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Competitive Field In Burke-less Levy Final

Saturday night's \$529,000 George Morton Levy Memorial Series final for older male pacers at Yonkers Raceway may be competitive and filled with talent, but one thing it is missing is a Ron Burke-trained starter.

For the first time since 2008, and only the second time since the series was resurrected by Yonkers in 2007, there is no horse from the Burke barn in the final.

The Levy final shares center stage on Saturday night as the 12-race card also features the \$310,600 Blue Chip Matchmaker Series final for older mare pacers. The Levy is slated as Race 10 (approximate post time 10:15 p.m.), while the Matchmaker is carded as Race 8 (approximate post time 9:35 p.m.).

Getting back to the absence of the Burke Brigade in the Levy, the barn was represented by two starters in seven of the past 10 Levy finals, including back-to-back years in 2009 and 2010 when Foiled Again came up a winner. Burke's father, Mickey, also trained 2007 Levy champ Maltese Artist.

In this year's Levy final, Somewhere In LA, who won his series divisions in the last two preliminaries after a pair of seconds and a third in the opening rounds, has been installed the 2-1 morning-line choice, starting from post 5 with Jason Bartlett driving for trainer Richard Banca.

Banca also starts Blood Brother, who starts from post 2 with Brian Sears driving the 12-1 morning-line longshot. Banca also has the 2-1 morning-line favorite in the Matchmaker final, Mach It A Par.

A 6-year-old gelded son of Somebeachsomewhere, Somewhere In LA was purchased for \$110,000 at last fall's Harrisburg mixed sale by D'Elegance Stable IX, Carmen Iannacone, The Gandolfo Stables and TLP Stables. TLP Stables had previously shared ownership with other partners after buying an interest early in the horse's 3-year-old year



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McWicked (2) rallied on the outside to win in the fifth preliminary leg.

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while he was trained by Jimmy Takter. With his win in last week's Levy splits, Somewhere In LA went past the \$1-million mark in career earnings.

The Levy field also includes defending series champ Bit Of A Legend N, who starts from post 6 as the 5-1 fourth choice for driver Jordan Stratton. Leaving from the coveted post 1 as the 3-1 second choice on the morning line is McWicked, with Matt Kakaley driving for trainer Steve Elliott.

"It's going to be a good race," Kakaley told Harness Racing Communications' Ken Weingartner. "It's a good group of

\$529,000 G.M. LEVY MEMORIAL FINAL

Yonkers Raceway, Saturday, April 22, Race 10, Post Time: 10:15 pm

Post—Horse	Driver/Trainer	Odds
1—McWicked	M. Kakaley/S. Elliott	3-1
2—Blood Brother	B. Sears/R. Banca	12-1
3—Missile J	T. Tetrick/S. DiDomenico	4-1
4—Keystone Velocity	D. Dube/R. Allard	9-1
5—Somewhere In LA	J. Bartlett/R. Banca	2-1
6—Bit Of A Legend N	J. Stratton/P. Tritton	5-1
7—Provocativeprincen	Y. Gingras/P. Tritton	20-1
8—Soto	M. Kakaley/E. Ell	12-1

\$310,600 BLUE CHIP MATCHMAKER FINAL

Yonkers Raceway, Saturday, April 22, Race 8, Post Time: 9:35 pm

Post—Horse	Driver/Trainer	Odds
1—Lispatty	B. Sears/G. Garcia-Herrera	7-1
2—Shesjustadelight N	R. Cushing/H. Gibbs	4-1
3—Mach It A Par	J. Bartlett/R. Banca	2-1
4—MacKenzie A	J. Stratton/P. Tritton	20-1
5—Regil Elektra	Y. Gingras/K. Armer	5-2
6—Medusa	M. Kakaley/A. Federico Jr.	20-1
7—Bedroomconfessions	S. Zeron/T. Alagna	6-1
8—Divas Image	J. Bongiorno/R. Johnson	20-1

horses. Missile J is the one to beat, but Somewhere In LA has been racing good, Bit Of A Legend has been racing good. I don't think any one horse lays over (the field). There are probably four or five that have a really big shot."

McWicked got off to a slow start in the series with a seventh and sixth in his first two attempts after shipping north from Pompano Park off a pair of top-class victories. But the 6-year-old son of McArdle turned it around in leg three with the first of two second-place finishes, and then last time out he earned a hard-fought victory in 1:51.4.

"He's getting right at the right time for this series and the rail always helps at Yonkers," said Kakaley. "He's just a pleasure to drive. He'll do anything you want. He's all professional. Steve has got him really good right now. Hopefully I can work out a good trip and give him a big chance to get the job done."

McWicked is owned by SSG Stables and is leased to race by SSG owner Ed James. James purchased McWicked at the end of the colt's 2-year-old campaign in 2013 at Harrisburg, bringing the gavel down for \$210,000. James's faith was rewarded when McWicked, sent to the barn of Ontario-based Casie Coleman, posted 12 victories, among them the Breeders Crown final, Progress Pace final, Delvin Miller Adios final, and Max Hempt final, the latter being a 1:47.3f world-record effort. Posting seasonal earnings of more than \$1.47 million, McWicked was voted divisional champ in both the United States and Canada.



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Friday, April 21

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Saturday, April 22

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 10:15p YR10 **Levy Mem. OHP final** [Trackmaster PPs](#)
 10:35p YR11 **Open Trot** [Trackmaster PPs](#)

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James sent McWicked to Elliott for his 4-year-old campaign, but health issues over the next two years limited the pacer to just 14 combined starts, with no trips to the winner's circle. McWicked underwent throat surgery at the end of 2015, and then after returning last year and making four starts, he needed "tie-forward" throat surgery, which ended his season.

McWicked returned again to the racetrack this past Feb. 12 at Pompano Park, scoring a 1:50.4 victory in his debut for driver David Miller. Elliott then sent McWicked to Yonkers, where he prepped for the Levy Series with a 1:53.2 win in a conditioned event for driver Scott Zeron.—By Gordon Waterstone

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Tuonoblu Rex One To Watch At Meadowlands Friday Night

So who is Tuonoblu Rex, whose first name means “blue thunder” in Italian? This Italian-born trotter with U.S. bloodlines is in to go at the Meadowlands on Friday night, set to make his first official start here in Race 6. He’ll be going into the race off of a powerful 12 ½-length, 1:53.4 win in a qualifier, and a very fast training mile at Gaitway Farm on Wednesday morning.

Julie Miller trains Tuonoblu Rex for owner Cees Faber, who will race the horse under the name of Stable Why Not. Miller said she received an inquiry last fall from a horse broker about training a horse for a European.

“He told me he was referring me to one of his clients. The horse arrived here right after Thanksgiving and then was in quarantine for 45 days before we got him,” said Miller.

Tuonoblu Rex is a 5-year-old stallion by Cantab Hall out of the Lindy Lane mare Eternity Rex, a daughter of world champion CR Kay Suzie. He won five of seven starts at age three and banked approximately \$156,000, but at age four his six starts didn’t produce a win or much purse money.

“The horse’s trainer, Paul Hagoort, he’s the one that thought the horse should be given a chance over here, because there just weren’t many opportunities for him in Europe,” added Miller. “I had a lot of dialog with Paul. He is training 20 horses for (Faber) in the Netherlands.”

Miller said that even with the impressive qualifying win, she is taking it week by week with Tuonoblu Rex.

“I’m trying not to put a lot of pressure on this horse. Andy (Miller) said he was easy to drive in the qualifier, and the horse has always been level-headed for us. But we really don’t know what we have yet.”

Nevertheless, Stable Why Not decided to shoot for the moon and staked Tuonoblu Rex to many big events, with the first being the Arthur Cutler Memorial, scheduled for Saturday, May 6, at the Meadowlands.



CR Kay Suzie (pictured) is the granddam of Tuonoblu Rex.

“Staking was very hard to do, once again because we really don’t know what he is yet,” said Julie. “Most of his races have been at a distance of more than a mile.”

The Millers should have a much better idea of how Tuonoblu Rex stacks up after Saturday night’s race. He’ll be facing Crazy Wow, who sports a mark of 1:51.1 as a 3 year old, plus another member of the Miller Stable, Opulent Yankee, already a four-time winner this season. — *By Kathy Parker*

Downbytheseaside Impresses In Qualifier

In making his projections for the 2017 three-year-old pacing colt in the Top Picks report in the April 19 issue of The Horseman, trainer Brian Brown indicated Downbytheseaside would have a couple of qualifiers under his belt before making his pari-mutuel debut in a Pennsylvania Sires Stakes (PASS) on May 6 at The Meadows.

The world champion Downbytheseaside passed his first qualifying test with flying colors on Wednesday afternoon, impressively winning his 3-year-old debut at Miami Valley Raceway in 1:53.1. With Chris Page driving, Downbytheseaside closed out the mile with a final quarter of :27.4 as he romped home a winner by 7 ¾ lengths over Lovely Feelin, with Berazzled third.

Brown said Downbytheseaside would qualify again at Miami Valley on Wednesday, April 26, and then start in the PASS race.

“I’m real happy with him,” said Brown. “Chris didn’t have to move him, but he didn’t want to follow horses. So he moved him to the front, he never pulled the plugs and he never turned the whip. Everything was good.”

Starting from post seven, Page and Downbytheseaside were able to avoid an early breaker that scattered the field some, landing fifth by six lengths at the opening quarter of :27.3. Page then sent the son of Somebeachsomewhere on the move, reaching the top by the half in :57.1. Downbytheseaside paced a third quarter in :28.1 to reach that station in 1:25.2, and then rolled home with that final stanza of :27.4.

An eight-time winner as a 2 year old last year, including a world-record 1:49 win at The Red Mile and a world-record 1:50h effort at Delaware, Ohio, Downbytheseaside concluded his season with a victory in the \$384,800 Governor’s Cup at Woodbine. In voting for Dan Patch Award divisional honors among members of the U.S. Harness Writers Association, Downbytheseaside finished second to rival Huntsville, who he beat in the Governor’s Cup but chased in the Breeders Crown final three weeks earlier.

Downbytheseaside is owned by Country Club Acres, Joe Sbrocco, Richard Lombardo and Diamond Creek Racing, the latter entity purchasing an interest over the winter. In 13 starts last year, Downbytheseaside posted an overall record of 8-3-2 with earnings of \$577,106. — *By Gordon Waterstone*

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Top Racehorse, Stallion Dragon Again Dies

Dragon Again, a winner of more than \$2.3 million on the racetrack and the sire of the winners of more than \$122.7 million, including the \$7.5 million-winner Foiled Again, the sport's all-time richest racehorse, was euthanized Wednesday afternoon, April 19, at Sugar Valley Farm in Ohio, where he had stood stallion duty since 2014.

Dragon Again's death comes one week after Sugar Valley Farm announced the retirement from stud duty for the 22-year-old son of Dragon's Lair. In making that announcement, Sugar Valley Farm co-owner Joe McLead said Dragon Again had a fused right ankle that was ailing him.

"He's had that fused right ankle the last 14 years and in the last day or so the ankle became just too much for him to deal with. It had begun to take its toll on the rest of his body," McLead said on Thursday morning.

Dragon Again was bred by Andray Farm and was purchased as a yearling for \$40,000 by Ohioan Ed Mullinax. Mullinax owned Dragon Again his entire racing career and is still the majority shareholder in the Dragon Again Syndicate.

"I consulted with Mr. Mullinax and we made the decision to euthanize together," said McLead. "We did not want the horse to suffer."

Dragon Again won 29 of 70 starts, with his biggest victory coming in the \$450,000 Hoosier Cup in 1998 at Hoosier Park. Other big wins for Dragon Again included the \$350,000 Canadian Pacing Derby at Mohawk Racetrack and the \$250,000 Prix d'Autumn at Hippodrome de Montreal in 1999, and the \$150,000 Battle of Lake Erie in 1999 at Northfield Park.

Dragon Again's career best of 1:48.3 came on June 17, 2000, when he won the \$87,600 Pacing Classic at Woodbine. At the time the mile was the fastest ever paced in Canada.



With Ron Pierce driving for trainer Kelly O'Donnell, Dragon Again posts the biggest win of his career in the \$450,000 Hoosier Cup in 1998.

Dragon Again was retired following his 5-year-old season in 2000, going on to a stud career at Hanover Shoe Farms in Pennsylvania. He stood at Hanover for 13 years before moving to Sugar Valley in 2014, where the size of his books were 116, 107 and 82 in years 2014-16. Dragon Again bred some mares this season, with a few already pronounced in foal.

In addition to Foiled Again, Dragon Again's other \$1-million-plus performers include My Little Dragon (\$2.3 million); Atochia (\$1.8 million); Aracache Hanover (\$1.7 million); Wakizashi Hanover (\$1.3 million); Versado (\$1.2 million); and Tidewaterdragonfly (\$1 million).

Overall, Dragon Again sired 334 lifetime \$100,000 winners from 940 performers. From those performers, 562 took marks of 1:55 or better. His fastest progeny were 1:48 winners Foiled Again, Wakizashi Hanover and Vlos.

McLead said Dragon Again was buried on the farm near his paddock by the Sugar Valley office.

"We have a pond near his paddock and there are two oak trees at the back of the pond, and we buried him between those two trees so he can see all the broodmares and his paddock," said McLead. — *By Gordon Waterstone*



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Drug Testing Forum Opens Racing Commissions Conference

Increased out-of-competition testing, investing in additional investigators and research into emerging threats is the most effective way to catch—and, more importantly, deter—cheating in horse racing.

That was the big take-away from the drug-testing forum on opening day of the Association of Racing Commissioners International's 83rd annual conference on Equine Welfare and Racing Integrity at the Charleston Marriott.

The panel featured Dr. Scott Stanley of the University of California, Davis, which conducts that state's horse-racing testing; Dr. Anthony Fontana of Truesdail Laboratories; and, speaking via teleconferencing, Dr. George Maylin, the long-time director of the New York Equine Drug Testing and Re-

search Laboratory. Also on the panel was Brice Cote, a former Standardbred driver and detective in New Jersey State Police's racetrack unit who heads the integrity efforts at The Meadow-

"The only way we're going to stop this is by intelligence-based policing and out-of-competition testing"

—Brice Cote, Meadowlands

lands, Tioga and Vernon Downs harness tracks.

Even if the panelists expressed varying beliefs on the prevalence of rules-violators, they all emphasized the importance of out-of-competition testing—taking samples from horses in between races—as a way to detect substances that no longer show in traditional blood or urine tests from samples taken immediately after a race but still could have an impact on a horse's performance.

"The only way we're going to stop this is by intelligence-based policing and out-of-competition testing," Cote said.

"Most jurisdictions have very good drug testing," Stanley said afterward. "We do robust testing, and most of the labs are accredited as well. Now we look at big challenges. And when you look at big challenges, you can make those mountains into molehills, or you can take them off one at a time and get them knocked down. We are doing both. We are taking the ones that have legitimate concerns for the industry, like cobalt when that came up. We found that, set a threshold, established rules and made that go away—quickly. Steroids, anabolic and corticosteroids, those now are well-regulated. These are big wins for the industry. They weren't low-hanging fruit either. We still have some challenges that have now climbed the tree, they're higher up. And we need to knock those off."

Stanley discussed the potential of "biological passports" as a tool, in its infancy of development for equines, that could be used in out-of-competition testing. The testing

would provide a baseline result to which subsequent testing, both pre-race and between races, could be compared.

"If they change abruptly, if the bio-markers tell us this horse was given an anabolic agent, we don't have to detect it," he said of the exact substance. "We'd be able to say, 'This horse cannot naturally produce this profile. It has to be enhanced.'"

"Informed testing, focused testing and targeting testing is something we need to put more emphasis on," said ARCI president Ed Martin. "Out-of-competition testing should be expanded, but its real value doesn't come until you've expended the research dollars to be able to detect the substances not being detected in the existing out-of-competition testing."

Also Tuesday, a panel of administrative veterinarians discussed keeping horses' treatment records and the trust issues that arise among equine practitioners, horsemen and regulators as to proper use.

A morning panel brought various perspectives on how to promote the good in horse racing while not ignoring issues facing the sport.

Wagner to players: 'Regulators do strive to get it right'

Judy Wagner, outgoing ARCI chair and horse racing's First Lady of Handicapping, had a message for her fellow horseplayers.

Wagner is the 2001 National Horseplayers Championship winner, the horseplayers' representative on the board of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association and the vice chair of the Louisiana Racing Commission. With her one-year term as ARCI chair ending Thursday, she'll hand the baton to chair-elect Jeff Colliton of the Washington Horse Racing Commission.

"As a horseplayer—and this is a message that I want to get across to horse-players: Regulators do strive to get it right," she told the audience at the Charleston Marriott for the three-day conference. "We really want to make the players, everybody in the industry, feel that we have an industry of integrity."

"Let handicappers know that they have a product that they can respect; they don't have to handicap the rumors that this trainer is doping horses or whatever. And saying that, I wish that we could educate the public that there is a difference between d-o-p-e and legal medication to help the horse. There is a place for therapeutic drugs." (ARCI)

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ONES TO WATCH

With spring comes returning stars to the racetrack, and many will be debuting in qualifiers this weekend at Mohawk Racetrack and the Meadowlands.

On Friday morning at Mohawk, the 2016 Older Pacing Mare of the Year **LADY SHADOW** makes her 6-year-old debut in Race 1. Lady Shadow, who closed out her campaign last year on a three-race win streak that included the Breeders Crown final and TVG, will be driven by James MacDonald from post 9.

Race 10 sees the 4-year-old debut of **EMOTICON HANOVER**, last year's Ontario Sires Stakes Super Final champ who finished second in the Breeders Crown final. Race 11 starters include from post 5 **SPORTS COLUMN**, who makes his 3-year-old debut while bringing a freshman resume that includes capturing the Battle Of Waterloo at Grand River. Ontario Sires Stakes Super Final winner **ARSENAL SEELSTER** lines up in post 9.

Five divisional champions of 2016 will be in qualifying action Saturday morning at the Meadowlands, including a trio of 2-year-old award winners making their sophomore debuts.

HUNTSVILLE, the 2016 Dan Patch 2-Year-Old Colt Pacer of the Year, makes his first appearance of the year in Race 10, starting from post 3 with Tim Tetrick driving for trainer and co-owner Ray Schnittker. On the heels of a 1:55 training mile at Schnittker's home base at the Historic Track at Goshen, N.Y., Huntsville trained a mile in 1:53 following last Saturday's qualifiers at the Big M.

Jimmy Takter trainees **IDYLLIC BEACH** and **PURE COUNTRY**, respectively the 2016 Two-Year-Old Filly Pacer of the Year and the 2016 Three-Year Old Filly Pacer of the Year, will also make their seasonal debuts on Saturday morning. Pure Country starts in Race 13 against a field that includes

DARLINONTHEBEACH and **BLUE MOON STRIDE**, respectively coming off a second and fourth in an April 15 qualifier at the Meadowlands. Idyllic Beach's rivals in Race 8 include the 2016 Three Diamonds champion **THATSTHE TICKET**, who is also making her 3-year-old debut.

HANNELORE HANOVER, last year's Older Mare Trotter of the Year, and **BROADWAY DONNA**, the 2016 Three-Year-Old Filly Trotter of the Year, respectively finished one-two in a qualifier last Saturday at the Big M, and they will line up together again in Race 6. The 6-year-old gelding **JL CRUZE** is among their rivals in the qualifier.

Race 3 sees the sophomore debut of the 2016 Goldsmith Maid winner **MAGIC PRESTO**. The daughter of Kadabra starts from post 2 with David Miller driving for trainer Nifty Norman. Race 4 starters include 2016 Peter Haughton Memorial Trot winner **WHATTHE HILL**, who finished fourth in an April 15 qualifier for trainer Ron Burke, and the speedy-but-erratic 3-year-old colt **VICTOR GIO IT**, who makes his first appearance of the year out of the Takter Stable.

Starting in Race 7 is **SOMEOMENSOMEWHERE**, whose late-season surge last year includes wins in the Breeders Crown and Kindergarten Series finals for 2-year-old filly pacers. The daughter of Somebeachsomewhere makes her 3-year-old debut for new connections after being sold last fall to Diamond Creek Farm and Bob Boni, and sent to trainer Takter.

INTHE ARSENAL, who went past the \$1-million mark in career earnings in his last start of 2016, makes his 5-year-old debut in Race 12 for trainer Kelvin Harrison. Also in the field is **LYONS SNYDER** and 2015 Breeders Crown champ **BOSTON RED ROCKS**.

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Missile J primed and ready for Levy

It's one thing to stand out against many of the finest older pacers in training. It's quite another to do it as a young'un. Missile J, a relative toddler at the age of four, finds himself worthy of a seat at Saturday night's adult table for Yonkers Raceway's \$529,000 final of the George Morton Levy Memorial Pacing Series. [more](#)

Meadows Standardbred group to launch campaign

The Meadows Standardbred Owners' Association (MSOA) has received a \$150,000 grant from the State Horse Racing Commission for the marketing of racing in the region. The MSOA is one of six horsemen's and breeders' associations in the Pennsylvania Equine Coalition to receive a grant. [more](#)

Miami Valley introduces new races for Ohio-breds

Owners and trainers of good Ohio-sired older horses are invited to enter four special \$25,000 Lucky Buckeye races at Miami Valley Raceway on Saturday, April 29. There will be separate divisions for trotting mares, pacing mares, male trotters and male pacers. [more](#)

Saratoga horsemen's group hires PR group

Baker Public Relations, a full-service, woman-owned communications firm in Albany, NY, has announced the addition of Saratoga Harness Horseperson's Association (SHHA) to its diverse roster of lifestyle brands. [more](#)

A different kind of horsepower for Cayouette

Sitting behind a horse wasn't Mike Cayouette's first time around a track. Before he found harness racing, Cayouette was active in snowmobile racing. "We raced on horse tracks; they iced them down in the wintertime and we raced on them," said Cayouette, who lives in Maine. [more](#)

Monticello set to race purses 10 percent

For the second consecutive week, Monticello Raceway has raised purses. When this week's condition sheet come out, horseman will note an additional 10 percent to their purses, on top of last week's purse increase. [more](#)

Monticello horsemen up ante in bonus program

The Monticello Harness Horseman's Association (MHHA) has increased the bonus program for all members of the MHHA. Starting on May 8, for one week only, all horses that finish first through fifth will receive a 20 percent purse bonus in addition to purse money earned. The bonus programs is only offered to members of the MHHA. [more](#)

Ron Beback Jr. hits 2,000 career wins at Buffalo

"The way things went several times in my career, I never thought I'd be able to reach 2,000 wins," driver Ron Beback Jr. said after reaching that milestone on Wednesday night steering Ergo Hanover (\$3.60) to victory in the sixth race at Buffalo Raceway. [more](#)

Dr. Norm Ducharme to take over at Cornell Ruffian

Dr. Norm Ducharme, James Law Professor of Large Animal Surgery at the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM), will be taking over as Chief Medical Officer (CMO) at Cornell Ruffian Equine Specialists (CRES), a Cornell University affiliate center for equine sports medicine & critical care, located in Elmont, NY. [more](#)

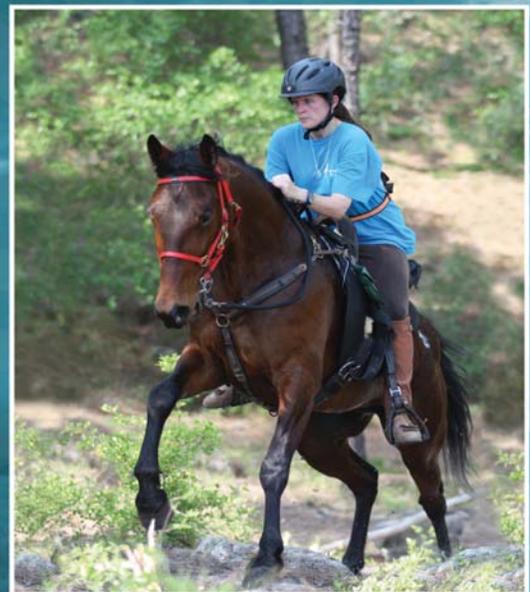
Simpson appointed to Ohio Racing Commission

Gregory H. Simpson is the newest appointee to the Ohio State Racing Commission by Governor John R. Kasich. The 66-year-old Milford, Ohio resident's term is from April 14 through March 31, 2021. Commissioner Thomas R. Winters of Columbus was reappointed by Governor Kasich to serve another term for the same time period. [more](#)

CHHA scholarship applications due April 30

Christian Harness Horsemen's Association Scholarship Applications are due this month. The application can be found at www.chha.net. Completed applications, including all attachments, must be postmarked by April 30, 2017. [more](#)

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Harness Racing Leaders

Compiled by the USTA—through April 18, 2017 (week difference April 12-18).

Leading North American-Based Money-Winning Horses

	Sts.	W	P	S	Earnings
Somewhere In LA (6pg)	13	6	3	1	\$180,750
Soto (5ph)	12	6	0	1	133,000
Caviart Luca (6pg)	12	5	1	1	132,900
Red Hot Herbie (7tg)	10	4	0	1	132,700
Regil Elektra (7pm)	9	5	0	1	112,800
Cousin Mary (4pm)	11	9	1	0	112,500
Bedroomconfessions (5pm)	8	4	2	0	111,250
Missile J (4pg)	9	7	0	1	110,700
Blood Brother (5pg)	12	2	4	2	106,650
American Virgin (5pg)	11	7	2	1	105,696
Mach It A Par (7pm)	8	3	2	2	100,300
Lady's Dude (6tg)	7	3	2	1	100,000
Guantanamo Bay (5pg)	13	3	0	4	97,600
Blazing Bobby Sox (6pg)	14	6	1	4	94,957
Bit Of A Legend N (8ph)	7	2	2	2	89,500

Leading Money-Winning Drivers

	Sts.	W-P-S	UDR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Jason Bartlett	772	179-133-112	.376	\$3,313,481 (\$364,945)
Jordan Stratton	672	109-95-104	.292	2,343,934 (180,955)
Aaron Merriman	1,455	321-246-208	.362	2,252,712 (175,252)
Matt Kakaley	740	101-104-90	.255	2,218,346 (162,045)
George Brennan	631	80-76-71	.231	1,769,794 (88,690)
Corey Callahan	992	182-148-124	.308	1,692,731 (140,317)
Mark MacDonald	616	66-76-75	.216	1,567,428 (92,220)
Scott Zeron	542	69-66-73	.240	1,469,609 (83,645)
Trace Tetrick	818	171-109-101	.324	1,389,884 (136,620)
Daniel Dube	592	55-71-77	.203	1,384,710 (90,450)
Yannick Gingras	504	103-82-63	.336	1,298,432 (58,110)
Tim Tetrick	400	81-60-51	.328	1,192,513 (215,121)
Dave Palone	611	153-82-69	.363	1,183,796 (80,234)
Ronnie Wrenn Jr.	863	179-170-132	.368	1,138,592 (97,227)
Jim Marohn Jr.	781	153-131-105	.334	1,115,271 (67,640)

Leading Money-Winning Trainers

	Sts.	W-P-S	UTR	Earnings (wk. diff)
Ron Burke	922	210-132-126	.353	\$2,681,364 (\$231,758)
Rene Allard	506	120-79-63	.365	1,457,527 (79,047)
Richard Banca	343	60-62-50	.324	1,397,265 (141,715)
Andrew Harris	280	57-48-29	.333	930,525 (77,825)
Scott Di Domenico	285	56-42-37	.322	884,049 (50,095)
Richard Moreau	405	70-66-57	.310	783,110 (74,579)
Gilbert Garcia-Herrera	322	49-46-44	.277	770,700 (86,865)
Rob Harmon	207	45-28-21	.326	611,154 (28,420)
Dylan Davis	224	60-45-29	.423	549,136 (27,435)
Carmen Auciello	353	43-44-37	.226	544,055 (25,320)
Matias Ruiz	209	28-25-28	.245	531,616 (50,835)
Jeff Bamond Jr.	177	21-23-26	.240	508,573 (46,095)
Mark Ford	291	32-31-41	.216	503,249 (39,755)
Jim King Jr.	170	34-32-20	.344	479,118 (37,725)
Nick Surick	344	102-59-53	.443	442,231 (43,286)

Leading Breeders

Breeder	Starters	Winners	Wins	Earnings
Hanover Shoe Farms Inc.	636	275	495	\$4,857,607
Winbak Farm	586	250	464	3,869,428
Brittany Farms	159	78	154	1,476,049
Seelster Farms Inc.	118	67	152	1,261,503
Perretti Farms	144	70	122	1,132,730
Blue Chip Bloodstock Inc.	117	41	97	893,689
White Birch Farm	99	44	81	878,351
Bulletproof Enterprises	102	49	92	863,957
Robert McIntosh Stables Inc.	92	48	93	843,734
Diamond Creek Farm LLC	84	35	69	833,174
Steve Stewart	99	44	80	791,540
Kentuckiana Farms Gen Par	108	40	81	754,286
Robert J. Key	78	41	76	735,000
Frederick Hertrich III	102	48	75	648,044
CSX Stables	45	31	65	629,152

Leaders Of The Week

Ranked by wins for April 12-18 from results at major North American pari-mutuel tracks.

Drivers

Drivers	Starts	W-P-S
Aaron Merriman	100	23-15-18
Jason Bartlett	55	21-9-7
Trace Tetrick	74	21-13-11
Jim DeVaux	53	15-7-4
David Miller	60	14-13-7
Ronnie Wrenn Jr.	64	14-12-8
Wally Hennessey	25	13-4-2
Bruce Aldrich Jr.	51	11-6-11
Corey Callahan	71	11-11-12
Jim Marohn Jr.	40	11-6-6
Dave Palone	31	10-4-4
George Napolitano Jr.	63	10-10-8
Sam Widger	42	10-4-6
Jim Morrill Jr.	53	9-9-2
Luke Plano	22	9-4-3
Tim Tetrick	63	9-14-5

Trainers

Trainers	Wins
Ron Burke	18
Nick Surick	9
Brian Brown	8
Dan Ater	7
Rene Allard	7
Richard Moreau	7
Andrew Harris	6
Richard Banca	6
Dolores Basilone	5
Jamie Gerard	5
Melissa Beckwith	5
Tim Hall	5
Virgil Morgan Jr.	5
Christopher Hitchcock	4
Edward McHale	4
Gerry Sarama	4
Gilbert Garcia-Herrera	4
Rick Dane Jr.	4
Rob Cook	4
Tim Maier	4
Tyler George	4