Stables. B-3 Brothers Stables. T-Nancy Takter. D-Yannick Gingras.

**3-Nightlife Seelster** (f, 3, Sunshine Beach--No Strikes Against, by Western Hanover) \$1,920, \$72,000 2019 LONDON, Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, \$50,612

O-Hudson Standrbrd Stb Inc, CA & Conrad Leber, CA & Diane Bertrand, CA. B-Seelster Farms Inc, CA. T-Mark Steacy. D-David Miller.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 4Q, 4, 3H, 1, NS - Finish Order: Uptown Hanover, Doubleoffthewall, Beach Crazy, Alwaysabeachday, Shezafreaklikeme, Society Jill



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## RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

**6, M, \$18,000, Trot**, 5 Year Olds & Under Winners of 2 But Not More Than 4 (F&M 7, N/W L3 or 3 YO 5) Extended PM Races Lifetime, 28.0, 56.3, 1:26.0, 1:53.3, FT

**1-Beyond Ordinary (h, 4, Kadabra--Allmar Victory, by Angus Hall)** \$9,000, \$18,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 45-6-12-10, \$121,844  
O-Melander Racing Inc & Noonan Harness Racing LLC. B-Diane N Ingham, CA & Harry A Rutherford, CA. T-Jenny Melander. D-Yannick Gingras.

*ANOTHER* **LEXINGTON** *GRAD*  
*Selected Yearling Sale*

 **Preferred Equine** MIXED SALE  
GRADUATE

**2-Sermon (g, 4, Muscle Hill--Lestjustaboutme, by Self Possessed)** \$4,500, \$115,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 18-4-1-4, \$107,978  
O-Consus Racing Stable Inc & Longbridge Trotting Inc. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC & Melvin Hartman, CA. T-Per Engblom. D-Kasper Foget.

**3-Nylander (h, 4, Muscle Hill--Superstar Hanover, by Cantab Hall)** \$2,160, \$105,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 17-2-4-2, \$61,747  
O-Mark E Steacy, CA & Dale E Larson & Hudson Standrbrd Stb Inc, CA & Shelly L Macmillan, CA. B-Marvin Katz, CA & Al J Libfeld, CA. T-Mark Steacy.  
D-David Miller.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 2Q, 2, NS, 1Q, NS - Finish Order: Sheswildnfree, Scirocco Patrick, Muscle Dynasty, Love Muffin, Light Blue Movers, Tricky Sister, Moon Bridge

**10, M, \$22,500, Trot**, W/O \$10,500 in Last 5 Starts or \$50,000 Life, 27.2, 54.4, 1:23.0, 1:51.4, FT

**1-Deltasun A (g, 8, Tenotrup--Deltasu, by Elsu)** \$11,250, Lifetime Record: 71-25-10-15, \$248,001  
O-Douglas S Overhiser & A Harris Racing LLC & Michael Goldberg Racingllc. B-A J Young, AS & D P Haskings, AS. T-Andrew Harris. D-Andrew McCarthy.

**2-Hockey Hanover (g, 6, Explosive Matter--Hotentrot Hanover, by Donato Hanover)** \$5,625, \$10,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 96-21-13-10, \$285,434  
O-Bradley J Grant, CA. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-David Miller.

**3-Pikachu Hanover (h, 7, Andover Hall--Playwood, by Donerail)** \$2,700, \$20,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 51-19-7-5, \$138,486  
O-High Stakes Stable Inc. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Gregg Mcnair. D-Douglas Mcnair.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1H, 1Q, 2, H - Finish Order: Kenziesky Hanover, Quiksilvr Bluechip, Grandma Heidi, Double Account, It Aint The Whisky

**12, M, \$30,000, Pace**, Fillies & Mares Winners Over/Preferred Handicap, 26.1, 55.0, 1:22.4, 1:49.1, FT

**1-Machnhope (m, 6, Mach Three--Hope For Life, by Fit For Life)** \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 106-32-18-11, \$551,394  
O-Deo Volente Farms LLC & Thomas J Pontone & L. A. Express Stable LLC & Noel M Daley. B-Cmr Farms, CA. T-Noel Daley. D-Andrew McCarthy.

**2-Jk First Lady (m, 4, Western Ideal--Jk She'salady, by Art Major)** \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 26-10-9-3, \$741,843  
O-3 Brothers Stables. B-3 Brothers Stables. T-Nancy Takter. D-Dexter Dunn.

**3-Lyons Sentinel (m, 4, Captaintreacherous--Tutu Hanover, by Western Ideal)** \$3,600, \$55,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 29-12-12-2, \$1,239,961  
O-Threeylonsracing, CA. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Jim King Jr. D-Tim Tetrack.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1, 1Q, T, HD, 1 - Finish Order: She's Nun Bettor N, Peakly Sneaky, Gia's Surreal, Major Occasion A

## PLAINRIDGE PARK *report*

### Friday's Results:

**7, PRc, \$17,500, Trot**, WINNERS OVER \$10,000 LIFETIME HANDICAP, 27.2, 57.0, 1:26.0, 1:55.2, FT

**1-Eurobond (h, 6, Love You--True Diva, by Valley Victory)** \$8,750, Lifetime Record: 52-13-5-5, \$316,650  
O-Lindy Farms Of Conn & Robert A Rudolph. B-Lindy Farms Of Conn. T-Domenico Cecere. D-Bruce Ranger.

**RAISED AND GRAZED AT** 

**2-Smooth Aceleration (g, 5, Swan For All--Hernameissylvia, by Cantab Hall)** \$4,375, \$20,000 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 64-10-11-10, \$154,125  
O-William H Phipps. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Gretchen Athearn. D-Matthew Athearn.

**3-Massive Lightning (g, 9, Muscle Massive--Flash Lightning, by Dream Vacation)** \$2,100, \$62,000 2013 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 141-22-15-26, \$190,679  
O-Robert W Kopack. B-Lightning Stable. T-Michael Graffam. D-Nicholas Graffam.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 9H, 7, 3T, 2T, 1 - Finish Order: Grinder, Explosive Ridge, Pappy Go Go, Majestic Marvel, Majestic Brayden

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# RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

## SCIOTO DOWNS *report*

### Friday's Results:

**2, ScD, \$22,000, Trot,** FILLIES AND MARES OPEN, 28.3, 58.1, 1:26.2, 1:54.4, SY

**1-Shake It Mary (m, 5, Dontyouforgetit--Marigot Express, by Dream Vacation)** \$11,000, \$9,500 2017 BHS, Lifetime Record: 84-23-13-18, \$191,194  
O-Rushcreek Stables. B-Stephanie Smith-Rothaug. T-Sherif Cunmulaj. D-Dan Noble.

**2-Twentyfour K Magic (m, 5, Dontyouforgetit--Magic Memory, by Kadabra)** \$5,500, \$7,000 2017 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 60-17-14-8, \$207,853  
O-Tye R Loy. B-Spring Haven Farm. T-Tye Loy. D-Chris Page.

**3-Matterlei (m, 5, Explosive Matter--Hawaiian Lei, by S J's Photo)** \$2,640, \$14,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 63-15-11-5, \$148,798  
O-Top Shelf Stable & Joseph J Varga. B-Shanamphilankilou Inc. T-Herman Hagerman. D-Aaron Merriman.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 1H, 1Q, 1H, T - Finish Order: Kikimora, Wildfire Seelster, Shes Got Bling

**5, ScD, \$17,000, Pace,** FILLIES AND MARES OPEN II, 26.3, 55.3, 1:23.4, 1:52.4, SY

**1-Pace Baby Pace (m, 5, Sweet Lou--Breakheart Pass, by Western Hero)** \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 62-20-6-6, \$290,250  
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. T-Ron Burke. D-Chris Page.

**2-Sugar Dance (m, 5, Ghee's House--Sugar Biscuit, by Modern Art)** \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 48-13-6-10, \$114,775  
O-Sandra D Hennessey & Paula M Sugars. B-Ohio State Ati. T-Sandra Hennessey. D-Brett Miller.

**3-Play For Pay (m, 5, Tellitlikeitis--Fox Valley Ivy, by Incredible Finale)** \$2,040, \$15,500 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 63-13-14-14, \$289,774  
O-Ira Steinberg. B-Diana L Wilson. T-Michael Arnold. D-Kayne Kauffman.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 8T, 5T, 2H, HD, H - Finish Order: Pansy's Image, Hurricane Lori Ann, I Choose You, Big Bad Jane

## THE MEADOWS *report*

### Friday's Results:

**9, Mea, \$17,600, Trot,** \*\*OPEN HANDICAP\*\* P.P.1-2 DRAWN; 3-7 DRAWN, 27.1, 56.1, 1:25.1, 1:55.0, SY

**1-Joey (g, 6, Yankee Glide--Jodi's Jayme, by American Winner)** \$8,800, \$25,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 60-13-13-7, \$135,133  
O-William Wilbur & Leslie Dunn Zendt. B-Windsong Stable. T-Leslie Zendt. D-Brian Zendt.

**2-Mind Yown Business (g, 5, Lockkeeper--Take It Off Girl, by Cam's Rocket)** \$4,400, Lifetime Record: 67-12-13-17, \$157,140  
O-Dirk Simpson Stable Inc & Lawrence S Barnett. B-Richard L Hans. T-Dirk Simpson. D-Brady Brown.

**3-Rising Mvp (g, 6, My MVP--Nutmegs Winner, by Credit Winner)** \$2,112, \$10,000 2016 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 100-29-9-20, \$312,185  
O-Susan A Daugherty. B-Mahlon A Miller. T-William Daugherty Jr. D-Dan Rawlings.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1, T - Finish Order: Mystical Peter, Master Class, Call To Post, Town Victor

## YONKERS RACEWAY *report*

### Friday's Results:

**3, YR, \$17,000, Pace,** CLAIMING ALLOWANCE \$20,000. 3 YO 50%, 4 YO 25%, F&M 20%, 27.2, 56.1, 1:25.0, 1:54.3, FT

**1-Elrama N (g, 12, Elsu--Lourama, by Panorama)** \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 238-45-34-36, \$429,835  
O-Nick A Clegg. B-Mrs L F Hunter, NZ. T-Betty Clegg. D-Nick Clegg.

**2-Kingstons Bad Boy (g, 6, Shadow Play--Kingston Who, by No Pan Intended)** \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 116-24-22-18, \$154,597  
O-Jose Cervantes. B-Mark E Searles, CA & Terry J De Matteo, CA. T-Matias Ruiz. D-Jason Bartlett.

**3-Real Lucky N (g, 9, Real Desire--Lucky Pocket, by In The Pocket)** \$2,040, Lifetime Record: 145-28-14-16, \$196,333  
O-Robert M Weinstein. B-C N & W E Radford, NZ & Mrs D E Richardson, NZ. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Tyler Buter.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 6H, 6T, 5, 3, NK - Finish Order: Mariner Seelster, Tap Tap Tap, Taste Of History, Keep Coming, Mcardles Lightning



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## RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

**4, YR, \$23,250, Pace, W. N. REYNOLDS MEMORIAL PACE 3 YEAR OLD COLTS & GELDINGS \*\*STARTING FEE \$500 + \$19.90 NYS STARTING FEE\*\* 28.0, 56.3, 1:24.4, 1:53.0, FT**

**1-Whichwaytothebeach (g, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Swinging Beauty, by Art Major)** \$11,625, \$45,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 10-6-2-2, \$135,733  
O-Alan J Johnston & John H Craig, CA. B-Steiner Stock Farm. T-Brett Pelling. D-Todd McCarthy.

### ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD *Selected Yearling Sale*

**2-Coalition Hanover (g, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Crooked Halo, by Big Bad John)** \$5,812, \$30,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 18-4-4-2, \$58,288  
O-Christopher J Ryder & Dexter J Dunn & Peter F Trebotica & Barry Spak. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Chris Ryder. D-Matt Kakaley.

**3-He's A Snob (g, 3, So Surreal--Hallmark Hanover, by Arturo)** \$2,790, \$32,000 2019 GOSHEN, Lifetime Record: 12-1-0-5, \$24,850  
O-Raymond W Schnittker & David M Pepin & Julie Farlow. B-Steve Jones. T-Ray Schnittker. D-Mark Macdonald.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3H, 3, NS, 1T, 4H - Finish Order: Crystal Beach, Major Makover, Imaginary Line, Mullinax

**5, YR, \$28,500, Pace, W. N. REYNOLDS MEMORIAL PACE 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES \*\*STARTING FEE \$500 + \$19.90 NYS STARTING FEE\*\* 28.2, 58.1, 1:26.4, 1:55.0, FT**

**1-Heart Of Mine (f, 3, Roll With Joe--Acquavella, by Western Ideal)** \$14,250, \$70,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 13-3-5-1, \$152,665  
O-The Bay's Stable LLC & Radio Racing Stable & Fred Wallace & Camelot Stable Inc. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Linda Toscano. D-Scott Zeron.

### Another BRITTANY FARMS Bred Winner!

### ANOTHER LEXINGTON GRAD *Selected Yearling Sale*

**2-Shania Blue Chip (f, 3, Roll With Joe--Advantest, by Artsplace)** \$7,125, \$85,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$22,749  
O-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc & John E Lengacher. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Noel Daley. D-Todd McCarthy.

**3-Natchez Belle (f, 3, Betting Line--Grrby Hanover, by Somebeachsomewhere)** \$3,420, \$15,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-2, \$43,335  
O-Jackie L Butenschoen & Judy A Egloff. B-Vieux Carre Farms. T-John Butenschoen. D-Tyler Buter.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 2, 1H, 1H, 2 - Finish Order: In High Cotton, Dresden, Let 'er Buck, Roll On Mama

**6, YR, \$29,000, Pace, W. N. REYNOLDS MEMORIAL PACE 3 YEAR OLD FILLIES \*\*STARTING FEE \$500 + \$19.90 NYS STARTING FEE\*\* 27.2, 56.4, 1:25.2, 1:55.1, FT**

**1-Easy To Please (f, 3, Roll With Joe--Lorrie Please, by Western Ideal)** \$14,500, \$50,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 11-5-0-0, \$64,150  
O-Michael P Hall & Our Three Sons Stable LLC & Bradley J Grant, CA & Howard A Taylor. B-Frederick W Hertrich III. T-Michael Hall. D-Jordan Stratton.

**2-Carrington (f, 3, So Surreal--Artcotic, by Artiscape)** \$7,250, Lifetime Record: 11-2-5-3, \$59,825  
O-Raymond W Schnittker & Theodore Gewertz. B-Theodore Gewertz. T-Ray Schnittker. D-Mark Macdonald.

**3-Dc Batgirl (f, 3, Art Major--Memorable Place, by Place To Be)** \$3,480, Lifetime Record: 8-1-1-2, \$55,158  
O-Britney L Dillon. B-Britney L Dillon. T-Britney Dillon. D-George Brennan.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 10H, 9T, 5T, 5Q, NK - Finish Order: Podium Girl, Briar, Crazy Cool, Itzpapalotl, Quick Six

**7, YR, \$23,750, Pace, W. N. REYNOLDS MEMORIAL PACE 3 YEAR OLD COLTS & GELDINGS \*\*STARTING FEE \$500 + \$19.90 NYS STARTING FEE\*\* 27.1, 56.1, 1:24.3, 1:52.0, FT**

**1-American Courage (c, 3, American Ideal--Nota Fool Bluechip, by Art Major)** \$11,875, Lifetime Record: 9-8-0-0, \$192,133  
O-Fiddler's Creek Stables LLC. B-Fiddler's Creek Stables LLC. T-Travis Alexander. D-Matt Kakaley.

**2-I'll Drink To That (c, 3, American Ideal--Margarita Monday, by Ponder)** \$5,937, \$75,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 8-2-4-0, \$79,091  
O-Craig W Henderson & Lawrence S Minowitz & Robert A Mondillo & Oompa's Farm Inc. B-Winbak Farm. T-Chris Ryder. D-Dexter Dunn.

**3-Shakespeare (g, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Get A Clue, by Art Major)** \$2,850, \$225,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 13-1-4-4, \$95,802  
O-Diamond Creek Racing & 3 Brothers Stables & Caviart Farms. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Brett Pelling. D-Todd McCarthy.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1T, 1T - Finish Order: Bettor Of The West, King James Express, Town Gossip, Carrythetorchman, What About Bob

**8, YR, \$37,000, Trot, OPEN HANDICAP 1 - ASSIGNED 2-8 - DRAWN, 28.2, 58.2, 1:26.4, 1:55.3, FT**

**1-Melady's Monet (g, 12, Revenue S--Keystone Melady, by Keystone Smothers)** \$18,500, Lifetime Record: 233-75-47-33, \$1,788,278  
O-Melady Enterprises LLC. B-Luca & Ester Balenzano. T-Hermann Heitmann. D-Jordan Stratton.

**2-Hill Of A Horse (g, 6, Muscle Hill--Lukes Sophie, by Here Comes Herbie)** \$9,250, Lifetime Record: 70-19-9-12, \$268,122  
O-Andray Farm. B-Andray Farm. T-Erv Miller. D-Marcus Miller.

**3-Lean Hanover (g, 8, Donato Hanover--Lives Like A Queen, by Muscles Yankee)** \$4,440, \$50,000 2014 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 108-25-19-13, \$475,592  
O-P C Wellwood Enterprises Inc, CA & Karen E Carroll, CA. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Linda Toscano. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3, 2Q, NS, T, NK - Finish Order: Bully Boy, Full Rights, Arabella's Cadet, Mostinterestingman, Smalltownthrowdown

## RACE RESULTS - FRIDAY (CONTINUED)

9, YR, \$24,000, Trot, PREFERRED, 28.0, 57.2, 1:26.2, 1:55.3, FT

**1-New Heaven (g, 7, Yankee Glide--New Day, by Conway Hall)** \$12,000, \$10,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 127-31-29-20, \$526,387

O-Allister Stables LLC. B-Arden Homestead Stable & Vieux Carre Farms. T-Eric Abbatiello. D-Jim Marohn Jr.

**2-Magical Journey (g, 5, Kadabra--Some Like It Lindy, by Cantab Hall)** \$6,000, \$30,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 56-10-11-8, \$182,006

O-D Racing Stable Inc & Earl Hill Jr, CA. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Deborah Daguet. D-Daniel Dube.

**3-Armagedon Seelster (g, 6, Muscle Mass--A Bit Of Magic, by Kadabra)** \$2,880, \$37,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 86-17-20-12, \$258,471

O-Ron Coyne Stables, Inc & Blair C Corbeil, CA & Mike W Mcallister, CA. B-Seelster Farms Inc, CA. T-Ron Coyne Jr. D-Todd McCarthy.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: 1H, 1H, 1H, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Secret Bro, Guilty Desire, Only For Justice, Two Am, Tad Krazy Hanover

## RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY

### HARRAH'S HOOSIER PARK *report*

#### Saturday's Results:

**1, HoP, \$15,000, Pace**, Claiming Handicap \$35,000 - \$40,000 (W/A), 27.0, 55.4, 1:24.1, 1:51.1, FT

**1-Secret Threat (h, 9, Palone Ranger--Laxmy, by Real Artist)** \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 152-39-25-27, \$398,038

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

**2-Bold And Brassy (g, 7, Rock N Roll Heaven--Cams Leading Lady, by Million Dollar Cam)** \$3,750, \$7,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 133-20-21-18, \$246,023

O-Rachel L Leonard & Gregory L Samples & Terry Lee Leonard. B-Robert L Hamather, CA. T-Ross Leonard. D-John De Long.

**3-Maxdaddy Blue Chip (g, 9, Sportswriter--Ascending, by Camluck)** \$1,800, \$55,000 2013 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 141-38-18-21, \$376,832

O-Bottom Line Racing LLC & Wrenn Racing LLC. B-Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc. T-Melanie Wrenn. D-Peter Wrenn.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: T, 2Q, 1T, 1H, H - Finish Order: Never Say Never N, Passa-Grille Beach, Hoosier Celebrity, Rose Run Uriah, Mindtrip

**2, HoP, \$16,000, Trot**, Open 2, 27.4, 58.2, 1:28.1, 1:55.0, FT

**1-Timon As (g, 5, Lionhunter--Pandora As, by Prego Nilema)** \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 59-22-3-1, \$130,560

O-Michael A Guest. B-Acl Stuteri Ab. T-Melanie Wrenn. D-Peter Wrenn.

**2-Cassius Lane (g, 5, Cash Hall--Winning Colors K, by American Winner)** \$4,000, \$30,000 2017 Buck-CL, Lifetime Record: 57-10-10-4, \$126,605

O-The Panhellenic Stb Corp & Kenneth M Rucker. B-Sally Shaffer. T-Ken Rucker. D-Brandon Bates.

**3-Miss Smead (m, 4, Guccio--Cum Laude Hall, by Deweycheatumnhowe)** \$1,920, \$20,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 55-13-4-10, \$85,744

O-Eash Racing Stable Inc. B-Pond- A- Acres & Martz Creek Farm. T-Don Eash. D-Don Eash.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 1, 1H, T, 1, 2Q - Finish Order: Er Kim, Sooo Handsome, All Rise, Toy's For You

**4, HoP, \$20,000, Trot**, Open, 27.4, 57.3, 1:25.2, 1:53.0, FT

**1-Bridge To Jesse's (g, 8, Jailhouse Jesse--Bridge To Nowhere, by Angus Hall)** \$10,000, \$28,000 2014 IN-PREM, Lifetime Record: 115-48-22-15, \$1,041,995

O-William C & William P De Long & Roger S Welch & Ray E De Long. B-Michael Bennett & Randy J Wilt. T-Roger Welch. D-John De Long.

**2-Swan In Motion (h, 4, Swan For All--Keystone Sadie, by Yankee Glide)** \$5,000, \$15,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 34-11-11-2, \$442,185

O-Howard A Taylor. B-Lyle Dean Slabach. T-Dylan Davis. D-Trace Tetrick.

**3-Compelling (m, 7, Swan For All--First Lady Two, by Sierra Kosmos)** \$2,400, \$11,000 2015 Hoosier, Lifetime Record: 75-18-13-14, \$279,778

O-Verlin D Yoder. B-Lavon L Miller. T-Verlin Yoder. D-Verlin Yoder.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 2, 2Q, T, 2, HD - Finish Order: Flagman, May Baby, Swan Chase, Grand Swan

**7, HoP, \$20,000, Pace**, Fillies and Mares Open Handicap, 27.0, 56.4, 1:24.3, 1:51.1, FT

**1-Alexa Skye (m, 4, Somebeachsomewhere--Pirouette Hanover, by Western Ideal)** \$10,000, Lifetime Record: 41-17-7-1, \$261,014

O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Jeffrey S Snyder. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Sam Widger.



**PREFERRED EQUINE**

*Mixed Sale Graduate*

**2-Rose Run Vision (m, 4, Time To Roll--A And Gs Finest, by Allamerican Native)** \$5,000, \$18,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 54-14-10-7, \$96,452

O-Eash Racing Stable Inc. B-Rose Run Farm. T-Don Eash. D-Don Eash.



## RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**3-Drama Act** (m, 4, Well Said--Lounge Act, by Cam's Card Shark) \$2,400, Lifetime Record: 23-13-2-3, \$285,482

O-The Ok Corral. B-The Ok Corral. T-Ron Burke. D-Ricky Macomber Jr.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 4T, 1T, 1T, 2, T - Finish Order: Dealmaker Hanover, Annabelle Hanover, Bettor's Up

**12, HoP, \$16,000, Pace**, Fillies and Mares Open 2, 26.3, 54.2, 1:22.3, 1:49.3, FT

**1-Rockin Nola** (m, 5, **Rockin Image--Gottogetoutmore**, by **Keystone Raider**) \$8,000, \$15,000 2017 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 49-22-12-4, \$585,507

O-J P Racing, LLC & Suttons Bay Racing. B-Mahlon E Lambright. T-Joe Putnam. D-Joe Putnam.

**2-Sweet Filly** (m, 4, Sweet Lou--Serious Filly, by Somebeachsomewhere) \$4,000, Lifetime Record: 19-8-2-4, \$77,851

O-Emerald Highlands Farm. B-Emerald Highlands Farm. T-Timothy Lane. D-Louis Roy.

**3-Checks On The Way** (m, 6, Believeinbruiser--Charm N Beauty, by Life Sign) \$1,920, \$3,700 2016 Buck-Cl, Lifetime Record: 106-28-29-11, \$302,929

O-Scott A & Scott Tyler George. B-Scott W Hagemeyer. T-Tyler George. D-Trace Tetrack.

*Replay Unavailable* - Calls: 1, 1T, 2, 3T, 5H - Finish Order: Grace Rocks, Somebodyslilly, Atoritollet, Callmequeenbee A

## HAWTHORNE RACECOURSE *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**5, Haw, \$12,000, Pace**, The Bob Larry Elim Non-Winners of \$30,000 (ICF \$45,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021, 28.2, 58.0, 1:26.2, 1:54.0, FT

**1-Pianno Roll** (g, 4, **Time To Roll--Utopianne**, by **Warrior For Peace**) \$6,000, Lifetime Record: 32-5-4-2, \$30,915

O-Larry C Breed. B-Larry C Breed. T-Tom Simmons. D-Cordarius Stewart.

**2-Mighty Tony Mac** (g, 4, Hawaiian Cowboy--Andria Doria, by Cole Muffler) \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 27-5-7-6, \$32,390

O-Kyle P Lerner. B-Charles R Jones. T-Tim Roach. D-Travis Seekman.

**3-Yankee On The Move** (g, 4, Yankee Skyscraper--Fox Valley Raquel, by Sportsmaster) \$1,440, Lifetime Record: 26-12-5-4, \$35,289

O-Clifford N Grundy. B-Fox Valley Standardbreds. T-Dan Eckley. D-Kyle Wilfong.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: 1H, 1Q, 1Q, HD, 1 - Finish Order: Straight Munro, Patton Plus, Johnny Ringo, Ideal Big Guy, Fox Valley Lincoln, Fishyriggins

**7, Haw, \$12,000, Pace**, The Bob Larry Elim Non-Winners of \$30,000 (ICF \$45,000) Lifetime up to and including March 31, 2021, 29.3, 59.4, 1:28.0, 1:54.4, SY

**1-Play Me Rock** (g, 3, **Rockin Image--Play Good**, by **Shadow Play**) \$6,000, \$20,000 2019 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 22-4-4-1, \$37,485

O-Perry W Smith. B-Engle Equine LLC. T-Perry Smith. D-Travis Seekman.

**2-Bobcat Bay** (g, 4, Panther Hanover--Madeira Island, by Island Fantasy) \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 22-7-3-3, \$31,735

O-Nancy A & Donald S Musillami. B-Nancy A & Donald S Musillami. T-Tom Simmons. D-Ridge Warren.

**3-Silverstar's Flash** (g, 4, Real Desire--Wildflower Hanover, by Western Ideal) \$1,440, \$22,000 2018 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 30-5-2-4, \$23,875

O-D And R Racing Stable. B-Nathan O Miller. T-Donna Holt. D-Clifton Bell.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: 8Q, 3, 2T, 1, HD - Finish Order: ReadyfortheLadys, Holden Steady, Bagman, Final Prize, Ryans Loan Shark, Hillcrest Dynamite, Bobs Time

## MEADOWLANDS *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**1, M, \$18,000, Pace**, 3 & 4 Year Olds Winners of 2 But Not More Than 4 (N/W L3 or 3 YO 5) Extended PM Races Life AE: N/W \$4,500 in Last 5 Starts, 27.2, 55.3, 1:22.3, 1:49.1, GD

**1-Abuckabett Hanover** (c, 3, **Betting Line--All Tucked Up**, by **Western Ideal**) \$9,000, \$160,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 13-5-1-2, \$171,335

O-Crawford Farms Racing & Alagna Racing LLC & Jablonsky Held Stable & Barbera N Wienick Stable. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy.

**2-Better Take It** (g, 4, Bettor's Delight--Everybreathutake, by Western Hanover) \$4,500, Lifetime Record: 20-3-6-4, \$54,082

O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, CA. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Tim Tetrack.

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

**3-Exploit** (c, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Time On My Hands, by American Ideal) \$2,160, \$165,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 14-3-1-2, \$391,630

O-Leblanc And Kribbs & Joe Sbrocco & In The Gym Partners & Joseph Barbera. B-Michael Dean Robinson & Robert A Mondillo & Steve D Cheatham & Steve H Stewart. T-Tony Alagna. D-Joe Bongiorno.

►► *Replay* ►► Calls: 5H, 3T, 3T, 2, 2T - Finish Order: Full Send, South Beach Star, Environs Hanover, Tarkio, Delightful Terror

# RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**3, M, \$30,000, Trot**, MISS VERSATILITY Mares Open - 1st Leg, 27.4, 56.3, 1:24.4, 1:52.2, GD

**1-Next Level Stuff (m, 4, Sebastian K S--Nantab, by Cantab Hall)** \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 25-14-4-0, \$668,066  
O-Runthetables Stables. B-Runthetables Stables. T-Jim Campbell. D-Tim Tetrick.

**2-When Dovescry (m, 5, Muscle Hill--Cedar Dove, by Andover Hall)** \$7,500, \$205,000 2017 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 30-12-9-6, \$1,129,158  
O-John E Lengacher. B-William B Weaver III. T-Brett Pelling. D-David Miller.

**3-Felicityshagwell S (m, 6, Maharajah--Diaz Boko, by Cantab Hall)** \$3,600, Lifetime Record: 33-7-7-5, \$238,305  
O-Knutsson Trotting Inc. B-Manken Ab & Verrazzano Ab, SD. T-Ake Svanstedt. D-Ake Svanstedt.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 6, 3T, 2H, 1Q, NK - Finish Order: Hypnotic Am, Refined, Spoiled Princess, Morairtime

**4, M, \$16,000, Pace**, 3 Year Old Colts & Geldings Winners of 1 But Not More Than 2 Extended PM Races Life AE: Maidens May Enter and Draw Inside, 28.3, 57.0, 1:25.0, 1:52.2, GD

**1-Rockyroad Hanover (c, 3, Captaintreacherous--Romantic Moment, by American Ideal)** \$8,000, \$65,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$13,610  
O-Riverview Racing LLC & Bradley J Grant, CA & Kenneth E Jacobs & Plouffe Head And Vj Stable. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Tony Alagna. D-Dexter Dunn.

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

**2-Pirate Hanover (c, 3, Captaintreacherous--Paris Hanover, by Camluck)** \$4,000, \$100,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 8-1-2-1, \$52,709  
O-Bradley J Grant, CA & Steve L Heimbecker, CA. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy.

**3-Toronto (g, 3, Always B Miki--See You At Peelers, by Bettor's Delight)** \$1,920, \$100,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-2, \$11,915  
O-Royal Wire Products Inc. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Robert Cleary. D-Brian Sears.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: NS, 1Q, 1Q, 1T, HD - Finish Order: Caviart Lotus, Jimmy Connor B, Throwing Copper, Southbeach Hanover, Premier Nacho, Magnum Moon

**5, M, \$16,500, Pace**, Fillies & Mares N/W \$10,500 in L5 Starts AE: Winners Base Class N/W \$8,000 or Less Last Start AE: N/W 7 (NW L3 8) Extended PM Races Life, 28.1, 56.1, 1:24.1, 1:51.1, GD

**1-Keep Rockin A (m, 5, Rock N Roll Heaven--Kept For Pleasure, by Safely Kept)** \$8,250, Lifetime Record: 27-6-7-6, \$94,583  
O-Richard Poillucci. B-Sloys Company Pty LTD, AS. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Andrew McCarthy.

**2-Beyond Words N (m, 5, Art Major--Quote Me, by Bettor's Delight)** \$4,125, Lifetime Record: 11-5-5-0, \$72,898  
O-Richard Poillucci. B-Studholme Bloodstock LTD, NZ. T-R. Nifty Norman. D-Dexter Dunn.

**3-Swift Ally (m, 5, Big Jim--Claire's Apache, by Apaches Fame)** \$1,980, Lifetime Record: 41-9-10-5, \$121,252  
O-Ian A Fleming, CA & R Gregg Mcnair, CA. B-Ian A Fleming, CA & R Gregg Mcnair, CA. T-Gregg Mcnair. D-Douglas Mcnair.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 10, 7Q, 4, 1H, NK - Finish Order: Kickupyaheels N, Darkshadeofpale N, Ideation Hanover, Rose Run Vantage, Sunday Afternoon, Sweet Heaven

**6, M, \$21,000, Pace**, 6 Year Olds & Under Winners of 5 But Not More Than 8 (N/W L3 9) Extended PM Races or \$75,500 Life (State Bred or Late Closer Wins Not Counted), 28.1, 56.1, 1:22.4, 1:49.3, GD

**1-No Lou Zing (g, 4, Sweet Lou--Terroronthebeach, by Western Terror)** \$10,500, \$145,000 2018 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 20-8-6-2, \$534,058  
O-3 Brothers Stables & Rojan Stables & Caviart Farms. B-Concord Stud Farm LLC & Birnam Wood Farms. T-Nancy Takter. D-Dexter Dunn.

**2-Fortify (h, 4, Sweet Lou--Can't Stop Me Now, by Western Ideal)** \$5,250, Lifetime Record: 24-5-6-6, \$377,697  
O-Diamond Creek Racing. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC. T-Nancy Takter. D-Tim Tetrick.

**3-Father Nuno (h, 4, Somebeachsomewhere--Worldly Treasure, by Artsplace)** \$2,520, \$360,000 2018 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 17-5-1-5, \$222,424  
O-John Cancelliere. B-White Birch Farm. T-Thomas Cancelliere. D-Andrew McCarthy.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1H, 1, 1H, T - Finish Order: My Pal Joe, Seriously Hanover, Gardys Legacy A, Island Of The Sea, Captain Video

**7, M, \$16,500, Pace**, N/W \$10,500 (N/W L2 \$12,500) in Last 5 Starts AE: Winners Base Class N/W \$8,000 or Less L/S or TMR 89.15 or Less as of 5/4 Winner This Class or Higher Last Start Ineligible, 27.2, 54.2, 1:20.4, 1:48.0, GD

**1-American History (h, 6, American Ideal--Perfect Touch, by Camluck)** \$8,250, \$150,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 65-22-7-8, \$1,195,728  
O-Bradley J Grant, CA. B-Brittany Farms LLC. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy.

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**2-Lyons King (g, 7, Somebeachsomewhere--Boldnbrush Hanover, by The Panderosa)** \$4,125, \$50,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 103-20-19-19, \$225,210  
O-Bukers Stable. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

## RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**3-Im Sir Blake A** (g, 6, Alta Christiano N--Jupiters Darling, by Dream Away) \$1,980, Lifetime Record: 40-14-6-7, \$91,351

O-Bowie Racing LLC & A Harris Racing LLC. B-R J Watson, WA. T-Andrew Harris. D-Dexter Dunn.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: HD, 1Q, 1T, 2Q, 2Q - Finish Order: Covered Bridge, De Los Cielos Deo, Hp Napoleon, Heza Real Diamond, Hundie N, Major Custard

**9, M, \$30,000, Pace**, Winners Over/Preferred Handicap, 26.4, 54.2, 1:21.3, 1:48.1, GD

**1-Wheels On Fire** (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Ab Fab, by Western Ideal) \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 75-26-9-11, \$398,971

O-Bradley J Grant, CA. B-W J Donovan. T-Ron Burke. D-Yannick Gingras.

**2-Nicholas Beach** (g, 5, Somebeachsomewhere--Michelle My Gal, by Dragon Again) \$7,500, \$110,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 17-13-4-0, \$113,400

O-John E Lengacher & Michael Cote Gagnon, CA & Jennifer Bongiorno Stable LLC. B-Hamstan Farm Inc, CA & Reginald G Petitpas, CA. T-Jennifer Bongiorno. D-Joe Bongiorno.

**3-Angers Bayama** (g, 5, Big Jim--Lucky Josie, by Ace's Up) \$3,600, Lifetime Record: 29-11-5-3, \$127,984

O-Crawford Farms Racing. B-Bayama Farms Inc, CA. T-Tony Alagna. D-Andrew McCarthy.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 2, 1H, H - Finish Order: Tattoo Artist, Chaser Hanover, Colossal Stride A, Sintra, Ima Real Ladys Man, Points North, Lyons Steel

**10, M, \$25,000, Trot**, Winners Over \$10,500 in Last 5 Starts or \$50,000 Lifetime, 27.4, 56.2, 1:24.2, 1:52.1, GD

**1-Northern Express** (g, 5, Muscle Massive--Seducedbychocolate, by Chocolatier) \$12,500, \$16,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 54-18-7-3, \$187,543

O-Arty Foster Jr. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Arty Foster Jr. D-David Miller.

**2-Jl Cruze** (g, 10, Crazyed--Topcat Hall, by Conway Hall) \$6,250, \$30,000 2012 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 133-44-17-26, \$1,597,542

O-William Kenneth Wood & William J Dittmar Jr & Stephen J Iaquina. B-Joanne M Morrison, CA & Glengate Farms, CA. T-Eric Ell. D-Dexter Dunn.

**3-Lovedbythmasses** (g, 4, Muscle Mass--Incredibility, by Northern Bailey) \$3,000, Lifetime Record: 30-13-1-6, \$183,879

O-Pollack Racing LLC & Jeffrey W Cullipher. B-Wade J Peconi, CA & Windemere Farms, CA. T-Jeff Cullipher. D-Tim Tetrack.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1T, 1Q, NS - Finish Order: Oney Hall, Rich And Miserable, Buck Dancer, Treasured Tee, Zig Zag

**12, M, \$30,000, Trot**, MISS VERSATILITY Mares Open - 1st Leg, 27.3, 56.2, 1:24.4, 1:52.3, GD

**1-Ab'sattitudexpress** (m, 4, Trixton--Abbie'sgotattitude, by American Winner) \$15,000, Lifetime Record: 19-10-2-2, \$310,641



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**PREFERRED EQUINE**

*Mixed Sale Graduate*

O-Stop The Jade Farm LLC. B-Stop The Jade Farm LLC. T-Lucas Wallin. D-Tim Tetrack.

**2-Sorella** (m, 4, Muscle Hill--Kadealia, by Kadabra) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 25-10-4-3, \$857,262

O-Elmer G Fannin & Crawford Farms Racing & Brent Fannin. B-Elmer G Fannin. T-Nancy Takter. D-Yannick Gingras.

**3-Miss Mckee** (m, 4, Muscle Massive--Dazzling Deb, by SJ's Caviar) \$3,600, Lifetime Record: 26-10-4-2, \$151,212

O-J L Sadowsky LLC. B-Glen J Vetrano & William M Duncan. T-Robert Baggitt Jr. D-Mark Macdonald.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1, 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, NS - Finish Order: Ghostintheshell S, A Fancy Face, P L Notsonice, No Mas Drama

## NORTHFIELD PARK *report*

Saturday's Results:

**8, Nfld, \$15,500, Pace**, FILLIES & MARES OPEN HANDICAP, 26.4, 55.4, 1:23.3, 1:52.1, FT

**1-Rock Me Cristal** (m, 5, Rockin Amadeus--Cristal Daddy Girl, by Blissfull Hall) \$7,750, \$20,000 2017 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 61-14-7-7, \$119,342

O-Murdock Racing Stable LLC. B-Kathy Brown. T-Andy Rickert. D-Ryan Stahl.

**2-Sea Rose** (m, 8, Dragon Again--Island Blush, by Island Fantasy) \$3,875, \$39,000 2014 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 179-31-24-20, \$258,408

O-William P Popio & Blaine E Wildman & Cory W & Shane Webb. B-White Birch Farm. T-Shane Webb. D-Hunter Myers.

**3-Sports Flix** (m, 5, Sportswriter--Moving Pictures, by D M Dilinger) \$1,860, \$13,000 2017 LONDON, Lifetime Record: 51-13-11-10, \$181,925

O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-Darlene L Hayes, CA & Casie Coleman Herlihy, CA. T-Ron Burke. D-Aaron Merriman.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1H, T, Q, T, 1T - Finish Order: Madelines Craycray, Mystical Virgin, Halle Shark, Hp Xanadu, Bj's Rocket



## RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**13, Nfld, \$20,000, Pace**, \$10,000 GUARANTEED POOL THE IRON MAIDEN SERIES FILLIES & MARES FINAL, 26.4, 56.1, 1:24.3, 1:55.1, FT

**1-Finesse (f, 3, Western Vintage--Drivin' Miss Rudee, by Walton Hanover)** \$10,000, \$17,000 2019 OH-SEL, Lifetime Record: 14-5-3-2, \$43,730  
O-Melissa L Patterson & Daryl J Sherman. B-Marion Beachy. T-Kent Sherman. D-Greg Grismore.

**2-Lovely Munro (f, 3, McArdle--Modern Connection, by Modern Art)** \$5,000, Lifetime Record: 18-10-2-3, \$62,675  
O-Ameer Najor. B-Ameer Najor. T-Brian Brown. D-Ryan Stahl.

**3-Nanny Finn (m, 4, Big Bad John--The Shoe Fits, by Misfit)** \$2,400, Lifetime Record: 26-2-3-6, \$23,222  
O-Ronald L Lineweaver. B-Richard L Finrock. T-James Dodson. D-Aaron Merriman.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1H, 1Q, 1Q, HD - Finish Order: Filet Mignon, A Musing Sugar, Diamond Official, Greyisthenewred, Risky Becky, Racing Forabber

## SCIOTO DOWNS *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**5, ScD, \$17,000, Pace**, HORSES AND GELDINGS OPEN II AE: NON WINNERS OF 10 PMRLT OPTIONAL CLAIMING \$40,000 (W/A), 26.4, 55.4, 1:23.2, 1:51.0, FT

**1-Fan Of Terror (g, 9, Western Terror--Fans Bikini, by Jenna's Beach Boy)** \$8,500, Lifetime Record: 180-53-29-20, \$562,504  
O-Therl L Hensley. B-Goldfinger Enterprises. T-Peter Redder. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr.



### PREFERRED EQUINE

### Mixed Sale Graduate

**2-Wild Bill (h, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Wild West Show, by Western Hanover)** \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 84-9-14-9, \$193,297  
O-Hinchcliff Racing & Rtk Racing LLC & Bret L Greiner. B-Raymond W Schnittker & Charles V Iannazzo. T-Kris Hinchcliff. D-Tyler Smith.

**3-Bralea Hanover (g, 7, Western Ideal--Brissonte Hanover, by Dragon Again)** \$2,040, \$40,000 2015 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 111-17-13-17, \$205,301  
O-Galliers Racing LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Brady Galliers. D-Brady Galliers.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3, 2T, 2H, 1, NK - Finish Order: B Like Cruiser, Ginger Tree Marty, Shvaiko, Great Vintage

**7, ScD, \$17,000, Pace**, HORSES AND GELDINGS OPEN II AE: NON WINNERS OF 10 PMRLT, 26.4, 55.1, 1:23.0, 1:51.1, FT

**1-Rockin In Heaven (h, 9, Rock N Roll Heaven--Tropic's Beachgirl, by Jenna's Beach Boy)** \$8,500, \$40,000 2013 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 168-37-22-21, \$817,708  
O-Douglas E Polley, CA & Gordon E McComb, CA. B-Blair C Corbeil, CA. T-Teesha Symes. D-Brett Miller.

**2-Dojea Gizmo (g, 4, Tellitlikeitis--Postmark, by Mark Johnathan)** \$4,250, Lifetime Record: 34-11-5-6, \$165,523  
O-Black Magic Racing, LLC. B-Dan Shetler Jr & Dojea Stables. T-Todd Luther. D-Trevor Smith.

**3-East Beach (g, 5, Beachtree--All East, by Allamerican Native)** \$2,040, \$3,300 2017 BHS, Lifetime Record: 71-10-13-11, \$112,822  
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brusceci LLC. B-Marion M Mast. T-Ron Burke. D-Chris Page.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3H, 4, 1Q, Q, 1H - Finish Order: Snowmoon, Modern Rock As, Dashing To Da Wire, Drawing Dragons

## THE DOWNS AT MOHEGAN SUN POCONO *report*

### Saturday's Results:

**2, PcD, \$16,000, Pace**, Claiming Handicap \$30,000-40,000 Post Position by Price, 26.3, 55.0, 1:22.4, 1:50.4, FT

**1-Love The Action (g, 6, Bettor's Delight--Koutzina, by No Nukes)** \$8,000, \$20,000 2016 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 97-9-14-10, \$109,090  
O-Ameer Najor. B-Frederick W Hertrich III. T-Marta Piotrow. D-Anthony Napolitano.

**2-Regal Son (g, 10, Stonebridge Regal--On This Day, by Camluck)** \$4,000, Lifetime Record: 210-32-29-35, \$464,580  
O-Donald Lindsey, CA & William V Alempijevic. B-Robert McIntosh Stables Inc, CA & C S X Stables & John D Fielding, CA. T-Nik Drennan. D-Tyler Buter.

**3-Rockin Inthe Hills (g, 6, Rockin Image--Lake Hills Melody, by Sportsmaster)** \$1,920, \$36,000 2016 HOOSIER, Lifetime Record: 122-21-15-12, \$216,120  
O-Thaddeus A Wier. B-Victory Hill Farm Inc. T-Hunter Oakes. D-Geo. Napolitano Jr.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, 2 - Finish Order: Busboy Hanover, Glengarry Knight N, Sweet N Fast N, Bamski

**5, PcD, \$16,000, Pace**, Claiming Handicap \$30,000-40,000 Post Position by Price, 27.0, 56.0, 1:24.1, 1:52.1, FT

**1-Scott Rocks (g, 11, Rocknroll Hanover--Plant A Kiss, by Blissfull Hall)** \$8,000, \$15,000 2011 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 209-70-34-25, \$1,132,485  
O-Hunter William Oakes & Scott S Bice, CA. B-Perretti Farms. T-Hunter Oakes. D-Geo. Napolitano Jr.

**2-Bell I No (g, 9, Rock N Roll Heaven--Jersey Dream, by Artiscape)** \$4,000, Lifetime Record: 167-34-31-22, \$395,829  
O-Jemaxpo Racing Stable LLC. B-Frank J Bellino. T-Tee Wine. D-Jason Bartlett.

# RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**3-Native's Sweetlou** (g, 5, Allamerican Native--Windsong Filou, by Astreos) \$1,920, Lifetime Record: 64-12-11-10, \$209,875  
O-Steven Cetinsky. B-Thomas B Cave. T-James Guagliardo. D-Matt Kakaley.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1, 1Q, T - Finish Order: Tullow N, Waterway, Lyons Amusements, Sunset Braydon

**9, PcD, \$30,000, Pace**, Pennsylvania All-Stars 3 Yr. Old Colts & Geldings 1st division of 4, 27.0, 56.2, 1:24.3, 1:52.1, FT

**1-Hellabalou (c, 3, Sweet Lou--Magestic Blue Chip, by Rocknroll Hanover)** \$15,000, \$42,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-1, \$45,621  
O-Eric K Good. B-Andray Farm & Sergeant Stables LLC. T-Eddie Dennis. D-Andrew McCarthy.

**2-Komodo Beach** (g, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Imagine Dragon, by Dragon Again) \$7,500, \$90,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-2, \$37,161  
O-David H Mc Duffee & John A Fodera & Steven D Wienick & Trevor J Ritchie. B-Lindy Farms Of Conn. T-Brett Pelling. D-Todd McCarthy.

**3-Six Degrees** (g, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Apogee Hanover, by Jereme's Jet) \$3,600, \$110,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 11-1-0-2, \$14,448  
O-W J Donovan & Purnel & Libby LLC & Joe Sbrocco & Thomas R Dillon. B-Fair Winds Stable. T-Ray Schnittker. D-Mark Macdonald.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, NK - Finish Order: Bettor Not Talk, Just Call Me Miki, His Beats Hanover, Rifleman, Hulou

**10, PcD, \$30,000, Pace**, Pennsylvania All-Stars 3 Yr. Old Colts & Geldings 2nd division of 4, 26.1, 54.1, 1:22.1, 1:50.2, FT

**1-Emblaze Hanover (g, 3, Sweet Lou--Edra Hanover, by The Panderosa)** \$15,000, \$140,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 17-3-1-3, \$63,490  
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Bridgette S Jablonsky & Jason V Melillo & J&T Silva- Purnel & Libby. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Ron Burke. D-Joe Bongiorno.

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

**2-Crunch Hanover** (c, 3, Captaintreacherous--Code One Hanover, by Sportswriter) \$7,500, \$115,000 2019 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 13-3-3-2, \$98,767  
O-Enviro Stables LTD & South Mountain Stables & R-And-I Farms LLC & The Bay's Stable LLC. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Linda Toscano. D-Scott Zeron.

**3-Red Right Hand** (c, 3, Captaintreacherous--Preppy Party Girl, by Western Terror) \$3,600, \$60,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-2, \$48,064  
O-Christina Takter & Nancy Takter & Jaf Racing & Joe Sbrocco & R A W Equine Inc, CA. B-Steve H Stewart & John A Carver. T-Nancy Takter. D-Todd McCarthy.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3T, 5, 2T, 2H, 1T - Finish Order: Louie The Looper, Lyons Legacy, Tapped Teen, Power Sweet, Captain Sleaze, Beach Forecast

**11, PcD, \$30,000, Pace**, Pennsylvania All-Stars 3 Yr. Old Colts & Geldings 3rd division of 4, 26.3, 54.2, 1:22.1, 1:50.1, FT

**1-Gamblin Mo (g, 3, Captaintreacherous--Southwind Johanne, by Dragon Again)** \$15,000, \$30,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 15-3-1-2, \$46,127  
O-David M & John P Prushnok & David J Miller & Vip Internet Stable LLC. B-Southwind Farms LLC. T-John Butenschoen. D-Tyler Buter.

ANOTHER **LEXINGTON GRAD**  
Selected Yearling Sale

 **Preferred Equine** YEARLING SALE GRADUATE

**2-Stonebridge Reef** (c, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Rock N Soul, by Rocknroll Hanover) \$7,500, \$200,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 9-1-3-1, \$43,055  
O-Christopher J Ryder & Craig W Henderson & Oompa's Farm Inc & Robert A Mondillo. B-Angie M Stiller, CA. T-Chris Ryder. D-Todd McCarthy.

**3-Captains Place** (c, 3, Captaintreacherous--Dream Outloud, by Bettor's Delight) \$3,600, \$105,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 14-1-1-2, \$63,479  
O-Black Magic Racing, LLC. B-Dr Fred S Kruszelnicki, CA. T-Todd Luther. D-Scott Zeron.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 1Q, 1Q, 1H, 1Q, 3T - Finish Order: Mikibytheseaside, Philosophizer, Sweet Angel Boy, Somewhereinverona, Always A Miki, Fulsome

**12, PcD, \$30,000, Pace**, Pennsylvania All-Stars 3 Yr. Old Colts & Geldings 4th division of 4, 27.2, 55.3, 1:23.1, 1:50.1, FT

**1-One Eight Hundred (c, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Economy Terror, by Western Terror)** \$15,000, \$800,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-1, \$51,298  
O-Brixton Medical Inc & Nancy C Takter. B-Chuck Pompey & Howard A Taylor & Edwin J Gold. T-Nancy Takter. D-Tim Tetrick.

ANOTHER **LEXINGTON GRAD**  
Selected Yearling Sale

**2-Water Sports Teen** (c, 3, Somebeachsomewhere--Posey Tina, by Camluck) \$7,500, Lifetime Record: 18-5-4-2, \$56,341  
O-Black Magic Racing, LLC. B-Robert J Key. T-Todd Luther. D-Scott Zeron.

**3-Warrawee Whynot** (g, 3, Sweet Lou--Great Memories, by Apaches Fame) \$3,600, \$130,000 2019 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-3, \$19,977  
O-Singh & Soulsby & Gilbert D Short & Alan F Weisenberg. B-Warrawee Farm, CA. T-Shane Tritton. D-Simon Allard.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3, 1Q, 1Q, 1H, 1T - Finish Order: Always B Sweet, Double Metal, Bazooka Hanover, Baklouva, Cyrus Peak

**13, PcD, \$19,300, Pace**, NW \$23,000 in Last 5 Starts (series earnings excluded), 26.2, 54.1, 1:21.4, 1:49.1, FT

**1-Western Joe (g, 7, Western Ideal--Ante Fay, by Falcon Seelster)** \$9,650, Lifetime Record: 108-34-17-11, \$801,508  
O-Anthony J Ruggeri & Richard P Tosies. B-Anthony J Ruggeri. T-Christopher Choate. D-Dexter Dunn.

## RACE RESULTS - SATURDAY (CONTINUED)

**2-Hesa Kingslayer N** (g, 8, Christian Cullen--Millwood Manhattan, by Bettor's Delight) \$4,825, Lifetime Record: 48-20-6-8, \$199,587  
O-Michael D Deters & Joel T Warner. B-K J Carville, NZ. T-Michael Deters. D-David Miller.

**3-Vettel N** (g, 8, American Ideal--Talk To Angels, by Bettor's Delight) \$2,316, Lifetime Record: 109-27-10-14, \$174,263  
O-Jennifer Bongiorno Stable LLC & Joseph Bongiorno LLC & Brent L Hershberger & Robert J Devine. B-Breckon Farms LTD, NZ. T-Jennifer Bongiorno.  
D-Joe Bongiorno.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: H, 1Q, T, 1Q, T - Finish Order: Highalator, Casual Cool, Ideal Feeling, Tulhurstsantanna A

**14, PcD, \$15,700, Pace**, NW \$17,500 in Last 5 Starts Starters in a class higher than NW25000L5 or a winners this class or higher in last start ineligible AE: NW 8 Ext. PM Races or \$100,000 Lifetime, 27.1, 55.1, 1:23.0, 1:50.3, FT

**1-Stone Hanover (h, 5, Art Major--Sammy's Magic Girl, by Western Hanover)** \$7,850, \$42,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 41-10-11-9, \$159,975  
O-Steven M Held & John A Whitig & Joe Pavia Jr Stable Inc & Bridgette S Jablonsky. B-Hanover Shoe Farms Inc. T-Linda Toscano. D-Scott Zeron.

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

**2-Mykindachip** (g, 12, Art's Chip--Figmental, by Precious Bunny) \$3,925, Lifetime Record: 264-65-44-38, \$1,009,631  
O-Jeff Fought Racing & David E Fought. B-John R Miller. T-Travis Alexander. D-Matt Kakaley.

**3-Blood Line** (h, 7, Somebeachsomewhere--Blood Diamond, by Western Ideal) \$1,884, Lifetime Record: 106-19-20-21, \$548,358  
O-D'Elegance Stable lx & T L P Stable & Carmen Iannacone. B-Diamond Creek Farm LLC & J&T Silva Stables, LLC. T-Darren Taneyhill. D-Geo. Napolitano Jr.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: H, 1Q, 1Q, 1Q, NK - Finish Order: Lear Seelster, Billy Badger N, Prairie Panther, I'm Benicio A, Bill Haley N

## THE MEADOWS report

### Saturday's Results:

**1, Mea, \$16,000, Pace**, \*\*OPEN HANDICAP\*\* P.P1 ASSIGNED; 2-5 DRAWN, 27.0, 55.1, 1:24.0, 1:51.0, FT

**1-Macadoodledoo (g, 6, Somebeachsomewhere--Pirouette Hanover, by Western Ideal)** \$8,000, Lifetime Record: 88-17-19-19, \$255,574  
O-Burke Racing Stable LLC & Weaver Brussemi LLC. B-Jeffrey S Snyder. T-Ron Burke. D-Ronnie Wrenn Jr.



**PREFERRED EQUINE**

*Mixed Sale Graduate*

**2-Wild Wild Western** (h, 5, Western Ideal--Caila Fra, by Artsplace) \$4,000, \$55,000 2017 SHS-HBG, Lifetime Record: 50-14-14-8, \$292,862  
O-Jacobs Creek Racing LLC & Andrew J Altobelli & John P Deters. B-Frederick W Hertrich III. T-Norm Parker. D-Mike Wilder.

**3-Whos Better** (g, 6, Bettor's Delight--Whos Up Whos Down, by Western Ideal) \$1,920, \$60,000 2016 LEX-SEL, Lifetime Record: 87-15-14-18, \$257,569  
O-Jean M Rastetter. B-Dunroven Stud LLC. T-Jean Rastetter. D-Chris Shaw.

►► [Replay](#) ►► Calls: 3H, 6, 3H, 1H, 2Q - Finish Order: Lyons Skipper, Windsong Leo



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