

Washington Trotting Association, Inc

Report to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board and Pennsylvania State
Harness Racing Committee from Washington Trotting Association, Inc.
with regard to its efforts to promote live racing at The Meadows Racetrack
and Casino's accordance with provisions of Section 1211(a)(2) of the table
games legislation

June 30, 2016



***Dude's The Man winning the 2015 Delvin Miller Adios Pace for
the Orchids at The Meadows***

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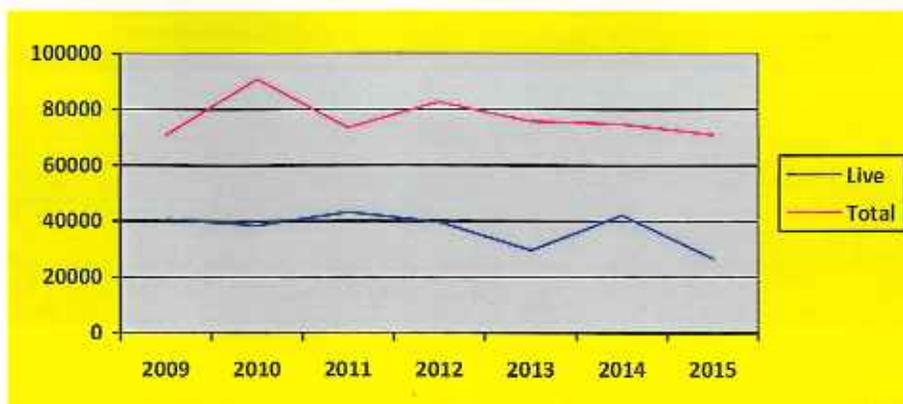
Attendance

2009	40,615	
2010	38,484	-5.2%
2011	43,255	12.4%
2012	39,621	-8.4%
2013	29,257	-25.4%
2014	42,127	43.9%
2015	26,495	-37.1%

On Track Total

2009	70,729	
2010	70,989	0.4%
2011	73,396	3.4%
2012	82,626	12.6%
2013	75,752	-8.3%
2014	74,713	-1.4%
2015	70,856	-5.2%

Live and Total Attendance



General Description of the Facility

In 2009, The Meadows Racetrack and Casino opened a state-of-the-art facility serving as a premier entertainment destination in Southwestern Pennsylvania. However, unlike Wheeling Island and Mountaineer Park in West Virginia, where racing and gaming are held in separate buildings, The Meadows brought all of the excitement into one grand structure. The Meadows razed its outdated 1963 grandstand and during construction, temporarily operated slots and racing in separate facilities. The integrated harness racing, slots, table games, bowling, poker and various bars and restaurants into one venue has proven to be a successful business model.

The provides a larger apron area allowing for greater events on the tracks' most prominent days, including Adios Day, the Adios Eliminations, concerts, and the Triple Crown events. During the summer months, race fans watch live harness racing outside from the 500 seat open air grandstand, close up on the apron or from the Terrace Café Patio or Bistecca outdoor lounge where fans enjoy the sights and sounds of live racing, without having to peer through the glass panes of the older designed grandstand.



The track level of the facility houses a Racebook featuring 72 individual betting carrels and over 100 flat screen televisions. The Racebook also features room for 18 clerks, provides self-service wagering terminals and allows quick access to the apron and Racetrack. Also in the Racebook is Delvins snack bar. Named for harness racing icon and Meadows' founder, Delvin Miller, the snack bar offers various food options, as well as alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Seating in Delvins is separated from the apron only by glass doors and windows. Directly outside of Delvins is popular open air seating, located both under cover and along the finish line.

Residing on the Racebook level are Meadows Lanes bowling lanes and the Triple Crown Events Rooms. Both of these lower level locations offer full service bars. These venues are easily accessible from the Racebook and provide opportunity for racing to acquire new fans. Meadows Lanes hosts multiple bowling leagues from the Washington area, producing new foot traffic through the Racebook. The Triple Crown Rooms (named for the Kentucky Derby, Preakness, and Belmont) and located in the former Poker Room location, allow a diverse group of people to experience the racing through gatherings, corporate events, meetings, wedding receptions, catered events, fairs and expos held in the rooms. The retractable walls between the rooms allow for great flexibility in size and configuration. With the move of the Poker Room upstairs to the Casino level, the entire Racebook level track apron, Food Court and Bistecca are open to those 18 years of age or older. Minors must be accompanied by a parent.

On the Casino level, the harness track serves as the main focal point of the property. Giant windows in the facility open to the track with outdoor dining available from both the signature Bistecca Steakhouse, as well as the main restaurant, Terrace Café. Both the 200 seat

Bistecca and the 300 seat Carvery Restaurant, renovated in May 2014, provide an elevated view overlooking the track. The 300 seat Food Court overlooks the Racetrack as well.

Another racing friendly aspect of the Casino is the ability to place wagers, not just from the Racbook, but from multiple locations on several floors. On the Casino level, a pari-mutuel window provides customers with quick and easy wagering access through a clerk on the floor. In the Food Court, several self-service terminals permit wagering access to customers. In Bistecca, during live racing, mobile tellers take wagers from customers allowing dining patrons to place wagers and watch the races from the comfort of their trackside tables. Self-service wagering terminals provide betting access to the private suites and Cigar Bar also located on the steakhouse level.

In addition to the Triple Crown Rooms and the Skyboxes overlooking the race track named for great harness racing horses or stallions, the racing theme is injected into The Meadows' premier players' room, which is named after Adios, the Delvin Miller-owned stallion and Racetracks' signature event.



In order for race fans to have easy access to the facility, there are two parking garages. One is located next to the racing entrance and the track level is just a short escalator or elevator ride down.

From the onset, and through current operations, The Meadows Racetrack and Casino's ownership continues to prove a commitment toward redevelopment of harness racing in Southwestern Pennsylvania.

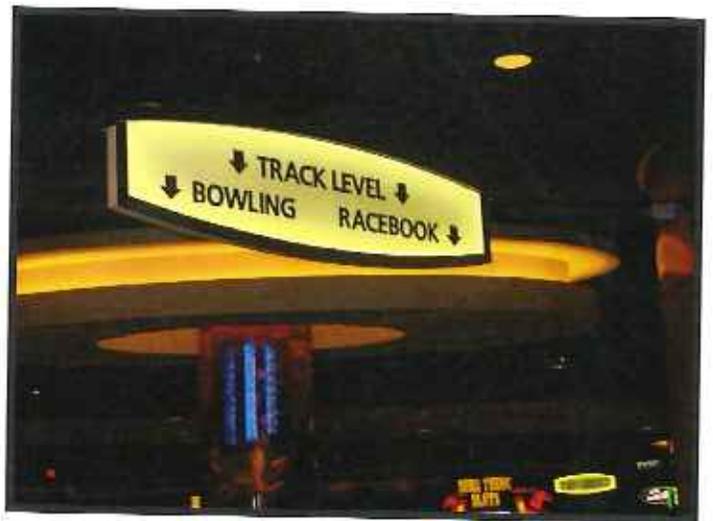
Signage



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Racetrack Entrance from outdoor parking area

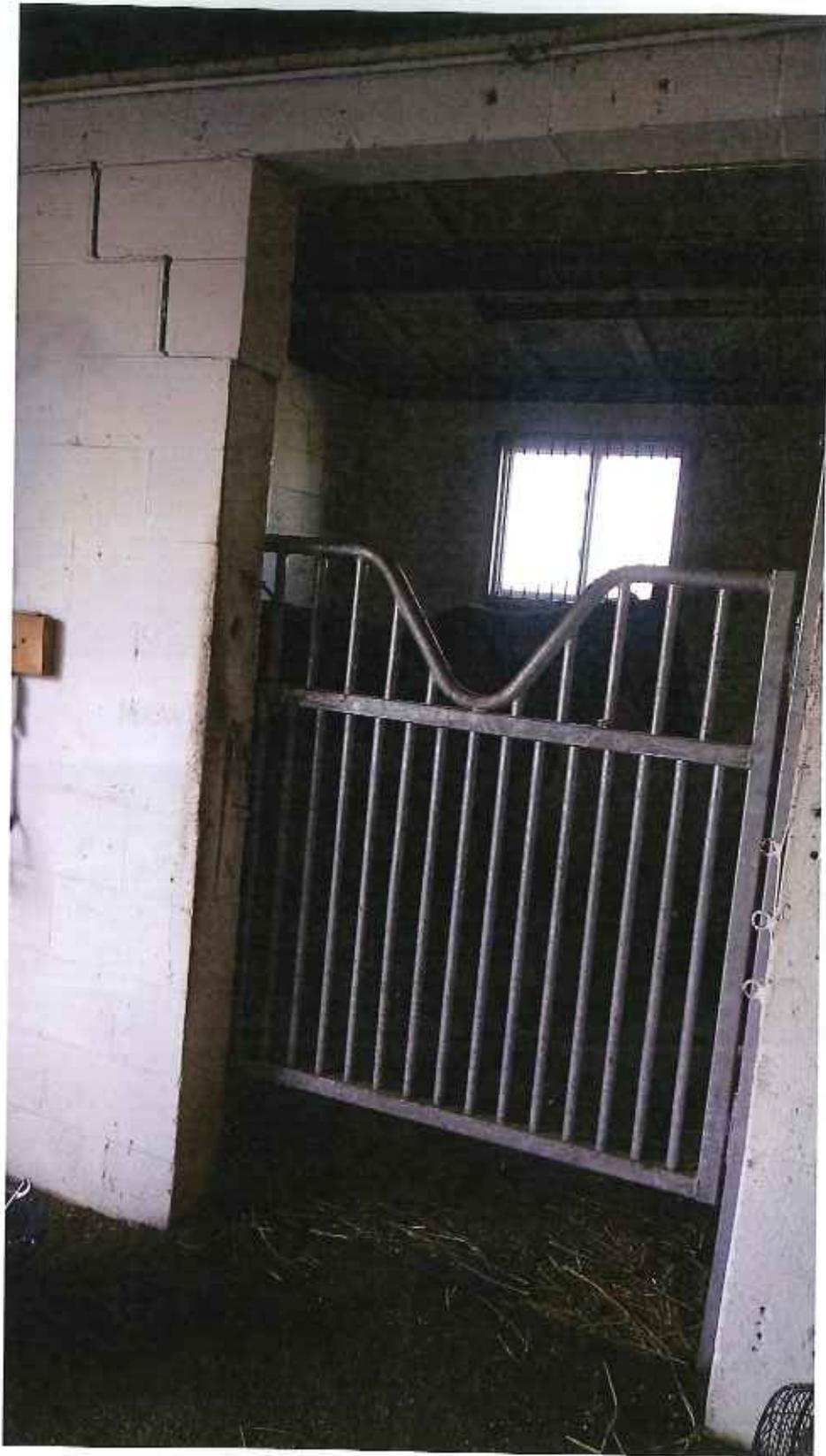


Interior signage on the casino level

Physical Plant Changes



New windows and grills installed on several barns



New stall gates installed on several barns



Newly paved aisleways in the barn area



New roof and awnings on race office and horsemen's trailer



Repaved roadways throughout backstretch



More repaved roadways



Discussion on Physical Plant

- New windows, grills, and stall gates were installed in barns 14,15,16,17
- New shedrow paving was completed in barns 14,15,16, and 17.
- New roof and awning was installed on the horsemen's trailer and on the race office.
- Paving of the main road from barn 3 to barn 18
- Paving and widening of road between barns 21 and 22
- Paving around barn 20
- Installation of fire alarm system in all buildings on the backstretch
- Video Monitoring System was installed on the backstretch in all barns and the race paddock
- Through mid-2016, **over \$11.6-million** has been dedicated to the construction and renovations at The Meadows Racetrack
- Funding has come via Act 71 monies as well as Stall Rent
- Projects yet to be completed in what is phase II of The Meadows Backstretch Improvement Plan includes paving projects. Estimated total spend will be **approximately \$12-million** upon completion of all projects

Collateral for Promotions Programs

MEADOWS RACING HANDICAPPING CONTEST

TEAM MEADOWS VS TEAM HARMAR CONTINUES ALL SUMMER!

A different "Theme" every Friday night will include handicapping contests, drink and food specials, prizes and giveaways! Stop in at The Meadows Racebook for more details! Sponsored by The Meadows Standardbred Owners Association and The Meadows Racing.

BELMONT STAKES

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

LIVE MEADOWS RACING POST TIME 11:25AM

SMOKE 'N GUNS LIVE ON THE APRON 4PM

THE BELMONT RACE APPROXIMATE
POST TIME 6:45PM

JUNE 2015

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Post Time 12:55pm

Post Time 6:55pm

Post Time 11:25am

ROAD TO THE ADIOS SURVIVOR CHALLENGE

SURVIVE ALL 8 WEEKS AND WIN UP TO \$1,000 TO WAGER ON:



THE DELVIN MILLER ADIOS

PRESENTED BY **COORS LIGHT**

Beginning Saturday, June 6 select a horse to finish first or second in the designated races.

WINNING ADVANCE TO THE NEXT WEEK!

Remaining winners after week 8, July 26 will win up to \$1,000 to wager on The 49th Pace for the Orchids

Saturday, August 1 Post Time 12:20PM

RACES TO SELECT FROM

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| June 6 | SHORELIND STAMPALE
Midweek 2PM Colt Career with Inv | July 4 | Wentz Family Paces Power |
| June 7 | North American Top Elimination Stakes | July 7 | Handicapped Pace Eliminator |
| June 20 | Without Dark American Day
\$1,000,000 2PM Paces Inv | July 18 | Handicapped Pace Final |
| June 27 | Wentz Family Top Elimination
Paces Final | July 25 | Wentz Family Eliminator |

GAMBLING PROBLEM? CALL (800) 848-1800 09009

*Must be a Friday Pacer through race. See your local Meadows Race Card for complete details. www.meadowsracetrack.com ©2015 Meadows

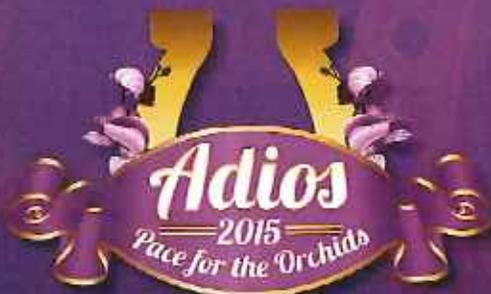
49TH DELVIN MILLER ADIOS PACE FOR THE ORCHIDS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1 • POST TIME 12:20PM

Presented by Coors Light

See North America's Best
Three Year Old Pacers!

MUSIC BY
THE HOBBS SISTERS



Over \$40,000
in guaranteed pools

Over \$1,000,000
in purses for the day!

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JULY 2015

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ROAD TO THE BREEDERS' CUP

THOROUGHBRED HANDICAPPING CONTEST

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 10, 17 AND 24 • \$5 TO ENTER

Location winner receives
20,000 Bonus Points
plus entry money collected

Overall winner receives
another 20,000 Bonus Points
Must be a Racing Player Rewards member

BREEDERS' CUP

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31 • KEENELAND PARK

WATCH AMERICAN PHARDAH ON HIS
ROAD TO "THE GRAND SLAM"!

Thoroughbred Handicapping Contest
on Keeneland Park • \$5 TO ENTER

Location winner receives 40,000 Bonus Points
Overall Winner receives another 20,000 Bonus Points
Must be a Racing Player Rewards member

PA FAIR FINALS NIGHT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

POST TIME 6:55PM

FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

SPONSORED BY THE MSOA
"WEATHER PERMITTING"

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RACING · NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

IT'S MEADOWS RACING
Holiday Season!

**\$25 GIFT CARD GIVEAWAY
PLUS 20,000 BONUS POINTS***

FRIDAYS IN NOVEMBER
MEADOWS RACING HANDICAPPING CONTEST

SATURDAYS IN NOVEMBER
THOROUGHBRED HANDICAPPING CONTESTS

HARNESS RACING BINGO THANKSGIVING EVE
ON TRACK ONLY

*MUST BE A RACING PLAYER REWARDS MEMBER

DECEMBER

**CELEBRATING 24 YEARS AT OUR
HARMAR OFF TRACK MEADOWS LOCATION!**

Friday, December 11 at our HARMAR LOCATION
FOOD SPECIALS, PRIZES AND GIVEAWAYS ALL DAY!

HOLIDAY PARTY ON TRACK
Wednesday, December 23
CONTESTS, PRIZES, GIVEAWAYS AND MORE!

THOROUGHBRED HANDICAPPING CONTEST

Saturdays
November 7, 14, 21 & 28
\$5 to enter

Must be a Racing Player Rewards member

MEADOWS HANDICAPPING CONTEST

Fridays November 6, 13 & 20
Wednesday November 25
FREE to enter

Must be a Racing Player Rewards member

**FOR BOTH CONTESTS
THE WINNER(S) WILL RECEIVE:**
A \$25 Gift Card will go to each
Location Winner and **OVERALL**
Location Winner plus
20,000 BONUS POINTS for the
OVERALL Location Winner!

NOVEMBER 2015

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SATURDAY RACING IS BACK!

LARGER FIELDS · LOWER TAKEOUT
BETTER PAYOUTS

THE MEADOWS
RACING 

NORTH AMERICA'S #1 AFTERNOON HARNESS TRACK!



NIGHT OF *Champions* CELEBRATION

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2016 · 5PM

12 DIVISION CHAMPION PRESENTATION
MSOA TROTTER, PACER & HORSE OF THE YEAR PRESENTATION

SPECIAL GIVEAWAY

TRAVEL MUG & POSTER TO FIRST 300 PEOPLE

DRIVER & TRAINER AUTOGRAPH SESSION · 4PM - 4:30PM



RACING · JANUARY

ROAD TO THE TRIPLE CROWN HANDICAPPING CONTEST

JANUARY 9 - SHAM STAKES AT SANTA ANITA
 JANUARY 16 - CALIFORNIA DERBY AT GOLDEN GATE
 JANUARY 18 - SMARTY JONES AT OAKLAWN
 JANUARY 30 - HOLY BULL AT GULFSTREAM PARK

\$5 Entry Fee

Each location winner gets 20,000 Bonus Points
 Overall location winner gets 20,000 Bonus Points
 MUST BE A RACING PLAYER REWARDS MEMBER

NEW POST TIMES!

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MEADOWS RACING HANDICAPPING CONTEST

Every Wednesday in Jan • FREE TO ENTER

Each location winner wins 40,000 BONUS pts.
 Overall location winner receives 20,000 bonus pts.
 MUST BE A RACING PLAYER REWARDS MEMBER

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 Adios
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RACING · FEBRUARY

CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S DAY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Swipe your card at the rewards kiosk & receive your sweet gift
Must be a racing player rewards member

PRESIDENT'S DAY GIVEAWAY

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Losing ticket giveaway
Winner receives a \$2 exacta box
- 3 numbers you choose!

MEADOWS RACING

HANDICAPPING CONTEST FREE TO ENTER EVERY WEDNESDAY IN FEBRUARY

Must be a racing player rewards member

See your local Retail Center for more details for all contests

FEBRUARY 2016

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ROAD TO TRIPLE CROWN SURVIVOR CHALLENGE!

BEGINS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Win up to a \$1,000 to wager on the Kentucky Derby!
Must be a racing player rewards member

ROAD TO THE TRIPLE CROWN

HANDICAPPING CONTEST \$5 ENTRY FEE

February 6 - Lewis Stakes at Santa Anita
February 13 - Davis Stakes at Tampa Bay
February 20 - Alisen Star Stakes at Fair Grounds
February 27 - Battaglia Stakes at Turfway
Must be a racing player rewards member

RACING · MARCH

TRIPLE CROWN SEASON IS HERE!

KENTUCKY DERBY

SATURDAY, MAY 7

PREAKNESS

SATURDAY, MAY 21

BELMONT

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

MARCH 2016

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Post Time 1:00pm

\$5,000 GUARANTEED MEADOWS LIVE BANKROLL CONTEST

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 ON TRACK ONLY

POST TIME 1:00PM

See your local retail area for complete details

QUARTET OF LATE CLOSURE FINALS

SATURDAY, MARCH 26 • MEADOWS RACING

ROAD TO TRIPLE CROWN HANDICAPPING CONTEST

March 5 - Aqueduct Gotham Stakes (Gr.III)

March 12 - Tampa Bay Downs Tampa Bay Derby (Gr.II)

March 19 - Oaklawn Rebel Stakes (Gr.II)

March 27 - Fair Grounds Louisiana Derby (Gr.II)

\$5 TO ENTER

Must be a racing player rewards member

MEADOWS RACING HANDICAPPING CONTESTS

WEDNESDAYS IN MARCH

FREE TO ENTER

Must be a racing player rewards member



JULY 30, 2016

RACING · APRIL

LIVE RACING SCHEDULE

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	Fast Time Entries						

ROAD TO THE TRIPLE CROWN HANDICAPPING CONTEST

APRIL 2 // GULFSTREAM PARK - FLORIDA DERBY (GR. I)

APRIL 9 // SANTA ANITA - SANTA ANITA DERBY (GR. I)

APRIL 16 // OAKLAWN - ARKANSAS DERBY (GR. I)

APRIL 23 // AQUEDUCT

APRIL 30 // CHURCHILL DOWNS - OPENING NIGHT!

\$5 TO ENTER



2016 Promotion of Live Racing

Co-Marketing of Live Racing with the Casino:

- Monthly Mailers (to 140,000)
- Triple Crown and Adios events
- Races shown on television in various parts of the casino
- Race Wagering available on the casino level and poker room
- Horsemen offered marketing opportunities during summer festivals
- Saturday Racing returns

Top 2016 Racing Events at The Meadows:

- Inaugural Meadows Maturity Trot and Mare Trot
- Currier & Ives Trot
- 50th Adios Week, July 23 through July 30, including the \$500,000 Delvin Miller Adios final and over \$1.6 million in total purses distributed during Adios week including an all-stakes card on Adios Day
- Pennsylvania Sires Stakes Finals
- Keystone Classic Events for two and three-year old trotters and pacers in October
- Pennsylvania Fair Stakes Championship Night in October
- Triple Crown and Breeders' Cup Simulcasts
- Live racing on all Triple Crown days and summer holidays

2016 Racing Promotions:

- 1 Million Points Giveaway to top 15 Meadows Racing Players
- Contests - including Thoroughbred and/or Meadows Racing Handicapping Contests, Meadows Racing Survivor Series, Meadows Racing Fantasy League, Harness Racing Bingo, Winner of the Night, online Adios Handicapping Contests
- Lowered takeout on Trifecta to 20% at The Meadows, making The Meadows the lowest blended takeout in harness racing

- Live ESPN Remote Radio Broadcasts during Triple Crown Races, 50th Adios week, and Triple Crown
- Live Racing on Comcast in the Greater Pittsburgh area – all live race cards
- Coordinated events with the Meadows Standardbred Owners Association. Events also occurred on afternoons during Live Racing, including various giveaways, free programs, cake, and coffee, coupons for ice cream or hot dogs. Jog cart rides and paddock tours also were conducted by the Horsemen.
- Continued efforts to expand the Triple Crown and Adios events including live music On Track for all three legs and at OTB.
- Holiday Player Appreciation Days each location Prize Wheel Giveaways – T- Shirts, Hats, Vouchers, Key Chains, Calendar magnets, Food & Beverage coupons, Bowling certificates
- Bet and Get promotions
- Daily pool guarantees on the Pick Four at The Meadows
- New media initiatives including YouTube Video site, Online Tip Sheet in cooperation with the Meadows Standardbred Owners Association, Media campaign in cooperation with the United States Trotting Association
- Daily Tip Sheets offered on Meadows Racing as well as selected simulcast tracks
- Free live video streaming of races on Meadows Racing website www.meadowsgaming.com/racing

Press Releases and News Stories



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ADIOS DAY CARD AT THE MEADOWS FEATURES \$45,000 IN POOL GUARANTEES

WASHINGTON, PA, July 31, 2015 — Saturday's Adios Day card at The Meadows Racetrack & Casino will offer four multirace wagers with a combined \$45,000 in total-pool guarantees. They include:

- Early Pick 4 (races 4-7) — \$7,500 guarantee
- Adios Pick 4 (races 9-12) — \$20,000 guarantee
- Adios Pick 3 (races 12-14) — \$7,500 guarantee
- Pick 5 (races 13-17) — \$10,000 guarantee

In addition to the \$400,000 final of the Delvin Miller Adios Pace for the Orchids Presented by Coors Light, the powerful program includes five other Grand Circuit stakes, the \$50,000 Adios Consolation and the \$50,000 Roy D. Davis Invitational for 4-year-old pacers.

First post is 12:20 PM, with the Adios final set for approximately 4 PM. During the card, Junior Achievement, The Meadows' charity partner for Adios Week, will offer autographs from sports stars at its trackside Legends Tent and will stage a raffle and a Chinese auction.

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The Meadows Racetrack & Casino

A world-class entertainment destination, The Meadows features over 80 table games and more than 3,300 slot machines, premier restaurants with spectacular views of the gaming floor and the racetrack, a racing grandstand with VIP suites, a simulcast area, and an all-ages bowling center. The Meadows also offers a high limit slots area and an exclusive high limit table games room featuring exceptional service in a relaxing, upscale setting.

For more information, please see: www.meadowsgaming.com.

Cannery Casino Resorts

The Meadows is owned by Las Vegas-based Cannery Casino Resorts (CCR). CCR conceived, built and operates two highly regarded resorts in Las Vegas: the Cannery Casino & Hotel and the Eastside Cannery. For more information, please see: www.cannerycasinos.com.

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PURE COUNTRY, BROADWAY DONNA WIN PASS FINALS, REMAIN UNBEATEN

WASHINGTON, PA, Sept. 11, 2015 — Pure Country and Broadway Donna, a pair of harness racing's rising stars, remained undefeated Friday at The Meadows when each captured a Pennsylvania Sires Stake championship.

Friday's program, which offered more than \$1.72 million in purses, included all four \$350,000 PASS finals (two actually were worth \$351,000 thanks to starting fees for also-eligibles who drew in) for 2-year-olds as well as a \$60,000 consolation in each division. Ideal Jimmy and Lagerfeld won the other championships. Trainer Jimmy Takter enjoyed a PASS championship double with Pure Country and Lagerfeld.

A recap of the program, one of the richest in track history:

\$350,000 PASS Championship — 2-Year-Old Filly Pacers

Pure Country idled outside until the field settled, then grabbed the lead for Brett Miller past the quarter.

"I didn't push her out of the gate — I wanted to see how things were unfolding," Miller said. "I had so much confidence in her I felt like she could get beat only if I did something really stupid. I pulled her ear plugs in the last turn and hollered at her, and she took off. She's never felt as good as she did today."

Diamond Creek Racing's homebred daughter of Somebeachsomewhere-Western Montana won handily — as she did in her previous five starts — in 1:51, a track record for freshman pacing fillies, a stake record and the fastest mile this year by a 2-year-old filly pacer on a five-eighths-mile track. Call Me Queen Be was a ground-saving second, 3-3/4 lengths back, with I Said Diamonds third.

Takter indicated Pure Country will be pointed to the Breeders Crown with a number of stake engagements before then.

"She's as good as they come," Takter said. "I think she's the best. She has the look, and her gait is just fantastic. Do you remember the filly I had a couple years ago, American Jewel? She reminds me of American Jewel."

Pure Country soared over \$300,000 in career earnings and became the first freshman filly pacer in PASS history to sweep all her preliminary legs and the final. She also boosted her 2015 PASS earnings to \$286,918 — most ever in a single PASS season.

\$351,000 PASS Championship — 2-Year-Old Filly Trotters

Unbeaten in seven previous starts, Broadway Donna appeared to be in a pickle when she was trapped behind the tiring leader, the previously undefeated Whitelake Hanover, as Kathy Parker wrested away the lead. But neither winning driver David Miller nor the homebred daughter of Donato Hanover-Broadway Schooner panicked.

They blew by easily in the Lightning Lane, defeating Kathy Parker by 2 lengths in 1:55.4. Womans Will rallied for show. Broadway Donna, winner of the James Doherty Memorial final, lifted her lifetime bankroll to \$466,536.

Winning trainer Jim Campbell, who conditions Broadway Donna for Fashion Farms, said he feared she would not find daylight in time.

"It was a concern," he said, "but I think, win or lose, David did the right thing. It would have been too early to pull. This filly finds a way to do it, and David did a terrific job with her. She's a professional. It's horses like her that make guys like me look better."

Campbell indicated Broadway Donna will next race at the Red Mile.

\$351,000 PASS Championship — 2-Year-Old Colt & Gelding Trotters

Love Matters, the 3-5 favorite, opened his career with six straight wins and was purchased by the powerful Takter stable before his last start. He was rolling along to his seventh when he made an inexplicable break around the final turn. Three other contenders also jumped it off at some point in the mile.

"He kind of lost his balance and was running in a little bit in the last turn," said his driver, Marcus Miller. "I'm sure Jimmy will figure it out."

Takter's disappointment lasted about 25 seconds because it was his colt, Lagerfeld, who picked up the pieces. The son of Yankee Glide-Southern Senorita, dismissed at 11-1 because of a four-race losing streak, triumphed for Yannick Gingras in a career-best 1:55.3. Sliding Home was three-quarter lengths back in second while Dupree, an also-eligible who drew in, earned show.

"I'll take it," Takter said of the unexpected victory. "He's been racing good. He got lost on the front last week when I drove him — he never cut the mile, so he didn't know what to do."

Christina Takter, John Fielding, Herb Liverman and Jim Fielding campaign Lagerfeld.

\$350,000 PASS Championship — 2-Year-Old Colt & Gelding Pacers

If they compete long enough, horsemen often get a chance to rebound from disappointments. Few, however, get that opportunity as quickly as Marcus Miller did. The very next race after the Love Matters blow-up, Miller guided Ideal Jimmy to victory in 1:51 for trainer Robin Cruise and owner D.R. Van Witzenberg. The first-over Spider Man Hanover was second, 1-1/4 lengths in arrears, with Manhattan Beach third.

"You feel like you got kicked in the face and then get the biggest win in your career — all in about 15 minutes," Miller said.

The Western Ideal-Armbro Nectarine gelding erased a 9-length deficit at the half with his customary rally, a style Miller said he is reluctant to change.

"It's just kind of the way it's been working out," he said. "I couldn't (leave with him) early because he was steppy, but I think he's over that — I probably shouldn't say that. He's a little horse and he likes to run them down. I figured I didn't have to change anything today — they were rocking it out of there."

PASS NOTES: The consolations went to Twill Be Done (2ft), Newborn Sassy (2fp), Alexander Hanover (2ct) and I'm Some Graduate (2cp), whose time of 1:50.3 established a track record for freshman pacing colts . . . Newborn Sassy's outing was bittersweet, as she took home \$30,000 but lost her stake and track records to Pure Country . . . Despite a demanding opening quarter, Easy Again took the \$18,000 Winners Over \$10,000 Life/Preferred Handicap Pace for Gingras, trainer Ron Burke and owners Burke Racing Stable, Weaver Brusceci LLC, Panhellenic Stable and M1 Stable.

EDITORS: Attached are finish-line jpgs of Pure Country, Broadway Donna and Ideal Jimmy winning PASS championships Friday at The Meadows.

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SUIT AND TIE DRESSED FOR SUCCESS, TAKES CURRIER & IVES AT THE MEADOWS; HALL WINS 5

WASHINGTON PA, June 6, 2015 — Suit And Tie was dressed for success in Saturday's Currier & Ives open division at The Meadows, promenading through the Lightning Lane to earn a narrow victory in the \$119,565 stake for 3-year-old trotters.

Suit And Tie had won only two of his previous 21 starts and was somewhat overshadowed by his stablemate, Boots N Chains, who also started in the Currier & Ives. But John Butenschoen, who trains Suit And Tie for William Wiswell and M&L of Delaware, said the rangy son of Andover Hall-Warrawee Krisp came back a stronger horse at 3.

"Last year, he had as much talent as Boots N Chains," he said. "Mentally, he just wasn't there. At the end of the year, he started to come around. He filled out and developed mentally and physically. Today, he pretty well exploded. I was happy to see that."

In the Currier & Ives, Boots N Chains had to work hard for the lead, securing it at the three-eighths, and was pressured by the first-over Chef Lee. That set the stage for Suit And Tie's rally, as he poured through for Aaron Merriman and scored in a career-best 1:54.1. Shoot The Thrill, who was pushed four wide through the final turn, trotted wide gamely but came up a nose short while Boots N Chains saved show.

Butenschoen said his \$30,000 yearling acquisition will remain in Pennsylvania Sires Stakes and also is eligible for the Hambletonian, the Earl Beal, Jr. and the Colonial, among other stakes.

\$181,766 PASS, 3-Year-Old Colt & Gelding Pacers

In the companion feature on Saturday's special Belmont Day card, a \$181,766 PASS for sophomore colt and gelding pacers known as the Bye Bye Byrd, Lost For Words made it three straight in PASS action — and four in a row overall — when he overcame post 9 to prevail in 1:50.1

Winning driver David Miller had Lost For Words outside for the entire 27 first quarter, but Miller said he wasn't unduly concerned.

"Had there been a spot, I would have taken it," Miller indicated. "They weren't going really big. He can leave much faster. He's one of the better ones in the sires stakes, that's for sure."

Lost For Words cruised home without a serious challenge, defeating Blood Brother by 2-3/4 lengths, with Rufo third. Brian Brown, who conditions the son of Well Said-Thou Shalt Not for County Club Acres, William Robinson, Richard Lombardo and Strollin Stables, said he's unable to pinpoint the exact reason for Lost For Words' impeccable start to the year.

"Maybe he's a touch sounder — not that he was bad last year," Brown said of his \$50,000 yearling purchase. "I really can't explain it. He's not a great, big strong horse who's just coming to his own. He's just a good little horse."

But if Brown is at a loss for words about Lost For Words, that's about the only thing he's lost at The Meadows in 2015. In 15 starts at the track this year, Brown is 10-3-1 for an eye-popping .800 UTR.

He said he didn't pay Lost For Words into the North America Cup or Meadowlands Pace lest those tough tests wear him down. Instead, he's pointing his colt to the Max Hempt.

In the other division, My Hero Ron was making his first start for his new connections — trainer Ron Burke, owners Burke Racing Stable, Weaver BrusceMI LLC, Larry Karr and Frank Baldachino — who purchased him for \$130,000 at the recent Meadowlands sale. He returned immediate dividends, shooting the Lightning Lane for Matt Kakaley to triumph in 1:50.4. PV Coming Home was second, 1/2 length back, while Rise Up Now completed the ticket.

Still, it was no slam dunk, as PV Coming Home and Merriman grabbed a daylight lead with a backside burst that left My Hero Ron 2-1/2 lengths behind at the top of the stretch.

"My horse actually was loaded," Kakaley said. "Aaron's horse looked like he was getting a little weak, so I thought I could reel him in. Marcus Miller, who had been driving this horse, told me the horse is lazy. So I figured, a barn change to Ronnie, and he might wake up a little bit. And he did. Like Ronnie said last year about a filly I drove for him, 'It's penthouse or outhouse.'"

Tony Hall piloted five winners on the 13-race program.

EDITORS: Attached are finish-line jpgs of Suit And Tie, Lost For Words and My Hero Ron winning their stakes Saturday at The Meadows.

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SAFE FROM TERROR UPSETS AGAIN IN \$170K NADIA LOBELL AT THE MEADOWS

WASHINGTON, PA, Sept. 16, 2015 — When Safe From Terror surprised the field and bettors by winning the Sept. 5 Pennsylvania Sires Stakes championship at 45-1, some may have dismissed it as a fluke.

They likely won't be saying that about her any longer, as she scored her second consecutive upset, this time at 5-1, in Wednesday's \$170,000 Nadia Lobell for 3-year-old filly pacers at The Meadows — and took the overland route to do it.

Sassa Hanover wanted the lead from the rail, but she was pressured early by Divine Caroline and Storm Point, forcing her to step a lively opening half in 26.3/54.4. With all that early speed, winning driver Matt Kakaley knew the front end might collapse but wasn't sure third over was the place to be.

"I was a little worried," Kakaley said, "but I wanted to get her out in the flow of the race anyway. It worked out perfect, really, because the front end kind of fell apart off the last turn."

Safe From Terror moved four wide through the stretch to down another closer, The Show Returns, by a length in 1:50.4, a career best. Divine Caroline was full of pace but lacked room and had to settle for show.

The back-to-back upsets by the daughter of Western Terror-In A Safe Place didn't surprise Kakaley.

"I've won a lot of races with this filly, and she's always been very, very good," he said. "There was a point for a few starts where she was just okay, not great, but she was very good today."

Ron Burke trains Safe From Terror, who now boasts \$449,992 in lifetime earnings, for Our Horse Cents Stables, Stable 45 and J&T Silva Stables.

In the \$20,000 Filly & Mare Not Listed Preferred/Preferred Handicap Pace, Certified Ideal collected a front-end victory — her third in the last four starts — in 1:51.2 for Tony Hall,

trainer Randy Bendis and owners Mike Novosel, Jr., Tom Pollack, James Walton and Bendis. Do Me Honor was second, 1/2 length back, with Jaded Dream third. The 5-year-old daughter of Western Ideal-Areba's Last soared over \$400,000 in career earnings.

It was one of four wins for Hall on the 15-race card.

EDITORS: Attached is a finish-line jpg of Safe From Terror winning Thursday's Nadia Lobell at The Meadows.

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**Friday at The Meadows — 'Family Fun Nights' Return, Hambletonian Hopeful Pinkman Headlines
PASS Action**

WASHINGTON, PA. (May 27, 2015) – The Meadows Racetrack & Casino and the Meadows Standardbred Owners Association (MSOA) today announced the launch of "Family Night" celebrations starting this Friday, May 29 and continuing through August. To celebrate the long history of harness racing at The Meadows, the organizations are offering live racing, along with various interactive events and activities for guests of all ages.

Friday evenings will feature inflatable bounce houses and kid's activities on the apron. Guests also will have the chance to ride on jog carts and inside the mobile starting gate, as well as an opportunity to interact with a racehorse on the apron. Admission is free, and the MSOA also will provide free hot dogs and ice cream vouchers to all kids 12 and under.

"After a long winter, the MSOA looks forward to an exciting summer filled with events each Friday night at the races," said Kim Hankins, executive director of the MSOA. "The racing schedule is full of Pennsylvania Sires and Stallions Stakes which attract the best horses in Pennsylvania, many of which are nationally ranked harness stars. The events also give our industry an opportunity to showcase the wonderful world of harness racing to our next generation of fans with our fun-filled family activities."

"These weekly events are a great option for families looking for unique entertainment throughout the summer," said Sean Sullivan, vice president and general manager of The Meadows Racetrack & Casino. "While most people know us for our casino, The Meadows in fact offers a complement of family-friendly activities including live racing, bowling and many other live entertainment options."

This Friday, fans will enjoy three divisions of a \$191,217 Pennsylvania Sires Stake, known as the Super Bowl and headlined by one of the marquee performers in the business. Pinkman not only was voted the best 2-year-old male trotter in the sport last year, but he also captured the Breeders Crown and has banked nearly \$600,000 for trainer Jimmy Takter and owners Christina Takter, John Fielding, Jim Fielding, Joyce McClelland and Herb Liverman. He launched his sophomore campaign with an easy-as-you-please win in a PASS division at Harrah's Philadelphia.

"That's probably as impressive a 3-year-old debut as I've ever had," Takter said of the Explosive Matter-Margie Seelster gelding. "He was absolutely scary good that day. He's coming back awesome. He's kind of a laid-back horse, not flashy in his work. As soon as he sees the starting gate, he puts on his game face."

Pinkman leaves from post 1 in the third division, race 8, with Yannick Gingras driving, and he won't be Takter's only shot in the stake. The 2014 Trainer of the Year is sending out five horses; here's his take on the others:

- Uncle Lasse (race 1, post 6, Brett Miller), a full brother to 2014 Trotter of the Year Shake It Cerry: "He was vicious in his win at Harrah's Philly. I expect him to do very well. Pinkman has been making the headlines. Over the next 30 days we'll see which one develops more."
- The Bank (race 3, post 1, Gingras): "He's still under development, but I like him. He's come back a much better horse this year."
- Walter White (race 3, post 2, Miller) "He didn't like the track at Harrah's Philly, and he had a bad post. He'll probably race better at The Meadows."
- Whom Shall I Fear (race 8, post 7, TBA) "He's a full brother to Father Patrick and meant to be a good horse. But he was very immature at 2, so we took an easy path with him. I wouldn't rule him out of any race."

There are no coupled entries in the Super Bowl, so all Takter's horses will race as separate wagering interests. First post Friday is 6:55 PM.

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Meadows Standardbred Owners Association

The MSOA is a non-profit, trade association of owners, trainers, drivers and grooms of Standardbred horses racing at The Meadows, near Washington, Pennsylvania. Incorporated in 1977, the MSOA promotes the sport of harness racing and the best interests of its members as horsemen in general, as well as in regard to The Meadows in particular.

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\$200,000 PA FAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS SET FOR OCT. 10 AT THE MEADOWS

The Meadows, MSOA to Create County Fair-Like Atmosphere

WASHINGTON, PA, Oct. 8, 2015 — It reaches from Bloomsburg in the east to Wattsburg and Meadville in the northwest to Waynesburg and Washington in the southwest. It's the Pennsylvania Fairs circuit, a pillar of harness racing in the Commonwealth that helps promote and perpetuate the sport even as it provides employment and entertainment for thousands.

The 2015 season of the PA Fairs culminates Saturday, Oct. 10 at The Meadows Racetrack & Casino, when the top point-earners on the 20-stop circuit compete for \$200,000 in purses over eight championship races. The Meadows and the Meadows Standardbred Owners Association (MSOA) will create a county fair-like atmosphere for the event by offering a variety of family-oriented activities, including a bounce house for kids, sulky rides for all and the chance to get up close and personal with a Standardbred.

"County fair racing is important to our state and our horsemen," said Kevin Decker, director of racing for The Meadows. "We are delighted to host the fair championships each year to show our appreciation for the contribution fairs racing makes to our sport."

First post on fair championships night is 6:55 PM.

Mingling of Generations

One reason for the ongoing popularity of Pennsylvania fairs racing is the earnings opportunity it provides. Typically, PA Fairs Sires Stakes for 2- and 3-year-olds offer purses of about \$5,000. While that's only a fraction of the sires stake purses at the state's three pari-mutuel tracks, there are so many fair stakes that it's not uncommon for horses to turn profits for their owners with their fairs winnings alone. Says trainer/driver Steve Schoeffel:

"The fairs are a nice place to race my horses. I can make money with them and teach them how to be racehorses."

Schoeffel, of Evans City, has campaigned his horses at The Meadows and PA fairs for about 30 years and uses the Butler County Fairgrounds as his base of operations. This year at the fairs, Schoeffel won 30 races as a trainer, 14 as a driver.

Just as important as the cash is the mingling of generations on the fairs circuit, a vehicle for the exchange of information and experience across age groups. That sort of pollination, if you will, is a key factor in the perpetuation of Pennsylvania harness racing.

Stars in many sports retire in their late 30s, but that's hardly true in harness racing. This year's leading trainer (81 wins) and driver (87 wins), as he's been so many times, is 69-year-old Roger Hammer, known as the "King of the Fairs," who collected his 4,000th career victory last May at The Meadows. Those accomplishments notwithstanding, in any fairs stake, Hammer may find himself battling such younger rivals as Schoeffel, 45, and the Johnston brothers, Aaron and Shawn, whose combined age is 47.

Schoeffel has turned over many of his driving responsibilities to a protégé, 22-year-old Brady Brown, who responded by logging 45 wins — including 10 straight with Schoeffel's top horse, Royaltyhasarrived — to rank fourth in the standings.

"It's Brady's time; he's been waiting a long time to get started," Schoeffel says. "We turned him loose on all the good ones this year."

Families Working & Prospering Together

Finally, PA Fairs give families the chance to work and prosper together. Consider the Shaws, where Jason trains 'em (47 wins), his brother Chris drives 'em (61 wins), and Jason's 3-year-old son Mason owns many of them. Mason's ownership might mean little to him now, but as he grows and stays close to harness racing, he'll have ready-made entre to the business.

Much the same is true of the Johnstons who, as Schoeffel, reside in Evans City and train at the Butler County Fairgrounds. The brothers got involved in harness racing through their father, trainer Gary Johnston, and their grandfather, Charles Moses, who bought Shawn his first horse. That mare, Tremor Hanover, is approaching \$600,000 in career earnings, but Shawn Johnston wouldn't think of giving up fairs racing to concentrate on more lucrative raceway purses.

"I won in my first race at the fairs when I was 17 or 18, and I've loved fair racing since then," he said. "You're always with the same group of people, although we do try to get newcomers involved. Everyone's family at the fairs."

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Following the fairs championships, The Meadows will take a nearly three-week break from live racing to prepare for its fall-winter meeting. Live racing returns Friday, Oct. 30, when the card begins at 12:55 PM, with a special program set for Saturday, Oct. 31, first post 11:25 AM. Those programs will complement the track's simulcast presentation of the two-day Thoroughbred Breeders Cup, always a fan favorite.

EDITORS: Attached are undated file jpgs of Steve Schoeffel and Brady Brown and a jpg of the winners' circle following Roger Hammer's 4,000th career victory on May 18, 2015, at The Meadows. Brown is at Hammer's left.

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The winners' circle following Roger Hammer's 4,000th career victory May 18, 2015, at The Meadows.

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Associated Press

CHICAGO — Living nursing home run by Little Sisters of the Poor 82-year-old Edith H. knows something about faith.

As a fan of the Chicago Cubs who was born 25 years after her favorite team won the World Series, she knows there are no many times she can hope up only to be disappointed.

So this year is it.

"I'll give up if they win this year," Heat Thursday in the lobby nursing home about from Wrigley Field. "I don't do it, I wouldn't even hear their name would just say I've had."

Winning it all has been more heartbreak the way than Heat other Cubs fan would remember.

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SCHOEFFEL, BROWN TEAM FOR PAIR OF \$25K PA FAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS AT THE MEADOWS

WASHINGTON, PA, Oct. 11, 2015 — Trainer Steve Schoeffel and driver Brady Brown — the master and his protégé — concluded their successful Pennsylvania Fairs season by notching a pair of fairs championships Saturday at The Meadows Racetrack & Casino.

The Meadows hosted all eight fairs finals, each worth \$25,000, to cap its current meeting. Following a break of about three weeks, the track will stage its reopening weekend with a 12:55 PM card Friday, Oct. 30, and an 11:25 AM program the following day. Those cards will complement The Meadows simulcast of the Thoroughbred Breeders Cup.

Schoeffel, a veteran of about 30 years at the fairs and raceways, has turned over many of his drives to the 22-year-old Brown, with outstanding results. Brown ranked fourth in fairs wins this season and Schoeffel fourth in training victories. On Saturday, they triumphed with Royaltyhasarrived (3cp) and Piano Rose (3ft).

Also shining was Eric Ledford, who never had driven in a Pennsylvania Fairs race in his career, but he may want to consider joining the circuit regularly. He collected wins with Worthy Jackie (2fp) Wagon Master (2cp).

"I've driven in fairs, tons of them, in Illinois and Ohio," he said. "It was always fun."

Might he consider more activity on the PA circuit?

"In the finals, maybe," he said with a smile.

A recap of the championships:

3-Year-Old Colt & Gelding Pacers — Royaltyhasarrived

The Western Terror-Her Mattjesty gelding already was a 15-time winner — including a streak of 10 straight — this year, so his victory hardly was surprising. He retook for Brown past the quarter and scored in 1:54.4, 3-1/4 lengths better than John Paul. RN Nate finished third.

"He was in the stallion series last year but hurt himself," Schoeffel said of his \$15,000 yearling acquisition. "So I didn't stake him anywhere but the fairs. I wanted to keep it easy on him and not have him chasing horses. It worked out perfect."

Virginia Schoeffel, Kathy Schoeffel and Michael Munn campaign Royaltyhasarrived.

2-Year-Old Colt & Gelding Trotters — Major Matter

With his recent victory in a Keystone Classic split, Major Matter appeared to lay over the field. That's the way the race unfolded, as the Explosive-Matter-Tahiti Springs gelding grabbed the lead early and drew off to prevail by 5 lengths over Keystone Blade. OMG Hanover earned show.

"He was very good tonight," said winning driver Rick Beinhauer, who bred and owns Major Matter with Regina Beinhauer. "He was a little sore his last start, so we had to take care of that. He's a handy little horse and drives like a Cadillac — quick as a cat out of the gate."

3-Year-Old Colt & Gelding Trotters — Simeon

As Major Matter, Simeon boasted raceway and stakes victories, and he was just as dominant, prevailing on the front end in 1:58 for trainer/driver David Wade. The pocket-sitting Winborne Hanover, last year's freshman fairs champ, was a length back in second, while Silver Sierra rallied for show.

"His ability indicated to me that he was barely good enough for the stallion series," said Wade, who owns the Andover Hall-Keystone Ariana gelding — an \$11,000 yearling purchase — with Anne Wade, Gerald Brittingham and William Peel III. "The next in the progression is the fairs. He won't race any more this year. That's a good way to go out."

2-Year-Old Filly Trotters — Waterview Hanover

Winborne Hanover came up a touch short, but his half sister, Waterview Hanover (Explosive Matter-Wherley) upheld the family honor by going three wide down the backside and scoring an 11-1 upset victory for Dick Stillings. The win was a pleasant surprise for William Daugherty, Jr., who purchased the filly for \$28,000 and trains her for Susan Dougherty.

"When I saw Dick go three wide, I was afraid she would pull herself up," he said. "She's been known to do that, although not so much in a race. I was thinking maybe fourth or fifth."

2-Year-Old Filly Pacers — Worthy Jackie

Worthy Jackie and Ledford had a tall order — find a way to defeat Unbeamlikeable, who had lost only once in 14 starts. But they did it, moving second over to nail the favorite by a neck in 1:59.3. The first-over Gymnast Hanover completed the ticket.

"You wouldn't think going into the race that you could ever beat that other filly," Ledford said. "But the trip worked out well, and she raced well. At the top of the stretch, I thought I had it."

Sam Beegle trains the daughter of Sharks Gesture-Jakes Lil Sis for Bay Pond Racing Stable.

3-Year-Old Filly Pacers — Crumcake

Keystone I Wish was loose on the lead but tiring because of swift fractions. That was the signal for Eric Neal to tip Crumcake three wide down the backside and take aim at the leader. Crumcake triumphed in 1:57.1, 3-3/4 lengths better than the weary Keystone I Wish, with Sandslittledragon third.

"I think Eric was concerned that everybody would leave," said Pat Medors, who trains the homebred daughter of KF St Patrick-Cookie Crombie for Mike Medors and Yvonne Medors. "He made the right move apparently, but it was a long way to come. She's been a lot of fun this year. I was tickled to death."

2-Year-Old Colt & Gelding Pacers — Wagon Master

Ledford didn't want Wagon Master on the lead early and so found himself third over. But the son of Western Terror-Free At Last K made it work despite drifting wide in the lane, scoring in 1:58.1. Well Lets See was second, 3 lengths back, with early leader Billy's Falcon third.

"They said he has one big brush, and don't use it early or you won't have anything late," Ledford said. "He was running out a little bit; on the half-mile track, he usually runs in."

Mike Gillock conditions Wagon Master for Bob Key.

3-Year-Old Filly Trotters — Piano Rose

Piano Rose stalked her stablemate, Missive, from the pocket, then blew by in the stretch to down her by 2 lengths in 1:59.1. Lucky Shiimm closed well for third.

"I was pretty confident about her," Brown said. "Last time I raced her here, she left from the eight hole pretty good. She's always been able to leave, but tonight was probably the best she's been."

Ralph Del Priore, Jr. owns Piano Rose, a daughter of Muscle Massive-Jetty's Girl.

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**THE MEADOWS TO OFFER 186 LIVE PROGRAMS IN 2016 HIGHLIGHTED BY JULY 30
ADIOS FINAL**

WASHINGTON, PA, Dec. 25, 2015 — The Meadows Racetrack & Casino will offer 186 live racing programs in 2016, highlighted by the final of the 50th edition of the Delvin Miller Adios Pace for the Orchids Presented by Coors Light the evening of Saturday, July 30. Adios eliminations are set for Saturday afternoon, July 23.

For most of the year, The Meadows will present four live cards per week — Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday — each beginning at 1 PM. Other highlights of the 2016 schedule include:

- Live cards to complement each leg of the Thoroughbred Triple Crown with the special post time of 11:25 AM.
- A return to holiday racing. While The Meadows has been dark on holidays in recent years, the 2016 schedule features live racing on a number of major holidays, including Memorial Day, Independence Day and Labor Day. Post time for those holiday cards is 5 PM.
- An evening program Friday, Jan. 22, first post 5 PM, to celebrate The Meadows' champions of 2015. The Meadows Standardbred Owners Association will join with The Meadows in staging the event.
- One-week breaks from live racing before the Kentucky Derby and after the Adios and a three-week hiatus in September.

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THE MEADOWS TO REDUCE TRIFECTA TAKEOUT, OFFER \$5,000 GUARANTEE FOR EACH PICK 4

WASHINGTON, PA, Dec. 29, 2015 — When The Meadows Racetrack & Casino kicks off its 2016 live racing season on Monday, Jan. 4, some bettors may have a little more jingle in their pockets.

That's because effective Jan. 4, The Meadows is reducing its takeout rate on trifecta wagers from 27 percent to 20 percent, and it will begin offering \$5,000 total-pool guarantees for each Pick 4. The measures will result in higher payouts for players who win trifecta wagers and the possibility of large jackpots for each Pick 4.

Takeout is the amount of the pari-mutuel pool retained by racetracks for overhead; it's typically shared with such partners as horsemen's associations and a taxing body or bodies. The lower the takeout, the greater the percentage of the pool returned to bettors. In addition to reducing the trifecta takeout, the track will retain the current takeout rate for its other wagers — 17 percent for win, place and show, 20 percent for all other exotic wagers.

With the reduction, noted Kevin Decker, director of racing for The Meadows, the track offers one of harness racing's most attractive "blended" takeout rates — the weighted average of the takeout rates for all wagers.

"This is great news for our players, and it should significantly enhance the appeal of our trifectas," he said. "We are delighted to implement these improvements to enrich the experience of our fans."

The Meadows has been offering \$5,000 Pick 4 guarantees each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Effective Jan. 4, in continuing cooperation with the United States Trotting Association Strategic Wagering Initiative, the track will offer a \$5,000 Pick 4 guarantee with each live card.

Minimum wager for the Pick 4 is 50 cents. Since Pennsylvania law requires a minimum per-race wager of \$2, a player wagering at the 50-cent level must bet at least four tickets.

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THE MEADOWS TO OFFER 8 SPRING SERIES FOR YOUNG HORSES

WASHINGTON, PA, Jan. 13, 2016 — The Meadows Racetrack & Casino in March and April will offer eight early- and late-closing series, including four for 3- and 4-year-olds and four for sophomores only.

The events for 3- and 4-year-olds, which are limited to Pennsylvania-owned or -sired horses, each will feature three preliminary legs plus a championship with an estimated \$20,000 purse. The series for 3-year-olds, restricted to Pennsylvania-sired horses, include two preliminary legs and a final worth an estimated \$25,000.

Entry fee for each series is \$300. The series are:

- The Walter Russell Memorial Pace, 3- and 4-year-old colt and gelding pacers, first leg March 5
- The Donna Dunn Memorial Pace, 3- and 4-year-old filly and mare pacers, first leg Feb. 29
- The Ken Weaver Memorial Trot, 3- and 4-year-old colt and gelding trotters, first leg March 1
- The Mary Wohlmuth Memorial Trot, 3- and 4-year-old filly and mare trotters, first leg March 2
- The Atta Boy Dan Pace, 3-year-old colt and gelding pacers, first leg April 9
- The Do Mc Honor Pace, 3-year-old filly pacers, first leg April 4
- The Whata Donato Trot, 3-year-old filly trotters, first leg April 6
- The Classicality Trot, 3-year-old colt and gelding trotters, first leg April 5

Nominations close Feb. 15 for the 3- and 4-year-old events, March 15 for the sophomore series. For nomination forms or more information, contact The Meadows Race Office, 724.225.9897, or visit the track's Web site, meadowsgaming.com

EDITORS: Attached is a nomination form for the spring series at The Meadows.

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THE MEADOWS ADDS \$25,000 GUARANTEE FOR MONDAY PICK 5

WASHINGTON, PA, Jan. 24, 2016 — On Monday, Jan. 25, The Meadows Racetrack & Casino will offer a \$25,000 total-pool guarantee for its Pick 5 wager as part of the United States Trotting Association's Strategic Wagering Initiative. The guarantee was to be offered for the Pick 5 on Friday, Jan. 22, but those races were canceled due to weather.

Monday's card also includes a \$5,000 total-pool guarantee for the Pick 4, a regular feature of each program at The Meadows.

Minimum wager for the Pick 4 (races 4-7) and Pick 5 (races 9-13) is 50 cents. Since Pennsylvania law requires a minimum per-race wager of \$2, a player wagering at the 50-cent level must bet at least four tickets.

First post for Monday's program is 1 PM.

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PAYMENTS FOR DELVIN MILLER ADIOS, MEADOWS MATURITY TROTS DUE FEB. 15

WASHINGTON, PA, Jan. 26, 2016 — The Meadows Racetrack & Casino would like to remind trainers and owners that payments for the 50th Delvin Miller Adios Pace for the Orchids and The Meadows Maturity Trots for 4-year-olds and up are due by Feb. 15.

Payment for the Adios, a premier event for 3-year-old pacers with an estimated \$500,000 purse, is \$600. That payment also maintains the eligibility of sophomore pacing fillies to the \$150,000 (est) Quinton Patterson Adioo Volo. Eliminations for the Adios take place Saturday, July 23, with the Adios final and the Adioo Volo set for the following Saturday.

The Meadows Maturity Trots include an event for mares (June 11) and a stake for stallions and geldings (June 18), each with an estimated purse of \$50,000. A \$300 nomination fee is due by Feb. 15, with a second payment of \$600 due by March 15.

Checks for all events should be made payable to the Hambletonian Society. For more information, please contact the office of the race secretary, 724.225.9897.

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IRON MINE BUCKY OVERCOMES TOUGH START, SLOPPY SURFACE IN CURRIER & IVES

WASHINGTON, PA, May 21, 2016 — Iron Mine Bucky survived a miserable first quarter in the slop and went on to capture the faster division of Saturday's \$116,304 Currier & Ives at The Meadows. Cufflink Hanover took the other division in the stake for 3-year-old colt and gelding trotters.

Iron Mine Bucky hadn't raced since winning an Oct. 2 Keystone Classic split at The Meadows, and he got just the sort of journey — stuck outside — winning driver George Dennis didn't want.

"I wasn't expecting to get that rough a trip," Dennis said. "They didn't go that much early, and he got a little excited — first time out, first time in the mud. I didn't want to wrestle him back to last."

But the Hambletonian-eligible son of Explosive Matter-My Foolish Dream persevered on the outside and overpowered the leader, 2-5 favorite Hititoutofthepark. Iron Mine Bucky prevailed in 1:55.2, 1-1/2 lengths better than Steed, while Hititoutofthepark saved show.

"He really trotted strong up the backside and turned in a big mile," Dennis said. "I'm very, very pleased."

Greg Haverstick trains Iron Mine Bucky, who extended his career bankroll to \$132,023, for Iron Mine Branch LLC.

Cufflink Hanover has won three of four starts since adding hobbles, and he again looked useful and professional. He worked out a pocket trip behind Truemass Volo, then blew by him in the lane to triumph in 1:55.4. Hollywood Highway found late room for second, 2 lengths back, with Truemass Volo third.

"He's been getting lucky with his trips, and he's been racing good," said winning driver David Miller, who owns the Andover Hall-CR Savoire Faire gelding with the Enzed Racing Stable of the colt's trainer, Nifty Norman. "He seemed way sharper today than he did last week. He's coming along really nice."

\$70,500 Currier & Ives, 3-Year-Old Filly Trotters

Saturday's rain-soaked program also featured the filly division of the Currier & Ives, with Goodtogo Hanover rolling to her seventh consecutive victory. Lookin Sharp erased a sizable deficit to take the other split.

Goodtogo Hanover was away second for Brian Zendt, who moved her to the point before the quarter. The daughter of Explosive Matter-Grammy Hall held off the late challenge of the pocket-sitting Witness the Princess by 3/4 lengths in 1:56.4. Moots completed the ticket.

Goodtogo Hanover, who vaulted over \$100,000 in career earnings, is undefeated in seven outings this year, but she showed once again that she can be a handful until the gate folds.

"She was a little wild behind the gate — oh my gosh," Zendt said. "She had her head hung up on the gate for a minute. She was so mad I don't know how she didn't run. She makes you worry, but as long as you don't have her doubled up and mad, she'll be okay. She doesn't want to run. All she wants to do is get out of there."

Bill Zendt conditions Goodtogo Hanover and owns with Gary Saul.

Lookin Sharp, the 4-5 favorite, trailed the leader, Sunset Glider, by 3 lengths at the three-quarters when Matt Kakaley suggested it was time to get busy. She tracked down Sunset Glider and downed her by a neck in 1:57, with My Pink Bike third.

"Of all the horses we sent to Florida (for the winter), she's probably one of the horses who grew up and matured the most," said Tyler Butenschoen, assistant to winning trainer John Butenschoen. "I saw a big difference in her. She showed late in the year she could go with the best fillies. The more the year went on, the more she learned and the better she got."

William Wiswell and M&I of Delaware campaign the daughter of Andover Hall-Warrawee Krisp, who soared over \$200,000 in career earnings.

EDITORS: Attached are finish-line jugs of Iron Mine Bucky and Goodtogo Hanover winning their Currier & Ives splits Saturday at The Meadows.

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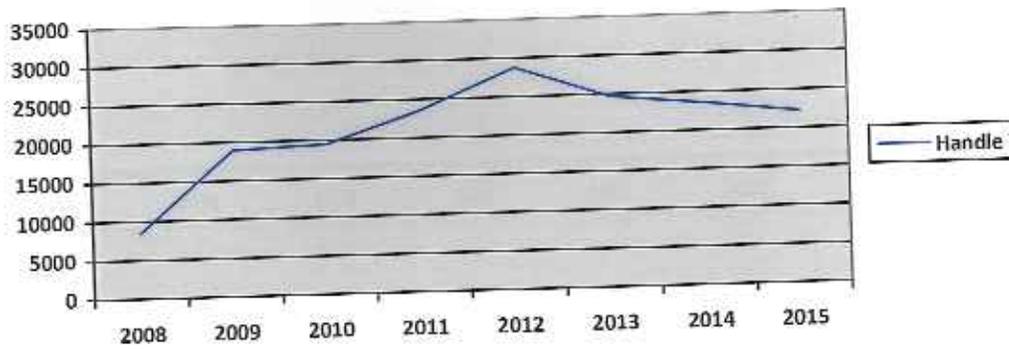
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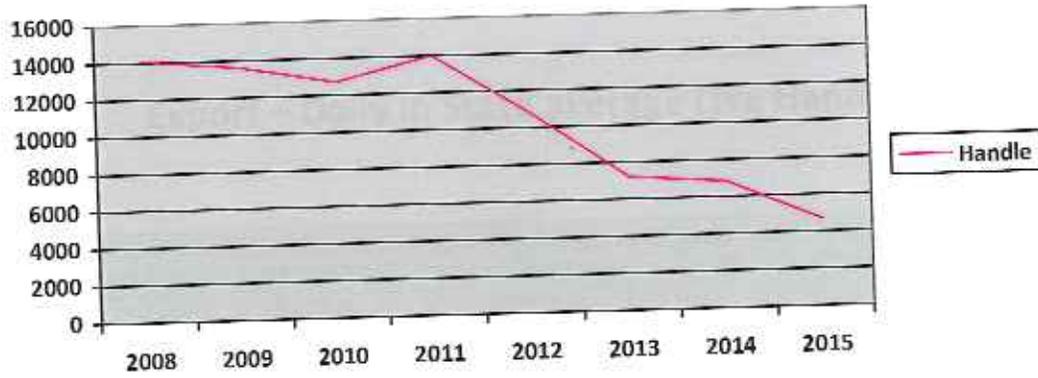
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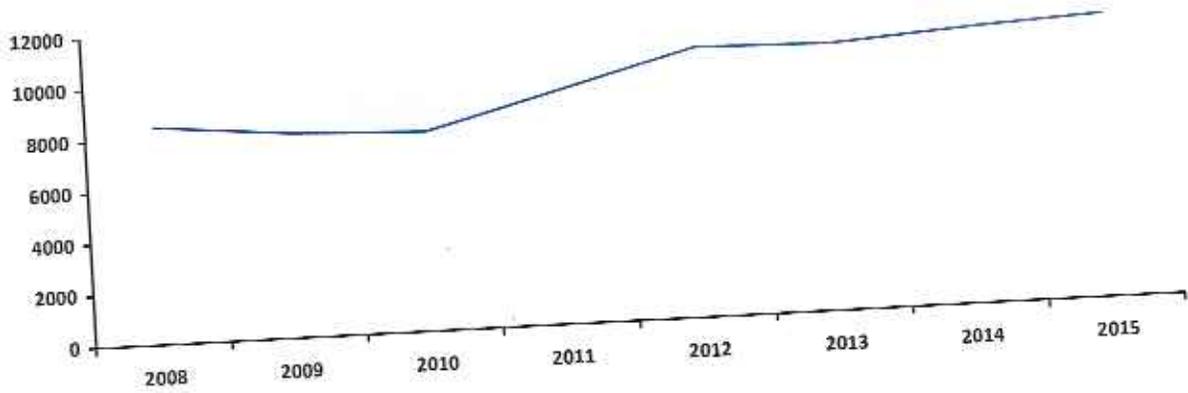
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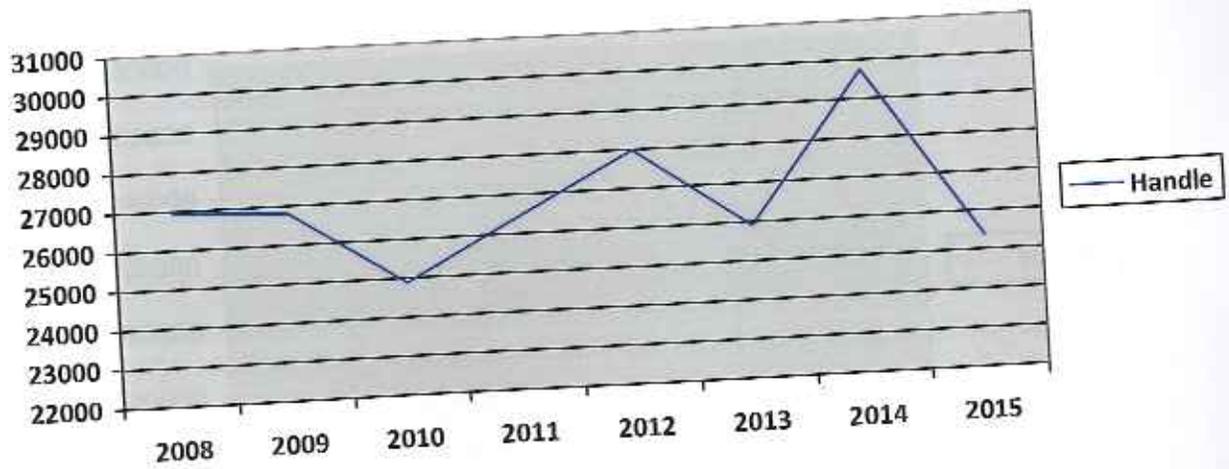
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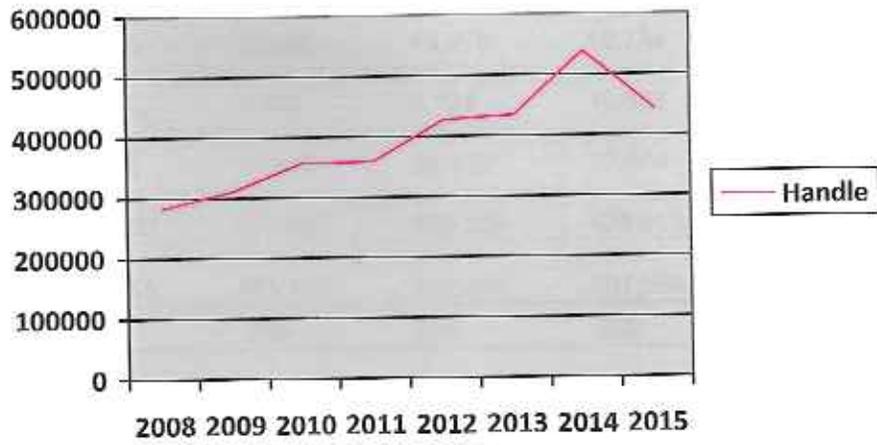
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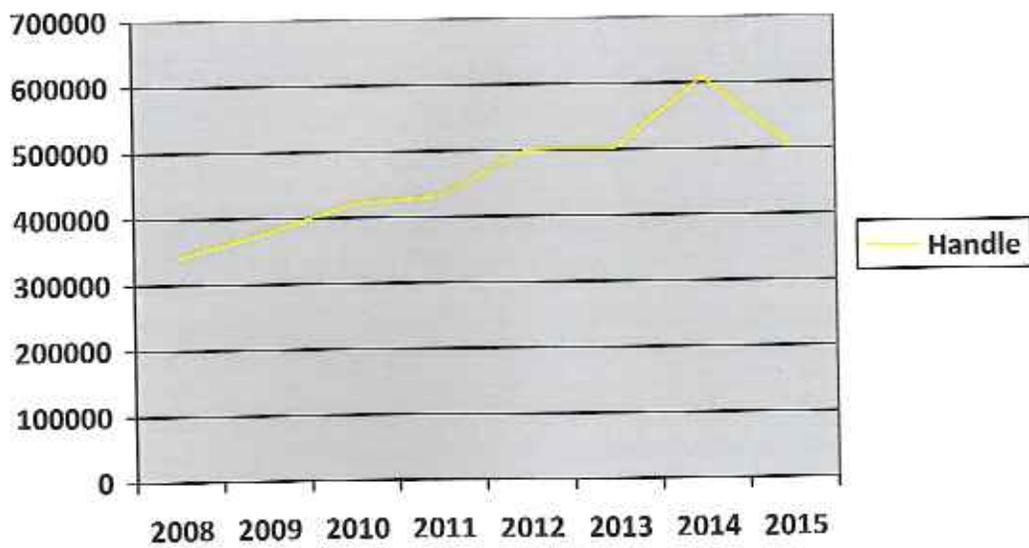
Export – Daily In State average Live Handle



Export – Average Daily Live Handle Out of State



All Sources – Average Daily Live Handle



Total Handle

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
On-Track -- Live	1,760,710	4,045,182	4,895,435	5,974,975	5,131,182	4,885,747	4,325,701
Off-Track -- Live	2,937,929	2,639,618	2,907,571	2,236,750	1,495,481	1,415,278	905,524
ADW -- Live	1,765,028	1,619,939	1,897,846	2,184,719	2,162,828	2,235,109	2,149,119
In-State Live Export -- Out of State	5,633,367	5,173,462	5,497,500	5,818,570	5,385,517	6,183,490	4,945,780
	59,058,202	74,174,358	74,544,941	88,111,417	90,930,029	111,979,096	86,274,721
Sub-total Live	<u>71,155,236</u>	<u>87,652,559</u>	<u>89,743,293</u>	<u>104,326,431</u>	<u>104,405,037</u>	<u>126,698,720</u>	<u>98,600,845</u>
Meadows Account Wagering Sumulcast Import	17,430,681	15,464,814	17,485,575	19,283,286	19,386,536	21,759,237	22,139,618
	11,891,981	15,226,714	14,620,251	16,702,350	17,702,974	17,480,298	16,633,239
Sub-Total On-track	<u>100,477,898</u>	<u>118,344,087</u>	<u>121,849,119</u>	<u>140,312,067</u>	<u>141,494,547</u>	<u>165,938,255</u>	<u>137,373,502</u>
New Castle	21,900,664	18,880,236	16,383,523	15,485,035	13,898,230	11,224,020	-
Harmar	26,691,294	16,364,143	15,391,931	16,441,147	15,625,420	16,629,201	14,971,071
Moon	19,616,830	14,159,695	13,240,015	12,900,140	6,835,869	-	-
West Mifflin	20,213,446	14,279,580	11,336,673	2,573,962	-	-	-
Sub-Total OTB	<u>88,422,234</u>	<u>63,683,654</u>	<u>56,352,142</u>	<u>47,400,284</u>	<u>36,359,519</u>	<u>27,853,221</u>	<u>14,971,071</u>
Grand Total	<u>188,900,132</u>	<u>182,027,741</u>	<u>178,201,261</u>	<u>178,201,261</u>	<u>187,712,351</u>	<u>177,854,066</u>	<u>152,344,573</u>

Comments

The Meadows LIVE handle

- On-Track (14%) – Poor weather to start the year and throughout spring, two week closing during late August, oversaturation of night racing during spring and summer
- Off Track (33%) – Declining number of OTBs in the state
- Meadows Account Wagering (1%) – Less races per day during five day per week season vs 2013 (March through August)
- Export +2% - Larger fields in the fall; Introduction of guaranteed wagering pools;
- In State (7%) – Declining number of outlets operated by other PA tracks

Off-Track Handle

- Harmar (5%) – Poor weather first part of year

Plans To Increase Live & Simulcast Handle

- Continue strong working relationship by supporting the Meadows Standardbred Owners Association marketing efforts with various racing related promotions
- Engagement of full time Racing Rewards & Promotions Manager
- Stakes racing on Saturdays throughout spring, summer, and early fall
- Exploiting Racing Rewards loyalty program (bonus points earned when betting on The Meadows)
- Daily press releases promoting the top races and events daily
- Meadows handicapping contests on live and simulcast harness and thoroughbred events throughout the year
- Thoroughbred and Harness survivor contests leading into premier tracks
- Reassessment of retention rates and additional Pick N wagers and Super Hi-5
- Live radio remote broadcasts on major live and simulcast race events
- Continue to build the Adios, Triple Crown, and other major race days both On and Off Track into huge parties and event days
- Continue initiatives that increase the maximum number of participants in a race to 10
- Adios Week (Miss Adios, stakes race placement, giveaways...)
- Regularly scheduled Guaranteed Wagering Pools along with Instant Guaranteed Wagering Pools on major carryover days (In cooperation with the United States Trotting Association's Strategic Wagering Initiative)
- Saturday racing returns

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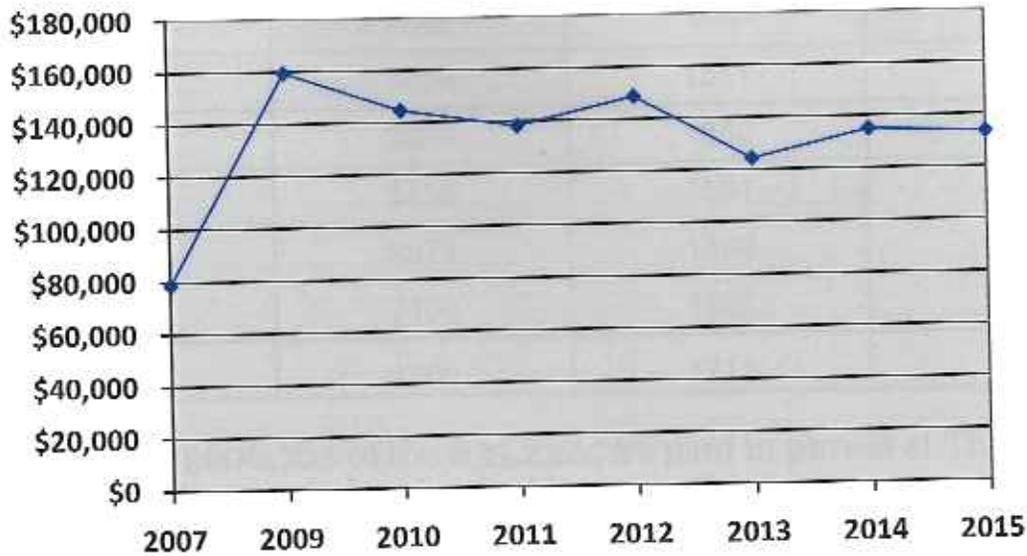
- Meadow Racing Website features free live streaming of races and replays
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- iStream (Player Rewards)
<https://themeadows.customerentry.com/portal/>
- Meadows Racing YouTube Channel
<http://www.youtube.com/user/Meadowsracing>

Co-Marketing of Racing and Casino Tie-ins (to approximately 130,000)

- Monthly Casino Mailers (130,000 mailers)
- Triple Crown "Bob" Lotto Machines
- Bet \$5/Get \$5 wagering coupon in mailer

Part III. Purse

Average Purses Paid



	<u>2007</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Overnight Purses Paid	16,109,887	33,152,280	30,069,220	28,729,620	30,900,698	25,834,971	28,057,320	26,013,782
Race Days	205	208	208	208	208	208	208	195
Average Daily Purse Paid	78,585	159,386	144,564	138,123	148,562	124,207	134,890	133,404

Native Breeding Industry

Pennsylvania Owned Or Sired Analysis

The Meadows	# of Races	# of PA Races	% of PA Races
2008	3012	375	12%
2009	2882	914	31%
2010	3038	1511	54%
2011	3033	1880	62%
2012	3158	1581	50%
2013	2973	1889	63%
2014	3108	1926	62%
2015	2760	1711	62%

In 2015, \$23,606,763 of the \$35,232,796 paid in purses at The Meadows was earned by Pennsylvania-sired horses. This compares to \$15,950,000 of the \$32,000,000 paid in 2008.

The percent of winning favorites was 40.6% in 2015, comparing favorably to the other North American tracks. Both Pocono and Philadelphia were over 44%.

Plans to Increase Pennsylvania Sired or Owned:

- Continue funding PA Sired two and three year old Early Closing Event (Keystone Classic) – 8 Divided Races with a cost estimated at \$100,000.
- Continue writing races restricted to two and three year old PA-Sired as Preferred first choice, then PA Owned second if Sired Only do not fill. Purses will continue to have a 10% increase in the restricted events.
- Support the PA Stallion Series as events continue to grow each year.
- Continue supplemental funding for PA Sires Stakes Finals and Consolations.
- Continue strong commitment to PA Sired or Owned overnight events as class availability exists.

Part IV

Class

Purse Structure at The Meadows 2009 - 2015

<u>Class</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
\$5000 Claimer	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$4,100	\$4100	\$4100
\$10,000 Claimer	\$9,500	\$9,000	\$9,500	\$9,500	\$7,300	\$7300	\$7300
Maiden	\$8,000	\$7,600	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$6,800	\$7,500	\$7500
Non-Winners 2	\$12,500	\$11,400	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$9,500	\$11,400	\$10,500
Open	\$27,500	\$25,000	\$27,500	\$27,500	\$22,500	\$22,500	\$22,500

PA Owned or Restricted Races at The Meadows 2009 - 2015

<u>Class</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Lowest claimer	x	x	x	x	x	x	X
Maiden condition claimer	x	CNW	CNW	CNW	CNW	CNW	CNW
2 year old Non winners 1	x	x	x	x	x	x	X
Non-winners 2 cond claimer	x	x	x	x	x	x	X
Non-winners 3 cond claimer	X	x	x	x	x	x	X
Non-winners 6 cond claimer	X	x	x	x	x	x	X
Maiden or Non-winners 1	x	x	x	x	x	x	X
Non winners of 2 races	x	x	x	x	x	x	X
3 year old non winners 2 races	CNW	X	x	x	x	x	X
3 year old non winners 3 races	CNW	X	x	x	x	x	X
Lowest money earned per start	x	X	x	x	x	x	X
Non winners \$6500 last 5 starts	x	X	x	x	x	x	X
Claimers below \$11,000	x	x	x	x	x	x	X

CNW - Class not written

Part V

Residency

Residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania participating in the racing program at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino

- It is estimated that between 70% - 75% of the trainers that participate in the racing program at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino are Pennsylvania Residents
- About 65% of the horses that compete at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino are owned by Pennsylvania Residents.
- The top 20 trainers at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino are Pennsylvania residents.

USTA Membership	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change
Pennsylvania	1725	1754	1729	1688	1719	1686	1632	1354	-17.0
United States	22286	21396	20376	19345	18901	18054	17276	16856	-2.4
Mares Bred	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change
Pennsylvania	2972	2999	2924	2542	2486	2608	2176	1950	-10.4
United States	13449	12178	11652	10851	10568	10566	10139	12325	21.6

Washington Trotting Association will continue to be supportive of initiatives to attract new owners to the sport.

Quality of Racing



2015 Racing Quality Metrics

Track	Average Starters / Race	Average win pay
Meadows	8.37	\$11.92
Meadowlands	8.86	\$12.34
Philadelphia	7.79	\$10.81
Pocono	8.28	\$10.70

In 2014, The Meadows percentage of winning favorites was 41.1% compared to 40.6% in 2014. The lower the percentage means that the betting favorite is winning less of the time, theoretically increasing the average winning payoff. Typically, a track that races as many days as The Meadows will have a percentage of winning favorites in the low to mid 40% range.

Other Statistics

The Meadows Racetrack (Race dates)	2013 (208)	2014 (208)	2015 (195)	pct diff '14	pct diff '15
Total number of races	2,971	3,108	2,760	4.6	(13.2)
Races with at least 1 PA-sired	2,964	3,100	2,730	4.6	(11.9)
Percentage of races with at least 1 PA-sired	99.7	99.9	99.9	0.1	0.0
Total Purses distributed	\$35,911,380	\$36,933,108	\$35,232,796	2.8	(4.6)
Purse won by PA-sired horses	\$24,218,904	\$24,993,273	\$23,606,763	3.2	(5.5)
Percentage of purse won by PA-sired horses	67.4	67.7	67.0	0.4	(1.0)
Total number of horse starts	24,736	25,786	22,986	4.2	(10.9)
Starts by PA-Sired horses	15,644	16,392	14,599	4.8	(10.9)
Percentage of starts by PA-sired horses	63.2	63.6	63.5	0.1	(0.1)
Number of PA-sired horses that competed	1,764	1,755	1,671	(0.5)	(4.8)
Condition races	1,611	1,588	1,477	(1.4)	(7.0)
Stakes races	270	273	251	1.1	(8.1)
Claiming races	1,090	1,247	1,003	14.4	(19.6)
Claiming races with at least 1 PA-sired	1,083	1,245	1,001	15.0	(19.6)
Percentage Clm races with at least 1 PA-sired	99.4	99.9	99.9	0.5	0.0
Races with all horses PA-sired	300	366	257	22.0	(29.8)
Purses for races with all horses PA-Sired	\$9,018,725	\$8,658,992	\$8,544,267	(4.0)	(1.3)