



\$500,000 Breeders Crown

Open Pace

Palone Ranger	
Breeding	5, b, h, by Western Ideal – Mercy Mercy Mercy – Jate Lobell
Breeder(s)	Herbert Siegel, Brooklyn, NY and Clifford Siegel, Staten Island, NY
Owner(s)	Four Friends Racing Stable [Arthur Pronti, Patricia Bolte] Jersey City, NJ; Perretti Racing Stable [William Perretti], Cream Ridge, NJ
Sales Info	\$125,000 at the Standardbred Horse Sale, Harrisburg, PA
Trainer	Greg Peck
Driver	John Campbell

Year	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	US. Earnings	Mark
2008	22	1	2	4	\$172,495	1:52.2 Yr
2007	28	4	6	5	\$158,460	1:49.4 Chst
2006	9	1	4	1	336,333	Q152.1 M
2005	11	3	5	0	\$385,757	1:51.3 Moh
Lifetime	70	9	17	10	\$1,053,045	1:49.4 Chst

Stakes Summary					
Date	Purse	Stakes	Finish	Time	Track
08/17/2008	\$40,000	Open	3/5T	1:50.3	Chst
08/02/2008	\$332,000	US Pacing Championship	5/3T	1:49.1	M
07/26/2008	\$250,000	Classic Series Final	6/5Q	1:57.1	M
07/19/2008	\$85,000	Classic Series	7/3H	1:49.1	M
07/12/2008	\$600,000	Haughton Final	4/T	1:49.1	M
07/05/2008	\$50,000	Haughton Elim	3/1Q	1:50.1	M
04/05/2008	\$50,000	Levy Leg	1/1Q	1:52.2	Yr

PREVIOUS BREEDERS CROWN STARTS					
Date	Purse	Stakes	Finish	Time	Track
11/26/2005	\$575,400	Breeders Crown Final	6	1:51.2	M
11/19/2005	25,000	Breeders Crown Elim	3/1Q	1:51.2	M

Quotes & Notes

Palone Ranger is coming off a win in the open at Harrah's Chester, beating a field that included former two-time Breeders Crown champ Boulder Creek.

"He was very good at Chester," trainer Greg Peck said. "He was out a lot of the mile and still came home in hand. He was very good. He's in very good shape. He looks good and he feels good. We'll have to see what happens."

Originally slated to start from post No. 10, Palone Ranger will move inside one spot because of Bigtime Ball being scratched due to illness. Won The West, defending Crown champ Artistic Fella, and Mister Big are the three horses immediately inside Palone Ranger.

"Obviously, you have two standouts in Mister Big and Artistic Fella," Peck said. "If you look at those two on paper, it's hard to predict beating them. [Palone Ranger] knocks on the door, there's no doubt about him. The issue is the nine [post]. I know with a seven-eighths mile, the outside isn't as bad because there is a lot of straightaway to the first turn. But if you look at the way the race sets up, how do you get forwardly placed with them inside you?"

Palone Ranger notched his biggest win as a 3-year-old when he won the Messenger Stakes at Yonkers Raceway. The Messenger is the third jewel in the Pacing Triple Crown.

As a 2-year-old, Palone Ranger was second in the Metro Pace and the Matron Stakes.

Peck is a native of Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia, the son of a horse trainer, Bernard, nephew of Brendan Peck, second trainer for the late Bill Haughton and the late Dr. Joseph G. Peck, equine veterinarian and former Illinois Racing Board member. He's trained top Meadowlands performers like Fly Like An Eagle, Coreys Big Guy and the Ontario Sires Stakes top performing juvenile trotting filly Real Live Woman.

In addition to training horses, Peck is the president of a company that provides media training services to corporate executives. In July, Peck's 2-year-old trotter Muscle Hill won the Peter Haughton Memorial.

Stable Record	Horses	Starters	Events	Champions	Earnings	Sts W-P-S
Peck, Greg	1	0	0	0	\$1,250	

Perretti Racing is William Perretti, the owner of New Jersey's largest horse farm specializing in the breeding and racing of Standardbreds. Perretti, a former automobile dealer and restaurateur, founded the farm in the late 1980s. The farm consists of some 900 acres and is home to approximately 180 broodmares. Perretti Racing won a Breeders Crown in 2005 with Rocknroll Hanover, who now is one of the farm's stallions.

Owner Record	Horses	Starters	Events	Champions	Earnings	Sts W-P-S
Richard Bolte	1	1	1	0	\$89,948	1-0-1-0
Perretti Racing	7	9	9	1	\$787,309	9-1-1-2

Four Friends Racing is Richard and Patricia Bolte, long-time horse owners. Their Tucson Hanover finished second to Armbro Emerson in the 1987 Crown Pace at Roosevelt Raceway. This is their first start in Crown competition as Four Friends.

Breeder Record	Horses	Starters	Events	Champions	Earnings	Sts W-P-S
Siegel, Herb & Cliff	1	1	1	0	\$2,000	1-0-0-0

Sire Record	Horses	Starters	Events	Champions	Earnings	Sts W-P-S
Western Ideal	21	25	15	2	\$1,040,938	17-2-1-1