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Upcoming Events & Meetings

Ohio Racing Commission Meeting

Date TBA. Check website
<http://www.racing.ohio.gov/>
 at 10:00 a.m.
 Room 1960 at the Riffe Center
 77 S. High St., Columbus, Ohio

OHHA Board Meetings

July 22 & October 25
 Embassy Suites Dublin
 5100 Metro Place, Dublin, Ohio

Charity Night at the Races

August 17 at Eldorado Gaming Scioto Downs

Application for the Dick Brandt, Sr.

Extra Effort Award

Due October 1
 Application and more information will be in the
 September issue of The Buckeye Harness
 Horseman and on the website www.ohha.com.

Upcoming Youth Opportunities

HHYF Summer Day Camp

August 9 Eldorado Gaming Scioto Downs
August 10 Van Wert Co. Fairgrounds,
 Van Wert, OH

Application for Terry Holton Award

Due Oct. 1st
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From Your President

Kevin Greenfield

As summer begins, your OHHA Board and committees have been hard at work putting the finishing touches on one monumental program and beginning the groundwork on a couple of other initiatives.

Subject to formal Board approval at its July 22nd Board Meeting, Ohio, for the first time in history, will have a Breeder's Awards program for the Standardbred horse racing industry. This program has been the result of a lot of hard work and dedication of several of your OHHA Board members and staff to make this a reality. Their efforts are to be commended.

On July 21st, members from the Industry Enhancement Committee and other selected Board members will meet in a day long strategy session to map out the new marketing plan for our industry with our marketing firm, Richards & Associates, Cleveland, Ohio. We are excited about the possibilities and should hopefully have a plan in place to begin formal marketing industry-wide by the end of this year.

Finally, your Vice President, Steve Bateson, has created a proposed plan for a second tier sires stakes program which we hope to implement in 2017 for those horses not quite good enough to race at the top level in the Ohio Sires Stakes program, but who seek an alternative to racing at the Fairs. However, in order to make this work, it will take a collaborative effort between the OHHA, the horsemen and the racetracks, probably both pari-mutuel and selected fair tracks to make this happen. We are working diligently on this initiative and, as we discuss this, we welcome any input you may have towards accomplishing this goal for next racing season.

In closing, as we enter into this exciting new stake season, feel free to contact me if you have any questions, concerns or ideas on how we can better improve your experience as a member of the OHHA. I wish you the best of luck racing this summer!



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From Your Executive Director

Renée Mancino



OHHA Membership, Structure, Governance, and Elections

The Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association (OHHA) is a member driven organization. The Association's Bylaws provide the framework for membership, governance, and oversight.

Membership

Within the OHHA there are five classes of membership, each Member designates their class upon application for membership. **Owners**, must own at least one horse or a legal interest in one horse that was or will be used primarily for harness racing. **Breeders**, must own at least one or a valid interest in one horse that will be used primarily for breeding purposes. **Trainer/Driver Members** are anyone qualified to train or drive at Ohio commercial tracks or county fairs. **Associate Members** include persons or organizations that don't qualify for regular membership. This includes business entities, such as fairgrounds, stables, limited liability companies (LLC), legal partnerships, or corporations. This membership is required by business entities for the third party insurance benefits (sulky insurance, on-track insurance, third party liability, etc.) to apply for the individual active member. Associate Members cannot be appointed or elected to leadership and have no voting rights. **Lifetime Members** or **Honorary Members** are those that have performed outstanding service or contributed substantially to the Standardbred industry. For Lifetime or Honorary members there are no yearly dues, yet they receive all the privileges of membership. This Membership category is Board considered and approved at a regular or special board meeting. Though membership is opt-in in Ohio, anyone who has been guilty of conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the sport of harness racing or the Association may have their membership suspended or revoked by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular or special meeting.

There are three "divisions", (1) Trainer/Driver, (2) Owner, and (3) Breeder Members, which are referred to collectively as "regular members" or holders of "regular membership". In addition to individual sole proprietors, each individual member whether they are an officer or director of any business entity (partnerships, corporations, or stables), must have a regular membership if the business entity owns horses for racing. By way of example, an LLC's Managing Member would have an individual membership selecting the division that most closely matches their involvement in the industry and the LLC would have an Associate Membership. Or a Stable Member would have an individual membership and the Stable would have an Associate Membership.

The current membership costs for all **Regular Members, Owners, Breeders, Trainers, and Drivers** is \$65 annually, the **Associate Membership** is \$25 annually. Any changes to the annual dues must be considered and implemented by the Full Board by January 1st for the following year. Memberships expire on February 1st annually and

any memberships that are first time members from Little Brown Jug week forward receive their memberships through the end of the following year.

Structure

The Directors of the Association (or, "Board Members") control policies, business, and the affairs of the Association. The Trainer/Drivers and Breeders' Divisions each have nine Directors, which are voted on at-large (statewide). The Owner's Division has nine Directors, which are voted on by specific District (Districts 1-9, by county). From these three Divisions there are 27 Directors.

The four pari-mutuel **Track Directors** (can be an owner, trainer, or driver) are appointed by the President with the approval of the Full Board and are automatically seated on the Board of Directors upon ratification. That brings the total Board count to 31 Directors. The Track Directors serve at the pleasure of the President and serve for no specific term.

At each of the four pari-mutuel racetracks there is a **Track Committee**. Each Track Committee has a Track Director, who is by virtue of that appointment an OHHA Board Member as outlined above. The Track Committee's range in size from 7-9 horsemen (drivers, trainers, or owners) that race on a regular and consistent basis at that pari-mutuel racetrack. The Track Committee Members are not OHHA Directors, however there are OHHA Directors among the Track Committee member ranks at each racetrack. The Track Committee serves an important function at the racetracks acting as a liaison for the OHHA Track Representative at each location and the general horsemen's population as well as an important on-track presence for the Association during track emergencies. The President appoints the Track Director and Committee's Members their appointments are approved by the Board of Directors.

All Directors must maintain their principal residence in the State of Ohio, and Owners must continue to reside in their District during their entire term. All Directors must remain in good standing with the Association failure to do so automatically eliminates them from the Board. The Director's term is three years. The Board of Directors fill any vacancy for any unexpired term due to death, resignation or removal between terms.

Local fairground harness horsemen's associations (specifically excluding colt stakes associations) with at least fifty, full, active members may nominate a member to be appointed as a **Local Association Director**. If two-thirds of the Directors ratify the nomination at a meeting the appointment will last for one year. The Local Association Director may serve more than one term, however the process must be repeated for each term.

Governance

Members in good standing are entitled to vote at annual or special meetings, each meeting type must have at least 30 members present in person to constitute a quorum and conduct business. If a quorum isn't present a majority present may adjourn the meeting for up to six months suspending action until a meeting occurs with a quorum. Notices of the annual meeting shall occur at least twenty days, but no more than forty days prior to the meeting to the address on file for each member. It is a member's duty to make sure the address on file is updated and current. Meetings of each Division and the Board of Directors are held quarterly. Three-quarters of the Executive Board or ten percent of the members qualified to vote at a meeting can call a special meeting. The presence of at least one-third of the members of the Executive Board can constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a special meeting.

Between quarterly meetings the Executive Committee manages the business and affairs of the Association under the direction and control of the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee is made up of the President of the Association, Chairman and Vice Chairman of each Division, and two appointees made by the Board President from the Board of Directors.

Elections and Committees

By the July Board Meeting, the Board of Directors meet and for each term expiring the following year they nominate one candidate, notifying the General Members by mail of their nominations. Candidates may contest those nominated by the Board of Directors by returning a petition signed by members in good standing of the Association. **Owner division candidates** must provide ten signatures of members in good standing that reside in the District they are seeking a Board seat in. **Breeder or Trainer/Driver division candidates** must provide 20 signatures from the general membership at large. Within 45 days of the mail date on the Board of Director's expiring term nomination mailing, any petitions containing the signatures in support of a potential candidate must be returned to the OHHA office.

The names of all candidates nominated by the Board or by petition are then provided to the general membership by printed ballot at least 20 days prior to the annual Board Meeting. The printed ballot must be returned to the Association in a signed and sealed envelope by mail or in person at the annual meeting. If the ballots aren't signed they are disregarded and remain un-opened. For the next election cycle the printed ballots have to be returned by the General Membership meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 2017. After the Ballots are returned, at the General Membership Meeting in January they are opened and counted by the Nominating and Elections Committee.

From the Board of Directors a President is elected for a one-year term. The process is similar to and accompanies the regular Directors' nomination process the difference is with the petition. By the July Board Meeting, the Board of Directors nominates candidates for the office of President, notifying the Members by mail of their nominations. Candidates may contest the Board of

Directors' nomination by returning a petition signed by at least five percent of the Association's regular membership in good standing. Within 45 days of the mail date on the Board of Director's Presidential nomination mailing, any petitions containing signatures in support of a Presidential candidate must be returned to the OHHA office.

The Presidential candidates nominated by the Board or by petition are then provided to the general membership by printed ballot at least 20 days prior to the annual Board Meeting. The printed ballot must be returned to the Association in a **signed and sealed** envelope by mail or in person at the annual meeting. If the envelope isn't signed they are disregarded and remain un-opened. The process for opening and counting is the same as outlined prior for the Director's election.

After the new Board and President are elected they then elect the Vice President and appoint the Secretary and Treasurer. No one person can hold two offices except for Secretary and Treasurer. Board Members are not compensated for their services. They may submit and be reimbursed for necessary expenses.

Past Presidents of the Association become members of an "Advisory Committee". The Advisory Committee offers direction and advice to the Board of Directors upon request. They are invited to Board Meetings and if they have attended Board Meetings of the Association within the last twelve months they count for the purposes of a quorum, may vote on matters that come before the Board, and serve on Committees if appointed, including acting as Chairman or Vice Chairman.

The Bylaws of the Association provide for Standing Committees made up entirely of Board Members as are necessary and useful for the operation of the Association. Mandatory Standing Committees are the, Legislative Committee, Finance Committee, Office/Personnel Committee, and Insurance Committee. These Committees are made up of an equal number of Board Members from each Division. Other standing Committees may be formed, with each of those Committees having a minimum of two members from each Division, although the total number of members does not have to be equal among the divisions. The President makes the initial two appointments to each Committee and recommends the remaining Committee Members, which are ratified by the full Board. Additional Committees over the years have been added for, Nominating, By-Laws, Fairs, Industry Enhancement, Banquet, Medication and Testing, Sires Stakes, Stallion Auction, and OSRC Liaison Committee.



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Ohio Drivers with 100 plus Wins

<u>Name</u>	<u># of Wins at Ohio Tracks</u>
Ronnie Wrenn, Jr.	313
Aaron Merriman	261
Joshua Sutton	224
Chris Page	208
Kurt Sugg	153
Kayne Kauffman	147
Jeremy Smith	130
Daniel Noble	120

Top Ohio 20 Ohio Trainers by Number of Wins

<u>Name</u>	<u># of Wins at Ohio Tracks</u>
C Brian Loney	73
Virgil Morgan, Jr	72
Samuel Schillaci	60
Jeffrey Nisonger	47
Jeffrey Brewer	46
Dan Ater	34
Jim Arledge, Jr.	33
Calvin Hollar	33
B Clair Umholtz	33
Jessica Millner	32
Kayne Kauffman	32
Billy Farmer	30
Christopher Short	30
Andy Rickert	29
Sue Stockwell	28
Michael Dowdall	27
James Dailey	26
John Perrin	25
Kurt Sugg	24
Scott George	22

Top 10 Ohio Drivers by Earnings

<u>Name</u>	<u>Money in 2016</u>
Chris Page	\$1,832,149
Joshua Sutton	\$1,826,998
Ronnie Wrenn, Jr.	\$1,758,162
Aaron Merriman	\$1,459,022
Kayne Kauffman	\$1,395,236
Daniel Noble	\$1,108,813
Jeremy Smith	\$1,102,894
Kurt Sugg	\$922,941
Ryan Stahl	\$786,713
Kyle Ater	\$745,965

Top 20 Ohio Sired Horses by Ohio Earnings

<u>Horse</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>YOF</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Gait</u>	<u>Starts</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>2nds</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>Money Won</u>
MR WIGGLE PANTS	H	2013	3	P	5	1	0	0	\$57,500
OHSOWIGGLESSPECIAL	M	2013	3	P	6	1	2	0	\$54,375
THE NEXT TRIUMPH	G	2013	3	T	8	1	2	0	\$52,200
GOTMONEYINMYPOCKET	G	2013	3	P	6	1	2	0	\$52,000
HONEY B	M	2012	4	T	15	1	2	3	\$50,385
QUEEN ANN M	M	2013	3	P	5	1	2	0	\$50,000
CANADIA'S BAKIN	G	2013	3	P	8	1	0	3	\$49,848
CLAREBEAR	M	2013	3	P	6	1	0	3	\$46,450
HANKY L	G	2010	6	P	21	1	2	3	\$42,445
HUSTLING CHARLEY	H	2013	3	P	5	1	2	3	\$42,400
SHE GONE	M	2013	3	P	6	1	2	3	\$41,775
OVERDRESSED	G	2013	3	T	3	1	2	0	\$41,600
UPFRONTOUTTHEDOOR	G	2008	8	P	19	1	2	3	\$40,700
CONSOLIDATOR	M	2013	3	T	2	1	0	0	\$40,000
CHIPS SO FAST	H	2013	3	T	8	1	2	0	\$39,450
MY TWEED HEART	M	2013	3	P	4	1	2	3	\$39,200
IGOTTA FEELINFRAN	M	2010	6	P	9	1	2	3	\$38,610
WHATABOY	G	2013	3	P	8	1	2	3	\$37,450
KANDY KRISP	M	2013	3	T	8	1	2	3	\$36,000
KERFUFFLE COOKIE	M	2013	3	T	3	1	2	0	\$35,000

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(1) Sue Stockwell

(4) Suanne Kochilla

(7) Steve Bateson

Trainer / Driver

Dan Ater

Brian Brown

Scott Mogan

2017

Breeders

Senena Esty

Betty Shaw

Brad Wallace

Owners By District

(2) John Ryan

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(5) Dayle Roof

(8) Emily Hay

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Ohio State Racing Commission Meeting Recap

from Monday, May 23, 2016 at the Columbus Riffe Center

In normal business the Executive Director's Report items were discussed. No documents were provided or disclosed to the public. There was discussion on "a few more fairs coming through" for preference waivers, there was no comment on any other items provided to the Commissioners contained in the Executive Director's Report. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the Executive Director's Report items.

The 3% gross Casino Commission distribution from the First Quarter passed in Resolution 2016-6 was rescinded, modified, and re-released as Resolution 2016-8. The rescission was the result of having added the expected costs for cobalt testing for 2016 to the Racing Commission's portion of the amount distributed in Resolution 2016-6. In Resolution 2016-6 the horsemen's statewide purse accounts' casino commission deposits had \$100,000 deducted from them to cover those costs until the actual average testing cost calculated in 2017 would include the 2016 first year costs for cobalt testing. By statute the Racing Commission's apportioned share of the Casino Commission cannot exceed 5% of the total amount distributed and adding the costs for Cobalt testing yearly raised the total above 5%, so the \$100,000 from the First Quarter was added back into the statewide purse pools as follows: Miami Valley Raceway \$12,850.00, Northfield Park \$36,710.00, Dayton Raceway \$10,730.00, Scioto Downs \$13,070.00, Mahoning Valley \$9,340.00, Belterra Park \$8,040.01, and ThistleDowns \$9,259.99. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified 2016-8, the Racing Commission's First Quarter Casino Revenue re-allocation.

Directors Dr. Beverly Byrum and Soobeng Tan appeared to present the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Analytical Toxicology Laboratory's (ATL) 2015 annual report. Dr. Byrum outlined procedural and management aspects of operation. Dr. Byrum outlined that the lab has held the RMTC lab accreditation since last year and continues to hold the "gold standard", ISO/IEC 17025 Accreditation since 2010, which is the best and highest standard accreditation available for a drug and testing lab.

Director Soonbeng Tang provided the 2015 testing statistics. 23,305 tests were performed at the seven commercial racetracks, which was up 11.2% over 2015. 8,995 blood tests, 7,490 urine tests, and 6,820 TCO₂ tests. 114 of those total tests were considered positive tests, 64 Standardbred and 53 throughbred samples, which equates to 4.9 per 1,000 samples tested. Of those samples 66% (75) were for non-steroidal anti-inflammatory regulated therapeutic medication overages. Primarily found were Flunixin or Phenylbutazone. The number of NSAID overages weren't significantly impacted by ARCI moving the out-time recommendation from 24 hours to 32 hours out, but as in 2014 a higher number of samples resulted in a "stacking" positive, where more than one regulated therapeutic anti-inflammatory was present in a sample. Among the remaining 39 samples that tested positive there were additional positive tests for 3-MT (3-methoxytyramine), Zipaterol, two positive tests for naproxen, three for Glycopyrrolate, five anabolic steroid positives, and three cases of caffeine positive tests among other substances. The lab also reported on findings of several new substances. These new substances have been added to the lab's testing assay going forward. Finally Director Tan provided the human sample test statistics for 2015. In 2015 in the entire state 104 urine samples were collected on human participants. 21% of those (22) resulted in positive human tests. Of those tests they were primarily for the same things that were seen in 2014, cocaine derivatives, oxycodone, and THC (marijuana).

In the April Monthly financial report on the Racing Commission, April 2016 showed an increase in revenue over April 2015 by \$67,000. Despite being under the year over year revenue number by 33% compared to 2015, the year-end estimate continues to show an expected 9% increase in revenue overall for the year. The monthly revenue decline is due to higher than normal expenses, which are up in IT for software development and office IT equipment. Overall the Commission continues to hold steady with revenue of over \$1.6 million in the operating fund.

There was no monthly status update on Permit Holder and Horsemen's Agreement Negotiations between Belterra Park and the Ohio Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (OHBPA).

A recap on the horse racing fatalities was provided for 2016. May had five thoroughbred fatalities at Belterra Park and one Standardbred fatality at Scioto Downs. To date there have been eighteen total fatalities statewide, thirteen thoroughbred fatalities and five Standardbred fatalities. At this same time last year the statewide total was fifteen.

The Racing Commission adjourned into Executive Session. There was no further business to be conducted after the Executive Session so the Motion and Vote was taken to adjourn into Executive Session and conclude the meeting.

For a transcript of the meeting contact the State Racing Commission.

Fun at the 2016 May Matinees

Regina Mayhugh

Each spring many county Horsemen's Associations host matinees to prepare for the upcoming summer racing season. This year Ohio matinees were held in Upper Sandusky, Troy, Greenville, Hicksville and Celina. These matinees hold other benefits besides preparing horses for the upcoming season. They provide an opportunity for fans to enjoy a day of racing in their local communities. Some Horsemen's Associations do what they can to entice fans to slip out to the fairgrounds for the afternoon to see what the event is all about.

Each matinee had something a little different to encourage fans to attend. The matinee at Troy combined their matinee with a food truck event. More than 50 food trucks were available with a variety of food. What could make a better afternoon than good food and harness racing?

Other matinees had giveaway prizes for the fans. Fans were awarded prizes at the Darke County and Mercer County matinees. See photos below from left to right: Jerry Marker (Darke Co. Board Member), Dick Delk (Darke Co. Board Member), Tim Harless and Emily Hay shown with the winning floral arrangement that was presented at the Darke County Fair to Jane Jones (Photo 2). Dean Ward won a Patriotic wreath at Mercer County, presented by Emily Hay (Photo 3). Both winners also received a pair of passes to each fair in the Western Ohio Colt Racing Association (WOCRA), donated by WOCRA.

Now that the matinees are over and the fair racing has began, we hope to see these fans cheering on the horses during the summer months!



OHHA Membership Application

Name or Business/Stable Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Active or Associate Membership for one year.

Active \$65 _____ Associate \$25 _____

Please check one:

Owner _____ Driver _____ Trainer _____

Breeder _____ Associate _____

Check here if you were a member the previous year _____

NOTE: Active Membership includes free sulky coverage up to \$4,000 (wheels & discs excluded). The sulky owner(s), driver, trainer & all owners of the horse involved must be OHHA active members.

NOTE: Business entities, stables or other affiliations need Associate Members.

I _____ do hereby apply for OHHA membership and enclose \$65 or \$25 for my annual dues for 2015.

Date _____ USTA Membership # _____

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HHYF Youth Camp Came to Delaware County Fairgrounds

Susan Schroeder

On Saturday, June 18th, five very excited youngsters met in the Log Cabin at the Delaware, Ohio fairgrounds to start a fun filled week. The Harness Horse Youth Foundation had shipped into the Jugette Barn the day before and had set up like the Grand Circuit stables from the past. After introductions and instructions the youngsters went to the barn to meet the horses that they would be working with for the next five days.

Trixie, Homer, Roy, Missy and Wawa eyed the kids with eager anticipation. Most of these horses are veterans of the camp experience and knew what was coming. They knew there might be some cruppers put on upside down and they would have to hold up their feet for long periods of time to get them picked out. Part of the requirements of the HHYF camp horses is that they have a large capacity for patience and forgiveness, this becomes easy for them as they also receive a great deal of love from the kids that attend the camps. They are bathed and brushed, hair is combed and braided, and they are petted and hugged nonstop. The stable horses are all registered Trotting-breds which are smaller than Standardbreds and that makes them the ideal size for the young people to work with. They are not ponies, they are race horses and you can tell that when they go behind the gate!

The staff that HHYF travels with is amazing, getting the stable set up, guiding the kids through the week and then tearing down to ship to the next stop on the journey. Having local help is absolutely critical to the success of this program and also gives the kids different perspectives on all aspects of the business.

Thanks to the following people who gave their time to help the kids:

Terry Milhoan, Curt Sharpe, Todd Luther, Myles Linderman, Bob Steck, Ron Steck, Joe & Missy Shoaf, Vince Hanna, Cameron McCown, Jennifer Daniels, Cheri Johnson, Brady Galliers, Zach Mogan, Tom Hope and Adam Beatty. Mike Woebkenberg brought his gate so the kids could school behind it and then start in the exhibition race.

The Harness Horse Youth Foundation travels all over North America giving kids hands-on horsemanship experiences. Graduates of this program have gone on to careers in harness racing, ranging from drivers, trainers, racing officials, veterinarians and race track executives. Hopefully all of them will remain fans of harness racing and will stop at a track to watch the races and tell their kids about the day they went behind the starting gate and experienced the thrill of racing!



Professional drivers in back row left to right: Zach Mogan, Adam Beatty, Tom Hope, Brady Galliers. Camp members in front row left to right: Hannah Hassan, Case Bateson, Trevor Barnes, Cianna Mancino, Cammie Lange. Photo by Cheri Johnson.



Horses and drivers headed to the gate for the exhibition race. Photo by Cheri Johnson.



For more information on HHYF visit their website at HHYF.org. To see pictures and videos of the Delaware camp go to the Ohio Harness Racing Fans Facebook page.

Smiles all around from the winning combination, Hannah Hansan, Zach Mogan and CD's Miss M. Photo by Cheri Johnson.

Ohio Track Updates: Northfield Park, by Ayers Ratliff

Jason Merriman Reaches 2,000 Career Wins

Jason Merriman made his 2,000th trip to the winner's circle after winning with Stop Payment in Northfield Park's sixth race on Monday, June 6.

Merriman led at every call with Stop Payment, eventually besting his competition by 2-3/4 lengths. The 1:53.2 clocking was the 14th career score for the eight year-old pacer, who returned \$7.00 to win. The 29-year-old Merriman began driving in 2003. His 2,000 wins have helped him garner over \$9 million in purse earnings. Merriman is a fourth generation horsemen and grew up immersed in harness racing.

"I was seven or eight when I jogged my first horse," recalled Merriman. "I've loved horses as long as I can remember and there has never been a question what my career choice was going to be." After attending Plymouth-Salem High School in Salem, Michigan, Jason Merriman began working with horses full-time.

"I cannot picture myself doing anything else," said Merriman. Jason drove his first race in June, 2003 at a Michigan fair. It resulted in a 5th place finish in a \$1,150 conditioned race with Riptide Rush. In December, 2003 Merriman scored his first win. It was a 1:59.3 victory in a \$4,900 conditioned trot with I C U Talkin.

Merriman's richest win was a \$25,000 series final in 2014 at Northfield Park aboard September Hall. His fabled happened in 2013, a 1:51.1 win with Real Smart. He rates the best horses he has ever driven as Real Smart and Table Wine.

Jason primarily raced in Michigan for most of his career, but moved his talents to Ohio in late 2013. "Coming to Northfield made sense for me because the racing program is lucrative," explained Merriman. "I have the ability to drive in more races and earn a lot more money than what I would be able to in Michigan."

Merriman still resides in Monroe, Michigan and commutes daily to compete at the Flying Turns. His wife, Nichole, is a Registered Nurse at Dearborn Hospital. They have two children: a daughter (Alex, age eight) and a son (Chase, age four).

"I see moving closer to Northfield in our future," offered Merriman. "But the timing has to be right when you have a family."

Jason Merriman is relieved to put the pressure of a milestone behind him.

"I am really glad I finally got this," said Merriman. "I can stop thinking about the pressure of getting my 2,000th win and just go back to driving horses with a clear head."

Merriman feels fortunate to have had good stock to drive in his

career and says that winning races is a team effort. "There have been many people that have given me opportunities and I thank them all," offered Merriman.

Photo by JFFoto



Like Old Times Breaks Track Record at Northfield Park

Like Old Times crossed the finish line faster than any other four year-old female trotter in the history of Northfield Park when she won the \$13,500 Open Trot in 1:55 on Monday, June 20. The clocking formally broke the 1:55.2 record by Barn Girl (Joe Bongiorno) set earlier this year.

Keith Ross owns Like Old Times. Don McKirgan is her conditioner and Ronnie Wrenn, Jr. was in the sulky for the winning drive.

Like Old Times (Chip Chip Hooray-Royal Two-Royal Troubador) started from post three. She led her competition through fractions of :27.4, :57.1, 1:26.2 and 1:55.

Like Old Times now has two wins in eight starts this year. This victory represents her 16th career score and bolstered her bankroll to \$336,600. She returned \$4.40 to win.



Photo by JFFoto

Haste Scores 50th Career Win at Northfield Park

Haste trotted home for his 50th career victory, winning the 12th race at Northfield Park on Tuesday, June 21. The 14 year-old veteran, with 372 career starts, also has 56 seconds and 52 third place finishes.

Haste (Inquirer-Over Proximity-Overcomer) has career earnings of \$635,360 with a lifetime mark of 1:57.3 at Yonkers Raceway at age five. The trotter's richest win was in the \$31,600 Ohio State Fair Stakes at Scioto Downs in 2005. Haste is a well-traveled campaigner -- his 50 wins have been spread across 20 different racing surfaces.

Haste started from post three. He received a garden trip through fractions of :28, :58 and 1:27.3. He popped the pocket in the final quarter bested his competition by three-quarters of a length in 1:58.1. He returned \$7.40 to win.

Sue Stockwell trains Hate for owner Garry Martin of Aurora, Ohio. Ronnie Wrenn Jr. was aboard for the winning drive.



Ohio County Fairs Updates

Paulding County Fair Opens 2016 Fair Racing Season

Hunter Holton

The Ohio fairs kicked off the season with three days of racing at the Paulding County Fair in Paulding, Ohio on June 13th, 14th & 15th. The Fans had the opportunity to enjoy 34 races and watch over 200 horses compete. There were many excited owners and trainers who finally had the chance to race their two-year-olds after patiently waiting all winter and spring. Many two-year-old first time starters did not disappoint including two stablemates for trainer Jeff Miller.

On Monday the two-year-old filly pacer Say So Syd paced a mile in 2:01.4 with a quick last quarter in 28.4. This mile was followed up on Tuesday when two-year-old colt pacer Mclucky paced an outstanding mile in 1:58.3. Another highlight on the track was in the inaugural Ohio Ladies Pace Series. The race included five lady drivers who all drove exceptionally well. The race was won by four-year-old gelding, Stand Your Ground, who paced a mile in 1:59.2 and was driven to victory by Tabatha Canarr.

With many miles under two minutes at the Paulding County Fair, there had to be someone to credit for such a fast track. This person was Speed Superintendent Dave Phillips. When asked how he was able to get the track in such good shape, he simply replied, "It took

a whole lot of hours." Dave explained how he had been preparing the track over the last few months, but his work on the track really amped up during the last two weeks leading up to the fair. While drivers and trainers enjoyed such a fast track, they also were housed in the new race barn. This barn was put up a few months before fair time and was a much needed update to the old race barns. A fast track and comfortable race barns led to a recipe for success at the Paulding County Fair.

Off the track, fans were able to enjoy the OHHA's Racing with the Stars exhibit. This exhibit included spinning wheel trivia about horses and harness racing, information about the sport of harness racing and the OHHA, and also retired racehorse Real Hanover, who is now owned by driver/trainer Emily Hay. Racing Fans of all ages were able to learn more about the industry while also having lots of fun. The exhibit will be featured at many fairs across the state of Ohio.



Stand Your Ground driven to victory by Tabatha Canarr.
Photo by Hunter Holton

Great Racing at Putnam County Fair

Hunter Holton

The Putnam County Fair in Ottawa, Ohio had two nights of live harness racing action on June 21st & 22nd. There were a total of 28 races between the two nights in which the fans enjoyed many close finishes and a few record setting performances. Both the pacing and trotting track records fell during this year's racing with both coming out of the Signature Series.

The first one to fall was the trotting track record when horse Rompaway Beau finished his mile in 1:58.4 with a solid last quarter that was timed in 28.4. Rompaway Beau is a 10-year-old gelding who was driven to victory by Mark Headworth. The pacing track record was broken in the last race for both cards when 9-year-old gelding Harvard's Z Tam paced a mile in 1:57.0. He was driven by Pierce Henry for trainer Harry Groves.

Off the track, fans wore their Derby Hats to the races for the "Derby Days" event held by the Putnam County Fair. Those enjoying the races also stopped into the OHHA's Racing with the Stars exhibit to learn more about all that harness racing has to offer and opportunities in the business while also taking chances to win prizes.

The Ohio Lady Pace was held on Tuesday night of the races and fans were able to meet and interact with the lady drivers before they hit the track. The Drivers handed out freeze pops and took pictures with the fans. Overall, harness racing at the Putnam County Fair was a success!



Photo by Hunter Holton

Ohio Fair Updates

Pickaway County Fair Hosts Feature Races

Regina Mayhugh

The Circleville Pumpkin Show is not the only event Circleville does well. Harness racing at the Pickaway County fair has been a tradition that continues to entertain each year. Whether you are a fan or a horseman, the 2-days of racing at the Pickaway County Fair is something to look forward to. This year marks the 71st year that horses have raced at the fair. Racing began in 1946, just after the half mile track that was known as "one of the finest in Ohio" was built.

Pickaway County speed committee chair Sean Mayhugh works hard to continue to make it a great event, from selling sponsorships for races, ordering trophies and blankets, selling ad space for the program, making sure that the track is good and ready for the 200 plus horses, organizing people to run the event and making sure everything runs as smoothly as possible on race day. He also has a great group of volunteers that make the racing a success.

A special part of the racing day is the honoring of horsemen and others from Pickaway County who have contributed to the harness racing industry. Hosting feature races named after them is a great way to honor them and remind fairgoers of the important part these people played in the industry. This year there were seven feature races: John Fissell Pace, Pollock Stable Trot, Tish Arledge Memorial Pace, Forrest Short Pace, Edward "Yock" Strawser Memorial Trot, George W. VanCamp Trot, Bill Mayhugh Memorial Pace as well as two feature races named after horses that trained in Pickaway County- The Mac's Classic Open Trot and The Steamin Demon Pace.

The Steamin Demon Pace was a new feature race this year, named for Steamin Demon, a Double Gaited World Champion harness horse who was trained and driven at the Pickaway County Fairgrounds by Circleville resident George W. VanCamp and was also under the care of Circleville horseman Forrest Short. This was an exciting race, especially when the horse who won also stables and trains on this exact fairgrounds. Ardyne Ace (owned by Daniel Fawcett and Stephen Richard) took the honor of winning the first Steamin Demon Pace when he and Jeremy Smith came home in 1:59.0.

Ardyne Ace is trained by Pickaway County resident Jim Pollock Jr. When asked if he was surprised by the win he commented "He's done real well on a half mile track. He was 2nd by a nose in the Gene Riegel Memorial at Greenville in 1:53 which was a track record. So I thought I'd try him out here since it's home for both of us and he trains here. Plus, I'm real good friends with the Vancamp family. It's really a great feeling being able to win this race." The Pickaway County Fair would like to thank all of the sponsors including the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association for making this new feature race possible as well as those who sponsored the other feature races.

The racing isn't only about the horses, but the Pickaway



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County Fair also takes care of the fans during those two days of racing. Donations are gathered prior to the races to use as giveaways to the fans. Anyone who places a bet but didn't win were given another opportunity to become a winner by putting their name on the losing ticket that was dropped in for a raffle which is drawn in between each race. Various items such as t-shirts, betting coupons, local restaurants coupons and homemade cookies made by a local baker were all given away. The grand prize was a set of Little Brown tickets that was drawn Sunday evening. T-shirts are designed and sold at low cost. This year's shirt included a photo of a race in front of the grandstand and listed the feature races on the back. Be sure to mark the Pickaway County Fair harness races on your calendar for 2017!

The Ohio Ladies Pace Update

Emily Hay

The Ohio Lady Pace is off and pacing with two fairs under our belts now. Both races have been good races and we have had lots of fans hollering at us from the fence and stands.

The ladies visited fans in the stands at both fairs for meet and greets and at the Putnam County Fair we handed out freeze pops, which you can imagine was a big hit.

The bettors always ask us "who's gonna win". We don't have the inside scoop as it's really anyone's game out there. We have good lady drivers and good horses. It's just a highly competitive race. Ladies know they need points to be in the top 9 to move to final race at Delaware during Jug Week. We have a lot of Fairs who have picked up this race this year and I hope it will bring out even more lady drivers.

The condition for the race is N/W of \$16,000 this year and AE \$5,000 claimer. The lady driver MUST have a USTA driver license and it has to be up to date!

Anyone can put a horse in this race, they just have to have lady driver to drive. Points are given just like purse pay out 50,25,12,8, and 5.

Current point standings are :

- Tabby Canarr- 58
- Ulrika Fox- 50
- Mary Birkhold- 37
- Emily Hay- 33
- Olivia Turner- 12
- Mandy Jones- 10

Photo from Paulding County Fair. L-R Mandy Jones, Emily Hay, Tabatha Canarr, Olivia Turner and Mary Birkhold.



New Beginnings: Activator

By Winnie Morgan Nemeth

On December 28th, 2015, Activator went out a winner at Northfield Park in his final lifetime start for trainer Brian Loney. Ronnie Wrenn drove the 14 year old gelding to his 62nd win wrapping up an amazing career just three days before Activator's 15th birthday and mandatory retirement. Sired by Western Hanover and out of an Artsplace mare, Activator raced a remarkable 387 times, earning \$907,075.

Activator started racing as a two year old and saw much success early on for his breeder/owner Brittany Farms. That pattern continued as he raced at The Meadowlands, Mohawk, Woodbine, Yonkers and many other tracks. He spent the last year of his career in Ohio. Activator earned over \$100,000 in four of his 13 years of racing, hit the board in nearly half of his lifetime starts and averaged an incredible \$69,775 a season.

Winnie Morgan Nemeth, the Standardbred Program Director for New Vocations, began watching the bay gelding in July of last year when he was the winningest pacer in the country and knowing he would be forced to retire. She met Activator and spoke with his trainer, Brian Loney, during the Milstein Memorial races in August and asked Loney to consider sending Activator to New Vocations once he retired. "I am a huge fan of warhorses like Activator, Nemeth stated. "They have done so much for the sport and their connections. I want owners and trainers to know that New Vocations is a great option for these older geldings. We would love to help them be successful in their life after racing."

Loney made the conscientious decision to send Activator to New Vocations in January of this year. He arrived at the Laurelville, OH facility sound and eager to learn a new skill. Activator transitioned easily to being ridden, although like most old campaigners, he wanted to be in charge. Photos and video were taken and Activator was posted on the New Vocations website and social media outlets.

Mike Braeley, a harness trainer from Ontario, quickly reached out to adopt Activator. It turns out that Braeley had a very successful four year run with the gelding after claiming him for \$33,000 in 2008. "He made us \$420,000 and then we lost him in a \$30,000 claimer," Braeley said. "I followed him religiously ever since. He was claimed 33 times and made money for almost every owner. He's been a great horse."

Braeley was overjoyed to bring his former star back to First Line Training Center. "My wife rides, so having him already broke to ride was wonderful," stated Braeley. Activator arrived to Braeley on February 24th and instantly knew where he was. "It is so nice having him home," Braeley said. "We have ridden him a few times, but for the most part he is the perfect turn out buddy for four other racehorses. He keeps them on their toes and never lets them forget who is running the show around here!"

"There are so many negative stories out there so to be able to reunite Activator with his former trainer was very special," Nemeth said. "Brian (Loney) did a great job making sure that this nice gelding was given a second chance, and I thank him for doing so."

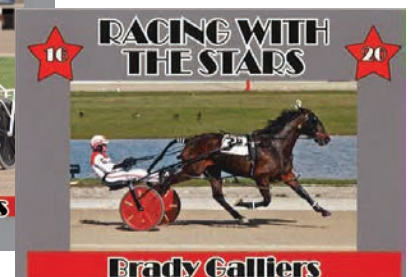
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Driver Spotlight

Meet Brady Galliers

Driver / Trainer- Dayton, Ohio

How long have you been driving? 3 years

What made you decide to drive horses? I loved the business when I was younger. My grandparents started taking me to the fair races and Raceway Park in Toledo when I was 14. I loved being around the horses and everything about it!

Do you drive as a career, hobby or both? Career

If you were not driving horses, what do you think you would be doing? I would be going to college, probably majoring in business or become an equine veterinarian.

Where do you most often drive? I drive at the Ohio tracks including Eldorado Gaming Scioto Downs, Miami Valley Gaming and Hollywood Gaming Dayton Raceway along with the Ohio Fair Circuit.

Is there a location you have not raced at that you'd like to? Out east one day, maybe.

What is your favorite thing about driving horses? I enjoy the competition that comes with each race.

What is your favorite food and movie? Favorite food is steak and chicken. Favorite movie is Coach Carter.

Do you own or train horses too? Yes, I do both.

Do you have an embarrassing racing moment (on or off track)?

Probably hooking wheels with Dan Noble one night when I was going for the win.

What has been one of your most exciting driving moments. Winning the \$20,000 championship leg of the Herb Coven Jr. Memorial Series at Miami Valley Gaming.

What horse(s) have been your favorite to drive and why? Schoolkids because he's an old fast horse that still has it in him at the age of 10.

Is there a horse past or present that you would like to or wish you could have driven? Yes there are several but Pet Rock makes the top of the list.

What are your favorite thing(s) about the harness racing industry? Getting to hang out after the races and being involved in racing. Just being at the races is fun.

Name some ways to get people more familiar and excited about the harness racing sport. Come to the races. You can also learn about harness racing on social media!

What advice would you give someone who doesn't have a background in harness racing and new to the business? Always be willing to ask questions and do not be shy.



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3-year-old Filly Trot & Pace

July 1 & 2 at Scioto Downs

2-year-old Filly Trot & Pace

July 3 at Northfield Park

2-year-old Colt Trot & Pace

July 4 at Scioto Downs

2-year-old Colt Trot & Pace

July 11 & 12 at Northfield Park

3-year-old Colt Trot & Pace

July 15 & 16 at Scioto Downs

2-year-old Filly Trot & Pace

July 19 at Scioto Downs

3-year-old Colt Trot

August 12 at Scioto Downs

3-year-old Colt Pace

August 13 at Northfield Park

2-year-old Filly Trot & Pace

August 15 at Northfield Park

2-year-old Colt Trot & Pace

August 16 at Scioto Downs

3-year-old Filly Trot

August 19 at Scioto Downs

3-year-old Filly Pace

August 20 at Northfield Park

2-year-old Filly Trot & Pace

August 23 at Scioto Downs

2-year-old Colt Trot & Pace

August 24 at Northfield Park



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