

## 2018 Post Time with Mike and Mike Awards Biographies

### Ted Barcus Race Fan of the Year

**Albert Nash-** Al won the inaugural Post Time with Mike and Mike Race Fan of the Year in 2015. Al spends his time congratulating participants on their victories via Facebook and always carries a positive attitude. Al was the first Post Time Fan of the Year and has been featured in Youth Beats.

**Colton Hay** - Colton can be seen at the track with mom trainer and driver Emily Hay. Colton is a favorite of many of the drivers and they have given him many whips and driving goggles as souvenirs. He has his own helmet and set of colors that match his favorite driver Josh Sutton.

**Terry Wilson** – A long-time guest handicapper at The Raceway, Terry loves chasing after longshots & has hit on more of them than any handicapper at The Raceway. He is a fan of the sport and very knowledgeable in his handicapping skills.

**Adriano Sorella** – Is the owner of champion three-year-old Jimmy Freight. Sorella spends his time on Facebook promoting the sport of harness racing and encouraging those who are entering the sport.

**Pedro Baez** - Pedro tirelessly promotes the game in a positive manner via Twitter. Baez is a harness horseplayer and owner, who recently got involved with fractional ownership. He is from Jersey City, New Jersey.

**Nathan Bain** - Nathan Bain is an up and coming harness racing fan who has a strong passion for announcing races. Bain is currently attending Belle River High School in Canada and has shown his passion for calling races by announcing at Grand River Raceway and Pompano Park. He also does selections and a pre-game show for Leamington Raceway. He announced his first race at Leamington Raceway in 2014.

### Innovator of the Year

**Ryan Clements** - Ryan Clements received numerous nominations throughout the process for his creation of the Off And Pacing Mobile App and Catch Driver. Since their inception, Clements and his team have worked tirelessly at making sure they continue to expand the development of their game. It has helped create new fans in the sport of harness racing in a lot of different countries. For Clements this is his second Post Time with Mike and Mike nomination.

**Hoosier Park Racing and Casino** – Hoosier Park presented the 2017 Breeders Crown and in their nomination was applauded for their HD race feed. Hoosier Park is very friendly when it comes to track marketing and promotions with plenty to do for on-track patrons.

**Ken Terpenning** – Started Harness Racing Replays in early 2018 which features some of the sports stars. He posts replays on a daily basis featuring a “Race of the Day” from tracks around North America.

**Ashley Tetrick** – Is the wife of storied driver Tim Tetrick, but has stamped herself as a prominent member of the harness racing industry. Ashley works tirelessly to help with standardbred aftercare and ensures she does what she can to help positively improve the sport of harness racing.

**Rod Allums Jr.** – Is the co-host of North American Harness Update which premieres every Friday night at 9:00 PM. Allums positively promotes the sport, by trying to help new gamblers and handicappers by showing them new angles to wager from. Allums helped to spearhead NAHU Picks, a service that provides nightly selections to some of North America's top racetracks. This is Allums second Post Time with Mike and Mike awards nomination.

**Tim Harless** - Tim has been speed Super at Darke Co Fair for many years, he was the originator of the Ohio lady Pace, he got the Gene Riegler and Armahurst Races started with 25K plus purses at County Fair level for each race, they give away special glasses to Fans on Riegler Night. Tim is constantly trying to improve the races at Darke Co Fair. They Host the Parshall Races. Tim also took a spin on the Ohio Lady Pace and Made it the Annie Oakley Shootout which Top 8 ladies' race in and the purse is 3,000. Tim is trying to get a level "B" grand circuit race if you have good races people will come. Tim talked Burke's into bringing Foiled Again to Darke Co Fair this year. Tim spends hours upon hours getting Races and higher purses for Darke Co Fair. Tim's doings made it possible for the Darke Co Fair to be the Blue-Ribbon Fair for 2018.

**Chris Gooden** – Is the 2017 Post Time with Mike and Mike USTA Innovator of the Year. Chris's fantastic photos shower Facebook and Twitter and his promotion of The Meadows Racetrack and Casino is of highest regard. Gooden prides himself on taking different shots from many angles to ensure the best photo. His funny shots of Aaron Merriman are consistently a hit throughout social media.

### **Foiled Again Iron Horse of the Year**

**Montreal Phil** - His dam Matter of Style was profiled in TROT Magazine this summer, because her last foal was racing well in Ontario Sires Stakes, & her first foal (Montreal Phil) was win-streaking at Truro Raceway at age 14! 15 wins in 21 tries this year--don't let weak NS overnight purse winnings (\$7,544) fool you. Breeder Tony Infilise was impressed Montreal Phil is still going strong. Montreal Phil has made just over \$700,000 in his career and has scored 84 career victories. From a win standpoint 2018 has been a career season for him with 15 victories in 23 starts this year.

**Esprit De Kay Jay** – Is a 14-year-old that began racing overseas in 2007 where he didn't have the best of racing luck. Since coming to the United States, he has made just over \$400,000 in earnings while winning 64 total races. In 2018 he has 9 victories in 20 starts with just under \$20,000 made. In his career, Esprit De Kay Jay has made over \$680,000 in 281 career starts.

**Victorys Peanut** - 14-year-old horse proudly owned by the Leon family, he has over \$180,000 in lifetime earnings and 39 lifetime wins. This horse races his heart every time he races and has become a fan favorite horse at Leamington Raceway after he retires he stay at the Leon farm for

his retirement. Victory's Peanut has 39 wins in 286 career starts with just over \$160,000 in career earnings. In 2018 he has four wins in 35 starts with just under \$15,000 in the bank.

**Quicksilvercandy A** - She began her winning ways by capturing a matinee race in the Cradle of the Trotter at Goshen Historic Track in Goshen, NY. Quicksilvercandy A successfully raced against Open mares at Pocono and Yonkers. She set her lifetime mark of 1:51.2 at the Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono. She has won 77-lifetime races and has earnings in upwards of \$737,000. She was also nominated in 2017.

**Intheblinkofaneye** - Is a thirteen-year-old standardbred pacer, this horse has been through so many stables, and not one has had a bad word to say about him, Megan Roberts has the pleasure of owning him now and this horse has the most heart I've ever seen in a racehorse, always gives 110% even with have metal in his knees and arthritis, he truly loves his job. He's a character in the barn and he's always the first one to greet you. He currently has 43 victories in 168 career starts with just over \$400,00 in career earnings. In 2018, he has three wins in 19 starts with just under \$20,000 bankrolled.

**B Blissful** – Took on one of his toughest tests when he faced Foiled Again this year at Shenandoah Downs in Virginia. Throughout his lengthy career he has raced at some of racing's top tracks and while he was never a major producer of money earned, he was a very consistent horse. He currently has 60 wins in 299 starts with \$320,000 in the bank.

### **Upset of the Year**

**Percy Blue Chip** – 2018 Breeders Crown

**Dream Together** – 2018 Steele Memorial/Joie De Vie

**Green Eyed Lady** – R1 October 24<sup>th</sup> at Rosecroft Raceway, returned \$229.40

**Cruzado De La Noche** – Yonkers International Trot

**Lily Stride** – 2018 Breeders Crown

**What's Goin On** – 32/1 score in The Matron

### **Race Call of the Year**

**Vance Cameron** – 2018 Gold Cup and Saucer

**Jim Beviglia** – 2018 Breeders Crown – McWicked

**Darrin Gagne** – Race 1 Night of Champions at Running Aces

**Jim Beviglia** – 2018 Breeders Crown – Shartin N

**Gabe Prewitt** – 2018 Allerage Open Trot – Homicide Hunter

**Ayers Ratliff** – 2018 Battle of Lake Erie – Bit Of A Legend N

### **Horsewoman of the Year**

**Jessica Otten** - A Michigan Native and is currently enrolled at Mott Community College majoring in business management. She helped make her presence felt in the sport of harness racing by providing behind-the-scenes access to the happenings at Northville Downs. Otten is a pivotal part of the Post Time with Mike and Mike live broadcast team and has grown as a

broadcaster since joining the team. Jessica was recently hired by Meadowlands Racing and Entertainment. This is Otten's third Post Time with Mike and Mike awards nomination

**Nancy Johansson** – Is the well-known daughter of hall of fame trainer Jimmy Takter who currently trains numerous horses including Kissin' In The Sand. Johansson has just under 200 career victories as a trainer and has made over \$7.7 million in earnings.

**JoAnn Looney-King** – Is the high-profile trainer of Shartin N who has dominated the Open Mare ranks since coming overseas. She is also the mother of Heather Vitale. King has been known throughout the sport of harness racing for her super happy reactions in the winners' circle following seeing her horses score victories. King was the 2016 Small Stable of the Year winner.

**Wendy Ross** – Began working for the USTA in May 2018, helping to spearhead some of harness racing's mainstream media. She helped to produce and put together the first harness racing Lip Sync battle and also helped put on a Harness Racing Carpool Karaoke. She worked with Mark Weaver and Ron Burke to coordinate the Harness Racing FanZone Foiled Again Farewell tour.

**Casie Coleman** – Currently has the horse to beat in training right now in McWicked. Coleman has worked tirelessly throughout her career to put together the powerhouse stable that she has currently. Coleman statistically has over 2,300 career wins with over \$57 million in career earnings.

**Moira Fanning** – Is currently the COO of the Hambletonian Society. Fanning assists with everything there is to work with when it comes to Grand Circuit events. She works tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that things get done correctly and in a timely manner.

### **Larry Rheinheimer Small Stable of the Year**

**Altmeyer Wilder Racing Stable** – A family run operation that focuses on racing at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino. The stable name comes from the marriage of Heather Wilder (Altmeyer) and Mike Wilder. Their stable currently has 13 horses in their stable. Mike is the second trainer and driver of the stable, while Heather owns several horses within the barn and manages their social media accounts. The stable took in Mr Bill G the Pacing for the Cure mascot in 2018 and since entering their stable has scored two victories.

**Go Where The Money Is Stable** – Has approx. 10 horses with 20 partners in their stable currently. They race primarily at Vernon Downs in upstate NY where they have had plenty of success. Their partners come out almost every time they race and have a great time. They enthusiastically promote the sport from the perspective of the little guy

**Jeff Lilley Stable** - Jeff has a small stable of just a few horses, but this year, 2018, Jeff managed a great-granddaughter of Cecily to become the Maritime 3-year-old filly of the year, and the richest Maritime-bred ever for a single season with earnings of over \$100,000. It's been an incredible success story. Jeff works constantly to promote the industry and attract new owners to it.

**Verlin Yoder** – Is known for producing some of racing's best trotters including champion Natural Herbie, but in 2018 he produced an unbeaten Indiana-bred named Woodside Charm. Woodside Charm not only took the Indiana Super Final but also scored a victory in the 2018 Breeders Crown.

**Scott Betts Stable** – This small stable has just under \$1,000,000 in career earnings with over 100 career training victories. 2018 has been a breakout year for them while racing at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino. In 2018, he has made just under \$500,000 in earnings.

**Winners Circle Racing** – Is a fractional ownership group that provides the total harness racing experience: from the barn to the paddock to the winners' circle. The group was started by Charlie Longo and Matt Zuccarello, both US Trotting Association Driving School graduates. Their mission is to introduce as many people to the sport as possible.