

Ohio Horses Shine at Delaware County Fair

The 71st Little Brown Jug week at the Delaware County Fair has come and gone and Ohio should be proud for the great representation of Ohio bred horses that raced in the Ohio Fair Racing Conference, the Ohio Breeders Championship and various other races throughout the week! Ohio drivers and trainers did very well too! Congratulations to all connections!

Sunday Ohio Bred Winners

OFRC 2FP

Big Bad Baby driven by Ken Holliday, trained by Sherri Holiday **Deedee Black** driven by Tyler Smith, trained by Jeff Smith **The Lady Vanishes** driven by Eric Tharps, Jr. trained by Don Pfister <u>OFRC 3CT</u>

Mickey Moose driven and trained by Kurt Sugg Uncle Leroy driven by Mike Wilder, trained by Charles Vigneron OBC 2FP

Bye Bye Felicia driven by Chris Page, trained by Brian Brown Jaye's A Lady driven by Tyler Smith, trained by Nancy Johansson <u>Billings Amateur Trot 2nd division</u> was won by **Heza Rube**, driven by Bob Troyer for trainer Miles Wollam

Monday Ohio Bred Winners

OFRC 2FT

Pricey Cupcakes driven by J. Duke Sugg, trained by Tyler Bates Belle'svictoryring driven and trained by John Konesky III Lady Robin driven by Kayne Kauffman, trained by Scott Mogan Away My Baby driven by Chris Page, trained by Jimmy Lupton OFRC 3FT

Soft Power and **Evanora**, both driven by Ken Holliday, trained by Christopher Beaver

Signature Series Trot Championship

Count Full Mac, 5-year-old gelding driven and trained by Bud High. <u>OBC 3FT</u>

A TC Queenie driven by Dan Noble, trained by Ron Steck New stakes record set 1:54 2/5

Consolidator driven by Chris Page, trained by Jim Arledge Jr.

Tuesday Ohio Bred Winners

OFRC 2CT

Tady's Count driven by Kurt Sugg, trained by Miles Wollam Just Plain DJ driven by David Miller, trained by Scott Cox Back the Bank driven by Ronnie Wrenn Jr., trained by Kent Hess <u>OFRC 3FP</u>

Becks Wood Place driven by Chris Page, trained by Darrell Whitaker **Tiger's Sue** driven by Kayne Kauffman, trained by Bill Webb **Feelin Lilly** driven by Chris Page, trained by Brian Brown.

<u>OBC 2CT</u>

Hope Ima Victory driven and trained by Dan Noble New world champion for division 1:56 1/5

Stormy Kromer driven by Peter Wrenn, trained by Melanie Wrenn Buckeye Boss driven by Aaron Merriman, trained by Christopher Beaver

Ohio Ladies Pace 2016 Championship

Devan Miller took the win driving Northwesterndream Second place was Urika Fox, Third Tabatha Canarr, Fourth Rosy Weaver, Fifth Emily Hay, Sixth Mandy Jones, Seventh Rebecca Chambers

Wednesday Ohio Bred Winners

OFRC 2CP

Dancin Fever driven by David Miller, trained by Bill Webb Mannys Too Special driven by Dan Noble, trained by Joe Paver Lovely Feelin driven by Dan Noble, trained by Bret Schwartz K T War-Bates driven by Kurt Sugg, trained by Tyler Bates OBC 3CT

Uncle Leroy driven by Mike Wilder, trained by Charles Vigneron **Wegoferdaprize** driven by Chris Page, trained by Jessica Millner **Lets Go Bucks** driven by Dan Noble, trained by Jim Daily <u>OBC 2FT</u>

Lets Get Started driven by Josh Sutton, trained by Bobby Brower **Chim Swift** driven by David Miller, trained by Christopher Beaver

Thursday Ohio Bred Winners

OFRC 3CP

Prince Giovanni driven by Brett Miller, trained by Virgil Morgan Jr. I'm Sorry Charlie driven by Brett Miller, trained by Jim Arledge Jr. Donald Doc driven by Kayne Kauffman, trained by Ryan Miller Signature Series Pace Championship

Stand Tall, eight-year-old gelding driven by Brett Miller, trained by Mark Winters, Sr.

OBC 2CP

Scotch Mcewan driven by Josh Sutton, trained by Jim Dailey Mcthriller driven by David Miller, trained by Brian Brown Big Bad Bruce driven by Chris Page, trained by David Wornstaff Dancin Rebel driven by Peter Wrenn, trained by Melanie Wrenn OBC 3CP

Winwood Mac driven by Yannick Gingras, trained by Ron Burke **Mr Wiggle Pants** driven by Kayne Kauffman, trained by Jim Mulinix <u>OBC 3FP</u>

Miss Me Yet driven by Montrell Teague, trained by Brenda Teague **Queen Ann M** driven by Chris Page, trained by Mike Roth



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2016 Racing Dates

Northfield Park Jan. 1 - Dec. 30 (221 Live Days)

Miami Valley Gaming Jan. 9 - May 8 (86 live days)

Scioto Downs May 10 - Sept. 10 (90 live days)

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

Important Dates

OSRC Monthly Meeting October 24, 2016 10:00 a.m. **Columbus Riffe Center** 77 S. High St., Columbus, Ohio Room 1960

OHHA Board Meeting October 25, 2016 **Embassy Suites Dublin** 5100 Upper Metro Place Dublin, OH 43017

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From Your Executive Director

Renée Mancino

From the Stakes Season into the Yearling Sales Season

As the long summer slowly draws to a close we head into the home stretch to close out the Stakes Racing Season with the Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway \$200,000 est. Ohio Fairs Championship races to be held, October 8th post time 6:15 p.m., and the Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway \$200,000 Ohio Sires Stakes four-year-old and up Championship races held on October 15th at 6:15 p.m. Invitations went out for the Ohio Fairs Championship Night Fair Racing Roundtable and Reception hosted by Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway and we hope to see everyone affiliated with the Ohio Fair Racing Circuits there for the 3:00 p.m. Fair Racing Recap, Roundtable, and Reception that follows at 5:30 p.m. before all the action starts on track for the evening at Ontario for \$30,000. 6:15 p.m.

As we close-out the Stakes racing season we move into the Fall yearling sales. With a few of the sales already in the books, here is a basic recap of those sales and a few more dates for the last remaining sales that feature Ohio Sired Yearlings.

Concluded sales:

2016 Pre-Jug Mixed Sale. Delaware County Fairgrounds 236 Pennsylvania Avenue, Delaware, Ohio 43015, This year marked the 60th Annual Pre-Jug sale and was held August 19th and 20th, 2016. Held by the Blooded Horse Sales Company, Dean Beachy and Associates, Auctioneers. The 2016 mixed sale had 170 (up from 108 in 2015) mixed eligibility yearlings for sale with 117 Ohio Sired Yearlings (2015 saw 77). Expectations for 2016 were high. In 2014 Spring Haven Farm consigned the top priced Ohio yearling, at \$20,000. In 2015, the top was Hickory Lane Farms' consigned, Hip No. 146, Impress the Best (Dejarmbro, Virgil Morgan Jr., led all buyers with \$309,000, W.K. Lexis Electra) for \$20,000. This year's yearling sales topper was consigned by Trotting Traditions with Midland Acres first year sire Manofmanymissions' bay filly, Mission on My Mind at \$22,000 taken by Stephen Sexton. Strong showings were seen with Midland Acre's Pet Rock's inaugural crop. Petrify (Pet Rock, Best of Ball) brought \$18,000 from John & Mary Van Horn and Smell that Rock (Pet Rock, Dragon So) was taken by Jim Arledge Jr. for \$16,000.

Hickory Lane Farms' second year Ohio Stallion Dejambro had another solid year with two yearlings in the sale both bringing over \$10,000 and a trio of McArdle yearlings stopping the action at \$9,000 each.

Perennial Midland Acres favorite stallion, Big Bad John had a solid showing as well. Big John Mack (Big Bad John, Hare Royal Highnes) at \$10,000, The Walnut Hall Ltd., broodmare contingent



was a hot ticket with Arabella Hall, a half-sister to the richest trotting gelding ever, Arch Madness and in foal to Muscle Mass, this daughter of Donato Hanover was purchased by agent Atlee Shetler, for \$45,000. Arch Madness' dam, Armbro Archer, was purchased by Michael Goldberg of Massachusetts for \$20,000. An Amour Angus mare, Absinthe Hall, went to Stephen Sexton for \$20,000. And broodmare Circle of Love in foal to Well Said, with an A Rocknroll Dance filly by her side was consigned by Wisconsin Standardbreds, and purchased by Nancy MacNevin of

The 2016 Ohio Selected Jug Sale, was held at the Eden Park Equestrian Complex, 2607 Blarney Rd., Sunbury, Ohio. Friday and Saturday, Sept 16-17, 2016. Two days with 312 yearlings (159 Friday and 153 Saturday) cataloged in 2016 up from a single session of 255 Ohio eligible yearlings in 2015, or 57 more offerings. Total sale revenue for the first day was \$3,653,500 with an average sales price of \$22,978. Day two sales were \$1,542,000 with an average sales price of \$10,145. 2016 overall totals were \$5,195,500 for a combined average price per horse for the two days of \$16,561.

30 horses sold for over \$40,000 and 60 horses sold from \$20,000 to \$39,000. Strong prices were also seen with 2015's First Year Ohio Stallions, Pet Rock and Manofmanymissions, and second year Sires Dejarmbro, and McArdle, with strong showings from My MVP, Dragon Again, and Yankee Cruiser yearlings. Donovan of Pompano, Florida purchased three for \$171,000, and Burke Racing bought five for \$149,000.

The 2016 sale top five were Agent Spring Haven Farm's colt Allgonowhoa (Dragon Again, Spring Delight) at \$80,000 bought by Agent, James Daily. Spring Haven Farm's Rockin Shark a first foal by Pet Rock out of Shark Lightning was purchased by Gerald Denney for \$77,000. Hickory Lane's McArdle filly, Thrill Seeker (You Thrill Me) at \$75,000 for W.J. Donovan. Rockin Away, Spring Run Farm's Pet Rock colt purchased by Brian Brown for \$75,000. My Favorite MVP (My MVP, Love My Muscles) purchased for \$70,000 by W.J. Donovan of Pompano

Beach, Florida.

The upcoming sales schedule includes:

The Second Annual 2016 Buckeye Classic Yearling Sale offered by The Hoosier Classic Sale Company of Indiana was held Tuesday September 27, 2016 at the Champions Center Expo 4122 Laybourne Rd, Springfield, OH 45505. In 2015 those in attendance praised the location, facilities, sales company, availability of materials for review, and layout of the sale. 179 yearlings passed through the sales ring for a \$1.2 million gross by early estimates and a \$7,000 average per yearling. 2016 looks to be even more action packed with 257 yearlings cataloged for sale. Videos and pedigrees are available online at http://buckeyeclassicsale.com/entries.

2016 Lexington Selected Yearling Sale. Five-day sale from Tuesday October 4th to Saturday, October 8, 2016, Fasig-Tipton Sales Pavilion, 2400 Newtown Pike Lexington, KY 40511. Sales day pavilion telephone number: (859) 255-1555. Thirteen Ohio Eligible yearlings are cataloged, all selling on Saturday, October 8th. Ohio Eligible yearlings for sale include those by, Big Bad John, Dejambro, Dragon Again, Manofmanymissions, My MVP, Pet Rock, and We Will See. Streaming live video will be available on the day of the sale at <u>http://www.lexingtonselected.com/</u>.

2016 Fall Speed Sale. Delaware County Fairgrounds. 236 Pennsylvania Avenue, Delaware, Ohio 43015, November 14-17, 2016. Black type yearlings are scheduled to sell Monday, November 14, 2016. Entries close October 1st for yearlings and October 14, 2016 for mixed stock or when full. Check back for their online catalog after October 14, 2016. Live streaming video is available on the day of the sale at <u>http://</u> www.bloodedhorse.com/LiveVideo.html. 2015's Fall Speed Sale's opening day featured 243 yearlings from Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, New York, and Ontario. The Dejarmbro colt, Dust Off The Gate sold for \$35,000 to Patrick Graham of Illinois. John's Messenger (Big Bad John, Leda's Twoeleven) went to agent Dan Ater for \$22,000. Duets Too, a first crop Dejarmbro colt, was purchased by Crist Hershberger of Ohio from the Winterwood Farm consignment for \$20,000.

Though there are only three remaining sales that have public auction Ohio Yearlings, the Ohio Breeders also have yearlings they sell directly to the public. Check the Ohio Breeder's websites directly for more information and contact information. You can find a short aggregate list and links to the Ohio Breeding Farms at the OHHA's website under the "Ohio People and Horses" tab, by selecting "Breeders".

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All Bets Off Syndicated To Stand In Ohio at Hickory Lane Farm In 2017 from Hickory Lane Farm

The ownership group of pacer, ALL BETS OFF, 2, 1:50f 3, 1:48.3f (2,051,723), is pleased to announce that they have reached an agreement to syndicate and stand the stallion in Ohio beginning in 2017 at Hickory Lane Farm. In the meantime, he will continue to race until the end of this racing season.

All Bets Off has excelled at the sports highest level for the past four seasons exhibiting all the characteristics necessary for a successful stallion: early 2 and 3 year old speed, soundness, durability, a flawless gait, and a "no quit" attitude.

He took his 1:50f mark at two on a 5/8 mile track winning the Matron. At three, while amassing nearly 1 million dollars in earnings, he established his mark of 1:48.3f, again on a 5/8 mile track winning his Hempt Elimination. Among the other highlights of his stellar three year old season were victories in the Carl Millstein Memorial at Northfield Park, The Messenger in stakes record time, The Art Rooney Elimination and Final and the NYSS Championship at Yonkers. At four and five, he has continued to race and win at the very highest level winning such prestigious stakes like The Confederation Cup and the Prix D'Ete, both in stakes and track record times while bankrolling close to one million dollars in additional earnings.

Kevin Greenfield, President of Hickory Lane Farm, recognizes All Bets Off as a perfect fit for the Ohio breeding program. "All Bets Off has all the assets to be a successful sire. He is a tall, dark, handsome son of Bettor's Delight who boasts a championship racing resume while possessing a strong maternal pedigree. He brings to Ohio a sire line that is lacking in this State and represents a wonderful outcross opportunity for breeders. We are thrilled he will be joining our other stallions at Hickory Lane."

Direct inquiries for purchase of syndication shares should be directed to Kevin Greenfield, (419) 346-0609, kgreenfield@ gkflaw.com or to Brad Wallace, (419) 422-3004, brad@hickorylanefarm.com

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August OSRC Meeting Recap

Regularly scheduled Racing Commission Meeting recap from Wednesday, August 30, 2016 at the Columbus Riffe Center.

In normal business the Executive Director's Approval Items were discussed and ratified. No documents were provided or disclosed to the public. There was no comment on items provided to the Commissioners contained in the Executive Director's Report. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the Executive Director's Report items.

In new business the 2017 Race Dates were discussed. Racing Commission set forth that they were a carbon copy of last year's dates with the exception of one day. On the thoroughbred side Mahoning Valley will race 100 days including one quarter horse program. Belterra Park will race 93 days with a schedule identical to 2016. ThistleDowns applied for 100 days, identical to 2016. Hard Rock Rocksino Northfield Park raced 221 days in 2016 and was approved to race 221 days in 2017. Hollywood Gaming at Dayton Raceway was approved for 75 days, which is the minimum they are required to race under the law. Scioto Downs is required to race a minimum of 125 live days under the law, they requested 90 days, which was the same schedule raced in 2016. Miami Valley Gaming and Racing raced 88 days in 2016, asked for 87 days in 2017, and are required by statute to race a minimum of 125 days. Both Miami Valley Gaming and Scioto Downs are required by law to receive approval from the OHHA to race fewer live days than the law mandates, approval occurs via a two-party agreement, which is put into place to compensate for the abbreviated schedule. The **Racing Commission approved** all Thoroughbred Live Race Dates as well as Hollywood

Gaming at Dayton Raceway and
Northfield Park's live race day
applications. Scioto Downs and
Miami Valley Gaming will appear
for approval on the Octoberracetrack purse pool deposits tha
included: Miami Valley Raceway
\$105,745.15, Northfield Park
\$302,128.99, Dayton Raceway
\$88,292.97, and Scioto Downs
\$107,621.72. Standardbred
Development and Thoroughbred
two-party agreements.

In the July end of fiscal year Monthly Racing Commission financial report, through the end of June 2016 they showed an increase in revenue over 3% despite tax revenue declines of 10% attributed to higher expenses. The higher than normal expenses are up due to the number of pay periods, a legal settlement payment due to the HBPA, and rent payments being up overall. Overall the Commission continues to hold steady with revenue of just 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. July and August had five thoroughbred fatalities with no standardbred fatalities. Yearto-date to August there have been twenty-five total fatalities statewide, twenty thoroughbred fatalities and five standardbred fatalities.

In consideration of Resolution 2016-9, the 3% commission on gross Casino Revenue was disclosed for the third quarter as being \$1,959,459.74 with apportionment to the Racing Commission, Track Operators, and as applied to the purse pools. For Standardbred racetrack purse pool deposits that included: Miami Valley Raceway \$105,745.15, Northfield Park \$302,128.99, Dayton Raceway \$88,292.97, and Scioto Downs \$107,621.72. Standardbred Race Fund deposits received \$372,297.35 each. Also included in the revenue disbursement were distributions to each of four permit holders for commercial operations and the expenses of racing, \$73,479.74 went to Miami Valley Gaming and Racing, Northfield Park, Belterra Park, and Scioto Downs. The Racing Commission received \$97,972.99 to be used for compensation for administrative staff and support for the Standarbred Development Fund and Thoroughbred Race fund and costs or fees associated with commercial operations of racing at Miami Valley Gaming, Northfield Park, Belterra Park, and Scioto Downs. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified Resolution 2016-9.

The Chairman's Comments included an update on the Ohio State University Cobalt Research project initiated in the first quarter of 2015. Dr. Robertson provided an update on the progress of the cobalt research announced at the April 2015 Racing Commission hearing being conducted in conjunction with Ohio State University and Analytical Toxicology Laboratory (ATL).

The first portion of the research is a Phase I trial examining the Pharmacokinetics of cobalt using 5 research horses. Pharmacokinetics is the study of how a substance affects the body after administration through the mechanisms of absorption and distribution, as well as the chemical changes of the substance in the body. The Phase I trial research is geared to examine two specific the Commission considered the cases of points, whether there will be an increase in red blood cell production in equines or a clear performance enhancing effect in equine athletes.

In Phase I the early research showed that the research horses had a rapid onset of clinical symptoms including, hypertension, arrhythmia, and tachycardia. Transient effects included renal blood in the urine collected. Dr. Robertson provided an update that all data from Phase I had been analyzed and the group had publicized and presented at the American Veterinary Medical Association conference in Denver, Colorado in June 2016. The presentation provided the cardiovascular and toxic effects.

The research provided for administration of .25 ml/kg up to 4 ml/kg of Cobalt to five research horses for 3 months. All showed anxiety, higher dose horses showed muscle tremors, pawing, and tachycardia. There was no increase in red blood cell production seen in any of the research horses regardless of dose. With all of the research horses the baseline recorded was 3.6 ppb administering the amounts given for three months. With the Ohio regulatory threshold being set at 25ppb there is no reason for the level to be set higher.

One significant finding was the half-life of cobalt, which was 12 days (+ or - 1.4 days). The results of the study showed no acceptable clinical basis for the use of Cobalt. However, there was a definitive and significant detrimental physiological effect seen in all the research horses. The extreme toxicity effect is clear-cut but the long-term effect is unknown.

The tie-in on the physiological effect would require study on whether there is a performance enhancing effect, which was research Dr, Maylin completed on behalf of the USTA. Dr. Robertson contacted the researchers for their data and was advised Monroe seconded the motion and the they were not ready to release their data until they publish their research. The Racing Commission suggested collaboration of Dr. Maylin's research with the recently completed Pharmacokinetics study to further provide details on the performance enhancing effect in equines.

In the matter of Hearing Officer's reports Trent Tharps Jr., Darryl Hooser, Robert Schultz, and the Settlement Agreement for Alvin Bright. Mr. Tharps appeared on his own behalf on a re-hearing held over from June's meeting to oppose the Hearing Officer's second denial of licensure due to a 2011 Warren County Common Pleas felony conviction. Mr. Hooser appeared with his attorney Brian Pritikan. Mr. Schulz did not appear in defense of a search and seizure on February 9, 2016 when a bottle designed for hypodermic administration (an injectable) was discovered in his possession. Mr. Bright did not appear on a post-race positive test sample Settlement Agreement.

In June the Commissioners tabled the final consideration of the matter regarding of two anger management courses and Trent Tharps Jr.'s license application. The matter was tabled so Mr. Tharps Jr. could supply them with documentation in support of assertions he had provided orally as-to his rehabilitation and release from the Court system. Mr. Tharps Jr. appeared and the representation was made that he had provided all documentation requested by the Racing Commission. The recommendation of the Hearing Officer was to deny licensure completely. The Racing Commission discussed denial of the Hearing Officer's recommendation and probationary licensing for 2016. The Commission asked Mr. Tharps Jr. about his current involvement with racing and horses and he represented that he was jogging horses for trainers at the Warren County Fairgrounds. He further represented re-licensing would enable him to train horses and earn a better living than just jogging horses for other trainers. The Commissioners considered his comments and Commissioner Winters moved to approve a probationary license for 2016, leaning towards full licensure in 2017 if Mr. Tharps Jr., applies. Commissioner Commission unanimously approved.

Mr. Schultz did not appear. There was discussion on the circumstances surrounding the possession of hypodermic paraphernalia and the fact that his horse had tested with a cobalt

level of 1,309 ppb in a post-mortem exam. It was pointed out that the charge pending had nothing to do with the Cobalt level, that the recommendation was based upon the possession alone because the Cobalt test was out-ofcompetition. The Commissioner's moved to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report and Recommendation, which was also the Racing Commission Staff's recommendation of a \$1,000 fine and a full one-year suspension from February 21, 2016 to February 19, 2017, Commission ratified unanimously.

Mr. Hooser appeared with his attorney, Brian Pritikin. The Hearing Officer and Staff recommended issuing Mr. Hooser a 2016 license. There was discussion surrounding Mr. Hooser's compliance with O.A.C. 3769-12-26 and his completion counseling. The representation was made that Mr. Hooser had complied with all that was asked of him, which included two anger management courses and a full anger management program that was more extensive in scope. The Commission moved to adopt the Report and Recommendation, for Mr. Hooser to apply for licensure in 2016 with one modification, which was to include O.A.C. 3769-12-26 enabling the Commissioners to consider prior factors. Commission ratified with the modification unanimously.

Alvin Bright was not present, but a Settlement Agreement entered into was discussed as providing for a \$500 fine, return of the purse, and seven-day suspension to run from September 6th to 13, 2016. Commission ratified the Settlement Agreement unanimously.

There was no further business to be conducted and no need for an Executive Session, so the Motion and Vote was taken to adjourn and conclude the meeting.

For a transcript of the meeting contact the State Racing Commission. The next scheduled Racing Commission meeting date is Thursday, September 29, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in room 1960. The meeting will be held at the Riffe Center, 77 S. High St., Columbus, Ohio.



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