



# \$600,000 Breeders Crown Trot



2007 Champion

## Arch Madness

<b>Breeding</b>	b, g, 4 by Balanced Image – Armbro Archer – SJ'S Photo
<b>Breeder(s)</b>	Steve Shapiro, Barry Goldstein & Marc Goldberg, NY
<b>Owner(s)</b>	Marc Goldberg, Woodmere, NY, Willow Pond [Barry Goldstein]Hewlett NY
<b>Sales Info</b>	Homebred
<b>Trainer</b>	Trond Smedshammer
<b>Driver</b>	Brian Sears

Year	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings	Mark
2008	7	2	3	0	\$266,779	1:52.1 M
2007	21	10	6	1	\$852,391	1:52.2 M
2006	2	0	0	0	\$1,839	Q1:59.2 M
Lifetime	30	12	9	1	\$1,121,009	4,1:52.1 M

## Stakes Summary

Date	Purse	Stakes	Finish	Time	Track
8/2/08	\$300,000	Nat Ray Final	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1:51.1	M
7/26/08	\$250,000	Classic Series Final	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1:58.4	M
7/19/08	\$85,000	Classic Series Leg	4 <sup>th</sup>	1:52.2	M
6/28/08	\$200,000	Titan Cup Final	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1:52.3	M
6/20/08	\$40,000	Tital Cup Elim	1 <sup>st</sup>	1:52.1	M
5/31/08	\$84,957	Classic Series Leg	1 <sup>st</sup>	1:54.3	Moh
5/17/08	\$200,000	Cutler Memorial	5 <sup>th</sup>	1:53.2	M

## PREVIOUS BREEDERS CROWN STARTS

Date	Purse	Stakes	Finish	Time	Track
11/24/2007	\$610,000	Breeders Crown Final	1/nk	1:53.4	M
11/17/2007	\$25,000	Breeders Crown Elim	1/nk	1:52.2	M

## Quotes & Notes

- The arc of Arch Madness's career so far parallels that of the ugly duckling who grows up to be a beautiful [and rich!] swan. He is a son of Balanced Image, a sire known for offspring who improve with age, out of an SJ's Photo mare, also with the reputation of producing trotters with longevity. With that in mind, he was lightly raced as a two-year-old, then gelded and turned out to mature.
- Arch Madness still presented a challenge for trainer Trond Smedshammer, who spent the better part of Arch Madness' three-year-old year getting him settled and manageable to drive. He went off at 5-2 odds in his Hambletonian elimination, but tired in the stretch and finished seventh. "Madness" went on to wins in the Simcoe Stakes and the OSS Super Final, but faltered in the Canadian Trotting Classic. By fall, with the addition of trotting hobbles, Arch Madness was peaking, and after a second place finish to the undefeated divisional leader Donato Hanover, Arch Madness was poised to strike.
- As a supplement to the \$610,000 Breeders Crown in November, Arch Madness drew in against Donato Hanover, who was looking to run his win streak up to 20. Brian Sears launched Arch Madness, who was sitting third behind Donato Hanover, and ran him down, getting a neck on him at the wire. The scenario was repeated in the final, with Arch Madness stalking Donato Hanover and brushing past him in the final strides to deny Donato a second Crown.

- Willow Pond is Barry Goldstein, whose Falls For You is entered in the Mare Trot. Goldstein won a Breeders Crown trophy with 3-year-old filly trotter Blur in 2005 and Arch Madness in 2007.
- Goldstein and Goldberg are close friends. Goldstein brought Goldberg into the horse business in 2001, and Armbr Archer [dam of Arch Madness] was one of their purchases. The pair own about a dozen mares and buy a few fillies [to race and/or breed] and colts each year.

<b>Owner Record</b>	<b>Horses</b>	<b>Starters</b>	<b>Events</b>	<b>Champions</b>	<b>Earnings</b>	<b>Sts W-P-S</b>
Goldberg, Marc	1	1	1	1	\$317,500	1-1-0-0
WillowPond/Goldstein	4	5	4	2	\$737,500	5-2-0-0
<b>Breeder Record</b>	1	1	1	1	\$317,500	1-1-0-0

<b>Stable Record</b>	<b>Horses</b>	<b>Starters</b>	<b>Events</b>	<b>Champions</b>	<b>Earnings</b>	<b>Sts W-P-S</b>
Smedshammer, Trond	26	35	27	7	\$2,788,467	23-7-1-3

- Over the past five years the “American Viking” Trond Smedshammer has become the go-to-guy when it comes to training trotters. He trained and drove 2004 Hambletonian winner Windsong’s Legacy to the first Triple Crown title in 32 years. Smedshammer feels his strength lies in developing and conditioning sophomore and older trotters, and certainly his trophy case bears that out. Only six of his 26 Crown starts have been two-year-olds. He uses diverse training methods, such as a sand pit, interval training and stretching of the horses legs before and after workouts, to prepare his trotters for the rigors of racing.
- Smedshammer won this Breeders Crown division with HP Paque in 2003 and Sand Vic in 2006. He has won the 3-year-old filly trot Crown three straight years, with Stroke Play [2003], Housethatruthbuilt [2004] and Blur [2005], and the sophomore male Crown division with Strong Yankee [2005 and Arch Madness [2007]. He ranks sixth in earnings [\$2,788,467] in the Crown trainer standings and fourth in the trophy count with seven.
- Arch Madness is from the final crop of leading Canadian sire Balanced Image. There were 48 of his offspring to make the races from the foals born in 2004. The Hall of Fame stallion has produced progeny with earnings in excess of \$104 million. Balanced Image is third in the Crown trotting stallion rankings with eight champions and more than \$4.3 million in Crown earnings.