

Single G: The Horse That Time Forgot — His Connection to the State of Maine



Single G with Ed Allen
Photograph courtesy of The Harness Racing Museum & Hall of Fame -- Goshen, New York

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Trotting Results 1894

*North Berwick, Maine				
September 13.—Purse \$150; 2:35 class. Frank O., ch g.—F. H. Osgood. Baby, b m, by Honest Allen Kitty M., br m.—C. P. Graffam. Judge, ch g.—J. F. Tibbetts. Helen M., br m. by Sunshine Edgar Simmons, br h.—C. C. Mayberry. Alcoe, b h.—J. H. Fifield. Little Dick, br g.—P. F. Povell. Clara T., b m, by Westland. Time, 2:30—2:6114—2:3346—2:3446.	319625784	137256489	1 5 2 3 4 8 6 7 da	16935478

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The Lost Trotting Parks Heritage Center -- Starting Its Fifth Year --

This April marks the beginning of the fifth year of my work presenting the imagery and stories of Maine's agricultural heritage, the history of the early agricultural societies, Maine's light harness horse industry, Maine's harness racing, and today's agricultural fairs. Now this work is almost second nature. I have developed procedures for collecting, archiving, and preserving the paper memorabilia of the 19th century and up to present day. However, even more important, through the Center I have created online and print presentations from this memorabilia that informs online readers to a visual history of the 19th century and early 20th century.

In reality, the Lost Trotting Parks Heritage Center is an online museum that brings original writings from newspapers and early harness racing periodicals that the public rarely sees. In addition, the Center offers a19th century styled digital periodical, "S. Dexter's Maine Spirit of the Turf." In 2012, this digital publication consisted of ten issues. In 2013, the goal is to publish a periodical bimonthly. This issue is the second issue for 2013.

As each month passes I am often surprised by the content I explore that results in online storyboards and articles for "The Maine Spirit." This month is no different. Last Fall, I contacted Marie Hill, who wrote the book, <u>Single G: The Horse that Time Forgot</u>. I maintained contact with her and



during the past month I have been fortunate to work with Marie in the creation of this issue. Also my connection with Paul Wilder, librarian at the Harness Racing Museum, has proven to be invaluable. In the process of creating the Single G pages, I was informed by Marie that a day in April of this year will be "Single G Day" in Richmond, Indiana. Through Marie, I contacted Mary Jo Slonaker, author and Indiana historican, who is coordinating Single G Day for the Wayne County Historical Society in Richmond, Indiana. In this process I introduced Mary Jo and Jim Harlan, the museum's director to the Lost Trotting Parks Heritage

*Saco, Main	9.						
August 31.—Purse \$250; 2:26 class Corticelli, b m, by Shawmut Col. Pitt, b h, by Wilkes Dolly H., b m, by Kennebec Knox Lewis, b g, by Crown Rolfe Time, 2:29—2:27—2:26—2:2 2:3634—2:3814.	4 2 1 3 734	3 3	2 1 3 4 36	2134	1 3 2 4	1 3 2 ro	1 2 3

*Sanford, Maine.			
July 4.—Purse \$200; 2:27 class. Grace, b m, by Redwood. Matchwood, b h, by Woodbrino Cobee, ch g—B. F. Hanson Dan Berry, ch g, by Guarantee. Little Dick, br g, by T. B. Patchen Time, 2:20\(\frac{1}{2}\) -2:30\(\frac{1}{2}\) -2:31.	1 2 3 5 4	1 3 5 2 4	13845

*Augusta, Maine. June 13.—Purse \$150; 2:33 class. Prince Harbinger, b h, by Harbinger. 1 1 1 Starling, b m, by Wilkes. 2 2 2 Kit Van Cliff, b m—C. Simpson 3 3 3 Time, 2:3734—2:30—2:324.

*Bangor, Maine.				
July 4.—Purse \$225; free for all. Elgin, b g, by Lothair Jr. Dotty D., b m, by Von Moltke. Charley Danforth. Orono Boy, bi g, by Island Chief. Jennie Rolfe, br m, by Young Rolfe. Time, 2:2614—2:2914—2:2914.	3 4 5	1 2 3 4 5	1 2 5 3 4	

Center.

The Single G story led us to Single G's racing career in the State of Maine. In 1923, Single G along with two other horses set a time record for three horses in a four heat race. That same year, Single G set a track record at the Maine State Fairgrounds in Lewiston, Maine. In 1924, Single G with Margaret Dillon, and Sir Roth paced a two heat race in Houlton. Maine. His last adventure in Maine was defeating John R Braden in three heat in Presque Isle. The pages in this issue tell Single's story and his Maine racing days.

Given that one of the featured races was Single G's race against John R Braden, I felt it to be important that the story of John R Braden should also be highlighted.

I hope you enjoy this issue of The Maine Spirit. Please contact me with ideas and comments.

S. Thompson, Editor

Bringing the Fan Base Back to Harness Racing

Engage

Getting Beyond Information

Bringing Concepts to Action

Create those Greater Events that include Harness Racing that Attract

Families and Children
Teenagers
Young Couples
Social Networkers
Members of the Business Community
The "Faithful"

ENGAGE -- This is the keyword -- perhaps the word that can bring more fans back to the world of the Standard and the sport of harness racing. As we define a fan of this sport are we speaking of individuals who have a love of horses, those who love the action and relationships at the track, or those who enjoy betting on the horses. A marketing plan for increasing the fan base would include engaging individuals who fit all three definitions. As we explore a marketing plan we may need to look at bold initiatives. We can no longer do what has been traditionally done for marketing. We need to beyond the comfort zone of connecting with the faithful.

A concept discussed in recently published social media books promotes the idea of "Clan Marketing." Clan marketing targets very specific groups with activities designed to capture the interests of member of a clan. This approach is not a broad brush approach such as television ads. Strategies are designed to engage the clan members moving them to action. Explore with others the idea of clan marketing and create a plan.

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*Bangor, Maine. July 4.—Purse \$225; free for all. Elgin, b.g., by Lothair Jr. 1 1 1 Dotty D., b.m, by Von Moltke 2 2 2 Charley Danforth 3 3 5 Orono Boy, big., by Island Chief 4 4 3 Jennie Rolfe, br.m, by Young Rolfe 5 5 4 Time, 2:2014—2:2914—2:2924.

The Railbirds: The Ghosts of Beacon Park By S. Dexter

"Ed, it just isn't the same. I still remember that day when the Maine stallion Nelson defeated Alcryon in three heats. More than 30,000 were in attendance that day."

"Too many people lost personal fortunes that day."

"So today we look out at fancy cars driving by and ware houses. Everything changed."

"Hey, did you hear the latest?"

"What you talkin' about?

"I heart that some guy up in Maine is proposing the idea of creating a reality TV show on harness racing."

"You gotta be kidding."

"He's calling the show, "Ready to Drive."

"Any details?"

"I overheard some of the old time harness writers who would talk about contacting country performers and others to sign up eight performers to participate in an eight week training program."

"You know, I heard about that program American Idol. The performers from this show would be great candidates."

"So would the performers from the voice."

"There must be others who would love the challenge and excitement of driving a Standardbred."

"It would also be grat for a performers' fan base."

"Ed, we talk like we know what we talking about!"

"Wouldn't it be great to bring the history of harness racing to be displayed at the event."

"That would be great! I heard they opened up a museum up at the old track in Goshen, New York. And you know the celebrity races could be placed throughout the regular program."

"We're getting somewhere on this, aren't we!

"Would the celebrities perform any songs?"

"I'd hope so -- The idea must be to attract people of all ages -- especially those between the ages of 18 and 40.

"You know you could also add a mini-horse trotting demonstration -- you know, connect with kids and their families."

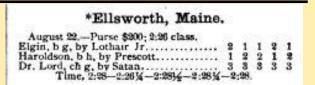
"We could just go on and on -- kind of exciting."

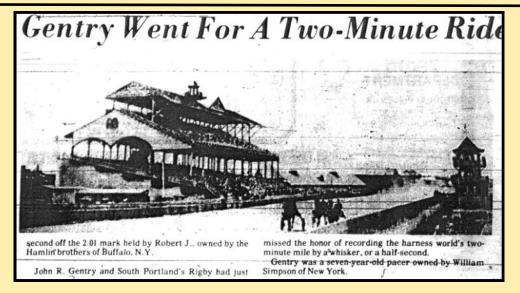
"You got it! With the right backing and planning, this just might work."

First Steps: Preserving Maine's Harness Racing History by Stephen D. Thompson

Over the years there have been attempts to start a harness racing museum in Maine. Unfortunately, these attempts have not been successful. Harness racing memorabilia has been collected by Mainers for years. Horsemen have kept winning circle photos, programs, and other items. Private collections exist. Clark Thompson created Maine's Trotting Horse Heritage Trail which consists of twenty-two engraved granite markers that have been placed at historic locations from South Hiram up to Dover-Foxcroft and Bangor. His book describes each marker and provides directions for people to locate each marker. Under the grandstand at the Historic Cornish Fairground, Diann Perkins has created a museum. There is harness racing memorabilia at Bangor Raceway, Scarborough Downs, and at the Lewiston OTB. Many of Maine's Agricultural Fair maintain museums that display harness racing items. The Lost Trotting Parks Heritage Center has worked with historical societies and public libraries throughout Maine. In doing so, wonderful information has been gathered related to Maine fairs and lost trotting parks. In addition to the Guy Kendall Photograph Collection, the Fogler Library has been given private collections and items related to harness racing.

In its last issue, *The Maine Spirit*, presented a big vision for a museum. As with big visions, they are often difficult to realize. Therefore, as others have suggested, we need to look at first steps. First steps are small, but they also take time. As with any museum, memorabilia needs to be identified, collected, catalogued, preserved, and archived. The Lost Trotting Parks Heritage Center offers this service to the harness racing community. With funding, the Center will work with horsemen, private collectors, and organizations to initiate the first steps towards bringing a harness racing museum to the people of Maine. This museum should be a year-round museum. If you are interested in helping with this initiative, contact Stephen Thompson by calling 207-242-7774 or e-mail lifework50@gmail.com.





Courtesy of the Portland Public Library



Steve Thompson at the Maine Farm Bureau

In 2005 I was in search for the first potato bag logo that branded the family farm business, A.L. Thompson & Sons. I had the image of the logo used for the ten pound poly bag, but not the logo used for the 50 pound burlap bags. I finally called the Maine Bag Company and spoke with Bayfield Bubar, the art director whose retirement was eminent. I asked Bayfield if he might still have the image on file. He indicated that he had saved a few boxes of old potato bags. Bay told me to call back in the afternoon. I called back and Bayfield said that he had cut the logo of the bag. I drove from Limestone over to Caribou and met Bayfield. When I walked into his office there were old potato bags scattered over the table. I thanked Bayfield for my family's logo. Before I left I asked Bayfield what he was going to do with the

Lost Trotting Parks Exhibit At the Maine Farm Bureau Augusta, Maine



First to View the Exhibit --Jon Olson, Executive Director of the Maine Farm Bureau

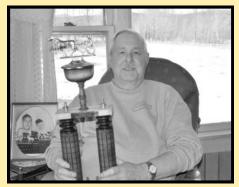
rest of the bags. He said that he was going to throw them out. I asked him if he would be willing to throw them at me. He said yes and suddenly I possessed a collection of 145 images of potato bag logo art from 1940 to 1970. When I returned to Hallowell, I called the Maine Historical Society to find out the best way to preserve the collection. This call led to the selection of 12 potato bags that became part of a MHS exhibit called, "In the Collector's Eye."

Two years ago Jon Olson gave me permission to hang the exhibit in the Farm Bureau's Conference Room. Today I hung the Lost Trotting Parks Exhibit -- Now Open for Viewing!

PROFILES OF MAINE HARNESS HORSEMEN HORSEMAN, WILLIS WHITTEMORE



Questionable Setting World's Record for Trotters on a Mile & 1/8th Track Rochester Fair -- 9/25/1995 -- Time: 2.20 3/5 -- Dennis Whittemore Up



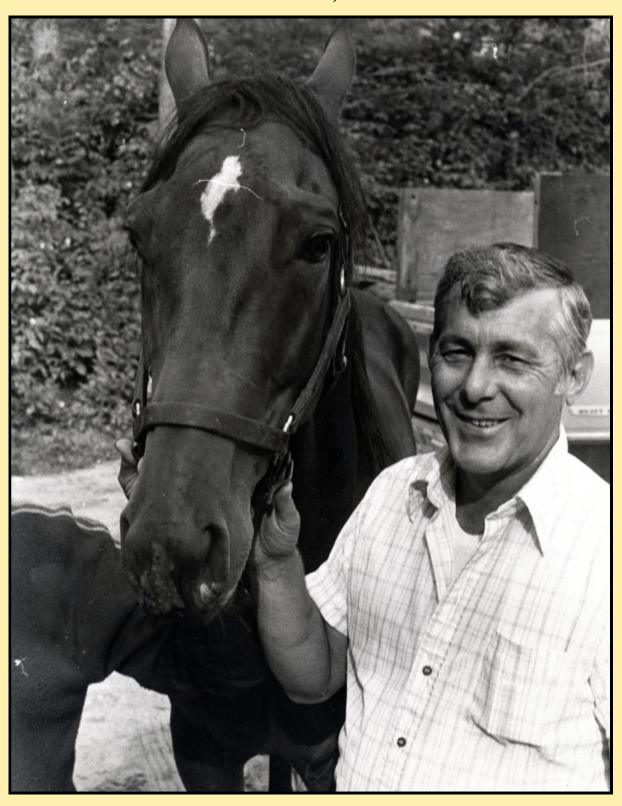
Willis Whittemore, a retired bricklayer, start as a horseman began when he was as a young man at the track in South Paris, Maine. Harness racing was his hobby. His passion for horses began in the 1950's. His family owned homes on the edge of the old trotting track that is now where one finds the high school that serves surrounding communities. In the late 1960s Willis earned his driver's license and raced in his first pari- mutual race. He retired from competitive racing ten years ago.

Willis at his home on the East Oxford Road in South Paris. Mostly because of his grandchildren, Questionable by far was his favorite horse. In 1992, Questionable was one of the top Maine Stakes Standardbreds. Everyone voted on what became the horse's name. Throughout the year the grandchildren always attended the races -- even up to Presque Isle. Questionable performed so well that each grandchild ended up with a trophy. Questionable was an amazing horse. In his first race, she had never seen a race track, a grandstand or a starting gate. As a two year old, Questionable came in first at 2.16.1. She earned \$35,004 from 112 starts. She raced from 1991 to 1997



Questionable foaled in 1989
By Witsend's -- Out of the Dam Question Advice

Willis Whittemore -- Maine Harness Horseman South Paris, Maine



*Gray, Maine.

August 30 Purse \$300; 2:25 trot and 2:30	pac	e.		
Glendale, b h, by Glenarm			3	1
Fanny W., b m, Hardy Horse	2	2	1	9
Charley Startle, bl g, by Startle	3	3	2	8
General Mac. or h. by Winthroo Pilot	4	4	4	4
Time, 2:30-2:30%-2:2614-2:28.				

*Augusta, Maine.

July 4.—Purse \$300; 2:29 class; trot or pace.			
Evelyn, b m, by Robinson D	1	1	1
Cunard Jr, ch h, by Cunard	2	2	2
Cheerful Charlie, b g, by Broadway	3	3	4
Jim Matt, bg, by Young Jim	4	4	3
Time, 2:29-2:30-2:2434.			

Exploring A Slice of Maine History: Family Day Trips on Maine's Trotting Horse Heritage Trail

Throughout Maine you will find an occasional display related to the "Age When the Horse was King." This age could be defined by when Lady Suffolk broke the 2.30 mile in 1845 and 1925 when the automobile began to outnumber the horse and carriage.

To understand the significance that the horse played in our agrarian society, we need to remember that the horse was our mode of personal transportation (on saddle and by carriage), our worker in the field, our mover of the economy, our warrior in the battlefield, and our entertainment on the streets and on the trotting tracks. In this age, Mainers loved their horse and they loved a fast horse. The newspapers and specialized periodicals of the day gave front page coverage and columns called the Horse Department to satisfy their readers' desire for information about horses throughout Maine and the United States. As the focus moved away from our fascination with the horse, front page coverage moved to the specialized horse columns, and eventually to an occasional article. The age of the automobile had replaced our dependence upon and fascination with the horse. Throughout the 1930's Maine farmers still tended their fields from planting to harvest with horses as they transitioned from horse pulled equipment to gasoline run tractors and trucks.

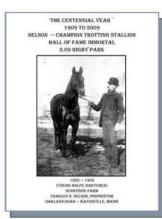
To appreciate our agricultural heritage and the historical value of the horse, a family day trip on Maine's Heritage Trail with the guide written by Clark P. Thompson will provide you with historically accurate information as you travel on your chosen route. Inscribed granite markers have been placed at each historical site. Prior to your day trip, you can

review each destination. When you arrive at a location and find the marker, let your imagination take you back to days when the horse was king. What would you see at this location? If you were sitting on the side of the road, what would you see as people on their day's business passed by on the road? Would you see a single rider on a horse or a couple sitting in a horse-pulled carriage? Would a team of horses be pulling a wagon on the way to market? If on the way to market, what would they be hauling?

The Trotting Horse Heritage Trail covers the period of 1819 to 1893. Quoting the Trail's founder," the "Trail" consists of various granite markers located about the State from Old Orchard Beach to Dover-Foxcroft. The "Trail" is meant to be representative only, as it does not include many noted horses, persons and places that also played an important part in Maine's trotting horse history." The following chart groups the "Trail's" destination into three day trips.

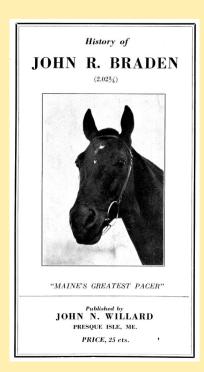
* The granite monument for the 1890 Champion Trotting Stallion Nelson is located at the Sterling Street Playground. The land from Carver Street to Nelson Street was once Sunnyside Stock Farm, a seventy acre farm owned by C.H. Nelson.

In future issues of The Maine Spirit of the Turf, a list of restaurants and overnight accommodations will be provided for each day trip. You can purchase a copy of the book, Maine's Trotting Horse Heritage Trail for \$26.00 including sales tax, shipping and handling. Mail your order and check for \$26.00 to the Lost Trotting Parks Heritage Center, P.O. Box 263, Hallowell, Maine 04347. Proceeds from the sale of this book help fund the annual educational scholarship sponsored by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. To learn more about Maine's Trotting Horse Heritage Trail visit http:// losttrottingparks.blogspot.com and enter the words Heritage Trail into the keyword search.



Day Trips - Exploring A Slice of Maine's History

Day Trip 1	Day Trip 2	Day Trip 3
Day Trip 1 Old Orchard Beach	Canton	Dixmont
South Portland	Livermore Falls	Stetson
Portland	Winthrop	Levant
West Cumberland	Augusta (Togus)	Bangor
Hiram	North Vassalboro	Dover-Foxcroft
Auburn	Waterville*	



A TRIBUTE TO JOHN R BRADEN

TRIBUTE

JOHN R. BRADEN

A stallion recently passed away That was a wonder in his day. A thoroughbred and always game— John R. Braden was his name.

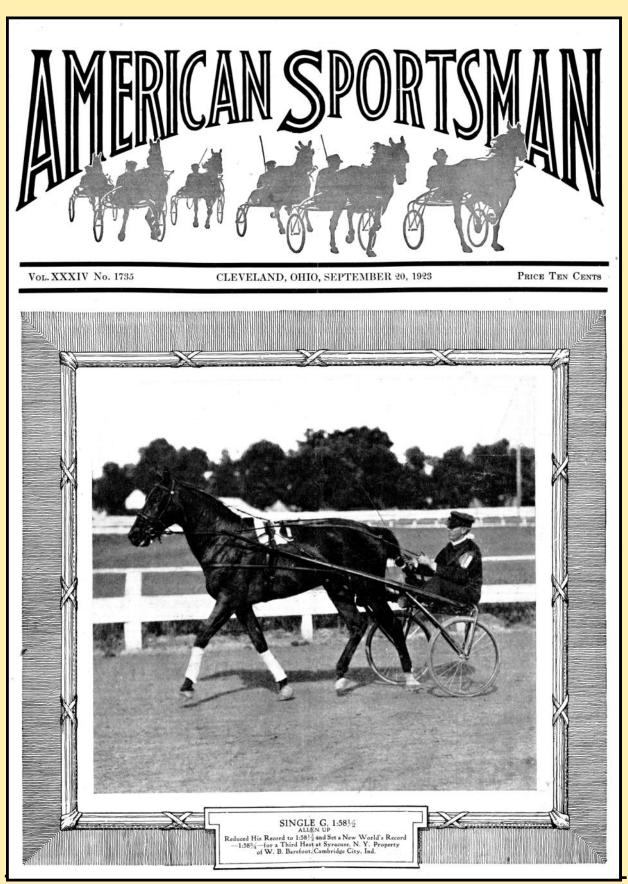
In every way sound, he had no flaws; Two, two and three-quarters, his record was. His eyes were bright and very keen. He died at the age of seventeen.

The Gentry blood was in his veins; John Willard over him held the reins. In daily work-outs kept him in trim, With skill in races he handled him.

Remembered forever he will be; This Iron Horse from Tennessee, By the Mooseleuk Club in Presque Isle, Maine, Fond thoughts of him its members retain.

*Fryeburg, Maine.

September 26.—Purse \$200; 2:25 class.			
Chevalita, ch m. by Extra	1	1	1
Sadie L., b m, by Young Rolfe	3	2	2
Dan Berry, ch g, by Guarantee	2		
Time, 2:28-2:30-2:28.			



*Cornish, Maine.				
August 29.—Purse \$200; 2:30 c ass. Ned Allen, ch g, by Rex Patchen King Street, ch g, by Walter S Milo, br g, by Guarantee Gertie B., br m, by Maine Prince Zamo, b g—O. W. Ramsey. Time, 2:2914—2:2914—2:3014—2:3114	21345	12534	1 3 4 5	14235
August 31.—Purse \$5; to beat 2:2714. Belle Chase, b m, by Robinson D Time, 2:2434.			w	on
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September 12.—Purse \$150; 2:28 class. Phillios, b g, by Daniel Boone. Pillot Maid, b m, by Black Pilot. Payson A., b g—Geo, A. Alden. Rolfe K., b h, by Black Rolte. Cleopatra, b m, by Aroostook Boy. Dottie D., br m, by Von Moltke. Time, 2:27¼—2:28½—2:28—2:2	::	2546	1 974 3 5 6	1 4 5 2 3 6	0 A COCCOM
Purse \$100; 2:37 class, Alta Rosa, b m, by Highlawn	- 2	2	*	3 2 4	1 3 9 4

To Single G

As they hit the hot stove circuit, and race over every heat round and round the dizzy oval at a stiff and merry clip And some are praised and some are damned but still on every lip



There's nothing but the highest praise for this great horse's name His friends are legion, thousands all know his right to fame At every track throughout the land, wherever he appears For the world's most gallant race horse, the grandstand rocks with cheers

For eight long years, the turf has watched. He's battled with the best. And never horse wore iron that stood severer test Against the fastest year on year he beat them one by one Yet greater still he races on. His race is far from run. The turf world's greatest idol, aye, they cheer his very name Greatest of all racehorses. He, the gamest of the game Iron horse. He is truly. May his fame spread wide as the sea King of the great racing pacers, gallant old Single G.

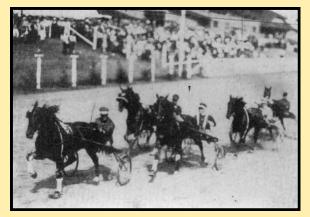
By Rodg, Horse Review

SINGLE G DAY APRIL 13, 2013

TIME: 2:00 TO 4:00 PM WAYNE COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM



Single G -- Best Recorded Mile: 1.58 1/2 Owner: William B. Barefoot — Cambridge City, Indiana



The Story of Harness Racing by Currier and Ives will be on display at the Wayne County Historical Museum for two weeks. The display is exhibited for special events throughout the United States by the Harness Racing Museum and Hall of Fame that is located in Goshen, New York.

A replica of the Single G monument, photographs, and newspaper clippings can be viewed throughout the day.

For more information call — 765-478-5389

MARCH — APRIL 2013 ISSUE — S. DEXTER'S MAINE SPIRIT OF THE TURF



Marie Hill with Niatross -- 1997 Photo by Monica Thors

Marie Hill -- A Retrospective

I was introduced to harness racing at age 11 by Mother who took me to county fair at St. Stephen, N.B. once I saw those horses and the colorful jackets the drivers wore I was hooked for life. I went back the following year and every year after that. Harness racing in those days 1940's was almost like a family everyone knew the owners, trainers, drivers, even the grooms. New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince

Edward Island had a circuit in summers, in late fall they all moved over into the State of Maine. I have many fond memories of all the wonderful friends I made back then.

My research and writing on Single G was and always will be a labor of love, from the first time I read about him to this very day. I consider him the greatest harness horse that ever stepped on a race track, I said that in my speech when I was inducted in to the Writers Corner at Hall of Fame.

Carl Barefoot the nephew of Single G's owner William Barefoot knew the horse from the day he was foaled April 4th 1910 and knew the horse well, Carl and I visited several horse-

man who remembered Single G this was in 1964. I fell in love with Indiana and the wonderful friends I made there and went back each summer.

For many years we had a Single G Pace at Connersville, Indiana for which I donated a trophy , we had the Governor of Indiana come out to race one summer, and he spoke about Single G. There is a monument to the horse at Cambridge City. I laid a wreath of red roses there before the race one year.

Single G -- A Legend in His Own Time

Single G still has thousands of fans out there, he was a legend in his own time. He is in three Halls of Fame at Goshen, N.Y. Indiana, Fredericton, N.B. There are portraits of him in Hall of Fame at Goshen since 1990's Stable of Memories at Red Mile, Lexington, Ky. placed there in 2005, I have one since 1960's several horse friends have them in their homes. When I am working at Stable of Memories many people come and ask me about this great horse.

He was voted the greatest pacer of the first half of the 20th century in 1950 beating out Dan Patch by vote of 2 to 1. He finished 7th in voting for greatest pacers of 20th century. This year in April there will be a Single G day at the local museum at Richmond, Indiana, I once asked three of the greatest horseman who ever lived, Joe O'Brien, Del Miller and Frank Ervin, if they could go back in time and pick 5 horses they would liked to have trained and driven. Every one of them included Single G. My greatest regret about Single G is that there is no race named for him. Indiana should have honored him with one. Single G was bred, raised, owned, and retired to Indiana. Why should he be remembered because he was great, we don't forget great horses? Single G was a horse that raced until he was 16, went to his record at age 13, and set track and world records. He had 10 different drivers, survived being poisoned, and still raced on.

He was first two minute horse to sire a two minute horse, the double gaited Dick Reynolds. He sired only 4 two minute horses, due in large part to the not high bred mares sent to him. His owner William Barefoot would not let the horse leave Indiana. He was wanted by several farms out of State.

On Today's Sport of Harness Racing

I believe we can weather anything that comes along in the sport, we have in the past.

One thing I believe that would bring more fans out to the track, is having some of these great horses like 'somebeachsomewhere' and others who gather following, then they are retired early, I think if they race on a couple of years more their fans would come and bring more people to see them race.

I am sorry we cannot put something on T.V. about harness racing, like a series about perhaps a family who has a harness horse and the highs and lows of racing that horse, it would make the public aware of our sport and they would want to see the



An Artist's Creation of Single G Photo by Monica Thors

Summary of Single G's Records

Won 99 contested races, some going 5 heats.

Won 264 heats out of 436 raced.

Placed in 418 of 436 raced.

Placed 1st in 264 heats.

Placed 2nd in 88 heats.

Placed 3rd in 37 heats.

Paced 134 heats in 2:05 or better.

Paced 117 heats in 2:04 or better.

Paced 84 heats in 2:03 or better.

Paced 54 heats in 2:02 or better.

Paced 32 heats in 2:01 or better.

Paced 13 heats in 2:00 or better



World Records on Mile Track

Fastest third heat 1:58 3/4

Fastest three-heat race 1:59, 2:00, 2:00 3/4

Fastest three-heat, divided heats 1:58 1/4, 1:59 1/2, 1:59 3/4,

first heat going to Miss Harris M.

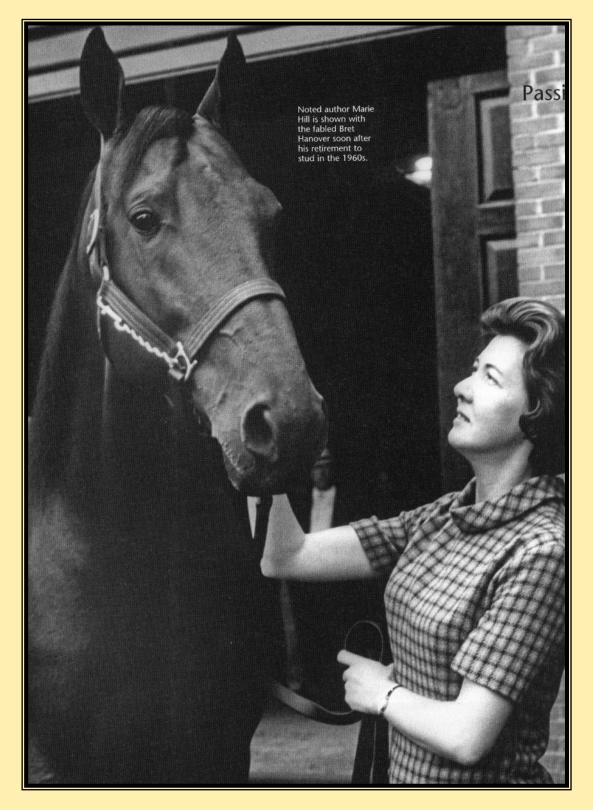
World Records on Half Mile Track

One mile race 2:01

Fastest three-heat race 2:06, 2:03 3/4, 2:01

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2.07 1/4	53	36	8	2	\$ 5,630
2:02 3/4	42	21	4	6	\$10,425
2:00	37	10	18	6	\$ 6,505
	34	17	6	3	\$ 7,795
1.59 1/2	41	28	7	4	\$ 9,199
	35	16	14	4	\$ 8,181
1:59	29	21	4	1	\$ 7,720
	38	36	2	0	\$18,775
	18	18	0	0	\$ 9,625
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year-old in 1941 in St. Stephen, New Brunswick. Joe O'Brien, later to become a legend in the sport, drove in that race, as did Hall of Famer Earle Avery and Maritime hero Johnny Conroy.

"It was love at first sight," said Hill of her first exposure to harness racing.

After that, her parents simply couldn't keep her away from the races. In fact, she got to cool out a horse for O'Brien once.

"Joe wouldn't let any girls walk his horses," she recalled. "The groom of this horse hadn't eaten all day. He told me to walk the mare for a while so he could go get some food. He said Joe had gone back to his hotel and wouldn't be back. So I walked the mare around the corner, and walked right into Joe."

O'Brien looked at the slender young girl with disdain and asked, "Where's

Hill was tempted to drop the lead shank and run, but she stood her ground and told O'Brien the truth.

Well, she's a quiet mare, and she probably won't give you any trouble," O'Brien told the teenage girl.

The next day Hill showed up at the O'Brien barn and brazenly asked, "Mr. O'Brien, can I walk some more horses?"

O'Brien relented reluctantly.

She spoke lovingly of how her passion for harness racing burned so brightly from the beginning. She recalled horses like

Josedale Gold and Tip Abbe, and other names remembered by few people today.

Hill moved to California in 1959 after visiting the Golden State and falling in love with it as quickly as she fell in love with harness racing. O'Brien had already been in California for a decade, and had vaulted his way to the pinnacle of harness racing.

In her devotion to harness racing, Hill became enthralled with how the pacer Single G sustained his ability over timefrom 1913 to 1924.

"No one can tell me that Single G wasn't the greatest harness horse that ever stepped on a track," she said. "Maybe he wasn't the fastest, but the

"I remember when I sent in my first manuscript and

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at tracks in Canada's Maritime provinces; and she interviews Eddie Cobb in California during the 1960s.

greatest over a long period of time. He paced to his 1:581/2 mark at age 13 and paced a 2:00 mile at 15.3

She decided that the best way to pay homage to this Hoosier hero was to write a book about him. Thus the story of Single G-The Horse That Time Forgot

Hill placed an ad asking people to contact her if they had any information about Single G. One of those who did was Delvin Miller, who offered his help.

"I almost fell off the chair when he contacted me," Hill recalled. "Why would someone like Delvin Miller bother with me? He wanted to help, and he interviewed the daughter of Fred Jamieson, who had once raced Single G." After the Single G book was published in 1968, Miller called Hill and

asked her to write a book on Adios. She jumped on that opportunity.

Getting to know Delvin and Mary Lib was such a wonderful thing for me," she said. "I think of Mary Lib as the First Lady of Harness Racing, because she's done so much for the sport-more than

she'll ever take credit for."

In the late 1960s, Miller and Hill met in California to go over the manuscript of the book on Adios. She had dinner at Hollywood Park with Stan Bergstein and Jim Harrison, two men she holds in great reverence. When she told them about

knowing Joe O'Brien in her younger days, Bergstein decided to reintroduce them.

With the passage of the decades, O'Brien didn't recognize his former hotwalker until she said, "I was the skinny little kid who was always asking you if I could walk your horses."

"Oh, my God, it's Marie," O'Brien said. Hill was amazed that he remembered her name after all those years.

"We became like family," recalled. "I was very close to Joe and his wife, Eileen. We'd always get together and have dinner after the races.'

Her book Adios, the Big Daddy of Harness Racing was published in 1971.

In the course of doing her books, she developed fast friendships not only with the Millers, but also with the O'Briens, and with Elizabeth and Frank Ervin.

She fondly remembered going to Castleton Farm once with Ervin. They went into the stallion barn and the old horseman opened Bret Hanover's stall door and growled, "Hello, you big bum."

They walked down the aisle to Good Time's stall, and Ervin greeted his former little warrior with affection, saying, "Hello, Shorty.

Hill noted that she once asked Ervin his favorite horse, fully expecting him to name Bret Hanover. He asked her to turn her tape recorder off and then he told her that Good Time was his favorite.

"I still call Elizabeth Ervin about once a month," Hills said. "She's 97 now and can't get out as much as she did, but she's been a dear friend for many years.'

Her friendship with Joe O'Brien led to her third book, a biography of O'Brien called Gentleman Joe, which was published in 1975. The original O'Brien book was updated later in a 1998 volume called The Horseman from Alberton.

"In those days, Arco Publishing had a horse book club, and they wanted manuscripts," she said. "I remember when I sent in my first manuscript and got a contract. I was more surprised than any-

She also co-authored a book with Dorothy Rose titled The Hands of Time: The Get of Single G, published in 1977.

In the later years of his life, Delvin Miller worked with Hill to complete his biography, which is titled Mr. Harness

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Marie Hill

Racing. Miller died in 1996 before it was completed, and Hill self-published the volume in 1998 with a limited press run of only 500 copies.

She is compiling some of her past magazine articles into book form, and plans to publish that soon. Some of the articles found in the coming volume cover such horses as Good Time, Red Sails and the Grattan family of pacers.

Because she has a full-time job and supports her aging mother, Hill doesn't have as much opportunity to get to the races as she'd like. She delights in the time she can spend with her friends, such as Lenore and Charlie Armstrong of Ontario.

"Jack Baugh, formerly of Almahurst, was a good friend, too," she said. "I kept two mares, Little Kip and Little Irene, at Almahurst in the 1970s and bred them there."

Although she's passed three-scoreand-10 in years, Hill has never lost the enthusiasm that she had the first time she ever saw a harness race. By creating an incentive and a contest for young writers, Hill hopes that young people of today will catch the racing fever that she caught many years ago. **B**

A Champion Honored

ANYONE FAMILIAR WITH THE HISTORY OF HARNESS RACING IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES knows the legend of Dudey Patch. He was a terror on the Canadian tracks. Young Marie rushed back to the O'Brien barn after the races to see the hobbled hero up close. She even got to touch him.

Dudey Patch won 100 races in 209 starts. He set a world record beating the best

pacers in Canada in the first heat of a race at Dufferin Park in 1942, but slipped on the frozen track and shattered a pastern in the second heat. His career came to a close.

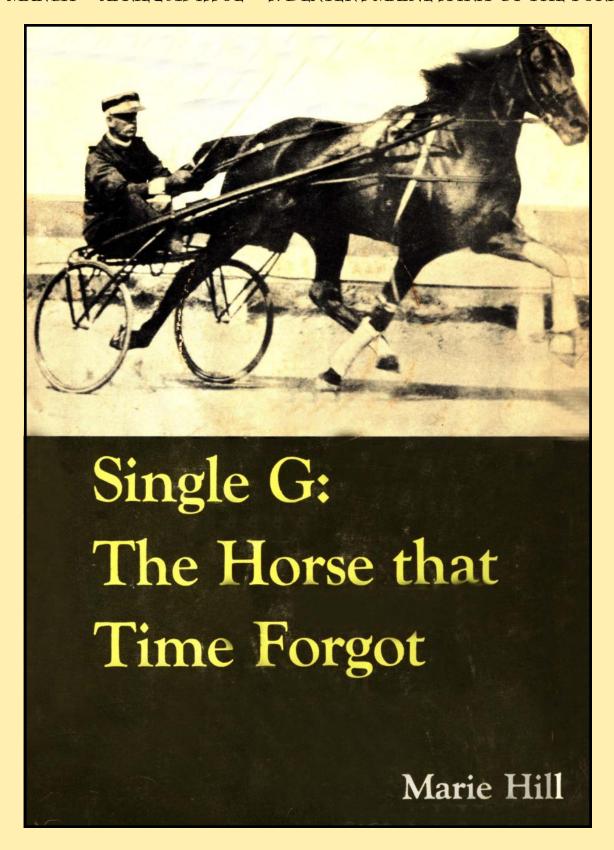
Hill later formed a close bond with O'Brien after the two Maritimers moved to California. When O'Brien lay dying of cancer in 1984, he had asked Hill to do whatever she could to get Dudey Patch honored in his native Canada.

"I know I won't be here to get it done, but I leave it to you," O'Brien told Hill. "He should be in the Canadian Hall of Fame."

Hill took her assignment seriously and lobbied heavily for Dudey Patch, along with support from the late John "Chappy" Chapman.

"Fifty-six years after I put my hand on Dudey Patch after the race, I accepted the award when he was inducted into the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame," she said proudly.—D. HOFFMAN





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1923 From Syracuse to Fredericton, New Brunswick to Bangor, Maine

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From Syracuse Single G journeyed across the border into Canada and traveled to your writer's city, where I lived for many years prior to coming to California. Fredericton is located on the Saint John River and is the capital of New Brunswick; it is called the City of Stately Elms.

Single G and Sir Roch arrived on the same express car from New York and were met at the Canadian Pacific Railway Station by a brass band and their old rival, Margaret Dillon, who arrived the day before. The three horses, preceding by the band, were paraded through the city to Exhibition Park, amid the cheers of the local racing fans.

The largest crowd ever to attend a race in Eastern Canada gathered on September 20 to witness the world's fastest mare, gelding and stallion in action. The crowd was banking ten-deep in places so that only enough racing room and no more was left to the three sidewheelers.

This mighty gathering of horse fans at Fredericton was not rivaled until some thirty-six years later when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, attending her first night harness racing card at this same Exhibition Park, drew more loyal subjects than the Wonder Horse from Indiana.

The three horses got away on the first score, with Sir Roch on the pole, Margaret Dillon and Single G in that order; coming down the homestretch second time around Margaret Dillon and Single G raced as a team, with Single G getting the nod over the mare in 2:0434.

In the second heat Single G led to backstretch, where Margaret Dillon challenged and raced him to the turn; Single G pulled away ten feet, then Sir Roch came on like the wind and collared the stallion and was leading him a half length around the last turn when he went into a bad break and Single G took over and won easily in 2:05, and took the race in straight heats.

1923

From Syracuse to Fredericton, New Brunswick to Bangor, Maine To a New State Record for the half-mile at Lewiston, Maine

A 1:58½ Mile at Thirteen

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The event remade two records, the time of 2:04¾ paced by Single G in the first heat gave the Fredericton track a Maritime win race record, while the times of 2:04¾ and 2:05 combined established a two-heat record for the Dominion, also fastest on a half-mile track in Canada, and fastest by a stallion.

It was indeed a great day in the history of harness racing in New Brunswick and will be remembered for many years to come. As one Canadian writer said, "Amid a roar of cheers that I am sure could be heard four country miles, the gallant old war-horse Single G mowed down his field as a scythe layeth low the marsh grass."

With those cheers ringing in his ears, Single G shipped to Bangor, Maine, where 25,000 people turned out to witness the three fast steppers perform. Every nook and corner was taken up with fans and it marked the first time three two-minute performers had met over a Maine track.

Margaret Dillon had the pole going away in the first heat and she headed the field all the way in 2:04½, a new Maine record for half-mile tracks.

In the second mile Margaret Dillon's driver saw Single G coming on strong and swung wide, causing the stallion to be carried far out and allowing Sir Roch to gain the win in 2:041/4, again a new track record.

Single G caught his "leading lady" in the third heat and won easily in 2:05½.

In the last and fourth heat Single G came the last quarter in :29¾ to outlast Margaret Dillon and thus win the race.

Single G repeated his winning ways at Brockton, Massachusetts, on October 2.

In the final 1923 appearance for Single G he set a new State record for a half-mile track at Lewiston, Maine, when he won the first heat in 2:031/4, holding off a rush

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from Margaret Dillon. But she won the next two heats in $2:04\frac{3}{4}$ and $2:04\frac{1}{2}$.

Single G received one hundred dollars in gold for breaking the state record. It closed out a year of fantastic campaigns. Singe G returned to Indianapolis the most respected, admired and envied pacer ever seen upon the Grand Circuit. He was called "King of All Pacers" and he truly was.

In 11 starts in 1923 he was first 8 times, won 21 of 31 heats, earned \$11,810 and lowered his mark to 1:58½. A more worthy king never reigned.



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1924 From Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Essex Junction, Vermont to Houlton, Maine

Round after round of applause greeted Allen and his pacer as they passed by the throng. It was another popular victory for Single G. His many fans now began to think of the day when their hero would campaign no more, and so they took every opportunity that came their way to visit him. They crowded the stable area by the hundreds, so that it was now necessary for policemen to be on the alert wherever he appeared, in order to hold back the mass of people so that he could make his way from stall to track and back again. While he was being cooled out after his race at Milwaukee, hundreds stood and watched as though they had never seen a horse before. Single G loved this attention and played his role of super star to the hilt. He would wander over to gaze at his admirers, now and then simply standing there for a few minutes as they called lovingly to him and reached out to touch him; and having allowed them the honor of his presence, he went quietly about his business so that his loyal subjects went home happy that the King of Pacers had acknowledged their existence.

Indianapolis was the next stop for the fast trio, where on September 2, after winning the first heat in 2:04½ he followed Margaret Dillon home in 2:02½ and 2:03 with Sir Roch third.

Single G dropped a race to Sir Roch at Essex Junction, Vermont, on his way to Montreal, Canada, to start in a \$10,000 match race. It would be the richest purse he was ever to race for. The Wonder Horse arrived via express car the night before the race from Burlington, Vermont. The Montreal papers announced his arrival thus: "Single

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A \$10,000 Race at Montreal

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G, the greatest pacer of all time, has arrived on Canadian soil once again honoring us with his presence."

Special trains had to be pressed into service to accommodate the overflow crowds to Delorimier Park. The gates opened at 10 A.M and when the racing commenced at noon there was hardly a place to stand. Thousands were crammed into the park.

Single G held the lead in the first heat almost to the wire, when Sir Roch came out of nowhere to take it from the stallion in a 2:05% time.

Margaret Dillon took her rivals into camp in the second heat and won by a narrow margin, with Single G second. Time, 2:07½.

It was ladies day as far as the mare was concerned, and she took it all as she paced the final heat in 2:06 flat, with Single G again second and Sir Roch bringing up the rear. The track record for Delorimier Park was 2:05½. Had the fast trio stepped a mite faster in the first heat, Sir Roch would have lowered it.

Houlton, Maine, was the next stop, and here Single G beat the mare and gelding, pacing a heat in 2:05¼ in the second heat, which proved to be the fastest time.

On to Mineola, New York, for a \$5,000 exhibition race: Margaret Dillon proved the winner here.

Single G's last race of the 1924 season took place at Lexington, Kentucky, on October 9, where his old rival, Hal Mahone, took the honors of the day in the Free-For-All, Single G finishing 4–2.

As Single G passed by after the last heat the band played "Silver Threads Among the Gold." The great horse sensed this tune was for him, and he did an unusual thing. He gave vent to a long, loud whinny heard throughout

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the stands as the last notes of the music faded away; there were many tears in the fans' eyes as they stood and watched, perhaps for the last time, the "Greatest Pacer of All Time" head for the barn. He passed from their view, but still they stood for a few seconds more, each deep in his own thoughts, thinking would they ever see his like again.

Single G during the 1924 campaign had been shipped to many tracks in the eastern and central United States, several west of the Mississippi, one in Canada. During this journey of thousands of miles, the pacer had raced over all types of tracks before thousands of people; and yet this super horse at the age of fourteen had performed like a five-year-old.

Single G won 13 of 31 heats, and picked up \$17,375 for his campaigns. It was another successful season for the Wonder Horse, and he was also the fastest pacing stallion of 1924.

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*Monroe, Maine.

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1925 Single G Defeats John R Braden at Presque Isle

John R. Braden 2:02¾, the famous son of John R. Gentry, known throughout the State of Maine and Eastern Canada as the "Iron Horse" and the "Pride of Aroostook County Maine," had been for some years now reigning over the Eastern seaboard tracks, defeating all that

dared get in his way. I recall as a little girl listening to the old timers tell of the wondrous deed of the "Iron Horse" and when finally their story got around to September 3, 1925, they would skip lightly over this with "After all, John R. was getting on, and he had seen much duty in the stud of late." However, at the risk of raising the wrath of my friends Down East, this is what ensued at the Presque Isle Fair back there on September 3.

Shipping in from Cleveland, Single G registered mild surprise when he stepped out of his private express car on Friday at Presque Isle and was greeted by a brass band and escorted to the fairgrounds with a large procession, headed by a fire truck.

A match race between John R. Braden and Single G had been arranged to coincide with the Fair at Presque Isle. The Fair had been going on for four or five days when the great day finally arrived. It had been advertised for some time in the local papers as the event of the racing season, and all the people who could possibly attend were now descending on the fairgrounds from hundreds of miles around, some as far away as Prince Edward Island in Canada.

The two champions were brought out together amid thunderous applause, and stood side by side posing for the cameras. A warm sun shone and a light breeze stirred a beautiful day for racing.

Single G had drawn the pole for the first heat. The two horses got away on the second score with John R. Braden keeping behind the Indiana horse and remaining there all the way; never at any time did he challenge, so Single G simply led the Iron Horse home in 2:071/4.

John R. Braden fans did not have much to cheer about in the first heat, but in the second John Willard, the fa-

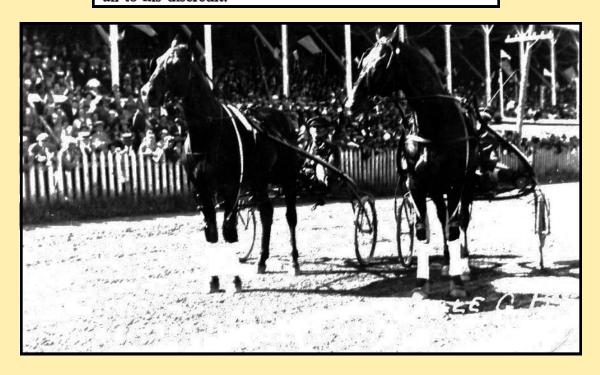
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mous driver of John R. Braden, took the lead early and stayed there until the homestretch came in view; but then the cheers being sent up for the Maine hero faded, for it was here that Allen urged Single G on and the pacer from Cambridge City nailed the son of John R. Gentry fifty feet from the wire and won by a good neck in 2:0634.

Between the second and third heats three colts sired by John R. Braden were introduced to the crowd, perhaps in an effort to spur on their sire to defeat the Wonder Horse in the final heat.

Alas, John R. Braden fared no better in the third heat and Single G came home an easy winner in 2:08%.

John R. Braden had nothing to be ashamed of, for great horses like himself had been going down to defeat for nearly fourteen years under the flying hooves and departing sulky wheels of Single G and the fact that John R. Braden proved no exception to this rule was not at all to his discredit.



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-- Bringing the Past to Present --Presentations by the Lost Trotting Parks Heritage Center

The Lost Trotting Parks Heritage Center was founded in 2009. The purpose of the center is to preserve the quickly vanishing stories and memorabilia of the age when the horse was king. The 19th century for many may ring a romantic notion, however, the was life of 19th century men and women was a hard life. The many conveniences and high tech devices we accept as part of our everyday life did not exist. The telephone, the telegraph, electricity, the light bulb, and the automobile were in the process of invention during this period. Most homes may have had a horse and a carriage. Farmers would hitch their horses to plows and other horse drawn equipment.

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Lakeside Park -- Princeton, Maine



Rigby Park -- South Portland, Maine

From *Hoof Beats* Magazine -- January 1967



Single G., Ed Allen up. Although several men handled him during his remarkable career, it was Ed Allen, who was most associated with the great campaigner. Allen drove him to 10 of his 13 two-minute performances.

The Horse That Only Time Forgot

by Dave Garland

O N THURSDAY, May 5, 1966, an Indiana horseman, Robert Willis, Logansport, maneuvered his unheralded two-year-old pacer, King Noble, behind the starting gate at Lexington. Two-minutes, three and three-fifths seconds later, he flashed past the wire in what is believed to be the fastest early race mile ever posted by a two-year-old.

The previous best that this sensational mile erased was a remarkable 2:03\% time trial paced at Pinehurst by Queen's Knight, on April 6, 1955, Frank Safford up.

Although 11 years apart, these sensational juvenile performances have much in common. Both two-year-olds trace back to one of the greatest campaigners ever to grace the nation's raceways... Single G., 1:58½, "the horse that time forgot"; King Noble through his dam, Miss Single King, out of Single Stine by Single G., and Queen's Knight through his dam, Joanna Orr, by Dick Reynolds, in turn by Single G.

For the great, or the interesting of the sport to trace back to Indiana is nothing new. It was in this state that pacers' hobbles were developed and introduced. Here too was the original home of the great Dan Patch, and in more recent years, that fine pair of full-brother pacers bred by Harold McGinnis, Irvin Paul and Stephan Smith laid claim to the land of the Wabash as "Back Home Again in Indiana".

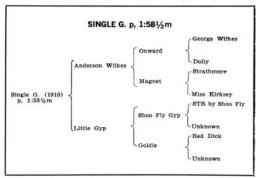
Yet, with the greatness of Dan Patch not to be denied, or the importance of hobbles overlooked, many there are who still feel that Single G. was one of the greatest contributions to harness racing that ever came out of the Hoosier state. Foaled the property of W. B. Barefoot, Cambridge City, and L. D. Commons, Converse, Single G. on breeding alone was one of the least likely candidates for greatness.

According to that great harness historian, John Hervey, the pedigree was not only quite short, but what there was of it was filled with "said-to-be's", so much so that it was only through special dispensation that he was admitted to Standard Registry.

Registry.

His dam, owned by Barefoot, was Little Gyp, "of breeding so obscure as to virtually mean nothing". Her sire was known to be Shoo Fly Gyp, and her dam Goldie, was "said to be" by Red Dick. To this day that is all that is known about the female side.

On the sire's side, things were much more standard. Anderson Wilkes, then 28, sired the handsome bay. He by Onward,



2:25½; a son of George Wilkes, and out of Magnet, a daughter of Strathmore; sired 104 standard performers. Of them, Single G. was by far the standout.

Despite this lack of known breeding, or perhaps because of it, Single G. developed into one of the greatest pacers the sport has ever known. He had speed, he had stamina, he had longevity. But, most of all, he had a remarkable combination of the three that developed a career that to this day has yet to be equalled in many respects.

equalled in many respects.

His speed developed slowly. Unraced at two, he took a mark of 2:121/4 as a three-year-old, reducing that to 2:071/4 at four. These times were reasonable, perhaps even remarkable for what was known of the breeding, but certainly far from an indication that here was developing one of harness racing's longest and

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fastest racing careers, spanning 14 seasons and holding several world records.

Despite the lack of early speed, Single G. was already becoming a horse that was difficult to beat. As a three-year-old he was 1-2-3, winning 12, in all of his 20 dashes. During his four-year-old form he paced 56 heats, winning 36, and a year later, still nearly three full seconds away from a two-minute performance, he scored 21 wins in 42 dashes.

His career totals show a remarkable 262 firsts in 434 heats and, during his career he finished back of third only 47 times. During 10 of the 14 seasons that it took to compile this remark-

able record, the horse competed in the Free-For-All ranks. It was 50 years ago this August that Single G. first crashed the 2:00 barrier. Kalamazoo, Michigan was the place, and

	SINGLE G.	S RACING	G SUMMA	ARY	
Year	age-mark	sts	lsts	2nds	3rds
1913	3,2:121/4	20	12	5	3
1914	4,2:071/4	53	36	8	2
1915	5,2:023/4	42	21	4	6
1916	6,2:00	37	10	18	6
1917	7.	34	17	6	3
1918	8.1:591/2	41	28	7	4
1919	9,	35	16	14	4
1920	10,1:59	29	21	4	1
1921	11,	38	36	2	0
1922	12,	16	16	0	0
1923	13.1:581/2	31	21	7	1
1924	14.	31	13	10	6
1925	15.	24	15	1	1
1926	16,	3	0	0	0
Totals		434	262	88	37

Unplaced: 47 out of 434 dashes.

Napoleon Direct, one of the few contemporaries he found difficult to handle, was among the victims. With the ill-fated Curt Gosnell at the reins, Single G. cut out the mile; a rather unusual performance for him as a crowd arousing end-of-the-mile brush was his racing trade-mark, reaching in 2:00-even, and just withstanding the final brush of then arch rival, Napoleon

Before the season was out the six-year-old posted another two-minute mile, proving the first was no fluke, and before the career was out, ran the total to 13, including the 1:581/2 mark he carried to the grave 24 years later. The speed was there.

But, it was on stamina and longevity that Single G. topped Since Star Pointer's memorable first in 1897, nearly 750 trot-

Many of harness racing's great horses are completely forgotten in the area of their origin or fame. Not so with Single G., for Cambridge City, Ind. where the horse was owned, reminds the world with a monument, erected prominently in one of the city parks. Youngsters often pause in play to read about his records.





Carl Barefoot, now of Cowan, Ind., nephew of the late William Barefoot, owner of Single G., has among his mementos of the horse, this picture of Single G. at the side of his dam, Little Gyp. Discernable, on the forehead, is the famous "G" that led to the colt's name.

ters and pacers have laid claim to at least one two-minute clocking. Few, however, have the stamina to make two-minute time after the age of seven. By age ten, the percentage is so infinitesimal as to be worthy of a roll call.

Peter at Law p. 10, 1:59¾; Sir Roch p, 10, TT-1:59¼; oft beaten by Single G; Margaret Dillon p, TT-1:58¼ (10, 1:59¾); Napoleon Grant p, 10, 2:00; Forbes Direct p, 10, 2:00; and of a more recent era, Eddie Towne p, 10, 1:59% and the imported Cardigan Bay p, 1:57%; 1:581/sh (10, 2:00h) make up the list.

At age 12, a recent phenomenon has seen the Down Under imports, Caduceus p. 12, 1:57% and Ordeal p. 12, 1:594% check in with sub two-minute miles—the same age at which the immortal Dan Patch sped to a 1:561/4 time trial.

Amazing as these performances at age are, one must go on to reach the record set by Single G. While his first two-minute mile came at age six, just a little on the aged side, the final of his 13 such miles wasn't made until Aug. 25, 1925, eight years and fourteen days later, at the age of 15.

Perhaps even more astounding is the knowledge that he was 13 when he made his 1:58½ mark, this at Syracuse, N.Y., September 12, 1923, Ed Allen up.

The event was a Free-For-All pace, with Sir Roch the lone

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Although owned in partnership at foaling, William G. Barefoot, Cambridge City, Indiana, became sole owner of the colt. Barefoot often traveled the circuits to watch his horse perform. Nephew Carl recalls that crowds would gather at the telegraph office waiting for Barefoot's telegram with results.



Single G.

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competitor. It was he who set the pace in all three heats, the first in 1:58½, with Single G. "smothering him with a 28½-second final quarter." Sir Roch took the second heat, but Single G. bounced back for the finale, winning in 1:58¾, with an astounding final brush. The old fellow at 13 years of age not only had twice won faster than 1:59, but in the process had set a World Record for a third heat.

As noted, on 13 occasions Single G. won in two-minute time. Of these, only one was a race against the rail. The 12 heat wins becomes all the more remarkable when it is noted that this career total wasn't even approached by another horse until

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the 1950's when Tassel Hanover, TT-1:574/5 and Frisco Creed, 1:583/5 drew near with 11 such wins; and that not until Adios Butler, TT-1:543/5 appeared on the scene, was it beaten. (All of Dan Patch's 30 two-minute performances were against the clock, as were 16 of Greyhound's 25 such miles).

As Single G. returned year after year to the scenes of earlier victories—not to live on past glories but to repeat them, with only the cast of trailers changing—like James Hilton's Mr. Chips he became loved by all. His mere presence evoked a crescendo of applause that, starting at the point nearest his appearance, grew to a roar of recognition that belied the need for introduction long before he reached mid-stand position.

Such was his status by the start of the 1925 season.

Now 15 years of age, and starting his 13th consecutive season of racing, he began the year as if there never were to be an end to his fabulous career. Through North Randall and Toledo he lost but one heat in nine, and that only when involved in an accident. Yet, the downward spiral was to start in less than

The beginning of the end-and what a struggle he put up against it-came at Kalamazoo, as Margaret Dillon paced the first two-minute mile of the year to give the rising young reinsman, Walter Cox, his initial entry on the select list.

At Aurora he bounced back to blaze to a race record of 1:30 for a 3/4-mile dash, but faded in the 11/4-mile return bout as he 'seemed quite lame

Two weeks later, back at his favorite North Randall, he was able to win only one of three heats against Margaret Dillon, but what a win that one was, paced in two-minutes flat, fighting every inch of the stretch to hold a determined Hal Mahone safe at his shoulder at the wire. A two-minute mile had just been won by a 15-year-old!

Again, this was not to be all, for several days later he continued the rebound by showing his heels to Margaret Dillon in a pair of heats, both with last halves paced in 59 seconds. "The

multitude seemed delirious with joy."

These, however, were destined to be Single G.'s final Grand Circuit wins.

From North Randall, Allen and Single G. moved on up to Presque Isle, Maine. One can only imagine the excitement in that small in population but large in horsemanship border town as the greatest name in harness racing, Single G. appeared to do battle with the hometown hero, the publicly owned John R.

Were any stores minded that afternoon as Single G. van-quished the "Cock of the North" in three straight heats? In one of his few half-mile track appearances the 15-year-old won as he pleased, with the fastest heat in 2:063/4, less than six seconds slower than the World Record of 2:01 that he had set in 1918, and still held, some seven seasons later.

These were the final wins of his career.

Two more starts remained. On Sept. 10, at Rutland, Vt., Single G. finished fourth to Guesswork and others in the first dash of the Free For All pace. Allen then withdrew him from the remaining heats.

The reasoning that sent Single G, to the raceways one more time can only be speculated upon. Certainly the old fellow must have trained off, for it wasn't until the August meet at North Randall that he took to the track for his first 1926 start.

His every appearance for a warm-up mile brought loud applause, and when in the first heat he winged out to a 30second first quarter to gain command at that point, the tumult was deafening. But, there it ended as he faded to fifth, with 7-7 finishes following in the other two heats.

These were his final competitive starts.

One more appearance before the racing public remained. At Canfield, Ohio, he raced the rail to beat the track record of 2:131/2. This he did, responding with a 2:071/4 clocking.

And there, this fantastic 14-year racing career came to an

Although his racing career was over, Single G. was far from the end of the line. He was sent to stud service at Justamere Place, in Richmond, Ind., less than half a mile from the farm on which he was foaled.

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The Single G. stallion record matched that of the Single G. racing record in years, lasting from 1927 to his passing, late in 1940. By the time his final performer had made the standard record list he had sired a total of 79 pacers and 9 trotters.

His early crops resulted in his top performers, with, at one time, his four two-minute sons and daughters entitling him to a place on that list topped only by Peter Volo. Of the four, Dick Reynolds, 1:59¼; Doctor H., 1:59¾; Single Stine, 2:00; and Green Valley, TT-2:00, the former, from his very first crop, was his fastest.

This early success notwithstanding, he rather unaccountably faded from breeding popularity, perhaps as a result of the search for earlier and earlier speed.

As a sire of sires he produced several, with Dick Reynolds, his fastest offspring probably the best known. This two-minute performer sired 47 who took standard records and sired the dams of 89 others, including two in 2:00; the previously men-

tioned Queens Knight, TT-1:594/5, out of Joanna Orr, and Louise Reynolds who produced Ruth Reynolds, 1:594/5.

As a broodmare sire, Single G. is still well represented, and again has two-minute performers, with Single Stine, dam of Miss Single Star, 1:59½ as perhaps the best known. The latter, by the way is also already a producing dam, as her first-foal daughter, Miss Star's Shadow took a 2:07 two-year-old mark last year.

Single G. raced in an era of great city or town pride, a pride that perhaps now would be referred to as provincialism. Civic pride, provincialism, or whatever, contiguous with its decline has been the decline in the status of present-day heroes. The Single G., the Dan Patch, the Greyhound all knew an adulation that has been denied the Adios Butler and the Bret

There is a surviving Barefoot, Carl, a nephew of William B., now living at Cowan, Ind. As post time approached on any afternoon that Single G. was to start, a crowd would gather in front of the telegraph office at Cambridge City, waiting for word of success or failure. If it was success, as was most often the case, a great cheer would go up, Carl Barefoot recalls, for a win by Single G. was a win not for the Barefoots alone, but for nearly every man, woman, and child in Cambridge City.



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1957	Guy Abbey	1925	М	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1957	Guy Axworthy 37501	1902	М	U338 - Flora by Langford
1957	Hamburg Belle	1902		U681 - Sally Adams
1957	Hanovers Bertha	1927		U1 - Medio
1957	Spencer	1925	М	U10 - Jane Hunt
1957	Sunol	1886	F	U655 - Waxy
1957	Tilly Brooke	1918	F	U2 - Minnehaha
1957	Volo Song	1940	М	U17 - Abbess
1958	None inducted			
1959	Calumet Chuck	1929	M	U5 - Sally Sovereign
1959	Hoot Mon	1944	M	U2 - Minnehaha
1959	J Malcolm Forbes 46564	1907	M	U212 - Shadow
1959	Merrie Annabelle	1956	F	U14 - Ab
1959	The Laurel Hall	1918	М	U65 - Burch mare
1960	Darnley	1940	М	U5 - Sally Sovereign
1961	None inducted	octo-mentomin	0.054	,
1962	Dean Hanover	1934	М	U43 - Pickles
1962	Protector	1928	М	U6 - Mamie
1963	Rodney	1944	М	U37 - Kit by Pioneer
1964	Messenger W1562 (thor)			
1965	Adios	1940		U41 - Maggie Gaines
1965	Greyhound	1932	G	U18 - Molly J
1966	Emily Ellen	1907	F	U9 - Midnight
1966	Highland Scott	1923		U4 - Jessie Pepper
1966	Miss Bertha Dillon	1914		U1 - Medio
1966	Nervolo Belle	1906	-3.	U3 - Mambrino Beauty
1966	Victory Song	1943		U17 - Abbess
1967	Abdallah 1	1823	M	U916 - Amazonia

1967	Lady Suffolk	1833	-	U898 - Awards: Minor family USA
1968	Titan Hanover	1942		U12 - Miss Copeland
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1969	Jessie Pepper	1861	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1970	None inducted			2000 100 1 V 10 V
1971	Worthy Boy	1940	M	U3 - Mambrino Beauty
1972	None inducted	1000000		ACCES - MARINE WILL D
1973	Belwin	1910		U10 - Jane Hunt
1973	Her Ladyship	1933		U15 - Lady W
1973	<u>La Paloma</u>	1919		U15 - Lady W
1973	Rosalind Balla Mahana	1933		Stream Action 200 and a stream
1974	Belle Mahone	1925		U21 - Trusty
1974	<u>Leta Long</u>	1940	-	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1974	<u>Little Pat</u>	1933	G	U525 - Nelly C
1974	Maggie Counsel	1945	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1974	Margaret Castleton	1933	F	U6 - Mamie
1974	Roya McKinney	1911	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1974	The Old Maid	1945	F	U2 - Minnehaha
1975	Countess Vivian	1950	F	U26 - Aileen
1975	<u>Isotta</u>	1917	F	U8 - Lizzie Witherspoon
1975	<u>Justissima</u>	1915	F	U12 - Miss Copeland
1975	Kings Counsel	1940	М	U42 - Lady Cabot
1975	Little Brown Jug	1875	G	U502 - Old March
1975	Margaret Spangler	1918	F	U42 - Lady Cabot
1975	Nibble Hanover	1936	M	U12 - Miss Copeland
1975	Proximity	1942	F	U27 - Nelly by Grey Denmark
1975	San Francisco 49173	1903	М	U701 - Kitty Taylor
1976	Calumet Evelyn	1931	F	U88 - Luna
1976	Beautiful Bells	1872	F	U2 - Minnehaha
1976	Dr Stanton	1941	G	U175 - Mary Miles
1976	Florican	1947		U33 - Contention
1976	Grattan Bars	1923	М	U668 - Butterfly
1976	Justin Morgan	1789	M	U897 - Winner: unnamed dam USA
1976	Mc I Win	1929		U709 - Amrah
1976	Misty Hanover	1941		U4 - Jessie Pepper
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1976	Peter The Brewer	1918		U18 - Molly J
1976	Poplar Byrd	1944		U50 - Belle G
1976	Zombrewer	1905		U18 - Molly J
1977	Betty G	1946		U13 - Dolly B
1977	Dale Frost	1951		U47 - County House Mare
1977	Shadow Wave	1955		U105 - Molly by Copperbottom
1977	<u>Sharpshooter</u>	1955		U14 - Ab
1978	Good Time	1946		U10 - Jane Hunt U185 - Belle Flora
1978	Gene Abbe	1944		U898 - Awards: Minor family USA
1978	Rarus	1867	G	0090 - AWarus, Millor Tamily USA

1978	Tarport Hap	1972		U13 - Dolly B
1979	Chimes 5348	1884	M	U2 - Minnehaha
1979	Chris Spencer	1942	M	U10 - Jane Hunt
1979	Stars Pride	1947	M	U53 - Roan Fanny
1980	None inducted			
1981	Blue Bull 75 (Wilsons)	1854	M	U914 - Bet by Duroc
1981	Peter Scott	1909	М	U559 - Rothschilds dam
1981	Speedster	1954	M	U12 - Miss Copeland
1981	Spinster	1930	F	U2 - Minnehaha
1982	Bye Bye Byrd	1955	M	U41 - Maggie Gaines
1982	Hickory Pride	1956	M	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1982	Hickory Smoke	1954	M	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1982	Dotties Pick	1952	F	U10 - Jane Hunt
1983	Meadow Skipper	1960	M	U26 - Aileen
1984	Arnie Almahurst	1970	М	U53 - Roan Fanny
1984	Most Happy Fella	1967	-007	U28 - Huldah M
1984	Bill Gallon	1938	According to the Printers	U10 - Jane Hunt
1984	Kerry Way	1963		U33 - Contention
1984	Margaret Parrish	1908		U6 - Mamie
1984	Romola Hanover	1957		U7 - Miss Duvall
1984	Ruth M Chenault	1924		
1984	Scott Frost	1952		U3 - Mambrino Beauty
1985	Flying Cloud	1964		U11 - Esther
1986-	Flying Cloud	1904	5	OTT - Estilei
1987	None inducted			
1988	Guy McKinney	1923	М	U4 - Jessie Pepper
1988	Su Mac Lad	1954	G	U90 - Puss Prall
1989	Cardigan Bay	1956	M	N18 - Trilby
1990	Adios Butler	1956	M	U34 - Crazy Jane
1990	Jay Eye See	1878	G	U9 - Midnight
1990	<u>Pocahontas</u>	1847	F	U566 - Pocahontas
1990	St Julien	1869	G	U898 - Awards: Minor family USA
1991	Countess Adios	1957		U26 - Aileen
1991	Elaine Rodney	1957		U23 - Nell by Hiatoga
1992	Sleepy Tom	1868		U899 - Winner: Unknown dam USA
1993	Alix	1888		U595 - Dolly Aldrich
1994	Bret Hanover	1962	700	U1 - Medio
1994	Nelson 4209	1882		U2435 - Kate by Black Hawk 5
1994	Nevele Pride	1965		U8 - Lizzie Witherspoon
1994	Speedy Scot	1960		U11 - Esther
1994	Stenographer	1951	-	U10 - Jane Hunt
1994	Tar Heel	1948		U4 - Jessie Pepper
1995	Iosolas Worthy	1924	F	U55 - Woburn Maid
1995	Nihilator	1982	М	U6 - Mamie
1995	Pronto Don	1945		U4 - Jessie Pepper
1995	Noble Victory	1962	2700	U9 - Midnight
1995	None inducted	1902	IVI	oz mangre
1990	Keystone Pioneer	1972	_	U9 - Midnight
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1997	Race Time	1961		U2 - Minnehaha
1997	Rambling Willie	1970	100	U27 - Nelly by Grey Denmark
1998	Albatross	1968	0.77	U6 - Mamie
1998	Armbro Flight	1962	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper

1998	Volunteer 55	1854	М	U148 - Lady Patriot
1998	Fresh Yankee	1963	F	U6 - Mamie
1999	Ayres	1961		U9 - Midnight
1999	Delmonica Hanover	1969	F	U16 - Nelly by Mambrino Sterley
1999	Demon Hanover	1945	M	U6 - Mamie
1999	The state of the s	1955		U9 - Midnight
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1999	Niatross Curan Baud	1977	M	
1999	Super Bowl	1969	М	U33 - Contention
1999	Ethan Allen 43	1849	M	U926 - Poll by Red Robin
1999	<u>Impish</u>	1959	F	U8 - Lizzie Witherspoon
2000	<u>Abercrombie</u>	1975	M	U81 - Young Chicago Maid
2000	Adios Harry	1951	M	U10 - Jane Hunt
2000	Belle Acton	1953	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper
2000	Margaret Arion	1923	F	U6 - Mamie
2000	Speedy Crown	1968	М	U48 - Le Blonde
2000	Tarport Cheer	1966	F	U13 - Dolly B
2001	Cam Fella	1979	M	U21 - Trusty
2001	Lady Ann Reed	1955	F	U38 - Molly Armstrong
2001	Racy Heart	1971	F	U6 - Mamie
2001	Sandys Sable	1974	F	U1 - Medio
2002	Descent	1975	F	U2 - Minnehaha
2002	Knight Dream	1945	M	U29 - Lady Shipley
2002	Lindys Pride	1966	M	U36 - Miss Sears
2002	Savoir	1968	G	U1 - Medio
2002	Volga E	1913	F	U3 - Mambrino Beauty
2003	Lady Hathaway	1985	F	U1 - Medio
2004	Helicopter	1950	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper
2005	No Nukes	1979	М	U4 - Jessie Pepper
2005	Romeo Hanover	1963	M	U7 - Miss Duvall
2006	Bonefish	1972	М	U32 - Belle
2007	Cams Card Shark		M	U22 - Macketta
2007	Continentalvictory		F	U23 - Nell by Hiatoga
2007	Matts Scooter	1985	M	U66 - Molly Dillard
2008	Rosemary	1975	F	U5 - Sally Sovereign
2008	Silk Stockings	1972	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper
2009	Three Diamonds	1979	F	U7 - Miss Duvall
2009	Beach Towel	1987	М	U24 - Lida
2009	Amour Angus	1987	F	U1 - Medio
2009	<u>Dateable</u>	1976	F	U24 - Lida
2011	<u>Cathedra</u>	1993	F	U4 - Jessie Pepper
2011	Classic Wish	1990	F	U66 - Molly Dillard
2011	Fan Hanover	1978	F	U7 - Miss Duvall

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1894	Robert J	1888	G	U898	THte	2:011/2
1894	John R Gentry 12645	1889	М	U678	THte	2:03¾
1894	Alix	1888	F	U595	Gales	T2:03¾
1892	Nancy Hanks	1886	F	U31	THte	T2:04.0
1893	Flying Jib	1885	G	U682	ChWS	2:04.0
1894	Joe Patchen 30239	1889	М	U984	THte	2:04.0
1892	Mascot	1885	G	U898	THte	2:04.0
1894	Online 18225	1890	М	U675	Sioux	2:04.0
1895	Strathberry 22233	1888	М	U1291	Linc	2:041/4
1895	<u>Fidol</u>	1887	М	U1395	THte	2:041/2
1892	Hal Pointer	1884	G	U719	Nshv	2:041/2
1895	Star Pointer	1889	М	U719	THte	2:041/2
1895	Azote	1887	G	U621	Gales	T2:04¾
1894	Hal Dillard 0409	1887	М	U690	Nshv	2:04¾
1893	Directum 26330	1889	М	U721	Nshv	T2:051/4
1895	Coleridge	1888	М	U1408	Cleve	2:051/4
1892	Direct 24113	1885	М	U679	Nshv	2:051/2
1895	<u>Frank Agan</u>	1890	G	U898	Lvle	2:05¾
1893	Saladin 12560	1886	М	U1396	Krkw	2:05¾
1894	Fantasy	1890	F	U36	THte	T2:06.0
1892	Jay Eye See	1878	G	U9	Indpn	2:061/4
1884	<u>Johnston</u>	1877	G	U898	ChWS	2:061/4
1890	Roy Wilkes	1883	М	U338	Ipls	2:061/2
1895	Rubenstein	1890	М	U691	Gros	2:061/2
1895	WWP	1886	G	U898	Buff	2:061/2
1895	Beuzetta	1891	М	U529	Buff	T2:06¾
1894	Ralph Wilkes	1889	М	U2452	Nshv	T2:06¾
1895	Ben D	1889	М	U898	Gros	2:06¾
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1894	W Wood	1888	M	U1771	SanJ	2:07.0
1895	William Penn First	1890	M	U902	Gros	T2:071/4
1894	Hal Braden	1888	M	U125	Davpt	2:071/4
1895	Paul	188-	G	U899	Cleve	2:071/4
1895	Aileen	1891	F	U1772	FreP	2:071/2
1893	Ontonian 10980	1888	М	U675	Lyons	2:071/2
1895	Steel Prince	188-	G	U899	Linc	2:071/2
1895	Vera Capel	1889	F	U11	Jol	2:071/2
1893	Will Kerr	1888	G	U1773	THte	2:071/2
1894	Crawford	1884	М	U923	Cols	2:073/4
1894	Directly 0680	1892	М	U835	Gales	2:073/4
1892	Arion 18000	1889	М	U682	Lex	T2:07¾
1894	Ryland T	1884	G	U898	Cleve	T2:07¾
1895	Kremlin 13327	1887	М	U126	Gros	T2:07¾
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1894	Reflector	1887	М	U899	Cleve	2:07¾
1892	Martha Wilkes	1883	F	U1792	Indpn	T2:08.0
1895	<u>Nightingale</u>	1885	F	U695	THte	T2:08.0
1895	Guinette	1889	М	U1878	Lvle	2:08.0
1895	Rowdy Joe	1887	G	U1926	FtW	2:08.0
1895	Afrite	1891	М	U1394	FreP	2:081/4
1895	Onoqua	1891	F	U786	THte	T2:081/4
1893	Pixley	1885		U846	Lex	T2:081/4
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1891	Sunol	1886	F	U655	Stock	T2:081/4
1892	Blue Sign	1887	G	U898	StJo	2:081/4
1895	Bright Regent 22140	1891	М	U805	Lvle	2:081/4
1895	Judge Swing	1887	М	U1774	Wind	2:081/4
1893	May Marshall	1887	F	U806	Nshv	2:081/4
1895	Rachel	1891	F	U90	Lex	2:081/4
1893	Hulda	1888		U194	SanF	T2:081/2
1895	<u>Klamath</u>	1885		U747	Gros	T2:081/2
1895	Lockheart 6804	1886	М	U108	Hedr	T2:081/2
1894	Phoebe Wilkes	1885		U1875	Nshv	
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1893	Coastman 12423	1888	М	U994	Chil	2:081/2
1893	JHL	1887	М	U1104	Mays	2:081/2
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1894	Lord Clinton	1885	G	U898	Lsng	T2:08¾
1885	Maud S	1874	F	U170	Cleve	T2:08¾
1891	Palo Alto 5353	1882	М	U10	Stock	T2:08¾
1895	Badge	1888	G	U1776	Gales	2:08¾
1893	Barney	188-	G	U899	Nshv	2:08¾
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1894	Seal	1888	G	U1777	Gales	2:08¾
1895	Lesa Wilkes	1890	F	U100	Cleve	T2:09.0
1893	Nelson 4209	1882	М	U2435	Port	T2:09.0
1895	Whisper	1888	F	U1914	Port	2:09.0
1894	Bourbon Patchen	1889	М	U923	THte	2:09.0
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1894	<u>Magnolia</u>	189-	F	U1760	Tiff	T2:091/4
1895	Bumps	1891	G	U89	Buff	2:091/4
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1894	Judge Hurt	1892	М	U898	CnclB	2:091/4
1895	Laurel	1883	F	U1781	Rmd	2:091/4
1895	Miss Williams	1891	F	U514	Gales	2:091/4
1895	Pathmont	1890	М	U2025	Wdlnd	2:091/4
1893	<u>Prima Donna</u>	1877	F	U898	Ind	2:091/4
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1892	<u>Vinette</u>	1886	F	U898	THte	2:091/4
1895	<u>Vistigie</u>	1891	М	U1782	Wind	2:091/4
1894	Strader H	1886	М	U1793	Ind	T2:091/2
1895	Blizzard	188-	G	U1783	Port	2:091/2
1895	Chehalis	1890	М	U2254	LosA	2:091/2
1895	Choral	1891	F	U85	THte	2:091/2
1895	Col Thornton	1887	М	U1784	Lex	2:091/2
1895	Gil Curry	1887	G	U898	Port	2:091/2
1895	Jack Bowers	1885	G	U1785	Cols	2:091/2
1895	Jewell	188-	G	U899	MysPk	2:091/2
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1894	Dan Cupid	1888	М	U1054	Chil	T2:09¾
1895	Dandy Jim	1885	G	U870	Ind	T2:09¾
1894	Ellard	1888	М	U898	THte	T2:09¾
1893	<u>Harrietta</u>	1888	F	U213	Lex	T2:09¾
1893	Atlantic King	1887	М	U496	Nshv	2:09¾
1895	Bullmont	1887	G	U1786	Mwk	2:09¾
1895	<u>Earlmont</u>	1889	М	U2058	Ind	2:09¾
1894	Ed Easton	1890	М	U8	Ind	2:09¾
1895	Fred K	1888	G	U898	DsMns	2:09¾
1894	<u>Gazette</u>	1887	М	U1067	Tiff	2:09¾
1895	Henry F	1889	М	U1787	GIF	2:09¾
1893	<u>Laura T</u>	1886	F	U898	Sed	2:09¾
1893	Major Wonder	1885	G	U898	Buff	2:09¾
1895	Miss Rita	1892	F	U228	Gales	2:09¾
1895	Miss Woodford	1889	F	U5	Balt	2:093/4
1890	Winslow Wilkes	1886	М	U1788	Lex	2:093/4
1895	Early Bird 7771	1886	M	U529	ООВ	T2:10.0
1884	Jay Eye See	1878	G	U9	Prov	T2:10.0
1893	<u>Little Albert</u>	1884	G	U1558	Cleve	T2:10.0
1892	Moquette 17835	1888	М	U1555	Rmd	T2:10.0
1894	Pamlico 7156	1885	M	U2462	THte	T2:10.0
1895	<u>Tomah</u>	1889	G	U897	Port	T2:10.0
1893	Walter E	1884	G	U873	Cleve	T2:10.0
1895	Bert Oliver	1889	М	U2028	ChWS	2:10.0
1893	Blanche Louise	1888	F	U898	Chil	2:10.0
1895	Cleveland S	1884		U1789	Lsng	2:10.0
1890	Cricket	1884		U202	Ind	2:10.0
1894	Edith	188-	F	U897	SanJ	2:10.0
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Tongh End, b g, by Dan'l Boone. 3 10 10

Machamboy, bl g, by Black Eagle 5 4 9

Mildred H., ch m, by L'Emperur. 6 6 4

Adelaide M., ch m, by Jack Morrill 7 9 6

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Susan Higgins: "Maine's Best Bet in 2013 is Scarborough Downs"



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Scarborough Downs is proud to be celebrating its 63rd year in business as Maine's top recreation destination at New England's fastest half-mile track! Our 2013 live racing season begins Saturday, March 30th at 4 pm and Sunday, March 31st at 1:05 pm for a 108-day race meet chock full of exciting races and special events for fans young and o

In addition to our top simulcast events, such as the Triple Crown races, which start with the Kentucky Derby in May, Scarborough Downs will host the 38th year of Maine Sire Stakes program, which introduces this year's top crop of Maine-bred trotters and pacers beginning June 23rd. These equine athletes will compete all season long until the Championship Finals in September and October.

This season: the 3rd annual *Back to the Track* day, co-hosted with the US Trotting Association and participating tracks across North America to invite fans back to the races with fun events like handicapping challenges, starting car rides, and meet & greet session with drivers, trainers and horses (July 6th); the return of *Maine Harness Racing Gives Back*, a day the industry gives to three Maine's charities (July 27th); and the 8th annual *Family Fun Day*, a day devoted to educating the public on the wonderful sport of harness racing through live horse demonstrations, games, crafts, and agricultural displays (August 11). We close out the season

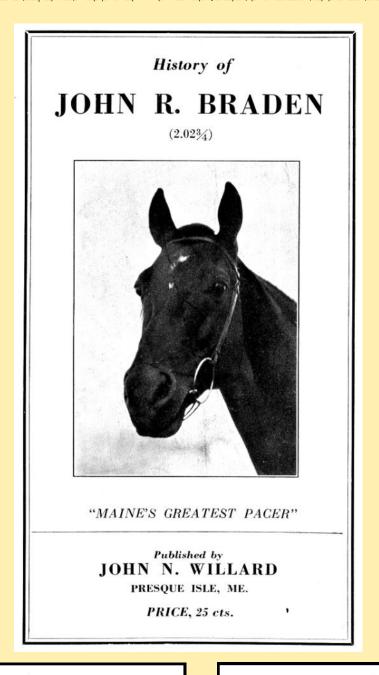
with our annual Standardbred Retirement Ceremony, honoring those 14-year-old horses that must go into mandatory retirement in a moving trackside ceremony. We also welcome back all retirees to the track throughout the season as a tool to educate the public about the Standardbred racehorse.

All special events this season will focus on the bettor, ensuring that patrons have a great time at the races, with easy how-to sessions, colorful sheets of information, and an updated how-to-wager station in the Grandstand. The advertising and marketing messages, which will be primarily cable TV, print, web and radio, will drive home this point as well with "you bet you can win!" As part of this marketing plan, Scarborough Downs has also tweaked its logo slug line for 2013: Maine's Best Bet Since 1950, again, reminding fans that Scarborough Downs has been offering fun, winning and wagering excitement since 1950.

Scarborough Downs is also pleased to welcome our new race secretary, David Sawyer, whose 38 years in the industry will bring a fresh and exciting element to each race card, making our racing product competitive than ever.

The track will once again offer its patrons free admission, Player Rewards bonus points, and the six-tier, 300-seat Downs Club Restaurant will also be open to the public this year for buffet dining on all Triple Crown days and Sire Stakes Championship events.

For a full schedule of events, visit www.ScarboroughDowns.com and Like us on Facebook where you can find pictures, giveaways, racing trivia and more!



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This Book Dedicated to the Memory of Mrs. Campbell Brown

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HERE are a few most interesting facts regarding the earlier history of the John R. Gentry, Stallion, John R. Braden, 2.0234, one of the greatest race pacers of all time, who died at Presque Isle, Maine, November 20, 1929.

The facts are gleaned from John W. Thomas who trained and raced Braden before the great pacer passed to the ownership of the Mooseleuk Club for \$5,000, upon which investment the stallion had paid a return of many fold. From Allen Campbell of Cleburn Farm, Spring Hill, Tenn., and from Percy Brown, last of the Browns of the oncefamous Ewell Farm at Spring Hill, and who now lives at his Hill Crest Estate near Charlottesville, Va., the "little red horse", John R. Gentry, 2.00½ (sire of John R. Braden) passed his last years, as every one knows, at Ewell Farm, where he died in 1920.

In the beginning of our story Ewell Farm stood foremost in the ranks of Tennessee Nurseries and up to and for a year or two after the death in 1908 of its great pacing sire, Brown Hal, 2.121/4, it was recognized the country over as the most successful of pacing nurseries, but with the death of its owner, Campbell Brown, and the general depression in breeding activities there was a general retrenchment of production at the noted nursery. Still more or less breeding was carried on by Mrs. Brown and her two sons, George Campbell Brown and Percy Brown, and after Rensselaer Weston sent John R. Gentry to Ewell Farm there was a moderate revival of breeding. However, when George Campbell Brown's health broke down and he decided to give up farming, a disposal sale of Ewell Farm stock was held, but for sentimental reasons a few of the horses were presented by the sons to their mother—among them being the Brown Hal mare, Braden Girl.

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George Campbell Brown died in 1912 but Ewell Farm was kept intact under the ownership of his mother and Percy Brown, the latter never as active with the horses as his brother, but interested nevertheless; and when in 1912 Braden Girl foaled a bay (John R. Gentry) colt, Percy Brown—rightly believing that his mother viewed the youngster a pleasing reminder of the halcyon days at Ewell Farm—looked after the growth of the colt as any dutiful son would do.

John R. Braden was foaled June 2, 1912. After the colt was weaned he was placed by Percy Brown in the care of a negro boy named "Buster" Holland, with definite and positive instructions that the colt never was to be struck or roughly handled, and during Braden's first three years, he was never, according to Mr. Brown, so much as touched even with a switch.

Braden was ground-broken as a two-year-old and had his first harness lessons in a farm wagon alongside a mule; and as a three- or four-year-old was regularly worked to plow, harrow and wagon—no one ever handling him all the time he was at Ewell Farm except the colored lad, "Buster" Holland. As a four-year-old he was bred to a mare or two—his first foal now being owned by Mrs. Percy Brown and used by her as a saddle mare in Virginia.

"Jimmy" Thomas, brother of John W. Thomas, gave Braden his first speed lessons. "Jimmy" and Braden, thanks to "Buster" Holland's earlier handling of the horse, got along wonderfully well, although in the beginning "Jimmy" could not envision the wonderful race triumphs that later were to be won by the horse, but later on Braden came to his speed and showed so much brush that it was decided to send him to Brother Johnny at Nashville for real speed work.

"I raced John R. Braden in the shaves four years for Mrs. Brown," writes John Thomas, "settling up with her at the end of each racing season. Then I sold the horse for her account to The Mooseleuk Club, Presque Isle, Maine."

BRADEN, WHILE OWNED AT EWELL FARM

Mr. Brown says: "My recollection is that Braden was used in the stud two seasons, but was not bred to over eight mares either season, then principally to plantation saddle mares. His colts were delightful saddlers—sure-footed and easy riding types. His service fee was \$10.

John R. Braden made his first appearance in an Exhibition Mile, September 21, 1916, at Nashville, Tenn. To beat 2.25½. Won, Time 2.16½.

After being retired to the stud by his owners, The Mooseleuk Club, his get was fourteen colts, all living at the present time and all look promising.

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	FIRST RACE	
1917		Summaries
June 13	Cleveland Ohio	Dis.
" 15	Cleveland, Ohio	4-6-2
" 28	Warren, Ohio	2-5-4-5-1
July 6	Toledo, Ohio	5-1-1-1
34,7 ° ° °	Youngstown, Ohio	2-1-1-1
" 19	North Randall, Ohio	1-1-1
19	Time: 2.073/4, 2.09, 2.091/4.	1 1 1
" 24	Detroit Mich	11-9-9-6
Aug. 3	Detroit, Mich	5-1-1-1
" 10	Columbus, Ohio	2-1-1-1
" 24	Lebanon, Ind.	5-5-2
Sept. 6	Indianapolis, Ind.	6-7-5
Sept. 0	Beaten by Directum J. Met for	0.0
	first time.	
" 13	Louisville, Ky	6-6-7
" 19	Nashville, Tenn.	1-1-i
" 27	Memphis, Tenn.	1-1-2-2-2
Oct. 2	Chattanooga, Tenn	1-1-1
ő <u>5</u>	Cartesville, Ga	1-1-1
" 17		5-6-4-4
	Atlanta, Ga	0 0 1 1
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" 94		
24	Griffin, Ga.,	1-1-1
24	Griffin, Ga	1-1-1 1-1-4-1
" 26	Griffin, Ga	1-1-4-1
" 26 Nov. 7	Griffin, Ga	1-1-4-1 $2-3-2$
" 26 Nov. 7 " 9	Griffin, Ga	1-1-4-1
" 26 Nov. 7 " 9	Macon, Ga	1-1-4-1 2-3-2 3-3-2
" 26 Nov. 7 " 9 1918 June 4	Macon, Ga	1-1-4-1 2-3-2 3-3-2 2-1-1-1
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1918		Summaries
Sept. 18	Logansport, Ind	3-5-2
7 23	Memphis, Tenn	1-1-1
" 30	Lexington, Ky	4-4-6
	Met Dan Hedgewood for first	
200	time.	7.5
Oct. 4	Lexington, Ky	6-6-5
" 16	Atlanta, Ga	3-3-3
Nov. 14	Macon, Ga	4-2-2
" 15	Macon, Ga	1-1-1
" 27	Dotham, Ala	2-2-2
Dec. 4	Blakely, Ga	1-1-1
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July 7	North Randall, Ohio	6-8-3-R.O.
301y 1 " 24	mil ol:	1-1-1
24	Time: 2.041/4, 2.041/4, 2.071/2. Monroe, N. Y.	1-1-1
" 30	Manna N V	2-2-1-2-2
30		2-2-1-2-2
۸	Beaten by Adioo Guy.	2-2-2
Aug. 9	Goshen, N. Y.	2-2-2
" 10	Goshen, N. Y. Beaten by Adioo Guy.	500
" 18	Springheid, III	5-2-2
	Beaten by Hal Mahone. Met for	20
C 2	first time.	2 2 3
Sept. 3	Indianapolis, Ind.	3-3-2
" 9 " 10	Louisville, Ky	1-1-1
10	Nashville, Tenn	1-1-1
19	Nashville, Tenn	1-1-1
24	Memphis, Tenn.	1-1-1
Oct. 2	Chattanooga, Tenn	1-1-1
. " 15	Atlanta, Ga. Time: 2.013/4, 2.031/4, 2.053/4,	3-1-2-3
	Time: $2.01\frac{3}{4}$, $2.03\frac{1}{4}$, $2.05\frac{3}{4}$,	
	2.063/4. Beaten by Frank	
N/9 75/28	Dewey.	4 14 4
" 23	Griffin, Ga	1-1-1
Nov. 4	Dotham, Ala	1-1-1
1920		
May 25	Findlay, Ohio	1-1-1
31	Cleveland, Ohio	1-1-1
June 7	Kamms Ohio	1-1-1
July 14	Toledo, Ohio	3-2-3
26	Columbus, Ohio	4-5-6
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1920		Summaries
Aug. 5	Toledo, Ohio	6-4-6
" 11	North Randall, Ohio	2-6
		1-2-2
" 24	Pougkeepsie, N. Y.	1-1
24	Adioo Guy, dis. Time: 2.023/4, 2.031/4. His fastest mile in any race.	
Sept. 6	Athol, Mass	1-1
	Matched Race, Adioo Guy, 2-2. Time: 2.06¼, 2.10½.	
" 8	Hartford, Conn	2-2
" 14	Syracuse, N. Y.	1-1-1
" 22	Allentown, Pa	1-2-2
	Sanardo, 2-1-1; Directum J., 3-4-3; Adioo Guy, 4-3-4. Time: 2.06½, 2.05¾, 2.05¾.	
" 29	Columbus, Ohio	3-2-4
Oct. 11	Lexington, Ky	2-3-2
18		3-2-3
" 20	Atlanta, Ga	1_1_1
" 25	Griffin Go	1-1-1 1-1-1
" 29	Griffin, Ga	1-1-1
. 29	Grinin, Ga	1-1-1
John R Isle, July	. Braden made his first appearance 4, 1921 in a race with the following	e at Presque horses:
Zom Z 4921	Donald Keith Time: 2.10¼, 2.11½, 2.10¼	Fem Hal.
July 4	Presque Isle, Maine	1-1-1
13	Woodstock, N. B.	1-1-1
10	Time: 2.083/4, 2.111/2, 2.13. Met Calgary Earl for first time since coming East. New track record.	• • •
Aug. 4	Houlton, Maine	1-1-1
Aug. 4	Time: 2.093/4, 2.12, 2.083/4. New track record.	
" 10	Presque Isle, Maine	1-1-1
10	Time: 2.10¼, 2.12¼, 2.07½. New track record.	
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1921		Summaries
12 mary 1	Houlton, Maine	2-2-1-1-2
Sept. 1	Beaten by Directum J.	2-2-1-1-2
" 9 '	Presque Isle, Maine	2-2-2
,	Beaten by Margaret Dillon.	
	Time: 2.05½, 2.05½, 2.05¾.	
" 13	Woodstock, N. B.	1-1-1
10	Time: 2.10½, 2.08, 2.07½.	
" 20	Fredericton, N. B.	1-1 1
	Fredericton, N. B. Time: 2.101/4, 2.101/4, 2.091/4.	
" 27	Charlottetown, P. E. I.	1-1-1
	Time: $2.12\frac{3}{4}$, $2.08\frac{1}{4}$, $2.14\frac{3}{4}$.	ton and mo
	New track record. The Ghost	
	distanced in this race.	
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July 4	Fort Fairfield	1-1-1
" 13	Caribou, Maine	1-1-1
" 27	Caribou, Maine	1–1–1
Aug. 10	Presque Isle, Maine	1-1-1
	Time: $2.10\frac{1}{4}$, $2.08\frac{1}{4}$, $2.07\frac{1}{4}$.	
	New track record.	
" 25	Caribou, Maine	1-2-2
Section 4 Const.	Met Ry Grattan for first time.	
	Time: 2.07 , 2.08 , $2.10\frac{1}{2}$. New	
£70.00 (1887.000)	track record.	1927 2027 32
" 31	Houlton, Maine	1-1-1
	Met Jackson Grattan for first	
	time. Time: 2.07 , 2.07 , $2.08\frac{3}{4}$.	*: W
	New track record.	
Sept. 6	Presque Isle, Maine	3-2-2
" 13 " 91	Woodstock, N. B	3-3-1
" 21	Bangor, Maine	1-1-1
	Time: $2.06\frac{1}{2}$, $2.06\frac{1}{2}$, $2.06\frac{1}{4}$.	
" 20	New track record.	
" 29	Lewiston, Maine	1-1-1
0 . 10	Time: 2.071/4, 2.061/2, 2.061/2.	
Oct. 13	Woodstock, N. B.	1-1-1
	Roy Grattan. Driven by the late	
	Joe Johnson. Time: 2.08½,	
4002	$2.08\frac{1}{2}$, 2.11 .	
1923	Cariban Maina	9_1_1
July 5	Caribou, Maine	$\begin{array}{c} 2-1-1 \\ 2-3-3 \end{array}$
12	Woodstock, N. B	4-0-0
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	Summaries
Fredericton, N. B.	1-1-1
Time: 2.053/4, 2.061/4, 2.061/4	
Edmundston, N. B.	1-1-1
Time: 2.081/4, 2.091/4, 2.101/4	
New track record	
	2-1-1
Time: 2.091/4, 2.081/6, 2.071/6	2 1 1
Caribou Maine	1-1-1
Time: 2.063/ 2.051/6 2.061/	
New track record	
	3-3-2
Presque Isle Maine	1-2-1
Margaret Dillon Distanced in	1 4 1
this race	
	2-2-2
Gorham Maine	1-1-1
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	1-1
Time: 2.07, 2.043/ New track	* *
Skowhegen Maine	1-1-1
Time: 2.061/4. 2.071/4. 2.091/6	
New track record.	
	2-4-4
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Presque Isle, Maine	1-1
Caribou, Maine	1-1-1
Fredericton, N. B	2-1-1
Houlton, Maine	2-2-4
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Fredericton N B	1-2-2
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	Caribou, Maine Fredericton, N. B. Houlton, Maine Presque, Isle, Maine St. Stephen, N. B. Fredericton, N. B. Braden's come-back. Wholly recovered from the lameness which sent him into temoprary retirement during the 1924 campaign. Time: 2.051/4,2.061/4.

1925		Summaries
July 30	Chatman, N. B	1-3-1
Aug. 22 27	Caribou, Maine	2-1-1
27	Houlton, Maine Time: $2.09\frac{1}{2}$, 2.10 , $2.11\frac{1}{4}$.	1–2 1
Sept. 3	Presque Isle, Maine	2-2-2
" 10	$2.07\frac{1}{4}$, $2.06\frac{3}{4}$, $2.08\frac{3}{4}$.	9 9 1 1 0
" 19	Skowhegan, Maine Beaten by Auto Pace. Time:	3-3-1-1-2
	$2.09\frac{1}{4}$, $2.08\frac{3}{4}$, $2.08\frac{3}{4}$, $2.08\frac{1}{2}$, $2.15\frac{1}{2}$.	
Oct. 15	Topsham, Maine	2-4-3
1926	beaten by recer Kennedy.	
July 22	St. Stephens, N. B	5-4-2
" 29	Fredericton, N. B	5-5-3 3-3-3
Aug. 12 '' 19	Presque, Isle, Maine	3–4–Dr.
Sept. 10	Presque Isle, Maine Braden's last race.	3-3-3
1927		
Sept. 16	Woodstock, N. B	1-1
	for The Mooseleuk Club and Dan Hedgewood driven by T. V. Holdaway, Houlton,	
	Maine.	
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