# OHHA NEWS



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#### 2017 Racing Dates

Northfield Park Jan. 1 - Dec. 30 (222 Live Days)

Miami Valley Gaming Jan 6 to May 8 (87 live days)

Scioto Downs May 9 - Sept. 9 (90 live days)

Hollywood at Dayton Raceway Sept. 12 - Dec. 30 (75 live days)

#### **Important Dates**

#### **OSRC Monthly Meeting**

June 20, 9:00 am, Room 1948, Riffe Center, 77 S. High St., Columbus

#### **OHHA Board Meetings**

Friday, July 28 Wednesday, October 25 Both meetings located at the OHHA Office

Title photo from SF Johnson Photo

## Ohio Standardbreds & Friends recently showcased the breed at the Kentucky Horse Park

#### By Debbie Schiff

Nine Standardbreds went to the Kentucky Horse Park April 21-23 with Ohio Standardbreds & Friends (OSAF) to participate in a weekend of breed demonstrations. Demonstrations were at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday.

Horses that took part in the demos were Stud's Hooligan - jumping, Allamerican Legacy- Costume, Moonlight Fantasy-Ranch Pleasure, Lace N Ribbons- Dressage, Fox Valley Lee-English Pleasure, Bella Americana- Gaited Saddleseat, Feelin Shady- Hunter Under Saddle, Powerlifter - Trail and Silver Match- Saddleseat.

This marked nine years for several of these horses having participated in demos at the park. Several of the horses were adopted through New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program which continues to help sponsor the OSAF group as they promote the breed through demos, their Summer Show Series, Breyerfest, the Standardbred World Show and other public events.

The group was able to reach out to lots of people not only through the demonstrations which showcased the versatility,

demeanor and loving spirits of the breed, but also in the Big Barn where visitors came to meet the Standardbred Ambassadors up close.

Up next is the start of the OSAF Summer Show Series with shows May 7th and June



Kassidy Leasure and Allamerican Legacy (front) and Alex Horton and Fox Valley Lee (back).

11th at the fairgrounds in Lancaster, Ohio and August 5th & 6th at Eden Park in Sunbury, Ohio. A free jumping clinic will be held on August 6th at Eden Park through the generous donation from New Vocations Racehorse Adoption Program. Horse Show judge and clinician Katie Render-Griffiths will be

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### Defiance County Area Horsemen's Association Strengthens Fair Racing

by Regina Mayhugh

Horsemen's associations can be a very valuable tool to providing a great harness race program in a county, besides the fun fellowship opportunity it provides to horsemen. The Defiance County Area Horsemen's Association (DCAHA) is a great example of how these organizations can be a benefit to the harness racing industry!

Formed in September of 2010, the DCAHA began when sixty people were brought together at the Eagles Lodge in Hicksville, Ohio by Bill Peters and Jim Volkert. The group came together to save racing at the Defiance County Fair. "The

fair board at the time was threatening to cease racing at the fair", shared Bill Peters, DCAHA Treasurer. Following that meeting the newly formed association took over the finances of the fair's harness racing program with the agreement that the association had three years to prove that the races could make money for them.

"The Association financed the races at the fair from 2011 thru 2016. We are now in the process of transitioning the responsibilities of sponsoring the races back to the fair board in 2017," said Peters. Chris Webb, DCAHA Secretary shared "Since the fair board is taking over this year we are concentrating on conducting the races and less on fund raising." In 2017, there are currently around twenty members. The officers have remained the same

since 2010, include President Kevin Appel, Secretary Chris Webb and Treasurer Bill Peters.

The association holds a variety of fund raisers throughout the year to raise money. "We have held reverse raffles, golf outings, and silent stallion auctions for fundraisers and have many generous people and businesses that give us donations," commented Peters. The money raised in 2016 was used for overnight race purses at the Defiance County Fair as well as to enhance the purses for the late closure and Signature Series races. Besides donating to the fair purses, the association also offered a variety of giveaways to fans during the fair to promote. Those who paid to sit in the grandstand were entered into drawings during the races for prizes such as 32

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## From Your Executive Director

#### Renée Mancino

#### 2017 Racing Stakes and Fair Season Facts

At the April 2017 Board Meeting the OHHA Board allocated the Fair Purse and Support monies from the VLT revenue share. The Fair Purse allocation was increased by the Board slightly to \$6,200 per division and the Fair Support was again authorized at \$11,000. Keep in mind there are two new racing Fairs in 2017 to total 67 Fairs that race. The OHHA Board also allocated up to \$3,5000,000 to supplement the top tier Ohio Sires Stakes purses for 2017.

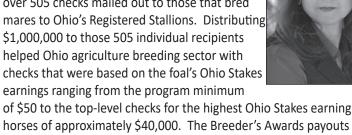
Fair Purse and Support increases were seen in Feature Fair Race Grant Support (10%), On-Track Insurance (2.4%), and Fair Support (4.1%). The Board approved payment of Two Days of On-Track Insurance for each of the sixty-seven Racing Fairs again in 2017. The overall support for all sources for 2017 is \$4,429,164 from the Ohio Horsemen's VLT Net Revenue Share.

Note that the overall increase for the Fairs in 2017 year-over-year was 4.2% with the Ohio Fairs Fund down for 2017 and stretched thinner with two additional racing Fairs. The amount allocated to the Fairs exceeded the 2016 VLT Ohio Net Revenue Share year-over-year gain of 4%. Total revenue to the Fairs from the Ohio Fairs Fund and Ohio Horsemen's VLT revenue share for 2017 is \$5,246,885.95.

Ohio is still #1 in the Standardbred Business Nationwide. For the third straight year Ohio topped the list for number of mares bred to Ohio Registered Stallions as reported by the 2017 United States Trotting Association's official Registrar's Report. Ohio has been #1

in mares bred to Ohio stallions for the third year, nationwide in 2014, 2015, and 2016. In 2014, 2,615 mares were bred to Ohio Stallions, 2015 saw 2,478 mares bred, and 2016 mares bred was 2,463. In 2013 Ohio was in second place behind Pennsylvania by 364 mares bred and ahead of Indiana by 236 mares bred. The Ohio foal crop seems to have stabilized and is holding somewhat steady varying by 150 horses total over the three-year span, with last year's variance of 15 foals. 2017 saw

over 505 checks mailed out to those that bred mares to Ohio's Registered Stallions. Distributing \$1,000,000 to those 505 individual recipients helped Ohio agriculture breeding sector with checks that were based on the foal's Ohio Stakes



horses of approximately \$40,000. The Breeder's Awards payouts were approximately 5% of the horse's stakes race earnings when calculated out. Ohio is #1 in number of foals born. Ohio is #1 in number of registered owners of Standardbreds, and Ohio is #1 in the number of Fairs that have racing with 67.

Included with this article is a three-year comparison of the various stakes race nominations that are available in Ohio. All but the Ohio Sires Stakes program are administered by the OHHA. The Ohio Sires Stakes nominations were up 4.8% with 1,148 total horses nominated. The inaugural year for the Buckeye Stallion Series had 1,222 horses nominated with the Ohio Fairs Championship having 862 horses nominated across the Board for a 7.8% increase in nominations. The Ohio Fair Racing Conference had 1,042 across the board nominations for a 4.9% increase of horses nominated over 2016. With the first legs of the three-year-old Buckeye Stallion Series and Ohio Sires Stakes divisions hosted at Miami Valley Gaming the divisional racing was relatively evenly apportioned. We will be tracking the statistics as we roll through the 2017 Stakes and Fair Racing season, hope to see everyone at a racetrack or fairgrounds near you!

	Ohi	o Sire Sta	ikes	BSS	Ohio Fa	air Champ	ionship		OFRC	
Age, Sex, Gait	2015	2016	2017	2017	2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
2FT	129	161	110	162	91	118	124	118	148	152
2CT	123	144	235	180	79	106	132	111	133	159
2FP	156	211	193	210	98	122	142	125	159	153
2CP	177	238	229	229	118	139	134	119	176	148
Total 2 Year Olds	585	754	767	781	386	485	532	473	616	612
3FT	57	71	73	93	45	73	75	46	82	109
3CT	49	84	75	92	39	70	70	48	92	91
3FP	37	91	110	118	40	84	87	47	99	107
3CP	44	95	123	138	35	88	98	43	104	122
Total 3 Year Olds	187	341	381	441	159	315	330	184	377	429
Total Horses	772	1095	1148	1222	545	800	862	657	993	1041
Percent Increase										
from previous year		41.8%	4.8%	n/a	n/a	46.8%	7.8%	n/a	51.1%	4.8%

ATTENTION! The OHHA office is at a new location!!!! 2237 Sonora Dr., Grove City, Ohio 43213 Phone: 1-800-353-6442, 614-221-3650

#### May OSRC Meeting Recap

Regularly scheduled Ohio State Racing Commission (OSRC) Meeting recap from Wednesday, May 10, 2017 meeting at the Columbus Riffe Center.

In normal business for the Commission the Approval of the April 24, 2017 OSRC Minutes and ratification of The Executive Director's Report items were handled. No documents relative to the approvals were provided or disclosed to those in attendance. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the April Minutes and Executive Director's Report items.

Discussion concerning Scioto Downs Grandstand. Vice President and General Manager of Eldorado Scioto Downs Troy Buswell and General Manager of Racing Operations Stacy Cahill appeared to discuss the agenda item concerning the Scioto Downs Grandstand. Mr. Buswell reported that in conjunction with a routine inspection of the Racino property their report showed that the grandstand's concrete decorative façade was deteriorating and there were concerns that it could cause problems during the live racing meet. The Grandstand itself was reported to be 2018. The cost of testing deducted from the purse structurally sound, but with the short timeframe to the live summer meet opening, the only potential course of \$169.50 per Thoroughbred race. The cost per race is action was to partition off the grandstand area and limit higher for Standardbred testing due to adding in the access to the structure to only Eldorado employees. The partitioning included installation of netting around the structure as a safeguard to any employees on the grandstand property. The Eldorado Scioto Downs rented tents to relocate access to the pari-mutuel wagering, concessions, and other amenities housed in the grandstand to the grandstand apron. The apron, Clubhouse, patio area, and Penthouse remain fully open and operational. The Eldorado hasn't fully determined what their course of action will be and were awaiting a full review and assessment prior to making any decisions. Upon completion of that process they will have more information and update as they decide upon their course of action.

Director Soobeng Tan appeared to present the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Analytical Toxicology Laboratory's (ATL) 2016 annual report. The Director outlined that the lab has held the RMTC lab accreditation since 2015 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 2016 testing statistics. 21,633 tests were performed at the seven commercial racetracks and 63 County Fairs, 10,850 blood tests, 7,628 urine tests, and 3,155 TCO2 tests. Standardbred numbers included, 8,359 blood samples,

5,584 urine samples, and 2,893 TCO2 tests. In 2016 83 of those were considered positive tests with 35 Thoroughbred and 48 Standardbred positive tests, or 3.8 per 1,000 tests. Compared to 2015 statistics the positive test rate per 1,000 tests was down 22%. In 2015 there were 114 total tests were considered positive tests, 64 Standardbred and 53 Thoroughbred samples, which equated to 4.9 per 1,000 samples tested.

Director Tan provided the human sample test statistics for 2016. 148 urine samples were collected with a positive test finding in 21 of those tests for a rate of 14.2%. In 2015, 104 urine samples were collected, 21% of those (22) resulted in positive human tests. Of the tests they are primarily, cocaine derivatives, oxycodone, and THC (marijuana).

The 2017 costs for testing and medication were outlined and discussed. In consideration of Resolution horse disqualification and, purse redistribution. 2017-7, the Racing Commission set out the 2017 testing costs of one drug test per race deducted from the purse pool per race from July 1, 2017 to July 1, pools will be; \$179.00 per Standardbred race and testing costs for the sixty-seven racing fairs, which increases the average costs over the course of a year as compared to the Thoroughbred testing. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified Resolution 2017-3 approving the costs to be deducted from the purse pool per test for 2017-2018.

The Racing Commission's Consulting Veterinarian, Dr. Robertson provided the details on the horse racing related catastrophic fatalities for 2017. For the month of April there was 1 Thoroughbred fatality and no Standardbred fatalities. The 2017 year-to-date totals being 7 Thoroughbreds and 1 Standardbred.

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

In the matters of Keith Kash and Michael J. Dowdall the Commission considered Settlement Agreements negotiated by Ohio Principal Assistant Attorney General Michael Rzymek.

In the case of Mr. Dowdall there were four pending cases they reached settlement on. (1) December 2016 fighting charge where Mr. Dowdall began shouting obscenities and threatened bodily harm to a driver as the horses pulled up by the paddock after a race

at Northfield Park. Four races later, he entered the Northfield Park drivers room and began taunting and provoking the same driver causing a physical altercation. (2) February 2017 incident where Mr. Dowdall refused to comply with the request of the State Veterinarian and his assistants during the post-race urine collection procedure. (3) March 2017 incident where Mr. Dowdall threatened the State Veterinarian regarding a matter that took place on 2/28/17. (4) October 2016 Methocarbamol positive on Lookingforadventure, at a concentration of 60.4+-11.5 micrograms per milliliter of urine, which was over the regulatory threshold of 1 micrograms per milliliter. The infraction was the second Class IV Methocarbamol positive within 365 days for Mr. Dowdall who had previously received an April 2016 positive on the horse Legal Process of 1.4+-0.2 micrograms per milliliter of urine. The April infraction penalty was a \$ 1,000 fine,

Mr. Dowdall agreed to a settlement with the Ohio State Racing Commission for the four pending cases. He agreed to a fine of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) to be paid to the Commission by September 1, 2017. He agreed to return the purse of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) for the positive test per ruling NFLD-2016-211 to be paid to Northfield Park by May 29, 2017. Mr. Dowdall also agreed to turn in his 2017 Ohio licenses to the Commission by May 29, 2017 and not apply for a new Ohio license before May 30, 2018. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

The claim reflected that Mr. Kash failed to conduct himself in a professional manner on December 28, 2017 when he shouted obscenities and used a racial slur directed at another driver after the Third Race on 11/12/16 as the horses pulled up by the paddock. In settlement on the pending matter Mr. Kash agreed to a twenty (20) day full suspension from 06/01/2017 - 06/20/2017 and a fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to be paid to the Commission by June 20, 2017. Mr. Kash is barred from all tracks governed by the OSRC during his suspension. Any horses under his care that he wants to transfer must be approved by the judges or the OSRC. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

For a transcript of the meeting contact the State Racing Commission. The next scheduled Racing Commission meeting date is June 20, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 1948, Riffe Center, 77 S. High St., Columbus.

### **Groom Appreciation Awards**

Kato Young, from Chillicothe, Ohio won the Miami Valley Groom Appreciation award. He has been a groom for three years for the Steve Carter Farm. His reliability is what makes him an asset to the farm! Congratulations, Kato!

The Northfield Park Groom Appreciation Award went to Courtney Blodgett, from Cortland, Ohio. Courtney began as a groom in 2009. "Courtney is an asset to my stable because she goes above and beyond her call of duty. Because of my medical circumstances, she has really stepped up and gone beyond her expectations of being a groom and has truly ensured that our stable could continue running. She has also done thus while going to college full time at Kent State Trumbull," stated the late Lee Blodgett. Congratulations, Courtney!

Thank you to both grooms for their dedication to their job and the industry! Be sure to contact Brett Merkle (Scioto Downs) and Amy Hollar (Northfield Park) to nominate your grooms!



Brett Merkle (L) presents Kato Young at Miami Valley with the Groom Appreciation Award. Photo by Conrad Photo.



Amy Hollar presents Courtney Blodgett with the Groom Appreciation Award at Northfield Park. Photo by JJ Zamaiko Photography, Inc.

### Miami Valley Awards







Charmed Life mare wins the Miami Valley Distaff in 1 53.2.

Driver: Chris Page Trainer: Rene Allard





Lady Shadow picked up the win in the Sam Chip Noble Memorial in her season debut

Driver: Yannick Gingras Trainer: Ronald Adams





Helen Carlo and Gregg Keidel presented Trace Tetrick with the 2017 Leading Driver award at Miami Valley Raceway.

Photo by Conrad Photo.



Helen Carlo and Gregg Keidel presented Tyler George with the 2017 Leading Trainer Award at Miami Valley.

Photo by Conrad Photo.

## **Beyonces Rockn Breaks Track Record at Northfield Park**

Ayers Ratliff

Beyonces Rockn crossed the finish line faster than any other mare in the history of Northfield Park when she won the \$14,000 F&M Open Handicap in 1:51 on Saturday (May 27). The clocking formally broke the 1:52 record for five and up pacing mares, which was held by three different horses: Hidden Land (Don Irvine Jr.) from 2015, and Devil Child (David Miller) and Love Forbidden (Aaron Merriman) in 2016. The partnership of Burke Racing Stable LLC, Weaver Bruscemi LLC, M1 Stable LLC and RTC Stables Inc. own Beyonces Rockn. Ron Burke is her conditioner and Ryan Stahl was in the sulky for the winning drive.

Beyonces Rockn (Rock N Roll Heaven-Im Betting On You-Bettor's Delight) started from post seven. She left from the gate and sat fourth through the initial :27.1 quarter. Stahl moved her coming to the half. She brushed to the front and never looked back through times of :56.1,

1:23 and 1:51, besting her competition by 12 %-lengths.

Beyonces Rockn now has seven wins in 19 starts this year. Saturday's victory represents her 16th career score and bolstered her bankroll to \$178,492. She was heavily favored and returned \$2.60 to win.



Beyonces Rockn and Ryan Stahl won in 1:51 at Northfield Park. The mile is the fastest mile ever at Northfield Park by a mare. Photo by JJ Foto.

#### **Defiance County Horsemen's Association**

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inch televisions, gas gift cards, gas grills and betting vouchers. They also paid for Senior Citizens' admission tickets during one night of racing, which proved to be the largest crowd of the week with 402 fans in the grandstand.

Their plans for 2017 include sponsoring their yearly matinee races on May 27, and aiding the Defiance County Fair Board in hosting the races at the Defiance County Fair on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. The association works hard to have great prizes for their drawings at both functions. This year they had a stallion auction that they used for generating money to purchase giveaways to these events. They tried to have a variety that might attract younger fans. So far, they have acquired tickets to the following events 2017 Breeders Crown VIP Tent; tickets to three baseball games -Cleveland Indians at Detroit Tigers, Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati Reds and Columbus Clippers at Toledo; Tim McGraw/ Faith Hill concert tickets; Fort Laramie, Ohio County Concert tickets; Moscow Ballets Great Russian Nutcracker and a Hoosier Park package.

Horsemen's associations can be a great asset to a county fair race program. Peters believes the biggest function of a horsemen's association is to promote the sport of harness racing in their local area.

"They should aid their local fair board in any way possible to put on the best racing program they can," commented Peters. He also suggests when you start an association, get as many people involved as you can then start raising money. Besides helping the fair race program, the group also hosts a horsemen's picnic before and after the races with a freewill offering.

The DCAHA saved harness racing in their county. Webb commented, "I'm excited to be free of planning fundraising and just enjoying the races and horsemen, but I am proud of the fact that the organization revived interest in harness racing at the Defiance County Fair."

Have you ever thought about starting a local harness horsemen's association? What could a horsemen's association do to strengthen the harness racing program in your area? Talk to other associations to see how they started and for fundraising ideas. Once you have a group interested in starting an association, visit with other horsemen in your area and take time to talk with your fair board to see how you can become involved in the racing program. If you do have a horsemen's association, please contact the OHHA office so we can add you to our list of associations.

### **Mercer County** Matinee Fun!

by Emily Hay

May 28th Mercer Co. Harness Horsemen's Association (MCHHA) held its annual Matinee. There were fourteen races with an average of three horses per race.



Everette Crowe 85 years young.

It was nice to see few of our upcoming drivers Dalton Walls and Pierce Henry as well as those who have been around to teach the young ones such as Everett Crowe, who is 85 years old, who was also there to drive his horse.

The food stand was organized by Sandy Smalley. Homemade pies were at the top of the favorites along with chicken and sloppy joe sandwiches and few other grab and go foods.

Brad Conrad was on hand to take win pictures. Local horsemen sponsored each race and winners 1st-3rd choose their prize with options being a water bucket, soap and sponge, saddle pad, sweat scraper or wall clocks.

The big raffle winner item of the day was \$100 won by Steve Boroff. The WOCRA and OCRA donated a few passes and three lucky winners went home with two passes each. As Katie Meddles said "it's more fun to go to races with a buddy than alone."

A pizza party was held Monday after the Matinee for all that helped. Hope to see everyone at the Celina races!



#### Ohio Standardbreds & Friends from cover....

instructing the clinic. OSAF will participate in Breyerfest 2017 with 15 Standardbreds. This will be year #3 for the group and they did so well last year in their performances and got such great response from the crowd that they were invited back before they left last year. Many comments were made about how well behaved the horses were and how nice everyone presented their horses. The group will also participated in meet and greets at Eldorado Scioto Downs on two different nights giving the public a chance to talk about the breed and learn how they can adopt a racehorse after their racing careers.

A Poker Run and Just For Fun Show will be held at Cashmans in Delaware, Ohio on August 26th. This will be a fundraiser for the 2017 World Standardbred Horse Show that will be held October 13-15th at Eden Park, Sunbury, Ohio. OSAF is looking for sponsors for the World Show and will be happy to send you information. You can contact Debbie Guiles Schiff on Facebook or on Ohio Standardbreds & Friends or the World Standardbred Horse Show Facebook pages.







Top Left: Amanda Munson & Studs Hooligan.

Top Right: Melanie Glover & Powerlifter, Chris Glover & Silver Match.

Bottom Left: Adriannah Parsons & Bella Americana.

Bottom Right: Janie Motts and Feelin Shady.

## Horses of the Past- Can you name the horse?

Did you guess the correct horse? Here are the answers from the May issue...

This pacer was the first Standardbred trained by A.G. (Audra Guy) Gordon of Fayette County when he started in 1908, even though his preference was trotters. This horse was owned by his father.

General Gordon: Guy was 18 when he trained General Gordon for his father. Originally from Greene County, Guy moved to Fayette in 1917 with his wife. In the 1930's Gordon raced a pair of Trotters named Tim S. and Lillian Guy. Both raced well on the fair circuit. He later sold Tim S. because he was becoming too fast and not eligible for most races in Ohio at the time.

Info from article" Looking Back: A splendid Fayette horseman?" By John Leland for the Record-Herald. Dec. 14, 2016.

From 1898-1901 this gray filly from Fayette county raced. Her sire was Bobby Burns (one of leading sires in Fayette county 1890-1910) and dam was Silver Tail. Imp Leamington, a Thoroughbred from Ross county, was her grand-sire.

Annie Burns: She was owned and bred by W. E. Taylor. She was referred to as a "bad actor" because she constantly broke her stride racing, however she was successful in her four years racing. Even though she tended to break stride, she raced well in 1900 and earned \$10,025 that year, making her the year's leading money winner. She did come in second, third and fourth quite a bit, but was racing for good money during those races. At the time, she was the first harness horse bred in Fayette County to achieve national recognition on the racetrack.

Info from article" Looking Back: Who was Annie Burns?" By John Leland for the Record-Herald.

This trotter in Fayette county was known as "the best racehorse bred in Fayette county" in 1905 by the Columbus Dispatch. He finished first in the Hoster Brewery Stake at Columbus Driving Park (on Livingston Ave.) and won a heat in Lexington, KY in 2:07 1/4, earning him the title of "Fastest Trotting Stallion in 1905". Glenwood M: This was a year before Major Mallow first stepped onto the racetrack. He foaled in 1899. bred by Charles W. Mark who was a horsemen/ farmer near Jasper Mills, who operated Glendon Stock Farm. Glenwood M. was the most successful offspring of Bobby Burns. He was a small frail horse, so Mark sold him and his dam Nelly Bly in 1899. Once he matured and looked more like a racehorse, Mark purchased him back at a public sale for \$235. He raced twice as a 3-year-old placing in third both times and as a 4-year-old won four of his eleven starts in New York, Ohio and West Virginia in 1903. In 1904 he finished first in nine races and twenty-eight heats at Ohio county fairs. 1905 was his big year winning five of eight multi-heat races on the mile tracks as a 6-year-old, including Detroit, Providence, Columbus, Cincinnati

"Fastest Trotting Stallion in 1905", when he won a heat in Lexington, Kentucky in 2:07 ¼. Glenwood was later retired and sold in 1907 to Josef Potocki of Austria and became an important sire to many European trotters.

and Lexington. This was the year he was titled the

Info from article "Looking Back: The Story of Glenwood M", by John Leland for the Washington Court House Record Herald.

This chestnut filly had four white legs and a white spot on her belly. She was born in 1847 in Butler county, sold as a 2-year-old for \$30. She was used as a farm animal, then won her first race at Queen City Course in Cincinnati in

1855.

Pocahontas: This filly was described as "growthy, awkward, loose-jointed, low-headed and clumsy". Foaled in 1847 in Butler county. After she won her race in Cincinnati in 1855, she was named Pocahontas. She reduced the world pacing record to 2:17 ½ in New York beating a horse named Hero. She was the grandam of Nelson (trotter) and world champion Sleepy Tom (pacer).

Foaled in 1909, he was the son of Peter the Great and Jenny Scott. He was the first to win \$50,000 in a single season. He stood in Lebanon, Ohio before his death in 1939.

Peter Scott: raced from coast to coast in 1915.

He had seventeen wins and one second with fifty winning heats. He won \$50,535 in one season, which was a record until 1926 when the Hambletonian had large purses. His owner Henry Oliver did not have a farm, so he stood Peter Scott at Walnut Hall Farm for a few seasons.

Info from article "Three Small Breeders: A Triple Crown Combination" by Ken McCarr for the Harness Horse 1965.



Annie Burns with Dick Wilson. Photo from article" Looking Back: A splendid Fayette horseman?" By John Leland for the Record-Herald. Dec. 14, 2016.

## **TRIVIA QUESTIONS:**

#### HOW DID THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND OHIO FAIRS BEGIN?

Answers revealed in July Issue of the Buckeye Harness Horseman

- 1.) Before the Ohio Department of Agriculture, it was called the Ohio State Board of Agriculture. What year was it organized?
- 2.) What was the main goal of the Ohio State Board of Agriculture?
- 3.) Who was the first President of the board and what commodities did he raise?
- 4.) What year and location was the first Ohio State Fair?
- 5.) How many cities hosted the Ohio State Fair? Can you name them?

## **Ohio County Fair Dates**

Allen County Fair Lima, OH August 22 & 23 www.allencofair.com Facebook: allencountyfair

Ashland County Fair Ashland, OH September 18 www.ashlandcountyfair.com Facebook: Ashland-County-Fair

**Ashtabula County Fair** Jefferson, OH August 10 & 11 www.ashtabulafair.com Facebook: AshtabulaFair

**Athens County Fair** Athens, OH August 4 & 5 www.athenscofair.org

Attica Independent Fair Attica, OH August 9 & 10 www.atticafair.com

Auglaize County Fair Wapakoneta, OH August 1 & 2 www.auglaizecountyfair.org Facebook: Auglaize-County-Fair

Carroll County Fair Carrollton, OH July 18 www.carrollcountyfairohio.com Facebook: Carroll-County-Fair-Ohio

**Champaign County Fair** Urbana, OH August 6, 8, 9, 10 www.champaigncountyfair.com

Clinton County Fair Wilmington, OH July 9 & 10 www.clintoncountyfair.org Facebook: clintoncountyfairground

**Columbiana County Fair** Lisbon, OH July 31 & August 1 Facebook: Columbiana-County-Fair

Coshocton County Fair Coshocton, OH September 30, October 1, 2 www.coshoctoncountyfair.org Facebook: Coshocton-County-Fair

Crawford County Fair Bucyrus, OH July 19 & 20 Facebook: Crawford County Fair

Facebook: Crawford-County-Fair

**Cuyahoga County Fair** Berea, OH August 8 www.cuyfair.com Facebook: cuyfair

**Darke County Fair** Greenville, OH August 18, 19, 24, 25 www.darkecountyfair.com Facebook: darkecountyfair Defiance County Fair Hicksville, OH August 22 & 25 www.defiancefair.com

Facebook: Dcofair

**Delaware County Fair** Delaware, OH September 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 www.delawarecountyfair.com www.littlebrownjug.com Facebook: littlebrownjug

Fairfield County Fair Lancaster, OH October 11, 12, 13 www.fairfieldcountyfair.org Facebook: Fairfield-County-Fair-Lancaster-Ohio

**Fayette County Fair** Washington C.H., OH July 19 & 22 www.fayettecofairoh.com

Franklin County Fair Hilliard, OH July 16 & 17 www.fcfair.org Facebook: FranklinCountyFairOhio

Fulton County Fair Wauseon, OH September 2 & 5 www.fultoncountyfair.com Facebook: FultonCountyFair

**Geauga County Fair** Burton, OH September 2 www.geaugafair.com Facebook: GeaugaFair

**Greene County Fair** Xenia, OH August 2 & 3 www.greenecountyfairgrounds.com

Guernsey County Fair
Old Washington, OH
September 13 & 14
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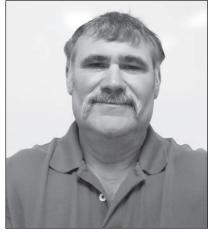
## **Tyler Bates**

Tyler Bates Stable Gibsonburg, OH

How many horses are you currently training? 14

What horses have been favorites over the years? J W Shooter. I drove him for John and Larry Wilkin in my teens and he was the 3-Year-Old Colt Pacer in the WOCRA. I was able to repeat this with Windswept Song the next year with my dad as trainer.

Share something about one of your current horses: Three Card tries hard every time he is out.



**Do you have any other hobbies besides harness racing?** Shooting, fast cars and weightlifting

**Do you have family / friends involved in harness racing?** My Grandpa, Glen Bates and his sons, grandchildren and seven other family members have all earned their licenses to drive: Don Bates, Bill Bates, Trent Bates, Chad Williamson, Cody Williamson and myself. My Grandpa's uncle, who raised Grandpa, was killed driving a horse at the Converse fair. As far as friends, the people you race with week in and week out become your friends. The people you train for and train with you are your friends. I think as far as driver / trainer friends, I would say Dan Venier is a special friend. We share our faith as well as many other common interests.

How can horsemen do a better job of promoting harness racing and help build the number of fans in the stands? I believe by producing a good, clean product and presenting ourselves in a respectful manner, we can do more for our sport. I would like to see more short post-race interviews with trainers who are prepared to answer some standard questions. Kind of like when they interview Ohio State football players who are prepared to answer with gracious, humble answers and always giving credit to teammates and to their competition.

**Share some fun facts about yourself:** I am also a chemistry teacher of thirty-years. My Dad always used to chunkle when we told people that because he never quite saw me doing that. I bench pressed 430 pounds when I was 50.

Tell me a little about your experience driving? How long have you been driving and how did you get started? I drove my first horse for my Dad at 16, I am 53. Now days, I mostly drive the ones starting out or the ones with problems, then turn them over to a catch driver.

**Share something about one of your current horses that you have personally owned:** We bred, trained and raced a colt named Nansiren several years ago. We sold him and he went to Delaware where he ended up making almost half a million. He would be my favorite!

Looking for horsemen to feature in the upcoming issues. Are you a trainer, groom, owner or have another profession in the industry, contact us and you could be the next featured horseman (or woman)!

#### **Darke County Harness Horsemen's Association Held Annual Matinee**

by Emily Hay

Jones.

Darke County Harness Horsemen's Association held its annual matinee on May 21st at the Darke County Fairgrounds. There were over 50 horses entered with 14 races for the day. Darke County Board member Dick Delk held to his job of making burgers and hot dogs. It was a big day for burgers and dogs with an estimated 200 burgers and 100 hotdogs sold. He has been the grill master at the matinee for twelve years.

Tim Harless was the track man and Doug Balanger was the announcer. A great job was done by everyone who helped. There were a lots of new horses behind the gate and few youth drivers out on the track,

Macy Odell won the "Swag Bag" of items from OHHA, Midwest including Dalton Walls, Justin Belanger, Hunter Myers, Pierce Henry and Mandy Harness and Hoosier Park.

Photos by Emily Hay.





They association held a 50/50 drawing, a silent auction for VIP booth tickets at Hoosier Park and dining coupon. A swag bag full of goodies from OHHA, Midwest Harness and Hoosier Park was also given away.

It turned out to be a very nice day for the horsemen and fans making it a great kick off to the 2017 racing season. The Darke County Fair's new manager and avid harness fan Brian Rismiller was also at the matinee showing his support.

#### CELEBRATIONS!

Roegner

Congratulations to Josh Sutton on his 4,000th win May 25th at Scioto Downs!

Congratulations to the connections of Wind Surfer for his 50th Career Win in April!

#### **Upcoming Sales / Events**

June 11- Ohio Standardbred & Friends Horse Show Fairfield County Fairgrounds-Lancaster, OH

June 15th & 21st- Delaware Qualifying Days **Delaware County Fairgrounds** 

August 28 & 29- Blooded Horse PreJug Mixed Sale Delaware County Fairgrounds- Delaware, OH

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#### Do you remember your first horse's name?

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## Regina's Equine Spotlight

## Meet "Willy"

Colt by We Will See out of Arion
Owned by Michael Lee, Photos by Tyler Burris





"Arion went 3 weeks over! Those were the longest, sleepless three weeks I have experienced! He was up running and bucking within the first 10 minutes!"

- Tyler Burris



## Name that Horse!

**Lookout Macatoo**: "I had a brother of his who was named Macaroo," - Chris Hope

<u>Lil' Day Drinkin:</u> "He was named for the days we used to go boating." - Walter Haynes

**Big Bad Brycerboy:** "I have a Big Bad John and his name is Big Bad Brycerboy. My grandsons name is Bryce and I have called him Brycerboy since birth. Thus the name." - Robert Mason

AnightwithWilma: "The breeder told me that he was up all night with his wife waiting for the mare to foal. His wife's name is Wilma. -Jill Arnold

**Real Wicked:** "We race a BBJ colt named Real Wicked. When we got him as a yearling he was so rotten that we gelded him the first month we had him. Now he is as sweet as sugar and the name really doesn't fit." - Allison Elizabeth

Have a fun name to share and maybe a story behind it? Comment on the Facebook link, call the office or send an e-mail to rmayhugh@ohha.com. Thank you for sharing!