

### Coleman Is At The “Head” Of The Class

Casie Coleman made history at the recent O’Brien Awards dinner in Ontario when she was named Canada’s 2012 Trainer of the Year for a record fifth time, breaking a three-way tie with Bob McIntosh and Bill Robinson.

“I’m 32 now and to win my fifth O’Brien Award and pass two guys like that, it’s pretty awesome,” said Coleman.

“Now I can try and go for six!” Combined with Betterthanchedar’s O’Brien as Older Pacer of the Year and Michael’s Power accolades as 3-Year-Old Colt Pacer of the Year and Horse of the Year, the native of Surrey, B.C., took home four O’Brien trophies. It was certainly a night Coleman won’t forget—and the same can be said for the morning after, although for a far different reason than historical significance.

After arriving at Toronto’s Lester Pierson International Airport to return to her winter base at South Florida Trotting Center, Coleman found herself detained at security as officials tried to determine exactly what she had packed in her carry-on bag. The cargo in question was one of the O’Brien trophies, which of course is a bust of the award’s namesake, Joe O’Brien.

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“I had one trophy with me in my bag and I actually got called in twice at security,” she said with a laugh. “When I went through the first security they called me to the special check place with my bag. He looked at the x-ray and asked what I had in there. I wasn’t even thinking about the O’Brien so I said just clothes. He opens it up and sees the O’Brien and asked, ‘What is this thing?’ and I had to explain what it was. He asked how I got it, I said I won it, and then he asked if it was worth more than \$10,000 and I said no.

“I got done with him and then at the next x-ray they looked at it and called over three more (security members). I’m standing there and I heard somebody say, ‘It looks like a head.’ They opened it up again and I told him it was the O’Brien Award head. I guess on the x-ray it would look pretty weird.

“They thought I was walking around with a head in my bag! Next time I’ll check it and not walk on with it. They even did the swab test on it,” she continued with a laugh.

Coleman is coming off a year in which she posted 223 wins and a career-high \$6.8 million in purse earnings. She

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is on the verge of reaching 2,000 wins for her career and last year became the youngest trainer to reach \$40 million in earnings. Although she is currently in Florida, she also has horses racing at Woodbine and on the East Coast.

Coleman has three horses in this weekend at Woodbine and another two at Yonkers, both recent arrivals to her barn.

On Saturday night at Yonkers, Coleman will send out Electrofire in the \$35,000 Open. A 6-year-old son of Electric Stena she claimed Electrofire on behalf of West Wins Stable and driver David Miller for \$50,000 at Yonkers on Dec. 17. The pacer won his next start at the Meadowlands and then captured two straight Opens at Yonkers.

Coleman’s other Yonkers starter Saturday is Fridaynight-flight, who had been racing in Chicago but was purchased

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Electrofire

privately by Coleman and Merlin Howse on New Year's Eve. The 5-year-old gelding has finished second for his new connections in both 2013 starts and is moving up a notch in class on Saturday.

Coleman has 34 horses with her at South Florida, another four at Baycain Training Center in Ontario, and 17 in New Jersey with assistant Andrew Harris that are mostly competing at Yonkers. Coleman said while the horses are currently at Showplace Farm, she plans on moving to White Birch Farm on March 1.

"I have 18 two year olds (in Florida) and I've been in 2:40 with everybody," she said. "Right now it looks like a nice bunch and I'm very happy with them.

"I'll be here until the middle of April or first of May, and then in the summertime I'll go back and forth between Canada and New Jersey."

Coleman is off to a fast start at Yonkers as she has six wins in 15 starts (40 percent); at the Meadowlands she has had only two starters.

"My horses fit at Yonkers better right now as I have mostly claimers," she explained. "I don't have anything for the ABC racing (at the Meadowlands). I agree with it and like it, I just don't have any horses for it and my claimers are more suited to race at Yonkers.

"Everything has been going real good at Yonkers and it's hard to leave when you're doing so well at one spot."

Coleman said while she has some 3-year-old pacers who could be pleasant surprises this year, she is looking forward to the return of Vegas Vacation, who broke his maiden in his career debut at Mohawk last July in 1:54.4. He finished out his freshman year with six second-place finishes in nine subsequent starts, including a Metro elim (eighth in the final) and a Breeders Crown elim (fifth in the final).

"Vegas Vacation was very good last season, he just kept getting plagued with (an outside post) every time he raced in a big race," she said. "Hopefully he'll have a little better luck this season." — *By Gordon Waterstone*

## WEEKEND FEATURED RACES

### Friday, February 15

All times listed are local.

- 7:34p M2 **Jr. Trendsetter Pace** div. [Trackmaster PPs](#)
- 8:13p M4 **Jr. Trendsetter Pace** div. [Trackmaster PPs](#)
- 8:50p YR6 **Open Trot** [Trackmaster PPs](#)
- 9:30p YR8 **F&M Open Pace** [Trackmaster PPs](#)
- 9:59p Wdb9 **F&M Preferred Pace** [Trackmaster PPs](#)
- 10:27p M11 **Jr. Trendsetter Pace** div. [Trackmaster PPs](#)

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- 7:44p Wdb2 **Preferred Pace** [Trackmaster PPs](#)
- 7:54p M3 **Exit 16W Pace** div. [Trackmaster PPs](#)
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- 10:27p M11 **Exit 16W Pace** div. [Trackmaster PPs](#)

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## Indiana Mare Hits Best Stride In Canada

Trainer Jeff Gillis may downplay Continual Velocity's strong three-for-four start in 2013 as a result of lesser competition this time of year, but there's no denying that the 5-year-old daughter of Real Artist out of the Breeders Crown champion mare Extreme Velocity has hit her best stride.

Continual Velocity is listed as the 5-2 morning-line favorite in Friday night's \$30,000 Preferred Pace for fillies and mares at Woodbine Racetrack with Jody Jamieson driving from the outside post seven. She comes into the race off a wire-to-wire 1:52 score as the 6-5 choice in the Preferred on Feb. 1; last week's race was wiped out as part of the canceled card due to a rare Toronto-area snowstorm.

"She's on good form right now but a lot of the better mares are shut down right now, so that makes her a little more effective," said Gillis. "But she's racing well."

Bred and owned by Dave Stohler of Markleville, Ind., Continual Velocity arrived in Gillis's barn exactly one year ago.

"He just called; I had never met him," Gillis remembered of his initial conversation with Stohler. "He wanted to send her to Ontario



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**"I don't know if she is a legitimate preferred mare or not, but she's making money so we'll keep at it!"**

— Jeff Gillis

thinking she'd do alright here, and so far so good. She has matured into a pretty solid mare."

Continual Velocity finished 2012 with a slate of 38-8-5-5 and \$161,700 in earnings, taking her career mark of 1:50.3 in a conditioned event at Mohawk in late August. Gillis admits Continual Velocity's best calling is still likely in those same conditioned ranks.

"I think she is a nice high conditioned mare," he said. "I don't know if she is a legitimate preferred mare or not, but she's making money so we'll keep at it."

Continual Velocity has led virtually wire to wire in all three of her victories this year. Gillis said it's a far different scenario than 2012.

"Last summer you could put her on the front once, but if you tried to go back a second or third time in a row, it seemed like she needed to be driven on the fence a couple times," said Gillis. "But she's been pretty brave on the front lately.

"Mind you, she's getting soft middle halves, but we're quite happy with her," he continued. "When she finished third, that's exactly what happened. Jody was backing



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into them (first quarter of :26.3 and second quarter of :30.1) and he got caught off guard and one brushed by him quick."

Continual Velocity's dam, Extreme Velocity, won the 1997 Breeders Crown Older Mare Pace and also finished second in the 1999 edition. The winner of \$856,070 also scored major victories in the 1998 Roses Are Red and Milton. Continual Velocity's full sister Real Velocity p, 1:51.1 (\$378,323) finished second in the 2007 Breeders Crown 3-Year-Old Filly Pace, while her half sister, Ultimate Velocity, earned more than a quarter-million dollars. — By Gordon Waterstone

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## What Does Callahan Say About Chesapeake Bay?

When Corey Callahan climbs into the sulky behind Chesapeake Bay in the first of three divisions of the opening round of the Junior Trendsetter Series at the Meadowlands, it will be the first time North America's leading driver in 2013 in both wins and purse earnings will be behind the 3-year-old colt pacer.

While trainer Roger Plante Jr. has driven Chesapeake Bay in all but one of the colt's eight lifetime starts, he turns the lines over to Callahan, who said he has watched the son of Artiscape on the track. Callahan also previously had a chance to direct Chesapeake Bay's half brother, Delmarvalous, to five wins and two seconds in eight starts in that colt's \$899,123-winning career.

"I've watched Roger drive him a couple times and it definitely seems he has a little bit of a go," said Callahan, who starts from post two with Chesapeake Bay in Friday's fourth race. "I know Roger has taken his time with him and I expect him to be competitive in the series. I drove his brother and he was an exceptionally fast horse."

A \$30,000 yearling purchase by Forrest Bartlett, who owned the 1986 Horse of the Year Forrest Skipper, Chesapeake Bay is out of the Scoot Herb mare Prymetyme Scootie, who earned just shy of \$100,000 on the track. Her first foal was Delmarval-

ous, whose biggest win came in the 2010 Adios at The Meadows. She also has a Riverboat King 4-year-old mare currently racing named Scootdowntheriver, who as a 2 year old scored a New York Sires Stakes (NYSS) win.

Chesapeake Bay opened his racing career in 2012 with a fourth and fifth in NYSS competition as well as a fifth in a Sheppard split. He then broke his maiden in early August at Ocean Downs in a Maryland Standardbred Race Fund contest. After a seventh in a NYSS race at Tioga, he was then turned out for the rest of the year.

Chesapeake Bay has two seconds in three starts in 2013, all at Dover Downs. The Junior Trendsetter was delayed one week due to a blizzard that canceled racing at the Big M last Friday night but Callahan isn't concerned about the time off.

"No, it won't hurt him as he's had a few starts under his belt at Dover," opined Callahan. "A lot of the horses who have shipped up from Dover to the Meadowlands have acclimated well and I think he'll like the bigger track."



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— Corey Callahan

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## Longtime Owner Seeks Exit 16W Success

John Bach has been involved in harness racing for as long as he can remember. It's a pretty good length of time considering the lifelong Goshen, N.Y., resident will turn 89 in July.

Over the years, Bach has enjoyed a number of successes owning racehorses. He hopes to add to the list with Who's Your Maddy in the Exit 16W series for 4-year-old male pacers at Meadowlands Racetrack.

Who's Your Maddy, trained in New Jersey by Kevin McDermott, drew into a tough spot in Saturday's second round of the series. Racing in the second of two \$18,000 divisions, Who's Your Maddy starts from post eight with driver John Campbell, facing a field that includes first-round winners Holdingallthecards and Yo Cheyenne Rocky.

Bach is hopeful Who's Your Maddy can overcome his outside starting position.

"He likes to come from behind anyway," Bach said. "He's done pretty well for us, so we'll just hope for the best."

Bach is no stranger to racing. He has worked at Historic Track in Goshen for more than 60 years, spending a number of years as clerk of the course following World War II and more recently as a timer.

His father worked for Hall of Fame trainer-driver Stanley Dancer and his brother, Fred, was a leading driver at Saratoga Raceway and Vernon Downs in the 1950s and also handled Thoroughbred prompters for time trials at Lexington's Red Mile.

"I used to jog horses and I really enjoyed that," said Bach, who owned a title company and was a real estate broker. "Just being around horses all your life, you get attached to them."

Bach, Jim McDonald and Daniel Maclsaac bought Who's Your Maddy after his 2-year-old season for \$37,000 at the Standardbred Horse Sale auction in 2011.

Who's Your Maddy, a son of Artiscape out of the mare Madison Rose, was a \$32,000 yearling purchase and his family includes Grand Lady, who is the dam of several stakes-winners, including Glowing Report, Perfect Union and Must See, and the granddam of standout 2009 Pacer of the Year Well Said.

Last season, Who's Your Maddy won six of 22 starts and earned \$40,859. He took his mark of 1:52.2 at Pompano Park, but was race timed in 1:50 in a fifth-place finish (beaten 2 1/4 lengths by Cane Pace winner Dynamic Youth) in a sires stakes race at Tioga Downs.

So far this year, Who's Your Maddy has a second and three thirds from four starts, pushing his lifetime earnings to \$94,044. He is coming off a third-place finish behind Yo Cheyenne Rocky and Papa Ray in his first Exit 16W start.

"He'll follow speed all day long and give you everything he's got," said McDermott, who planned on making a bridle change for this weekend's race. "He's a beautiful horse. He drew into a killer division (Saturday) so we'll just see what happens." (HRC)



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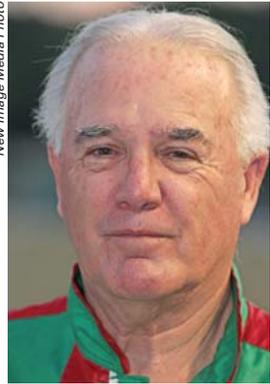
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## Saunders Looks To Take The Sunday Poker Pot In Exit 16W

With the second leg of the Exit 16W Series at the Meadowlands on Saturday, the 11-horse field for the first division means anything can happen, which Bruce Saunders and his entry, Sunday Poker, know all too well. Sunday Poker took a fifth-place finish in the first leg, but has shown plenty of speed in his 31 lifetime starts to be a top contender in the series.

Saunders, who took over training of the 3-year-old pacer for the Meadowlands meet, is very complimentary of Sunday Poker's talents. "He is a very nice horse. He had a good run in Canada with Mike Weller. He has great speed off the gate and is just a pleasant horse to work with," said Saunders.

Sunday Poker was a top contender in the Indiana Sires Stakes last season earning \$99,735, which included a 1:51.1 lifetime mark at Hoosier Park.



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**"He will need a little luck this week, but he is definitely fast enough."**

— Bruce Saunders

The first start at the Meadowlands for Sunday Poker was filled with trouble as the 11 starters suffered from several incidents of interference, forcing Sunday Poker to head three wide for part of the mile.

"His first week here, he was in an oversized field in snowy conditions where he was running over the top of horses as there was interference, and he never had a



Linscott Photo

**Sunday Poker**

chance. I'm a little frustrated with the fixation with oversized fields here. It's really not fair to the owners who put up money to be in these series. They are expecting for the horse to at least have their nose on the gate. I would rather have three competitive fields of seven horses than having one division with 11 horses, which is a dangerous environment."

Saunders remains confident Sunday Poker will be competitive despite the tough draw in the third race of the Saturday card.

"He has some good horses to the inside of him, but he has shown in the past that he has gate speed to overcome them. He will need a little luck this week, but he is definitely fast enough," Saunders said.

With only a few more races on the East Coast before Sunday Poker heads back to the Midwest to freshen up for the Indiana stakes season, Saunders and Sunday Poker are "all in" for a victory in the Exit 16W Series. —  
By Jay Hochstetler



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For complete information, to enter this weekend's contests, and to get a link to free past performances on the TrackMaster website for the complete 14-race card at the Northville Downs on Friday and all 13 races at Buffalo Raceway on Saturday, please visit [www.HorseToursneys.com](http://www.HorseToursneys.com). The limit on entries for each contest is 1,250. Individual qualifier winners are only eligible for one entry into the finals at the Meadowlands in April.

## WEG Changes Make For "A Very Difficult Day"

Woodbine Entertainment Group (WEG) Wednesday announced a significant restructuring of its operating model. While the company recently announced new transitional agreements with the Ontario government and the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG), the revenue from those agreements will be significantly less than WEG earned through the Slots-at-Racetracks partnership. As a result, WEG has had to take steps to reduce costs and achieve efficiencies through the implementation of a new operating model.

With a reduction in the workforce of 109 salaried positions and a significant number of hourly positions, the changes implemented will result in the reduction of some services at Woodbine and Mohawk racetracks. The employee impact goes through the entire organization, from the executive offices to frontline employees. Including changes implemented in late 2012, in addition, a number of jobs will be converted to seasonal and the amount of hourly work available will be reduced.

"Today is a very difficult day for Woodbine Entertainment Group," said Nick Eaves, president and CEO of Woodbine Entertainment Group. "The people we are saying goodbye to have helped build WEG into a world-class horse racing and entertainment company. As we confront these difficult but necessary changes to our company, we remain committed to delivering a superior experience to our customers and demonstrating vital leadership to the Ontario horse racing industry to ensure its long-term sustainability."

WEG's operating model, both on-track and off-track, will be realigned to better reflect the new agreements with government and the OLG and its recently announced reduced race schedule. In addition, internal operations are being downsized or amalgamated to align with these new financial realities.

"This restructuring of our operations is absolutely necessary to ensure the viability of our business during this pe-

riod of transition," said WEG chairman Jim Lawson. "WEG and its government partners must continue to work together in order to achieve the only sustainable solution - the integration of horse racing into Ontario's overall gaming strategy, which needs to include expanded gaming, operated by WEG, at Woodbine and Mohawk racetracks." (WEG)

## Hambletonian Society Stakes Payments Must Be Postmarked By Feb. 16

The initial payment deadline for eligibility to more than 129 stake events, headlined by the return of heat racing in the \$1 million Hambletonian at the Meadowlands and \$6 million Breeders Crown events at Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs, is fast approaching. The \$500,000 Hambletonian Oaks will be raced with eliminations a week before the final.

Payments for all Hambletonian-Society serviced Stakes must be postmarked by midnight on Saturday, Feb. 16, per USTA rule 12, section 4.

New stakes that will be administered by the Hambletonian Society include the Fall Final Four, which consists of a quartet of races for 2 year olds: The Valley Victory, Goldsmith Maid, Three Diamonds and Governor's Cup. All four will be raced at the Meadowlands in November.

The Society will also service the Battle of the Brandywine, the Colonial and the Valley Forge which will be raced in 2013 at Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs.

The Historic Stakes for 2 year olds are moving to Harrah's Philadelphia. The Historic Stakes for 3 year olds will remain at Tioga Downs for 2013.

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## Pompano Adds Sundays In March

Pompano Park has announced that it has received approval to race on Sundays during March, dropping Tuesdays during the month. Sunday post time will be 7:05 p.m.

Racing secretary Greg DeFrank said he believes the move will draw attention "to our excellent racing product on a night where there isn't much else on the harness racing calendar.

"This should further expose our guaranteed Pick-4 wager, that offers the lowest takeout in North American history," he added. The takeout for the Pick 4 at Pompano Park is 10 percent.

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Pompano also announced that the legendary announcer Larry Lederman will call the action at Pompano on Sunday, March 3, and Monday, March 4.

Also on March 4, the rivalry between east and west continues with the Pro-Am featuring the top drivers—both professional and amateur—from Pompano Park and Cal-Expo.

Bruce Ranger, Wally Hennessey, Dein Spriggs and Joe Pennacchio will comprise the Pompano lineup while Luke Plano, Steve Wiseman, Dave Siegel and Rick Bertrand will make the 3,500-mile journey from Northern California in hopes of retaining their crown which they narrowly won last year. *(with files from Pompano)*

## Purses Up When Rosecroft Reopens March 9

Live racing will return Saturday, March 9, to Rosecroft Raceway with several significant changes, most impressive of which is an average daily purse schedule that will be \$50,000 per card, an increase of 33 percent from the last race meet which ended Dec. 22.

“The infusion of funds from gaming throughout the state is the largest reason for the change, along with a managed approach to increasing purses to allow local horsemen to compete and continue to upgrade their racing stock going forward,” said Rosecroft racing secretary Mike Wandishin.

The condition sheet for the March 9 and 12 race dates is now available at <http://www.rosecroft.com/> and features several changes including:

- Any race with a minimum of seven separate Maryland preferred (defined as a Maryland owned, sired, trained or foaled horse) betting interests will be closed to those Maryland preferred horses;
- Any closed Maryland preferred race with eight or more separate betting interests will compete for a 10 percent premium to the advertised purse;
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- A winners over \$4,000 in the last three starts event will be carded for both Maryland preferred horses (with a \$7,000 purse) and for open participants (with a \$6,000 purse.) A separate winners-over event will be written for male and female pacers as well as trotters.

As was the practice last meet, entry preferences in all races will be granted to any horse that is Maryland owned, sired, trained or foaled.

Horsemen are advised to download and submit to the racing office the 2013 Rosecroft racing applications as soon as possible. The applications can be found in the Horsemen's section of the track's website.

“The updates to our condition sheet provide several additional opportunities to showcase Maryland horses and horsemen,” said Wandishin. “The new condition sheet should be much cleaner and easier for all horsemen to follow and provide ample opportunities for a competitive racing program.”

Rosecroft will conduct qualifiers on Saturday, Feb. 23, and Friday, March 1, at 12 noon. Entries for qualifiers will close at 3 p.m. the day prior. Any horse that raced at Rosecroft in December 2012 and was not placed on the Judges' list will not have to qualify for their first start in 2013 at Rosecroft. All other horses are subject to the 30-day rule. *(Rosecroft)*

## Do Me Honor On A Roll At The Meadows

Do Me Honor is small in size, but keeps coming up big at The Meadows Racetrack & Casino.

On Monday, Feb. 11, Do Me Honor and driver Aaron Merri-man won for the fourth time in five starts this season. The 5-year-old pacing mare has earned \$46,000 this year, which ranks fifth best among all harness racing horses in North America and No. 1 among females.

Since arriving at The Meadows in mid-November, Do Me Honor has posted six wins, one second and two thirds in nine starts for owner-trainer Bill Bercury. Competing primarily in the preferred handicap for fillies and mares, Do Me Honor has earned \$73,900 during that span.

“She’s a little bitty thing, but she’s quite a mare,” Bercury said. “We call her ‘Midge.’ I don’t think she weighs 700 pounds. But she’s as nice as can be. She’s clean going and a pleasure to drive.”

“It doesn’t matter what you do; you can leave, you can take back, you can put her in a hole. And she can give you a :26.2 quarter mile any place you want to use it. That makes her very fun to have.”

Bercury, from Slippery Rock, Pa., purchased Do Me Honor in July after several months of negotiating.

“She was well worth the wait,” Bercury said, laughing.

Do Me Honor, a daughter of stallion Cheyenne Rei out of the mare Do Me Right, has won 18 of 76 lifetime starts and earned \$268,088. Bred by Engle Equine, she was second in the 2011 Michigan Sires Stakes championship for 3-year-old filly pacers at Hazel Park.

Sold as a yearling for \$1,600 at the 2009 Great Lakes Yearling Sale, Do Me Honor's dam is a full sister to 2005 American National winner and Michigan Sires Stakes champ Do Me Good as well as 1998 American National winner Another Mile. Another of Do Me Right's full sisters, Do Me Justice,

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finished second by a head to Sanabelle Island in the 1997 American National and won the Rose Red at Hazel Park.

The family tree also includes world-record-setting trotter Jay-Eye-See, who was a star in the late 1800s.

The 69-year-old Bercury and his wife, Renee, have a 10-acre farm with a quarter-mile track where the couple trains four horses. Bercury, who also is involved in home construction and has a used car dealership, got started in harness racing more than three decades ago thanks to Renee.

"I'd met a beautiful young lady and I was quite smitten with her," Bercury explained. "I was looking for a place to take her on a date and I took her to The Meadows for dinner. She fell in love with the horses and I fell in love with her. I decided if I really wanted to make an impression, I'd better get a horse. That's what I did.

"Now all these years later, we get up every day and work with the horses together." (HRC)

### Ontario Suspends Pelletier 14 Years

On Feb. 7, the Director of the Ontario Racing Commission ordered the immediate suspension of Bertrand Pelletier of Mont-St-Gregoire, Que. In addition, the Director has issued a proposed order to suspend for a period of 14 years, with a \$60,000 fine.

On Aug. 5, 2012, the horse Perubydooby was entered to race at Rideau Carleton Raceway. Prior to the race, the track equipment judge inspected Perubydooby and observed a scratch mark along the right side of the neck below the tattoo, which she reported to the ORC Official Veterinarian. Following an examination, Out of Competition blood samples were taken from the horse.

At all material times, Mr. Pelletier was the owner of the horse, Perubydooby, and was officially named trainer of record by the Judges.

On Aug. 27, 2012, an Analysis Report indicated that the sample from Perubydooby tested positive for EPO (Erythropoietin). On Feb. 4, 2013, Confirmatory Testing of Perubydooby's blood sample confirmed the specific presence of Darbeopetin alfa.

Darbeopetin alfa (DPO) is classed as a potent long-lasting form of Erythropoietin (EPO). EPO/DPO has no legitimate use for a horse that is racing. It not only places the horse at risk, it imperils the future of the horse racing industry.

### Jim Heyman, Active In Ohio Fairs, Dies

James H. Heyman, of Sandusky, Ohio and formerly of Norwalk, Ohio, died Feb. 5 at the Ohio Veterans Home in Sandusky. He was 81.

Mr. Heyman served in the U.S. Army Airborne Division in Korea where he received the Bronze Star for valor in combat and attained the rank of Corporal. He was honorably discharged in 1952.

He was employed as a bookkeeper and controller for various local businesses including Barr Rubber, Lyman Boats, Foster Grant, Periodical Publishers, Wabash LaGrange Steel, Home Savings and Loan, Milan Steel, Spitzer Marina and the Norwalk VFW. He was a former member of the Sandusky Yacht Club, the Sandusky Sailing Club, Norwalk Lions Club, and the Norwalk High School Athletic Boosters.

Mr. Heyman was a member and officer of the Monroeville American Legion and the Huron County Fair Board where he also served on the harness racing committee. He also served as secretary for the Buckeye Superstakes Harness Racing Association.

On Thanksgiving day in 1955, he married Loisanne O'Dell, who preceded him in death after 53 years of marriage, in 2008.

Mr. Heyman is survived by one daughter, Maryellen (James) Hamernik, and two sons, Thomas (Karen) Heyman and Andy Heyman. He is also survived by grandchildren, Emily, Michael, Adam, Marissa, Brandon, Scott, Elizabeth, Sarah, and Amanda, by his step grandchildren, Danielle and Brad, and by his great grandchildren, Noah, Alicia, Ethan, Tyler, Claire, Sloane, and Drew.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Christian Harness Horseman's Association, 157 North Main Street, Salem, N.H. 03079.

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**Harness Racing Leaders**

Compiled by the USTA—through Feb. 12, 2013 (week difference Feb. 6-12).

**Leading North American-Based Money-Winning Horses**

	Sts.	W	P	S	Earnings
Golden Receiver (8pg)	4	4	0	0	\$106,750
Versado (6pg)	6	3	0	0	66,080
Holdingallthecards (4pg)	5	5	0	0	65,700
Rusty's All In (7ph)	6	2	2	1	46,650
Do Me Honor (5pm)	5	4	1	0	46,000
Continual Velocity (5pm)	4	3	0	1	44,959
Define The World (8tg)	4	2	1	0	44,605
Zeus Lightning (6tg)	5	1	3	1	44,301
Cool Rock (5pg)	6	4	0	1	44,164
Greystone Ladylike (4pm)	5	2	2	1	41,630
Warrawee Koine (7pm)	4	2	2	0	40,000
Windsun Galliano (4tg)	5	3	0	0	38,950
EW Fisher (6tg)	6	2	0	2	38,419
Escape The News (4pg)	4	3	1	0	38,125
Stolen Car (5ph)	4	1	2	0	37,800

**Leading Money-Winning Drivers**

	Sts.	W-P-S	UDR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Corey Callahan	454	97-70-56	.340	\$892,372 (\$122,602)
Ron Pierce	354	51-66-40	.285	701,560 (67,274)
Brian Sears	205	52-34-28	.391	657,290 (62,050)
George Brennan	230	40-43-31	.323	616,170 (64,380)
Matt Kakaley	208	43-22-32	.317	593,590 (57,310)
Jody Jamieson	267	54-45-25	.327	582,204 (62,581)
Tim Tetrick	266	43-34-35	.277	568,668 (73,405)
Dave Palone	285	71-48-34	.382	543,640 (109,414)
Yannick Gingras	186	36-32-16	.318	460,851 (76,525)
Billy Davis Jr.	321	49-41-39	.264	437,131 (24,466)
Aaron Merriman	375	61-51-50	.283	425,127 (63,986)
Jason Bartlett	209	24-26-25	.224	424,849 (58,080)
Scott Zeron	190	30-22-22	.261	420,486 (28,538)
Allan Davis	374	43-37-47	.212	419,858 (56,865)
Ross Wolfenden	367	41-48-53	.233	419,857 (58,827)

**Leading Money-Winning Trainers**

	Sts.	W-P-S	UTR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Ron Burke	335	86-52-36	.379	\$973,954 (\$155,821)
Rene Allard	191	50-28-12	.364	368,152 (70,002)
Richard Moreau	195	31-31-35	.307	351,423 (64,050)
Michael Hall	118	33-18-12	.398	309,636 (29,205)
Josh Green	108	30-17-16	.415	252,625 (44,905)
Mark Harder	58	13-3-6	.287	212,429 (11,450)
P.J. Fraley	83	11-13-16	.284	206,872 (13,540)
Mark Ford	132	10-17-13	.180	205,235 (24,200)
Tony O'Sullivan	71	10-10-7	.252	198,520 (16,080)
Carmen Auciello	108	17-17-6	.263	184,595 (20,613)
Dylan Davis	93	21-10-13	.332	183,607 (47,725)
Joe Hundertpfund Jr.	86	23-15-14	.419	180,874 (29,056)
Les Givens	115	21-19-15	.318	171,162 (26,989)
Casie Coleman	45	13-8-3	.410	165,231 (8,050)
Eric Ell	49	14-9-7	.435	164,770 (29,715)

**Leading Breeders**

Breeder	Starters	Winners	Wins	Earnings
Hanover Shoe Farms Inc.	453	125	173	\$1,499,193
Winbak Farm	430	127	164	1,246,094
Brittany Farms	135	48	66	582,916
Perretti Farms	136	37	51	400,539
Kentuckiana Farms Gen Par	121	35	45	374,756
Robert McIntosh Stables Inc.	74	26	32	310,729
Perfect World Enterprises	87	26	33	291,483
Walnut Hall Limited	96	28	35	277,166
White Birch Farm	72	21	33	258,733
Arlene & Jules Siegel	70	19	27	242,099
Frederick Hertrich III	74	27	35	229,284
Peter Pan Stables Inc.	60	19	25	220,309
Fox Valley Standardbreds	86	21	22	205,661
Steve Stewart	48	22	29	204,943
Seelster Farms Inc.	85	22	28	204,438

**Leaders Of The Week**

Ranked by wins for Feb. 6-12 from results at major North American pari-mutuel tracks.

Drivers	Starts	W-P-S
Dave Palone	46	15-10-4
Corey Callahan	65	14-11-8
Luke Plano	30	12-3-5
Tyler Smith	47	12-5-6
Mike Wilder	47	11-9-4
Ronnie Wrenn Jr.	45	11-6-4
Aaron Merriman	61	10-7-8
Allan Davis	55	8-3-6
Denis St. Pierre	18	8-2-1
Yannick Gingras	22	8-5-0
Billy Dobson	33	7-2-6
Chris Page	40	7-1-8
Eric Ledford	44	7-2-6
George Dennis	53	7-4-9
Kevin Wallis	26	7-2-5
Nicholas Steward	23	7-0-4
Shawn Gray	31	7-3-2
Tim Tetrick	37	7-7-6
Tony Hall	40	7-3-11
Bruce Aldrich Jr.	38	6-5-7
Eric Carlson	49	6-3-5
George Brennan	32	6-5-2
Jim Marohn Jr.	21	6-2-1
Mario Baillargeon	14	6-1-1
Mike Simons	23	6-2-1
Ray Fisher Jr.	24	6-1-2

Trainers	Wins
Ron Burke	17
Rene Allard	10
Dylan Davis	6
Josh Green	6
John MacMillan	5
Andrew Adamczyk	4
Bob Johnson	4
Daniel Gill	4
Eric Ell	4
Les Givens	4
Michael Palone	4
Vincent Fusco Jr.	4