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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to you all and a warm welcome to the first edition of the BHRC Calendar for 2021.

With the start of the season just around the corner, there appears a light at the end of the Covid tunnel and the noises from the governments around the country seem to be suggesting that we can welcome fans back to the race meetings in the new season.

Of course, nothing is guaranteed but there is an air of optimism now about a near normal fixture programme playing out, both on the hard tracks and grass.

We can look forward to the pacers racing under a new handicap system, with the New Zealand ratings based model being activated, the belief is this will encourage more horses to be competitive and remain in training.

The interest in the Trot Britain/Le Trot initiative has led to a few more new investors, hopefully this means the strong 2020 season can be replicated this year.

We are still looking at the continued coverage of our sport via live streaming platforms, this was such a positive during the days of racing behind closed doors, but even with the return of crowds it is hoped the

tracks can continue to provide a service, particularly with the support of off course betting.

You may be aware that the BHRC, in conjunction with the A Class Drivers, have worked on altering the whip rules and penalties, mirroring the rules introduced into Australia last year.

Harness Racing Australia officials, led by Chief Executive Andrew Kelly, invited officials and drivers from Britain to a Zoom discussion on the whip, which we found most informative.

In fact, our Australian cousins have extended the hand of friendship by inviting BHRC officials to future Zoom seminars, in addition to sharing their findings on whip research.

Since December the faces and numbers on the Board of Directors has changed significantly, the directors, along with other harness racing figures, have formed a number of subcommittees to deal with various aspects of the business. I have to say these committees are working tirelessly for the betterment of the sport.

All too often the BHRC have been accused by licence holders of operating a 'secret society,' that we haven't been transparent, well in the last 12 months I would like to think

this has changed with regular social media and website updates, in addition to the recently introduced monthly news bulletins.

In the next 12 months it is hoped there will be many improvements made to the sport and the structure of governance, this includes an attempt to present licence holders with a right to vote directly for those all important matters, in other words introducing one person one vote.

You are all probably aware Heulwen Bulman operates as our Secretary remotely and we have now surrendered our lease of the Goole office.

On a lighter note, I have to thank

the Awards Committee for their work in celebrating our 2020 champions and formulating a new voting model, this led to a Virtual Awards Ceremony which was made possible technically by the 'mistress of the Excel Sheet' Sarah Thomas.

Sarah worked tirelessly to make our ceremony successful and entertaining, a wonderful substitute for the real thing but let's hope we can have that real life experience for the 2021 Season.

In the meantime, may I thank all our Calendar contributors and wish you all a great read.

Darren Owen
BHRC Chairman

National Ratings Based Handicap System

Introduction: What is a handicap rating?

In essence a handicap rating is a numeric representation of a horse's form and, therefore, its perceived level of ability at any given time.

This system is designed to help provide a fluid racing environment so horses can compete against those of similar ability. It is loosely based on the NZ system, where it was introduced due to a dwindling horse population which led to their old system causing many horses to

become uncompetitive (that was a very similar system to our current one and we have the same problem with horse numbers).

The principles of the National Ratings Based Handicap System (NRBHS) are that it is fair, consistent and transparent and provides for the highest levels of integrity at all times. It is also extremely user-friendly and offers the opportunity to provide a more appealing racing product.

Under the NRBHS, a horse will receive an automatic numeric rating based on its finishing position after every race. Therefore, an owner, trainer or any

interested party would be able to easily update a horse's rating using the simple matrix that follows below, which details the ratings points applicable to each finishing position within a particular prizemoney band.

The rating of each horse should be published on the website and on the race card next to the horse's name.

The minimum possible rating would be 10 and the maximum possible rating would be 120.

This system would favour preferred racing but for races with a wide spread in the ratings one rating point would equate to one yard.

The following table shows how to convert the current BHRC system to the NRBHS.

BHRC Handicap grade	NRBHS equivalent
Maiden	18
Novice	26
Grade 1	34
Grade 2	42
Grade 3	50
Grade 4	58
Grade 5	66
Grade 6	74
Grade 7	82
Grade 8	90
Grade 9	98
Grade 10	106

The following tables show the Ratings Points Matrix and the Place money penalties on a sliding scale.

Win Points Matrix

Prizemoney	1 st Racehorse	1 st 2 yr. Old approx 40%	1 st 3 yr. Old approx 70%	10 yrs. & older 75%	2 nd & 3 rd	4 th & 5 th with money	4 th & 5 th no money	6 th to 10 th	11 th & 12 th
Up to £300	+8	+3	+6	+6	*	*	-1	-2	-3
£301-£600	+10	+4	+7	+8	*	*	-1	-2	-3
£601-£1000	+12	+5	+8	+9	*	*	-1	-2	-3
£1001-£1500	+14	+6	+10	+10	*	*	-1	-2	-3
£1501-£2500	+16	+7	+11	+12	*	*	-1	-2	-3
£2501-£5000	+20	+8	+14	+15	*	*	-1	-2	-3
£5001 or more	+24	+9	+16	+18	*	*	-1	-2	-3

* See table below for place money penalties

Place money Matrix (can be for 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th place)

Racehorse	2 year old 40%	3 year old 70%	10 year old & older 75%
£0-£100	0	0	0
£101-£200	+1	0	+1
£201-£350	+2	0	+2
£351-£500	+3	+1	+2
£501-£700	+4	+1	+3
£701-£900	+5	+2	+4
£901-£1200	+6	+2	+5
£1201-£1500	+7	+3	+5
£1501 +	+8	+3	+6

General information.

- 1. Maidens/Qualifiers** enter the system on a rating of 18 points
- 2. 2 year olds** enter on a rating of 14 points
- 3. 3 year olds** shall not begin the season rated below 18 points
- All BHRC horses will be imported to this system using the conversion chart above.
- A non-winning horse will carry the letter **M** next to its rating number.
- Any points are added to or subtracted from a horses existing rating. See the Win Points Matrix table above for the win points relevant to each race.
- Penalise **placed horses** only for place money in excess of £100, see the Place money Matrix above.
- The lowest rating will be 10 points
- The highest rating will be 120 points.
- One point equals one yard for handicapping purposes.
- Once a horse achieves **one win** it cannot drop below a rating of 18

12. Once a horse achieves **two wins** it cannot drop below a rating of 26
13. **2 year olds** get penalised 40% of the total points accumulated in 2 year old only races.
14. **3 year olds** get penalised 70% of the total points accumulated in 3 year old only races.
15. **10 year olds and older** get penalised 75% of the total points accumulated.
16. **10 year olds** will receive a deduction of ten points and for each birthday thereafter.
17. **Claiming race winners** would receive no penalty but non-placed would lose points in line with the matrix.
18. **Dead heaters.** The relevant points would be totalled and divided by the number of dead heaters and rounded down to a round number.
19. **Mares** can receive up to a FIVE point allowance at the promotor's discretion if advertised in advance.
20. **Mares only races** with a first prize of £450 or less get a 50% penalty reduction
21. **Veteran horse only races** (ten years and older) with a first prize of £300 or less get a 50% penalty reduction.
22. **Non-winners races** with a first prize of £300 or less get a 50% penalty reduction limited to non-winners in the last 6 or more starts.
23. Downward **handicap freeze** for 5 races, if a horse is found not running on

their merits.

24. C-class drivers

- a) C class drivers only races. For four year and older horses rated 26 or higher. Horses are entitled to one c-class win penalty free in their career (to be marked with a * next to the horses rating).
- b) C class drivers will get a concession point's lift in races with a first prize of £1000 or less and only on a 4 year old or older horse rated 26 or higher. 16 points for 0 to 3 wins, 8 points for 4 to 7 wins. A horses rating cannot be dropped below 26 irrespective of the drivers points claim.
- c) When a C-class driver wins the final permissible concession claim race at a meeting where the driver has further driving engagements, the driver will be permitted to claim the relevant concession for the remainder of the meeting and any other meeting on the same day.
- d) When a C-class driver claiming a concession is unable to fulfil a race engagement he/she shall only be replaced by a driver who is eligible to claim a concession of equal or greater rating points.
25. **Preferred races** can only be ran with a spread of 30 points or less, (unless clearly advertised by the promotor in advance of the entries being taken). If a spread of more than 30 points occurs

the race shall be ran as a handicap, using the top rated horse in the event to form the yardage bands.

26. Race clubs and promoters who wish to run a handicap shall take the yardage bands from the top horse entered in that particular event in increments of ten yards e.g. if the top horse entered is rated 120 the bands would be 120,110,100,90,80 etc. but if the top horse entered was 87 the yardage bands would be 87,77 67,57,47 etc.

27. Horses have to achieve a rating of at least 32 to compete in handicap heat and finals.

28. Race clubs or promoters who run one or more heat and final events are to advertise, that the runners for the top handicap, are being taken from the top of the ratings and working downward to find the advertised amount of entries. With the exception being if a FFA or OPH race is ran. If a promotor does run a FFA/OPH alongside a heat and final then it is at the promotor's discretion whether that race is comprised of horses that choose to enter that specific event or to take the top rated X number of horses to make up that race. The heat and final will then be comprised of X number of horses taken from the top of the handicap ratings downward. (X is the advertised number of horses required to make up that event).

29. Finals ran with a qualifying heat on the same day will be classed as one race when calculating the penalty to be applied. The win matrix will be used to calculate the penalty for a horse that wins either a heat or final or both but the place matrix will be used for a horse that places in a heat or final or both. E.g. a horse winning £100 for 2nd in a heat and £2000 for 1st in the final will be penalised for a total of £2100 using the win matrix. But a horse winning £100 for 2nd in a heat and £500 for 2nd in the final would be penalised for a total of £600 using the place matrix.

30. Race clubs and promoters will have the ability to programme races based on conditions e.g. non-winners, winners of one race, non-winner last five, unplaced last 5 starts etc.

31. Heats having a final run on the same day, with the final carrying a first prize of £1001 or more **must be framed** in correct ratings order from the top rated horse to the bottom. No O/T/D splits.

32. Splitting for Owner/Trainer/Driver

It is recommended under this system that all races be framed around the ratings of the horses entered rather than the O/T/D of the horses as this will enable the ratings system to work at its optimum level in terms of providing a fair handicapping system based on a horse's ability and current

form. However it is recognised that this is not always possible in some circumstances when promoters are framing a card. To ensure as much fairness as possible in this situation a promotor should ensure where splits for O/T/D do occur that they retain the essence of the handicap.

33. The best horses race for the most money. It is recommended promoters use a tiered system when calculating total prize money per race. E.g. for a regular meeting the highest rated race would carry a purse of at least 50% more than the lowest rated race on the card.

34. Purse distribution. No more than 70% of the total race purse will go to the winner.

35. Draws for starting position. Promoters are encouraged to develop a track grid for preferred races. Races can be drawn using the following.

- 1. A random ballot.
- 2. Preferential using the horses rating.
- 3. On the horses winnings last 5 starts.

36. Non BHRC horses.

a) Horses coming from **W&BC** would need to provide a detailed lifetime history of all races and monies won to get a rating. See the accompanying chart. A horse that has previously raced with the BHRC cannot return on a lower rating than that which they left with, for a minimum of 2 racing seasons. A horse

who has raced as Grade B or higher with W&BC can enter this system with a rating no lower than 34.

b) Horses coming from the **IHRA** would need to provide a detailed lifetime history of all races and monies won to get a rating. See the accompanying chart. If the horse in question has previously held a BHRC handicap grade, this would be converted to NRBHS using the conversion table and any subsequent runs from the date of their last BHRC race would be factored into calculating its current rating. The exchange rate on January 1st of the current year will be used for currency conversions.

c) Horses coming from **USA /Canada** would need to provide a detailed lifetime history of all races and monies won to get a rating. See the accompanying chart. Horses that have not won a race will remain a maiden. The exchange rate on January 1st of the current year will be used for currency conversions.

IHRA and Wales & Borders conversion chart (place penalties are the same as the earlier chart)

Prizemoney	1st	2nd	3rd	4 th & 5 th with prizemoney	4 th & 5 th no prizemoney	6 th - Last
£0-£50	+2	*	*	*	-1	-2
£51-£125	+4	*	*	*	-1	-2
£126-£200	+6	*	*	*	-1	-2
£201-£300	+8	*	*	*	-1	-2
£301-£600	+10	*	*	*	-1	-2
£601-£1000	+12	*	*	*	-1	-2
£1001-£1500	+14	*	*	*	-1	-2
£1501-£2500	+16	*	*	*	-1	-2
£2501-£5000	+20	*	*	*	-1	-2
£5001 or more	+24	*	*	*	-1	-2

Prize money bands for USA/Canadian imports based on overseas earnings:

Lifetime earnings	Rating
£500 to £5,000	40 points
£5,001 to £10,000	50 points
£10,001 to £20,000	60 points
£20,001 to £30,000	70 points
£30,001 to £40,000	80 points
£40,001 to £50,000	90 points
£50,001 or more	100 points

CALLUM MURDOCH

In this edition of the Calendar 15 year old Hamilton College student Callum Murdoch pays tribute to some of the stars of US harness racing.

Callum, a regular at Corbiewood, has grown up around his parents Cathy and George's horses, and aspires to make a career as an equine vet, not before driving in North America.

His equine favourites are Always B Miki and Bettors Wish with Tim Tetrick and Dexter Dunn his driving heroes.

We wish him luck and send our thanks for this excellent piece.

Superstars in the States

SHARTIN N

Shartin N, the daughter of Bagdarin by Tintin In America, showed the harness racing world her talent since she landed in the Land of Liberty in the autumn of 2017. When she settled Stateside, she came with a warning from her previous trainer to Jim King Jr. that she can be "a bit bossy." Although she has a pleasant demeanor in the barn, King soon realised that she was not one



to be toyed with, and she could become pugnacious on the racetrack. She took the racing scene by storm in 2018 when making her first U.S. stakes debut. This race was the first division of the Blue Chip Matchmaker, where she drew number 1 on the gate. During her time in the States, she managed to win an impressive 46 of her 68 starts. Driven by her co-owner Tim Tetrick in every mile she raced and Shartin N became the fastest mare in the history of harness racing in the 2019 Lady Liberty at the Meadowlands, setting a lifetime mark of 1:46.4. This earned her the 2019 Dan Patch Horse of the Year Award. She has earned a



staggering \$2.7 million during her racing career, which averages at around \$39,000 per start. In the fall of 2020 she was sold to Ola Yoder for an undisclosed fee and is set to be bred to Captaintreacherous this year.

Some of her major racing victories include:

- \$402,600 Blue Chip Matchmaker
- \$330,000 'Roses Are Red' Pace
- \$137,000 Artiscape
- \$179,550 Golden Girls

KISSIN IN THE SAND

Kissin In The Sand, the daughter of Kiss Me Kate by Somebeachsomewhere, has had a remarkable career to say the least.

"She is by far the toughest racehorse that I have been around, she saw brutal miles at 3 and came back and raced strong for 2 more seasons", the 2020 NA Trainer of the Year, Nancy Takter recently told me. But let's go back to the beginning, 2015 to be specific.

That was the year she was foaled at Concord Stud Farm. At the 2016 Lexington Yearling Sale she was sold to Jimmy Takter for \$130,000, not a lot compared to the \$1.74 million she has earned during her racing career.

Nancy Takter described her experience when breaking her in, *"Kissin [In The Sand] was a handful to break. It took 5 people to hook*

her every day and she would just stop on the track and turn and look at me. Eventually with lots of patience she got over all that and by her retirement she was an absolute sweetheart."

Kissin In The Sand won her first Dan Patch Award in 2018 and another last year. She won 26 of her 57 lifetime starts. To add to all the success during her career, she set a stakes record of 1:48 in the \$150,000 TVG Mares Pace, this being the final start of her astounding career. She is set to be bred to the mighty Tall Dark Stranger.

Some of her most notable 2020 victories include:

2020 Breeders Crown Mare
Pace
Dayton Distaff Derby
Milton Stakes
Allerage Farms Mare Pace

"Kissin In The Sand was so special to me in many ways. The year she was 2 my whole barn was sick and racing terribly and she showed up every week and raced great and kept me in the spotlight which enabled me to buy Captain Crunch that fall at the sale...that really got

the ball rolling for my stable when Kissin [In The Sand] and [Captain] Crunch both won Dan Patch Awards in 2018." Nancy Takter



BETTORS WISH

Bettors Wish, the son of Bettors Delight out of Lifetime Star, was trained by Chris Ryder and driven by 'The Wonder from Down Under', and champion driver, Dexter Dunn. Born in 2016 and bred by Brittany Farms, he was sold at the 2017 Lexington Selected Yearling Sale to Chris Ryder, Bella Racing and Fair Island Farm. Considering that Bettors Wish has won over \$2.6 million, the sale fee of \$20,000 made him an absolute bargain!

"He was never sick and he never

tied up. He won races when he had a sore pus pocket in his foot. He just kept going”, Chris Ryder recently told me. This just shows how Bettors Wish is one of the toughest racehorses on the planet.

He was the 3yo Pacing Colt of the Year in 2019, and was the leading money earner in the same year. He has a lifetime mark of 1:47.3 which he set in the \$229,660 Sam McKee Memorial.

Bettors Wish ended his sensational career on the 21st of November 2020 with a spectacular win in the \$340,000 TVG Open Final, and a magnificent drive by Dexter Dunn.

Bettors Wish will be standing at stud at Diamond Creek Farm, PA, for a fee of \$10,000.

Some of his most notable wins include:

Allerage Open Pace in 1:48 for \$150,000

Dayton Pacing Derby for \$176,500

2020 Invitational Pace for \$25,000

Art Rooney Pace

Carl Milstein Memorial

Matron Stakes for \$248,350

NA Cup elimination winner and runner up in the final.

\$540,000 Tatterstalls Pace

“He means so much to me and my family it’s hard to describe. Dexter [Dunn] understands, that’s why he did the famous salute at the wire in his final race, TVG Final, he made good horses look ordinary. He won



that race and Dexter Dunn never turned the whip. Standardbreds are exceptional, they can give you so much, he [Bettors Wish] is the ultimate example. He is the modern day Cam Fella all day long. The world's greatest driver [Dexter Dunn] says he [Bettors Wish] is his favourite, what more could you say."

Chris Ryder told me.

GIMPANZEE

Gimpanzee, son of Chapter Seven out of Steamy Window and foaled in 2016, was trained by Marcus Melander and driven to victory on 25 occasions by Brian Sears. From 34 starts, Gimpanzee visited the winners circle 25 times, finished second twice and be placed third on 3 occasions. Gimpanzee set an

astounding lifetime mark of 1:51.3. He managed to win the Breeders Crown an impressive 3 times, firstly as a 2yo then he repeated again as a 3yo and then again as a 4yo. In 2018, he went an unbeaten 9 wins in 9 starts, this earned him a well-deserved Dan Patch Award. From his 25 triumphs, he earned a total of \$2.7 million.

Gimpanzee will be standing at stud at Diamond Creek Farm for a stud fee of \$30,000.

Some of his most notable wins were:

Hambletonian Maturity - \$464,900
The John Cashman Jr. Memorial Trot - \$291,350
Yonkers Trot - \$500,000
Empire Breeders Classic



Caesars Trotting Classic -
\$150,000
Graduate Series Final
New York Sire Stakes (NYSS)
Final
Matron - \$208,300

TALL DARK STRANGER

Tall Dark Stranger, by the champion sire Bettors Delight out of Precocious Beauty, was foaled in 2017 and went on to be trained by top-trainer Nancy Takter and be driven by the one and only Yannick Gingras. Tall Dark Stranger was sold at the 2018 Lexington Selected Yearling Sale to Judy Chaffee of Caviart Farms, Crawford Farms of Syracuse N.Y., Marvin Katz of Toronto Ont., and Howard Taylor of Philadelphia for a fee of \$330,000. The 2020 NA Trainer of the Year,

Nancy Takter, recently told me that, "He was pretty laid back in training, never felt like "wow he's going to race great this week". He just kind of did what he had to do on training days and that was it. Put him behind the starting gate a whole new animal came out of him."

Some horses may be champions on the track but can be frustrating at home. Nancy recently told me, "One annoying thing about him was he loved to get out of his paddock. Must have jumped the fence perfectly at least 3 times as a 2 year-old."

Tall Dark Stranger was victorious in 19 of his 22 lifetime starts, managing to set an impressive lifetime mark of 1:47.1. From his



racing career Tall Dark Stranger racked up earnings of over \$2.4 million, now that's impressive!

Four of his wonder wins in 2020 were clocked faster than 1:48 proving that he has super speed as well stamina that was beyond belief.

Tall Dark Stranger will be standing at stud at Hanover Shoe Farms, PA, for a stud fee of \$20,000.

Some of his most notable wins include:

Meadowlands Pace
North America Cup
Cane Pace

Tatterstalls
Bluegrass Stakes

I would like to congratulate the owners, trainers and drivers of the great horses, and wish them luck in 2021.

My thanks go to Nancy Takter and Chris Ryder for taking the time to give me an insight into their fantastic horses.

I would like to wish these horses the best of luck in their next chapter and we look forward to watching their offspring race in the coming years.

By Callum Murdoch



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STONERIGGS STUD

The home of Arthur and Evelyn Slack, where many great horses were created and where many lives have been shaped. Thank you to Arthur and Evelyn who kindly gave up their evening to share some of their memories with me, and also a big thank you to Hazel, who has been part of the Stoneriggs team for over 40 years, for her research and support. If there had been a Groom's Award back then, then Hazel would certainly have won it!

Evelyn came from a harness racing family, and has memories of driving their own horse Barbara M in her early teens, and having many successes on her. Barbara M was grandmother of Stoneriggs Arabrab who was just one of the many youngsters successfully campaigned in the two and three year old races in the early 80's.

Evelyn winning with Barbara M



Arthur in his youth was a competent rider winning flapping races long before he ever became involved in harness racing. Arthur explained to me that the first trotting horse he bought was Millers

Lad, bought from Mat Miller from Carlisle, paying £78. It's hard to know if this was expensive or a bargain at that time, what is clear is that it was a shrewd buy. Just 4 days later the horse, entered at Hawes, went on to win a heat @ 6/1, and with £10 on and prize money of £20 Arthur had immediately paid for his horse.

In 1960 Arthur returned and bought another horse from Mat Miller, one that most of us have heard of, Arthur's favourite, Dan Matthews. Dan Matthews was a bit of a wayward horse, in fact it was said that he would 'kill Arthur', and had a reputation for 'running out'. However the opposite was in fact true, he went on to race until he was 16 years old and gave both Arthur and Evelyn some of their most memorable wins. On first getting the horse Arthur trained him whilst shepherding the sheep or rounding up the cattle, riding him like an old riding horse. Arthur said that one of the first races they entered was Stainmore Sports, riding him in the saddle.

Arthur, as most of us know, has not got a typical jockey physique, weighing in at 14 stone. With the minimum weight being 8 stone he was in effect putting up 6 stone overweight. We have all heard the saying 'weight stops trains' it was a clear sign to all that this horse was some train when taking out his heat and coming 2nd in the final. For all Arthur was no lightweight he was an excellent horseman.

The next race for Dan Matthews was at Hawick Common Riding. Arthur and a very young Trevor Brown arrived at the races, Arthur going off to declare and weigh in sent Trevor to warm up the horse. On his return Trevor said he had warmed up 'real well'. A shrewd Arthur quickly went to the stewards to change jockeys to the lighter Brown and no doubt make a detour to the bookies. Winning the heat by over 50 yards it looked likely that a win in the final was a nailed on certainty, Dan Matthews had other plans, shooting off the track and into the rough.

In 1962 the newly married couple Arthur and Evelyn made a memorable trip to Musselburgh. Dan Matthews was entered in the saddle race on Tuesday evening and in the Famous Musselburgh

Pace (under the saddle) on the Wednesday. Tuesday night's saddle race looked like a nailed on certainty for Dan Matthews with Trevor Brown in the saddle, unfortunately just 30 yards from the line he made a break and victory was snatched from him. Not to be deterred on the Wednesday, a more focussed Brown took out both heat and final. Arthur still remembers having £3 on with Jim Hepburn at 33/1 to win the heat and final, whilst also backing him at 10/1 to win his heat and 20/1 to win the final. To say Arthur's pockets were bulging was an understatement.

It's a good job they won because the journey home became memorable for all the wrong reasons. Obviously distracted by the win, Arthur took the wrong road home and they ended up

Evelyn with Dan Matthews



winding their way down through Hawick. To make matters worse they then broke down. Fortune was however on their side, breaking down near a house that could not only accommodate them but also their horses meaning Arthur and Evelyn had to add an extra night to their impromptu honeymoon. Evelyn tells me that the people were so nice when they got their first home in Murton they called it Lyndene in memory of the kind people and their night in that cottage.

That wasn't the only win for Dan Matthews at Musselburgh, who returned to the winners enclosure with lifelong friend Josie Trevaskis in the saddle. Dan Matthews, a favourite of Arthur's, racing until he was 16 years old and winning 75 races. With a horse like this it is no wonder Arthur and Evelyn caught the bug.

Arthur tells me he also bought Dan Matthews sister Amanda, who he says was 'ok', but nothing special, she did however win 8-10 races, how times have changed, I would think a horse to be very good to be winning 8-10 races.

Whilst living at Murton not only did Arthur and Evelyn continue to race but they also bred Dales ponies, having their own Brighteyes breed. Their Dales stallion Stoneriggs Alex picked up wins at Barnard Castle show before going on to take out winning tickets at both the Royal Show and the Yorkshire Show. Arthur was also Chairman of the Dales Pony Society for 10 years. In 1974

Stoneriggs was the largest Dales Pony stud in the country.

Whilst at Murton Evelyn set up her own pony trekking business which was to continue for several years and was finally taken over by daughter Dianne. On the death of his father in 1968 Arthur and Evelyn moved to Stoneriggs along with children Dianne and the late Kenneth.

In the early 70's when attending the Canada Winter Fair Arthur and Evelyn took a bus trip to Mohawk. Whilst there Arthur started to develop a plan, a new chapter. He quickly realised that horses there were not really going that much faster than in the UK. He approximated that if a horse could do 2.03 in England they could do 2.00 in Canada and win races. On his return he started to seek horses to export, this he did for over 25 years, exporting over 200 horses. Tarport Shorty was one of the first horses he exported, winning his first 4 races and winning over \$30,000.

A horseman through and through little escaped Arthur's keen eye. A stallion in transit to Australia served up 10 mares for the late JS Jones, Arthur quick to notice that all ten youngsters went on to be winners. Although Arthur had success with stallions such as Sly Heel, Proper Time, Ambro Mystic and HT Navy he was keen to continue to improve bloodlines. Arthur went to Australia and bought Rajah Lobell bringing him back to the UK. Arthur believes this to be his best stallion, stating that most of his colt

foals were then subsequently exported.

After about 25 years of exporting Arthur realised that the breeding abroad had improved so much that the market for exporting was diminishing, but that his passion for racing in America and Canada was still very much alive.

Another chapter was about to start, one where Arthur has a partner, and this one wasn't for dancing. Arthur and George Harrison started buying horses abroad, to race abroad, where the prize money was certainly very attractive. In one \$1,000,000 race George and Arthur had two runners, Santana Bluechip and Robert's Range. To their absolute delight they took out 1st and 2nd places.

Arthur and Evelyn enjoyed an annual holiday to Florida. One year in preparation for their annual trip, Arthur sent out Stoneriggs Speed to Kevin Wallace telling him to 'get it ready to race' whilst they were in Florida. That year whilst Arthur and Evelyn were on holiday Speed won 5 races, and they had to delay their return not once but twice, only finally returning home after winning the final at Pompano Park. Stoneriggs Speed, daughter of Monkroyd Mystery, a whole chapter in itself in the Stoneriggs story.

Although on holiday, Evelyn never one to sit on her laurels, developed a new passion, spending hours watching and questioning the track farrier, known as 'The Miracle Man'. Evelyn became a

very accomplished farrier, and Arthur is certain that she could find 3 seconds with careful shoeing and a bit of tweaking of harness. What surprised me was that even now she could tell me all about Sly John and the way she had to shoe him, given that Sly John raced in the late 1970's this is pretty admirable!

And so on to Monkroyd Mystery, a horse of a lifetime and certainly a firm favourite with Evelyn. Purchased by Arthur when she was 5 or 6 years old, with an eye to future breeding. Arthur says he remembers watching her go around Droylsden, she had lots of head gear on and appeared fractious and certainly not focussed on her job. One of the first things Evelyn did was re-shoe her and take off all the head gear. Her record was astonishing, 68 wins from 147 races. Evelyn told me about running her at Hawes, where she started half a lap behind everybody and still (just) managed to win, and the time they went to Newton Stewart on a Friday evening winning heat and final on a rough field, before going to York and winning in 2 mins on the Saturday. What is more impressive is the winning of 19 races in a year (1988) and a further 18 races the year after. She was certainly a horse of a lifetime, winning over different distances, surfaces, in the sulky and in the saddle.

Another firm favourite with Evelyn is 'the people's Champion' and grandson of Evelyn's horse of a lifetime no other than Stoneriggs Mystery. Evelyn said

she always knew he was going to be special, and he certainly didn't disappoint.

I was surprised when I asked Evelyn which was her favourite win, feeling sure I was about to hear about another one of Monkroyd Mysteries wins, but no, this one was different, it was Overdale winning at Appleby Spring Harness Races. She said she had a perfect run, sitting him on the helmet of the horse in front, edging out, and Overdale going into overdrive. When I questioned her, she said winning on her local track, the silence from the crowd until she passed the line, then the deafening roar, all made the atmosphere electric. What made me smile was Evelyn's confession that she did it all with a humongous hangover, after having a heavy night partying with houseguests George Sinclair and Willy Moore.

One of my memories of Stoneriggs was it's open door policy, there was always somebody staying or visiting and Sunday lunch was pretty much open house. You certainly didn't want to be 'late to the trough'. Many members of the 'trotting community' have been touched by Stoneriggs and the Slack family and this was never more evident than at the funeral of Ken, when the church and town were filled with the who's who of both the thoroughbred and the harness racing worlds.

There have been so many people that have had the 'Stoneriggs' experience, too many to mention, but it would be hard not to mention Marion Munro (nee Huschka) who worked at Stoneriggs, and after taking out her licence just a month earlier got to drive Staley Queen in the Appleby New Fair final (on only her second drive). After winning the heat with Staley Queen



Evelyn sustained a broken leg in the next race, so the drive went to Marion, in what could be a scene out of National Velvet, Marion went on to win the final. In true Evelyn style she sat with frozen peas on her leg (kindly supplied by Holme Farm) to watch the final, before finally going off to hospital.

The Stoneriggs story would not be complete without talking about Arthur and Evelyn's two children, Dianne and Ken. It's hardly surprising that they too had the horse gene, both being horse people through and through. Both following in Evelyn's footsteps driving winners, and both going on to become successful BHA trainers.

Following on from several successful grass meetings at Green Hammerton in

1978 we saw the opening of York Harness Raceway, the brainchild of Arthur, Colin Johnson, Ronnie Harrop, Sid Harker and Jimmy Birch. The quintet had 10 successful years of ownership, with regular racing, full cards, large crowds and a successful bar. At this point some of the partners were wanting to move in different directions leaving Arthur and Ronnie holding the baby. Arthur says that although 5 became 2, Ronnie was the best partner a man could have.

Over the years Arthur has not only been owner, driver, jockey, breeder, importer, exporter, leading owner, track owner but also Track Steward, Chief Steward, Judge, BHRC Director and Vice Chairman of the BHRC, whilst Evelyn's resume is no less impressive; breeder,



owner, trainer, driver, leading driver, multiple times leading lady driver and farrier. Evelyn will never know how many young drivers tried to emulate her. She was a role model to many, and certainly years ahead of her time.

As if Evelyn's CV was not full enough when the decision was made to scale back on harness racing activities Evelyn threw herself into a successful career as a BHA permit trainer, becoming leading UK permit trainer not once but twice and joint leading trainer at Sedgfield, whilst Arthur continued with his lifelong passion - breeding and showing Swaledale sheep and farming.

Whilst Dan Matthews might be Arthur's favourite horse that he bought I asked him which was the favourite horse he bred - he replied, without doubt Stoneriggs Merc, by Fleet Decision out of Wheatley Patron, having 11 wins in 16 days trailing 80 yards. He laughed telling me if

'grandma' hadn't tipped out of the sulky it would have been 12!

I asked Arthur for a memorable proud moment, he says he remembers the Sire Stakes at York one year when they won 6 races (heats and finals) for 2 year old colts and fillies and 3 yr old colts, all of which were Stoneriggs bred, all had been born and broken in at Stoneriggs, trained and driven by Evelyn and even shod by Evelyn. I dare bet this feat has not been repeated since! What was evident was the pride in Arthur's face even now.

On hearing that I was researching for the Stoneriggs story, many people have told me tales of Arthur or Evelyn. I have picked my favourite one about each of them. Sue Young reminded me of Evelyn and how she 'conveniently' forgot Arthur's recommendation (well instruction really) not to go on the Flashing Lane at Appleby Fair, and how Evelyn conveniently forgot to tell



Evelyn and Di at Appleby Fair

Arthur that she had actually been on the Flashing Lane until a picture appeared in the local paper, and later in a book! Needless to say Arthur was not best impressed.

And Bill Hutchinson shared his memories all the way from Australia, he says 'Arthur 'You are the man', I had some fabulous times at Stoneriggs and I always enjoyed their company, however I was not as keen on him in the betting ring, in fact I would go as far as to say he was my nemesis. I really enjoyed following their horses in particular Monkroyd Mystery, I remember her race twice one bank holiday weekend, being second to Missing Link (formerly Stoneriggs Express) in the UK's first sub two minute mile, and then returning the tables on him the following day over the

longer distance. She was some mare, she also ran at a grass meeting this weekend taking out heat and final, so in three days she had run 4 races winning 3. What a horse, what a family.

I could honestly say I could write a book, there is so much to say.

However what is clear each in their own right have been ground breaking in their time and together they have been a formidable partnership and are both truly deserving of their place in the 'Hall of Fame'.

Hard to believe but Arthur and Evelyn, both now in their 80th year, are still at Stoneriggs, and yes there are still horses at Stoneriggs.,



Evelyn at 80 riding with her great grand-daughters

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Virtual Awards

A big thank you to Darren Owen and Sarah Thomas for all their hard work and for a very enjoyable Virtual Awards Evening.

Sarah has worked tirelessly re-vamping the system and in preparing materials for the evening.



AN INTERVIEW WITH...THE TIM TETRICK DRIVE OF THE YEAR WINNER 2020: JOSEPH RILEY

With over 5300 votes cast, the Tim Tetrick Drive of the Year 2020 public poll had a record level of support, and during the BHRC Virtual Awards ceremony on Saturday 27th February it was revealed that Joseph Riley would be joining the ranks of the four previous winners (John Henry Nicholson, James Haythornthwaite, Lauren Moran and Hugh O'Neil Jnr) with his winning drive on board Ayr Paparazzi at Corbiewood.

Hailing from Bedlington in the North East of England, Joseph and his family became one of the success stories of the 2020 season with their own Ayr Paparazzi, a winner of five races including taking a new lifetime mark of 1.58.1 at Tir Prince. Here, Joseph gives people a small insight into the person behind the award:

How and when did you get involved with horses to start? I have been involved with horses all my life as my dad had horses for as long as I can remember.

How and when did you get involved with the sport? I passed my driving test back in 2014 but never started racing properly until



2017. I have always been interested in racing from a young age and driving was something I always wanted to do.

When and where did you drive your first winner? I drove my first winner at Stanhope Show in 2017. I was driving a 3

year old filly called Stamp Hill Redstar. I actually had a driving double that day.

What would you say has been your biggest win to date? I would say my biggest win to date is the Anto Russell Flying Mile Junior Free For All [at Tir Prince] but all my wins are big for me at the time no matter how big or small the race is.

What race would you like to win? I would love to win the Crock of Gold.

What are your goals for 2021? My goals for 2021 are to try and do better than I did in 2020. I am always looking for ways to improve and move forward the best way I can, and hopefully in 2021 I can pick up more drives to get more of a chance to push my driving further.

How did it feel to find out that you had been nominated for the Drive of the Year shortlist? It was a shock. There are a lot of brilliant drivers in our sport that have driven some outstanding races and to find out

someone thought I should be nominated for the award was unbelievable and I am very grateful to have been given the chance to be a part of it.

How did it feel to win the award? An even bigger shock than finding out I had been nominated. I was over the moon when I won. To think that people thought I deserved their vote is something else. I am very grateful for and would like to thank everyone who did vote for me, it really does mean a lot to me.

Who are your driving idols? I like the drivers and the driving style in America but my two favourites are Dexter Dunn and Tim Tetrick.

If you could drive at one track anywhere in the world, where would it be and why? I would like to drive at the Meadowlands, it's fast and it's also a mile track which is something we don't have here in the UK.

If you could drive one horse, past or present (British or overseas), who would it be and why? I would say Tall Dark Stranger because



he was my favourite horse last season, he was a big strong exciting colt who was also very game and had some brilliant battles to the wire, so yeah I would like to experience that as a driver.

What would you say is the best thing about being a part of British harness racing? The best thing about being part of harness racing here I would say is the people. I would like to think people are like myself and like to see other people do well and have success. And we get the best photos here!

What's the best piece of advice you've ever been given? The best bit of advice I have been given is you can learn something new every day. The day you stop listening and learning you may as well pack in.

How would you describe your driving style? I would describe my driving style as an American style, pretty slung back but if I

was driving a trotter I prefer to sit up more to get a hold.

Looking back at 2020, how would you sum up your season? I would say in 2020 we had the best season we could wish for, we literally climbed the ladder as far as we could with Ayr Paparazzi and although we didn't get the win in the Crock of Gold just being in the race was a big enough achievement for us.

For anyone who doesn't know you, describe yourself in three words: Hungry for drives!

Finally, I would like to thank Sarah Thomas for her support and helping us in any way she could and keeping us right in our first season with our own horse trained by ourselves and backing us all the way. Also for taking the gamble of putting the cameras on us to get the brilliant footage we have and all the spectacular photos.



2021 Award Winners

Leading Trainer: Alexis Laidler



Leading Driver: Rocker Laidler

Leading Horse and Aged Pacer of Year: Merrington Movinup



Leading owner: Raymond Huschka



Leading Grooms: Abi Mattocks, Billy Evans, Heidi Sowerby





**3 Yr Old Filly of the Year:
She Be Stunning**

**3 Yr Old Colt of the Year:
Whichguyami**



**2 Yr Old Colt of the Year:
Yerkes Hanover**

2 Yr Old Filly of the Year AND Horse of the Year: Oakwood Anabella



Leading lady driver: Vicky Gill



Mare of the Year: Newtown Jody



Trotter of the Year: Diamant De Godrel



Overseas Horse of the Year: Rainbow Writer

Lifetime Achievement Awards (awarded posthumously)



Mick O'Brien



Roland Pugh



Drive of the Year: Joseph Riley: Ayr Paparazzi - Corbiewood

Despite the growing pandemic throughout 2020, the IHRA reached another milestone during the past season where the total prizemoney surpassed €800,000 in what was a very reduced racing season from June 26th to December 6th. The total amount was €801,976 and the split of this per region was as follows, Annaghmore; €141,495, Cork; €180,913 and Portmarnock; €479,568. The IHRA were delighted to offer the Red John Memorial, M50 Skip Hire & Recycling Handicap, the Sire stakes and Juveniles Series as well as the inaugural Gerry Keenan and Jack Galway Memorials to owners and trainers in a very uncertain time and we are incredibly grateful to the sponsors of these events in a period of reduced business because of the various levels of restrictions which were placed on us during the year.

As we turn into March and look further into the year ahead, the IHRA board of Directors, along with its committees are working with Government to allow a safe return of harness racing, beginning on March 21st at Portmarnock Raceway. Since December, the committees have been meeting to discuss many issues and have reviewed many projects and protocols ahead of the season opener and I hope to capture the main changes we have brought about for 2021.

2021 Race Fixtures:

Following the launch of our five-year strategic plan, the IHRA made a commitment to our members that we would try and extend our racing season a few weeks either end, each year going

forward. Taking this into account, in 2021 we will begin racing on 21st March and run right through to 6th December across all three regions of Cork, Annaghmore & Portmarnock.

Last year as you are aware, we changed our rules around handicap heats and finals and made them for the top 16 entered horses to make the higher graded horses more lucrative. This was a major success despite the vastly reduced season. In order to make racing more competitive earlier in the year and to encourage trainers to get their horses higher up the handicap, the IHRA have decided to host a premium handicap more often beginning with the Bernie Kelly Memorial (1st & 2nd May), the inaugural Irish American Appreciation Weekend (5th & 6th June), the Barney Gilligan Memorial (20th June), the M50 Skip Hire & Recycling (31st July & 1st August), the Red John Memorial (21st & 22nd August), Ladies Day (29th August) and the Gerry Keenan & Jack Galway Memorial (14th November).

Keeping in line with the new approach to juvenile races, the IHRA will focus the majority of its Juvenile pacing races towards the second half of the season with the two major finals those being the Blackhorse & Sire Stakes pencilled in for October. The full list of fixtures can be seen on the IHRA website.

Apprentice Drivers:

Much discussion over the winter has been on the driving classes and previously the

IHRA have not been kind to the next generation of drivers coming through the ranks. Worldwide, the apprentice band is far greater than the mere eight wins required in addition to the 25 years of age bracket. Taking many angles on board the IHRA have now agreed to extend the number of wins to ten before an apprentice becomes a B class driver and any wins in a maiden, novice or Grade F race will not count towards their 10 wins.

Furthermore, any driver over the age of 25, currently receiving the C class allowance will not be penalised for wins in the above-mentioned races and from now on will be called an Amateur allowance.

New Whip Regulations:

In line with the World Trotting Association and more specifically the UET, the IHRA will be introducing a new whip usage policy to replace the existing rules of the use of the whip. This topic, not new to BHRC members will come into effect from 21st March and the main difference between the two associations regulations is that the IHRA will be enforcing a 7-strike rule in the last 500 meters of every race, with only 3 strikes in the last 200 meters. Whilst the full breakdown on penalties has not been agreed at the time of writing this Irish update, I hope by the time you are reading this, that it will be, and you will be able to read the full document via our website.

Handicap System Amendments:

The following changes have been agreed by the committees and approved by the board:

A horses' winning run in all grades will not

count for a run (or drop).

A winning Grade A horse will have his non-winning runs capped at 2 i.e., if grade A with 1 run wins, he moves to A1 with 1 run, if grade A with 2/3/4/5 runs wins he moves to A1 with 2 runs. As with all other grades A1—A5 winning runs will not be counted.

2-year-old and 3 three-year-old trotters are entitled to two wins in each grade in all aged races before moving up a grade. These half grades will be denoted by a + beside the current grade.

Horses that win their G and G1 grades in less than six races will automatically go to F grade. Horses that take six or more attempts will go to G2 and start on outside of G1. Winning in G2 you will automatically go to F (pacers only).

Should any horse win a final with a purse greater than €2000 (net prizemoney), and not its heat, the horse will get a penalty grade rise of 2 grades.

No C Class for premium race days and racecourse committee have discretion to award meetings as premium, based on additional sponsorship and will give advance notification to members should this arise.

C Class drivers who win any of the following races (apprentice races, Grade G/G1/F) will not have their win accredited to their driver classification tally. The full handicap system can be seen on the IHRA website.

Countdown Timers & Restricted Warmups

In 2020, all race meetings under IHRA rules enforced a restricted warm up regime. After reviewing the process, the committees have agreed to continue this until further notice. The IHRA acknowledges there were days where the clock was absent and this will be rectified in the upcoming season, with a minimum of one countdown timer at all venues for all race meetings.

Blackhorse Juvenile Series 2021

Nominations closed for the 2021 series on January 20th, sponsored this year by Finnish Equine Foods & Mineral supplier, Blackhorse. The IHRA are overwhelmed at the response from owners and trainers, with 109 two and three-year old horses entered. This year, we will see four eliminations in both Ireland and at York Raceway with one final for each division due to be held later in the October.

In addition to the sponsorship from Black Horse, the IHRA is putting forward €100 per initial nomination into the prizemoney purse which will certainly add more value to the already well supported race series for juvenile pacers. The full list of entries can be viewed on the IHRA website under staked races.

Invest in Ourselves Initiative

The IHRA would like to sincerely thank all breeders who have nominated their mares into this programme for the services of Cattlewash, Betting Line & Heston Blue Chip. All breeders have now been sent the stallion contracts following the selection process which took place between the IHRA

and the Stallion owners. The services will be available from March. This exciting breeding programme will drastically improve racing and subsequently race day purses for juvenile pacers in the years to come with 90% of the monies received going directly back into racing.

Sire Stakes:

The 2021 Sire Stakes will take place in Portmarnock on 23rd & 24th October. The entry system will be open in March with an initial deadline of 31st March for the nomination fees and the sustaining yearly payment due on or before 30th April.

Some changes have been made to the Sire Stakes races, with the inaugural 4-Year-Old division to take place in 2021. In addition, any progeny of the nominated stallions can be entered regardless of being nominated last year or not across all three age divisions. A full list of the nominated stallions and the full terms and conditions will have been published by the time of this edition going to print.

Finally, I would like to take this time to wish all readers and in particular licence holders and officials of the BHRC the very best of luck for the 2021 season, and hopefully, finger crossed, I will have an opportunity to support some of your fixtures later in the year when travel restrictions are lifted. Until then, stay safe.

James Levis, IHRA



The French Revolution

Through the ages it's no surprise to find that Trotteur Français horses have won more than their fair share of big races outside of their native France. It was Jamin representing France that won the first ever running of the International Trot held at Roosevelt Raceway, USA in 1959. French representatives even managed to win the International Trot for five consecutive years between 1981 & 1985, with Ideal Du Gazeau getting a hat trick of victories 81,82,83 and Lutin D'Isigny crowned champion in 84 & 85. Lutin D'Isigny's 1984 race victory was a world record at the time 2:31.00 for the mile and a quarter distance, his 7 lengths winning margin was also a race record winning margin. Overall France has won 13 of the 39 runnings of the International Trot, not a bad strike rate for horses on an away trip facing the best trotters from the USA and Canada who had the home track advantage, along with the champions of all the biggest trotting nations.

It's a similar story in Sweden's biggest race, the Elitloppet where the French representatives have won 23 editions of the great race, second only to the host nation Sweden with 24. Here again a Trotteur Français holds the race record with Timoko



winning the 2017 edition in 1:09.00km rate which is a 1:51.0 mile. Funnily enough the Elitloppet has not always been a one mile race starting behind a start car event but again Trotteur Français horses hold the race records of both the previous versions of Sweden's most prestigious race. The Elitloppet was originally a sprint but with a volt start when Gelinotte set the record in 1956 with a 1:16.7km rate. From 1959 to 1961 the Elitloppet was a



marathon event from a volt start and the fastest winner was Honoré II in 1960 with a 1:19.1km rate.

It's unsurprising then that in the mid 2000's with the growing popularity of Artificial Insemination using frozen semen, breeders from outside of France were desperate for the opportunity to get their hands on some of this magical French blood.

Enter Jean-Pierre Dubois and his

stallion Love You (Cocktail Jet o/o Guilty Of Love) a winner of 22 races and €1,416,537. Love You has maybe done more for the global appreciation of “Franco Breeding”



than any other horse.

He has been available to down under breeders in New Zealand since 2006 and more recently Australia. In that time his NZ progeny earned over 6million dollars in New Zealand winning their best Group 1 races for Trotters.

A Northern Trotting Derby with Enghien in 2017. The NZ Trotting Derby twice: Habibti 2013 & Enghien 2017. The NZ Trotting Oaks twice: Habibti 2013 & Habibti Ivy 2015.

The Anzac Cup thrice: Monbet 2016, Habibti Ivy 2017 & Lemond 2018. A Rowe Cup with Monbet 2016 and two Dominion Handicap Winners, the biggest of all Trots in the outhern hemisphere with Mobet 2016 & Habibi Inta 2019.

The success of Love You progeny



has left southern hemisphere breeders wanting more and today they have access to multiple French Champions including Bold Eagle, Brilliantissime, Dijon, Orlando Vici, Quaker Jet, The Best Madrik, Timoko & Up And Quick through forward thinking studs such as Haras Des Trotteurs & Trump Bloodstock.

Closer to home in Europe ‘Nahar’ the Swedish son of Love You went on to win the 2013 Elitloppet whilst in France Love You’s pure Trotteur Français sons & daughters have made their daddy proud with earnings of over 60million Euros, so far winning the Grand Prix d’Amérique twice along the way, Royal Dream in 2013 & Belina Josselyn in 2019.

To some people Love You’s siring success outside of France is to be expected because “all european



trotting is the same” and it’s no surprise that he’s done such a good job in the southern hemisphere as it’s very similar to Europe with its most important races being for older horses over different distances but nobody expected what happened in 2020. Nobody expected Venerate!

If you’re thinking of racing for the big bucks as a juvenile in North America it’s understandable that your first thought at the yearling sales might not be to buy a colt from a French sire, after all two year old racing isn’t so important in Europe whilst in North America their breeding programs have been focused around two & three year old speed for generations. For Love You to sire a major juvenile winner in North America should be mission impossible but that’s not what happened. On the 26th September 2020 at Woodbine Mohawk Park in Canada it was Venerate that won the \$1,320,000 Mohawk Million, the richest race in North America and the richest juvenile race in the world. Add this to his victory in the Kentucky Sire Stakes at The Red Mile, Lexington in 1:51.4 and it’s safe to say that with Venerate, Love You has beaten the Americans at their own game.

There is only one challenge left, The Hambletonian and Venerate could be the one to complete the French



Revolution. French blood has come close to Hambletonian success before, another son of Love You, International Moni won an elimination of The Hambletonian in 2017 but was interfered with in the final and galloped out of contention.

2020 saw two sons of Ready Cash, Ready For Moni & Back Of The Neck both race in The Hambletonian Final after winning (Ready For Moni) and finishing second (Back Of The Neck) in their eliminations. On the big day they couldn’t beat the superstar filly Ramona Hill but finished 2nd & 3rd respectively. 2020 was a landmark year for French blood internationally and whilst it might be Ready Cash & his sons that are currently on top of the sire charts in France it is actually Love You that changed the game.

M Evans

THROUGH A FAN'S EYES

I vowed not to mention the elephant in the room that is in our lives at the moment but it's dominated our world for a whole year. This time in 2020 we were looking forward to the new season, and we've now gone full circle, all our family have had lockdown birthdays and every celebration has been enjoyed at home together, that's not a bad thing.

Masks, hand sanitiser and social distancing are now the normal, will we ever hug people again? I never used to be a hugging kind of person without going into the nitty gritty of my childhood let's just say I didn't have a very good mother daughter experience.

Since being welcomed into the harness racing community you have opened up a whole new world to us both, its brought an overwhelming emotional feeling and sense of warmth and belonging.

It's now March daybreaks and the birds are waking me with their dawn chorus I love this time of year, new life new adventures and a new racing season. I know this year will bring super speedy standardbreds, strong races with excitingly close finishes harness racing always delivers.

During our recent long involuntary isolation Mr D and I have had time to reflect on seasons past, we have some great memories so back down that lane we went. Places we have stayed, the tracks we visited, people we met friendships that have grown.

Our house is a bit of a shrine to racing we've many photographs, you can't miss them they are all over the house I've taken great comfort in the memories adorning our walls.

Having time on our hands we accomplished many jobs indoors and out, moving some furniture my sons (the captive removal men), know full well before any large pieces of furniture can be moved up or down the stairs it is imperative that The Mane Man Rockin Mambo has to be removed from the wall. On one of these removal tasks I overheard my youngest son saying to his older brother as they lifted a cupboard over the banister "Here, you have taken mums blasted Mambo off the wall haven't you she will only ask," and yes I would my boys know me well. Anyone who damages the Mane Man would not be at the top of my Christmas shopping list.

Tir Prince was the starting point for us how lucky are we 30 minutes away from here, I've lost count of the number of Crock of Golds we've watched the conclusion of many an exciting series, always an electrifying atmosphere for the final.

I remember one year standing in torrential rain trying to identify who was who all the drivers looked the same from the front, we huddled sheltering under the canopy where the bookies stand, running out for each race in the pouring wind and rain then back to our huddle waiting for the next race.

When it comes to watching in the rain Mr D doesn't have the same stamina I do he will

run for cover me on the other hand I will watch to the last. I had plenty of practice growing up spending my weekends with my father stood at the side of the motocross track in all weathers, or scrambling as it was known back then.

We looked York up whilst on a family holiday with our young sons and now any opportunity we travel up it's a thoroughly enjoyable track we are also looking forward to seeing the new residents that have arrived, a fantastic idea for everyone to enjoy between races.

Tregaron was always part of our holiday now that dates have been changed it's a weekend away instead.

We've froze and cooked at this track as we have at many others, and even upped sticks packing up our tent and moving to Amman Valley one very wet and windy August.

We vowed that 2020 would be the year we visited Amman Valley a little more often but sadly was not to be, hopefully 2021 will be that year. Corbiewood is also on our to visit list.

In 2017 we started what has now become a lovely friendship. Always arriving early to get a good spot at the meetings we parked up on the slope at Tregaron and met two lovely people who like us used the same strategy, the following day we were parked next to each other again, over the next few meetings across the country a pattern was developing along with our friendship. We kept ending up next to each other York,

Boughrood, Lampeter and many more. One evening we went to the local pub and you've guessed it we pulled up next to their car needless to say we had a very enjoyable evening. We miss Gareth and Ryda very much, we do ring but its not the same as a good old gossip trackside. It has been a year since we have seen them let's hope this year we get to meet up again and have a good catch up.

Mr D and I hope we will be able to come back and spectate but if not, live streaming is the next best thing. It's also great to be able to watch from home long may live streaming continue.

What a bonus at the end of January being able to watch the prestigious Grand Prix d'Amerique on Sky sports racing, usually we only get to watch the big race but unfortunately or fortunately depending on which way you look at it a lot of racing in the UK was cancelled that weekend due to bad weather, so we were able to see all the races from France. It is on our bucket list to visit this meeting.

With the bulbs coming up and a nice splash of colour appearing the countryside is waking up. We are sure that racing will push its way up and through this nightmare with promising buds and flowering into a colourful and productive racing season. To be able to experience racing at the track in the UK and Ireland this year would be a bonus. Wishing everyone well, stay safe people.

Mel Dandridge

Over the Water by Eryl Williams

During the last two months racing has been quieter in the States and Canada. Canada closed shop due to Covid 19 and has just reopened. Mikey Camden and Evenwood Sonofagun both resumed racing late in February. Teatime Preacher has also started once in a qualifier in what can be described as atrocious weather finishing 2nd in 1.56. Stormy Hall has taken a breather. We look forward to their campaign in the coming months.

The Burke Brigade is without Greenhill Hanover and Porterstown Chris the former was claimed for \$20000 and the latter sold at public auction for \$8500. Chris later recouped \$10500Can winning his first two starts in Canada! Greenhill Debatable has won once as has OakwoodInittowinit and Itsmycheck. Father Ted still seems to race his best each week claiming a check nearly every

start. Olivia and Robyn Camden race at Yonkers weekly, and have both won at Saratoga at the beginning of March. The race between the two did not materialise because of snow and the nights racing cancelled. Gentleman Jim, Blackwell Ruby and Matticulous are having a well deserved break.

Ireland has some interesting Stallions over this year the most exciting one is Bolt the Duer (Ponder) \$2,000,000 a young horse who stood in the tough NY and has had some good horses from a limited number of mares. Lost For Words (Well Said) and Lismara (Cambest) are the others. Good luck and we look forward to their crops racing.

Good luck to Rainbow Writer who has gone to the Brian Brown Stable. We look forward to following her career in the States.



Name: Darren Owen

Occupation: Racing Broadcaster

How you got involved in harness racing: My involvement in harness racing began in 1987 when Billy Williams, on the recommendation of former BHRC Official Ray Davies, invited me to stand in for regular commentator Prys Jones at Llanerch Park, St Asaph. This was my first experience of live broadcasting, calling a three-horse pace won by the Megan Taff (nee Jones) driving Ynys Perilous. This initial experience led to opportunities at Manchester, York, the new track at Tir Prince and other venues. My association in harness racing has led to opportunities calling races as a guest on Little Brown Jug Day in Delaware, New Zealand Trotting Cup Day at Addington, as well as at Melton, Ashburton and Gloucester Park.

My current involvement in the sport: Commentator, calling races at many meetings around the country.

Why did you run for Chairmanship: Good question, all I can say is I have aged several years since signing on the dotted line! Over the years in my role calling the races I have been involved in harness racing's shop window - the race meetings. For too long now I have looked around on our race days thinking about how we can attract more customers through the gate?

We must make our operation as professional as possible, smarten ourselves up with our organisation and policing of the sport.

We must not be defeatists; we must aspire to be as professional as possible, make our sport appealing to people outside our 'bubble'

Aims as a director: To help create a strong



governance of the sport, assist in bringing more recognition to British harness racing from home and abroad and see our number of licence holders and horses in training increase. People often say, "we must work together" I so wish we in this sport could practice what we preach.

Favourite racing memory: Calling some of the big races such as the Crock of Gold, Welsh Classic, Famous Musselburgh Pace and Appleby Finals, it is very difficult to single out just one special moment. Three races stand out, firstly, when Stoneriggs JR broke the British record at Wolverhampton in 1995. I remember saying as he paced down the straight in the hands of Steve Lees, "he only has the clock to beat". Major League Star winning the Musselburgh FFA was memorable as there were so many top-class pacers in with a chance as they raced to the line. Of course, I have to nominate the 2017 Crock of Gold Final fought out between Evenwood Sonofagun and Miraculous, resulting in a dead heat between the top two pacers in the country. Away from commentating, being part of the Globetrotters syndicate owning the 2019 Trotter of Year Emirat Du Levant was special. I also had some enjoyable days being part of the Itsmycheck team.

OUR DIRECTORS

Name: Carol Jenkins

Occupation: Now retired from a career as Head of HR and HSE, Currently a foster carer

How you got involved in harness racing:

The first riding horse I bought was a non-raced gelding by Russian Patrol, mad as a hatter but probably the most loved horse I ever had. He died at the grand age of 34 and is buried here at home under his favourite tree. I didn't know his lineage when I bought him but when I found out we bought race mare Caron Lady (also mad) and it was off and racing.

Current involvement in the sport: I have been a steward in Wales and West for at least 30 years, also helping out at Wolverhampton and Amman Valley. I also chaired Wales and West for about 5 or 6 years (not sure exactly!)

Why did you become a director: Now I am retired I wanted to help in some other way and I felt particularly with my HR and Health and Safety background, and writing experience, I could be useful.

Aims as a director: I am already looking at our office, hoping to give Heulwen some extra support, and have done a lot of work sorting the racing section of the rule book. Following procedure is a bit of a pre-occupation of mine, you have to do it in HR and it's been imprinted on my brain.

Favourite racing memory: Well as a family it has to be Merry Baron winning the Ceredigion final, with Megan Taff getting one of the best catch drives ever! On a personal level, I didn't get much chance of a decent drive, but I still have a fabulous photo of my favourite race horse First Edition, with me driving, winning at Ammanford off 40 yards. He was a dream of



a drive, racing as a stallion, it was a great win, and as our first ever foal he will always have a place in my heart. He is still alive and thriving at the age of 33, with a lovely lady who has retired him to grass after a second career as a hack and jumping horse, in Staffordshire.

Name: Huw Evans

Occupation: Pharmacist

How you got involved in harness racing:

Horses have been a failing in the family for generations- my father got involved in harness racing buying a pacer in the mid-sixties -Butchers Boy and this has been carried through myself and my sister into the current generation numerous horses later. It has given us a lot of fun (and disappointments) and I hope it has given my children a sense of discipline which translates to all life's trials.

Current involvement in the sport: We have a couple of horses in training and four broodmares in foal therefore pretty active in the sport. I am on the committee of Tregaron Trotting Club and have just taken up the post of Vice-chairman of the British Harness Racing Club.



Name: Gareth Bevan

Occupation: Pharmacist

How you got involved in Harness Racing:

My family have been involved in Harness Racing for the past 80+ years so I suppose it's in my blood. I've grown up around horses, and love being around them. I went racing from when I was a baby with Dad and my Grandfather, and my first "involvement" in racing was aged 9 or 10 in the children's pony races on a grey mare called Merrylegs, and to be completely honest I think I had more success with her than I have ever enjoyed since. By 12 or 13 I became fascinated by the breeding of horses, and the BHRC stud book and the Harrisburg Black book became my bibles, and that interest in breeding is still strong today. I took my driving test in 2000 at the age of 16, and I've owned, trained and driven my own horses ever since.

Current involvement in the sport: I have two horses of racing age that time permitting I will race in 2021. I'm also standing Forafewdollarsmore at stud this season. I am currently Vice Chairman of Wales & West Harness Racing Club and also

Why did you become a director: To genuinely try and give something back to a sport that has given me a lot of satisfaction but as part of a team willing to raise the bar and take this sport forward.

Aims as a director: To make the administration of sport of harness racing in Britain as professional as possible creating respect once more by getting it done 'properly'. I would like to see the unification of the various factions of the sport - we are too small in numbers to be divided.

Favourite racing memory: This could seriously take up a whole page they are many and numerous. Seeing Rhys win two Welsh Classics, a Crock of Gold and the Derby, seeing the smile on Annwen's face winning a saddle race in York, driving a winner in Cambridge New Zealand, driving Foolaround to a 1:56 in Amman Valley, seeing Scoot Around break all kinds of records, are all up there but possibly winning the Famous Musselburgh Pace with Saunders Leopard way back in 1973 when merely a young whippersnapper, on my first visit to Scotland, will always stick in the memory- we just went up for a holiday and came back with the Pinkie Cup and a 32/1 winner!



Vice Chairman of Boughrood races.

Why did you become a director: I firmly believe that you have no right to complain about anything unless you're willing to have a go at improving it yourself. From the outside looking in I thought that improvements and changes were needed in order to secure the future of the sport, and improve the racing experience, so for that reason I decided to step up.

Aims as a director: I pride myself on being open and honest, and if someone asks me a straight question I will give them straight answer. In my opinion changes need to be made in order to secure the future of racing, these will not happen overnight. Everybody needs to pull together in the same direction, because broadly speaking we all want the same thing. Hopefully over the coming weeks, months and years improvements can be made to ensure we stem loss of people and horses from harness racing, and try and bring in new blood.

Favourite racing memory: On a personal level it's my first ever win in a competitive race behind Free Nukes, back in 2001. From a spectators point of view it was watching Stoneriggs JR win his three races at Tregaron in 1991, those performances still stick in memory as everything that is good about Harness Racing.

Name: Viv Gill

Occupation: Owner of dog boarding kennels

How you got involved in Harness Racing: I left school and went to Secretarial college but always wanted to work with horses, but coming from non-horsey parents who lived in town, I couldn't ride. I saw a job advertised working with driving horses so went to work for Snowy Evans in Wormley, Hertfordshire and loved it (much to my



parents horror) and have been involved ever since. I actually drove in and won a ladies race at Chasewater many moons ago.

Current involvement in the sport: I am now wife to John Gill (Trainer), mother to both Vicki Gill (driver) and Richard Gill (unsuccessful gambler and supplier of beer on race days). I am also an owner and provider of 'pack-ups' and non-alcoholic beverages.

Why did you become a director: Still not sure but after many enjoyable years racing felt it was time to give something back to the sport.

Aims as a director: To increase overall integrity of the sport and be the voice of reason and common

Name: Kayleigh Evans

Occupation: Paraplanner

How you got involved in harness racing: Having grown up close to Tregaron the annual trip to the races was a given. My mum is from Cumbria so the Appleby May



bank holiday meeting was also a regular fixture for the family. My parents decided they didn't want to just be spectators and turned to ownership and I guess the whole families involvement spiralled from there.

Current involvement in the sport: I'm the girlfriend of trainer Michael O'Mahony and help him as much as possible with the horses. I'm also currently the secretary of Wales & West Harness Racing Club and Lampeter races.

Why did you become a director: Through my involvement with Wales & West I could see the frustration of license holders and went to the 2019 BHRC AGM to express their views. I have to admit on that day I was disappointed with the sport I was part of. I felt I had two options; either resign from my secretarial duties and not be involved in any of that part of the sport again or try assist the BHRC where I could. I went with the latter and just hope I don't live to regret it.

Aims as a director: I'd like to see harness racing in Great Britain move into the 21st century. I hope that we can really modernise how we operate which will make

life easier for the office, clubs and license holders.

Favourite racing memory: Tregaron 2017, it was the perfect weekend with both mine and Michael's families there to celebrate with us. Southern Sunshine was a horse with bags of potential but numerous issues so him winning alone was a highlight but to leave the weekend having won three of the major races of the festival was an absolute dream.

Name: George Button

Occupation: I own a Commercial Vehicle Sales business and a Florist Shop

How you got involved in harness racing: I went to my first Harness Racing meeting when I was a small boy of 5 or 6 at Prestatyn with my Dad and have been hooked ever since.

Current involvement in the sport: I'm an owner and breeder of Trotteur Francais horses, and Trotting is my passion.



Why you became a director: I became a Director in December 2020 to try and make things better for licence holders, to promote the Sport for them and to try and raise the profile of the Sport. For too long I have listened to the grievances about the BHRC. When I was told that there were people putting their names forward who wanted also to make a difference I decided it was time to give it a try.

Favourite racing memory: Thunder Jiel winning the Fleet Hire Le Trot Race at Chelmsford Racecourse in November 2016. It was historic because he was the first French Trotter to win a race on the same card as gallopers. More importantly my Dad was there and it was the last winner he saw of mine before he died in 2017. A special night!

Watch out for part 2 and the profiles or the rest of the team next time!

PRAKAS



PRAKAS CHAMPIONSHIP



- 3 and 4 Year olds
- To be held July/August
- To race over 1 mile (hard track)
- Bred by British owners (at time of foaling must be registered to owner with address in Great Britain)
- Open to colts, geldings, fillies - split if sufficient numbers declare, mixed gender races (fillies get preferential draw)

Sustaining fee (£50) due on: 1st April, 1st May and 1st June

Entry fee (£100) due: two weeks before race

Late entries: (£1000)

PURSE: minimum £1500 for each race to be made up of 100% of sustaining fee and entry fee which will be matched by Prakas fund.



Rugs and trophies



AGED PRAKAS CHAMPIONSHIP

- 5 Year old upwards
- To be held July/August
- To race over 1 mile (hard track)
- Bred by British owners (at time of foaling must be registered to owner with address in Great Britain)
- Open to colts, geldings, fillies - split if sufficient numbers declare, mixed gender races (fillies get preferential draw)

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Rugs and trophies

Entries through BHRC online system





THE BRITISH HARNESS RACING CLUB

**CLASSIC
RACES**

**BHRC Futurity
BHRC Derby & Oaks
BHRC Pacing Classic**

NOMINATION FEE £100 - 1ST APRIL

1ST SUSTAINING FEE £50 - 1ST MAY

2ND SUSTAINING FEE £50 - 1ST JUNE

3RD SUSTAINING FEE £50 - 1ST JULY

FINAL FEE £50 - 1ST SEPTEMBER

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ENTRY SYSTEM**

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Following the success of the STAGBI Future Broodmares Series over the past number of years and the addition of the now-established Group 1 Golden Girls Final, STAGBI is delighted to introduce a new series for 2021 onwards: the STAGBI British Championships, which will be aimed at three & four year olds sired by stallions standing in GB.

STAGBI felt in light of the strength of the 2YO division as a result of the efforts of numerous promoters across the country, that it was time to expand upon the existing 3YO and 4YO divisions, whilst also promoting the breeding of British Standardbreds. With a minimum prize fund for 2021 of £18,000, STAGBI are excited to announce the details of this new series with the intention of running divisions for 3YO Colts & Geldings, 3YO Fillies, 4YO Colts & Geldings and 4YO Fillies as per the dates at the venues listed.

One of the key aspects of this new series is that there are no nomination or sustaining fees.

Conditions:

- Eligible horses to be sired by a

STAGBI registered stallion standing in Great Britain at time of mating

- For horses aged three and four years old, with colts & geldings and fillies divisions within each age group
- Races to be run over 1 mile
- Maximum of 10 entries (or 8 at Corbiewood) per race. In the event of more than 10 entries, preference given to highest BHRC rated horses at time of entry
- Minimum of 5 entries per race. In event of less than 5 entries in each (age) division, a combined race for colts, geldings and fillies will be run
- Entries close 10 days before each race
- £100 entry fee
- Minimum purse for each division = £1500 (£1000, £350, £150)
- Gate position to be determined by horse's rating at time of entry. Preferred draw.
- Owner to be STAGBI member.

In event of horses on the same rating, those horses would draw for position.

In event of a combined race (colts, geldings & fillies) gate position still preferred on rating.

Please contact Sarah Thomas, Sue Young or Gwenan Thomas for further information.

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIPS

3 year olds



4 year olds

30 May
Amman Valley



23 May
Amman Valley

12 June
Tir Prince



19 June
York

23 July
Corbiewood



30 July
Corbiewood

STAGBI has also created the British Championships Supporters Club. With no stallion nomination fees and no race nomination and sustaining fees, STAGBI will be making a substantial financial contribution to the prize fund. We are also pleased to say that we have secured several new, generous sponsors for the series. However, we are seeking to supplement the prize fund further by funds raised through this new British Championships Supporters Club.

Annual tickets for the Supporters Club can be purchased at the cost of £100 each (less than £2 a week!), with 10 prize draws conducted via Facebook Live for a minimum prize of £300 in each draw.

This is a fantastic opportunity to support

racing whilst also having the chance to get something back!

Payment for tickets can be made by debit/credit card by calling the STAGBI office on 01570 423377 or by BACS, the details of which are:

Account name: STAGBI (or depending on your bank you may need to use the full title Standardbred & Trotting Horse Assoc GBI)

Account number: 70008192

Sort Code: 40-26-40

Ref: your name

Please contact Sarah Thomas, Sue Young or Gwenan Thomas to purchase tickets.

STAGBI FUTURE BROODMARES RACES 2021

Dates for 2021

17 July	Tir Prince
25 July	Amman Valley*
08 Aug	York
21 Aug	Tir Prince
12 Sep	Corbiewood
19 Sep	Corbiewood
25 Sept	York

* x2 races: BHRC Race & W&BCRA Race to be Run at a combined W&W/W&BCRA meeting

Conditions:

- ✓ Open to current STAGBI registered mares 4yrs old or over
 - ✓ Gate position to be determined by monies won
 - ✓ To be run over a distance of 1 mile
 - ✓ Minimum of 6 entries
 - ✓ In the event of too many entries, preference will be given to top handicapped mares entered
 - ✓ Minimum 1st Prize money of £500
 - ✓ Mare owner to be a current STAGBI member
- Please enter with relevant Race/Track secretaries

THE GOLDEN GIRLS FINAL

'GROUP 1' STAGBI FUTURE BROODMARES INVITATIONAL FINAL at YORK 2 October, 2021

Mares will gain points through the regional races.

The 10 mares with the highest points will be invited to the final.

Points to be allocated on a basis, if there are 8 mares in the race, 1st = 8 points, 2nd = 7 points, 3rd = 6 points, 4th = 5 points, 5th = 4 points, 6th = 3 points, 7th = 2 points and 8th = 1 point OR if there are 10 mares, then 1st = 10 points, 2nd = 9 points, 3rd = 8 points etc down to 10th = 1 point.

Final will have NO Entry Fee – Purse of £3400 (2000/600/400/250/150)

Sire Stakes

**25th September 2021
at York Raceway**

STALLIONS

Nomination Fee £250 - 1st April

YEARLINGS

Nomination Fee £50 - 1st April

2 YEAR OLDS

Sustaining Fee £100 - 1st April

Starting Fee £50 - 11th September

3 YEAR OLDS

Sustaining Fee £100 - 1st April

Starting Fee £50 - 11th September

All payments via BHRC Entry System

Sire Stakes

ATTENTION YEARLING OWNERS

- Are you the OWNER of one of the yearlings on the attached list? If you are they are ELIGIBLE for the BHRC SIRE STAKES Group Series (list does not include offspring registered by the IHRA, however these horses can still be nominated)
- YEARLING NOMINATION £50 due 1st APRIL
- Take your chance and nominate with the BHRC office today!

Full details www.bhrc.org.uk

Sire Stakes

ELIGIBLE YEARLINGS

M Armbr Deuce (CAN) Ayr Pavorotti
 M Art Professor (CAN) Simon Camden
 M Art Professor (CAN) Vinnie Camden
 F Art Professor (CAN) Jenny Camden
 F Art Professor (CAN) County Harmony
 F Art Professor (CAN) Millstream Art
 M Art Professor (CAN) Vincent
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Overarch
 C Doonbeg (CAN) Rush On Doon
 M Doonbeg (CAN) Blytheview Toppy
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Cardigan Beaut
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Blytheview Victory
 M Doonbeg (CAN) Moonbeg
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Bucklands Isabella
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Lanehouse Meg
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Porterstown Rhian
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Dernel Doonray
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Mahogany Ebony
 M Doonbeg (CAN) Ernie Will
 F Doonbeg (CAN) Equuleus
 M Doonbeg (CAN) American Sniper
 F Foreclosure (NZ) Greenhill Reeah
 M Foreclosure (NZ) Honeyfourse
 M Foreclosure (NZ) Born In Lockdown
 M Foreclosure (NZ) Be Kind
 M Foreclosure (NZ) Messiah
 M Foreclosure (NZ) The Enforcer
 M Foreclosure (NZ) The Mad Hatter
 M Foreclosure (NZ) Forensic
 M Foreclosure (NZ) Times R Changing

M Foreclosure (NZ) Tejas Spirit
 F Genghis Pan (USA) Siennas Firefly
 M Genghis Pan (USA) Siennas Rockstar
 M Hasty Hall (USA) Travel In Hope
 F Hasty Hall (USA) Southview Edition
 M Hasty Hall (USA) Ayr Zac
 M Hasty Hall (USA) Ayr Corleon
 M Hasty Hall (USA) Eternal Bud
 F Hasty Hall (USA) Dernel Hasty
 M Hasty Hall (USA) Eugene Silver
 F Hasty Hall (USA) Mayhem Queen
 M Lyons Danny (USA) Lyons Stashtecash
 F Lyons Danny (USA) Lyons Lyndale
 M Myanamar (USA) Millstream Panny
 F Rogue Hall (USA) Caenwood Rainbow
 F Rogue Hall (USA) Melroque
 M Rogue Hall (USA) Winnal Moss
 F Rogue Hall (USA) Red Cash
 F Rogue Hall (USA) Homegrown Alligator
 M Rogue Hall (USA) Tommy Rocket
 M Rogue Hall (USA) Red Regal
 F Rogue Hall (USA) Blackfield QT
 M Rogue Hall (USA) Isolation
 M See and Ski (USA) Ayr Harbour
 M See and Ski (USA) Rhyds Dude
 M See and Ski (USA) Rhyds Applered
 M See and Ski (USA) Rhyds Shady Affair
 M See and Ski (USA) Imperative
 F Smack Talk (USA) Newmoors Iris
 F Smack Talk (USA) Talk About Me

M Smack Talk (USA) Redford Smalltalk
 M Smack Talk (USA) Lonestarr
 F Smack Talk (USA) Stamphill Shadow
 F Smack Talk (USA) Tarawood Annie
 M Smack Talk (USA) Anothagrey
 F Tom Hill (USA) Chloes Dream
 C Tom Hill (USA) Carronside Legacy
 F Tom Hill (USA) Lockdown Lady
 F Tom Hill (USA) Imperial Flame
 F Tom Hill (USA) Moana
 M Tom Hill (USA) Glenfield Thomas
 F Tom Hill (USA) Miss Pandemic
 M Tom Hill (USA) Imperial Dynamite
 F Tom Hill (USA) Caraghs Smile
 F Tom Hill (USA) Joanna Best
 F Tom Hill (USA) Llwyns Electric
 F Tom Hill (USA) Jans Dream
 F Tom Hill (USA) Kick On Verona
 M Tom Hill (USA) CarrietonCaptainTom
 M Tom Hill (USA) Imperial Warlord
 F Tom Hill (USA) Kick On Volution
 M Tom Hill (USA) Paddy The Greek
 M Tom Hill (USA) Strictly Tyler
 F Tom Hill (USA) Kick On Hyacinth
 F Tom Hill (USA) Stateside Ideal
 M Tom Hill (USA) Stateside Bugsy
 M Tom Hill (USA) Stateside Lockdown
 F Tom Hill (USA) Incline Justine
 F Tom Hill (USA) Rock My Heart
 F Tom Hill (USA) Shelwick Solitaire



Sire Stakes

A sub-committee has been set up to look at ways of rebranding the Sire Stakes series, and after consultation with STAGBI a decision has been reached to promote the use of stallions standing at stud in Great Britain.

AS A STALLION OWNER

Nominate your stallion for the 2021 series - just £250 (paid by 1st April):

- Exclusive to Stallions standing in GB (including frozen semen of deceased STAGBI registered British owned stallions)
- The only series that is exclusive to stallions standing in GB
- Free advertising in March calendar and on the BHRC website
- Fee significantly less than other Stakes Races
- Stallions who nominate into the series and submit 3 or less mating certificates will receive a 75% refund on their nomination fee (if paid before 1st April).

NOMINATED STALLIONS:

Rockin Mambo
Forafewdollarsmore
Tom Hill
Armbro Deuce
Foreclosure
Doonbeg
Rogue Hall
Hasty Hall
SeeandSki
Crown Manhattan
Windsong Dynamite
White Flame
Matador Hall

A full list of eligible two year olds and three year old horses can be found on the BHRC website.

Search - Sire Stakes

ROCKIN MAMBO

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Personal winning time 1.56.1, multiple winner

**The ONLY son of the great RocknRoll Hanover, S.T.A.G.B.I registered
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Frozen semen available only as he is still racing

STUD FEE £500.00

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MAMBO WESTERN purchased in Harrisburg sales as a yearling for \$130,000 never made it to the race track through an injury. Same maternal lines as **BEST SUNSHINE**, **MATTADOR HALL** and **BABY ROSA** who has bred **VINO ROSA**.

ROCKNHANOVER p,3, 1:48.3 (\$3,069,093)

At 2 WORLD CHAMPION. Winner of Metro Stakes Final, Champlain Stake. Second in Breeders Crown Elimination at Woodbine. Third in Nassagaweye Stake; Metro Stakes Elimination.

At 3 winner elimination and Final of North America Cup. Meadowlands Pace Final, Elimination and Final of the Breeders Crown, New Jersey Classic Final, Tattersalls Paces and Bluegrass Stake, James B. Dancer Memorial, Simcoe Stake, New Jersey Sire Stakes, Second in progress Pace Final, Oliver Wendell Holmes Elimination and Little Brown Jug elimination.

Rock'n'Roll Hanover is the sire of numerous great stallions that in their own right have gone on to sire many champions. **ROCKNROLL HEAVEN**, **PET ROCK** and **ROCKNROLL DANCE**.

ROCKIN MAMBO in his own right is a multiple winner on every major track, showing great speed, he is good gaited, has perfect confirmation with impeccable manners. He is the joint track record holder at **TIR PRINCE RACEWAY**.

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FOR A FEW DOLLARS MORE

The Panderosa- Oh My Dear (Artsplace)



YEAR	RUNS	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	UNPLACED
2008	8	7	1			
2009	1	1				
2010	7	5		2		
2011	13	3	4	2	3	1
2012	10	4	4	1		1
2013	8	5	1	2		
2014	7	2	2		2	1
TOTAL	54	27	12	7	5	3

BHRC Oversea's horse of the year 2008, 2012, 2013. Winner of The Famous Musselburgh Pace, S4C Crock of Gold, York 3yo Championship, Scottish 3yo grass Championship, 3yo BHRC pacing Derby, 3x Crock of Gold heats, Multiple FFA's.

Sire of multiple Breeders Crown and Group 1 winners from his 1st crop; Ladyford Dollar – P,3, 1.58.6h £10,300, winner of 3yo Breeders Crown (Grp 1), VDM 3yo colts, NWHOA 4yo C&G championship 4yo Breeders Crown Loosechange – P,3, 1.57.7h £17,099, Winner of Ceredigion 2yo fillies (Grp 2), Heat 2yo Breeders Crown (fillies), NWHOA 3yo championship Fillies (Grp 2), SHRC 3yo Oaks, 3yo BHRC Pacing Oaks (Grp 1), 3yo Breeders Crown Fillies (Grp 1).

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Sire Stakes

HASTY HALL (US) p3, 1.54.1 \$132,269 Bay (1998)

GRADE A

Age	Starts	Win	2nd	3rd	Earnings	Fastest
2yo	10	2	2	2	\$76,230	1.54.3
3yo	5	1	0	1	\$59,920	1.54.1
4yo	3	1	0	0	\$3,119	Q1.58.2
	18	4	2	3	\$132,269	1.54.1

At 2, second Metro Stakes Elim; third in Abe Lincoln.
At 3, winner of Cleveland Classic.

SIRE LINE

JENNAS BEACH BOY p4, 1.47.3 \$1,972,172 North American Sire of 1052 foals. From 873 starters, 667 in 2.00, 358 in 1.55 and 15 in 1.50 with 196 offspring earning over \$100,000. Total earnings of offspring \$70,414,200

DAM LINE

1st Dam: **HUNDRED KISSES** p4, 1.52.4 \$143,291 (Abercrombie) .From 13 foals, 7 winners, 1 in 1.50, 4 in 1.55 including: **BLISSFULL HALL** p3, 1.49.2 \$1,468,648 (Cambest) 19 wins. 1.48 Sire

HASTY HALL Stud Analysis

No North American Foals

UK Sire of 481 foals including:

MATTICULOUS p3, 1.56.7 £36,928 (Another Mattie/ Presidential Ball) 14 wins inc 2yo VDM, 2yo & 3yo SS, 2yo BC Ht & F G1, 3yo NWHOA G2, BHRC Derby G1, Little & Senior Welsh Dragon G1, Musselburgh Ht & Final G1. **EXPORTED US** p5, 1.49.1 \$143,556 9 wins.

RHYDS DESIRE p4, 1.59.7 £44,052 (CPR / Life Sign) 39 wins inc 2yo & 3yo SS, 3yo Appleby, 3yo BC, 3yo Muss, 4yo Dragon, European Classic & multiple FFA.

RHYDS FIVE STAR p3, 1.58.4 £43,065 (Tonda Star/ Albert Albert) 24 wins inc 2yo Dragon, BHRC Futurity, Musselburgh, NWSA Champ, 2yo & 3yo SS, 3yo Dragon, BHRC Derby, 4yo Dragon, European Classic etc.

RHYDS DESTINY p5, 1.56.9 £40,621 (CPR / Life Sign) 26 wins At 2, winner SS, Appleby 2yo. At 3, winner SS, App 3yo BC, 3yo Dragon. At 4, winner 4yo Dragon & BC.

AYR REGAL p5, 2.02.1 £36,773 (Ayr Queen / Albert Albert) 13 wins. Inc 2yo BC, 3yo Dragon, TP. RT 1.58.7

RHYDS ROCK STAR p3, 1.57.1 £33,362 (Tonda Star/ Albert Albert) 15 wins At 3, winner NWHOA 3yo, Breeders Crown, Sire Stakes, BHRC Derby, . At 4, winner Sire Stakes, Breeders Crown G1, Senior Welsh Dragon G1, Crock of Gold Ht. Aged winner, FFA

RHYDS MYSTIQUE (F) p3, 2.00.3 £28,297 (CPs Village Jigsaw/ Village Jiffy) 16 wins inc at 2yo NWHOA, BC, Futurity, 2yo & 3yo SS, STAGBI Mares.

BON JASPER p8, 1.57.9 £26,405 (Bon Sian / Master Scoot) 16 wins inc Spring Final Tregaron, Apple/ Final, Ceredigion Final, Crock of Gold Ht (BR & AV)

JENNAS BEACH BOY (US) p4, 1.47.3 \$1,972,172	Beach Towel (US)	French Chef (US)
		Sunburn (US)
HUNDRED KISSES (US) p4, 1.52.4 \$143,291	Five O'Clock Cindy (US)	Cam Fella (US)
		Eyewash (US)
HUNDRED KISSES (US) p4, 1.52.4 \$143,291	Abercrombie (US)	Silent Majority (US)
		Bergdorf (US)
	Dozen Kisses (US)	Meadow Skipper (US)
		Dozen Roses (US)

RHYDS TOPAZ (F) p3, 2.00 £23,590 (CPR/Life Sign) 17 wins inc 2, 3 & 4yo BC, 2 & 3yo Dragoness, 2 & 3yo SS.

TITANIUM p3, 1.56.7 £23,447 (Another Mattie/ Presidential Ball) 8 wins inc 2yo Vincent Delaney

RHYDS DESIGN p3, 1.57.2 £16,495 (CPR / Life Sign) 14 wins At 2, winner 2yo Ceredigion. At 3, winner Rising Starzz. Aged winner WBCRA.

RHYDS HALLSTAR p3, 1.58.1 £16,427 (Tonda Star/ Albert Albert) 12 wins inc 2, 3 & 4yo SS, 3yo York Classic, BHRC Derby.

RHYDS BOOTS pn/a 1.58.1 £16,152 (Brown Shoes/ Western Hanover) 17 wins

RHYDS REFLECTION (F) p4, 1.58.9 £15,490 (Kentucky Sunshine/Real Desire) 9 wins. At 3, winner SS. At 4, winner Antio Russell Final, BC Ht & Final G1, Sire Stakes.

RHYDS PUZZLE p5, 1.59.8 £15,200 (CPs Village Jigsaw/ Village Jiffy) 13 wins inc 2yo BC, 2 & 3yo SS, 3yo T Prince

RHYDS ART (F) p3, 1.58.1 £15,144 (Arts Treasure /Artsplace) 11 wins inc 2 & 4yo BC, 2 & 4yo SS, 3yo Welsh Dragoness

RHYDS PONDER p5, 2.00.3 £14,625 (CPs Village Jigsaw/Village Jiffy) 7 wins inc Appleby Final

RHYDS SOLUTION p3, 1.59.4 £13,712 (CPs Village Jigsaw/Village Jiffy) 14 wins inc 3yo BC, 3yo York Champ

RHYDS SHOOLY (F) p3, 2.02.5 £12,779 (Sandfly Hanover/The Pandorosa) 8 wins. At 2, winner BC Ht & final. RT 2.00.2

RHYDS SAPPHIRE (F), p3, 2.04.4 £12,689 (CPR / Life Sign) 7 wins. At 3 & 4, winner Haughfield Final. RT 2.01.2

RHYDS STAR QUALITY p4, 1.58.3 £11,908 (Tonda Star/Albert Albert) 8 wins. At 2, winner NWHOA 2yo. Multiple winner Tir Prince & York. RT 1.58

Also multiple winners: **RED CASINO**, **RHYDS TREASURE** (F), **RHYDS RAINBOW** (F), **JILL AND JONES: SOUTHSIDE AFFECTION**; **RHYDS DIAMOND** (F), **FRANKIE B**, **AYR EMPRESS** (F), **RHYDS RIVAL**, **AYR CAMELOT**, Oldest bred in UK born in 2003

No of matings last season (2020) 12

No of foals reg UK 481 (240 males / 234 females)

Standing at Rhys Stud

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SEE AND SKI (US) p3, 1.50.2 \$62,187 Bay (2010)

GRADE A

	Starts	Win	2nd	3rd	Earnings	Fastest
2yo	4	0	1	1	\$9,400	Q155.3
3yo	8	3	2	0	\$41,137	1.50.2
4yo	8	1	1	1	\$11,690	1.51
	20	4	4	2	\$62,187	1.50.2
Winner at 3 & 4yo						

SIRE LINE

SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE p3, 1.46.4 (\$3,221,299). North American Sire of 1081 foals. From 952 starters, 829 in 2:00, 686 in 1:55, 85 in 1:50 with 352 offspring earning over \$100,000. Total earnings of offspring \$148,205,607

DAM LINE

1st Dam: **MUST SEE** p2, 1.52.0 \$562,858 (Artsplace) 6 wins. From 12 foals, dam of 8 winners, 8 in 1:55, 3 in 1:50 including **WELL SAID** p3, 1.47.3 \$2,690,820 (Western Hanover) 14 wins. **1.48 SIRE**; **SEE AND BE SEEN** (F) p3, 1.54 \$226,256 (Western Hanover) 4 wins and dam of **GIGI DEO** (F) p3, 1.52.4 (Riggins) 7 wins, **Watch N Be Watched** (F) p3, 1.51.1 (Rocknroll Hanover) 8 wins, **PERSPECTIVE** p4, 1.53.3 \$55,548 (Art Official) 8 wins & **SEEN AT RIO DEO** (F) p3, 1.53 \$36,160; **ROCKET J** p5, 1.51.1 (Rock N Roll Heaven) 8 wins; **SO SURREAL** p2, 1.49.4 (SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE) 3 wins **1.48 SIRE**; **EMILIOS STRIDE** (F) p3, 1.52 \$89,440 (Rocknroll Hanover) 7 wins and dam of **KIIVINO STRIDE** p3, 1.53.9 (Somebeachsomewhere) **CLOUDBREAK** p3, 1.52.2 \$40,835 (SOMEBEACHSOMEWHERE) 2 wins; **SEE TO BELIEVE** (F) p3, 1.53.1 (Bettors Delight) 3 wins.

2nd Dam **GRAND LADY** p3, 1.52.4 \$235,571 (Matts Scooter) 17 wins. From 16 foals, dam of 14 winners including **GLOWING REPORT** (F) p5, 1.49.2 (Artsplace) 23 wins and dam of **NET TEN EOM** p3, 1.49.2 \$141,176 (Somebeachsomewhere) 6 wins, **EIGHT TEN EON** p6, 1.52.3 \$137,070 (Western Ideal) 13 wins & **Thirty X** (F) p3, 1.52 \$27,400 (Rocknroll Hanover) 3 wins; **PERFECT UNION** p3, 1.49 \$746,163 (The Panderosa) 5 wins; **URGENT ACTION** p6, 1.49.3 (Artsplace) 24 wins; **GET IT NOW** p4, 1.49.4 & 406,955 (Western Hanover) 24 wins; **DASH OF DANGER** p5, 1.51 \$222,903 (Western Terror) 24 wins; **WEST END** (F) p3, 1.52.2 \$148,010 (Western Hanover) 5 wins; **ARIS TURN** p6, 1.53 \$142,208 (Art Major) 9 wins; **STUDIO ONE** (F) p3, 1.52.2 \$72,995 (Art Major) 4 wins; **LIVE LARGE** p4, 1.53 \$66,106 (Die Laughing) 5 wins; **FIT TO FRAME** (F) p3, 1.53.1 \$16,134 (Art Major) 2 wins; **SURTLE CHARM** (F) p2, 1.55.3 \$28,850 (Die Laughing) 2 wins and dam of **JAZZ BAND** p7, 1.51.4 \$407,084 (Real Artist) 52 wins, **SCANDALOUS HANOVER** p3, 1.49.3 \$363,570 (Dragon

SOMEBEACH-SOMEWHERE (US) p3, 1.46.4 \$3,328,755	Mach Three (US)	Matts Scooter (US)
		All Included (US)
MUST SEE (US) p2, 1.52 \$562,858	Wheres The Beach (US)	Beach Towel (US)
		Wheres Sarah (US)
	Artsplace (US)	Abercrombie (US)
		Miss Elvira (US)
	Grand Lady (US)	Matts Scooter (US)
		Grand Vitesse (US)

Again) 16 wins, **CRUISING YANKEE** p4, 1.50.3 \$126,307 (Yankee Cruiser) 13 wins & **SUPER PAC HANOVER** p4, 1.52.2 \$100,065 (Dragon Again) 7 wins

SEE AND SKI Stud Analysis

No North American Foals

UK Sire of 46 foals including:

RHYDS ROMANCE (F) p3, 2.01.5 £7,131 (Rhyds Hasty Affair/Hasty Hall) 4 wins. At 2, winner NWHOA Champ G2, BHRC Futurity G1, Breeders Crown Ht & 3rd Final G1. At 3, winner IHRA Juvenile ht, placed BHRC Oaks G1, NWOHA Fillies G2
RHYDS SEEQUIN (F) p2, 2.04.7 £5,958 (CPR/Life Sign) 2 wins. At 2, winner NWHOA Champ G2 and Breeders Crown (Silver Div). At 3, placed Sire Stakes G2. RT 2.00.9
RHYDS DRAGONFLY p3, 1.59 £4,425 (Sandfly Hanover/The Panderosa) 2 wins. At 3, winner Tir Prince & York.
SOMEMANYOURE p3 2.02.1 £3,478 (Whispur/Modern Art) 2 wins. At 2, winner Sire Stakes Ireland. At 3, winner York.
ELSKI p4, 2.01.6 £3,018 (Rhyds Telestar/Hasty Hall). 3 wins. At 4, winner Annaghmore & Lyre. RT 2.00.4
SOUTHSIDE MIKEY p3, 2.19.2nd £730 (Artifax/Artsplace) 1 win. Winner at Pikehall. RT 2.16.5
COALFORD SKI (F) £2,360 (Coalford Honour/ Coalford Laag). At 2, placed NWHOA Fillies G2, Breeders Crwon G1 & Sire Stakes G2. RT 2.02.2
COALFORD SEE (F) £250 (Coalford Amoretto/Coalford Laag). At 2, placed NWHOA Fillies G2. RT n/a

Oldest bred in UK born in 2016

No of matings last season (2020) 5

No of foals reg UK 46 (29 males / 17 females)

Standing at Rhyds Stud

John Wright

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Sire Stakes

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Standing at Stud in Hereford

Service Fee £350

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WHITE FLAME p6, 1.56.9 £2,302 Skewbald (2011)

GRADE A

Age	Starts	Win	2nd	3rd	Earnings	Fastest
6yo	5	4	0	1	£2,302	1.56.9*
	5	4	0	1	£2,302	1.56.9

At 6, winner at Tir Prince, Ceredigion, Musselburgh ht and Painted Mile. *World Record fastest coloured mile

SIRE LINE

WHITE FIRE (AUS) p4, 1.58 \$2,288 (Aus). Australian sire of 3 foals. UK Sire of 37 foals (IRE registrations n/a)

DAM LINE

1st Dam: **PANNE ALA VODKA (US)** p2, 1.53.4 \$64,907 (Western Hanover) 5 wins. From 7 foals, 4 winners, 2 in 1.55, 3 in 2.00 including:

NO GIN p5, 1.52.2 \$189,491 (No Pan Intended) 32 wins; **PANHELLENIC** p5, 1.52.2 \$122,865 (No Pan Intended) 23 wins; **PORTERSTOWN JIMMY** p5, 2.04.5 £4,285 (No Pan Intended) 4 wins; **WHITE FLAME** as above

2nd Dam: **TIGH NA MARA** p6, 1.52.2 4804,456 (Safe N Rich) 41 wins. From 4 foals, 2 winners, 2 in 1.55 including:

PANNE ALA VODKA as above; **MRS RED POP (F)** p3, 1.54 \$20,935 (Safe N Rich) 5 wins

3rd Dam: **LADY ANN BLUE CHIP** p4, 1.59.1 \$38,035 (Precious Fella) 16 wins. From 14 foals, 9 winners 1 in 1.55 including:

TIGH NA MARA as above; **MAN OF MANY MEANS** p4, 1.55.1 \$160,996 (Safe N Rich) 18 wins; **JUDGES HAMMER** p4 1.55.2 \$77,794 (Safe N Rich) 13 wins; **ALL SPRUCED UP (F)** p4, 1.56.4 \$69,851 (Safe N Rich) 14 wins.

WHITE FIRE (AUS) p4, 1.58, \$2,288	Mystical Shark (US)	Cams Card Shark (US)
		Crystal Alba (US)
	Ishihara (AUS)	Gold Shield (AUS)
		Horse in Pyjamas (AUS)
PANNE ALA VODKA (US) p2, 1.53.4 \$64,907	Western Hanover (US)	No Nukes (US)
		Wendymae Hanover (US)
	Tigh Na Mara (US)	Safe N Rich (US)
		Lady Ann Blue Chip (US)

WHITE FLAME Stud Analysis:

UK Sire of 73 foals including:

WILDONE p3, 2.03.4 £1,500 (Wolf Hill Lady /Cams Security) 1 win, Painted mile.

TAKE ME TO THE BEACH (IRE) p2, 2.03 £1,100 (Meadowland Melody/Hasty Hall) 1 win, 2yo Painted Mile.

Oldest bred in UK born in 2015

No of matings last season (2020) 44

No of foals reg UK 73 (36 males / 37 females)

Standing at Stud & Frozen semen

Trevor Johnson

07821 374280

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2021 Horses to follow

Mike Evans TROTBritain

DIAMANT DE GODREL - Now two time TROTBritain Horse of the Year he is currently the undisputed champion of British trotting and will be looking to hold onto his crown.

CHAMBORD FROMENTRO - One of Great Britain's new Frenchies. We'll have to wait and see which of the latest draft adapt best to British racing but this son of Brooklyn had all of the TROTBritain selection team excited.

HEPHIE MATHER - The son of Reach De Vandal oo Tulipe De Bolero was bred by Paul Mather and will race in the TROTBritain Junior series this year. He looked to be the most advanced of the young Trotter Francais who were qualified in 2020.

Eirc Witherspoon Tir Prince Racing Manager

TARAWOOD WILL - Showed great promise last year and I expect him to mature into a top class animal. I also believe that he is to be trained by team Laidler which won't harm his chances.

LANESIDE LOGIC - This horse was very impressive last year and I fully expect him to win races on the biggest stages this year.

RING ME BACK - This filly competed consistently in the big stakes races and I expect to see her win a few races now that she concentrates mainly on handicap races.

Charles Inglis Corbiewood Announcer

JEDS SUPERSTAR - An unraced 3 year old by Armbrro Deuce oo the very talented race mare Rhyds Pearl. He's a horse which has real potential after impressing in qualifiers last season at York when trained by champion trainer Alexis Laidler.

LIVE IN STAR - He was the second fastest horse in the British Isles last year after missing the 2019 season. The now 8 year old son of Doonbeg oo Live In Beauty has the potential to break into the FFA class and is more than capable of handling his own when it comes to the big guns.

LANESIDE LOGIC - Another one from the Cullen barn, who look to have a very nice group of horses again for 2021. He was a real standout performer in his first year of racing winning four from four and posting a personal best of 2.00. Connection will now be hoping that things will return to normal after a Covid stricken year and that the big meetings return so that he can have a crack at some big handicaps throughout the year.

Craig Stevenson York Racing Manager

LIVE IN STAR - Won a multiple races at a very high level. Will return to a winnable mark and will be campaigned for a major success.

LANESIDE LOGIC - Still remains unbeaten and the world is his oyster for this very talented juvenile and will pay to follow this all season.

ENCORE SUN - This is a nice trotter to follow who qualified in a very fast time but needs to put it all together in a race. I personally would love to see him rattle up a sequence of wins as the Ali family are great supporters of the Harness Racing in the UK.

Sue Young STAGBI Director

ROYAL ARMBRO - A horse that has shown terrific ability as a 2 and 3 year old but soundness has been his demon. A big powerful horse that has now matured and a change of stable in 2021 may well suit him. He has all the tools - gait, power and speed which I think he will utilise well on the grass. He is a potential star if it all comes together for him.

ON THE MONEY - A really nicely bred 3 year old filly that had a light 2 year old season. With minimal starts under her belt she completed her 2 year old campaign in style winning the fillies division of the Futurity at Tir Prince.

AYR AMBITION - One that caught my eye on paper initially. I love her sire Art Major and out of a good maternal line too. This is a huge filly and I think that an extra year will see her mature into something special. Already the winner of the Junior Dragoness in 2020 and lightly raced as a 2 year old which will pay dividends.

Darren Owen BHRC Chairman

TARAWOOD WILL - He was one of the most exciting pacers on the scene last season, after an inauspicious start he found his feet with four wins, offering so much for the future.

KENTUCKY JUNGLE JOE - He was a real star on the Amman Valley circuit last year with five wins and it is to be hoped he can resume winning ways this season.

BRYWINS CANDYBEACH - He had three starts last season as a juvenile, he has reportedly wintered well and connections have high hopes for this gelded son of Eagle Luck.

Trudy Lauchbury AVTC

KENTUCKY JUNGLE JOE - The obvious choice, with his fantastic wins in 2020 he went from strength to strength and looks like being a class horse.

BRYWINS CANDYBEACH - Owned and trained locally, had a very straightforward introduction to racing and showed real promise. With a win under his belt will be moving through the ranks in 2021.

BRYWINS FEROCIOUS - Made his way steadily through the grades and has notched up some decent times, is sure to continue to improve in the open grades.