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Sensational Racing Over Maritime Tracks Marks Highly Successful Season

Mighty Hanover's Mile in 2.06, Christie Budlong's Sensational Racing, Joe O'Brien Capturing The Leading Driver Title And Eight Victories by Pearl Bumpas Highlights of Harness Race Meets Throughout The Province.

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Performances of Mighty Hanover, 2:02½, Watchim, 2:06¾, Christie Budlong, 2:09, Pearl Bumpas, 2:10½, feature great season of racing in the Maritimes. Mighty Hanover, New Glasgow owned horse, paces fastest mile in Maritimes—2:06—and fastest three heats in Maritimes—2:07, 2:06¾, 2:06¾. Watchim, 2:06¾, sets up new track trotting records at Charlottetown and Sydney. Christie Budlong 2:09 is the leading Maritime bred trotting mare, while Pearl Bumpas, 2:10½, heads the parade of winners with 8 races to her credit. Joe O'Brien leading driver.

Again we take pleasure in presenting to our readers our Review of Maritime Harness Racing with the outstanding happenings of the season of 1945. It was the greatest or one of the greatest racing seasons of all time, with every track reporting record attendances and with track records broken in all three provinces. New speed in the form of trotters and pacers which were bought the previous fall performed very creditably and increased interest in racing all over the circuits. Competition in the fast classes was close and many 2:10 or better miles were stepped.

Due to horses being classified at most meetings placings were often very difficult as many as three or four horses finishing so close it was difficult to pick the winners. From the standpoint of good racing it can be safely said that 1945 was tops.

A great boost to the sport was given by the opening of a new and up to date speedway at Sydney, N. S., where several meetings were held, attended by great crowds of spectators. The opening meeting is said to have drawn an attendance of upwards of 10,000—a record gathering for Cape Breton. In addition several tracks were re-opened or like Covehead changed from matinee to purse races.

The total number of classes or events was 255, contested in almost 770 heats, a great increase over the previous year. The starter's gong sounded at Bridgewater, June 21st, and ended at Paarsboro, October 10th. Racing days exclusive of matinees number 73 distributed as follows: Nova Scotia with the largest number—40—made up of seven at North Sydney, seven at Amherst, six at Bridgewater and Sydney, five at Truro, four at New Glasgow, two at Paarsboro and Springhill and one at Pugwash. New Brunswick had 17, four each at St. John and St. Stephen and three each at Sackville and Sussex, two at Chatham and one at Buctouche. Prince Edward Island trailed the others with 16, seven at Charlottetown, three each at Covehead and Montague, two at Summerside and one at Riverside. In addition to the regular purse races matinees held at many points in the Maritimes were greatly enjoyed and contributed very considerably to the interest of the sport.

A rough compilation of the estimated crowds as published in newspaper despatches or obtained from spectators gives 250,000 as the probable number who witnessed harness horse performances the past season. This no doubt constitutes an all time record.

SEVENTY-SEVEN MILES IN 2:10

The cancellation of races through bad weather at many points in the Maritimes no doubt lessened the number of 2:10 miles stepped. However, we find on checking up that the total was 77, which is seven more than the season of 1944. But for the bad weather which interfered with racing particularly at New Glasgow, which is a fast track, the Maritime record of 83 miles in 2:10 set up in 1943 would no doubt have been shattered.

For the third consecutive season a Nova Scotia owned pacer heads the parade of 2:10 performers with 12—exactly the same number as Jollity 2:05 had last season and two more than Jollity totalled up in 1943. The horse we have to take our hats off to this season is Mighty Hanover 2:02½, owned by W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow, and driven by Harley Harrison. Next in line for honors is Royal-at-Law 2:04, owned by Walter Hennessey of Charlottetown, and driven by his son Joe, with eight. In third place is Colleen Scott 2:06¾, owned by W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow, and driven by Harley Harrison, with seven, and fourth place goes to the Aldeman Frank Adams' owned trotter, Watchim 2:06¾, driven by Billy Hood, with six.

WHERE 2:10 MILES WERE STEPPED

Of the seventy-seven 2:10 or better miles trotted or paced in the Maritimes, New Glasgow leads with 15, followed by Charlottetown with 13, Amherst 12, Bridgewater 11, Truro 5, Covehead 4, Paarsboro, St. Stephen, Sussex, Sydney, 3 each, Montague and Sackville 2 each, and Chatham 1.

Following are the horses that trotted or paced in 2:10 or better over Maritime tracks season of 1945:

MIGHTY HANOVER 2:02½—12—Amherst, July 12, 2:09¾; Charlottetown, Aug. 16th, 2:06¾; Truro, July 19th, 2:09, 2:09; Bridgewater, Sept. 3rd, 2:03½, 2:08½, 2:06¾; New Glasgow, July 25th, 2:06, 2:06; New Glasgow, Aug. 1st, 2:07, 2:06¾, 2:03½.

ROYAL-AT-LAW 2:04—8—Amherst, Aug. 22nd, 2:09, 2:08¾, 2:10; Montague, Sept. 3rd, 2:10; Covehead, Sept. 12th, 2:09¼; Bridgewater, Sept. 27th, 2:10, 2:07¾, 2:08¼.

COLLEEN SCOTT 2:06¾—7—Amherst, Aug. 23rd, 2:10; Truro, Aug. 30th, 2:10; Bridgewater, Sept. 5th, 2:10; Bridgewater, Sept. 26th, 2:10; New Glasgow, Oct. 8th, 2:09, 2:09, 2:09.

WATCHIM 2:03¾ — 6 — New Glasgow, Aug. 1st, 2:08¾, 2:09½; Charlottetown, Aug. 17th, 2:07½, 2:09¼; Amherst, Aug. 8th, 2:09¼; Sydney, Sept. 26th, 2:10.

PETER BROOKE 2nd 2:09 — 5 — Truro, Aug. 29th, 2:09¾; Paarsboro, Sept. 3rd, 2:09, 2:09½, 2:10; Sackville, Sept. 9th, 2:09½.

LEW McKINNEY 2:02½ — 4 — Sussex, Aug 8th, 2:09, 2:09, 2:10; Chatham, Sept. 3, 2:10.

TIP ABBE 2:05½ — 4 — Charlottetown, Aug. 16th, 2:08; Truro, Aug. 30th, 2:10; New Glasgow, Oct. 8th, 2:09, 2:08.

WILKIN 2:08 — 4 — Amherst, July 11th, 2:10; Charlottetown, Aug. 16th, 2:08; New Glasgow, July 29th, 2:10, 2:10.

CHRISTIE BUDLONG 2:09 — 3 — Covehead, July 18th, 2:10; Charlottetown, Aug. 17th, 2:09; Montague, Sept. 3rd. 2:10.

JOSEDALE HOOSIER 2:07 — 3 — Bridgewater, June 21st, 2:09; Amherst, July 12th, 2:10; New Glasgow, July 25th, 2:09¾.

RHEA MAE 2:04½ — 3 — Amherst, Aug. 23rd, 2:09, 2:09; Bridgewater, Sept. 5th, 2:09.

WIDOW'S PRIDE 2:06 — 3 — Charlottetown, Aug. 16th, 2:06¾; St. Stephen, Aug. 23rd, 2:07¼, 2:07¾.

ALMA BUDLONG 2:08¾ — 2 — Charlottetown, Aug. 16th, 2:08¾, 2:09¾.

GAY LAW 2:07½ — 2 — Amherst, July 2nd, 2:10, 2:09½.

KAVOLA 2:06¾ — 2 — Charlottetown, Aug. 18th, 2:08; Sackville, Sept. 9th, 2:10.

THE WALNUT ABBE 2:06 — 2 — Sydney, Aug. 22nd, 2:09¼, 2:10.

ALCYONE 2:09 — 1 — Covehead. Sept. 12th, 2:09¼.

BRIGHT SPOT 2:10 — 1 — Covehead, July 18th, 2:10.

HAPPY L 2:03½ — 1 — Charlottetown, August 16th, 2:08.

HARRY DIRECT 2:07 — 1 — Charlottetown, Sept. 21st, 2:09½.

PAGLIACCI 2:09½ —1—Bridgewater, Sept. 3rd, 2:10.

SUNNYMEADE 2:07½ — 1 — Bridgewater. Sept. 3rd, 2:10.

TRACEY HANOVER 2:10 — 1 — Charlottetown, Aug. 18th, 2:10.

DRIVERS OF 2:10 MILES

Leading by quite a margin as top 2:10 driver for 1945 is Harley Harrison with 19 miles to his credit. Next in line is Billy Hood and Joe Hennessey, tieing for second place with 9 each, followed by Harry Bailey, Joe O'Brien and Earle Semple with 5 each, George Clark and Johnny Conroy 4 each, George Brookins, A. Ringuette and G. Trimble, three each, C. MacLeod and S. Walker 2 each, T. Etter, M. Jabalee, W. Kelly and T. Weir, 1 each.

FASTEST PERFORMERS ON MARITIME TRACKS SEASON 1945

Fastest Trotting Stallion:—

WATCHIM 2:03¾ (W. Hood). Owner, Alderman Frank Adams, Halifax.—Aug. 17, Charlottetown —2:07½.

Fastest Pacing Stallion:—

MIGHTY HANOVER 2:02½ (H. Harrison). Owner, W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow.—July 25, New Glasgow—2:03.

Fastest Trotting Gelding:—

TRACEY HANOVER 2:10 (L. Walker). Owner, John Scott, Halifax.—Aug. 18, Charlottetown — 2:10. SUNNYMEADE 2:07½ (L. Walker). Owner, J. D. Mehan, St. Stephen.—Aug. 22, St. Stephen — 2:10.

Fastest Pacing Gelding:— ....

ROYAL-AT-LAW 2:04 (J. Hennessey). Owner, Walter Hennessey, Charlottetown.—Sept. 27, Bridgewater—2:07¾.

Fastest Trotting Mare:—

CHRISTIE BUDLONG 2:09 (G. Brookins). Owner, George Brookins, Kensington.—Aug. 17, Charlottetown—2:09.

Fastest Pacing Mare:—

KAVOLA 2:06¾ (J. O'Brien). Owner, St. Croix Stables, Calais, Me.—Aug. 18, Charlottetown — 2:08.

Fastest New Performer Trotting:—

BUDDY MOKO 2:13 (G. Brookins). Owner, George Brookins, Kensington.—Aug. 23, St. Stephen —2:13.

Fastest New Performer Pacing:—

MONA DIRECT 2:12 (H. Harrison). Owner, W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow.—Sept. 3, Bridgewater — 2:12.

Fastest Maritime Bred Trotting Mare:—

CHRISTIE BUDLONG, 2:09 (G. Brookins). Owner, George Brookins, Kensington.—Aug. 17, Charlottetown—2:09.

Fastest Maritime Bred Pacing Mare:—

ALMA BUDLONG 2:08¾ (A. Ringuette). Owner, A. F. Ringuette, Green River, N.B.—Aug. 16, Charlottetown—2:08¾.

Fastest Maritime Bred Pacing Gelding:—

HAPPY L 2:03½ (A. Ringuette). Owner, A. F. Ringuette, Green River, N. B.—Aug. 16, Charlottetown—2:08.

Fastest Maritime Bred Four-Year-Old Trotting Mare:—

NELL KALMUCK 2:12¾ (W. Kelly). Owner, Willard Kelly, Southport, P. E. I.—Sept. 12, Covehead—2:12¾.

Fastest Maritime Bred Four-Year-Old Pacing Mare:—

LELA BUDLONG 2:13 (L. Collins). Owner, Yeo & MacEachern, Montague.—Aug. 8, Montague — 2:13.

Fastest Maritime Bred Four-Year-Old Pacing Gelding:—

COLONEL DAN 2:14½ (R. Morrison). Owner, Jenkins Bros., Chatham.—Sept. 3, Chatham — 2:14¼.

Fastest Maritime Bred Three-Year-Old Pacer:—

PRINCE BUDLONG 2:14 (H. Cudmore). Owner, Harold Cudmore, Brackley, P. E. I.—Sept. 12, Covehead—2:14.

Fastest Maritime Bred Three-Year-Old Trotter:—

QUAKER'S BOY 2:17¼ (Conroy). Owner George S. Turner, Dartmouth, N. S.

Fastest Maritime Bred Two-Year-Old Pacer:—

BEE BUDLONG 2:27½ (L. Collins). Owner, Yeo & MacEachern, Montague.—Sept. 20, Charlottetown—2:27½.

Fastest Mile Trotted in Maritimes Season 1945:—

WATCHIM 2:03¾ (W. Hood). Owner, Alderman Frank Adams, Halifax.—Aug. 17, Charlottetown—2:07½.

Fastest Mile Paced in Maritimes Season 1945:—

MIGHTY HANOVER 2:02½ (H. Harrison). Owner, W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow.—July 25, New Glasgow—2:06.

Fastest Three Heats Stepped in Maritimes Season 1945:—

MIGHTY HANOVER 2:02½ (H Harrison). Owner, W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow.—Aug. 1, New Glasgow—2:07, 2:06¾, 2:06¾.

MARITIME RACE WINNERS

The season of 1945 saw a record number of events raced over Maritime tracks, the total being 255. Pearl Bumpas 2:10½, owned by P. J. Cadegan, Glace Bay, N. S., and driven by G. Lewis, was the leading winner, heading eight summaries through the season. In second place was Christie Budlong, 2:09, owned and driven by George Brookins, Kensington, P. E. I., with seven. Tieing for third honors are Eva Worthy 2:13, owned by Dr. Preston McIntyre, Montague, and driven by Dr. Heath McIntyre; Kavola 2:13, now owned by Picton McCormack, Charlottetown, and driven by W. McGibbon and Joe O'Brien; Mighty Hanover 2:02½, owned by W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow, N. S., and driven by Harley Harrison, and Tracey Hanover 2:10 owned by John Scott, Halifax, and driven by L. Walker, with six races each. Other winners are as follows:

Winners of five races—Colleen Scott 2:06¾; Peter Brooke II 2:09; Shirley H. Temple 2:14.

Winners of four races—Judd 2:07½; O. U. Volo 2:10½; The Baker 2:03¾; Watchim 2:06¾; Wilkin 2:08.

Winners of three races—Bright Spot 2:10; Buddy Moko 2:13; Baron 2:11¼; Colonel Dan 2:14¼; Grace Abbey 2:11; High Tide 2:14; Jacob Withrow 2:12¾; Jim Todd 2:18; Jolly Harvester 2:10½; Marjorie Hanover 2:16; Nitro Hal 2:13; Patrick Abbe 2:11½; Peter Budlong 2:10¼; Queenie O'Neill 2:18¾; Rhea Mae 2:03½; Royal-at-Law 2:04; Scotty Budlong 2:11¾; Sister Henley 2:15¼; Sunnymeade 2:07½; Tip Abbe 2:05½; The Walnut Abbe 2:06; Wait N'See 2:11½; W. T. L. 2:14¾.

Winners of two races—Alcyone 2:09; Cyclonic 2:08¾; Dr. L. B. 2:12; Donna Dilon 2:10¾; Diana O. Grattan 2:13½; Earl's Prince Charming 2:10; Giftline 2:08½; Jean Henley 2:08½; Jerry Le Volo 2:11; Johnny Early 2:16; Josedale Hoosier 2:07; June Grattan 2:18½; Kelly's Nightmare 2:14; Lady Rose 2:13; Lew McKinney 2:02½; Lillian Budlong 2:17; Major Bowes 2:10½; Marguerite Rose 2:15; Mart Harkaway 2:04½; May Todd 2:12¾; Marchmont 2:10½; Mona Direct 2:12; Muriel Hanover 2:12½; Peter Reamore 2:16; Purple Valley 2:15½; Royal Tell 2:16; R. A. Grattan 2:09; Steamboat 2:20; Virginia Kalmuck 2:20¾; Widow's Pride 2:06.

Winners of one race — Alberta Lee 2:22; Alma Budlong 2:08¾; Ali Grattan 2:06¾; Bee Budlong 2:27½; Betty Direct 2:26; Baldwin 2:22; Chuck Worthy 2:04½; Commodore Stout 2:17½; Dawn McKillop 2:10½; Dale Cochato 2:06¾; Delaware 2:17; Grattan Peter 2:21; Gordon C. Reamore 2:22½; Gay Law 2:07½; Harry Direct 2:07; Hal McKinney 2:06½; Haliburton 2:19; Helen K. 2:17½; Hilda Budlong 2:11¾; Inflation 2:14¾; Iola Henley 2:14½; Just Betty 2:14; Lady Hal 2:11¾; Lee Brewer 2:06¾; Lee Direct 2:13¼; Lee Reynolds 2:13; Lela Budlong 2:13; Lorraine Abbe 2:07¾; Louella Hal 2:24; Margaret Jean 2:10¼; Marie Lockhart 2:19½; Mary Ellen 2:10; Miss Mac Dale 2:17¼; Mack Fingo 2:15; Nate Hanover 1:59; Previous 2:13; Pagliacci 2:09¼; Prince Budlong 2:14; Quaker's Boy 2:17¼; Queen's Treasure 2:09¾; Rainey G. Henley 2:06; Rillo Bars 2:21½; Ruth Peters 2:13½; Sir Admiral 2:10½; Sweet Marie Lee 2:13¾; Symbol Harry 2:09¼; Winnie Scott 2:12.

REDUCED RECORDS

(Record first shown is mark at beginning of season)

PACERS:

ALMA BUDLONG—2:09½-2:06¾. Aug. 16, Charlottetown, (Ringuette). Owner, A. F. Ringuette, Green River, N. B.

COCHATO PRINCESS — 2:13-2:11. July 2, St. Stephen (Walker). Owner,

DIANA O. GRATTAN — 2:18-2:13½. Aug. 8, Sussex (Jardine). Owner, A. Fowlie.

HELEN K.—2:20½-2:17½. Sept. 30, Sydney, (W. Lewis). Owner, Worrell Lewis, Reserve, C. B.

JACOB WITHROW — 2:13¾-2:12¾. Sept. 30, Sydney, (B. Hood). Owner, Stan Cleary, North Sydney.

JERRY LE VOLO — 2:14¾-2:11¼. Sept. 3, Bridgewater, (Jabblee). Owner, Richard Jabblee, North Sydney.

JIM TODD—2:18½-2:18. Sept. 3, Springhill, (Miller). Owner, A. Miller, Pugwash.

JUNE GRATTAN 2 — 2:20-2:18½. Sept 7, North Sydney, (Currie). Owner, B. Currie, New Waterford.

JUST BETTY — 2:14-2:13. Aug. 1, Covehead, (Barnett). Owner, Dr. R. F. Seaman, Charlottetown.

LADY ROSE — 2:15¾-2:13. Aug. 1 Covehead, (Miller). Owner, P. C. Brown, Charlottetown.

LELA BUDLONG — 2:18¾-2.15. Aug. 8, Montague, (Collins). Owners, Yeo & MacEachern, Montague.

MACK FINGO — 2:16¾-2:15. Sept. 3, Paarsboro, (E. Semple). Owner, S. Ferguson, Oxford, N.S.

MARGARET JEAN — 2:16-2:10¼. Sept. 12, Covehead, (O'Meara). Owner, A. B. Cutcliffe, Charlottetown.

MARJORIE BUDLONG—2:15½-2:12¾. Sept. 12, Covehead, (L. Kelly). Owner, James Rankine. Mt. Herbert, P.E.I.

O. U. VOLO — 2:13-2:10½. Aug. 1, Covehead, (Stead). Owner, Harold Stead, Brackley.

PETER BUDLONG — 2:12-2:10¼. Sept. 21, Charlottetown, (E. Semple). Owner, D. E. McCullay, Pugwash, N. S.

PREVIOUS — 2:15¼-2:13. Sept. 5, Bridgewater, (Conroy). Owner, George Turner, Dartmouth, N.S.

PETER BROOKE 2—2:10½-2:09. Sept. 3, Amherst, (E. Semple). Owner, Peter Brooke Club, Amherst, N. S.

TROTTERS:

CHRISTIE BUDLONG — 2:11¼-2:09. Aug. 17, Charlottetown, (Brookins). Owner, George Brookins, Kensington, P. E. I.

EVA WORTHY — 2:15¼-2:13. Aug. 1, Covehead, (H. McIntyre). Owner, Dr. Preston McIntyre, Montague, P E. I.

GEORGE MAC — 2:15-2:14. July 18, Covehead, (E. Semple). Owner, George Newsome, Brackley, P.E.I.

IMA KALMUCK — 2:19-2:14. Aug. 8, Montague, (McGuigan). Owner, Maynard McGuigan, St. Mary's Road, P.E.I.

JOLLY HARVESTER — 2:14¾-2:10½. Sept. 3, Chatham, (Morrison). Owner, J. Mac O'Brien, South Nelson, N. B.

NELL KALMUCK — 2:16-2:12¾. Sept. 12, Covehead, (W. Kelly). Owner, Willard Kelly, Southport, P. E. I.

NEW RECORDS

The following horses took records of 2:30 or better trotting or 2:25 or better pacing on Maritime tracks in 1945. They had no records previous to 1945.

PACERS:

ALBERTA LEE, (Clark). Owners, Gay & Clark, Moncton. Sept. 27, Pugwash—2:22.

BETTY DIRECT, (Mundle). Owner, M. Gillis, Pugwash, N. S. Sept. 3, Springhill—2:25.

BALDWIN, (Gillespie). Owner, G. L. Gillespie, Paarsboro, N. S. Oct. 10, Paarsboro—2:22.

BLUENOSE, (Campbell). Owner, J. McLeod, Sydney. Aug. 1, Sydney—2:17.

COLONEL DAN, (Morrison). Owners, Jenkins Bros., Chatham, Sept. 3, Chatham—2:14¼.

COMMODORE STOUT, (Ratchford). Owner, D. Fraser, Baddeck. Aug. 22, Sydney—2:17½.

DELAWARE, (L. Walker). Owned by John Scott, Halifax. July 12, Amherst—2:17.

GRATTAN PETER. (J. MacDonald). Owner, M. Karlichek, New Waterford, N. S. Sept. 6, North Sydney—2:21.

GORDON C. REAMORE, (N. McDonald). Owner, A. Guam, Sydney. Sept. 30, Sydney—2:22½.

HALIBURTON, (Letcher). Owner, R. Letcher, Springhill. June 16, Springhill—2:19.

IOLA HENLEY, (McDonald). Aug. 22, St. Stephen—2:14½.

JOHNNY EARLY, (H. Hastings). Owner, T. F. McKinley, Sydney. Sept. 26—2:16.

LILLIAN BUDLONG, (Barnett). Owner, E. Burke, Charlottetown. Sept. 21, Charlottetown—2:17.

LOUELLA HAL, (M. Jabblee). Owner, Dr. Lamoine, Sydney Mines. June 20, North Sydney—2:24.

MAUD UNCO, (McLeod). Owner, L. MacLeod, Pugwash, N. S. June 16, Springhill—2:23.

MARIE LOCKHART, (C. O'Brien). Owner, George Turner, Dartmouth. June 21, Bridgewater —2:19½.

MONA DIRECT, (Harrison). Owner, W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow, Sept. 3, Bridgewater—2:12.

PATRICK ABBE, (Harrison). Owner, W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow. Aug. 23, Amherst—2:11¼.

PRINCE BUDLONG, (Cudmore). Owner, Harold Cudmore, Brackley, P. E. I. Sept. 12, Covehead—2:14.

QUAKER'S BOY, (Conroy). Owner, George Turner, Dartmouth. Aug. 18, Charlottetown—2:17¼.

QUEENIE O'NEILL, (Morrison). Owner, J. Kenney, Bathurst. Aug. 1. Sackville—2:18¾.

ROYAL TELL, (Coates). Owner, Carmen Coates, Amherst, Aug. 29, Sussex—2:16.

SCOTTY BUDLONG, (Weir). Owner, Ernest English, Pictou, N. S. Aug. 1, Covehead—2:11¾.

SHIRLEY H. TEMPLE, (McVeigh). Owner, Col. J. P. Hooper, Charlottetown. Aug. 29, Summerside—2:14.

SISTER HENLEY, (J. O'Brien). Owner, Frank L. Holmes, Glace Bay, N. S. Aug. 17, Charlottetown—2:15¼.

VIOLET RAY, (Hastings). Owner, R. Gaffin, New Waterford. Sept. 3, North Sydney,—2:24.

WAIT N'SEE, (W. Kelly). Owner, Willard Kelly, Southport, P. E. I. Sept. 12, Covehead—2:11½.

W. T. L., (E. Semple). Owner, F. Robichaud, Moncton. Aug. 1, Sackville—2:14¾.

WITTY GUY, (Dobson). Owner, Robie Kaizer, Halifax. Sept. 3, Springhill—2:22½.

TROTTERS:

BUDDY MOKO, (Brookins). Owner, George Brookins, Kensington, P. E. I. Aug. 23, St. Stephen —2:13.

MARJORIE HANOVER, (B. Hood). Owner, F. C. Coates, Amherst, Aug. 8, Amherst—2:16.

PURPLE VALLEY, (Jabblee). Owner, Andrew Bros., Port Morien, N. S. Aug. 18, Charlottetown—2:15½

VIRGINIA KALMUCK, (Dobson). Owner, F. Hennessey, River Hebert, N. S. Aug. 1, Sackville—2:20¾.

FOLLOWING ARE THE MARITIME TRACK RECORDS TROTTING AND PACING

NEW BRUNSWICK

BATHURST: Pacing — 2:12. Jeanna Truax 2:06¼. July 30, 1941. (Poirier).

BUCTOUCHE: Pacing — 2:09½. Billy Bondeer 2:09½. Aug. 4, 1939. (C. Clark) Bedford Grattan 2:06½. Aug. 24, 1940, (L. Jones).

Trotting — 2:08¼ — Alloway 2:04¾. Aug. 3, 1940, (R. Ryan). Secretary, P. C. McFadden.

CHATHAM: Pacing — 2:07¼. Harry Direct 2:07. Sept. 6, 1943. (R. Ryan).

Trotting — 2:08½ — Watchim, 2:06¾. July 1, 1944. (W. Hood). Secretary, T. C. Collette.

FREDERICTON: Pacing—2:02½. Walter Dale 2:00¾. Sept. 15, 1937. (H. Clukey).

Trotting — 2:07 — Peter Pokey 2:06½. Sept. 13, 1934. (H. Clukey).

PORT ELGIN: Pacing — 2:12. Bud Wenger 2:05¾. Sept. 28, 1938. (L. Barrieau). Secretary, F. H. Copp.

SACKVILLE: Pacing — 2:09½. Peter Brooke 2, 2:09. Sept. 3, 1945. (E. Semple).

Trotting—2:10½. Tracey Hanover 2:10. Aug. 1, 1945. (L. Walker). Secretary, Herbert Tracey.

SHEDIAC: Pacing—2:10. Happy L. 2:03½. Sept. 5, 1938. (L. Bellieveau).

Trotting—2:15¾. Playdale 2:04¼. Sept. 3, 1941. (W. Kelly). Secretary, A. B. Wortman.

ST. JOHN: Pacing — 2:10¼. Widow's Pride 2:06. Sept. 4, 1944. (C. Trimble).

Trotting—2:13. Pagliacci 2:09½. July 2, 1945. (C. Miller). Secretary, Frank W. Kane.

ST. STEPHEN: Pacing — 2:05. Walter Dale 2:00¾. Sept. 2, 1937. (H. Clukey).

Trotting—2:06¾. Watchim 2:06¾. Aug. 25, 1944. (W. Hood). Secretary, J. O. Mitchell.

SUSSEX: Pacing — 2:09. Lew McKinney 2:02½. Aug. 8, 1945. (Clark).

Trotting — 2:11¾. Sunnymeade 2:07½. July 25, 1945. (Mehan). Secretary, George H. Hall.

WOODSTOCK: Pacing—2:05. Ray Henley 2:02¼. July 14, 1938. (E. Avery).

Trotting — 2:09. Alloway 2:04¾. July 13, 1937. (R. Ryan). Secretary, B. R. Brown.

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AMHERST: Pacing — 2:06. San Ton 2:07¾. Aug. 20, 1941. (J. Conroy). Nate Hanover 1:59. July 22, 1943. (R. Morrison).

Trotting — 2:08¾. Watchim 2:06¾. Aug. 18, 1943. (W. Hood). Secretary, L. F. Bickerton.

BRIDGEWATER: Pacing—2:05¼. Jollity 2:05¼. Sept. 6, 1943. (J. Conroy).

Trotting—2:07. Watchim 2:06¾. Oct. 3, 1941. (W. Hood). Secretary, H. M. Sweeney.

HALIFAX: Pacing — 2:06¾. Toll Gate 2:00¾. Sept. 3, 1943. (H. M. Sweeney).

Trotting — 2:08½. High Toby 2:08½. Sept. 2, 1936. (W. Cummings). Secretary, E. F. Lordly.

INVERNESS: Pacing — 2:06¾. Dermat 2:04. July 27, 1939. (M. Jabblee).

Trotting — 2:12¼. Watchim 2:06¾. July 21, 1943. (W. Hood). Secretary, Jos. LeBlanc.

NEW GLASGOD: Pacing — 2:06. Mighty Hanover 2:02½. July 25, 1945. (H Harrison).

Trotting — 2:06½. Millie Kalmuck 2:06½. Sept. 2, 1942. (W. Kelly). Secretary, John A. MacDonald.

NORTH SYDNEY: Pacing — 2:07½. Royal Hanover 2:04¼. Sept. 5, 1938. (S. Purvis). Dermat 2:04. Sept. 4, 1939. (W. Hood).

Trotting—2:09 John Dean 2:08½. July 23, 1938. (H. M. Sweeney). Secretary, Charles Ballard.

PAARSBORO: Pacing — 2:09. Peter Brooke 2, 2:09. Sept. 3, 1945. (E. Semple). Secretary, L. M. Gillespie.

PUGWASH: Pacing — 2:11¼. Jean Henley 2:08½. Sept. 27, 1945. (A. Allen).

SPRINGHILL: Pacing — 2:11½. Peter Budlong 2:10¼. Sept. 3, 1945. (Mundle).

Trotting — 2:11. Tracey Hanover 2:10. Sept. 3, 1945. (L. Walker). Secretary, C. R. Murray.

SYDNEY: Pacing—2:09¼. The Walnut Abbe 2:06. Aug. 22, 1945. (C. MacLeod).

Trotting—2:10. Watchim 2:06¾. Sept. 23, 1945. (W. Hood). Secretary, John Reeves.

TRURO: Pacing—2:08¼. Rhea Mae 2:04½. Sept. 1, 1943. (J. O'Brien); Lew McKinney 2:02½. Sept. 13, 1944. (Clark).

Trotting—2:09. Watchim 2:06¾. Sept. 13, 1944. (W. Hood). Secretary, F. C. McCurdy.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

ALBERTON: Pacing — 2:09½. Direct L. 2:09½. July 5, 1939. (J. O'Brien).

Trotting—2:09½. Dude Potempkin 2:07½. July 5, 1933. (L. O'Brien). Secretary, Harry O'Brien.

CHARLOTTETOWN: Pacing — 2:05½. Bud Wenger 2:05¼. Aug. 20, 1936. (E. Avery).

Trotting—2:07½. Watchim 2:06¾. Aug. 17, 1945. (W. Hood). Secretary, J. W. Boulter.

COVEHEAD: Pacing — 2:09¼. Alcyone 2:09, Sept. 12, 1945. (T. Weir).

Trotting—2:10. Christie Budlong 2:09, July 18, 1945. (G. Brookins). Secretary, Charles Willis.

HAMILTON: Pacing — 2:13½. Guy Ann 2:11½. July 6, 1938. (G. Calibeck).

Trotting — 2:12. Lusty Frisco 2:07¼. July 6, 1938. (C. Schuman). Secretary, Roy Woodside.

KENSINGTON: Pacing—2:08¼. Jane Azoff 1:59½. July 12, 1939. (W. Kelly).

Trotting—2:10¼. Lusty Frisco 2:07¼. July 27, 1938. (C. Schuman). Secretary, Myron MacArthur.

MONTAGUE: Pacing — 2:07¾. Patrick Direct 2:07¼. Aug. 8, 1934. (R. Isnor).

Trotting — 2:08¼. Heatherbell 2:08¼. Aug. 4, 1936. (Col. D. A. MacKinnon). Secretary, George McIntyre.

NORTHAM: Pacing — 2:08. Barney Hanover 2:07. July 26, 1939. (T. Semple); Rainey G. Henley 2:06. Sept. 10, 1941. (R. Barnett).

Trotting — 2:08½. John Dean 2:08¼. July 13, 1938. (H. M. Sweeney). Secretary, Clifford MacDonald.

RIVERSIDE: Pacing — 2:11. Jean Henley 2:08½. July 25, 1945. (W. Kelly).

Trotting — 2:14. Kelly's Nightmare 2:14. July 25, 1945. (W. Kelly). Secretary, Leo Praught.

SUMMERSIDE: Pacing—2:07½. Happy L. 2:03½. July 7, 1943. (E. Semple).

Trotting — 2:08. Squire Hanover 2:08. July 15, 1942. T. Semple); Watchim 2:07. July 15, 1942. (M. MacArthur). Secretary, Willard MacDonald.

LEADING REINSMEN OF 1945

The race for leading drivers was not as exciting as last season when it see-sawed back and forth between rivals Johnny Conroy and Joe O'Brien, finally terminating in a victory for Johnny. This year Joe was out in front practically all season and won by a comfortable margin from Harley Harrison, New Glasgow, who had his best season that we can remember of. Greatly to be reckoned with was George Lewis of Cape Breton, who rolled up a large array of points to nose out the well known Maritime reinsman Billy Hood of North Sydney. Next in order came Johnny Conroy, Truro, Earle Semple, Kensington, who had an excellent season, Willard Kelly, Southport, George Brookins, Kensington, an amateur whose victories came with the two trotters, Christie Budlong 2:09 and Buddy Moko 2:13, that started green. Then comes Lloyd Walker, Halifax, who made such a grand showing with Tracey Hanover 2:10 and won points with others, Bob Morrison, Chatham, who had a very fine season, and Teddy Weir, Charlottetown, whose compilation of points was the best in our recollection.

Following these star reinsmen were a large number of others who while not appearing among the tops yet had worthy records and probably next year or succeeding years may land at the top. To all these drivers we extend our hearty congratulations. Theirs has been an exciting season, not only for themselves but for other owners, the caretakers of the horses they raced and the many thousands of fans who watched their activities with more than a large amount of excitement.

NEW SPEED BROUGHT IN FOR 1946

As soon as the racing season was over Maritime horsemen started on their quest for new and faster horses and several attended the sale at Harrisburg, Pa., which was one of the most successful ever held. Most of the purchases were colts, several of them very high class with speed inheritance that may make them champions in the years to come. This is a partial list of horses that have found new homes in the Maritimes. ..... Billy Jane 2:04, Rosenda (yearling), Colleen Adam 2:10, owned by W. G. Stewart, New Glasgow; Marilyn Chief 3, 2:08, Harry Hirsch, Sydney; Anti-Aircraft 2:03, C. H. Horton, Murray River; Ensign Joe 3, 2:17¼, H. M. Sweeney, Bridgewater; Two-year-old filly, Bono Breen, Harry Breen, Halifax; Speed Hanover, Baden Square, Mike Jabblee, North Sydney; McKylo Cash 2:02, George P. Gay, Moncton; Rusty Hanover 2:08¼, Bertha Hanover 3, 2:08¾, Talugi, trial 2:10, Mary Merk 3, 2:10, St. Croix Stables, St. Stephen.

WELL KNOWN HORSEMEN PASS

During the year death robbed us of several well known horsemen, men who were prominent in our sport, several more or less connected with it all their lives. Their passing saddened many relatives and friends but each of them left behind memories that will be cherished for a long, long time.

JOHN COFFEY, Shediac, a very popular member of the old Intercolonial Fraternity and prominent New Brunswick sportsman. He was in his ninety-third year and believed to be the oldest retired C. N. R. conductor in the entire Dominion. His best loved sport was harness racing and he owned several well known horses. Seldom was a race meet held that was not attended by him if he found it possible to be there.

HARRY O. WILBUR, Moncton, was one of the most prominent horsemen of Moncton and vicinity for many years. He owned a number of good horses which he raced on various Maritime tracks. A splendid sportsman and genial companion he will be missed by many, many friends.

JAMES SANDERSON, Truro. Jimmie was one of our oldest active reinsmen. Well over seventy he still continued to train and race horses up almost until the time of his death. He had a splendid knowledge of training and fitting horses and gave records to some of the best horses in the Maritimes. As a colt trainer and conditioner he was unexcelled. He was faithful to his employers and popular with other drivers and a great favorite with race fans.

TOMMY RAYMOND, Fredericton, was one of the most active reinsmen in the Maritimes up until about ten years ago. He made several trips to Indiana, bringing back high class pacers that won many events in the years 1915 to 1920. He was a thoroughly honorable man, greatly respected by employees and everyone connected with racing.

PROFESSOR S. A. ROCKFORD, Summerside, became connected with harness horses as a very young boy, and journeyed to Boston where he acted as caretaker for some of the best horses racing at that time. Later he was with the noted trainer Walter R. Cox, and was always well liked by that Grand Circuit star. Professor Rockford raced many winners and had a knowledge of horses and breeding excelled by few.

WILLIAM "BILL" CUMMINGS, Halifax, had reached beyond the three-score mark but it was only the past few years he seemed slowing up. All his life he was connected with horses and in the days of the great free-for-alls in Maine raced such stars as Jackson Grattan 2:01½, and Roy Grattan, 2:01½ with success. In the Maritimes he was employed by Alderman Frank Adams, Hedley T. Fulton and Harry Breen. He won many races and was well liked by everybody.

J. POPE CLARKE, Charlottetown, was one of the most successful young men that has entered business in Charlottetown for many years. He had a likeable disposition, was very generous and had many friends. He always wanted to own a race horse and when circumstances permitted he purchased some good ones, and had he lived no doubt the Clarke

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