

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2024

HUNTERTON FILLY TOPS SECOND DAY AT LEXINGTON



HIP 267 Naughty Beauty, a daughter of Bettor's Delight, sold for \$550,000 to agent Andrew Harris

By Greg Reinhart / Quotes by Derick Giwner

Trainers Andrew Harris and Ake Svanstedt purchased four of the top five sellers during the second session of the 2024 Lexington Selected Yearling Sale on Tuesday afternoon at the Fasig-Tipton Sales Pavilion.

Harris, as agent for owner William Pollock, went to \$550,000 to take HIP 267 Naughty Beauty, a Bettor's Delight filly consigned by Hunterton Sales Agency as agent. She is the third foal out of the Somebeachsomewhere mare Beautyonthebeach [1:49 2/5, \$540,428], a half-sister to former Horse of the Year and double millionaire Tall Dark Stranger.

Svanstedt got HIP 201 Jennifer Palema for owner Bender Sweden at \$425,000. Jennifer Palema, a filly from the final crop of the late sire Bar Hopping and consigned by Kentuckiana Farms, is a full sister to \$627,733 earner and 1:50 4/5 performer Johan Palema. Jennifer Palema was bred by Kentuckiana Farms with Bender Sweden, which is now fully operated by Ove Bender following the passing of his father Karl-Erik Bender two years ago.

"It's our mare, and we know what has come from that family. We were very interested, and we

have been breeding together with Kentuckiana Farms. We have 50 percent of the mare from the beginning," offered Ove Bender. "We wanted to look at the horse first, of course, but for me, this was a horse we should buy. We have 50 percent of another horse here that Ake has bought, but we were looking at more on day three. We always come over here and buy some



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Trainer Andrew Harris played musical chairs during the second session, moving from outside to multiple different locations inside the sales arena.

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Down by the seaside

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Lexington Sale!

HIP 9 - o/o a **SWEET LOU** stakes mare,
PACE BABY PACE 1:50.3 (\$384,680),
family of **PASS LINE** 1:50.2 (\$603,382)

HIP 66 - Dual eligible (OH & KY), first colt o/o
ALEXIS FAITH 1:50.3 (\$586,546) family of
TEST OF FAITH 1:47 (\$2,416,011)

HIP 89 - full brother to **BYTHEMISSAL** 1:47.1
(\$2,168,591)

LEADING PERFORMERS IN 2024 INCLUDE:

SIPPINONSEAROC, who set a world record at
2 in the **Kentucky Championship Series**.

ACT FAST, winner of the **\$100,000 Myron
Charna President's Pace** at 4.

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more, and we have been in this business here for many, many years.”

Another Bar Hopping filly Che Bella went to the Harris/Pollock team for \$400,000, and then Svanstedt snagged Rambo Hanover for \$385,000. Che Bella, who was HIP 149 and consigned by Kentuckiana Farms as agent, is the first foal out of a half-sister to \$1,434,335 earner Bond. Rambo Hanover, a Muscle Hill colt who was HIP 179, was consigned by Hanover Shoe Farms, and his third dam Brooklyn has produced the likes of Hidalgo, this year’s Peter Haughton Memorial runner-up.

Breaking up the Harris/Svanstedt dominance in the top five was HIP 261 Aperfect Tillie at \$360,000 to Armitage Farm. Consigned by Peninsula Farm Inc. as agent, Aperfect Tillie, a Googoo Gaagaa filly, is a full sister to Aperfect Annie, who won the Kentucky Championship Series final for 2-year-old filly trotters at The Red Mile last month.

Bulldog Hanover, harness racing’s all-time fastest horse, got a big ticket when his son Dax Seelster (HIP 299) was sold for \$350,000 to Brad Grant, who co-owned Bulldog Hanover during his racing career.

“I have a couple of colts, but this guy I really, really liked. He reminded me so much of the big guy. I was pretty determined that I was going to get him,” Grant stated. “(Bulldog Hanover) throws a good colt. He’s a good-looking horse himself and he’s carrying that forward. We’ll see what happens.

“When somebody told me who was bidding underneath me, no (I wasn’t surprised at the price). Luc (Blais) picks a good horse out, too, and Mr. Godin (Serge Godin of the Determination stable) is committed to the business, too. I think if they’d have gone one more I might have not gotten him. I wish they had gone a few less actually.”

Dax Seelster, who was bred by Seelster Farms in Ontario, was consigned by Preferred Equine Marketing, Inc. as agent. David Reid operates Preferred Equine Marketing, which is currently the top consignor by gross and he is also co-manager of the sale, giving him a pair of feathers in his cap.

“We say it all the time, we’re privileged to represent a lot of great breeders and a lot of great people and they’ve been clients for a long time,” Reid offered about Preferred Equine Marketing’s success. “I think we have a strategic edge with that because it’s probably a little more boutique-ish breeders and when people come to our consignment they’re looking at a whole bunch of horses from boutique breeders that are in one area. I think it gains a lot of momentum and makes our job to expose the horses to other clients and to prospective purchasers. It’s been our story forever. We’ve been doing it for a long, long time, just very fortunate to be in that situation.”

The average through two days of \$129,265 is on a record pace and the second session was up marginally (.5%), though the gross is down a bit as fewer horses have been offered thus far.

“We’re very happy, I haven’t had time to digest it thoroughly, but it feels like the trotters are holding up very well,” Reid said. “I see a lot of Europeans here. You have dominant sires on the trotting side, let’s face it. Walner, Chapter Seven, Muscle Hill, they’re still pretty much dominant. I thought the Captain Coreys came in here today and I thought they represented themselves very well.

“For the depth of the market, there’s so much diversity with the pacing sires right now. It creates, I don’t want to say a buyers’ market, but it creates more opportunities for a more cross-section buyer. Obviously gross and average are in line with last year’s, which was a record, which was a record over the year before. Obviously, it shows great strength in the marketplace and it shows great strength in the product we’re bringing here. We’ve been saying it all along, the quality of our catalog and the diversity in the sire power, it’s matching up to what we expected. You always hope this is going to happen, but you have to be realistic as well.”

Reid also doesn’t see the market levelling off either and added that the sale should be seen as a positive by all members of the harness racing community.

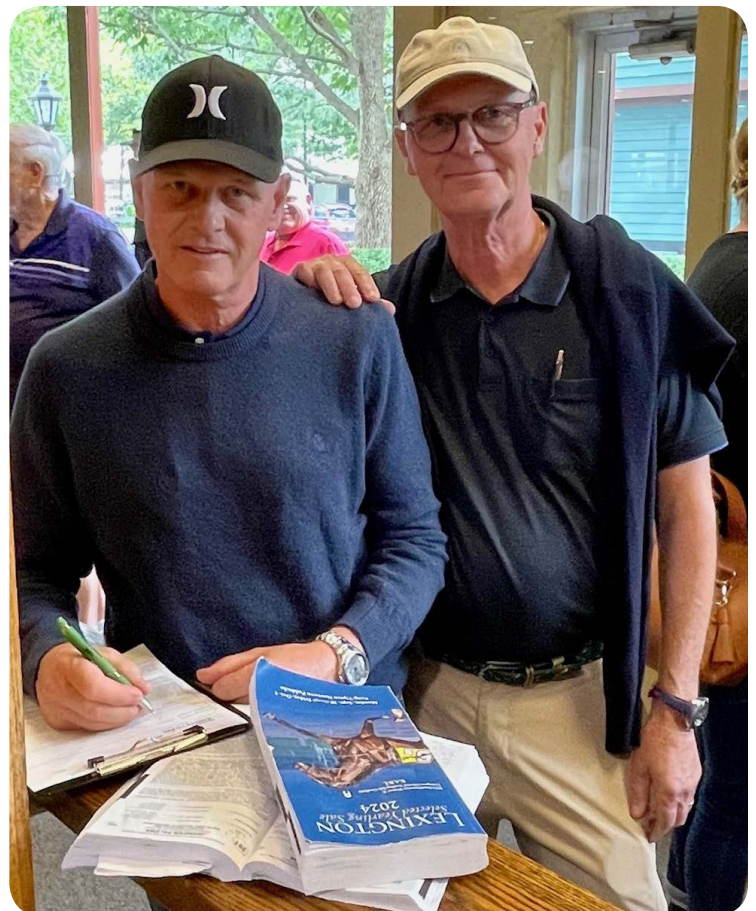
“Our sale is just one of two major sales in the industry. You have your regional sales. At the end of the year, you’ve kind of got to go back and recapture everything. Look at the regional sales and look at the major sales and really take a global perspective,” Reid explained about his philosophy. “I think for the industry to be able to come down here and you feel the energy, you see the people in-person, you see the horses; I’m not saying (the industry) needs a boost, but it’s a great sign. It’s a great indicator the business is well. I think for all the participants, it has to be a positive indicator coming out of here, and we’re only through day two.”

The sale rolls along on Wednesday with HIPs 367 through 588 going through the ring starting at 1 p.m. (EDT).



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HIP 201 Jennifer Palema was the second-highest yearling sold on Tuesday, going to (below) Ake Svanstedt for Ove Bender of Bender Sweden.



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Hip 60 – half-brother to **SIG SAUER**
1:50 (\$434,312)

Hip 77 – half-brother to **BOND** 1:51.2 (\$1,434,335)

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BY **CHAPTER SEVEN** OUT OF **STEAMY WINDOWS**

Lexington Selected \$300,000-plus Yearlings

HIP-Horse	Sire	Price	Sex	Consignor	Buyer
15-RANI HANOVER	Walner	\$925,000	F	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Kenneth E. Jacobs
83-GOING VIRAL	Chapter Seven	\$650,000	F	Cameo Hills Farm	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
106-ICE FALL	Walner	\$625,000	C	Preferred Equine, Inc., Agent	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
95-MUFFIN QUEEN	Tactical Landing	\$550,000	F	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agent	Anderson/Leblanc/Fielding/Pryde
267-NAUGHTY BEAUTY	Bettor's Delight	\$550,000	F	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agnt	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
75-STEALING BANKSY	Chapter Seven	\$475,000	F	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Marcus Melander, Agent
36-BAALBEK	Perfect Sting	\$460,000	C	Kentuckiana Farms, Agent	Joe Holloway
22-SPENCER HANOVER	Chapter Seven	\$450,000	C	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Jeffrey Snyder
60-BRICO	Gimpanzee	\$425,000	C	Crawford Farms LLC.	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
66-WAYNE HARVEY	Downbytheseaside	\$425,000	C	Crawford Farms LLC.	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
201-JENNIFER PALEMA	Bar Hopping	\$425,000	F	Kentuckiana Farms	Ake Svanstedt, Agent for Bender Sweden
52-THE WOW CHAPTER	Chapter Seven	\$400,000	C	Cameo Hills Farm	Lucas Wallin
58-KICKAN	Walner	\$400,000	F	Cameo Hills Farm	David McDuffee, Agent
77-MIDWIND CHIMP	Gimpanzee	\$400,000	C	Peninsula Farm, Agent	Robert Lindstrom, Agent
85-GRAND PRIX DEO	Muscle Hill	\$400,000	F	Preferred Equine, Inc., Agent	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
86-PINK HERMES	Muscle Hill	\$400,000	F	Crawford Farms LLC.	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
149-CHE BELLA	Bar Hopping	\$400,000	F	Kentuckiana Farms, Agent	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
179-RAMBO HANOVER	Muscle Hill	\$385,000	C	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Ake Svanstedt Inc.
45-BALERION	Captaintreacherous	\$380,000	F	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agent	Linda Toscano, Agt for Richard Young
261-APERFECT TILLIE	Googoo Gaagaa	\$360,000	F	Peninsula Farm, Agent	Armitage Farm
50-KAIZEN	Walner	\$350,000	C	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agent	Lucas Wallin, Agent
79-BORN AS LINDY	Walner	\$350,000	C	Preferred Equine, Inc., Agent	Nancy Takter, Agent
105-RESPECT N HONOR	Muscle Hill	\$350,000	F	Kentuckiana Farms	David McDuffee
277-GAME SEVEN	Chapter Seven	\$350,000	F	Cameo Hills Farm	Mazza Racing Stables LLC.
299-DAX SEELSTER	Bulldog Hanover	\$350,000	C	Preferred Equine, Inc., Agent	Bradley J. Grant
301-BONHOMIE	Downbytheseaside	\$350,000	C	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agnt	John Como Jr.
26-ENBOLDEN	Walner	\$345,000	C	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agnt	Kenneth E. Jacobs
7-BUY ANOTHER	Chapter Seven	\$330,000	F	All American Harnessbreds	Joe Holloway
25-MADAM CHEVAL	Walner	\$330,000	F	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	MB Stable Inc.
88-DELIGHTFUL YANKEE	Muscle Hill	\$325,000	F	Preferred Equine, Inc., Agent	Determination
108-INEXPRESSABLE	Walner	\$325,000	C	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agnt	Lucas Wallin, Agent
107-I'M KRONOS S	Walner	\$310,000	C	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agnt	Ake Svanstedt, Agent
10-CALAIS	Perfect Sting	\$300,000	F	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agnt	Tony Alagna, Agent
14-TREACHEROUS	Captaintreacherous	\$300,000	C	Preferred Equine, Inc., Agent	Tony Alagna, Agent
65-AMERICAN POWER	Walner	\$300,000	C	Kentuckiana Farms, Agent	M Biasuzzi Stable Inc.
91-ICONIC BI	Gimpanzee	\$300,000	F	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agent	Andrew Harris, Agent for William Pollock
117-MELLIFLUENT	Walner	\$300,000	F	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agent	CTI2.0 LLC
211-GEORGE STREET	Walner	\$300,000	C	Preferred Equine, Inc., Agent	Scott Dillon
266-BOURBON ROAD	Bar Hopping	\$300,000	C	Kentuckiana Farms	Andy Miller Stable, Inc., Agent
292-OCEAN RIDER	Muscle Hill	\$300,000	C	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Mazza Racing Stables LLC.



#585, QUICKAWAY

9/30-10/4 LEXINGTON HIGHLIGHTS

Day 3 Lineup

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Day 3 NY Pacers

AMERICAN IDEAL

#404, AMERICAN SHINE, F
American Ideal-Platinum Choice-Admirals Galley
Full-sister to **Itzppalotl**,
p, 3, 1:52.1h (\$136,015). 1/2-sister to
2024 Champlain Stakes Winner,
Sterling Choice, p, 2, 1:52.1s -'24 (\$122,554),
& 2024 NY Excelsior Winner,
Hurrikaneaphrodite,
p, 3, 1:53.4f -'24; BT1:52.4s -'24 (\$80,134).
Dam is a full-sister to **Admirals Express**,
p, 1:48.2s (\$1,766,644)

#416, ROUGH DEAL, C
American Ideal-Ruffle's Kiss-Blissfull Hall
Dam is **Ruffle's Kiss**, p, 1:51f (\$244,995).
1/2-brother to **Bellows Binge**,
p, 1:50.1f (\$420,120). Full-brother to
Ideal Kiss, p, 1:49.3f (\$263,226)

#503, SHOW ME OFF, C
American Ideal-Catch The Show-Real Artist
Dam is **Catch The Show**,
p, 3, 1:52.4f (\$127,278). 1/2-brother to
Fashion Showdown, p, 1:50.4f (\$304,590),
& **Mezzanine Fashion**, p, 3, 1:52.2f (\$131,667)

#573, UNPLUGGED, F
American Ideal-Kim's The Best-Betterthancheddar
Dam is a 1/2-sister to **Kim's Royal Day**,
p, 3, 1:51f (\$331,648)

#585, QUICKAWAY, C
American Ideal-Logan's Girl-Roddy's Bags Again
Dam is **Logan's Girl**, p, 3, 1:53.1f (\$277,440).
1/2-brother to **Beantown Babe**,
p, 3, 1:53.3f -'23 (\$142,616)

COURTLY CHOICE

#529, COURT'S CHOICE, C
Courtly Choice-Fit N Bad-Badlands Hanover
1/2-brother to **Brave World**,
p, 1:51s; BT1:49.2f (\$388,793),
O'Brien Award Winner, **Laura's Love**,
p, 3, 1:50.3s (\$370,617), &
2024 Eternal Camnation Winner,
Perfectly Chic, p, 2, 1:52.3s -'24 (\$100,640)

HUNTSVILLE

#409, WISH YOU THE BEST, C
Huntsville-Regal Wish-Cam's Card Shark
1/2-brother to **Brickman**, p, 1:50f (\$174,578).
Dam is a full-sister to **Bettor's Delight**,
p, 3, 1:49.4 (\$2,581,461), & **Roll With Joe**,
p, 3, 1:48.2 (\$1,805,607)

Day 3 ON Pacers

BETTOR'S DELIGHT

#405, NAUGHTY DELIGHT, F
Bettor's Delight-Pleasant Yet Bad-Badlands Hanover
1/2-sister to **Weeper**,
p, 3, 1:49f (\$569,511), & **Bet Mine**,
p, 1:50.1s -'23; BT1:49.1s (\$259,776). Dam
is a full-sister to **Badlands Nitro**,
p, 3, 1:50f (\$1,597,638)

#420, BETTOR'S STORM, C
Bettor's Delight-Serena Said-Well Said
Dam is a 1/2-sister to **He's Marvalous**,
p, 1:50.4f (\$217,319). Family of
Shadow Play, p, 1:47.4 (\$1,549,881)

#423, POISONOUS DELIGHT, F, ON/KY
Bettor's Delight-She's Poison-Western Ideal
1/2-sister to **Poisonous**,
p, 1:49.4f (\$269,605). Full-sister to
Arsenic, p, 3, 1:51.1s (\$222,874). Second
dam is **She's A Great Lady**,
p, 1:50.4 (\$973,382)

#460, MISS WIGGLES, F
Bettor's Delight-Winbak Wiggle-Well Said
Dam is a 1/2-sister to **Mr Wiggles**,
p, 3, 1:49.1f (\$1,168,231)

#495, WEEKEND DELIGHT, F
Bettor's Delight-Bunkhouse Babe-Royal Mattjesty
Dam is **Bunkhouse Babe**,
p, 2, 1:56.2h (\$127,917). 1/2-sister to
Vintage Babe, p, 1:52.2f (\$294,915),
& **Cafe Society**, p, 3, 1:53s (\$116,262), &
Cowboy Cargo,
p, 3, 1:55h -'24; BT1:51.2s -'24 (\$90,100)

CATTLEWASH

#468, OIL ON CANVAS, C
Cattlewash-Acrylic-Art Major
Dam is a 1/2-sister **Wes Delight**,
p, 1:48.3 (\$435,160)

#536, HAPPY TABBY, F
Cattlewash-Gabby Tabby-Western Ideal
Dam is a 1/2-sister to **Arties Ideal**,
p, 3, 1:50.1f (\$628,189), & **Artist Night**,
p, 3, 1:51.1f (\$327,383). Family of
Escape The News, p, 1:48.4 (\$1,020,757)

#558, A CLEAN DEAL, F
Cattlewash-Ideal Talker-Western Ideal
Dam, **Ideal Talker**, p, 1:53.2f (\$100,436), is
a 1/2-sister to **Swift As A Shadow**,
p, 1:50.1f (\$617,530), & **Town Gossip**,
p, 3, 1:49.2f; BT1:48 (\$617,229)

Day 3 ON Pacers (cont.)

SHADOW PLAY

#566, COLD BREW SUE, F
Shadow Play-Dreamlands Latte-Artsplace
Dam is **Dreamlands Latte**,
p, 3, 1:52.3f (\$226,375). Full-sister to 2021
O'Brien Horse of the Year, **Desperate Man**,
p, 3, 1:49.3s; BT1:47.4f -'24 (\$1,445,274).
1/2-sister to **Steve Said**, p, 1:51 (\$242,185),
Stimulus Plan, p, 1:50.1 (\$205,580),
& 2024 NY Stakes Winner,
Desperate Dream, p, 1:55.1f -'24 (\$52,717)

Day 3 PA Trotters

BAR HOPPING

#431, RED LION MARY, F
Bar Hopping-Some Kinda Special-Cantab Hall
1/2-sister to **Some Chapter**,
3, 1:52.4 (\$153,100), & **Some Kinda Night**,
1:54.3s -'24 (\$101,407). Family of
Therapeutic, 1:53.3f (\$785,352)

#512, CHILLAX, F
Bar Hopping-Day At The Spa-Andover Hall
1/2-sister to **Hell Patrol**,
3, 1:54f; BT1:53.3f (\$142,061),
I Got The Tab, 3, 1:54.4f -'23 (\$130,915),
& **Grand Spa**, 2, 1:57s; BTQ1:53.4 (\$96,783).
Second dam is **Doin The Town**,
3, 1:54.2 (\$475,274)

#580, SPRAY THE BAR, C
Bar Hopping-Julia's Way-Conway Hall
Dam, **Julia's Way**, 3, 1:59h (\$103,948), is a
full-sister to **Dayson**, 3, 1:51.2 (\$1,404,449)

FATHER PATRICK

#567, HATTRICK PATRICK, C
Father Patrick-Just For You-Yankee Glide
Dam, **Just For You**, 1:53.4 (\$109,634), is a
1/2-sister to **Jacks To Open**,
1:53.4 (\$501,973), & full-sister to **Joey**,
1:52.1 (\$396,723)

INTERNATIONAL MONI

#470, WORLDLY DREAM, C
International Moni-Adreamcomestrue AS-Conway Hall
Dam, **Adreamcomestrue AS**,
1:56.4s (\$92,286), is a 1/2-sister to
Infiniti AS, 1:52 (\$324,480). 1/2-brother to
Devil's Kiss, 3, 1:58.3f -'24 (\$38,981), &
I'll Have A Double, BT1:56.3f -'24 (\$32,180)

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20 TO WATCH DURING THE 3RD & 4TH LEXINGTON SESSIONS



BARN TALK

By Garnet Barnsdale [@gocashking](#)

The 2024 Lexington Selected Yearling Sale has plenty to offer in days three and four with many options available to bidders looking for that next champion or a value buy, or maybe both of those in one yearling.

Below are 20 yearlings that caught our eye with comments from consignors or breeders, where available.

HIP 370 KHANZADA

Sex: Colt
Sire: Chapter Seven
Dam: Magic Carpet Glide
Consignor: Diamond Creek Farm
Eligibility: New York and Kentucky

This Chapter Seven colt is the first foal of a daughter of Kadabra that comes from a very strong maternal family. The second dam produced two \$200,000 winners. The third dam produced millionaire What The Hill, the 2017 3-year-old Trotting Colt of the Year. The fourth dam produced World Champion and 2006 O'Brien Horse of the Year Majestic Son.

Shaun Laungani comments: He is a cool horse because he is as good a walking trotting colt that I've seen over here this week. He has a super athletic walk. You know, he's on the small side being a Chapter Seven, but he's been good to work with, and nothing would surprise me about him. You could tell me he wins the Hambo in 2026, and I'd be like: yep, I'm not surprised.

HIP 374 BLAMEITONTHEBOOZE

Sex: Colt
Sire: Bar Hopping
Dam: Mazda Hanover
Consignor: Kentuckiana Farms
Eligibility: Pennsylvania and Kentucky

This colt is by top trotting sire Bar Hopping out of a high producing dam. That mare has thrown nine winners from 10 foals that were eligible to race, including \$400,000 earners Givitgasandgo (\$428,364, 1:52 1/5, 12 wins at 2 and 3) and Smoother Ride (\$414,572, 1:52 3/5, 28 wins.)

HIP 416 ROUGH DEAL

Sex: Colt
Sire: American Ideal
Dam: Ruffle's Kiss
Consignor: Winbak Farm
Eligibility: New York and Maryland

Here is an American Ideal colt that boasts a strong maternal family. His dam took a mark of 1:51 over a 5/8ths mile track in 2011. She produced the full sister to Rough Deal who took 27 wins, earned more than \$263,000 and took a mark of 1:49 3/5. Her second dam White Ruffles earned more than \$485,000 and won 27 times racing in the late 80s and early 90s, and was one of the top aged pacing mares on the continent. At 6, she won the finals of the Overbid series and the Cape and Cutter.

James Ladwig comments: He is a big, nice-looking colt; I like him a lot. He's big, tall, lanky, and good looking.

HIP 423 POISONOUS DELIGHT

Sex: Filly
Sire: Bettor's Delight
Dam: She's Poison
Consignor: Winbak Farm
Eligibility: Ontario and Kentucky

This Bettor's Delight daughter is out of a Western Vintage mare that has produced four winners, all of whom have won in 1:55 4/5 or faster,

two of which have earned more than \$200,000. Her fastest daughter took a mark of 1:49 4/5 over a 5/8ths mile track. She gets pedigree strength from her second dam, the exceptional World Champion race mare She's A Great Lady, Dan Patch 3-Year-Old Pacing Filly of the Year in 1995; Dan Patch and O'Brien Older Pacing Mare of the Year in 1996.

James Ladwig comments: A great-looking filly. She has a lot of presence and is just what you are looking for. She's dual eligible. You can't beat this one.

HIP 433 CIN CIN

Sex: Filly
Sire: Bar Hopping
Dam: Cheval Blanc
Consignor: Crawford Farms
Eligibility: Pennsylvania and Kentucky

Here we have a dual eligible filly by a top sire who is out of an unraced dam that is a half sister to Hambletonian winner and Triple Crown winner Glidemaster (\$1,968,023, 1:51 1/5), who was voted 2006 Dan Patch Horse of the Year.

Heather Marshall comments: She is the first foal out of the mare, who was injured and never made it to the races. She was a strong filly that was great in the field, and obviously comes from a super deep family being a sister to Glidemaster. You have a filly here who is from one of the last crops of Bar Hopping, too, and we already know that the Muscle Hill/Cantab Hall lines cross well.

HIP 438 CAPTAIN CHARLIE

Sex: Colt
Sire: Captain Corey
Dam: Stella Jane
Consignor: Crawford Farms
Eligibility: Pennsylvania and Kentucky

This colt is by a Hambletonian winner whose first crop will hit the race-track in 2025. This is the third foal of the \$300,000 earning dam. The first two are both winners in 1:57 1/5 or faster. Each won their first lifetime starts.

Heather Marshall comments: He is just an absolutely gorgeous colt. He never has a bad day. He has a super attitude, and he is a favorite all around the farm for us. Every single person here loves him.

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SWEET LOU

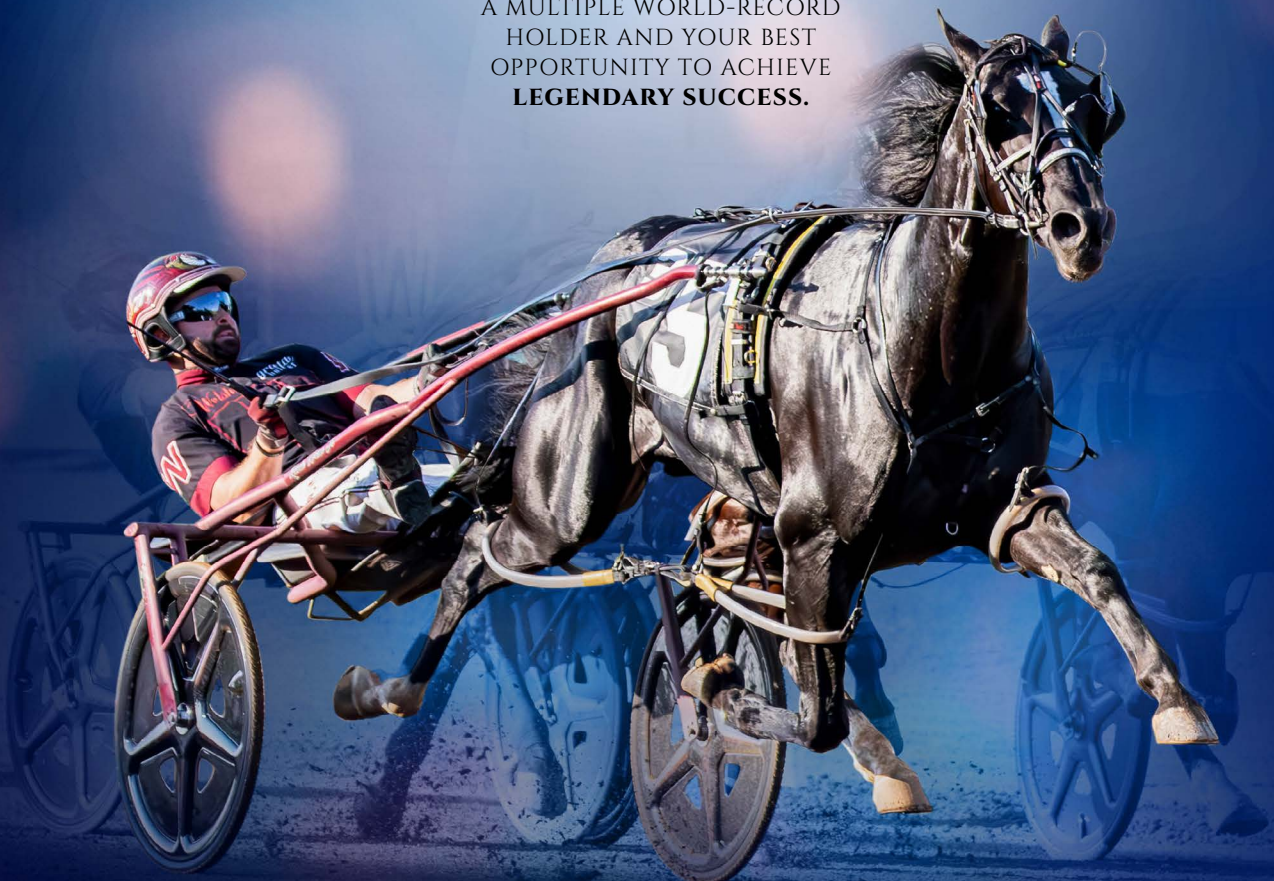
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Sex: Filly
 Sire: Captain Corey
 Dam: Tiltheloverunsout
 Consignor: Anvil And Lace Farm, Agent.
 Eligibility: Pennsylvania

This colt by the 2021 Hambletonian winner is the first foal from a dam that comes from a strong maternal family. Her second dam, Harbour Belle, produced \$565,000 earner Handover Belle, who took a mark of 1:51 1/5 at the Meadowlands at age 5. The dam also produced 32-time winner Revrac Harbour (#286,786, 1:54 1/5)

Jesse Belore (breeder) comments: A beautiful, well-built filly from the first crop of Captain Corey. She's the first foal from a dam who's a sister to Handover Belle. She comes from a strong maternal family. She happens to be named after our daughter, and she definitely holds some sentimental value for us.

HIP 477 CREDIBLE

Sex: Filly
 Sire: Papi Rob Hanover
 Dam: Shockingly Sweet
 Consignor: Diamond Creek Farm
 Eligibility: Pennsylvania

This filly is by 1:47 1/5 pacer Papi Rob Hanover, who has shown with his first crop racing this year that he can transfer his speed to his offspring. He has sired four that have won in 1:51 1/5 or faster. His top earner, Papi Grad, has compiled a record of 6-3-0 from nine starts and earned more than \$358,000 with more to come. She took her mark of 1:51 winning a division of the Bluegrass at The Red Mile.

Shaun Laungani comments: She is really light on her feet, and this is a pedigree that is not often available to the public, which has obviously got a lot better over the past few years with Confederate. It's our foundation pacing family, the Western Montana line. Here you have maybe a lighter more elegant style Papi Rob, and she can just fly.

HIP 547 LOVIN THE BLUEGRASS

Sex: Filly
 Sire: Chapter Seven
 Dam: Celebrity Lovin
 Consignor: Crawford Farms
 Eligibility: New York and Kentucky

Here is a day-three trotting filly that should garner plenty of attention from bidders. This Chapter Seven filly is out of a dam that produced 2020 Kentucky Filly



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Futurity winner Love A Good Story (\$692,678, 1:51 2/5, 13 wins at 2 and 3). This is the eighth foal from the dam; six of the first seven are winners.

Heather Marshall comments: She's a full sister to Love A Good Story and she needs no introduction. This filly is super in the paddock. Every time I put her out for anybody at the farm, she was just a killer. When we have her turned out in a group, she is always the first one up to the front. It doesn't matter where she comes from, she's making it to the front.

HIP 549 SUNDOWNSOMEWHERE

Sex: Filly
 Sire: Tall Dark Stranger
 Dam: Somwherovrarainbow
 Consignor: Crawford Farms
 Eligibility: Pennsylvania and Kentucky

This Tall Dark Stranger filly is out of the sensational millionaire race mare Somwherovrarainbow, who was a 4 1/2 length winner in the 2012 Breeders Crown at Woodbine Racetrack. The 2nd dam in this family is the great Rainbow Blue (30 wins from 32 starts, \$1.6 million, 1:49 2/5), who also produced Rainbow Room (\$482,880, 1:51 2/5), the full sister to Somwherovrarainbow who won seven of her first eight starts at age 2.

Heather Marshall comments: She is just gorgeous; big and strong. She takes more of the Beach side than the Tall Dark Stranger side. I expect her to do great things.

HIP 552 DAYMAN

Sex: Colt
 Sire: Stay Hungry
 Dam: Hey Lolly La
 Consignor: Anvil And Lace Farm, Agent
 Eligibility: Pennsylvania

This Stay Hungry colt is from an American Ideal dam that has produced one winner from two foals to date. The second dam, Bet On Luck, has six winners from seven foals and has a current 2-year-old, Lonely Ghost, who finished 2nd in the \$50,000 Renaissance 2-Year-Old Filly Pace Final at Freehold Raceway last Saturday.

Jesse Belore (breeder) comments: A very athletic colt, the first colt from an American Ideal mare who is a full sister to Gotthegreenlight, who paced in 1:51 over a 5/8ths track and earned more than a half a million. It's a fast family, and for any "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia" fans, this guy should turn some heads!

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HIP 565 GRACIOUS

Sex: Filly
 Sire: Captaintreacherous
 Dam: L A Delight
 Consignor: Diamond Creek Farm
 Eligibility: Pennsylvania and Kentucky

Here is a day-three head-turning Captaintreacherous filly that comes from the great Los Angeles (Camluck) maternal line. Gracious' dam, L A Delight, was voted O'Brien 2-Year-Old Pacing Filly of the Year in 2015 and O'Brien 3-Year-Old Pacing Filly of the Year in 2016. She won the 2016 Juette and several Grand Circuit stakes in a stellar career where she earned \$1.45 million on the strength of a 26-10-9 record from 66 starts. Her second dam, West Of L A, produced \$1.86 million earner Somewhere In L A, (46 wins, 1:48 4/5), one of three of her offspring that won in 1:50 or faster. The third dam, Los Angeles, boasts North America Cup winning Thinking Out Loud (\$1.93 million, 1:47 2/5) as her richest and fastest progeny.

Shaun Laungani comments: She is on the smaller side, which is what we have come to expect out of the mare; L A Delight was on the smaller side, but she is very athletic and obviously she has the pedigree to carry her on. It's a new cross that we haven't tried with the mare, who we had high expectations for, and she hasn't gone through the roof yet. If she is going to, it will likely be with this individual.



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HIP 588 EASY STATION



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Sex: Filly
 Sire: Captaintreacherous
 Dam: E Dee's Well Said
 Consignor: Spring Station Bloodstock
 Eligibility: Pennsylvania and Kentucky

Here is a day-three Captaintreacherous filly that is out of a Well Said dam who is 2-for-2 producing winners so far and both have won in 1:55 2/5 or faster from limited starts. This is her first yearling foaled by the prolific sire.

HIP 600 BEE PERFECT

Sex: Filly
 Sire: Perfect Sting
 Dam: My Little Beach
 Consignor: Winbak Farm
 Eligibility: New Jersey and Kentucky and Maryland

This filly comes from a strong maternal line, and she is by stallion Perfect Sting whose first crop will race next year from a book of 113 breedings. Perfect Sting (\$1.78 million, 1:48 1/5) is the only pacing stallion in history to win the Breeders Crown and be voted Dan Patch Champion as both a 2 and 3-year-old. This filly's second dam My Little Dragon was a double millionaire who took 24 wins from ages 2 thru 5. The World Champion was voted Dan Patch 2-Year-Old Pacing Filly of the Year in 2005 and O'Brien Older Pacing Mare of the Year in 2008. She was the dam of millionaires Stay Hungry (p,2,1:50 2/5; 3,1:47 3/5) and Treacherous Dragon (p,2,1:51 3/5.; 3,1:49 1/5.; 4,1:48 3/5)

James Ladwig comments: This is a nice filly. She is big and tall and just a really nice-looking filly with a good pedigree.

HIP 609 SLIDERS

Sex: Colt
 Sire: Tactical Landing
 Dam: Oasis Dream
 Consignor: Cane Run Farm, Agent
 Eligibility: New Jersey and Kentucky

This dual-eligible colt is by popular sire Tactical Landing, who sired two Hambletonian winners in both of his first two crops. The dam was a five-time winner at 2 and 3 and she has produced two \$200,000 winners from six foals, both of whom have won in under 1:55. Only Passing Thru (\$287,105, 1:54 2/5) has recorded 32 wins from ages 3 thru 10, and One After Nine (\$201,609, 1:54) has taken 20 wins from ages 3 thru 6.

Elizabeth Caldwell comments: Tactical Landing is having another good year, so that's nice to see. The dam has produced some racehorses, we'd just like to see one that goes forward and hopefully becomes a Grand Circuit player at some point. The colt moves great on his video, he still has a bit of maturing to do because he is a May 19th foal, but he's nice and tall and everything is there. He just needs to fill out.

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HIP 217

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HIP 688 GREEN SNICKERS

Sex: Colt
 Sire: Green Manalishi S
 Dam: Andover The Top
 Consignor: Northwood Bloodstock, Agent
 Eligibility: Ontario

Here is a filly by Green Manalishi S, who with his first crop leads all Ontario trotting sires in 2-year-old earnings with over \$1.5 million to date. His top earner, filly Monalishi, has two Grand Circuit wins at the top of her resume. Victories in the Peaceful Way and Champlain Stakes contributed to her \$425,311 earnings to date. Green Snickers dam has produced four winners in 2:00, including Moana (\$91,965, 1:55 1/5, 8 wins at 2 and 3). The second dam in this family produced millionaire Pure Ivory, O'Brien Award winner at both 2 and 3 and the dam of Hambletonian winner Forbidden Trade. She is also dam of \$500,000 earner The Game Plan, O'Brien 2-Year-Old Trotting Colt of the Year in 2011.

Bob Boni comments: His full brother Michanek just took his 2-year-old record of 1:59 4/5 on September 24 leading gate to wire. Green Snickers is a sharp and very showy colt...medium size with a good head and eye, and a good-moving colt that appears to be light on his feet. He's a likeable colt that presents very well.

HIP 729 PINK DISCO

Sex: Filly
 Sire: Huntsville
 Dam: Delightful Diva
 Consignor: Crawford Farms
 Eligibility: New York and Kentucky

Pink Disco is a dual-eligible filly out of a dam that has produced two winners in 1:55 from three living foals, including Umberto (\$167,060, 1:52 1/5, 17 wins, 2 thru 6). She is also related to another 17-time winner Laila Blue (\$204,445, 1:55)

Heather Marshall comments: The mare is definitely due to have a good one. This filly is medium size, she had a great tape, correct in all aspects, and Huntsville is the king of New York for sure.

HIP 770 UNDERGROUND

Sex: Colt
 Sire: Muscle Hill
 Dam: Hidden Temple
 Consignor: Cane Run Farm
 Eligibility: New Jersey and Kentucky

Here is an opportunity to possibly find some value late in day four of the sale by snagging a son of the great sire Muscle Hill. His dam has a spotless 3-for-3 record producing winners, all three in 2:00. Her fastest offspring, Pirate's Loot, took a 1:56 3/5 lifetime mark in his first start at 3 at Harrah's Philadelphia on April 14th. Her next fastest, Yo Monica, took her mark of 1:58 3/5 in the Kentucky Pride Final at The Red Mile on July 21.

Elizabeth Caldwell comments: I've had a few people ask me why he is in day four. I guess that's up to the sales company. The dam's 2-year-old won the Fair Final here and he's a nice-looking correct colt that moves well and has a great attitude. Maybe someone will get lucky with this colt.

HIP 792 MAMA MATCHA

Sex: Filly
 Sire: Tall Dark Stranger
 Dam: Krispy Apple
 Consignor: Crawford Farms
 Eligibility: Pennsylvania and Kentucky

Here we have a pacing filly out of millionaire World Champion Krispy Apple, a durable campaigner that took a record of 51-24-18 from 153 starts while earning more than \$1.9 million from ages 2 thru 9. At 3, she scorched the Meadowlands in 1:49 1/5 while winning the prep for the Mistletoe Shalee. From four previous foals, Krispy Apple has produced three winners, two in 1:55, including Girdad (\$131,564, 7 wins 2 thru 4), who lowered her lifetime mark to 1:51 2/5 on September 24 and Pocono Downs.

Heather Marshall comments: This is a big strong filly coming from a great filly family. Hopefully she will follow suit.



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 American Ideal-Restive Hanover-The Panderosa
 • Full-brother to American Rebel, p, 1:52f (\$357,848)

#670, HE'S SO SMART, P, C, NY
 American Ideal-Wisdom-Artsplace
 • 1/2-brother to Wisdom Tree, p, 1:49.1s (\$687,376)

#689, GETTINWICKEDWITHIT, P, C, ON
 McWicked-Upfrontandpersonal-Bettor's Delight
 • 1/2-brother to Alabama Hannah, p, 3, 1:51.2 (\$129,967)

#699, UTTERLY APPROVED, P, F, ON/KY
 Cattlewash-Authorize-Western Ideal
 • 1/2-sister to Legal Power, p, 1:51.3f (\$222,077)

#756, AMAZING ADDY, P, F, ON
 Shadow Play-Glass Maker-Artsplace
 • 1/2-sister to Clear Idea, p, 3, 1:50.4f (\$639,323)

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Conversations in Lexington and other thoughts



EDITOR'S EYE

By Derick Giwner [X @harnessveguy](#)

While the majority of the harness racing community comes to Lexington, Kentucky each year for the annual yearling sale and for great racing, there is something to be said for the conversation. The 10 days prior to the Kentucky Futurity probably accounts for the greatest concentration of industry participants in one area and it provides a unique opportunity to chat with people from around the Standardbred world.

I had a number of conversations about the impending closure of Freehold Raceway and contraction in general. Not one person was surprised by the announcement that Freehold will shutter after December 28 and many, whether from the U.S. or Canada, felt that further closures were likely in the future during the coming decade.

Freehold has been racing just over 80 dates in recent years and it will be interesting to see how many of those dates are picked up by The Meadowlands. It doesn't seem feasible that New Jersey will only have one Standardbred track with 90 dates when the state is providing a \$7.6 million purse appropriation and the common thought is that The Meadowlands will add dates assuming it gets Freehold's share (\$1.6 million) of the money.

How many dates?

While management at The Meadowlands is still evaluating the situation, the common thought seems to be somewhere between 20 and 30 cards is very possible. Assuming it happens, it will be interesting to see what days are added and at what time during the year. Currently Freehold races mostly on Friday and Saturday (Jan to May and late August to December), which won't be happening at The Meadowlands because they already race those days. Sunday nights are interesting, as are afternoon cards on a Monday. If the track races in the afternoon there is no need to use the track's lighting system, which should save on costs.

I mentioned to a number of people the logic of Dayton racing on Sunday instead of Saturday for its huge Dayton Derbies card. Currently the Dayton card starts 30 to 60 minutes after The Red Mile ends its Bluegrass card on Saturday and anyone that wants to attend both basically needs to leave early or miss races. Plus, the final Dayton Derby race went off at 10:30 PM, so anyone traveling back to Lexington won't return until about 1:00 AM.

Logically, a 5:30 PM post time on Sunday would be perfect for everyone. Think about it, yearling buyers would have a chance to look at horses in the morning and early afternoon. Drivers and trainers wouldn't have to rush to Dayton or choose which track to attend. The stakes would be over by 9:30 and people could get back to Lexington at a reasonable hour. And for Dayton, attendance should be much better with more industry participants able to attend. There is a potential conflict with the Stable of Memories dinner but that could potentially be moved to Saturday night, no?

On the lighter side, I'm a bit of a pen guy. I enjoy a good pen and there is a nice selection walking around the different consignments at the Fasig-Tipton grounds. It's a tough call but I'm calling it a dead-heat between the Northwood Bloodstock and Hanover Shoe Farm pens in terms of quality. They appear to be almost identical but the Northwood ones have three silver rings where you put your fingers and the Hanover ones have just two. If you forced me to pick I would go with the Northwood version because those silver rings aren't as raised and thus are more comfortable when gripping the writing instrument.

Switching away from Lexington for a moment, the Pick 4 situation in New York is just mind-boggling. Back in June the state Gaming Commission approved Pick 4 carryovers, meaning if nobody selects all four winners in the sequence the money would carry over to the following card and the track could market the expected pool boost the racing day. Previously tracks were required to pay out the full pool to anyone who had the most number of winners (typically three out of four).

To my knowledge no tracks in New York have taken advantage of the new Pick 4 rules. Why? I know the couple of people I spoke with that are connected with a track said the new rules were still pending. With that, I reached out to the Commission and was provided with a PDF of the adoption of the new rule. The Commission representative said, "I cannot see how they



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HIP 192 Shaboozin On Top certainly catches the eye.

[tracks] are unaware." So, in the interest of information dissemination:

ATTENTION NY TRACKS: YOU ARE NOW PERMITTED TO HAVE PICK 4 CARRYOVERS. ASK THE COMMISSION FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

Back to the Bluegrass and on Sunday afternoon I saw a yearling with the most beautiful mane. It was like she stopped at the salon for a hair color job prior to be shown and I was captivated. Her name is Shaboozin On Top and she the Crawford Farms filly sold as HIP 192 for \$200,00. Check her out above.

After a wet weekend to start the Grand Circuit the weather is expected to be much better for the Friday to Sunday cards coming this week. Typically when a track gets water and dries out, the result is a very fast surface and some people I've spoken to thought records could be in the offing.

The Breeders Crown Charity Challenge stallion auction fetched a strong \$203,000 for charity before the Tuesday sale session. Leading the way was a breeding to Walner that sold for \$60,000.

Enjoy the week in Lexington!



Always B Miki to stand in Kentucky in 2025

The owners of Always B Miki are pleased to announce that he will be standing in Kentucky in 2025.

Always B Miki will relocate to Diamond Creek's Kentucky stallion barn, where he will join Gimpanzee as one of the few elite Kentucky resident stallions.

"With Miki's sweep of the KYSS Championships and continued success at The Red Mile, it just makes sense to bring him here," said Bluestone's Mitchel Skolnick. "With this move we can continue to reward the yearling buyers for their support of Miki."

The move from Pennsylvania to Kentucky will also mean large financial rewards for those owning many of his foals going forward. In addition to Kentucky eligibility, Always B Miki's yearlings from resident mares will qualify for the 50% owners' bonus on all legs of the Kentucky Sire Stakes.

"I have always thought Kentucky would be the perfect spot for Always B Miki," said Diamond Creek's Adam Bowden, "The program is strong and will reward a home run stallion like Miki."

Always B Miki has produced six millionaires and 7 Breeders Crown champions during his stallion career, led by \$1.8 million winner Grace Hill and two-time Dan Patch Award winner Perfect Sting, who was a big hit on opening night at the Lexington Selected Sale with his first crop selling for more than \$220K per foal on average.

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2025 OHIO STAKES PLANNING MEETING

Eldorado Scioto Downs would like to invite horsemen to a meeting to discuss the 2025 Ohio Sires Stakes and Buckeye Stallion Series rules and scheduling. The goal of the meeting is to discuss potential changes and come up with a unified plan to present to the Ohio Standardbred Breed Development Fund at their next meeting.

The planning meeting will be held on Monday, October 7 at 2:00 p.m. in the Three Diamonds Room in the grandstand. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Representatives from the OHHA Board of Directors, Miami Valley, Dayton Raceway, Northfield Park and Scioto Downs are all committed to attending. Questions about the meeting can be directed to the Scioto Downs race office at 614-295-4668.

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NEW RECORD AT SHENANDOAH DOWNS

Daniel Chansky's Lou's Starr authored a new speed record for 2-year-olds at Shenandoah Downs Saturday when the Sweet Lou colt pacer crossed the wire in 1:53 2/5 under the direction of Fern Paquet Jr. The Scott Warnick trainee has dominated in all three of his Woodstock starts this fall though Saturday's race was the first in wire-to-wire fashion.

In a full field of eight, Lou's Starr came outside of Maker Dance just before the quarter pole, triggered the fraction in 28 3/5 then opened up by five lengths at the half in 56 2/5. The front-stepper maintained that cushion the second time around, passing the third stanza in 1:24 4/5 and finished seven lengths the best. His prior margins of victory were by eight lengths.

The five-week Virginia Breeders' Series kicked off over the weekend with 3-year-old eliminations contested over both days. The series will culminate on closing day (October 27) with the \$650,000 (est.) 27th annual Virginia Breeders Championships.

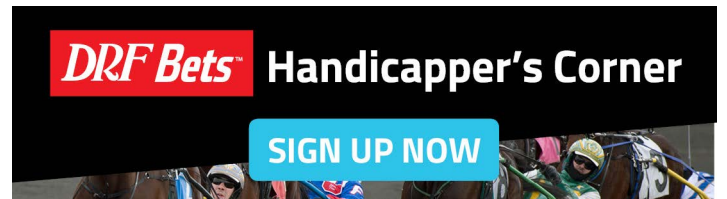
On Saturday, Nanticoke Racing Inc. & Delbert Cain's Platinum Proposal and Marna Shehan's Speedy Town both won \$8,000 elimination races in the Filly Trot category. Jane Dunavant's Pretty Two and Kelsey Wagner's Gerald's A Keeper each scored first leg victories in the Colt/Gelding Trot.

On Sunday, Caviart Farms swept both eliminations of the Filly Pace division with their Caviart Sophie and Caviart Ainsley. The pair are trained by Tony Alagna and were driven by Anibal Borjas to victories in 1:56 1/5 and 1:57, respectively.

Tracy Bradshaw's Bgoing Away, runner-up in the \$85,015 freshman final last year, took the lone Colt/Gelding Pace division in a lifetime best 1:56 4/5 with William Carter aboard.

The second round of 3-year-old eliminations will be held this Saturday & Sunday October 5 & 6.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

RACE 9

(4) PYRO comes north from Harrah's Philadelphia out of some fast miles and is now with trainer Paul Stafford. This horse has had lots of success at Yonkers in the past and can hopefully find some more here.

-Greg Reinhart



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

RACE 1

(8) NASA wasn't asked for anything until the stretch in his debut and he closed nicely to get a share, looking good doing it. You won't get 51 to 1 tonight; top call in the opener. \$23,000 London Sale buy.

-Garnet Barnsdale



RACE 8

(2) GAINES HANOVER is now at Yonkers with trainer-driver Pat Lachance. He was second in the Open at Woodbine Mohawk Park most recently, and Logan Park, who beat him in that tilt, came out of that event to take the Dayton Trotting Derby Grand Circuit race.

-Reinhart



RACE 1

(3) BUCKEYE EMERY has been caught in some super quick miles the last three and has two fourth place checks to show for it. This field is dramatically easier and Ivan Llopez has been hot of late.

-Larry Fox



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