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News: Ohio Tracks

Hollywood Dayton Ends Meet With Huge Gains

By Gregg Keidel

DAYTON, OH. - Hollywood Dayton Raceway is pleased to report a whopping 52% increase in total all-source wagering on its recently-concluded 2017 live meet. Because there were 76 days in the track's fourth annual meet, six more than in 2016, the average daily increase was 42% in a year-over-year comparison.

The numbers are particularly impressive in light of the recent industry report that total wagering on United States harness racing fell by 4.4% in 2017. That same report indicated that total purses across the country were up 2.35% last year.

Total purses at Hollywood Dayton's 2017 meet exceeded \$8.5 million, for an average of \$112,000 per program, an 18% increase over 2016.

Highlight of the meet were the Grand Circuit races in September, the \$167,000 Dayton Trotting Derby and the \$140,000 Dayton Pacing Derby. Pasithea Face S (Tim Tetrick) set a new 1:53 track record for trotting mares when she bested males Crazy Wow and JL Cruze in the feature trot. Rockin Ron (Matt Kakaley) bested Dealt A Winner and Missile J to cop the pace in 1:50.2.

Hollywood Dayton looks forward to the 2018 meet which opens on September 10, with both the Dayton Trotting and Pacing Derbies featured on Friday, September 28.

Kauffman and Brewer take Dayton titles;

Woebkenberg honored

By Gregg Keidel

Dayton, OH --- Manhattan Beach won the \$18,500 Open Pace; Kayne Kauffman and Jeff Brewer were crowned leading driver and leading trainer; and starter Mike Woebkenberg was presented with an appreciation blanket for his yeoman efforts promoting harness racing--all as the curtain dropped on Hollywood Dayton Raceway's fourth meet on Saturday (Dec. 30), its most successful to date.

Driver Trace Tetrick got Manhattan Beach on the muscle early and was determined to make the balance of the full field play catch-me-if-you-

can. After posting a :27.1 first quarter despite single digit temperatures, Tetrick throttled the eventual winner to a :56 halfway point. Forced to speed up by the first-over attack of Starlite Kid (Trevor Smith), Manhattan Beach tripped the three-quarter beam in 1:23.4 and then scooted home a clear winner in 1:52.3. Heavy favorite Enoch (Chris Page) enjoyed a pocket ride throughout but could never really threaten, settling for runner-up honors. Starlite Kid held for third.

Manhattan Beach is a 4-year-old son of Somebeachsomewhere owned by John McGill and Brian Carsey and trained by Walter Haynes Jr. It was the sixth seasonal win from 24 2017 starts and left the winner less than \$1,000 shy of a \$100,000 year.

Kayne Kauffman won his first Hollywood Dayton dash title, although he has previously won meets at nearby Miami Valley Raceway and the old Lebanon Raceway. The 39-year-old reinsman won 120 races during the 76-day meet, good for purse earnings of over \$850,000. Career-wise Kauffman is nearing 3,000 wins and eclipsed the \$17 million earnings plateau on closing night.

Jeff Brewer notched his second Hollywood Dayton training title by sending out 41 winners in 210 starts during the recently concluded meet. Brewer is closing in rapidly on the \$10 million earnings achievement and has accumulated 1,921 lifetime training wins. This was his first million-dollar season with \$1,119,366 deposited into his stable owners' coffers.

Starter Mike Woebkenberg was surprised with a handmade commemorative blanket to thank him for his tireless efforts to promote harness racing. Fans Ann and Ray Lufkin presented the blanket with the aid of special guest Roger Huston, Deb Noble and members of the local drivers colony.

Hollywood Dayton enjoyed competitive racing with full fields, excellent track conditions, several new track records and an impressive increase in average daily handle during 2017.

The management at Hollywood Dayton wants to thank all the owners, trainers, drivers and caretakers who participated in the racing program this season. We look forward to September 2018, when our fifth season of live racing gets underway.



Driver/Trainer presentation to Kayne Kauffman & Jeff Brewer.
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Presentation to Mike Woebkenberg.
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News: Ohio County Fair / Horsemen Association

Western Ohio Colt Racing Association Held Annual Banquet

By Katie Meddles

This banquet is our "Thank You" to the horsemen for participating in the WOCRA fairs. It was held October 22, 2017 at Mt. Victory Plaza in Mt. Victory, Ohio.

We started as usual with introductions by President Fricke. The pledge was led by President Fricke and the invocation by Ron Wulber. Mike Woebkenberg then MC'ed the event. The food was great. We had prime rib and broasted chicken. You can't beat that.

Mike started out with the H D Schoonover Award presented by Sandy Schoonover, Sharon and Rick Wyant. The recipient, Ed Greeno Sr., was dearly surprised I think. He had a ten second loss for words.

Dr. CW and Bess Field's daughter, Becky Field, presented the Dr. CW Field Memorial and Bess Field Memorial for the fastest pace and fastest trot. The pace was earned by 2CP Carmensdaleyapple winning for Joe Paver and driven by Pierce Henry. For the trot, 3FT was presented to Gertie Jean, owned by Mike Molitor and Walden Meyer with Pierce Henry as driver. Then after the banquet it was brought to my attention that 3CT Rose Run Spanky was also the fastest trot, owned by Kimberly Dailey, Kevin D Snyder and Shane G Hines, driven by Jeff Nisonger and a trophy was delivered following the banquet.

For the divisional winners, the girls go first. Our 2FP award was won by Princess Kay, owned by John Predmore and Richard Bauder. Drivers of Princess Kay were Duke Sugg, Randy Tharps and Jack Dailey.

There was a tie for the 2FT award. This is She, owned by David Meyer and Kelly Meyer, driven by David Meyers and Bellesvictorysong, owned by Theodore Black and driven by Mark Winters, Sr.

The 3FP award was won by Banger L, owned by LeVan Stables Inc., driven by Greg Bateson, Cameron McCown, Louis LeVan and Jack Dailey. Tori's Chip won the 3FT award for owner Phillip H Groves and drivers Pierce Henry and Trevor Smith.

Now for the boys. The 2CT award was Wexford, owned by Constance Polhamus and driven by Mike Polhamus, Scott Cisco and Cameron McCown. 2CP award was went to Carmensdaleyapple for Joe Paver with Pierce Henry as driver. He

won 16 of 16 starts.

3CT award was won by Stars A Winner, owned by Roy and Melissa Burns, driven by Roy Burns. 3CP award went to Sharplookin Finale, owned by Scott Hagemeyer, driven by Mark Winters, Sr.

The driver and trainer awards are as followed:

<u>Drivers</u>	<u>Trainers</u>
2CP Pierce Henry	Mark Winters, Sr.
2CT Jack Dailey	Ed Greeno, Jr.
2FP Scott Cisco	Mark Rowe
2FT Ed Greeno, Jr.	Mark Winters, Sr.
3CP J Duke Sugg	Mark Winters, Sr.
3CT Jeff Nisonger	Ron Wulber
3FP Cameron McCown	Herb LeVan
3FT Pierce Henry	Harry Groves

Thank you to everyone who donated door prizes, crafts, auction articles and sang Happy Birthday to Esther LeVan who turned 99 the next day.

Thank you to the ladies and gentlemen who have helped me with the banquet and at the fairs: Rosemary Stimmel, Candy Bostick, Nancy Fricke, Bonnie Watkins, Ann and Ray Lufkin, Kay Rush, Amy Joseph, Jen Kramer, Mike and Becky Woebkenburg. Thank you to our favorite stores: Rural King, Maries' Candies, TSC and many arts and crafts stores.

Thank you to the representatives: Denny Fricke, Wayne Lybarger, Randy Leopard, Brad Wallace, Paul and Nancy Rickenbacher, Josh Miller, Bob Geist, Eleanor Risser, Matt Henman, Luke Karhoff and many others. Finally, thanks to the Mt. Victory Plaza for all they do for a successful banquet.

Ohio Colt Racing Association Annual Meeting and Banquet

by Lisa Schwartz

The Ohio Colt Racing Association annual meeting and banquet was held on Sunday November 5, 2017 on one of the last warm days of the fall. Awards were presented for each of the eight gait and age classes and were received with pride by their connections.

Dinner was provided by The Willow in Washington Court House and the food was so exceptional that one attendee made their reservation for next year already just because of the meal. Kudos to the cook!

OCRA has been holding this banquet in



November for about 40 years and we hope to see you all next year for an even bigger and better event.

Other Upcoming Dates and Events

by Bill Peters

The Defiance County Area Horsemen's Association will sponsor a silent auction for stallion fees which will conclude on Saturday, March 24th at 5:00 p.m.

Harness racing matinée at the Wyandot County Fairgrounds in Upper Sandusky will be on Saturday, May 19th. Post time will be at 1:00 p.m. The rain date will be Sunday, May 20th. Entries will be taken on Wednesday, May 16th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All entries should be phoned to (419) 298-7408 or (419) 630-5952. The entry fee will be \$20.00 per horse.

There will be matinee harness racing at the Defiance County Fairgrounds in Hicksville on Saturday, May 26th. Post time will be at 12:00 noon. The rain date will be on Monday, May 28th. Entries will be taken on Wednesday, May 23rd from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All entries should be phoned to (419) 298-7408 or (419) 630-5952. The entry fee will be \$10.00 per horse. There will be many grandstand giveaways, including tickets to major and minor league baseball games.

Adventures in Vet School

First Semester of Vet School

By: Lyndsay Hagemeyer

One down eight more to go! My first semester of vet school at Ohio Sate was amazing! Before I get to the details, I want to thank all the people and horses who have helped along this journey.

I enjoyed every class of first semester, but my two favorites were Clinical Pathology and Radiology. I learned how to interpret blood work and evaluate X-rays. I particularly enjoyed learning these techniques because as a future equine veterinarian, I will be using these a lot!

Vet school is endless hours of classroom work and studying. But, as a girl who was raised in a barn, I just have to get my hands dirty. Once a week I volunteer in the Equine ICU. This usually involves a late-night shift of monitoring patients, helping with treatments, and preparing for incoming emergencies. One night after shadowing in the ICU, I was able to observe a colic surgery. I could see the horse's owners anxiously watching the surgery from the viewing window. I knew exactly how they felt because I have looked through that same window, with a horse in my care undergoing surgery.

OSU Vet School has a club for every aspect of veterinary medicine. Clubs give students some hands-on learning outside the classroom

and the chance to meet others with similar interests. Through the equine club, I learned how to perform an endoscopy. I was so excited to get the chance to scope a horse and see the structures inside the guttural pouches.

Spring semester is sure to be challenging, but I can't wait to continue learning. I'm sure some nights I will be studying for an exam, while working in the foaling barn back home.



Attention OHHA members who are studying in an equine related field, we would love to hear about your college experiences. Feel free to submit an article, photos or contact us so we can put together a story. Send all items to rmayhugh@ohha.com or call the office.



OHHA Sends Condolences to friends and families of Roger Hall, Pearl Johnson, Jay Lewis Laing, William Glessner Paull and Leonard Rich.

Full obituaries can be found on the OHHA website www.ohha.com/obituaries.

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This year we are going to be sharing Ohio legislators in The Buckeye Harness Horseman. If you would like to see your legislator highlighted, let us know and we will try to include them.

Did you can keep up date with news and updates from the Ohio Senate and Ohio House of Representatives and you can find your legislator's contact information by visiting their websites: Ohio Senate <http://ohiosenate.gov/index>
Ohio House of Representatives <http://www.ohiohouse.gov/>

Many of your legislators also have Facebook pages that you can use to connect with them and learn what they are doing.

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Meet the Byers, Minton, & Associates Team:

Bill Byers: Bill has gained more than 16 years of experience in government relations. Starting his career in the Ohio Senate, he has served positions with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Governor's Office of Science & Technology, and Personal Staff Assistant to Ohio Governor George Voinovich. He has represented the Ohio State Medical Association as the Director of Government Affairs, Vice President of External Relations for Nationwide Children's Hospital, and President of the Ohio Lobbying Association. Bill holds a Political Science degree from The Ohio State University and earned his Juris Doctorate from Capital University Law School.



Andrew Minton: Andrew has represented clients before the Ohio General Assembly and administrative agencies since 2000. Previously, Andrew was an owner of Minton Public Policy, where he was responsible for generating new business, representing clients within Ohio government, and achieving client success through advocacy. He gained legislative experience serving as the chief aide to the House Republican Health Committee chairman and by working within the Ohio Department of Human Services and the Ohio Department of Transportation. Andrew is a graduate of Ohio University with a degree in Political Science.



Greg Bennett: Greg has experience in both the state legislature and non-profit sector. A graduate of the University of Akron's Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics, Greg began his career instate policy at a non-profit organization educating General Assembly candidates on energy and public utility issues. Greg was then selected as a member of the esteemed Legislative Service Commission Fellowship and quickly became Senator Troy Balderson's legislative aide. Having worked on an array of issues dealing with Energy, Public Utilities, Transportation, and Workforce Development, Greg brings valuable knowledge of the legislative and regulatory processes to BMA's clientele.

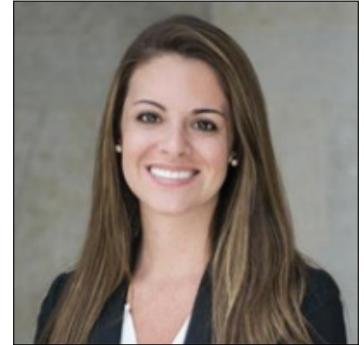


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Stephen Nielson: Stephen comes to Byers, Minton & Associates with a diverse range of experiences. From being selected as a Legislative Service Commission fellow, to Senator Gardner's administrative aide, and then landing the position of Senator Seitz's legislative aide, Stephen gained a keen understanding of the legislative process. Prior to his time in the General Assembly, Stephen worked for Congressman Geoff Davis and worked on several campaigns in Kentucky. He is a graduate of Northern Kentucky University with a Political Science degree and a minor in Pre-law.

Michele Staton: Prior to joining Byers, Minton & Associates, Michele gained valuable knowledge in the state legislature as she served as Senator Bob Peterson's office page during college and Senator Gayle Manning's legislative aide post graduation. As the first point of contact for the office, she helped clerk the Transportation, Commerce, and Labor Committee of which Senator Manning was Chair and assisted with the Transportation Budget bill and Operating Budget. She is a graduate of The Ohio State University holding a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a specialization in Marketing.



Erin Froehlich

Erin joins Byers, Minton & Associates after working on the successful reelection campaign for Representative Dever in Ohio's 28th House District. She is a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in Political Science/Pre-law and a minor in Spanish. While in college, Erin gained valuable legislative knowledge as an intern in the Michigan House of Representatives and went on to work as an administrative assistant for Public Affairs Associates, a Lansing based lobbying firm. She additionally gained grassroots experience working on a gubernatorial and state senate campaign while living in Michigan. She is responsible for the day-to-day operations including duties such as scheduling, billing, regulatory monitoring, and front-door client relations.



OHHA Annual Awards Banquet

(L-R) Representatives Kyle Koehler, Brian Hill, Jim Buchy, Scott Lipps, Rick Carfagna

Photo by Byers, Minton & Associates

Get to Know Your Legislators

Meet State Representative Rick Carfagna

State Representative Rick Carfagna is serving his first term in the Ohio House of Representatives. He represents the 68th House District, which includes the eastern half of Delaware County and all of Knox County.

A native of the Columbus area, Rick earned his B.A. in Political Science from John Carroll University. Following graduation, Rick was accepted into the Ohio Legislative Service Commission's Fellowship Program and later served as a legislative aide in the Ohio House of Representatives where he staffed the House Public Utilities Committee.

From 2002 until 2017, Carfagna worked as Government Relations Manager for Time Warner Cable, where he oversaw legislative and regulatory issues at the local, state and federal levels. He also served as the company's primary liaison to more than 400 municipalities and townships throughout Central and Southeast Ohio. Among his accomplishments, Rick helped expand broadband infrastructure to unserved households, and also coordinated the provision of complimentary video services to scores of K-12 schools, local government facilities, and local first responders.

In 2009, Carfagna was elected to the Genoa Township Board of Trustees and was re-elected in 2013. He was appointed by his peers to serve as Board Chair in 2011, 2014, and 2016. In 2016, the Genoa Township Business Association recognized Carfagna with its "Public Servant of the Year" Award.

Representative Carfagna serves as Vice-Chair of the House

Public Utilities Committee, and also sits on the Agriculture & Rural Development, Rules & Reference, and State & Local Government Committees. He has also been named to the Ohio Retirement Study Council, which oversees the state's five public employee pension funds, the Statewide Emergency Services Internet Protocol Network Steering Committee, Ohio Power Siting Board, and the Public Benefits Advisory Board.

Other examples of Rick's community involvement include service on the Delaware Area Chamber of Commerce's Business Development Task Force, participation on the Westerville City School District's Fiscal Review Committee, co-chairing BalletMet's Advocacy Committee, serving on assorted teams with the United Way of Delaware County, and cooking at his church's annual Spaghetti Dinner fund-raiser. He also remains politically active as a longtime elected member of the Delaware County Republican Party's Central Committee, and has assisted with numerous political campaigns over the years.

Rick and his wife, Jill, reside in Genoa Township and are the proud parents of a daughter, Isabella.



Meet State Representative Kyle Koehler

State Representative Kyle Koehler is serving his second term in the Ohio House. He represents the 79th District, which includes portions of Clark County.

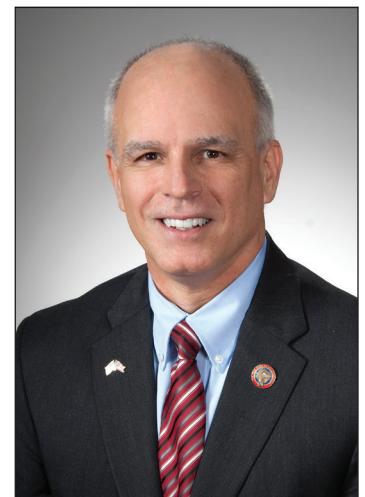
A life-long resident of the county, Koehler graduated from Wright State University in 1984 with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Computer Science. He spent seven years working for government contractors for the Air Force and Navy as a Senior Software Engineer. He worked on everything from applying artificial intelligence to signal analysis to developing human interface systems for naval aircrafts.

He returned to the family business as a Vice President in charge of Design and Development in 1990. K.K. Tool is the quintessential family business in that six of seven brothers and sisters all work together (with the rest of

their employees) to make K.K. Tool Company a growing success.

Civic involvement is very important to Koehler. He worships at Fellowship Christian Church in Springfield and is an active member of the church community. He is a lifelong supporter of Springfield Young Life, and a member of North Hampton Lions Club and Springfield Kiwanis.

Representative Koehler and his wife, Kathrin, have been married for 28 years. They have five children.



2018 Stallions

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Trotters

E L ROCKET 3, 1:53.1s (\$233,935)
CREDIT WINNER - COURTNEY HALL
From a family of top stallions in the world! INTRODUCTORY STUD FEE: \$2,500

SPRING GOAL 5, 1:53.1s (\$225,530)
YANKEE GLIDE - MARAGOAL MISS
Standing his second season in 2018. STUD FEE: \$1,500

STORMIN NORMAND 3, 1:51.4f (\$600,052)
BROADWAY HALL - IDOLE NORMAND
First racing crop in 2017 came out strong and extremely competitive. STUD FEE: \$3,000

TRIUMPHANT CAVIAR 3, 1:51.4s (\$796,794)
SJ'S CAVIAR - ENS TAG SESSION
World Champion producing multiple stakes winners and champions. STUD FEE: \$5,000

Pacers

DOMETHATAGAIN p,1:48.0f (\$1,144,044)
BETTOR'S DELIGHT - ROAD SIGN
Fastest and richest son of Bettor's Delight standing in Ohio. STUD FEE: \$3,000

MISTER BIG p,4, 1:47.4m (\$4,143,492)
GRINFROMEARTOEAR - WORLD'S SWEETHEART
Richest pacing stallion of all time. First Ohio crop racing in 2018. STUD FEE: \$2,500

WE WILL SEE p,3, 1:49.0f, p,1:47.2m (\$2,549,409)
WESTERN HANOVER - ABERDAKARA
Early speed. World record setter. Promising first crop raced in 2017. STUD FEE: \$4,000

WESTERN VINTAGE p,2, 1:49.4, p,3, 1:49.4 (\$402,478)
WESTERN IDEAL - MAJOR HARMONY
Extreme 2-year-old speed. Promising first crop racing in 2018. STUD FEE: \$3,500

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Ohio Harness Racing Fantasy Stable Completed First Year

by Regina Mayhugh

The first year of the Ohio Harness Racing Fantasy Stable has been completed. The Fantasy Stable was open to any individual who has not owned a Standardbred that has raced in the last two years. The contest ran from July 1st through December 31st. There were 110 participants and the winning Stable with \$3,130,978 in stable earnings was LVNV. The 1st prize package consisted of a \$2,500 cash prize, one share in a fractional ownership group for 2018 and two tickets to the OHHA Awards Banquet. Circus Maximus took second place with \$2,717,576 in earnings and won a \$2,000 cash prize, one share in a fractional ownership stable that is sanctioned by the USTA for 2018 and two tickets to the OHHA Awards Banquet. Third place went to Savannah Stables with earnings of \$2,668,502. This prize was \$1,500 cash, one share in a fractional ownership stable that is sanctioned by the USTA for 2018 and two tickets to the OHHA Awards Banquet.

The complete list of final stable earnings has been posted on the OHHA website at <http://www.ohha.com/fantasy-stable> and information for the 2018 Ohio Harness Racing Fantasy League will be posted there again later this spring. Congratulations to the winners and we hope everyone else enjoyed playing!



Sheila Santantonio, owner of LVNV Stable.

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2,1:59.1f; 3,1:54.2h; 4,1:51.4 (\$796,794)

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CONSOLIDATOR, 4, 1:53.2F (\$435,248)

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KESTREL, 4, 1:52.1F, (\$391,845)

KANTHAKA, 3, 1:53.4F, (\$358,882)

A TC QUEENIE, 4, 1:53.0F, (\$272,766)

BUCKEYE BOSS, 3, 1:55.1F, (\$259,149)

ALWAYS A GOOD TIME, 3, 1:54.4H, (\$218,409)

GABBYSLOOSECHANGE, 3, 1:54.4H, (\$186,585)

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New Beginnings



Photo Matthew Ritter

Incorrigible Puller on the Track, Slippery Slope is All Smiles Under Saddle

By Shannon Magee

When Slippery Slope, a 2011 gelding by Glidemaster, was consigned to the Blooded Horse Sale in the fall of 2016, his owners worried that his future career could be too similar to his name – uncertain and risky. The striking black trotter with a splash of white, who won only \$3,490 in eight starts, was a headstrong runaway at the track. Around the barn, though, Slippery Slope’s personality had endeared him to his owners, who were concerned that his dashing good looks would make him a popular choice for a buggy horse – not the best fit for an incorrigible and powerful runaway. It was with trepidation that they watched the bidding unfold at the auction.

In a twist that sounds like a Hollywood invention, Slippery Slope’s Northfield Park based owners, Ngaire and Clair Umholtz and Dan Kennedy, purchased him back for \$7,500 and then donated him to New Vocations to ensure that he would receive the training, and the sensitive future owner, he deserved. It was the best Christmas present ever for Ngaire, who

was in tears as she realized his future was assured.

Working under saddle with trainer Jennifer Daniels, Slippery Slope learned that being receptive to a rider – yielding, and not pushing into the bit (the opposite of his race training) - meant that he would receive his own gift: adopter Shannon Wilson of NJ. When he was adopted last May, she was immediately impressed with his potential, saying, “He has done nothing but amaze me every day I have worked with him.”

The gelding has gone on to a variety of new experiences, all of which he has handled with aplomb. Attending the National Standardbred Horse Show with only three weeks preparation due to a hoof abscess, Slippery Slope demonstrated his versatility in competing in 4 classes from Rookie Hunters to Dressage, landing in the ribbons. Out of the ring, he has excelled in new endeavors like trail riding. “He went swimming in a lake and was introduced to galloping alongside one of his Thoroughbred barn buddies. He flew right past my friend’s horse!” recalls Wilson.

Slippery Slope has also impressed with his respectful and well-mannered attitude in other areas. Attending a parade with the Standardbred Pleasure Horse Organization, he was dressed up as strawberry, all while handling the experience like a pro. “He would rather be marching with the band!” Wilson remembers. He has also been a gift to her young nieces, working patiently with them. “He understood he had to take care of them.” she says, proudly. “I stood at the center of the arena and let them have full control.”

The personable gelding has impressed with everything from his canter to his good looks to his smile. Yes, Slippery Slope is so happy now that it’s become his trademark. Says Wilson: “We’re trying to come up with a barn name for him that has something to do with smiling. In almost every picture taken at the show, he’s smiling! My boyfriend got a cute video of him walking back with our third place ribbon and he smiled all the way to the fence. He’s known as the smiling horse!”

Slippery Slope, a former runaway in harness, is now soft and supple under saddle. He has found his niche and the home his former owners longed for. Wilson says, “He’s amazing and loved by everyone!”



E L ROCKET



Photo by Frances Blazer

3, 1:53.1s (\$233,935)
CREDIT WINNER ~ COURTNEY HALL ~ GARLAND LOBELL

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Ohio Racing Commission Meeting Recaps, by Renée Mancino

August 29, 2017

In normal business for the Commission the Executive Director's Approval items for ratification were introduced. No documents relative to the approvals were provided or disclosed to those in attendance. There was no discussion on the items provided to the Commissioners. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the Executive Director's Approval items.

The Executive Director's Report included Hollywood Gaming at Dayton, Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley, and Delaware County Agricultural Society items. No documents relative to the approvals were provided to those in attendance. The Agenda items included Waiver of Surety Bond, List of Officials, Number of Races and Wagering Format, Post Times, Simulcasting Schedule, and Letter to the Fire Marshall for the pari-mutuel racetracks. No discussion relative to the requests, the Racing Commission unanimously approved the submissions. On Delaware County Fair the agenda items were 2017 Futures wagering on the Little Brown Jug, Export Simulcasting for September 19-21, 11:00 a.m. two-day detention for the Little Brown Jug and Jugette, waiver of Rule 3769-15-31(b)(2) to apply the "preference rule", and request for approval of the wagering format. After a brief discussion of the items including OHHA approval on export simulcasting and the Racing Commission unanimously approved the submissions.

On the agenda item for the Harness Horsemen's Health and Retirement Program ratification of appointed Trustee Hugh "Sandy" Beatty Jr. nominated January 21, 2017 with ratification requested February 2017 by

letter. The Racing Commission provided commentary that they were not inclined to ratifying the appointment without receiving the HHHRP's independent audit, which was previously requested. Discussion concerning the Racing Commission having the authority to request the audits and the facts that HHHRP had turned over the Financial Form 990 on February 16, 2017 in addition to an HHHRP Trustee appearing in May 2017 with a copy of the Audit for a private meeting with the Chairman and a Commissioner to review in person. The Racing Commission did not see the compromises engaged in as adequate, they wanted a physical copy to include in their files, which the Corporation was opposed to for several reasons. Among them was making the Audits a matter of public record if full copies were turned over to their possession. The Racing Commission tabled the issue for consideration at September's Commission meeting.

The Racing Commission unanimously passed Resolution 2017-04 the distribution of casino tax revenue. Based on the total revenue of \$2,041,473.69 for the second quarter of 2017 the breakdown was 30.04% to the Thoroughbred purse pools and Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund based on 2,361 races and 49.96% to the Standardbred purse pools and Standardbred Development Fund calculated on 6,624 total races. For Standardbred racetrack purse pools that included: Miami Valley Raceway at 5.65% for \$115,276.80, Northfield Park at 15.43% for \$315,007.23, Dayton Raceway 4.47% for \$91,228.99, and Scioto Downs 5.42% for \$110,600.84. Also, included in the revenue disbursement were 15% distributions to each of the Standardbred permit holders for commercial operations of \$76,555.26 and a \$102,073.71

(5%) distribution to the Ohio State Racing Commission to pay administrative staff that support the OSDF and TRF, and costs or fees associated with, Miami Valley Gaming and Racing, Northfield Park, Belterra Park and Scioto Downs.

The Permit Holders provided details on 2018 Race Dates. Miami Valley Gaming requested 87 live racing days from January 7th to May 7, 2018. Northfield Park requested 220 live racing days January 1st to December 31, 2018. Hollywood at Dayton requested 75 live racing days September 10th to December 29, 2018. Scioto Downs requested 90 live racing days May 8th to September 9, 2018. R.C. 3769.089(B)(2) sets forth minimum live race day requirements based upon yearly gross VLT revenue calculations. Those calculations for 2015 result in a minimum live day requirement for Northfield Park of 125 live days, Scioto Downs for 125 live days, Miami Valley for 100 live days, and Hollywood at Dayton, 75 days with the potential to be 100 days depending on their final actual gross VLT revenue number. The Racing Commission made it clear that they were mandating no date overlap in the southern half of the state between the Hollywood at Dayton, Miami Valley, and Scioto Downs live schedules. The Racing Commission further required consecutive running of meets at those same locations. Due to these mandates Miami Valley and Scioto Downs had to enter into Two-Party Agreements with the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association to permit the reduction of those mandatory live race days below the statutory required minimum and Dayton Raceway would have to do the same if their gross revenue mandated 100 live racing days. The Racing Commission unanimously

approved Northfield Park, Mahoning Valley, and Belterra's applications with those that needed two party agreements being held over to September's Commission meeting.

There was no monthly status update on Permit Holder and Horsemen's Agreement Negotiations between Belterra Park and the Ohio Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (OHBPA).

Eldorado Scioto Downs Grandstand issues was on the agenda for discussion. Stacy Cahill, General Manager of Racing Operations, and Bill Gustafson Vice President and General Manager of Eldorado Scioto Downs appeared to discuss the current state of the situation. A week before the season opened they received a report that substantial repairs were necessary on the roof façade. Since that time, they have received two recommendations from engineering firms to take down the entire structure. The summer meet has progressed and they are currently in the exploratory phase of deciding what to do at the property. Assistant GM Cahill explained that they currently have a grandstand capacity of 3,000, clubhouse capacity of 540 and roughly 300 that can be seated in the patio area. The Chairman inquired as-to what they are planning and opined he would like to see covered seating. Commissioner Winters commented that he, "would hate to see this go beyond two seasons". Commissioner Book was concerned about seating and wanted calculations to be commensurate with other newly constructed facilities.

Mr. Gustafson commented that the intent was to do the right thing to position the company

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Charley Barley

Son of Western Hanover

P, 2, 1:53.3; 3, 1:52.2 f (\$385,855)

2018 Stud Fee
\$2,000



Sire of 31 in 2:00, 17 in 1:55; 1 in 1:50 from 69 foals, 47 starters including **NITRO** p, 4 1:49.4s (\$412,079), **BERAZZLED** (M) p, 3 1:52.1f (\$295,781), **WILBUR'S Z TAM** p, 5 1:51.2s (\$219,855), **HUSTLING CHARLEY** p, 3 1:51.3f (\$156,283), **BARLEY UP** p, 3 1:52.1s (\$108,731), **BARLEY NATION** p, 3 1:53.3f (\$68,285), **BOURBON AND BARLEY** p 3, Q1:55.4h (\$205,605)
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for the future, they want to put something out there that will, “make the citizens of Ohio proud”, but that they were still in the process of deciding what that would be as a master plan. Likely to be a multi-million-dollar proposition they were taking their time discussing it at the corporate level and would update the Commission when they had a course of action.

The Racing Commission’s Consulting Veterinarian, Dr. Robertson provided the details on the horse racing related catastrophic fatalities for 2017. For the month of July and August there were 10 and 6 catastrophic Thoroughbred fatalities and 1 Standardbred fatality. The 2017 year-to-date totals being 30 Thoroughbred and 4 Standardbred fatalities whether racing or training. Dr. Robertson commented that there was no common thread in the thoroughbred fatalities and to try to attribute it to one factor would be inappropriate. It was noted that Ohio thoroughbred fatalities are below the national average.

The OSRC Financial Report was provided with the monthly totals for the end of the Biennium putting the OSRC \$345,000 up or 32% over Fiscal Year 2016. Overall revenue is up 6% for the next biennial budget reporting period. Expense are down with timing of invoices credited with reducing reported expenses.

An Out-of-Competition discussion was held. The OHHA provided written comments (included in the Buckeye Harness Horsemen’s September 2017 Issue). The Ohio HBPA comments were brief and addressed the underlying Association of Racing Commissioner’s International (ARCI) Model Rule being used

and the appropriateness of passage at the State level when the ARCI was still struggling with implementation of a final Rule due to the many issues at play. With the uncertainty of the Model Rule consideration of a formal proposal now is premature and the Racing Commission tabled the discussion until the September 26th Medication and Testing Forum could be held.

In the matter of the Financial Judgments, Chris Short had three Judgement claims presented, cases 2017-4, 2017-8, and 2017-17. Mr. Short did not appear and no one appeared on his behalf. The judgment creditors in cases 2017-8 and 2017-14 appeared. Claim 2017-8 was a Judgement from Warren County Agricultural Society of which \$7,780 was outstanding. Judgement 2017-14 was a Judgement for Board and Breeding Fees with Hagemeyer Farms from April 2016 with \$2,122 remaining on a Judgement that had some payment applied towards the original total, but that was still outstanding to date. 2017-17 was a Judgement claim by Mr. Short’s former owner, Michael Puff, which Executive Director Crawford represented was no longer on the agenda because to his knowledge it had been satisfied. Based on the discussion among the Racing Commission and Witnesses that appeared to discuss 2017-4 and 2017-8 the Racing Commission recommended and unanimously approved suspension of Mr. Short’s licenses on September 15, 2017 if the judgments remaining were not satisfied in full prior to that date.

The Racing Commission adjourned into Executive Session to discuss employment hiring, and employee-related compensation. Upon the conclusion of the Executive

Session there would be no further business so the Motion and Vote was taken to adjourn into Executive Session and conclude the meeting.

September 26, 2017

In normal business for the Commission the Executive Director’s Approval items for ratification were introduced. No documents relative to the approvals were provided or disclosed to those in attendance. There was no discussion on the items provided to the Commissioners. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the Executive Director’s Approval items.

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also made it clear that they were mandating no overlap in the southern half of the state between the Hollywood at Dayton, Miami Valley, and Scioto Downs live schedules, so if Hollywood Gaming at Dayton’s gross exceeded the amount necessary to go to 100 live racing days the schedule would have to be truncated by Agreement. Miami Valley and Scioto Downs had entered into Two-Party Agreements with the Ohio Harness Horsemen’s Association to permit the reduction of those mandatory live race days below the statutory required minimum and Dayton Raceway would have to do the same if their gross revenue mandated 100 live racing days. The Racing Commission unanimously approved Miami Valley and Scioto Downs dates for 2018, temporarily approving Dayton for 75 days depending upon their final gross VLT revenue numbers. The issue will be revisited depending upon the final number for the year.

There was no monthly status update on Permit Holder and Horsemen’s Agreement Negotiations between Belterra Park and the Ohio Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association (OHBPBA).

Agenda item for the Harness Horsemen’s Health and Retirement Program ratification of appointed Trustee Hugh “Sandy” Beatty Jr. held over from the August 2017 meeting. Discussion was held among the Commissioners with the Chairman asking each if they had received a copy of the audit for their files. The Chairman then provided commentary that they still had not received a physical copy of the HHHRP’s Audit to keep in their files. The Chairman requested a vote, which was taken denying ratification of the HHHRP Trustee with no additional

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Credit Fashion

2, 1:57.1f; 4, 1:53.3h (\$320,240)

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comment or discussion. The Racing Commission's Consulting Veterinarian, Dr. Robertson provided the details on the horse racing related catastrophic fatalities for 2017. For the month of August 2 catastrophic Thoroughbred fatalities and 1 Standardbred fatality. The 2017 year-to-date totals being 32 Thoroughbred and 5 Standardbred fatalities whether racing or training.

The OSRC Financial Report was provided with a 3% overall increase so far over the start of Fiscal Year 2017, aided by Casino Revenue up 4%. Tax Revenue was down 4% and other expense are down 13% to date over last year. The expenses will reverse the trend with September's report when the Department of Agriculture's invoice is due. The Racing Commission's Operating Fund increased in value to \$2,000,000. There is a meeting scheduled later today to discuss the Department of Agriculture's 2018 proposed cost projection for medication and testing with costs expected to increase 28%, which is in addition to the 20% increase seen for 2017's medication and testing. The Department of Agriculture has agreed to discuss the cost increase; however, they would be shifting that increase in costs to the horsemen. The Chairman said he was putting the horsemen on Notice that the increase in costs regardless of negotiation would be shifted to the horsemen.

In the Matter of Curtis Rice 2017-13, the Commission discussed an April 19, 2017 incident whereby a random racetrack search of Mr. Rice turned up syringes in his pocket and in a tack room he was occupying, but the tack room was rumored to have been someone else's tack room. For ratification was a

settlement agreement entered into between Mr. Rice and the Racing Commission Mr. Rice has agreed to a settlement with the Ohio State Racing Commission with a one-hundred-and-fifty-day suspension and a fine of five hundred dollars to be paid to the Commission by February 27, 2018. Mr. Rice is barred from all tracks governed by the OSRC during his suspension. Any horses under Mr. Rice's care that he wants to transfer must be approved by the judges or the OSRC.

The Racing Commission continued investigation on medication and testing in Ohio and received testimony opinion on the adoption (or not) of uniform RMTTC and ARCI backed model rules. Dr. Dan Wilson, racetrack veterinarian with Lake Equine Associates, full-time consummate practitioner primarily servicing Northfield Park from 1975 to date, and Dr. John Reichert, with Woodland Run, licensed in eleven states is one of the most prolific backstretch veterinarians on the southern circuit, his primary practice, includes Scioto Downs, Miami Valley, and Dayton Raceway. Both Veterinarians appeared again as representatives for the Standardbred Racing Industry.

Both testified on the efficacy of being able to use all the tools in their therapeutic repertoire and the practical uses that go to the health, safety and welfare of the horse. Drs. Wilson and Reichert both opined as-to the need for separate Standardbred, Thoroughbred threshold levels for specific therapeutic medications. As currently promulgated the RMTTC rules unfairly penalize Standardbreds and jeopardize their health, safety, and welfare. Dr. Reichert explained that corticosteroids are often confused with anabolic steroids, which were problematic in professional

baseball. Corticosteroids are a misunderstood therapeutic tool and with judicious use in equine athletes, corticosteroids prolong the athletic career and life quality of the racehorse, and are a necessary tool for the health and welfare of racehorses.

They also highlighted that the proposed RMTTC and ARCI rules would eliminate the use of Clenbuterol for inflammatory airway disease (essentially asthma) within 14 days of racing, and prevent the use of Cortisones for joint therapy in their therapeutically approved uses.

Double-gaited Standardbred and Thoroughbred veterinarian Dr. Scott Shell appeared, principal veterinarian with Shell Equine Services in Chagrin Falls providing full service from his private practice primarily to Thistledown and Northfield Park. Dr. Shell passionately discussed the use of therapeutics and the importance of not losing those that are necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of Ohio's racehorses. Dr. Shell's comments were specifically tailored to corticosteroids and their efficacy, Amicar's benefits, and environmental contamination. It was clear that the preference was to enable practicing veterinarians to treat their equine patients with manufacturer's recommended dosages and understand what challenges lie in practice with environmental contamination.

Dr. Clara Fenger, research-centric practicing DVM, PhD, DACVIM, with an additional Master's Degree from Ohio State in the field of Equine Exercise Physiology (making her an expert in the field) appeared to provide the nuts and bolts of the research as applied to the RMTTC and ARCI model rules. She also provided specific

testimony on the efficacy of the ARCI therapeutic list of 24 medications, corticosteroid research, bronchodilator use, environmental contamination, and issues of performance enhancement versus detection. Opposed to following RMTTC threshold levels implemented using a 95/95 statistical method she opined that, "leaves 5% of the population at risk of violating the threshold, instead the threshold should be set based upon the most appropriate use for that medication".

Dr. Thomas Tobin, MVB, MSc, PhD, MRCVS, DABT eminent industry research scientist with the University of Kentucky discussed the underlying science. A prolific expert on qualitative and quantitative analysis the focus of Dr. Tobin's testimony was on RMTTC thresholds, the efficacy of the underlying research, those standards, and the reliability of the ARCI published model rules. Also included was information on environmental contamination, he opined, "there is no such thing as a zero tolerance, scientists merely test the accuracy of their machinery being used to test, testing has gotten much more precise and the scope of what can be detected is at unprecedented levels." A proponent of screening thresholds Dr. Tobin concluded that screening thresholds are something you set and then use trial and error to refine going forward in the real world with industry input from the State's practicing veterinarians, research scientists, and testing lab.

Dr. Alicia L. Bertone DVM, PhD Diplomate ACVS, ACVSMR, Trueman Chair in Equine Clinical Medicine and Surgery Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences at the Ohio State University. Dr.

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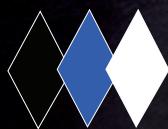
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of stakeholders and individuals with an opinion that necessitated a, “reasonable, practical approach of what should be done and what is in the best interest of the horse”. She analogized the current state of the therapeutic application in racehorses to her being given half an Advil when she has a headache.

All the veterinarians requested the creation of a common-sense model rule to address the horse’s health and well-being as well as protecting the betting public. A common-sense rule that addressed physiological breed differences, environmental contamination issues, and zero tolerance policies, with reliable thresholds and recommended out-times. They requested a rule that was constantly monitored and modified with industry participation and input to handle emergent therapeutic medications. All are necessary for practicing veterinarians to address the health and well-being of racehorses by properly treating common medical ailments, while protecting the participants, and ensuring integrity for the betting public.

The OHHA and HBPA provided closing comments (OHHA formal written comments in the Newsletter) on maintaining the status quo with some tweaks. Specifically, regarding environmental contamination and the new testing and regulation on Extracorporeal Shock Wave Therapy. Standardbred Racehorse fatality statistics (last nine years combined 34 fatalities or overall average of .009%), Ohio Medication Positive Test numbers (last year was the lowest rate of positive tests for the last nine years at 38% or 1-out-of-924 starts), the Racing Medication and

Testing Consortium’s research and threshold shortcomings as amplified in the Graham Motion Kentucky Circuit Court Decision all obviate the need for widespread and sweeping changes and against the adoption of the ARCI Model Rules and Penalty Guidelines in Ohio.

The Racing Commission adjourned into Executive Session to discuss employment hiring, and employee-related compensation. Upon the conclusion of the Executive Session there would be no further business so the Motion and Vote was taken to adjourn into Executive Session and conclude the meeting.

November 30, 2017

In normal business for the Commission the Executive Director’s Approval items for ratification were introduced and the October 27, 2017 Minutes were offered for ratification. No documents relative to the approvals were provided or disclosed to those in attendance. There was no discussion on the items provided to the Commissioners. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the Executive Director’s Approval items and October 27th Meeting Minutes.

The Executive Director’s Report items included three and all concerned 2018 live Racing Approvals. Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley, Miami Valley Gaming and Racing, and Northfield Park, submitted requests to (1) Waive their Surety Bond for 2018 race meets, (2) Approve listed Officials, (3) Approve the number of races and wagering format, (4) Approve Post Times, (5) Approve their Simulcasting Schedule, and (6) Approve their Letters to the Fire Marshall. There was

discussion regarding Northfield’s submission on the list of officials with Kevin Mack acting as starter and patrol judge. After discussion it was determined that an old form was used for submission and there is no patrol judge role. No other discussion on any submission after enumerating the list and no documents provide to those in attendance. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified all requests.

Bill Gustafson, Vice President and General Manager of Eldorado Resorts Scioto Downs appeared to discuss the grandstand and live racing plans for the property for 2018. Eldorado has purchased platform bleacher seating commonly seen at PGA Tournaments with an upper tier platform. The bleacher seating will accommodate 325-350 people on two sides of an aisleway with betting stations, concessions, and picnic tables. They will also be including trailer-style temporary restrooms like those used in the hospitality tent area at Delaware County Fair. They will also have the lower level Clubhouse restrooms in operation. During the meet they will have Food Trucks on the property on Friday and Saturdays. Overall the plans for the facility long term are still in the design and planning stage with a plan to demolish the grandstand after the 2018 racing meet (versus a retrofit) in conjunction with a complete Site review for potential renovation. The Penthouse is closed now and there are no plans to re-open that during the meet. In response to a query on additional demolition of the Clubhouse and Penthouse, Mr. Gustafson deferred a potential “master plan”, which would be revealed as soon as it was completely approved. Commissioner Book and

Chairman Schmitz questioned whether any improvements would be made to the racetrack or stable area, with Chairman Schmitz noting the pathway to the paddock from the Clubhouse needs improvement. The plans for any improvements or alterations with the racetrack or stable area are pending with a Master Plan being approved, discussions with the OHHA, and backstretch occupancy for the 2018 racing season. After all the facts and circumstances are considered they will make a “business decision” on the best way to proceed. The Chairman requested that someone be prepared to update them every other month going forward.

The Racing Commission also approved Resolution 2017-06 delegating to and permitting the Racing Commission’s Executive Director to approve ministerial tasks without the Racing Commission needing to ratify identical to 2017’s list. Those tasks included (A) Authorizing changes of racing officials, (B) Authorizing the uncoupling of entries, (C) Authorizing special event status, (D) Authorizing post time change, (E) Authorizing changes in wagering formats, (F) Authorizing simulcasting for specific programs prior to noon, (G) Authorizing approval of Host/Guest product lists and changes, (H) Authorizing extension of jockey apprentice weight, (I) Authorizing approval of fine money expenditures, (J) Authorizing change of a live race day, (K) Authorizing approval of payments to owners from purse pool for a cancelled live race day, (L) Authorizing approval for requests from an agricultural fair to waive rule 3769-15-31(B) (2). All delegated tasks are to be summarized and submitted to the Commission at least monthly and the authority to delegate expires December 31, 2018.

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The Monthly Racing Commission financial report showed the budget was on target with the projected revenue predictions. The Casino Commission is up and racing tax is spot on with last year's numbers. Expenses were down 8%, which was attributed to timing of invoices, with the expectation that it will level off. The overall picture is well ahead of what was projected for this time of the year in Fiscal Year 2018.

A recap on the horse racing fatalities was provided for November 2017. It was noted that the numbers reported are for training and racing related catastrophic breakdowns. To November 21st there were no Standardbred fatalities, which maintained a year-to-date total of five Standardbred fatalities. The November Thoroughbred total was two fatalities. Year-to-date there have been forty Thoroughbred fatalities and five Standardbred fatalities statewide.

There was no monthly status update on the Permit Holder and Horsemen's Agreement Negotiations between Belterra Park and the Ohio Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (OHBPA).

There was a status update provided on the Ohio State University Cobalt Research project initiated in the first quarter of 2015. Dr. Robertson provided an update that the Journal of Internal Veterinary Medicine had accepted the study for publication, but no date had formally been set for dissemination. Dr. Roberts also set forth that the access format would be, "open dissemination", which permits immediate peer review. Dr. Robertson lauded the research as being ahead of the USTA's research and opined,

"if you do research and don't publish it then you never did research".

In the matter of Staff Recommendations for Settlement Agreements on Jeffrey Miller, Ed Zubkoff, Richard Vickers, Ned Hodkinson and Tracy Root.

In the matter of the Settlement Agreement of Jeffrey Miller the licensee had a post-race positive test for a low level of a beta block. The level was discussed as being so low that it was a potential environmental contaminate. Mr. Miller had no prior infractions of any kind. The Settlement Agreement provided for a return of the purse (\$6,000), which was the Racing Commission Staff's recommendation. The Racing Commission voted unanimously to ratify the Agreement.

In the matter of the Settlement Agreement of Ed Zubkoff. Mr. Zubkoff had a Positive test-post race August 1, 2017 at Northfield Park on the horse, Just Steady Hall. The post-race sample was found to contain Naproxen, a non-steroidal pain reliever classified as a Class 4 substance by the RCI. The level was discussed as being so low that it could have been a potential environmental contaminate. Mr. Zubkoff had no prior infractions on his record. In settlement Mr. Zubkoff has agreed to the horse being disqualified and a return the purse of \$2,500.00 by December 15, 2017. The Racing Commission unanimously approved the Settlement Agreement.

In the matter of the Settlement Agreement of Tracy Root. Mr. Root was observed mistreating a horse (Rockin H Dashing O) in the barn area at Northfield Park on 4/18/17. There was conflicting testimony, but witnesses said he hit a horse with his fist, a whip, and a head pole after

being dislodged from the jog cart. His action was deemed against the best interest of racing. Mr. Root was barred from all tracks governed by the OSRC during his suspension for 15 days, 12-15-2017 thru 12-30-2017 and he agreed to pay a \$500 fine that must be paid by 12-30-2017. Any horses Mr. Root wants to transfer must also be approved by the judges or the OSRC. The Racing Commission unanimously approved the Settlement Agreement.

In the matter of the Settlement Agreement of Ned Hodkinson. Mr. Hodkinson had a post-race sample test for the horse Manastirka at Northfield Park on August 19, 2017 returned as a positive test for Flunixin (Banamine), a non-steroidal pain reliever classified as a Class 4 substance by the RCI. Mr. Hodkinson has no prior medication overages or violations. In settlement Mr. Hodkinson agreed to a warning to settle the case. The Racing Commission unanimously approved the Settlement Agreement.

In the matter of the Settlement Agreement of Richard Vickers. June 17, 2017 Mr. Vicker's post-race sample from Thistledown was found to contain Clenbuterol, a decongestant and bronchodilator. Clenbuterol is classified as a Class 3 substance by the RCI. Mr. Vickers had a prior positive test result for Clenbuterol January 2017 with a horse at Mahoning Valley and served a 15 day suspension for the prior infraction in February 2017. The June 17th infraction resulted in a Settlement Agreement with Mr. Vickers being fined \$1,000 and given a full 15-day suspension with a purse return and redistribution. The Racing Commission unanimously approved the Settlement Agreement.

In the matter of the Settlement Agreement of Fergus Bogle. Mr. Bogle refused to permit search and seizure at Belterra Park in August 2017. Mr. Bogle entered into settlement whereby he would serve a full 180-day suspension, pay a \$1,500 fine, and his license for 2018 would be probationary.

The Racing Commission adjourned into Executive Session. There was no further business to be conducted after the Executive Session so the motion and vote was taken to adjourn into Executive Session and conclude the meeting.

December 12, 2017

In normal business for the Commission the Executive Director's Approval items for ratification were introduced and the November 30, 2017 Minutes were offered for ratification. No documents relative to the approvals were provided or disclosed to those in attendance. There was no discussion on the items provided to the Commissioners. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the Executive Director's Approval items and November 30th Meeting Minutes.

In other business the Racing Commission considered the appointment of the Simulcast Collection and Settlement Agent for 2018 for Northfield Park, Eldorado Scioto Downs,

Hollywood Gaming Mahoning Valley, Hollywood Gaming Dayton, and Belterra Park. The only applicant to handle settlement was Northfield Park. There was discussion related to the self-settling racetracks, Miami Valley Gaming and Thistledown continuing to handle their own Settlement and Collection, but not having submitted a request to

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continue to do so. The Racing Commission had no other discussion and moved to approve Northfield Park's application as Settlement Agent for the State excepting out Miami Valley Gaming and Thistledown, who will handle their own settlement and collection duties via approval in the coming months. The Racing Commission unanimously approved Northfield Park's application to handle Settlement and Collection for the five racetracks.

The OHHA has provided testimony several times on the Ohio State Racing Commission's inquiry into non-traditional forms of wagering, which includes Advanced Deposit Wagering. The Racing Commission received additional testimony in this important subject matter area. Appearing on behalf of the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association was President Kevin Greenfield. Executive Director Dave Basler appeared on behalf of the Ohio Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association. President Greenfield provided testimony outlining five main goals necessary for this important initiative, with the predominant issue being comprehensive study. A study should in-part probe, (1) a complete Survey of the methods and forms of wagering being offered to and potentially contracting with Permit Holders in Ohio, (2) a complete breakdown of the allocation splits being used among the interested Parties, the total revenue generated by these methods, and complete distribution disclosure including of source market fees, (3) the impact these methods and forms of out-of-state wagering have on the live racing patron and racing product, (4) the number

of accounts and the total dollar amounts wagered by in-state Ohio residents with out-of-state ADW providers, and (5) the effect or impact any licensing, taxation, and/or fixed fee pricing structure would have or has on the Ohio live racing product.

Executive Director Basler provided additional testimony on the current ADW market. Stressing that any licensing, taxation, and regulation be mindful of the current market climate and pricing power. With the most significant factors in how well received a racetrack signal will be related to the content provided, day of the week export is occurring, and competition at the time of export. Opining that source market fees and host fee rates are about as good as they can get for Ohio's Thoroughbred racetracks, he provided detail on the increased average handle numbers in support of no major change to the existing regulatory scheme. Looking at Hollywood Gaming at Mahoning Valley they average \$850,000 a day in all source handle, Thistledown is about \$650,000 per day, and Belterra is up in all source handle 35% this year. Aside from concerns about single member or international ADW's being financially responsible, able to cover their payouts, or susceptible to leaving bad debt, there didn't seem to be an expedient reason for momentous change within the market.

A recap on the horse racing fatalities was provided from November 21st to December 6, 2017. It was noted that the numbers reported are for training and racing related catastrophic breakdowns. There were no Standardbred fatalities. The Thoroughbred total for the same period was one fatality. Year-to date there have been forty-one Thoroughbred fatalities and five Standardbred

fatalities statewide.

The Monthly Racing Commission financial report was not provided due to an omitted cash balance sheet for November. January's financial report will cover November and December financials.

There was no monthly status update on the Permit Holder and Horsemen's Agreement Negotiations between Belterra Park and the Ohio Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (OHBPAA).

Chairman Schmitz provided closing comments for the meeting. Specifically, regarding Medication and Testing, which would be a major focus of 2018. Primarily exploring threshold values, withdrawal times, and collaboration with other State Agencies. The medication and testing initiative would go into high gear in anticipation of concluding this important initiative.

In the matter of Staff Recommendation for Settlement Agreement with Josh Sutton the licensee had five pending cases to adjudicate via Settlement, two driving infraction cases and three behavioral rulings, which included rulings MVG-17-084, SCD-17-022, SCD-17-028, SCD-17-038, and SCD-17-088. Mr. Sutton and the Commission agreed to the following: Mr. Sutton withdraws his appeals of rulings and notices of appeal for the violations and waives his right to an appeal and an opportunity to be heard pursuant to Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code and specifically withdraws his request for hearings in the Commission Case Numbers above. Mr. Sutton will receive a full suspension of twenty-five (25) days starting December 12, 2017 through January 5, 2018, a fine in the amount of \$1,500.00 which must be paid by January 5, 2018, and the issuance of a

probationary license for 2018. There was discussion related to the process required under the probationary license for 2018 if there were future infractions. After discussion of that topic the Racing Commission voted unanimously to ratify the Settlement Agreement.

The Racing Commission adjourned into Executive Session to discuss employment hiring, and employee-related compensation. Upon the conclusion of the Executive Session there would be no further business, so the Motion and Vote was taken to adjourn into Executive Session and conclude the meeting.

These were regularly scheduled meetings held at the Columbus Riffe Center.

For a transcript of the meetings contact the State Racing Commission.

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2018 Stallions

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FEE \$ 3,500

ROCKIN AMADEUS

ROCKIN AMADEUS p,2,1:51.2; 3,1:49.3; 4,1:48.4f (\$728,392)
Rocknroll Hanover - Kikikatie - Real Artist

Breeders Crown Champion at two, defeating Captaintreacherous!

He also won the Bluegrass and a NJSS leg at two, and the NJSS Final at three.

He paced a total of 8 miles in under 1:50 at three and came back at four to take his record of 1:48.4f.

By the great **Rocknroll Hanover**, he is out of the millionaire racemare and 100% 1:50 producer **Kikikatie**, making him a full brother to leading Indiana sire **Rockin Image** p,3,1:48.2 (\$901,756).

His oldest foals are 2-year-olds in 2018.

BRING ON THE BEACH p,3,1:53

Mach Three - Wheres The Beach - Beach Towel

The only full brother to **Somebeachsomewhere**, 2017's leading money-winning sire!

Somebeachsomewhere is the sire of 10 millionaire racehorses, including two-time Pacer of the Year **Captaintreacherous** p,3,1:47.1 (\$3,148,657) and **Pure Country** p,3,1:48.2-'16 (\$1,772,398).

A gorgeous individual, **Bring On The Beach** sold as a yearling at the 2013 Harrisburg sale for \$155,000.

In just 5 career starts (all at three) he had 3 wins and 1 third before being retired.

His oldest foals are yearlings in 2018.



FEE \$ 2,500

BRING ON THE BEACH

ARTHUR BLUE CHIP p,2,1:51.2; 4,1:50.1f (\$524,707)

Shadow Play - Advantest - Artsplace

Canada's 2YO Pacing Colt of the Year in 2013!

At 2, he won 6 of 11 starts and nearly \$400,000 in earnings with victories in multiple ONSS Gold events, Nassagaweya and an elimination of the Metro Pace in his 2YO record of 1:51.2. He finished the season with a runner-up finish in the \$534,500 Governor's Cup.

A \$135,000 yearling purchase at the 2011 Harrisburg Sale, he is the fastest & richest siring son of **Shadow Play** and is a full brother to Ontario Gold Sire S. champion **Percy Bluechip** p,2,1:51.2f (\$351,989), & half-brother to \$1.5 million winner **Kenneth J.**

He stands his second season at stud in 2018.



FEE \$ 2,500

ARTHUR BLUE CHIP

CHEYENNE REI p,3,1:52f; 4,1:51.1 (\$729,933)

Western Hanover - Ain't No Stopn Me - Big Towner

Multiple stakes winner by the great Western Hanover!

Cheyenne Rei is a proven sire of champions, including **Do Me Honor** p,1:51.2f (\$683,233), and several performers in 1:50 or faster, including **Cheyenne Reider** p,4,1:49.1f (\$361,045), **Big Jer** p,1:49.2 (\$3399,661) and **That'll Be The Rei** p,4,1:49.3 (\$416,048).

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Stallions 2018

LOST FOR WORDS p,2,1:50.4; 3,1:49.3f (\$937,784)

Well Said - Thou Shalt Not - Real Desire

Multiple stakes winner. At 2, winner Bluegrass S. at Lexington, The Standardbred at Delaware, legs of Pennsylvania Sire S. at Philadelphia & Meadows.

At 3, won an elim. heat of the Little Brown Jug, legs of Pennsylvania Sire S. at Pocono, Philadelphia & Meadows; second in final of Little Brown Jug (by a nose to *Wiggle It Jiggleit*), Tattersalls (by a neck to *Artspeak*, race timed 1:47.4), American National (to *Freaky Feet Pete*), Milstein, etc.; third in *Breeders Crown* final at Woodbine, elim. and final of *Adios*.

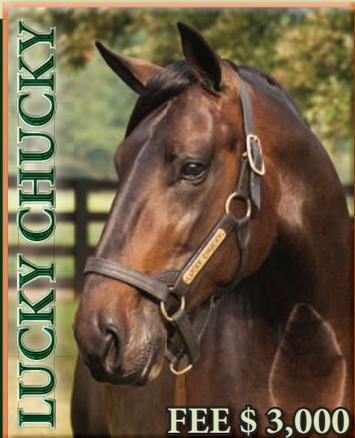
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LOST FOR WORDS

FEE \$ 2,500



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FEE \$ 3,000

LUCKY CHUCKY 2,1:55.1; 3,1:50.3 (\$2,099,973)

Windsong's Legacy - Aerobics - Muscles Yankee

- World Champion & Two-time Dan Patch Trotting Colt of the Year
- Won over \$2 million in two seasons of racing
- Competed exclusively on the Grand Circuit, 23 starts: 14 - 5 - 2
- By the ill-fated champion *Windsong's Legacy*, Triple Crown winner of \$1,744,644
- From *Aerobics* 2,1:59.3, by the champion sire and broodmare sire *Muscles Yankee*
- From 4 crops of racing age, already the sire of 80 in 2:00 with earnings over \$6.4 million;
 - INCLUDING, 2-time NYSS Final winner *NON STICK* 3,1:54 (\$587,890).
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CASH HALL 2,2:00f; 3,1:52.4; T1:51.1h

Self Possessed - Chatty Hanover - Super Bowl

Still the fastest trotter of all time on a half mile track with his 1:51.1h time trial at Delaware, Ohio!

His second crop of Ohio eligible yearlings sold in 2017 and averaged over \$17,000 with a top colt selling for \$50,000 at the Ohio Selected Jug Sale.

CASH HALL was the sire of several impressive 2-year-old stakes winners this past season, including *SULTAN OF CASH* 2,1:57.f (\$126,515), *CASH LANE* 2,1:56.2f (\$74,083), *CORDOBA HALL* 2,1:56.4 (\$42,250), etc.

By *Self Possessed*, Cash Hall has the same sire line as leading trotting sire *Cantab Hall*.



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CASH HALL

FEE \$ 2,500



CORAGGIOSO

CORAGGIOSO 2,1:59.2h; 3,1:54.3f; 4,1:53.4; 1:52.4 (\$677,398)

Conway Hall - Electra Hanover - Lindy Lane

A multiple NYSS winner at 2 and 3, he won the \$225,000 New York Sire Stakes Championship Final as a sophomore, as well as the Historic and Tompkins-Geers Stakes, while finishing second in the Empire Breeders Classic Final.

Taking a new mark each year he raced (2,1:59.2h; 3,1:54.3f; 4,1:53.4; 1:52.4), *Coraggioso* started 50 times with a record of 21-10-6 and earned \$677,398.

From an active family, he is also half brother to the dam of 2-time New York Sire S. finals champion *BARN BELLA* 3,1:51.3 (\$688,725)

His oldest foals are yearlings in 2018.

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Harness Racing History

How is the Famous Painting "The Spirit of '76" and Ohio Harness Racing Connected?

The Spirit of '76

by Thom Pye

The man who painted "The Spirit of '76" ("Yankee Doodle") was Archibald "Arch" Willard who was born in 1836 and raised in the town of Bedford, Ohio in Cayuga County.

The Willards originally came from Shrewsbury, Massachusetts (just east of Worcester) and Colonel Samuel Willard (1746-1788) came to Pawlett, VT as he claimed land awarded to him in the American Revolution.

As the Great Migration west began and Ohio became a state in 1803, several families from Pawlett made the journey across New York even before the Erie Canal was opened in 1825. Colonel Willard's oldest son Jonathan (1770-1858) brought his young family to Messina, New York and then into Bedford, Ohio.

It was there that their eldest son, Samuel Rose Willard (1791-1876) married Margaret Trotter (1801-1858) and became the pastor of the Church. They had 6 children of which, Archibald, was born in 1836.

"Arch" was well-known in town for his habit of his humorous drawings on anything with a flat surface. He was witness to the 1st telegraph wire being installed in 1847 through Bedford and the railroad line that followed the Old Plank Road that ran northwest into Cleveland. In 1853 the Willard family relocated to Wellington in Lorraine County.

Archibald apprenticed for E.S. Tripp and painted carriages and furniture. The wagons won many Blue Ribbons at the Ohio State Fair and his paintings became popular. In 1863 he enlisted in the 86th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Willard drew many sketches of Army life, a few of which he sold to Harper's Magazine and his friend James Ryder of Cleveland who would photograph them and sell to the enlisted men.

Upon his discharge in 1864 Arch would

marry Nelle Chillacombe and have three children.

In 1872 he sent a comical painting he did of his children and the family dog "Pluck" to Ryder, who put it in his display window. Willard also sent him "Pluck II" ... the paintings were so popular that Ryder made 10,000 chromolithograph pairs, selling them for \$10 a set (\$196.00 in today's money) ... not too shabby.

During the 1875 Fourth of July parade in Wellington Willard watched it from his studio in the center as three men from the neighboring town of Brighton marched down the street playing "Yankee Doodle" on the fife and drums and drew a comical sketch that he sent to Ryder as well. Ryder suggested that Willard create a more serious and patriotic version for the upcoming 1876 Centennial Exposition coming up in Philadelphia.

The tune of "Yankee Doodle" has been around since the 14th century in Holland as it was sung by the workers there: "Yanker, didel, doodle down, Diddle, dudel, lanther, Yanke viver, voover vown, Botermilk und tanther." Farm laborers in Holland received as their wages "as much buttermilk (Botermilk) as they could and a tenth of the grain they reaped called a tanther.

And while this verse seems like gibberish it is a combination of Old English, low German, French, Spanish, and Dutch.

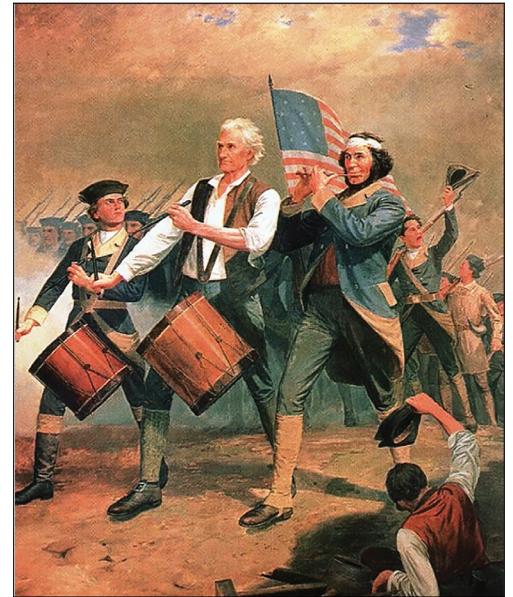
Incidentally, "yanke" means "Liar" in low German and was used quite extensively by the New York Dutch to describe the New England Pilgrims when they bartered or traded with them: "Yankes" ... now you know.

Willard started working on the painting and used live models for the trio, the first of which was his father Samuel as the stern white-haired drummer in the middle.

For the fifer he had fellow veteran Hugh Mosher (1819-1896) who was the leader of Brighton's fife and drum corps pose.

And for the young drummer boy Willard would journey to the newly-opened Brooks Military Academy located on Sibley Street in Cleveland.

As he watched the cadets perform their drills one athletic 16-year-old stood out for



Archibald Willard's Spirit of '76, originally called Yankee Doodle.

performing some smart maneuvers: Henry Kelsey Devereux who happened to be the son of one of the school's founder: General John Devereux. General Devereux was in charge of all Union rail lines in Virginia during the War between the States. He resigned in the Spring of 1864, returned to Cleveland, and became President of numerous railroad companies, several of which passed through Bedford, Cleveland, and Wellington.

Willard set up a studio in February at 308 Euclid Avenue in Cleveland. Euclid Avenue was known as "Millionaire Row" and between 1875 and 1900 it was regarded as "the most beautiful street in America." Mark Twain even called it "one of the grandest streets in the entire world." For young Harry Devereux it was only two blocks from his classes at Brooks Academy.

When the Exhibition opened in Philadelphia that May the 8-foot by ten-foot painting was part of a 1.5-acre display of art, but it quickly became the sensation of the Fair.

Crowds of people would stand in silence, some weeping, others in awe at the three men who represented America's heritage and their service in the Revolution, the War of 1812, and the Civil War whose wounds were still fresh in the young Nation.

Harness Racing History

When the fair closed that November Archibald Willard took his painting on a four-city tour. The response was overwhelming wherever he went. It was in Boston where "Yankee Doodle" was renamed "The Spirit of '76." After its journey the painting returned to Cleveland where it was put on sale at Ryder's Gallery where General Devereux purchased it in 1880.

Archibald Willard and the now 21-year Henry K. Devereux journeyed by train with the painting to Marblehead, Massachusetts, a quaint New England coastal town located about 16 miles north of Boston which was the ancestral home of the Willards in America.

General John H. Devereux donated "The Spirit of '76" to the town to "be erected in Abbot Hall to the memory of the brave men of Marblehead who have died in battle on sea and land for their country."

Abbot Hall still stands today and serves as the town offices and Marblehead museum. The painting hangs there too, a proud member of Marblehead's storied history.

Archibald Willard returned to Cleveland where he continued his painting as the young Henry K. Devereux completed his studies, graduating from Yale in 1883, and going into business. There Henry (now known as "Harry K" at this point) picked up on what would become his lifelong passion, which started from watching Winter racing on Euclid Avenue when he was a boy and following it to the Glenville Racetrack when it opened in 1870.

Glenville Racetrack was built in by the Cleveland Driving Club across E. 88th Street from the Northern Fair Association. It was in "the boonies" of East Cleveland but was accessible by rail. The track was very successful and became part of the "Quadrilateral Circuit" (along with Buffalo, Utica, and Rochester) that would become The Grand Circuit in 1873.

On July 27, 1876 Glenville hosted what the writers of the era called the "Greatest Trotting Race ever" as the top Free-For-All trotters- Goldsmith Maid, Smuggler, Judge Fullerton, Lucille Gold dust, and Bodine-went five grueling heats before Smuggler dethroned "the Maid."

The race made national headlines which

future Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes (1841-1935) immortalized in his verse, "When Smuggler Beat the Maid."

Still the daily battle ground in Cleveland for winter racing was on Euclid Avenue, its lawns lined with spectators to see the horses race and admire the drivers. On this street Harry Devereux displayed the skill

which made him so outstanding in the amateur ranks. John A. McCarron (2:04.1m by Outwood Wilkes) was Harry K's best horse. Foaled in 1895, he took his mark in 1903, and made a sweep of the amateur League of Driving Clubs (which Devereux organized) on the mile tracks on the Grand Circuit... which Harry would become President of in later years.

Glenville prospered and was popular until 1908 when one of its leading proponents died and a new mayor was elected who outlawed gambling.

The now 50-year-old Harry K stepped up to the plate and proposed building a new track only 11 miles southeast of downtown Cleveland near Randall station on the railroad line.

It would be located on C.F. Emery's Forest City Farm that he had opened in 1883. The 77-year-old Emery was one of the partners on the new \$250,000 (\$6.5 million today) track to be named Randall Park in the newly-created town of North Randall, incorporated in 1908. The track was its major industry.

And for close to 60 years it was host to Cleveland's best racing.

Harry K. organized his Pastime Stable which included Frank Ellis, Perry Harvey, and Lon Haskell and employed future Hall-of-Famer William J. "Billy" Andrews as trainer. After Andrews became ill, Ben White (1873-1958) took over Pastime Stable's duties in 1915 with their best being Lee Ax worthy (foal of 1911, 1:58 1/4m) and Volga (foal of 1913, m3 2:04 1/2m) ... now a foundation mare.

In 1929, during Grand Circuit week in

October, it was General Manager Devereux



Winter racing on Euclid Avenue in Cleveland.

ux who was the Judge who imposed a 30-day suspension on Walter Cox due to his causing an accident with Hambletonian winner Walter Dear.

Harry K. would stay very much involved until his death at his winter home in Thomasville, Georgia in 1932. He left all his horses and his equipment to two of his longtime employees.

In 1958 Henry Kelsey Devereux - the drummer boy from the Spirit of '76 - was elected as an Immortal into the Harness Racing Hall of Fame in Goshen, NY and to this day is the sports winningest amateur driver with over 3,000 awards and trophies.

Randall Park ceased to exist in 1969 as it was torn down for Randall Park Mall, the "World's Largest Mall," built in 1976. It was a short-lived attraction as it too was abandoned in the early 2000's ...less than two miles from the Bedford line.

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Dalton Walls and Alexis Schwartz Received Terry Holton Youth Award

By Regina Mayhugh

This year two youth were presented with the Terry Holton Youth Award. Alexis Schwartz and Dalton Walls are two young horsemen who have provided outstanding service to harness racing in Ohio. The OHHA is proud to be able present this award to them both.

Alexis Schwartz, from Washington Court House, Ohio has been involved in harness racing her entire young life. She grew up in the industry working for Hired Guns Racing Stable, owned by her father owner and trainer Bret Schwartz. Her roles have varied from cleaning stalls and jogging to paddocking horses at the fairs and racetracks. She also assists her grandfather Dr. Robert Schwartz, veterinarian with Midland Acres, on farm calls. She has even been an owner since age five. She is knowledgeable and observant about the horses' gait and health and knows when it is time to call in the blacksmith or the veterinarian.

Schwartz is a sophomore at University of Kentucky majoring in Equine Science and Management with a career goal to become an equine pharmaceutical sales representative. She also works at Keenland Racecourse in Lexington, Kentucky. Besides her activities with the horses, she has held a variety of leadership roles and has been active in her community. In high school she was heavily involved in 4-H and FFA. She was also active in school activities including playing softball and basketball and a member of the Key Club and Fayette Christian Athletes. Her volunteer work includes coaching softball and basketball and volunteering for various events at the Fayette County Fairgrounds.

Dalton Walls, from Greenville, Ohio was also involved in harness racing since he was a child. He started jogging when he was twelve years old and began training not long after. In 2016, his senior year at Greenville Senior High School, Walls purchased three yearlings and began partnerships as he established Dalton Walls Stable. He was also active in school activities, FFA, track and soccer while he was breaking and training his stable's first horses. In 2017 one of his three horses Blue Bank K won a division in the Buckeye Stallion Series and the 2-year-old Dr. HM Parshall Futurity at Greenville. Besides leadership roles in school and horse activities, Walls has also exhibited leadership roles with the responsibility of taking care of others.

The OHHA thanks both Schwartz and Walls for their service in the industry and look forward to what they both will accomplish in the future.



(Left to right) Ryan Holton, Alexis Schwartz, Troy Holton & Jim Buchy.

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(Left to right) Ryan Holton, Dalton Walls, Troy Holton & Jim Buchy.

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Winters Named Groom of the Year

By Regina Mayhugh

Carol Winters was recognized as the 2017 Groom of the Year. Winters is the barn manager and groom for Mark Winters Stable in Washington Court House, Ohio. She has spent her entire life around harness racing through her family. She started in the business working for her step-father R.J. Brown in Troy, Ohio. Other trainers she has worked for over the years include Kelly O'Donnell, Mel Turcotte and the Riegle Stable.

Winters is a full-time groom. She travels throughout the state with her horses. She has tried other careers, but this is what she has enjoyed the most and has continued with. She says it is in her blood since she is a 3rd generation horseman. "Grooms are important as we are the ones taking care of them 24-7. We take care of them like kids," shared Winters. She enjoys working with them from breaking to racing. She could not pick a favorite horse over the years because she said that she loves them all!

OHHA congratulates Winters on her recognition and thanks her for her years of dedication and service to Ohio harness racing!



Scott Hagemeyer presents the Groom of the Year award to Carol Winters.

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Dick Brandt, Sr. Extra Effort Award Presented to Canfield Harness Horsemen's Association

By Regina Mayhugh

Canfield Harness Horsemen's Association (CHHA) was presented this year with the Dick Brandt, Sr. Extra Effort Award. The CHHA has been in existence since March of 1968 in Canfield, Ohio. They were originally established to hold a matinée training day each spring. Today they hold the matinée and assist the Mahoning County Fair Board with the Canfield Fair race program.

The CHHA had a variety of promotions and fun activities to excite fans about harness racing this year. They participated in the Canfield 4th of July parade where they promoted the fair races by handing out rally fans as they had "drivers" drive mini horses through the parade. The Mahoning County Fair's race dates were printed on the fans. During the fair they supported horsemen with sponsored coffee and donuts to the drivers, trainers and

grooms. Grooms were recognized in the winner's circle with a fair food voucher. For the fans a betting seminar was held and for fun a "muck bucket" activity was available for the children. The CHHA sells programs during the fair and is also responsible for obtaining blanket sponsors.

The CHHA lost one of its founding members, Jeanne Staffrey, this year and accepted the OHHA Dick Brandt, Sr. Extra Effort Award in her honor. The OHHA thanks the CHHA for their dedication and contributions to harness racing in Mahoning County. The support and fun that the organization brings to their horsemen and fans is appreciated.



(Left to right) Elwood Woolman, Gary Stacy, George Crawford, Tim Bates, Brenda Bates & Bill Peters.

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Beaver & Page Receive Kaltenbach Honors

By Kimberly Rinker, OSDF Administrator

(Kaltenbach Honors section from Ohio State Racing Commission Press Release Nov. 27, 2017)

TRAINERS

Conditioner Chris Beaver captured his first Kaltenbach training title in 2017, sending 78 youngsters postward who scored 17 triumphs, with 12 seconds and 13 thirds for earnings of \$782,200. Those earnings bested runner-up conditioner Brian Brown—who harnessed 94 starters to stats of (17-15-12)—by \$77,000. Last year's Kaltenbach winner, Jim Dailey, finished third in the rankings, with 59 starters garnering six wins and \$561,100 in OSS earnings. Ronnie Burke, with nine winners and \$479,400 was fourth in the standings, followed by Steve Carter in fifth, with six wins and \$274,200.

DRIVERS

Chris Page captured the Kaltenbach crown for the third consecutive season and fourth time overall. The 34-year-old Page steered 20 winners, with 17 second-place and 14 third-place finishes from 114 starters, to \$849,100 in OSS earnings. Ronnie Wrenn, Jr. wasn't far behind, with his 15 winners, 18 second-place and 14 third-place finishers amassing \$814,100 from 89 starters. Danny Noble had stats of 12-13-7 from 79 starters who earned \$772,700 in OSS contests to finish third, while Aaron Merriman had 14 winners in 90 starts and \$556,500, with Ryan Stahl nabbing fifth place honors from five wins in 69 starts and \$506,500 in OSS earnings.

In 2017 OSS competition, 17 drivers steered the winners of \$102,300 or more, while 15 piloted horses that earned between \$12,500 and \$82,000. Another six drivers earned between

\$102,500 and \$191,200 in purses, and six more earned between \$201,300 and \$471,600 in purses. The top five drivers in OSS competition in 2017 guided the winners of \$506,600 or more.

From the 67 drivers who competed in the OSS series in this past season, 50 earned at least one purse check, with 18 earning \$9,800 or less.

Two reinsmen who earned a combined \$30,000 from two checks in just one OSS start each were John Campbell and Yannick Gingras. Hall of Famer John Campbell finished second with Banderbear, six-plus lengths behind the 1:51.2-winning Drunk On Your Love on June 10 in the second leg of the OSS 3-Year-Old Colt Pace at Scioto Downs. Yannick Gingras captured the third leg of the OSS 3-Year-Old Filly Pace on Aug. 12 at Northfield Park with the Nancy Johansson-trained Jaye's A Lady, clocked in 1:52 at the Cleveland twice-arounder in a wire-to-wire effort.

In the 30 years the Kaltenbachs have been awarded, David Miller leads all drivers with seven trophies. In the training ranks, Virgil Morgan, Jr., has captured the title six times. Only two horsemen have won the Kaltenbachs in both the training and driving categories—Sam "Chip" Noble, III and Dave Rankin.

The Jerry Kaltenbach Memorial Trophies were established in 1988—named in honor of one of the Ohio Sires Stakes founding fathers—and are awarded annually to the driver and trainer who have earned the most dollars competing in OSS events.



Richard McClelland (Right) presents Kaltenbach Trainer Award to Chris Beaver.

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Richard McClelland presents Kaltenbach Driver Award to Chris Page, accepted by Jennifer Brown.

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Ohio Chapter of USHWA Presents 2017 Award Winners

By Jay Wolf, for the Ohio chapter of the U.S. Harness Writers Association

The Ohio Chapter of the United States Harness Writers Association hand presented its annual awards at the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association banquet.

The Ohio Chapter voted Brian Brown as the recipient of the Winner's Circle Award for the Ohioan who has achieved outstanding accomplishments in the past year; Cameron McCown as the Peter Haughton Memorial Award winner as the young Ohioan who is an "up-and-coming" star among harness horsemen; Joe Adamsky into the Immortal Hall of Fame; Feelin Friskie into the Standardbred Hall of Fame; and Ed Mullinax as the winner of the Rambling Willie Award for the Ohioan who has done the most for harness racing over the past two decades.

Brown, 53, enjoyed a career year as he conditioned three of the top pacers in the country; Downbytheseaside (\$1,602,452 in seasonal earnings), Fear The Dragon (\$1,350,146), and filly Blazin Britches (\$540,424). The Brown Stable earned \$5.8 million this season and secured a .402 UTR and was selected as the "Trainer of the Year" by the United States Harness Writers Association.

McCown is a 29-year-old resident of Ostrander, Ohio. McCown had 86 wins and his drives earned \$330,892 in purse money. McCown started driving in 2014 and earned an impressive .379 UDRS this season.

Adamsky was one of the top drivers in Ohio during the 1980s and 1990s. For his career he posted 2,707 victories and more than \$11.4 million in purses. The native of Rochester, Michigan, won 12 Ohio Sires Stakes finals, including four with Ohio Standardbred Hall of Fame member, Majestic Osborne. Adamsky received the Achievement award from the Ohio Chapter of the U.S. Harness Writers' Association in 2002 and was the first Jerry Kaltenbach Trophy winner, awarded to the top driver in the Ohio Sire Stakes series.

Feelin Friskie earned \$784,210 during his racing career, but the son of Artiscape left his mark on Ohio racing in the breeding shed. Owned by Wayne Whebby and Midland Acres, Feelin Friskie sired winners of \$12.9 million and 78 foals in 1:55, including Igotafeelinfran (\$569,650), Noble Finesse (\$415,886) and Feelin Lika Winner (\$344,996).

Mullinax, is a successful breeder and owner of Standardbreds, including P Forty Seven, winner of the 2005 Little Brown Jug, and Dragon Again, winner of \$2.3 million and a successful stallion, who fathered the sports richest performer, Foiled Again (\$7.5 million). Mullinax is a supporter and sponsor of many industry events including the Hambletonian, the Harness Racing Hall of Fame and the Breeders Crown.



Jay Wolf (Right) presents Winner's Circle Award to Brian Brown. Also pictured Jennifer Brown & Chase McCown.
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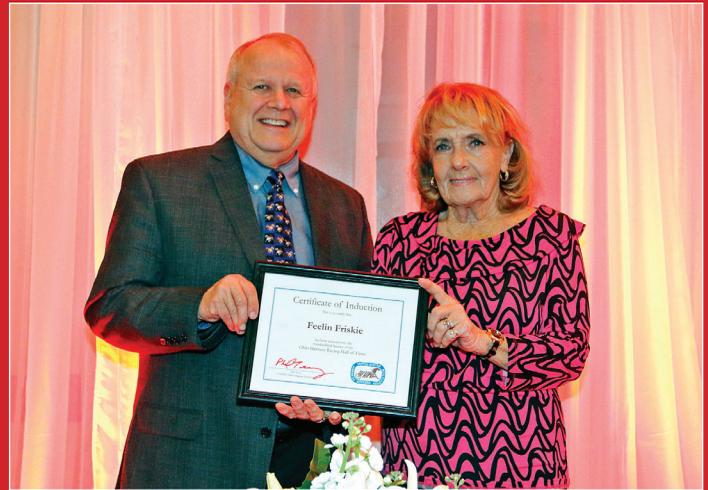


Amy Hollar presents the Peter Haughton Memorial Award to Cameron McCown. (Left to right) Madilynn McCown, Cameron McCown, Jessica McCown, Chase McCown & Amy Hollar.
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Joe Adamsky was inducted into the Immortal Hall of Fame. (Left to right) Award presented by Phil Terry, accepted by Scott Mogan. Conrad Photo



Feelin Friskie was inducted into the Standardbred Hall of Fame. Award presented by Carol Cramer, accepted by John Mossbarger. Conrad Photo



(Left to right) Jerry Knappenberger presented the Rambling Willie Award to Ed Mullinax, accepted by Joe McClead. Conrad Photo

Ladies Give Back at Luncheon

By Regina Mayhugh

The annual First Lady's Luncheon, hosted by Nancy Greenfield, was a fun afternoon of fellowship and giving. Following lunch, the ladies were all treated with a surprise from Ann and Ray Lufkin, either a horse painting or a horse carving. Each gift was different, and the ladies enjoyed sharing what they received!

The rest of the afternoon was spent creating gifts for others. Items were brought in to donate to the Haven House of Pickaway County, a domestic violence and homeless shelter in Circleville, Ohio. The ladies decorated a canvas cinch sac with drawings and inspirational words, then they picked out items that were brought in and created gift bags to be given to ladies who come to the shelter. It was such a rewarding activity. The ladies enjoyed taking

the time to think of others and picking items that would be meaningful to someone in the shelter.

Special thank you to everyone who attended and made it such a special event. Thank you for donating items and for sharing your creativity with others. To Ann and Ray, thank you for the gifts you shared with those in attendance.



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McKirgan Inducted into Ohio Harness Racing Hall of Fame

By Ayers Ratliff, Jr.

Don McKirgan was inducted as the 44th member to the Ohio Harness Racing Hall of Fame at the OHHA Annual Awards Banquet.

Don Logan McKirgan was born on October 17, 1940 in Mt. Gilead, Ohio. Early in his career, McKirgan worked for Delvin Miller, and learned much of his future skills from the Hall of Famer. Although McKirgan was in his early 20s, he almost changed the history of harness racing. After a training session with Meadow Skipper, McKirgan all but begged to have the horses gelded. He said that Meadow Skipper was extremely mean and told his connections that the horse was going to kill somebody. Thankfully, they didn't listen to McKirgan, because Meadow Skipper became one of the greatest at most influential sires of all time.

McKirgan came to Northfield Park when it opened in 1957 and remains stabled there today. He was the leading driver at the Cleveland oval in 1977 and 1981. He led all Northfield drivers in the Universal Drivers Rating in 1980, 1982, 1983 and 1985. He was inducted onto the Northfield Park Wall of Fame in 1992.

McKirgan has won at least one race each of the 60 years that Northfield Park has raced. The only exception is in 2004 when he was sidelined for the entire season. In November 2003, Don suffered what would have been a career ender for most people. He was diagnosed with Guillain-Barré disease, an inflammatory disorder that paralyzed him for over six months.

McKirgan is known as "Ohio's Trotmaster," but his 3,640 career driving wins have proven ample success with both gaits. He has won Ohio Sires Stake Championships with Desire in 1977, Shana Hall in 1982, Dottie Dart in 1986, Windswept Song in 1988 and Adochi in 1992. And even at the age of 75, Don McKirgan conditioned the 2015 Ohio Horse of the Year, Like Old Times.

McKirgan and his wife Sandy have been married for 48 years. The couple reside in Sagamore Hills, Ohio.



(Left to right) Ayers Ratliff, Jr. presents the Ohio Harness Racing Hall of Fame award to Don McKirgan.

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Annual First Lady's Luncheon



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OHHA Presents Special Awards to LeVan and Woebkenberg

By Regina Mayhugh

Herb LeVan was presented with an OHHA Special Award and Senate Proclamation at the OHHA Annual Banquet for his compassion and dedication to the harness racing industry. LeVan has been training and racing horses for over forty years. His dedication and years of service are to be commended. Not only has LeVan been a dedicated second generation horseman following in his father's footsteps, but his excitement for the sport has carried down into the next two generations of his family with his son and grandsons being involved in the sport. Herb's wife Rosemary also owns horses and has been actively involved in the stable. The family works hard together. Harness racing is a family affair for the LeVan family.

Mike & Becky Woebkenberg are no strangers to Ohio harness racing and their love and dedication of the sport was honored with a OHHA Special Award. The Woebkenbergs have been working hard to publicize the sport in a time when getting the word out and sharing the joy of harness racing is important for it's existence to thrive. Mike is the starter at Ohio tracks with his wife Becky "in the sulky" steering the vehicle, but they bring so much more to their daily career by adding promotional opportunity. Fans come from all over to watch harness racing and they make sure to involve them by placing them in the center of the action with a ride in the starting gate. Mike also documents their adventure with a photo and use of social media. What a creative and innovative way to publicize the fun of harness racing! Mike also gets the fans involved by introducing them to the drivers and other horsemen. Just talking to Mike, you can feel his enthusiasm for the sport with all his ideas to bring it back to the fans.

The OHHA thanks each of these recipients for their hard work and dedication to Ohio harness racing! We look forward to what they will achieve in the upcoming years!



Roy Burns (Right) presents a OHHA Special Award for Herb LeVan, accepted by Louis and Melissa LeVan.
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Roger Huston (Left) presents a OHHA Special Award to Mike & Becky Woebkenberg.
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Team Brown Receives a Special Recognition Award

By Regina Mayhugh

The Brian Brown Stable and all connections had a grand year in 2017. At the OHHA Annual Banquet, the entire team was recognized with a OHHA Special Recognition Award. Two gift baskets were presented to Team Brown consisting of a variety of Ohio products from Marsha Buckeyes to handmade Ohio related decor.

The team worked hard and it paid off. They had a tremendous year with both Downbytheseaside and Fear The Dragon. Blazin' Britches with her Jugette elimination win, 2nd place in the Jugette and her 2017 earnings of \$540,424 was another great achievement. Besides the various nationwide wins, they had numerous Ohio Stake wins throughout the season including Buckeye Stallion Series, Ohio Breeders Championship, Ohio Sires Stakes and Ohio State Fair Stakes.

Brown became the first trainer in 13 years to train two horses in the same division, each hitting the million-dollar earning mark. Brown had 547 training starts, with over 300 of them resulting in 1st through 3rd placings and earnings of \$5,798,153.

Each team member had a part in the success of the Brian Brown Stable. From grooms and owners to the family who supported everyone! Regardless of what aspect you look at, Team Brown had an incredible year. OHHA congratulates them on a successful 2017 and wishes them much continued success in 2018!



Roger Huston presents a Special Recognition Award to Team Brown.

(Left to right) Sydney Rain Williams, Chase McCown, Cameron McCown, Jessica McCown, Brian Brown, Madilynn McCown, Roger Huston, Jennifer Brown, James Koehler & Amy Hollar.

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Successful 2018 Ohio Stallion Service P.A.C.E.R. Auction

The 2018 Ohio Stallion Service P.A.C.E.R. Auction that was held January 5th-13th was a great success with raising a potential of \$121,101.00 for the Political Action Committee for Equine Racing (P.A.C.E.R.) Fund. There were forty-six stallions donated to the auction as well as eleven driver/trainer cutouts. The highest bidding stallion with \$667.00 was Fear the Dragon and highest bid on the driver/trainer cutouts was on Ronnie Wrenn, Jr.

Thank you to the owners who donated a breeding and to everyone who bid. We look forward to the next auction in 2019!

Two-Year-Old Pacing Colt **Seeing Eye Single**

2017 \$209,355 2, 1:53.0 H

Dragon Again - Shabalabadingdong - Western Ideal



Owners: Burke Racing Stable LLC,
Silva, Purnel & Libby, Lawrence R Karr
& Weaver BrusceMI LLC

Breeder: Shim Racing LLC

2017 Major Ohio Wins

7/4/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

7/22/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

8/7/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

8/21/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

9/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes Championship

"Seeing Eye Single was named after a baseball slang comment which means that the batter that hits the ball, and the ball goes through the infield for a single and cannot be caught by an infielder."

- Jerry Silva



Owner Award for Seeing Eye Single presented to Jerry Silva (Right) and Mickey Burke Jr. (Left).

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Breeder Award for Seeing Eye Single to Shim Racing, accepted by Rick Martindale.

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Two-Year-Old Pacing Filly **Bad Girls Rule**

2017 \$181,816 2, 1:54.0 F

World Of Rocknroll - Bad Girls Club - Allamerican Native

Owner: 3rd Floor Stables LLC

Breeder: Spring Haven Farm

2017 Major Ohio Wins

7/5/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

7/27/17 Ohio State Fair

9/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes Championship



"It was love at first sight and a bit of destiny. Bill Dailey was at the Buckeye Classic sale looking for something for us to buy. He texted me two horses to look at, this filly and the Winning Fireworks colt, In my Dreams. When I watched her video and saw that she was out of the same sire as the only other horse we owned at the time, Trial by Fire, and born on the same exact day a year apart, it was destined to be.

She has been perfect since day one. Bill's assistant trainer, Rick Dingedine, said she was the best baby he has ever sat behind within the first 30 days after we bought her. She takes great care of herself, eats well, sleeps well, and has a gentle personality."

-Derrick Long



Owner Award presented to the connections of Bad Girls Rule (L-R) Rick Dingedine, Kim Dailey, Mike Shroyer & Derrick Long.

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Breeder Award for Bad Girls Rule presented to Senena Esty.

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Two-Year-Old Trotting Colt **Mission Accepted**

2017 \$190,800 2, 1:56.2 H

Manofmanymissions - Witty Girl - S J's Photo



Owners: Knox Services Inc.,
Jeffrey P Conger & David B Willis

Breeder: Knox Services Inc.

2017 Major Ohio Wins

8/7/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

8/24/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

9/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes Championship

9/19/17 Ohio Breeders Championship

"Mission is just a very nice horse to be around in the barn and on the track. He loves to race but also loves to play and sleep for hours at a time."

- Jeff Conger



Owner & Breeder Awards for Mission Accepted presented to (Left to right) Cory Wills, Chris Brechler, Jeff Conger.

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Two-Year-Old Trotting Filly **Looking For Zelda**

2017 \$228,675 2, 1:54.0

Break The Bank K - My Winning Way K - Conway Hall

Owner & Breeder: Robert J Key

2017 Major Ohio Wins

7/3/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

7/19/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

7/27/17 Ohio State Fair

8/10/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

8/23/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

9/29/17 The John Simpson Memorial (Phl)

10/6/17 International Stallion Stake (Lex)



"Zelda is such a sweetheart! She's a doll baby, and has a 'people person' personality. One thing that stands out to me the most is her professionalism remained the same every week. She made my job easy. She did everything the right way."

- Norm Parker



Owner & Breeder Awards for
Looking For Zelda presented to
Norm Parker.

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Three-Year-Old Pacing Colt **Drunk On Your Love**

2017 \$258,286 3, 1:51.1 F

Foreclosure N - Western Show - Western Hanover



Owners: Mark S Ford &
Jason M Settlemoir

Breeders: Harold Lee Bauder &
Harold L Bauder

2017 Major Ohio Wins

- 4/14/17 James K. Hackett Memorial
- 5/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes
- 6/10/17 Ohio Sires Stakes
- 7/1/17 Ohio Sires Stakes
- 8/5/17 Ohio State Fair
- 9/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes Championship

"He's an amazing animal on and off the track. He's got so much personality and a big heart. He definitely knows his job and he loves it. He gives 100% every time he steps on the track."

- Makala Pollock

"This was probably the most fun I have had with any single horse I have ever owned. Being from the Buckeye State and cutting my teeth at Scioto Downs (where he won multiple races including the Ohio Sire Stakes Final) has been an amazing ride."

- Jason Settlemoir



Owner Award for Drunk On Your Love presented to (Left to right) Jo Pollock, Makayla Pollock, Braxton Sturgell & Jim Pollock, Jr.

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Breeder Award for Drunk On Your Love presented to Harold Lee Bauder (Middle).

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Three-Year-Old Pacing Filly **Pistol Packin Mama**

2017 \$237,135 3, 1:52.1 H

The Panderosa - Art Debut - Artiscape



Owner: Herres Stables LLC

Breeder: Brian J Doyle

2017 Major Ohio Wins

5/1/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

6/9/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

8/12/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

9/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes Championship



Senena Esty and Rick Martindale with the Owner & Breeder awards for Pistol Packin Mama.

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Three-Year-Old Trotting Colt

Fraser Ridge

2017 \$259,618 3, 1:55.0 H

Triumphant Caviar - Classical Mary - Muscles Yankee



Owners: Donald E. Robinson, Robert A Mondillo, Christopher F Beaver & R.B.H. Ventures Inc

Breeders: Steve H Stewart

2017 Major Ohio Wins

- 5/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes
- 6/3/17 Currier & Ives (The Meadows)
- 6/19/17 Ohio Sires Stakes
- 8/26/17 Ohio Sires Stakes
- 9/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes Championship
- 9/20/17 Ohio Breeders Championship

"Fraser is a gorgeous horse with a ton of speed. He had a great season but was always a little tough to keep manageable. He's prepping for his four-year-old season in Florida now."

- Amanda Beaver



Owner & Breeder Awards presented to the connections of Fraser Ridge.

(Left to right) Christopher Beaver, Amanada Beaver, Don Robinson, Mike Robinson and Ernie Martinez.

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Three-Year-Old Trotting Filly **Rose Run Sydney**

2017 \$335,866 3, 1:55.1 S

Triumphant Caviar - Stonebridge Dancer - Angus Hall

Owners: Steven M Carter, Adam Friedland and RBR Racing LLC

Breeders: Rose Run Farm

2017 Major Ohio Wins

5/1/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

5/8/17 Scarlet & Gray Invitational

6/17/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

8/4/17 Ohio State Fair

8/25/17 Ohio Sires Stakes

9/2/17 Ohio Sires Stakes Championship

9/18/17 Ohio Breeders Championship



"Bobby Reid, who owned part of Rose Run Sydney was a big Ohio Racing supporter. He passed away before she could race. Bobby is smiling. Thanks Steve for a great and fun year and to all the fine people in Ohio who are always so nice to me when I came to the track and fairs."

- Adam Friedland



Owner Award presented to Steve Carter (Left). Breeder Award presented to Alvin Yoder (2nd from Right).

Rose Run Sydney also earned the 2017 Ohio Triple Crown award.

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Aged Pacer Youlookhot

2017 \$101,000 4, 1:52.2 F

Kilowatt - Firethorn Shirley - Look Sharp

Owner & Breeder: Charles D Stovall

2017 Major Ohio Wins

4/7/17 Dr. Don Mossbarger Memorial

6/16/17 Fillies and Mares Open



"We are so proud of this mare. We bred, broke and trained her all the way until Doug's health was not so good and we turned her over to Joseph Essig, Jr. the last several months. She earned all of her purses the hard way, no big stake races and she earned it all in Ohio! She is our only horse racing. It just goes to show that every so often the little stable can get some of the action. Its such an honor to have received the Horse of the Year award. It is the highlight of Doug's racing career spanning over 40+ years. Special thanks to the YOULOOK-HOT Team."

- Lois Stovall



Owner & Breeder Awards presented to the connections of Youlookhot.

(L-R) Jim Cargo, Doug Stovall, Lois Stovall, Aspen Essig, Joseph Essig, Jr. and Randi Essig.

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Aged Trotter **Sandy's Victory**

2017 \$156,355 6, 1:53.4 F

Victory Sam - Amessageforsandy - Carry The Message



Owner: Dan E Ater

Breeder: Larry V Tinch

2017 Major Ohio Wins

5/12/17 Open II

6/2/17 Open II

6/9/17 Open II

"She likes to be a farm girl. She enjoys the country life and being free. She gets turned out a lot in between races. She is one of those horses that I have waited my whole life for. She came at good time. She is a blessing."

- Dan Ater



Owner & Breeder Awards for Sandy's Victory presented to Dan Ater.

Congratulations to the 2017 Ohio Horse of the Year **Rose Run Sydney!**



The 2017 Horse of the Year award was presented by Kevin Greenfield (L) to Steve Carter, trainer of Rose Run Sydney.

The Horse of the Year award was a custom painting by Ann Lufkin, depicting a Conrad Photo win photo of the 3-Year-Old Trotting Filly division in the Ohio Breeders Championship at Delaware County Fair.





Congratulations Raffle Winners!

Thank You Raffle Donors!



Proven Ohio Stallions that stand out from the crowd!

THE PANDEROSA

p,2,1:51.3; 3,1:49.3 (\$1,452,418)
Western Hanover-Daisy Harbor

FULL COUNT

2,1:59f; 3,1:57.2f; 4,1:55.4f (\$238,692)
Striking Sahbra-Sibyl Score-Final Score



Conrad Photos

\$250,000 Ohio Sire Stakes Final Winner
PISTOL PACKIN MAMA

The Panderosa's oldest Ohio-eligible foals were 2017 two and three-year-olds, led by

Ohio Sire Stakes 3YO Filly Pace Champion
PISTOL PACKIN MAMA p,3,1:52.1h-'17 (\$249,885)

Ohio Sire Stakes & OBC winner
ROSA'S TOUCH p,3,1:52.4h-'17 (\$176,496)

Ohio Sire Stakes winner
ROSE RUN SKYLER p,3,1:52.3f-'17 (\$99,875)

Ohio Sire Stakes & OBC winner
SLICK MICK p,2,1:54.2h-'17 (\$70,248)

Ohio Sire Stakes winner
LUCILLE AMARONE p,2,1:55.2f-'17 (\$32,350)

With total progeny earnings over \$112-million, The Panderosa ranks among the leading pacing sires in all-time money-earnings! He is the sire of 9 millionaires, 330 \$100,000+ winners, 527 in 1:55 and 42 sub-1:50 winners, including:

World Champion Racehorse & Sub-1:49 Sire
SHADOW PLAY p,4,1:47.4 (\$1,549,881)

World Champion Racehorse & Sub-1:48 Sire
PONDER p,1:48.1 (\$1,522,936)

2018 Fee: \$3,000



\$250,000 Ohio Sire Stakes Final Runner-up
FULL SURGE

Full Count's top 2017 stakes winners include:

Ohio Sire Stakes 3YO Colt Trot Final Runner-up
FULL SURGE 3,1:55f-'17 (\$165,252)

Ohio Sire Stakes 2YO Colt Trot Final Runner-up
COUNT ON CODY 2,1:57.1f-'17 (\$126,865)

From just 144 foals, Full Count is the sire of 108 starters (75%) and 77 winners (71%). He has 46 in 2:00 and 17 \$100,000+ winners, with average earnings per starter of over \$51,600! His leading performers include:

Ohio Sire Stakes Champion
COUNT ME IN 4,1:53.2f (\$443,019)

2-time Ohio "Triple Crown" winner
CONTESSA LEIGH 3,1:56.4f (\$300,442)

ANASTASIA WHINNIE 1:56.1f (\$261,558)

COUNT ON KAMI 3,1:57.3h (\$232,396)

STUDENT OF LIFE 3,1:56.4f (\$213,073)

2018 Fee: \$2,000

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p,3, 1:47 (\$2,082,885)

Art Major-Naughty Shady Lady, by Falcon Seelster

76.68% Winners from Starters

Progeny Earnings of \$8.4 million

14 2-Year-Old Winners in 2017

Top performers include LETS DRINK ON IT (\$861,842), CINAMONY (\$532,404), and 2017 winners WICKED BUSINESS (\$191,765), TYPE A GREY (\$139,019) and GOOD CITATIONS (\$131,600), etc.

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Fee: \$2,500

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WESTERN TERROR \$4,500

p,2, 1:54.2; 3, 1:48.3 (\$1,164,174)

Western Hanover--Arterra--Artsplace

HIGHEST LEADING MONEY WINNING PACING SIRE OF 2017 STANDING IN OHIO!!!!

- 3 Year old Pacing Colt of the Year and Winner Breeders Crown Final plus many other Grand Circuit Races
- Sire of 389 in 1:55, 80 in 1:51 or faster and total earnings over \$78 million
 - 2017 successes include 3 year old multiple stakes Winner AGENT Q (1:48.4M); Kiss of Terror (1:50.0F); Safe from Terror (1:50.4F) and countless others!
- Western Terror is the Real Deal. Success on the track and the breeding shed make him the standard in this industry!



NOB HILL HIGH \$2,000

p,2, 1:54h; 3, 1:50.1f (\$1,104,203)

Mcardle--Anniecrombie--Abercrombie

MILLIONAIRE RACE HORSE. MILLIONAIRE DAM. MILLIONAIRE SIRE.

- His Dam, Anniecrombie was 3 year old pacing filly of the year...1:52.3 (\$1,414,477)
- Gorgeous looking horse with great size, build and conformation.
 - Limited 1st Crop will race in 2018
 - Trainers really like the size and gait of his foals!



IF I CAN DREAM \$2,000

p,2, 1:50.4f; 3, 1:49.4f (\$1,990,276)

Western Hanover--Arterra--Artsplace

WORLD CHAMPION ON THE TRACK AT 2 AND 3.

- Winner of Breeders Crown Final and multiple Grand Circuit Stakes!
 - Full Brother to Western Terror and 1/2 brother to Cinderella Guy p,3, 1:49.1 (\$844,470)
 - Average Earning per starter over \$50,000
- Foals are good looking, large build with good muscle tone!

The Ohio Sires Stakes offer \$8 Million in Purses in 2018!

Nomination Deadline for 2- & 3-Year-Olds

MARCH 15, 2018



*Nomination forms can be downloaded at
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