

HIP 104 CAMBRIDGE HANOVER (\$1,000,000) BECAME THE HIGHEST-PRICED HORSE IN THE HISTORY OF THE STANDARDBRED HORSE SALE \$110,387 SALE AVERAGE UP 10.9% YEAR OVER YEAR

Cambridge Hanover becomes harness racing's

becomes harness racing's third "million-dollar baby"

By Greg Reinhart / quotes from Derick Giwner

HIP 104 Cambridge Hanover was a record-setter on Monday in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as he became the highest-priced yearling to go through the ring at the Standardbred Horse Sale and just the third seven-figure yearling at public auction in the sport's history as he was purchased by agent Andrew Harris for \$1 million.

A Walner three-quarter brother to this year's Breeders Crown 2-Year-Old Colt Trot, Mohawk Million, Peter Haughton Memorial and William Wellwood Memorial champion Maryland, Cambridge Hanover was bred and consigned by Hanover Shoe Farms. Harris did his homework on the colt and came away impressed at every stage.



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Trainer Andrew Harris posed with Hanover Shoe Farms' VP Mark Loewe after purchasing Cambridge Hanover for \$1,000,000.

"My knees are shaking. You don't get used to those prices, but at the same time, you watch the video and I went to Hanover and watched him in the fields. I've never seen a horse move like that," recounted Harris. "We have Voguish that's also related to him and then Maryland, too. It's been a really nice family, and that was the one that I wanted the most. Usually it's me telling them no, but this is the one that I was like 'no, I want this one.' I love this horse. I loved him when I saw him out in the fields. I loved everything about him. When your horse can move like that, it's hard to find those types, especially with the family. This one has to perform, but if you're going to take a shot at one, this is the one to take a shot on.

"There are so much higher purses for these trotting colts. You have more chances to get out on them. You've still got to get there and still have got to prove it, but if there was one that I wanted to spend more than what I'm comfortable spending on, it was this one."

Cambridge Hanover's sale was also a major moment for Dale Welk. Now the sales company president, Welk has been with the company for many years and is now been able to check off one major item on his to-do list.

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Hanover caps Lexington/ Harrisburg sales-topper daily double

By Derick Giwner

The level of difficulty in having even one sale-topper at the Lexington Selected Sale or Standardbred Horse Sale in Harrisburg on any given year is high. For one farm to do it at both locations is extremely impressive. That is the feat accomplished by Hanover Shoe Farms on Monday as HIP 104 Cambridge Hanover sold for \$1,000,000 (a new record for the Standardbred Horse Sale) and joined the farm's Lexington leader Rani Hanover (\$925,000).

"I don't think you can ever imagine a million dollars. We knew there was a lot of interest in the horse and we heard number in the \$700-\$800,000 range, but once they go into the sales ring you don't know what is going to happen," said Hanover Vice President Mark Loewe, who took over the position in March of this year and now has seem the farm sell the first million-dollar baby at the Standardbred Horse Sale. "It comes under my reins, maybe, but really it's Patti Murphy, the farm manager, and her staff. They work from the day they're born until the day we sell them to try and get them to that level. They deserve all the credit, and Russell Williams for his committment to buying quality mares and breeding them to quality sires. It has been a team effort and Hanover has been doing it for what will be 100 years next year."

Hanover President and CEO Russell Williams was more focused on the market as a whole when asked about Hanover selling the sale-toppers at both locations.

"It says more about the health of the business than it does about us," said Williams. "When you are a breeder in this sport and want to survive, you have to look at the volume and how much they all bring. You can't guarantee that you'll have a \$900,000 or million-dollar yearling. If it costs \$40,000 to raise a yearling and get them to the sale, you have to get \$60,000 or \$70,000 to come out ahead on that one, and you have to do that over and over again. It is a very hard business."

Williams did agree that outside of the post-COVID sale in 2021, now is probably the best time to be a breeder and seller of yearlings.

"We have good buyers out there. They are making astute decisions at every level," said Williams. "In harness racing, you can buy the \$50,000, the \$150,000, the \$400,000 and even the million and do well with it because you can adopt a racing strategy that will get you where you need to be to do well and win races. I think that makes this a good time to be a seller, just the structure of racing today. There are problems, tracks are closing, but there is a good side also."

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"I jokingly told Russell (Williams) I'm retiring. That was a goal I wanted to do," Welk stated. "I wanted to sell a \$1 million horse here. I got emotional, I'm going to be very honest. I'm still a little choked up when I talk about it. It's a great feeling."

Coming in behind Cambridge Hanover at \$760,000 was HIP 53 Swinging Loyalty, a Walner filly who is a half-sister to four multiple stakes winners in Ahundreddollarbill, Slay, Royal Mission and Royal Filly. She was purchased by Richard Gutnick for a group that will include Brad Grant and others. Linda Toscano will be the trainer.



DERICK GIWNER

HIP 53 Swinging Loyalty was the second-highest yearling sold on Monday at \$760,000 to a group including Richard Gutnick (below left) and Brad Grant (right).



"This time we wanted to get our top choice. I didn't think we were going to get it. (The bidding during her sale) was definitely totally insane." Gutnick admitted. "I expected it to go \$650,000 to \$700,000. I was prepared for that.

I wasn't really prepared as high, and Linda kept saying 'it's hard to get your money back when you go for this one this high.' I didn't listen this time. I had some partners who said if you're in, we're in, so that makes life a lot easier. Dr. Jablonsky loved her also, and Linda loved her. When we saw her at Concord Stud, I loved a couple of them. I got HIP 3, but this was my top choice all along. I tried to save bullets for it; now I've got to rob the piggy bank.

"Just the way she looked when we turned her out at Concord, she's built phenomenally, and she does everything effortlessly," continued Gutnick. "I have a new rule. The trainer has got to love it, and I've got to love it. If one of us doesn't, we throw it out, no matter how much one may love it. In this case, we both were on the same page, except she

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Trotting Yearlings from Rich Families

11/4-11/6 Harrisburg Highlights

Sale starts at 10 am on 11/5 & 11/6

#420, BAR FLY BANDIT, C, PA/KY, First Foal Bar Hopping-Donna's Dance-Donato Hanover

 Dam is a 1/2-sister to Wild Honey, 3, 1:50.4 (\$1,585,741)

#502, I TAKE THE CAKE*, F, PA

Captain Corey-I'll Bring Dessert-Chocolatier

- 1/2-sister to Manwilling, 1:56f (\$158,232)
- Dam is a 1/2-sister to Laddie, 3, 1:54s (\$982,773)

#580, LILY REIN, F, ON

Archangel-New Leaf-Muscles Yankee

• Family of Vivid Photo, 1:50.2z (\$3,275,631)

#590, MET'S HIT, F, NY

Met's Hall-Overnight Hit-Giant Hit

• 1/2-sister to Navy Blue, 1:54.4f -'24 (\$318,717)

#709, MASSIVE VICTORY, F, ON

Muscle Mass-Victors Vicky-Valley Victor

Dam is Victors Vicky, 1:55f (\$712,342)

#770, MISTY BLUE, F, PA

Father Patrick-Blue Yonder-Tagliabue

• 1/2-sister to Blue Bayou Deo, 3, 1:52 (\$180,063)

#792, GETMESOMEOFTHAT, F, ON

Resolve-Craving You-Kadabra

 Dam is a 1/2-sister to Palm Beach Chic, 3, 1:54.4s (\$155,933)

#840, GREEN SHADES, C, PA

Greenshoe-Fifty Shades-Malabar Man

- 1/2-brother to Can't Say No, 1:53.4f (\$343,017)
- Dam is a 1/2-sister to Marion Marauder, 1:50.2 (\$3,390,723)

*First Crop from Captain Corey

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wasn't on the checkbook page. She kept telling me, 'no, it's too much,' and it was too much, but you only live once."

Swinging Loyalty was consigned by Concord Stud Farm for breeder Jonas Schlabach, and despite Hanover having Cambridge Hanover for \$1 million, Concord Stud Farm ended up as the leading consignor by average for the session, the second straight year they've accomplished that feat.

"With selling our one for \$760,000 and then a bunch of other six-figure horses in there, we'll definitely take that," said Julie Meirs from Concord Stud Farm. "It's a lot of hard work, sweat, blood and tears that go into it, so it's nice when you're able to get rewarded. That was a client horse, and it's so nice to see Jonas be successful. I was very pleased with that. I wasn't sure where she would be, but I was happy with the number that we got."

Marcus Melander was very active and purchased four horses for \$300,000 or more. One of them was HIP 79 Myths And Legends, a Chapter Seven full sister to his former trainees Gimpanzee and Iteration. Consigned by Concord Stud Farm, Myths And Legends went for \$375,000.

"(She was purchased for) S R F Stable. Obviously he owned a part of Gimpanzee. He also bought Mandrill a couple of years ago," said Melander about Myths And Legends. "You never know. The prices for these trotting fillies are just crazy. You never know what they're going to go for. \$375,000 is a lot of money, but still she has a lot of value. She was born a little late, so she's a little small, but she'll catch up.

"She's a good-looking filly, but she was born in June, so you can see she's not really developed yet. She'll be better in a couple of months I would think."



DERICK GIWNER

Owner Jeff Snyder (left) will team up with trainer Marcus Melander on HIP 92 Apex, a \$525,000 purchase.

Melander will also train HIP 82 Apex, who was acquired from agent Hunterton Sales Agency for \$525,000 by Jeff Snyder. Apex is a Walner colt and is out of the great trotting filly Mission Brief. Melander has already had three of Mission Brief's previous foals - Jaya Bae, Vic Zelenskyy and Kadena.

"I thought the pedigree was as good as anything. He's New York and Kentucky eligible," remarked Snyder, who also joked that he was a "steal" at that price. "We own the sister Kadena. Kadena is a half-sister to this one, and there was another full sister Jaya Bae that was a very good filly that Marcus trained, but she went lame. She showed a huge amount of speed. We have high hopes for Kadena, and she was sale topper last year in Lexington for \$800,000. This one was more racy-looking than Kadena and more racy-looking than Jaya Bae, not heavy. We went over him, x-rayed him. He checked all the boxes, and the whole family is wonderful."



DERICK GIWNER

HIP 26 Sea Bistro Hanover sold to David McDuffee (inset) for \$410,000, the highest price paid on Monday for a pacer.

Nancy Takter also signed a couple of big tickets, getting HIP 28 Sorcery Hanover for \$460,000 and HIP 58 The Old Man for \$450,000. Sorcery Hanover, bred and consigned by Hanover Shoe Farm, is a Walner sister to the Takter-trained triple millionaire Manchego, while The Old Man, a Walner colt who was consigned by agent Peninsula Farm, is out of former Takter trainee The Ice Dutchess.

"They're different individuals but nice individuals. I also trained Pink Chou Chou for Crawford Farms this year. It's a solid family and has produced," Takter offered about Sorcery Hanover. "She's worth every penny of what we just paid for her as a broodmare. I'm really happy with her. I think there are definitely some nice individuals here. Maybe not in the same quantity as there is in Lexington, but I think that the individuals are here. Here, you're going to pay a little bit more for them. It's supply and demand. I actually think that I paid less than I expected, so I was way under budget. I'm pretty happy with that and happy with my bidding."

The Ice Dutchess had the stakes-winning 2-year-old trotting filly R Dutchess this year, something Takter noted.

"I've never trained one of The Ice Dutchess's babies, but I trained her and she was a beautiful filly," she relayed. "This is a really nice colt. I actually saw him in Lexington before the Lexington Sale, so I knew that he was here, and I've kind of had my eye on him since then. I actually like that he's grown nicely from when I saw him earlier in Lexington. I was really happy with how he looked at the sale and was able to put a group together to get him.

"You have to kind of expect to pay that type of money for a horse that's bred like him. The mare's had good foals, too. The 2-year-old is a really nice filly. The price was fair."

Another yearling that topped the \$400,000 mark on Monday was HIP 26 Sea Bistro Hanover, a Captaintreacherous brother to Dan Patch Award winner and now sire Pebble Beach. Agent David McDuffee purchased the Hanover Shoe Farms bred-and-consigned colt for \$410,000.

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11/4-11/6 HARRISBURG RICH FAMILIES

Day 2 Pacing Lineup & Day 3 Pacing Highlights
Sale starts at 10 am on 11/5 & 11/6

Day 2 NY Pacers AMERICAN IDEAL

#276, HELLO BEAUTIFUL, F American Ideal-Stonebridge Kisses-Artiscape Dam is Stonebridge Kisses, p, 1:50.2s (\$1,011,737). Full-sister to 2024 Gold Cup & Saucer Winner, Covered Bridge, p, 1:48.3 (\$1,365,737)

#363, BET ON MARSHALL, C American Ideal-Bet On Chrissy-Betting Line First Foal. Family of Rainbow Blue, p, 3, 1:49.2s (\$1,428,594)

#529, IDEAL CATCH, C American Ideal-Kutekatie-Real Artist 1/2-brother to Passa Grille Beach, p, 1:49.3 (\$373,207). Dam is a full-sister to Kikikatie, p, 3, 1:50.3 (\$1,268,463)

Day 2 ON Pacers BETTOR'S DELIGHT

#269, LIQUID, C
Bettor's Delight-Sporty Juliana-Well Said
First Foal. Second dam is Sportsfancy,
p, 1:49.4 (\$1,001,957)

#271, CABO SAN LUCAS, C
Bettor's Delight-Spring Break-Dream Away
Dam is Spring Break,
p, 3, 1:50.3z (\$787,057). Full-brother to
Bettor Than Spring,
p, 1:49.2h (\$708,761). 1/2-brother to
Tuxedo Bay, p, 1:50 (\$367,839), &
Spring Blake, p, 3, 1:52.2f -'24 (\$92,841)

#370, BEACH DELIGHT, C, ON/KY
Bettor's Delight-Bolten Beach-Bolt The Duer
First Foal. Dam is a 1/2-sister to Geez Joe,
p, 1:47.4s (\$387,832). Family of
Southwind Gendry,
p, 1:47.2f -'23 (\$1,274,137)

#467, ARTIC CIRCLE, C
Bettor's Delight-Stonebridge Frosty-Shadow Play
Dam is a 1/2-sister to Stonebridge Tonic,
p, 1:50.1 (\$937,394)

CATTLEWASH

#457, NO HARD FEELINGS, C Cattlewash-Flibbertigibbet-Albert Albert 1/2-brother to Town Gossip, p, 3, 1:49.2f (\$622,479), & Swift As A Shadow, p, 1:50.1f (\$617,530)

Day 2 PA Pacers BETTOR'S WISH

#387, WORTHY CHANCE, C Bettor's Wish-Chancey Lady-Camluck Dam is Chancey Lady, p, 1:48.4f (\$2,072,384). 1/2-brother to Somebeach Baron, p, 1:49f (\$400,721)

STAY HUNGRY

#401, UNDERCOVER SPEED, C Stay Hungry-Always Covers-Bettor's Delight Second dam is Mind Boggling, p, 1:50.3s (\$505,553)

Day 3 NJ Pacer LAZARUS N

#823, LADY SPENCER, F Lazarus N-Elizabeth Spencer-Western Ideal 1/2-sister to King Spencer, p, 1:50.4f (\$204,875). Dam is a full-sister to Vintage Master, p, 1:48.1f (\$2,160,953)

Day 3 NY Pacers

#609, IDEAL LOLA, F

American Ideal-Queso Relleno-Betterthancheddar First Foal. Dam is Queso Relleno, p, 1:51.4s (\$132,968)

#667, REEF N SAND, F

American Ideal-Sun N Sand-Astreos 1/2-sister to Independent One, p, 1:50.3f (\$218,516). Dam is a 1/2-sister to Somebeachsomewhere, p, 3, 1:46.4 (\$3,221,299)

#721, WRITERS CHOICE, C

American Ideal-Writers Wish-Sportswriter Family of Shark Gesture, p, 1:48.1s (\$2,822,092)

HUNTSVILLE

#860, COOKIE BAR, F, NY/KY Huntsville-Had Me At Cookie-American Ideal First Foal. Second dam is Handsoffmycookie, p, 1:51.3f (\$1,408,440)

Day 3 ON Pacers

BETTERTHANCHEDDAR #685, JOSES TRIPLETS, C

Betterthancheddar-Three Accounts-Mach Three Family of Delinquent Account, p, 1:51.4 (\$1,038,997)

Day 3 ON Pacers

CATTLEWASH

#660, LADY HELENA, F
Cattlewash-St Helena-American Ideal
Dam is a 1/2-sister to Vintage Master,
p, 1:48.1f (\$2,160,953), & full-sister to
Great Vintage, p, 1:49.1f (\$1,510,226).
Family of Pebble Beach,
p, 3, 1:48.1s (\$1,715,799)

SHADOW PLAY

#757, BEACH SHADOW, C Shadow Play-Beach Burn-Somebeachsomewhere 1/2-brother to Tipperary Hill, p, 3, 1:53.4s (\$227,940). Second dam is Stonebridge Kisses, p, 1:50.2s (\$1,011,737), the dam of 2024 Gold Cup & Saucer Winner, Covered Bridge, p, 1:48.3 (\$1,365,737)

#790, FROM THE SHADOWS, C Shadow Play-Twin B Cheeks-Sportswriter 1/2-brother to Twin Delight, p, 3, 1:52s -'23 (\$183,741). Family of He's Watching, p, 3, 1:46.4 (\$1,116,450)

#879, JAZZY JODIE, F Shadow Play-Jazz Major-Art Major First Foal. Family of Sintra, p, 1:47.2 (\$1,370,833)

Day 3 PA Pacers BETTOR'S WISH

#818, BEACH WISHES, F Bettor's Wish-Drag N Sand-Dragon Again Dam is a full-sister to Speed Again, p, 1:48.1s (\$1,072,255)

#846, FREE YOUR MIND, F
Bettor's Wish-Free Show-Badlands Hanover
Family of Slick Tony, p, 1:49.3f (\$1,049,516),
& Schoolkids, p, 1:49.3f (\$1,053,826)

STAY HUNGRY

#797, HUNGRY FOR A CROWN, F Stay Hungry-Crown Apple-Western Ideal Second dam is Sportsfancy, p, 1:49.4 (\$1,001,957)

#838, TEQUILA SHEILA, F

Stay Hungry-Favorite Margarita-Bettor's Delight Family of Bolt The Duer, p, 3, 1:47.4f (\$1,828,995), & Shanghai Lil, p, 2, 1:51.2 (\$1,068,402)

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"Pebble Beach was a terrific horse. He was a little smaller than this one, so I kind of liked the fact that this one was a little bit bigger and stronger-looking," McDuffee said. "You've got to pay for good horses. That's right where we had him pegged. We thought he'd go right around \$400,000. Somebody else must've thought so, too.

"I'm going to try and buy some trotters, too, but we'll see. We bought a couple in Kentucky and we've got a couple of nice homebreds. We won't be buying too many more."

With all those big prices, it was no surprise that the session saw significant year-over-year gains in both gross (\$16,558,000 in 2024 versus \$15,223,000 in 2023) and average (\$110,387 this year and \$99,497 a year ago). That was a turnaround from last year when both the gross and average fell significantly from 2022, and that switch left Welk very pleased with where they stood.

"It's been a stellar day, just amazing. I can't thank the buyers enough. They really set the pace today and they kept going," Welk remarked. "I'm just happy for all the consignors, and after a year like last year, it makes you feel really good. Like I said in one interview, I take all that stuff personally, even though there's nothing I can do about it, I take it personally. I'll take a pat on the back after we have a day like today.

"I really think the market may be a little stronger than what I was thinking. I was optimistic but cautiously optimistic. As I've said a couple of times, we always have a little bit of trouble in a presidential election year. There was a lot of money here and a lot of the right



DERICK GIWNER

Standardbred Horse Sale President Dale Welk. people and a lot of great people. They're supporting everything. Like one guy told me, 'if I'm going to lose all my money I want to have fun doing it.'"

Welk is also anticipating that Tuesday's session will be strong, as will the mixed sale at the end of the week.

"I really feel good about tomorrow. I think our middle market is going to be just fine. It kind of fell off in Lexington a little bit, but that's expected with the number of great horses they had. I think our middle's going to be strong," Welk offered. "We've got some real good yearlings to sell. Almost every consignor has something really good to sell tomorrow. Actually, I could have probably put 50 or

60 more today, but you want to get out of here at a decent time. Tomorrow's going to be a little longer. It'll be a damn near 10 hour sale tomorrow.

"I keep promoting it, but we're going to have a tremendous mixed sale, I think, too. On Friday we may have another \$1 million horse. We'll see. I know it's going to be great."

Tuesday will see HIPs 157 through 552 sell starting at 10 a.m. (EST). The yearling-only portion will then conclude on Wednesday before the two-day mixed sale begins on Thursday.

Harrisburg Opening Day \$200,000-plus Yearlings

HIP-Horse	Sire	Price	Sex	Consignor	Buyer
104-Cambridge Hanover	Walner	\$1,000,00	0 C	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Andrew Harris, Agent
53-Swinging Loyalty	Walner	\$760,000	F	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Richard Gutnick
82-Apex	Walner	\$525,000	C	Hunterton Sales Agency, Agt	Jeffrey S. Snyder
133-Art Of The State	Gimpanzee	\$525,000	F	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Marcus Melander, Agent
28-Sorcery Hanover	Walner	\$460,000	F	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Nancy Takter
58-The Old Man	Walner	\$450,000	C	Peninsula Farm, Inc., Agent	Nancy Takter
26-Sea Bistro Hanover	Captaintreacherous	\$410,000	C	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	David McDuffee, Agent
81-Aabriella Hanover	Captaintreacherous	\$400,000	F	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Andrew Harris, Agent
79-Myths And Legends	Chapter Seven	\$375,000	F	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Marcus Melander
130-Heiress Hanover	Greenshoe	\$330,000	F	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Marcus Melander, Agent
134-Hot Shot Hanover	Greenshoe	\$310,000	F	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Marcus Melander, Agent
54-Captain Of Pa	Captaintreacherous	\$275,000	C	Fox Den Farm, Agent	Tony P. Alagna, Agent
25-Skiptomylu Hanover	Captaintreacherous	\$270,000	F	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Determination
74-Kountry Pearl	Muscle Hill	\$250,000	F	Anvil And Lace Farm, Agent	Lynn Curry
106-Drambuie Hanover	Bar Hopping	\$220,000	C	Hanover Shoe Farms, Inc.	Lucas Wallin, Agent
101-Negotiation	Muscle Hill	\$215,000	C	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Gregory M. Luther
123-Martiniatmidnight	Muscle Hill	\$210,000	C	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Determination
44-Allioop Blue Chip	Tactical Landing	\$205,000	F	Blue Chip Farms LLC, Agent	Lynn Curry
75-Twin B Seven Sins	Chapter Seven	\$200,000	C	Twinbrook Farms	Noel Daley
98-Ceylon Spice	Bettor's Delight	\$200,000	C	Preferred Equine Mkt., Agent	Dr. Garth L. Henry
111-Twin B Dreamchaser	Captaintreacherous	\$200,000	F	Twinbrook Farms	Linda Toscano, Agent
152-Get Outa My Lane	Chapter Seven	\$200,000	F	Concord Stud Farm, Agent	Lindy Farms

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JAYWALKING

By Jay Bergman X Bergmanlay

For some new breeders in the sport opportunity will knock on their doors this week. The partial dispersal of broodmares with All American Harnessbreds exiting the nursery business opens the door for those looking for foundational mares. That's pretty much exactly the situation founder Fred Hertrich III found himself in at the dawn of his standardbred operation in 1985.

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NJ Classic winner and Hambo Oaks runner-up Buy A Round sells as HIP 1055 Thursday as part of the All American Harnessbreds dispersal run by GM Rob Tribbett (below).



"This is a great opportunity for regional breeders to build a solid broodmare band," said Rob Tribbett, the General Manager of All American Harnessbreds. "Fred (Hertrich III) bought seven mares from the dispersal of William Brooks that included Gidget Lobell, the dam of No Nukes, and we've stuck with many of those families through the years."

There were multiple connections to No Nukes in the mares Hertrich III purchased and it was his loyalty to that maternal line that eventually led to the birth of Test Of Faith, the sport's Horse of the Year in 2021.

All American Harnessbreds dispersal will be featured in Harrisburg's mixed sale on Thursday, November 7 with some of the sport's most prominent mares that have impacted the industry this year available for purchase. A diverse group of stallion shares will be sold

as will 35 current and future broodmares, with 14 of those trotting and the remainder pacing. Of interest to those who may think about a racing prospect that could turn into a future broodmare, HIP 1055 Buy A Round, the multiple-stakes winning 3-year-old daughter of Walner, is being sold.

"She's done racing for the year. The Breeders Crown was going to be her last start," said Tribbett. "She could come back to race as a 4-year-old or be bred, whatever the buyer wants to do."

Buy A Round earned nearly \$750K in two years on the track and was on the board in 18 of her 22 lifetime starts. Buy A Round was bred and owned by All American Harnessbreds from a dam that will also sell on Thursday. HIP 1056 On Your Tab, a Cantab Hall-sired broodmare, has been a 100 percent producer with just two foals of racing age. She sells as part of phase one of the dispersal carrying a full brother or sister to Buy A Round.

On Your Tab is just an 8-year-old brood-

mare and that reflects much of the allure of this specific dispersal in that it's not a collection of over-the-hill type mares but in fact represents a farm that was thinking about the future.

"The dispersal came suddenly," said Tribbett. "Our farm manager wanted to retire and we had to make this decision. I was actually buying mares recently."

That shift in the tide bodes well for potential buyers since All American Harnessbreds mares have a long history but more importantly a current resume that includes a roster of champions.

Specifically, two of the farm's best broodmares have produced two of the top sophomore pacers in North America this season in Captain Albano and Nijinsky. The American Ideal-sired Angelou, dam of Captain Albano, is a young mare at just 9-years-old with two stakes winners from her first two foals. Angelou will sell in-foal to the 2023 Horse of the Year Confederate as HIP 1057. Pirouette Hanover, the dam of Nijinsky, has a longer history as a broodmare and sells as one of the few barren mares in the collection. Pirouette Hanover has a phenomenal record as a producer, with multiple stakes performers from both the Somebeachsomewhere stallion and the Bettor's Delight stallion line to her credit. She sells as HIP 1062.

All American Harnessbreds has remained loyal to a host of top maternal lines and Tribbett believes that buying a certain type of mare has led to their success over the years.

"We've stuck with certain families and bought mares that didn't always have success stories you could see on paper, but we knew had talent," said Tribbett. "We were looking for mares that stood well and

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then it was up to us to find the right stallion to breed them to."

One family has stood the test of time for more than 20 years. In 2003 the farm also had a pair of sophomore pacing powerhouses in Meadowlands Pace champion Allamerican Theory and Allamerican Native, a Governor's Cup winner in 2002. Two mares from Allamerican Native's direct maternal line have been great producers so far and are entered in the dispersal on Thursday. HIP 1084 Music Row and her daughter

HIP 1059 Act Like A Diva have both carved out niches in the last few years, with Act Like A Diva's broodmare career off to a huge start after first-foal Act Fast was a multiple stakes winner with \$573K banked through his career and a 1:47 3/5 record mile. Act Like A Diva is another of the mares in-foal to Confederate.

"We've got about five mares in-foal to Confederate in the sale," said Tribbett. "He's the perfect horse to breed so many mares to and he was a great horse."

Music Row is a 100 percent producer and sells in-foal to red-hot sire Huntsville.

Then there is HIP 1058 Cannae Cammie, the dam of Test Of Faith, also in-foal to Confederate, with just six foals of racing age to her credit. The mare is far more than a one-hit-wonder, with her first two foals combining to earn over \$1 million and Test Of Faith's career bank account more than \$2.4 million. Her last foal to sell went for \$250,000 at auction, suggesting the mare may be one of the higher-priced to go in this auction.

While there will be fewer trotting mares offered by All American Harnessbreds, there is definite quality to the mix. HIP 1061 Bourbon Queen, a 3-year-old by Tactical Landing, starts her broodmare career for a new owner who will be getting quite a package

with his/her purchase. The mare is in-foal to Chapter Seven, a stallion that has enjoyed a banner year on top of what already has been a brilliant career. Bourbon Queen is out of the \$748K winner Queen Serene and is a half-sister to Goldsmith Maid runner-up Princess Deo.

The 9-year-old Brooklyn Eagle (HIP 1078) is in-foal to Tactical Landing, with the resulting foal to be the first from a Muscle Hill-line sire





MELISSA SIMSER

2021 Horse of the Year Test Of Faith is out of Cannae Cammie, who will sell as HIP 1058 on Thursday.

to her credit. The well-bred dam already has three six-figure yearlings to her credit. Brooklyn Eagle is a half-sister to the \$523K winner Kings County as well as this year's quality 2-year-old Hidalgo.

Tribbett said that the second phase of the dispersal will take place next year, with the remaining barren mares bred in the spring and offered in the fall.



EDITOR'S EYE - REVENUE SHARING

By Derick Giwner X @harnesseyeguy

It's crazy idea time!

While driving to Harrisburg the other day I was listening to a podcast called *History That Doesn't Suck* (check it out, it was interesting). This epsiode covered the orgins of baseball and there was a lot of teaching about how each league - National League, American League, Negro Leagues - got started. There were times throughout history when players and teams simpy wouldn't play when the leagues wanted them to. Things were unorganized and everyone didn't work together for the common good of the sport like in the modern era of the game.

The lack of cooperation got me to thinking about harness racing and eventually led to my mind wandering into sharing of revenue. MLB, NFL, NHL, NBA all share revenue between teams so that the league as a whole stays strong and no team gets completely left behind - though some teams certainly seem to struggle. Thinking tracks would do this is not only beyond insane but likely logistically impossible due to the fact that the majority of revenue comes from alternative gaming sources - casinos and sports betting.

Next my mind shifted to the drivers. What if drivers who invaded tracks where they don't normally compete had to pay five percent of their total commission to a fund for the local horsepeople at that location?

How would this work?

Each driver would choose three tracks which are their home base. So let's say Scott Zeron chose Yonkers, Pocono and The Meadowlands. At those locations he would get his complete commission, but if he decided to drive in Sire Stakes at Monticello and won a race with a purse of \$60,000, he would get \$1,425 (instead of \$1,500) and the local drivers at that track would share in \$75.

Listen, I know this will never happen and I'm sure you are thinking, "wow, Derick must be out of column ideas," but it really isn't about the revenue sharing as much as it is about working together as an industry so we succeed and the "little guy" isn't left behind.

Last Friday at Harrah's Hoosier Park there were a few stakes races and David Miller came to town to pick up those drives. In addition to the big-money events, Miller drove in eight overnight races, essentially taking away drives from regular pilots at the track. That not only takes money from local horsepeople but removes money from the local economy since Miller isn't likely to be hanging around and going to the grocery store, etc. to help Anderson, Indiana.

Then again, maybe the "best" should simply get all the money and there should be no consolation prizes for showing up. At the very least, I'm out of space so no more crazy ideas for today.

Exploring the many options on days two & three at Harrisburg



ON THE MARK

By Bob Marks

Whereas opening day at Harrisburg figures to be strong, there will undoubtedly be some carryover into the remaining two days in which an additional 760+ yearlings will be offered. Whether it will equal the second and third sessions at Lexington remains to be seen, but most likely there will be some whose numbers may approach or even exceed a few of the first day numbers.

As with my day-two Lexington selections, I'll concentrate on those I expect to be looked at most often along with a smattering of insider mentions, as perhaps being better than its immediate sibling predecessors. In some instances that can be invaluable, especially when the information provided is not readily apparent on the catalog page.

I'm involved with HIP 84 Papis Best Shot, the full brother to Breeders Crown starter Papis Pistol. That alone will guarantee looker traffic. Still, I'm able to cite that although this colt is similar to his brother size-wise, he has no white, as did the other colt, suggesting he might be a shade more "Papi Rob" than is the brother. While the significance of that may be incidental to most, there could be a significant bidder or two that might be positively influenced.

Now, let's dig into some HIPs:

HIP 157 MAGNUS HANOVER

Greenshoe-M Diddy Hanover Shoe Farms

Might as well start right out with a potential headliner being by the successful Greenshoe, who gets them to the races. This colt is the first foal of a daughter of the excellent Maven, a winner of \$2 million-plus in a distinguished career. As he further seasons, Muscle Hill daughters compliment his younger stallion rivals and M Diddy is a full sister to the well-remembered Pretender (\$818K). If they like him, he'll get the second day off to a rousing start!

HIP 189 APEX BLUE CHIP



Downbytheseaside-Obvious Blue Chip Blue Chip Farms

BLUE CHIP FARMS

Described by the consignor as "absolutely stunning," this Buckeyesired colt has enough on his pedigree page to warrant a close inspection. Downbytheseaside dominates Ohio and his best are nationally ranked. The maternal family gets them to the races, thus Apex here would warrant a very close inspection, especially since "word" quickly gets around regarding those "stunning-looking colts".

HIP 192 HE'S GONE ROGUE

Perfect Sting-Outtathisworld Walnridge Farm

Perfect Sting figures to have a significant impact in New Jersey next year and the dam is a well-bred Rocknroll Hanover daughter of the near-foundation mare World Order, who takes up most of the catalog page with her credentials. This guy will be out on the showing floor all day.

HIP 195 PERFECTION HANOVER



Tall Dark Stranger-Panera Hanover Hanover Shoe Farms

While the sire Tall Dark Stranger has been somewhat underwhelming in his initial year, he gets an opportunity with the productive Panera Hanover, she responsible for his main rival Papi Rob Hanover. Not sure what he'll eventually bring but I sense the curiosity among the buyers who will probably have "Perfection" out on the showing floor plenty.

HIP 253 FRAGMENT

Huntsville- The Show Returns Hunterton Sales Agency

Another consignor "mention" following an awesome video and there's enough on the page to suggest New York and possibly beyond (he's also Kentucky Eligible) for this son of Huntsville, he the sire of Legendary Hanover among many others. The dam The Show Returns had talent, as did the rapidly emerging foundation mare Stienam's Place. The video alone will attract lookers and most likely they'll like what they see.

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Hip#1197 Highland Top Hill

Bm 2014 • Muscle Hill - Highland Image

The dam of HIGHLAND KISMET 3, 1:51.1s-24 (\$667,850) - winner of the Goodtimes Final, Bluegrass and Simcoe Stakes and finished second in the 2024 Hambletonian. In foal to Father Patrick. All stud fees are paid for and non refundable.



Hip#1526 Capytreach

p,3, 1:49.2-'24 (\$257,265)

Bf 2021 - Captaintreacherous - Southwind Thundra

Multiple KYSS winner in 2024 including the \$100,000 KY Commonwealth Final. To-date in 2024 she is: 5-6-0 in 17 starts. CAPYTREACH is from a 1:54.4f sister to the winners of over \$8 million including SOUTHWIND TEMPO p, 1:48.2 (\$2,445,541). Eligible to the \$100,000 KYSS final on Nov. 5/24, \$50,000 Star Destroyer on Nov 15/24, \$50,000 The Ballys Randy on Nov 22/24 and the \$50,000 Thanksgiving Classic on Nov 29/24.



Hip#1286 Mollop Hanover

p,3, 1:50s (\$131,832)

Brm 2020 • Betting Line - Mayhem Seelster

A 1:50s winning daughter of Betting Line and a sister to 2024 \$600,000 Breeders Crown Final winner, MIRAGE HANOVER p,3, 1:46.3-'24 (\$882,593). Selling in foal to super-sire Captaintreacherous. All stud fees are paid for and non refundable.



Hip#1527 Lil' Sweet

2, 1:53.4s-'24 (\$249,371)

Bf 2022 • Green Manalishi - Sweetspellosuccess

2024 \$300,000 OSS Super Final winner in 1:53.4s, equaling the OSS record for 2yotf's. To-date in 2024 she is: 2-3-2 in 10 starts. This champion filly is a half-sister to TRY TRY AGAIN 1:53.1 (\$297,512). Her dam SWEETSPELLOSUCCESS 3, Q1:58.4 (\$206,024) is a half-sister to Hambletonian Champion and \$3 million winner, MARION MARAUDER



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HIP 330 CLIMATE



CAROLINE VAZQUEZ

Downbytheseaside-Compass Diamond Creek Farm

Climate was mentioned as one to check out and with good reason as her dam was promising but injured in training. The second dam is an accomplished producer and the sire Downbytheseaside not only dominates the "Heart Of It All" Ohio but gets nationally ranked stars like Bythemissal as well. Lots to like here as the second dam Ginger And Fred takes up most of the catalog page with her credentials

HIP 338 SEABOARD

Downbytheseaside-Acclamation

All American Harnessbreds

Second dam Art Sale, the only Artsplace sister to Mattaroni, is all over the map via daughter Rocklamation, that one far from being Art Sale's only productive daughter. Again, you get Ohio (and Maryland) and very possibly beyond given the sire's showing thus far.

HIP 470 CONTINUUM

Captain Crunch-Ginger And Fred

Diamond Creek Farm

Ginger And Fred is not only an accomplished race mare but she's quite a broodmare, and here's her colt by young Captain Crunch, who has made a name for himself via his initial crop getting Breeders Crown winner Gem Quality in 2023. Dual eligibility in Pennsylvania and Kentucky adds to the allure.

HIP 501 FRENCH BULLDOG

Bulldog Hanover-I Need Hotstuff

Twinbrook Farms

The fascinating thing here is that these colts were sired before anyone knew that Bulldog Hanover would eventually emerge as the world's fastest harness horse via his 1:45 4/5 effort at The Meadowlands at age 4. Just how precocious his 2-year-olds will prove remains to be seen, but they'll undoubtedly get their opportunities. The dam has a Captaintreacherous that showed early speed and the second dam produced the well-remembered Modern Art.

HIP 537 LELAND HANOVER

Captaintreacherous-Lifetime Star Hanover Shoe Farms

Interesting stallion switch to Captaintreacherous and we know the dam Lifetime Star is capable of extreme production, as evidenced by stallion son Bettor's Wish. The family goes back to Three Diamonds and includes another top stallion in American Ideal.



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HIP 611 EATRINITY

Perfect Sting-Raelyn Mcrose Preferred Equine Marketing

First foal of a sister to millionaire McErlean (Yes, Chris, he's still intact), and one of the better Red River Hanover's in Drop Red, a winner of \$716,100. There's race horse production all over the page and you get Kentucky eligibility as well as New Jersey. Trinity here should make the races, though how good he becomes remains to be seen.

HIP 654 KIEFER

Greenshoe-Soprana Hill

Concord Stud Farm

Greenshoe gets them to the races and I can still remember the great Stew Firlotte counseling "keep third dam Muscling In as she's got ability" despite getting injured in training. She threw the excellent Windsong Soprano, in turn the dam of Soprana Hill, who has already produced. Kiefer, a dual-eligible via Pennsylvania and Kentucky, will get looked at being one of the better-bred third-day trotting prospects.

HIP 683 RAVISHING

Huntsville-One For The World

Vieux Carre Farms

One For The World is a daughter of Worldly Beauty, already credited with Crazy World by Control The Moment. Now she gets New York's dominant stallion Huntsville, which should keep Ravishing on the showing floor most of the morning, especially given her down-the-road broodmare potential.

HIP 738 ACE BLUE CHIP

Bettor's Delight-Primrose

Blue Chip Farms

Ageless Bettor's Delight is still going strong at the ripe old age of 26, with Breeders Crown sons Mirage Hanover and Nijinsky. While this may be his final year at stud in this hemisphere, his offspring will long outlive him. Moreover, none of his "sons" has yet to out-sire him and one wonders if any will. Here's his first meeting with Primrose, a daughter of Hunger Games, in turn a daughter of Western Montana, who occupies most of the catalog page with her production. Ace Blue Chip is not only Ontario eligible but Kentucky and Massachusetts eligible as well. That's some nice trifecta!

HIP 857 ASHLEY BLUE CHIP

Six Pack-Grand Canyon

Blue Chip Farms

Six Pack is showing well and might excel in New Jersey but what intrigues about Ashley Blue Chip is the maternal line all the way back to foundation broodmare Canne Angus. At this late stage of the sale, Ashley Blue Chip could be somewhat of a bargain given her already existing broodmare potential, though if she looks the part, some breeders will surely wait for her.

TOP MONEY-WINNING SIRES - 2024

2-YEAR-OLD PACERS

Sire Name	2022 Foals	Starters	Earnings	Avg Earnings
HUNTSVILLE	103	74	\$3,040,075 (1)	\$29,515
SWEET LOU	100	69	\$2,933,295 (3)	\$29,333
CAPTAINTREACHEROUS	106	78	\$2,945,242 (2)	\$27,785
CATTLEWASH	38	27	\$936,688 (11)	\$24,650
DOWNBYTHESEASIDE	109	78	\$2,620,012 (4)	\$24,037
RUSTY'S FOR REAL	19	16	\$398,627	\$20,980
PAPI ROB HANOVER	105	81	\$1,943,890 (5)	\$18,513
COURTLY CHOICE	34	26	\$615,751 (19)	\$18,110
DUDE'S THE MAN	19	12	\$331,470	\$17,446
BIG JIM	50	24	\$863,977 (14)	\$17,280
JK ENDOFANERA	98	71	\$1,632,894 (6)	\$16,662
TELLITLIKEITIS	30	21	\$492,338	\$16,411
ODDS ON EQUULEUS	20	14	\$324,894	\$16,245
LATHER UP	61	41	\$922,404 (12)	\$15,121
ALWAYS B MIKI	105	50	\$1,492,728 (7)	\$14,216
BETTERTHANCHEDDAR	37	26	\$514,441	\$13,904
CATCH THE FIRE	50	36	\$691,114 (16)	\$13,822
KARPATHIAN KID	23	15	\$306,358	\$13,320
RACING HILL	26	20	\$329,765	\$12,683
AMERICAN IDEAL	72	45	\$902,943 (13)	\$12,541
FEAR THE DRAGON	105	72	\$1,175,391 (9)	\$11,194
TALL DARK STRANGER	108	71	\$1,203,333 (8)	\$11.142
BIT OF A LEGEND N	55	28	\$599,958 (20)	\$10,908
BETTOR'S WISH	77	48	\$637,175 (18)	\$8,275
BETTOR'S DELIGHT	134	83	\$1,029,687 (10)	\$7,684

2-YEAR-OLD TROTTERS

Sire Name	2022 Foals	Starters	Earnings	Avg Earnings
CHAPTER SEVEN	97	71	\$4,840,105 (1)	\$49,898
GOOGOO GAAGAA	16	12	\$494,438	\$30,902
GIMPANZEE	38	28	\$1,031,685 (13)	\$27,150
WALNER	93	71	\$2,327,155 (3)	\$25,023
GREENSHOE	107	77	\$2,431,213 (2)	\$22,722
IL MAGO	18	12	\$395,548	\$21,975
TRIUMPHANT CAVIAR	21	10	\$402,179	\$19,151
BAR HOPPING	76	58	\$1,432,968 (7)	\$18,855
TACTICAL LANDING	106	66	\$1,976,403 (4)	\$18,645
DEVIOUS MAN	39	25	\$714,949 (17)	\$18,332
MUSCLE HILL	77	53	\$1,352,178 (8)	\$17,561
GREEN MANALISHI S	90	61	\$1,558,884 (6)	\$17,321
LONG TOM	93	65	\$1,576,542 (5)	\$16,952
UNCLE PETER	66	47	\$1,060,215 (12)	\$16,064
MUSCLESPRINCTONIAN	16	14	\$248,315	\$15,520
E L PLATINUM	16	11	\$240,107	\$15,007
WHAT THE HILL	86	63	\$1,274,958 (9)	\$14,825
SWAN FOR ALL	91	50	\$1,261,748 (10)	\$13,865
HELPISONTHEWAY	44	22	\$575,321	\$13,075
CANTAB HALL	64	47	\$803,686 (15)	\$12,558
MUSCLE MASS	92	62	\$1,096,330 (11)	\$11,916
INTERNATIONAL MONI	70	50	\$803,195 (16)	\$11,474
FATHER PATRICK	75	55	\$850,084 (14)	\$11,334
MARSEILLE	64	34	\$661,783 (18)	\$10,340

Horses ranked by average earnings and expanded to include top 20 in total earnings. 15 starts required for average earnings unless in top 20 in total earnings. Statistics courtesy United States Trotting Association (accurate as of 10/30/24)

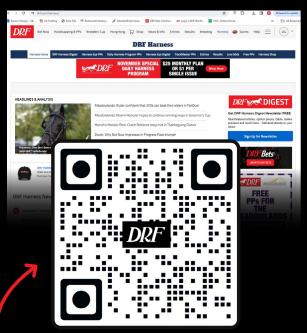


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Matron Stakes set for Thursday

The 3-year-old Matron Stakes travel to Bally's Dover on Thursday. November 7, 2024

The fields are as follows:

The \$146,050 Matron Stake trot for 3-year-old fillies takes place in the sixth race. (estimated post time 6:20 pm).

Breeders Crown champ Allegiant tangles with R Melina, who finished 2nd to Allegiant in the Breeders Crown Final. The two fillies renew their rivalry.

The \$152,800 Matron Stake for 3-year-old colt and gelding trotters compete in the 8th race. (estimated post time 7:00 pm).

Highland Kismet, the altered son of Father Patrick, finished a fastclosing fourth in the Breeders Crown Final in his last start. Sir Pinocchio could prove to be his main competition. He has won five of his last six pari-mutuel races and is the leading money earner in the race with over \$600,000 lifetime.

The 10th race on the betting card is the \$116,500 Matron Stake for 3-year-old fillies on the pace with an estimated post time of 8:00 pm.

My Girl EJ, who was parked to the half, won the Breeders Crown Final in 1:49 3/5 as the betting favorite. The Sweet Lou product has bankrolled over \$1.4 million and is the leading money earner in the race.

The \$178,100 Hap Hansen Memorial for 3-year-old colt and gelding pacers is scheduled for the 12th race with an estimated off-time of 8:20 pm.

The race is named in honor of the late Hap Hansen, who held the post of Chairman of the Board at Brandywine Raceway.

Highlighting the division is Mirage Hanover, a winner in the Breeders Crown Final, winning in 1:48. Other contenders include Little Brown Jug and Adios victor Captain Albano, who has earned over \$1.3 million lifetime.

There are 15 races on the betting card.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

RACE 4

FRONDEUR offers a short price here going for four straight but she's clearly best here and figures to get it done again.



-Matt Rose

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

RACE 9

(2) LUCIANO N comes into this event with a win and a third in his last two appearances and starts from an inside post for the first time in quite a while.



-Greg Reinhart

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

RACE 8

HIGHLAND KISMET hasn't been able to visit the winner's circle since late September and that is a bit disappointing for a horse of this quality. The Matron isn't the Breeders Crown or Kentucky Futurity but it serves as a nice consolation prize for a horse that deserves a big win.







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