Caprice Hill Looks To Continue Streak In Elegantimage

There is stakes action galore again this weekend at Mohawk Racetrack, beginning on Friday night with a pair of eliminations for the $350,000 William Wellwood Memorial for 2-year-old male trotters and the $432,000 Elegantimage for 3-year-old filly trotters.

The Wellwood divisions feature a trio of Jimmy Takter trainees, including Rubio and King On The Hill, who share ownership of the fastest mile by a first-year trotter this year with a 1:54.2 record. The Elegantimage splits are weighted a bit heavy to the first heat (Race 8) as the field is led by Caprice Hill and Emoticon Hanover, both winners of their respective divisions of the Simcoe and Casual Breeze the past two weeks, and Celebrity Eventsy, recent winner of the Moni Maker.

Saturday’s line-up includes a pair of Canadian Trotting Classic eliminations, with Ontario-based Marion Marauder returning home for the first time since capturing the Goodtimes final on June 19. Marion Marauder has made the most of his travels over his seven subsequent starts, which resulted in $1,012,029 in earnings and victories in the Hambletonian and Yonkers Trot.

Marion Marauder starts in the first CTC elim while defending divisional champ Southwind Frank, second by a nose in the Hambo and coming off a win in the Aug. 20 Colonial at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono, lines up behind the gate in the second elim.

Older trotters will also be in action on Saturday night when two fields of six line up in a pair of elimins for the Maple LeafTrot. Supplemental entry Hannelore Hanover is riding an eight-race win streak that began when she swept the Armbro Flight elim and final at Mohawk in June. Her five rivals include 2013 Elitlopp winner Nahar, who is owned by brothers Daniel and Henrik Sedin, who play for the NHL’s Vancouver Canucks.

Nahar will be driven by Ake Svanstedt, who will also steer 2015 Maple LeafTrot runner-up Resolve in the first elim.

Other stars in action include Betting Line in the Simcoe for 3-year-old male pacers. Marching toward the Little Brown Jug, Betting Line will go for his 11th consecutive victory in the Simcoe, a task made a bit tougher by drawing the outside post 10.

Back to Caprice Hill in the Elegantimage, whose victory in an $85,741 Simcoe division Sept. 2 made her the richest 3-year-old filly trotter in 2016. Caprice Hill’s $370,599 in earnings catapulted her past All The Time, who has been sidelined after requiring emergency colic surgery following her win in the Aug. 6 Hambletonian Oaks.

Caprice Hill finished second to All The Time in the Oaks and since then the Tony Alagna-trained filly has been unbeatable in three starts. Besides her win in the Simcoe, the streak includes a $74,690 Casual Breeze split and an $81,900 Ontario Gold Sires Stakes.

After capturing her Simcoe and Casual Breeze divisions in open-lengths fashion despite starting from posts 9 and 10, post 6 for the Elegantimage elim is a welcome sight.

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**Mission On My Mind,** a yearling filly by Manofmanymissions, topped the yearling portion of the Blooded Horse Pre-Jug Sale at $22,000!
“Rubber Match” For Miki, WIJI In Scioto’s Ewart

Getting underway at 6:30 p.m., Saturday night’s 13-race card at Scioto Downs features the third renewal of the $225,000 James Ewart Memorial for older pacers and the $100,000 Sam “Chip” Noble Memorial for older trotters. The pair of Grand Circuit events have not been kind to the betting favorites through the first two years as they have come up 0-for-4 thus far.

The Ewart Memorial could be termed the “rubber match” between divisional stars Always B Miki and Wiggle It Jiggleit. The two have met five times this year, with Miki winning the first two times—the Ben Franklin final and the William Haughton Memorial—and WIJI capturing the last two races—the Dan Patch and the Canadian Pacing Derby. Sandwiched between was a win by Shamballa in the U. S. Pacing Championship where WIJI was second and Miki was fourth.

Although WIJI won the Canadian Pacing Derby by a comfortable 1 ¾-length margin over Always B Miki, the Trakus data from the race provides some insight. Certainly in part based on his outside post 8 starting position, along with WIJI starting from post 1, Always B Miki traveled 43 feet farther than WIJI. Fourth-place finisher All Bets Off covered even more ground, an extra 46 feet.

Always B Miki’s average speed in the Pacing Derby was 33.6 miles per hour, the fastest of all horses in the race, while WIJI’s was 33.4 m.p.h.

What makes the nine-horse Ewart even more interesting is that both WIJI and Always B Miki drew outside; Always B Miki starts from post 6 and Wiggle It Jiggleit starts from post 8. Freaky Feet Pete, considered by many to be the third member of the division’s “Big Three,” drew post 9. The field also includes All Bets Off, last year’s Ewart runner-up, who starts from post 2.

What also makes the Ewart interesting is that Always B Miki will have a new driver behind him. With regular driver David Miller committed to several stakes horses on Saturday night’s card at Mohawk, including likely Little Brown Jug favorite Betting Line, trainer Jimmy Takter has enlisted Brett Miller.

The Ewart draw marks the end of a three-race streak where Wiggle It Jiggleit drew post 1, starting with the Dan Patch and ending with the Canadian Pacing Derby. The middle start came in the Prix d’Ete at Hippodrome 3R when they finished second.

PAST CHAMPIONS

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Despite drawing outside his rival, the Montrell Teague-driven Wiggle It Jiggleit has been installed the slight 8-5 morning-line choice, with Always B Miki second choice at 9-5. Freaky Feet Pete is third choice at 9-2.

In the Noble, Homicide Hunter is listed as the 5-2 favorite. Driven by Eric Goodell, Homicide Hunter’s three wins this year include a 1:50.1 victory on Aug. 20 at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono that set a new world record for 4-year-old geldings on a five-eighths mile track. Starting from post 6 in the seven-horse field, Homicide Hunter comes into the race off a fifth-place finish in the Crawford Farms on Aug. 26 at Vernon Downs.

Maestro Blue Chip, whose 12 wins this year include a 10-race streak to open up 2016, is the 3-1 second choice from post 2 with driver Trace Tetrick. Maestro Blue Chip comes into the race off an Aug. 31 victory in an Open Trot at Harrington, the trotter’s first start since finishing sixth in the Graduate final on July 9 at the Meadowlands.

Last year’s Noble winner, Wind Of The North, is also in the field in an attempt to defend his title. Starting from post 4 with driver Chris Page, Wind Of The North is a five-time winner in 2016 and comes into the Noble off a fourth-place finish in a Pocono overnight on Aug. 28.

The Ewart Memorial is named for Scioto’s race secretary from 1976-2002 who died in February 2012. The Noble Memorial is named for the Ohio Hall of Fame horseman who died in January 2014. — By Gordon Waterstone
The fastest performer ever by Rocknroll Hanover - p,4,1:47!
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**Hip 115 ROCKN MOTION**, bay colt

*Pet Rock-Graceful Motion*

Half-brother to the pair of multiple stakes-winning millionaires **GINGER AND FRED** p,1:50.1f ($1,928,158) and World Champion **FRED AND GINGER** p,1:47.3 ($1,053,740).

Selling as agent for Ron Mersky’s Green Creek Farm.

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Miss Versatility, Kindergartens
Friday At Big M

Racing returns to the Meadowlands on Friday evening featuring the fifth and last leg of the Miss Versatility series, carded as Race 6.

With division leader Hannelore Hanover away facing open competition in the Maple Leaf Trot eliminations, a very competitive field of seven trotting mares will vie for the winner's share of the $40,000 purse and a spot in the $120,000 final on Jug Day (Sept. 22) over the half-mile oval at the Delaware County Fair.

Jewels In Hock has raced in every series leg and is atop the leader board on the strength of a pair of wins and two second-place finishes in the series. The daughter of Credit Winner excels on all size tracks (hence the “Versatility” in the series title) and is closing in on the half-million-dollar mark in career earnings. She races out of the Linda Toscano barn for owner Ken Jacobs’ KJ Stable and gets Tim Tetrick to drive on Friday.

Also on the bill are five divisions of Kindergarten trotters with the same connections sending out the exciting prospect Walner in Race 5. From the first crop of Toscano’s 2012 Horse of the Year Chapter Seven, Walner was a Meadowlands baby race sensation and has a pair of wins in as many starts on the New York Sires Stakes circuit. He’ll start from the rail on Friday night.

Post time on Friday and Saturday is 7:15 p.m. (Meadowlands)

Betting Line Tabbed Jug Future Favorite

Wagering on the first of two Little Brown Jug future wagering pools began at 12 noon on Thursday, and continues through 11 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 11, at race- tracks and internet sites.

Betting Line has been installed as the 5-2 morning line favorite. The 3-1 second choice is the $500,000 Messenger Stake champion Racing Hill.

The minimum future wager is $1 and all wagers are win bets only. The winner of each pool will be determined by the official first-place finisher in the 2016 Little Brown Jug presented by the Ohio Harness Horsemen’s Association to be raced Thursday afternoon, Sept. 22.

The second future pool will be from Sunday, Sept. 18, through Wednesday, Sept. 21.

Past performance lines for the Little Brown Jug Future Wagering event will be available free of charge on the Little Brown Jug website, http://www.littlebrownjug.com/. (with files from LBJ)
### 10 yearlings by Break The Bank K highlight the 2016 Midland Acres’ consignment at the Ohio Selected Jug Yearling Sale

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Pure Country, Darlinonthebeach
Lead PASS Championship Action

The Pennsylvania Sires Stakes championships for 2 and 3 year olds take place this weekend, with the 3 year olds competing at The Meadows on Saturday afternoon and the 2 year olds scheduled for Harrah’s Philadelphia on Sunday afternoon. All eight finals carry purses of $252,000. Both championship cards also include $50,000 consolation races for each division.

The showcase event is most certainly the 3-year-old filly pace as Pure Country and Darlinonthebeach are set to square off again. It is Race 6 at The Meadows, estimated post time of 2:40 p.m.

Just last Saturday Pure Country eked out a head victory over Darlinonthebeach in the Simcoe at Mohawk, although Darlinonthebeach led at the three-quarter mark and at the top of the stretch. In that race both fillies endured a bit of interference when Lay Lady Lay broke stride, but it didn’t really slow the top two down.

“I was watching the race live, and I didn’t realize it was so close,” said Nancy Johansson, who trains Darlinonthebeach for breeder-owner White Birch Farm. “Per (Engblom, second trainer for Jimmy Takter, who trains Pure Country) came in and told me that Yannick (Gingras, driving Pure Country) told him he has never been so sure he was going down and didn’t.”

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—Nancy Johansson

Johansson said Darlinonthebeach came back to the paddock with a small bump where she hit Pure Country’s sulky. She applied a poultice and by the next morning she was fine.

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Darlinonthebeach starts from post 2 in the championship with Pure Country drawing post 4. While Pure Country and Darlinonthebeach have dominated the 3-year-old filly division this year, there is depth in the PASS championship. The field includes Call Me Queen B (starting from post 1), who finished second to Darlinonthebeach in the $350,000 Valley Forge final and in two other stakes; Newborn Sassy, who finished fourth in the Fan Hanover; and I Said Diamonds, who was second to Pure Country in the Miss Pennsylvania final and a PASS leg.

“The fillies in Pennsylvania are very tough,” said Johansson. “Call Me Queen Be has been racing really good and she’s probably the third best in the division and she’s got the rail. All the fillies in the race are fast.”

The Sires Stakes final for 3-year-old colt and gelding pacers (Race 9, post time 3:40 p.m.) likely includes at least one Little Brown Jug starter as the field includes Jug eligibles Another Daily Copy, Fernando Hanover, Big Top Hanover, Check Six, Western Fame and Manhattan Beach. Trainer Ron Burke has five of the eight finalists, among them the 5-2 morning line favorite Manhattan Beach.

On Sunday afternoon at Harrah’s Philadelphia, Idyllic Beach brings her three-race win streak, with her last victory in last Saturday night’s She’s A Great Lady final at Mohawk.

Idyllic Beach will be facing a different group in the PASS final, and it includes two other very consistent, and fast, fillies: Bettor’s Up and Glassine Hanover. Bettor’s Up started her career in conditioned events at Mohawk and locked up her start in the championship with an easy two-length triumph in 1:52.1 in the last Sires Stakes leg on Aug. 30. Glassine Hanover also won a division of the last Sires Stakes leg, scoring by 3 ½ lengths in 1:51.3.

Also of note, not unexpectedly, Somebeachsomewhere, the sport’s leading money-winning of 2 and 3 year olds this year, has the most representatives in the PASS championship races. He is the sire of six of the 2-year-old finalists and eight of 16 of the 3-year-old finalists. —By Kathy Parker

$252,000 PASS 2CP Final

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2 Pacing Fillies From The Family That’s Always In Style

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Hip 204 SEE GOOD, brown filly

We Will See-Play Good-Shadow Play
From the first crop by World Champion WE WILL SEE p,4,1:47.2 ($2,549,409) and the first foal from Play Good, first daughter of DO ME GOOD p,1:52.4f ($435,346), 2005 Michigan State Champion and Michigan Pacer of the Year, American National winner; and half-sister to the pair of stakes winners ROCKIN GOOD p,3,1:48 ($283,564) and SHADY CAROLINE p,3,1:51.4-'16 ($108,368) and stakes placed DANGEROUS WOMAN p,2,Q1:57.1f-'16 ($20,595).

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See Good can be inspected prior to the sale at Victory Hill Farm in LaGrange, IN.

Hip 104 REI’S HONOR ROLL, bay filly

Cheyenne Rei-Do Me Free-Keystone Raider
This filly is a full sister-in-blood to multiple stakes winner & 3-time Meadows Race Mare of the Year DO ME HONOR p,1:51.2f ($683,233) and a half-sister to Ohio Sire Stakes & Fair Stakes winner WIGGLER p,3,1:53f-'16 ($80,949) by Mr Wiggles, sire of Horse of the Year WIGGLE IT JIGGLEIT, and to ADMIRAL ABBIE p,3,1:57.1h ($71,031) and GRINADIER p,3,1:57.1h ($37,540).

Second dam is ALWAYS IN STYLE.

Rei’s Honor Roll can be inspected prior to the sale at Bonley Farm in Sunfield, MI.

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Shady Caroline p,3,1:51.4-'16 ($108,368)
Rockin Good p,3,1:48-'15 ($283,564)
Just Crowned p,1:50.2h-'14 ($308,058)
Arodasi p,1:50.1f-'14 ($366,446)
Do Me Honor p,1:51.2f-'13 ($683,233)
Princess Cruiser p,4,1:51.2-'13 ($214,149)
Magic Starlight p,3,1:51.3f-'12 ($365,813)
Raiders Favorite p,1:54.1f-'12 ($156,532)
Foolish Justice p,3,1:51.2-'09 ($195,198)
Do Me A Favor p,4,1:51.2f-'08 ($192,880)
Do Me Good p,1:52.4f-'07 ($435,346)
Princess Justice p,4,1:53f-'06 ($274,333)
Classy p,1:56.4f-'04 ($133,507)
Another Mile p,1:50.1-'03 ($540,431)
Maybe Charlie p,1:55.1f-'02 ($127,296)
Do Me Justice p,3,1:53.2f-'97 ($412,844)

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Illinois “Night Of Champions” On Saturday At Hawthorne

Illinois will have a championship night for its horses on Saturday at Hawthorne Race Course. For the 27 years the championship night was held at Balmoral Park it was known as “Super Night.” Hawthorne has re-branded it the “Night of Champions.”

While Balmoral Park was located in the countryside, Hawthorne is located on Chicago’s city limits, just seven miles from the famous Chicago Loop.

From the standpoint of purses, this year’s championship races will be a little less super, with a top purse of $100,000 versus the $187,000 for last year’s Orange & Blue for 2-year-old colt and gelding pacers. But outside of the purses, Hawthorne is promoting the big closing night of the meet with live music and drawings for free wagers and special prizes.

While Illinois horse racing has fallen on tough times because of the lack of expanded gaming for tracks, there are full 10-horse fields for the Night of Champions races and even consolations. This year’s championship races were determined by points, not elimination races. As in the past, there is noon detention for the Night of Champions races.

Five previous Super Night champions are back to try for another title. Dan D Dune, winner of the Orange & Blue for 2-year-old pacing colts and geldings last year, will start in the $100,000 Robert F. Carey Memorial (Race 9); Char N Marg, the 2-year-old filly champ, returns for the $100,000 Plum Peachy; Captain Greedy, a 3-year-old title holder in 2015, will compete in the $50,000 Plesac Championship for older trotters; Unlocked, the 2014 winner of the Pete Langley Memorial for 3 year olds and a dominant force in The Meadows preferred class this year, competes in the Robert S. Molaro Championship; and Thesleazyprincess, a Super Night stakes winner at ages two and three but winless in 23 starts this year, competes in the grand finale of the card, the Tony Maurello Championship.

The Night of Champions marks the end of Hawthorne’s summer harness meet, and it likely will be the last live harness card in Illinois until May 2017. Hawthorne Racecourse has submitted its date application to the Illinois Racing Board and has requested 80 nights of harness racing, four nights per week, from May 11 through Sept. 24. That schedule is down from 102 nights of racing in 2016, with Hawthorne also racing January dates before resuming harness racing in May. Hawthorne also races a spring and fall Thoroughbred meet, which limits the track’s availability for harness racing. Racing dates for 2017 are scheduled to be made official at a meeting of the Illinois Racing Board on Sept. 27. —By Kathy Parker
### Trotters

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2YO Trotters

MILE TRACKS

2C 1:54.2 RUBIO, Cantab Hall-Italiane Girl-In Dix Huit
C. Takter, J.D. & J.H. Fielding & Brixton Medical. Moni Market Breeders
(Im 7-29) Y. Gingras. J. Takter

KING ON THE HILL, Muscle Hill-Lantern Kronos-Viking Kronos
C. Takter, G. Anderberg, G. Falk & Hatfield Stb. Fältbolag 4b
(Im 7-29) T. Tetrick. J. Takter (Southwind Frank 1:52.2)

2F 1:53.1 ARIANA G, Muscle Hill-Cantab It All-Cantab Hall
A. Libfeld & M. Katz. A. Libfeld & M. Katz
(Im 8-6) Y. Gingras. J. Takter (Mission Brief 1:50.3)

2G 1:56.1 MUSCLES JARED, Muscle Massive-Tetiana-Kadabra
A. Ross. A. Ross
(Im 7-22) J. Campbell. G. Ducharme (Outburst 1:53.1)

FIVE-EIGHTHS MILE TRACKS

2C 1:55.1 NEW JERSEY VIKING, Muscle Hill-Hall Of Wishes-Broadway Hall
Little E LLC & Knutsson Trotting. Winbak Fm.
(TgDn 8-28) A. Svandstedt. A. Svanstedt (Father Patrick 1:52.1)

2F 1:54.4 THAT'S ALL MONI, Cantab Hall-Mom's Millionaire-Pine Chip
(PcD 7-19) Y. Gingras. J. Takter (COOLER SCHOONER 1:51.3)

2G 1:55.2 MUSCLES JARED, Muscle Massive-Tetiana-Kadabra
A. Ross. A. Libfeld (Phl 9-1) J. Campbell. G. Ducharme (Correctamundo 1:55)

HALF-MILE TRACKS

2C 1:56.3 BUCKEYE BOSS, Triumphant Caviar-Frannie's Ridge-Tom Ridge
C. Beaver & M. Beachy. M. Beachy
(Im 8-24) A. Merriman. C. Beaver (Dontyouforgetit 1:55.3)

2F 1:57 LET'S GET STARTED, Dejarmbro-Ton Ann-S Js Photo
W. Lang & C. Beaver. W. Lang
(Im 8-15) J. Sutton. B. Brower (Wild Honey 1:55.2)

2G 1:57 ROSE RUN SPANKY, And Away We Go-Bonyoldkneesofher-Donerail
J. Daley. Pinkman, Rose Run Spunky (1:57)

Data through 9/6/16.

NEW LEADERS IN GREEN*
Division, current season's record, current leader, breeding
Owner(s). Breeder(s). (Track and date) Driver. Trainer. (World record).

2YO Pacers

MILE TRACKS

2C 1:50.1 OCEAN COLONY, Somebeachsomewhere-Amora Hanover-Western Ideal
Hatfield Stbs. & C. Takter. G. Bechler
(Moh 8-27) Y. Gingras. J. Takter (Sweet Lou 1:49)

2F 1:50.3 IDYLLIC BEACH, Somebeachsomewhere-Idyllic-American Ideal
C. Takter & Brixton Medical. Steiner Stock Farm
(Moh 9-3) Y. Gingras. J. Takter (I Luw The Nitetife, Precious Beauty, JK She'salady, Sassa Hanover 1:50.1)

2G 1:51.3 ROCK THIS WAY, Rocknroll Hanover-Racy Gal Hanover-Modern Art
S. & N. Vena. S. & N. Vena
(Moh 8-20) M. Baillargeon. B. Baillargeon (Sheer Desire 1:49.3)

FIVE-EIGHTHS MILE TRACKS

2C 1:50 HUNTSVILLE, Somebeachsomewhere-Wild West Show-Western Hanover
T. Gewertz, R. Schnittker, C. Iannazzo & S. Arnold. R. Schnittker, C. Iannazzo
(Mea 8-27) T. Tetrick. R. Schnittker (Somestarsomewhere 1:49.4)

2F 1:51 BETTOR'S UP, Bettor's Delight-Fresh Idea-Western Hanover
B. Grant, M. McEneny & T. Davidson. Brittany Fms.
(Mea 8-30) T. Tetrick. S. McEneny (Allstar Rating 1:50.1)

2G 1:52 DONTTELLMEAGAIN, Dragon Again-Donttellmewhattodo-D M Dilinger
(Mea 8-24) A. Merriman. J. Looney-King (One More Laugh 1:49.2)

HALF-MILE TRACKS

2C 1:53.3 DANCIN REBEL, Big Bad John-Dancewiththebest-Cambest
Kaes Co., Wrenn Rcg. & Gene Oldford Fms. E. Yontz
(Im 7-27) P. Wrenn. M. Wrenn (Spider Man Hanover 1:51.4)

2F 1:54 ROARING TO GO, Art Major-Lionness Hanover-Western Ideal
(Siga 7-27) B. Miller. K. Lare
(Glorious Intent, No Pan Intended-Rock For Glory-Rocknroll Hanover
Emerald Highlands Fm. Emerald Highlands Fm. & J. Sprov III
(Nfld 8-15) C. Page. B. Brown (Dime A Dance 1:52.4)

2G 1:54.1 BARNABAS, McArdle-Panagler-No Pan Intended
(Nfld 7-11) C. Page. B. Brown (Littlebitoffile 1:52.1)
Control The Moment retired from racing

Control The Moment has been retired from racing due to an injury. A press release issued Thursday morning stated, “It is with sadness that the owners of Control the Moment must announce that he has suffered a career ending injury, which has forced him to prematurely retire from racing. We will always have his remarkable racing career to look back upon, winning eight of nine starts as a 2 year old, including the Metro and O’Brien Award as the top 2 year old. His 3-year-old season was highlighted by his victories in the Meadowlands Pace and the Cane Pace.

Shenandoah Downs to open with PM wagering for 10-race card

Shenandoah Downs in Woodstock, Va., will play host to its first pari-mutuel program on Saturday. Post time for the 10-race card is 1 p.m., with four $40,000 Virginia Breeders Fund finals are scheduled to be raced that day.

Betting machines arrived at the fairgrounds on Wednesday. During the summer improvements were made to the half-mile oval at the Shenandoah County Fairgrounds. The turns were banked and the track was widened so that eight horses can start on the gate.

In addition to live harness racing, food trucks will also be a feature at the fairgrounds this weekend.

This will be the first of five weekends of harness racing put on by the Virginia Equine Alliance and the Virginia Harness Horseman’s Association. The Shenandoah County Fair reached an agreement in March with the Virginia Equine Alliance and the Virginia Harness Horseman’s Association to lease the fairgrounds for the next 20 years.

Hall of Fame broodmare BJ’s Pleasure dies

BJ’s Pleasure 3, 1:59.4f ($244,023), who was inducted as a broodmare into the Living Horse Hall of Fame in 2001, was euthanized Tuesday morning (Sept. 6) at the Pennsylvania farm of her owner, Robert Key. She was 33 years old and had been living in retirement since 2008, when she was last bred. Key said the mare would be cremated.

Maple Leaf starter Nahar stabled at Burgess Farm

While his owners are preparing for the World Cup of Hockey, Nahar has been preparing for the Maple Leaf Trot and getting used to his new surroundings. The 11-year-old Swedish trotting star arrived in Canada last week and has been stabled at Blair Burgess’ farm near Mohawk Racetrack. Nahar, who is owned by Daniel and Henrik Sedin of the Vancouver Canucks, was accompanied to Canada by his trainer Robert Bergh’s daughter, Isabella.

Wind Of The North looks to defend Noble title

When a horse establishes track records, is a world champion and competes in the Elitlopp, naturally expectations are going to be sky high for his next year of competition. While Wind Of The North commenced his season in grand style, his performances this summer have not been as stellar as his connections anticipated.

Beth Cain named Lady Pace Honoree

Elizabeth “Beth” Cain, the long-time stallion nomination administrator of the Ohio Breeders Championships, will be honored as the 2016 Lady Pace Honoree during the Grand Circuit meet at the Delaware County Fair.

Ohio Sires Stakes consolations held at Scioto

Eight $50,000 Ohio Sires Stakes consolations were contested on a sunny Monday afternoon, Sept. 5, at Scioto Downs for 2- and 3-year-old Buckeye-bred youngsters. The Ohio Sires Stakes utilizes a point system to determine the final standings, and this second tier of freshmen and sophomores of both gaits and genders were the runners-up in the final tally to those horses amassing the greatest number of points in the four-leg series.

Pocono looking for gray or roan horses

As the racing season heads into the fall at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono, the annual search for gray or roan pacers begins for the Gray Ghost and Poltergeist Pace. This year the event will be scheduled for Monday, Oct. 31, Halloween night, the perfect setting for the ghostly grays.

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Harness Racing Leaders

Compiled by the USTA—through September 6, 2016 (week difference Aug. 31-Sept. 6).

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Leaders Of The Week

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