

Illinois Owner Clinard Brings New Purchases Home

Dave Clinard might be an unknown name to the harness racing world presently. His newest purchases of Time To Roll and Mystical MJ look to change that perception starting in Chicago this weekend.

Clinard, from Mt. Sterling, Ill., was the highest bidder for Time To Roll (\$105,000) and Mystical MJ (\$33,000) at the Tattersalls January Select Mixed Sale on Jan. 21. The prolific stakes winners were sent to Illinois-based trainer Tom Simmons after the sale and both will make their first start for their new ownership this weekend at Maywood Park and Balmoral Park.



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Time To Roll

"I think if he succeeds here, I would like to keep him around Illinois."

— Dave Clinard
on Time To Roll

Clinard, who owns Clinard Trucking Co. in Mt. Sterling, has been in the racing business for several years now.

"Six or seven years ago, several friends and I bought some inexpensive horses," said Clinard.

"Some of those friends lost interest, but it just stuck with me. I just kept going and now have a good number of horses."

Clinard said he never pursued horses at the Tattersalls sale until this year.

"I've been out to that several times and I have sold horses out there before, but I've always liked the sale. There are so many good bloodlines," he said.

Clinard's first time as a buyer caused quite a stir as his purchase of Time To Roll was one of the sale toppers.

Time To Roll is by far Clinard's biggest investment in his harness racing experience. The son of Rocknroll Hanover out of the great mare Kikikatie has won more than \$500,000, with his victories including the New Jersey Sires Stakes final. His biggest check came when he finished second in the \$1.5 million Pepsi North America Cup.

"I love his pedigree," said Clinard. "He showed he can compete with the top horses last year. Of course, he has inherent value as a stallion regardless of what happens."

Clinard has every intention of keeping the former Jimmy Takter trainee in the Midwest.

"I think if he succeeds here, I would like to keep him around Illinois. I do race some in Indiana as well," he said. "I know the industry in Illinois is struggling, but I'd like to see it get back to where it was with some help from legislation."

Time To Roll will make his first start at Balmoral in Race 11 on Saturday in a \$7,500 conditioned race.

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Mystical MJ will make her return to the state in Friday's 11th race at Maywood. The multiple-time Illinois stakes winner has earned more than \$240,000 in her career. Clinard expects the Sportsmaster mare to continue to race in Illinois and Indiana. Besides her ability as racing mare, Clinard also has his sights set on her being an excellent broodmare prospect.

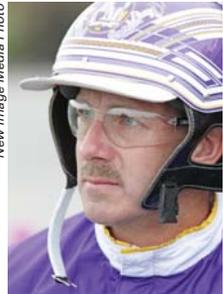
Even with the superb additions to his stable, Clinard is and always will be thrilled with the smallest of wins.

"Any time you can go out there and win, it's a great feeling," he said. "Even if you aren't in the big classes, all the wins and successful times are exciting." — By Jay Hochstetler

For The Big M Lead...It's David Miller

Driver David Miller hasn't been the fastest leaver out of the gate when the Meadowlands annually opens its race meet, but this year he has made his way to the top quickly and shows no signs of yielding that position.

Over the first 14 nights of racing at the Big M (including two races cards in late December), Miller has 31 wins in 156 starts, four more than runner-up Yannick Gingras (who also has 156 starts). At this time last year it was Gingras who was off to a runaway start at the Meadowlands with 35 victories in 114 starts (30.7 percent) while Miller stood fourth with 12 wins in 116 starts.



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"The policy of no holes has really tightened things up, especially if you have the outside."

– David Miller

"It's just the horses," said the 48-year-old Miller who is eighth on the all-time list with 10,538 victories. "I did well at (Harrah's Philadelphia) at the end of last year and it just snowballed over. Everything over the first month has fallen right into place. But again, it's just the horses."

Miller's fast start is a far cry from 2010 when he opened the year with just nine wins in 208 starts, a win average of 4.3 percent. "Oh yeah, I sure do remember

that year," he said with a laugh.

Miller noted the impact that the new ABC classified racing system used by race secretary Peter Koch has had on the racing.

"So far so good and I like it," said Miller. "But it's hard for me to handicap the race. You have to feel it out and try to hopefully get your horse in good position without being left out and too far back.

"The policy of no holes has really tightened things up, especially if you have the outside. Somebody on the outside usually has a shot and they are usually going to push forward, but the guys in the middle are thinking the same thing."

While Gingras agrees with Miller that the action has become a bit more unpredictable because of the classified racing, he doesn't agree that it has become harder to handicap the races on paper.

"I don't think it's hard to handicap. If you look at it closely enough you can still find a horse or two that are a little bit better than the rest," said Gingras, who set a career high in 2012 with \$13.7 million in purse earnings. "The thing that is hard is trying to figure what will happen on the track. There are new guys you don't know much about and are a little bit more unpredictable. But you deal with it and it's the same for everybody."

Gingras led the Meadowlands standings at this time in 2012 with 35 wins, but this year he has dropped to second with 27 wins. While last year 20 of those wins came with Ron Burke-trained horses (32.2 percent), this year Gingras has won just 14 of 88 starts for the stable (15.9 percent). Gingras has fared a bit better driving for other trainers as he has won 13 of 68 races (19.1 percent).

WEEKEND FEATURED RACES

Friday, February 1

All times listed are local.

8:04p	Wdb3	F&M Preferred Pace	Trackmaster PPs
8:50p	YR6	Open Trot	Trackmaster PPs
8:51p	M6	A-2 Trot	Trackmaster PPs
9:30p	YR8	F&M Open Pace	Trackmaster PPs

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Saturday, February 2

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8:51p	M6	A-1/A-2 Pace	Trackmaster PPs

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Sunday, February 3

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Gingras said while there may be a perception that because of sheer numbers Burke-trained horses have an advantage with ABC racing, he believes it's the exact opposite.

"The race secretary is doing a good job and the races are very evenly matched, but it's not something that really helps Ronnie," he said. "If his horses are competitive in the class they are not going to lay over the field like sometimes they can."

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“People that said that Burke would have an advantage because they have so many horses, they are wrong. Although the ABC system doesn’t help Ronnie (Burke), it helps the Meadowlands and that’s what it’s about. The handle has been great and the racing is great, so that’s the way you have to look at it.”

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–Yannick Gingras

One of the “new guys” Gingras referred to is 37-year-old Michigan native Eric Carlson, who competed at the East Coast tracks the past year but is now racing for the first time on a full-time basis at the Big M.

Carlson has won eight of 109 starts, pretty much lighting up the toteboard with each score. Just one of his winners was with the favorite, while four others have come at prices higher than 20-1, including \$114.80 bomb Ladybones on Jan. 17.

“Since I’ve been out here I’ve been making relationships with people and driving horses for this guy and that guy, and it carried over from Pocono and Chester to the Meadow-

lands,” said Carlson. “I’m happy to be getting work. Of course I’m not getting any 1-5s, but that’s how it has to be. I’m fine with that as I’ll stick it out and pay my dues and do whatever I have to do.” —By Gordon Waterstone

The Meadows, Yonkers Are WHHC Qualifier Tracks

The 15-race card at The Meadows on Friday night and the 12-race program at Yonkers on Saturday night are this weekend’s free qualifying events for the World Harness Handicapping Championship (WHHC) on April 13 at the Meadowlands. Free Trackmaster Platinum Past Performances for The Meadows and Yonkers are available at www.HorseTourneys.com.

Persons can sign up at the website but entries for each contest are limited to 1,000. Contestants select one horse and an alternate, in case of a late scratch, for a \$2 win-place wager on each race. In case of both selections being scratched, the contestant receives the post-time favorite. The winner of each qualifier receives a free entry (\$1,000 value) into the \$100,000 WHHC final that is limited to just 100 entrants.

Four more online WHHC qualifiers will follow:

- Fri., Feb. 8—Northfield Park
- Sat., Feb. 9—Pompano Park
- Fri., Feb. 15—Northville Downs
- Sat., Feb. 16—Buffalo Raceway

Contestants can register free at www.HorseTourneys.com, but will be required to enter each week starting on Monday at 9 a.m. (Eastern) to participate in the upcoming weekend’s contests.

STAT TRACK

Meadowlands Driver Standings

That was then...Jan. 2012

Driver	Starts	Wins (Avg.)	Earnings
1. Yannick Gingras	114	35 (30.7)	\$467,896
2. Brian Sears	102	19 (18.6)	344,625
3. Andy Miller	117	13 (11.1)	155,706
4. David Miller	116	12 (10.3)	206,132
Tim Tetrick	99	12 (12.1)	188,510
6. Daniel Dube	102	9 (8.8)	160,698
7. Daryl Bier	3	3 (100)	57,000
Brandon Simpson	58	3 (5.1)	68,282

This is now...Dec. 2012/Jan. 2013

Driver	Starts	Wins (Avg.)	Earnings
1. David Miller	156	31 (19.8)	\$376,524
2. Yannick Gingras	156	27 (17.3)	368,250
3. Andy Miller	142	22 (15.4)	273,200
4. Tim Tetrick	153	21 (13.7)	365,893
5. Corey Callahan	93	11 (11.8)	189,333
6. John Campbell	105	8 (7.6)	130,219
Eric Carlson	109	8 (7.3)	105,916
Ron Pierce	110	8 (7.2)	164,928



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Ky. Futurity Winner Wishing Stone Now Trained By Ron Burke

Trainer Ron Burke told harnessracing.com Wednesday afternoon that 2010 Kentucky Futurity winner Wishing Stone is now in his barn at Gaitway Farm in New Jersey and could make his 2013 debut in approximately two months.

Owned in part by Dewayne Minor's Cowboyland Aalborg, Wishing Stone was trained by Minor in his 2- and 3-year-old campaigns that included nine victories and more than \$1.1 million in earnings. Soon after Wishing Stone completed his sophomore season interests were sold to TLP Stable, Jerry and Theresa Silva and Deo Volente Farms.

In part because of the involvement of Denmark-based owner Knud Erik Ravn, Wishing Stone was sent overseas for a European campaign in 2011 that stretched into the first half of 2012, racing for trainers Ake Svandstedt and Bo Westergard. After making 23 starts and winning last June's Copenhagen Cup, the son of Conway Hall was returned to Minor for a fall campaign in North America.

Wishing Stone's first start back came in the \$131,200 Allergage at The Red Mile, where he finished fourth. After a second-place finish in a Preferred Trot at Woodbine and a fourth in the American National at Balmoral Park, Wishing Stone was turned out for the winter.

"He's small; he didn't get any bigger," laughed Burke when asked his first impression of the now 6-year-old trotter who arrived in his barn the first week of January. "I remember looking at him once before and he was small—and he's still small!"

Burke said he has not talked to Minor about the horse's previous training regimen or equipment.

"I always start with my own stuff and do it my way," he said. "If it doesn't work, then I have no shame in going back and asking what they were doing."

Burke said he tried to buy Wishing Stone following the horse's freshman season when his wins included divisions of the Bluegrass and International Stallion at The Red Mile.

"We almost bought the horse after his 2-year-old year," said Burke. "He was for sale and we got the number....and then we found out he wasn't for sale." — *By Gordon Waterstone*

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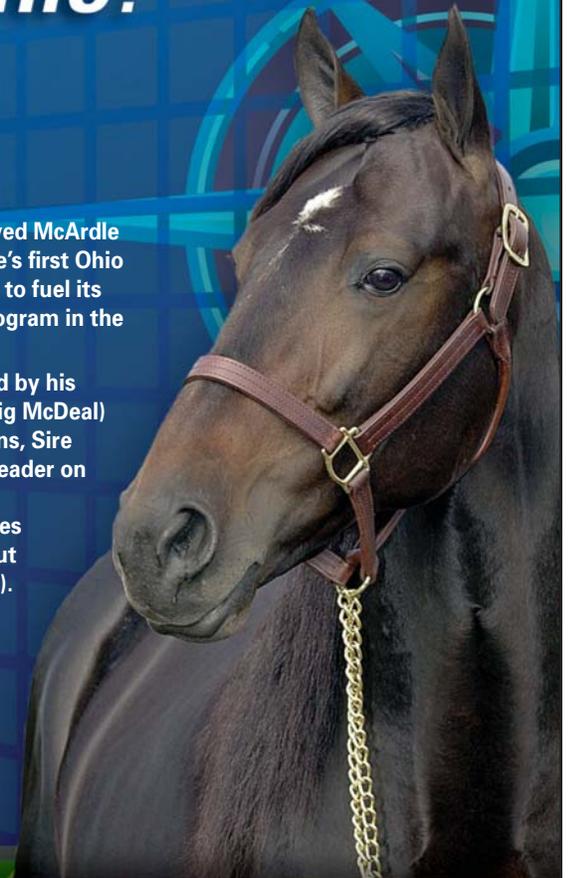
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WHO DO YOU LIKE?

SUPER BOWL XLVII—SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS vs. BALTIMORE RAVENS

Who do you like in the big game? Horsemen weigh in on their picks for Sunday's Super Bowl, followed by the choices of various well-known faces from the front side of the track.

 **RON BURKE**

Ravens 27, 49ers 14. I think the Ravens are playing for a greater purpose; I think Ray Lewis makes them elevate their game.

 **COREY CALLAHAN**

Ravens 24, 49ers 21. The Ravens have beat two teams they weren't supposed to beat and I don't think the 49ers are as good as the Patriots or the Broncos. Plus, they are playing for Ray Lewis.

 **ERIC CARLSON**

Ravens 34, 49ers 27. I think they are a little tougher, and the whole Ray Lewis vibe is going on. And Joe Flacco seems to be playing really well. Kaepernick has been really good for San Francisco but he's still a rookie.

 **YANNICK GINGRAS**

49ers 38, Ravens 21. Since Baltimore beat the Patriots I don't want them to win, so I'm going with San Francisco.

 **DAVID MILLER**

49ers 28, Ravens 21. It will really be interesting to see the Harbaugh brothers coach against each other.

 **JULIE MILLER**

49ers 28, Ravens 21. I'm a Chicago Bears fan so I'm going with San Francisco because Jim Harbaugh used to be the QB for the Bears.

 **STACY CAHILL** (Scioto Downs)

49ers 28, Ravens 17. I think Coach Harbaugh is gonna win—how's that? OK, I'm going to go with the 49ers because he's the better looking Harbaugh and younger (more closer to my age).

 **SCOTT EHRlich** (Cal Expo)

Ravens 37, 49ers 34. It's the big dance and both teams pull out all the stops. Baltimore wins in one of the greatest Super Bowls ever on a last-second field goal.

 **MOIRA FANNING**

(Hambletonian Society)

Ravens 30, 49ers 24. How can I not go with the Ravens? The 49ers couldn't even beat the Giants.



 **BOB HEYDEN** (Meadowlands)

Ravens 34, 49ers 20. Totally evenly-matched teams and basically everyone is in it for the first time. No one should be favored over the other. But the Ravens SHUT OUT New England at their own place last week in the second half.

 **TOM KELLEY** (Balmoral Park)

49ers 31, Ravens 21. San Fran has too much team speed for Baltimore and their DBs will shut down the long passes Baltimore counts on. They are also physical enough to contain Ray Rice, thus shutting down their punishing running attack. Too many weapons on offense for San Fran so I look for them to prevail.

 **JOHN MANZI** (Monticello)

49ers 31, Ravens 24. I don't like either team but since I don't understand all the hype about Ray Lewis, I'm rooting for San Francisco.

 **SAM MCKEE** (Meadowlands)

49ers 35, Ravens 31. I'm cheering and picking San Francisco because Jim Harbaugh played quarterback for the University of Michigan (McKee is a native of Michigan.)

 **GABE PREWITT** (The Red Mile/Buffalo)

Ravens 24, 49ers 21. The line has been trending towards the Ravens since it opened, and the Ray Lewis retirement party seems tough to overcome.

 **NICK SALVI** (Tioga/Vernon)

Ravens 21, 49ers 17. The kid QB for the 49ers is a sensation and his talent and enthusiasm make the entire team better, but Ray Lewis will ruin him before halftime. I am backing the Ravens with their predictable, apathetic QB, Joe Flacco.

 **JASON SETTLEMOIR** (Meadowlands/Tioga/Vernon)

49ers 28, Ravens 0. I can't stand the Baltimore Ravens! I am a Cleveland Browns fan so it goes back a long ways.

 **DARIN ZOCCALI** (Meadowlands)

Ravens 27, 49ers 17. It seems every year a team gets hot, catches a couple breaks and finds a way to win the whole thing. The Ravens seem like that team this year. Big game for Ray Rice and Torrey Smith as the Ravens upset the 49ers.



Indiana Horse Industry Ready For Another Legislative Battle

It has almost become an annual ritual for Indiana's horse racing industry to come under legislative attack, but because of the previous battles the industry has an army of sorts that has mobilized and believes it is well armed to defend its territory.

Major media outlets such as the Indianapolis Star have published stories and opinions from columnists that the horse racing industry's share of slots revenues should be ended. The subject was raised because the proposed budget of Gov. Mike Pence, who took office in January, called for shifting the revenue going to horse racing to the state's

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funding for Medicaid.

Last fall Gov. Pence spent 30 minutes with representatives of the horse industry at a specially-arranged fundraiser when he was running for office. The dynamics of the industry, its

huge agricultural footprint, and its growth with slot revenues and plans for future growth were explained to Pence, so the budget proposal came as a surprise to industry leaders. Later, they were told by insiders that Pence had deputized a staffer to make the budget numbers work, and one anti-gambling aide put the proposal in the budget to move the racing industry's share of slots revenue to cover the Medicaid shortfall.

After having to go to the statehouse in Indianapolis before to explain the dynamics of the horse business to legislators, members of Indiana's horse racing industry stepped up to continue their outreach to lawmakers on a year-round basis. Among those initiatives have been exhibition races and starting gate rides for legislators at Hoosier Park. One of the participants was Senator Luke Kenley (R-Indianapolis), a Quarter Horse breeder, who serves as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

"We actually have a lot of friends who stand up for us, and we have worked hard to educate legislators about Indiana horse racing," said one Standardbred activist who spoke about the behind-the-scenes activity but preferred not to be named.

According to a survey conducted by Purdue University, since slots were put at Indiana's racetracks four years ago, the horse industry has become a \$1 billion industry and pays approximately \$61 million in taxes alone to the state. In 2012, revenues from slots to the horse racing industry totaled approximately \$58 million.

Indiana's budget must be adopted by April 30, but there is hope that a deal to leave the horse racing share of the slots revenue intact might be worked out in conjunction with a bill that would authorize table games at the racetracks. Hoosier Park operator Centaur Gaming, which is finalizing its purchase and takeover of Indiana Downs, has been lobbying for table games. — *By Kathy Parker*



Storm Damage In KY

Storm damage hit central Kentucky Wednesday (Jan. 30). High winds that swept through the area damaged this barn at Kentuckiana Farms. Fortunately, no horses or people were injured. (Photo courtesy Kentuckiana Farms)

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Hanover Shoe Farms Honored With HTA Award

Hanover Shoe Farms of Hanover, Pa., one of harness racing's premier and storied breeding farms, has been named the 2013 winner of Harness Tracks of America's Stanley F. Bergstein Messenger Award, the highest honor bestowed by the association of major racing organizations in the United States and Canada.

In announcing the award, HTA executive vice president Paul Estok said, "Hanover Shoe Farms is being recognized for remaining unwavering in promoting harness racing in countless ways and continuing Lawrence Sheppard's love of and dedication to improving the breed."

The award recognizes exceptionally meritorious contributions to the sport of harness racing and few organizations fit that requirement like Hanover Shoe Farms. In addition to being the cradle of a staggering number of champion horses, those involved with the operation since the founding of the Standardbred breeding farm and nursery have worked to better the harness racing industry both privately and publicly—recruiting owners, working with legislators, serving on the boards of practically every important racing industry group and providing support for charitable endeavors such as the HTA/Hanover Shoe Farms Caretaker of the Year Award.

The Bergstein Messenger Award will be presented to representatives of Hanover Shoe Farms as one of the highlights of 2013 Harness Racing Congress during the U.S. Harness Writers Association Dan Patch Awards Dinner at the Westin Beach Resort & Spa in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (HTA)

Saratoga Harness Buys Colorado Casino

Saratoga Harness Racing Inc. (SHRI), owner of Saratoga Casino and Raceway in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., has announced the official completion of its acquisition of Fitzgeralds Casino Black Hawk in Black Hawk, Col. SHRI began operating Fitzgeralds Casino Black Hawk earlier in the day.

The closing on the purchase from The Majestic Star Casino LLC ("Majestic Star") is now complete, and SHRI received licensing approval earlier in the month from the Colorado Division of Gaming. The \$28 million purchase agreement was announced May 15, 2012. Fitzgeralds, one of the premier historic casino properties in the Black Hawk market, will be rebranded as "Saratoga Casino-Blackhawk." (Saratoga)

Toscano Honored As New Jersey Horseperson Of The Year

New Jersey Secretary of Agriculture Douglas Fisher awarded the 2012 Governor's Award for Horseperson of the Year to Linda Toscano at the 56th annual Breeders' Luncheon in Eastampton on Jan. 27.

Toscano, who lives in Freehold, trained the 2012 Standardbred Horse of the Year, Chapter Seven.

On behalf of the New Jersey Equine Advisory Board, a committee of past Horsepersons of the Year chose to recognize Toscano, who, in August, became the first female trainer to win the Hambletonian with Market Share.

Chapter Seven was also honored as the New Jersey Standardbred Horse of the Year and the 3-year-old filly pacer Sarandon Blue Chip was named the New Jersey Sires Stakes Premier Horse of the Year.

Magie Moonlighting As Basketball Coach

Brian Magie has enjoyed success with Standardbreds. He is pretty good with Mustangs, too. Magie, a 54-year-old harness racing trainer from Chesterfield, N.J., is in his fourth season of coaching the girls' basketball team at New Jersey United Christian Academy in nearby Cream Ridge. The school is for students in grades seven through 12.

When Magie took over the girls' basketball program, the Mustangs were coming off a winless campaign in 2009. In Magie's first year, the squad went 3-12. In 2011, the team finished 5-9. Last season, NJUCA went 15-5, despite having only seven players, and lost in the semifinals of the Penn-Jersey Athletic Association playoffs.

"The first year was spent mainly working on fundamentals and trying to get rid of the losing mentality," said Magie, who previously coached rec basketball and softball. "The whole thing was to get them believing in themselves.

"They had no problem believing in their faith, but if they didn't believe in themselves they were setting themselves up to fail."

Over time, Magie got his players to understand how each could help the team in her own way, whether it was offensively, defensively, or working hard under the boards for rebounds.

"In life, you have your role and the same is true on the basketball court," Magie said. "I told them if we all performed our roles individually, as a whole we would be successful. These girls are very unselfish. They took their roles to heart."

Magie is probably best known for training 1996 Meadowlands Pace winner Hot Lead, a popular horse in part because of the green goggles he wore while racing.

In addition to Hot Lead, who was the 3-year-old male pacer of the year in 1996, Magie trained stakes-winners such as Awesome Gal, I Married A Witch, Panedict Arnold, Panspacificflight, She's Game, and Woodsie And Buster.

"I like him," junior co-captain Megan McKeon said. "It's great playing for him. I didn't know what to expect because I never played basketball until freshman year. He's taught me a lot. He's a great coach."

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There are just fewer than 100 students at NJUCA, with nine girls playing basketball. As might be expected with a small number of students, there is a close-knit atmosphere at the school. It also is special in terms of friendship and camaraderie, Magie said.

"I don't know if there is a place where 'mean' doesn't exist," he said. "But if there is, this is probably it."

Despite graduating several key players from last season's team, the Mustangs are 9-6 this year.

"What we've been able to accomplish here is great," Magie said. "It's a tribute to the administration and to the parents. We've showed a tiny school can compete.

"It's as much a thrill as to win the Meadowlands Pace."
(Harness Racing Communications)

Historic 2YO Races Moved To Philly

The Historic Stakes, some of the oldest and most prestigious races on the Grand Circuit, conducted for more than 80 years, have a new venue for freshman pacers and trotters.

In 2013 the Pennsylvania Harness Horsemen's Association (PHHA) and Harrah's Philadelphia will host the quartet of events on the following dates:

- Wednesday, Aug. 7—\$60,000 (est.) E.H. Harriman Cup for 2-year-old colt trotters
- Wednesday, Aug. 14—\$66,000 (est.) Acorn for 2-year-old trotting fillies
- Friday, Aug. 30—\$75,000 (est.) Goshen Cup for 2-year-old colt pacers
- Friday, Aug. 30—\$64,000 (est.) Debutante for 2-year-old filly pacers.

The PHHA will also have the option on the 3-year-old events in 2014. The Historic Stakes for 3-year-olds will continue to race at Tioga Downs. *(PHHA)*

Dancer's Bill For Mobile Betting Signed By NJ Governor

Racetrack patrons would be permitted to place bets on special mobile gaming devices under legislation signed on Monday by New Jersey Governor Christie and sponsored by Assembly Republican Ronald S. Dancer.

"With this innovation, horse race fans could place a bet and collect their winnings without leaving their seats," Dancer said. "Allowing racetracks to take advantage of the technology that has transformed our daily lives will improve the experience for fans and give New Jersey facilities a competitive edge over other states competing for a share of the horse racing market."

The law updates the state's horse racing laws to specifically reference mobile gaming devices and give clear legal standing to their regulated use by the New Jersey Racing Commission. The devices would allow patrons to place bets and receive information about wagers, outcomes and other

information about racing, such as viewing live horse races on iPads or iPhones.

The bill stipulates that the mobile gaming devices would be permitted to operate in all indoor and outdoor areas of the racetrack.

"This will merge some of the 21st century into one of the oldest forms of sport," said Dancer, the son of Hall of Famer Stanley Dancer. "People would no longer have to break from enjoying all of the racetrack amenities in order to wait in line to place a bet or collect winnings as they have done for decades. This will put New Jersey at the forefront of using modern technology at the horse track and place this regulated use in state law. I'm grateful that this received bipartisan support from Governor Christie and legislators."

Also, a bill sponsored by Dancer that allows harness racing permit holders and the Standardbred racing and horsebreeding industry to jointly decide how to utilize a portion of their racing purses in order to promote the racing industry was unanimously approved by the Assembly.

The bill allows permit holders and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association to enter into contractual agreements that allocate funds to help promote and enhance New Jersey's Standardbred racing and breeders industry. The amount of the racing purses, which is specified by statute, would not be affected. Also, any agreement would not be permitted to reduce the statutorily dedicated funds for programs designed to aid the horsemen and the Standardbred Breeders' and Owners' Association or for the administration of a health benefits program for the horsemen. *(NJ Assembly Republicans)*

Indiana-Sired Millionaire Mare Retired

When filly pacer Summer In Fiji was sidelined by an injury during her 2-year-old season after going 5-for-5 and winning the 2006 Indiana Sires Stakes summer championship, owner Frank Baldachino worried his fun might be ending.

Instead, the good times would go on.

Baldachino, with the assistance of trainers Mickey and Ron Burke, purchased Go On BB as Summer In Fiji's replacement on the Indiana circuit. Go On BB won the ISS fall championship—and much more.

During an eight-year career, Go On BB won 69 of 178 races and \$1.46 million. She became the first Indiana-sired horse of any breed to surpass \$1 million in purses and is the winningest pacing mare in harness racing history among million-dollar earners.

On Tuesday, Baldachino announced that Go On BB was retired and heading to Hanover Shoe Farms to begin her career as a broodmare. Go On BB raced twice in January, finishing second both times.

"We were hoping she could get win No. 70, but I wasn't going to cheapen her or hurt her," said Baldachino. "She's

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been so good to me. She gave it her all every time she raced and had a fantastic career."

Go On BB won a second ISS title as a 3 year old (and was runner-up to stablemate Summer In Fiji in another try) but saved her best performance for the end of that season. Baldachino supplemented Go On BB to the \$206,000 American National Stakes at Balmoral Park and the filly rewarded him with a 2 1/4-length win in 1:51.

"I knew she was a nice filly and took a shot," Baldachino said. "That showed she was not only a good Indiana filly, but a horse capable of competing on the Grand Circuit. That was a special moment."

Another special moment came when Go On BB surpassed \$1 million in May 2010 at Hoosier Park.

"I was proud of her," Baldachino said. "She was an iron horse. Even today she's as sound as ever. She looks fantastic. It was tough to make the decision to retire her because she was still racing at a fairly high level."

In addition to winning the American National, Go On BB captured the 2007 Blossom Series final at the Meadowlands and a total of six Indiana Sires Stakes crowns. She competed in the Breeders Crown twice, finishing sixth both times. (*Harness Racing Communications*)

Learn About USTA's Full Circle

The USTA's Full Circle program offers a free, no obligation means for anyone who'd like to know if a horse in their life, past or present, may need their help. There are nearly 5,000 horses enrolled in Full Circle, which mirrors similar programs offered by the American Quarter Horse Association, The Jockey Club and the American Morgan Horse Association.

Click here <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TtcS2cAUqCo> to find out how Full Circle works and how to enroll a horse. Those who have already enrolled a horse are asked to share this video on their social media outlets to let others know they've enrolled a horse that's important to them. (*Harness Racing Communications*)

Rocksino & Flying Turns

The Akron Beacon Journal has reported that the new racino that is currently being built at Northfield Park will be called Hard Rock Rocksino Northfield Park. The announcement came Monday from Hard Rock International, which said in a statement that the name pays tribute to Cleveland as the birthplace of rock and roll as well as being a play on the word racino.

"It's meant to express the fact that it's more than just a casino or just horse racing," Northfield Park chairman Brock Milstein was quoted as saying. "There's a lot more involved with what we're doing."

Scheduled to open in December, Hard Rock Rocksino Northfield Park will have more than 2,300 video lottery terminals and also feature a comedy club, steakhouse, buffet, Hard Rock Live music venue and Hard Rock Cafe. The project is expected to cost between \$250 million to \$300 million.

Michigan Harness Fans Die

Longtime Michigan harness racing publicist Dan Conway, who worked for Standardbred groups in the state for many years, and whose stories appeared on the pages of *The Horseman And Fair World*, died Jan. 17. He was 68.

Despite being wheelchair bound, Mr. Conway was a regular at racetracks in Michigan. Known for his encyclopedic knowledge of harness racing, he taught handicapping classes and led many tours of the racetracks for newcomers.

A lover of blues music, Mr. Conway also taught politics at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, Mich. Mr. Conway is survived by his wife, Barbara; mother, Alice; siblings, James, Kathleen, Maura and Peggy; nieces and nephews, Kevin, Brian, Patrick, Bridget, Kristine, Jennifer and Annabelle; grandchildren, Elisabeth, Yeshua, Sarai and Avigayle; and stepchildren, Mandy Bayles and Scott (Ashley) Bayles.

Also, longtime Michigan-based horseman Larry Jones, of Jackson, died Sunday, Jan. 27. He was 69. Along with his wife, Linda, Mr. Jones raised and raced many very nice horses over his years in the business, with Stir Fry, Inspid, Oakmont, Spicy Cinnamon and Casino Showgirl just a few.

Mr. Jones worked as a meat cutter from the age of 16, but he loved racing horses. He was a longtime owner/driver/trainer/breeder member of the U.S. Trotting Association and lifetime member of the Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by daughter, Tammy; son, Dave (Kari); grandchildren, Dustin (Jessica), Danny, Tiffany, Kortney and Karly; great-grandson, Devin; mother-in-law, Betty; sisters-in-law, Sandra, Jaime and Debbie; and brother, Asil.

RACE LINES

Harness Racing Leaders

Compiled by the USTA—through Jan. 29, 2013 (week difference Jan. 23-29).

Leading North American-Based Money-Winning Horses

	Sts.	W	P	S	Earnings
Golden Receiver (8gp)	4	4	0	0	\$106,750
Holdingallthecards (4gp)	4	4	0	0	56,700
Versado (6gp)	5	2	0	0	48,580
Windsun Galliano (4tg)	4	3	0	0	37,750
Electrofire (6hp)	4	2	0	0	36,800
Fred And Ginger (6hp)	3	0	2	0	35,875
Stolen Car (5hp)	3	1	2	0	35,000
Top Gear (6gp)	4	3	0	1	34,944
Roadway (7gp)	4	2	1	0	34,361
Something For Doc (5gp)	3	2	0	0	34,300
Greystone Ladylike (4mp)	4	2	1	1	34,130
Don't Point At (6mp)	4	2	0	1	33,650
Rusty's All In (7hp)	4	2	0	1	33,600
Rockin Robert (5gp)	3	2	1	0	33,000
Do Me Honor (5mp)	3	3	0	0	32,500
Chief Karen (7mp)	3	2	1	0	32,500

Leading Money-Winning Drivers

	Sts.	W-P-S	UDR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Corey Callahan	317	66-47-38	.331	\$619,199 (\$93,400)
Ron Pierce	263	41-49-32	.300	541,316 (92,671)
Brian Sears	141	38-23-14	.393	462,950 (116,680)
Jody Jamieson	191	39-31-17	.324	418,703 (78,047)
Tim Tetrick	177	29-23-18	.270	415,843 (154,662)
George Brennan	142	24-28-19	.323	411,170 (131,970)
Matt Kakaley	132	22-12-22	.273	355,180 (96,170)
Dave Palone	187	43-31-22	.361	336,864 (91,476)
Billy Davis Jr.	236	37-30-28	.267	328,750 (103,299)
David Miller	133	27-16-24	.330	326,924 (77,317)
Allan Davis	261	30-30-35	.223	316,633 (68,245)
Ross Wolfenden	263	30-36-42	.243	315,286 (92,197)
Yannick Gingras	133	20-22-15	.280	310,765 (110,252)
Scott Zeron	134	21-13-18	.255	305,703 (31,385)
Chris Christoforou	127	21-16-22	.293	298,521 (78,322)

Leading Money-Winning Trainers

	Sts.	W-P-S	UTR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Ron Burke	229	50-37-29	.350	\$636,942 (\$175,904)
Richard Moreau	137	22-19-25	.298	241,419 (30,594)
Michael Hall	82	28-9-7	.431	233,891 (60,900)
Rene Allard	123	31-17-7	.348	227,244 (54,279)
Josh Green	78	20-11-14	.395	171,955 (29,885)
Mark Harder	38	8-2-6	.292	170,719 (76,540)
Mark Ford	93	7-15-10	.201	159,910 (46,800)
Tony O'Sullivan	50	8-9-5	.293	152,850 (51,929)
P.J. Fraley	54	6-12-9	.290	140,312 (62,175)
Carmen Auciello	75	15-12-1	.293	134,458 (29,826)
Joe Hundertpfund Jr	59	18-8-11	.443	129,218 (28,554)
Les Givens	77	16-14-10	.352	126,923 (18,180)
Casie Coleman	33	10-3-2	.374	122,681 (11,250)
Julie Miller	33	9-4-2	.360	121,770 (66,590)
Eric Ell	32	9-6-5	.438	112,550 (15,050)

Leading Breeders

Breeder	Starters	Winners	Wins	Earnings
Hanover Shoe Farms Inc.	414	100	120	\$1,025,544
Winbak Farm	406	91	106	822,425
Brittany Farms	126	29	38	387,267
Perretti Farms	129	29	39	284,176
Kentuckiana Farms Gen Par	113	25	33	274,635
Robert McIntosh Stables Inc.	72	18	22	237,365
Perfect World Enterprises	83	18	23	192,429
Walnut Hall Limited	94	19	23	192,120
White Birch Farm	68	17	24	182,429
Frederick Hertrich III	70	24	28	180,351
Jules & Arlene Siegel	68	14	17	174,929
Peter Pan Stables Inc.	55	15	17	155,907
Steve Stewart	46	21	24	148,127
Fox Valley Standardbreds	81	16	16	147,277
Seelster Farms Inc.	81	15	18	146,139

Leaders Of The Week

Ranked by wins for Jan. 23-29 from results at major North American pari-mutuel tracks.

Drivers	Starts	W-P-S
Michael Oosting	54	15-12-5
Dave Palone	47	14-8-6
Luke Plano	31	13-8-4
Chris Page	48	10-6-8
Corey Callahan	70	10-8-7
Ross Wolfenden	60	10-7-13
Aaron Merriman	65	9-13-6
Brian Sears	43	9-10-4
Casey Leonard	51	9-13-9
Eric Carlson	58	9-9-3
George Dennis	59	9-7-6
Jim Marohn Jr.	37	9-6-3
Billy Davis Jr.	34	8-3-4
Billy Dobson	36	8-3-7
George Brennan	43	8-8-6
Ronnie Wrenn Jr.	45	8-4-7
Ryan Stahl	21	8-2-2
Tim Tetrick	47	8-8-4
Tony Hall	52	8-4-6
Bruce Ranger	31	7-4-3
Chris Christoforou	29	7-1-6
Jim Pantaleano	28	7-4-1
Nicholas Steward	35	7-3-5
Robert Dinning	38	7-5-6
Ron Pierce	66	7-7-8

Trainers	Wins
Ron Burke	17
Michael Hall	9
Gretchen Smith	6
Randy Bendis	6
Daniel Gill	5
Joe Hundertpfund Jr.	5
Melissa Beckwith	5
Rene Allard	5
Angie Affrunti	4
Carmen Auciello	4
J.D. Perrin	4
Mark Harder	4
P.J. Fraley	4
Rick Plano	4
Steven Weaver	4

2013 FEBRUARY



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				Singer 4YOT-1st leg (M) Survivor 4&UpP-1st leg (M)	Jr. Trendsetter 3CP-1st leg (M)	Exit 16W 4YOP-1st leg (M)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Blooded Horse Winter Speed Sale at Delaware, Ohio	Lincoln's Birthday Blooded Horse Winter Speed Sale at Delaware, Ohio	Ash Wednesday	Valentine's Day Singer 4YOT-2nd leg (M) Survivor 4&UpP-2nd leg (M)	Jr. Trendsetter 3CP-2nd leg (M)	Exit 16W 4YOP-2nd leg (M)
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Presidents' Day				Washington's Birthday	Exit 16W 4YOP final (M) Jr. Trendsetter 3CP final (M) Singer 4YOT final (M) Survivor 4&UpP final (M)
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