



\$500,000 Breeders Crown

Open Pace

| Western Shore | |
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| Breeding | 5, b, h, by Western Hanover – Artomatic by Artsplace |
| Breeder(s) | Brittany Farms, Versailles, KY, Brian P Monieson Revtrust, Northbrook IL |
| Owner(s) | Brittany Farms, Versailles, KY, Ronald C. Michelon, Chicago, IL, Ervin Miller Stable, Springfield IL, Riverview Farms, North Bergen, NJ |
| Sales Info | \$56,000 Tattersalls 2003, Private Sale 2006 |
| Trainer | Erv Miller |
| Driver | Mark MacDonald |

| Year | Starts | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | US. Earnings | Mark |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|
| 2008 | 20 | 4 | 6 | 2 | \$404,844 | 1:50.1 Moh |
| 2007 | 28 | 7 | 9 | 5 | \$288,178 | 1:50 M |
| 2006 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 0 | \$54,168 | 1:51 Wdb |
| 2005 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | \$666 | 1:56.2QBmlp |
| Lifetime | 57 | 15 | 17 | 7 | \$747,856 | 1:50 M |

| Stakes Summary | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------|-------|
| Date | Purse | Stakes | Finish | Time | Track |
| 08/16/2008 | \$659,880 | Canadian Pacing Derby Final | 3p2 | 1:50.2 | Moh |
| 08/09/2008 | \$50,000 | Canadian Pacing Derby Elim | 1 st | 1:50.1 | Moh |
| 07/26/2008 | \$250,000 | Classic Series Final 1-1/16 | 5 th | 1:57.1 | M |
| 07/12/2008 | \$600,000 | William Haughton Final | 9 th | 1:49.4 | M |
| 07/05/2008 | \$50,000 | William Haughton Elim | 3 rd | 1:48.1 | M |
| 06/29/2008 | \$185,000 | Des Smith Classic | 2 nd | 1:50.4 | Ridc |
| 05/03/2008 | \$47,000 | Open | 1 st | 1:50.4 | Moh |
| 04/26/2008 | \$45,000 | Open | 1 st | 1:50.4 | Wdb |
| 04/12/2008 | \$45,000 | Open | 1 st | 1:51.0 | Wdb |

| PREVIOUS BREEDERS CROWN STARTS | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Date | Purse | Stakes | Finish | Time | Track |
| 09/01/2007 | \$540,000 | Breeders Crown Final | 3/1T | 1:49.4 | Moh |

Quotes & Notes

Western Shore has four wins this year – all in Canada. During his career, Western Shore has hit the board in 28 of 33 starts (with 11 victories) made in Canada.

“He loves that Canadian air,” trainer Erv Miller said. “It seems like he gets better up there and he just gets around the track good. I’ve always tried to get him back (to Canada) as quickly as I could. It seems like there’s always something that doesn’t work out when we’re not up there.”

Western Shore has seen his share of hard luck in recent weeks while challenging the top pacers in the older division. He was third in his July 5 elimination for the William Haughton Memorial at the Meadowlands Racetrack, one length behind Mister Big and Artistic Fella. In the Haughton final, he raced on the outside much of the way and finished ninth, but less than four lengths from winner Mister Big. In the Classic Series final, he challenged Artistic Fella with a first-over move before finishing fifth.

“You can go through his races and make a real excuse for most,” Miller said. “I don’t think he’s that short of a horse, it just hasn’t worked out. Some horses get lucky, and some get unlucky, and that’s the way it’s been for him.”

Western Shore's start in the Breeders Crown will mark his 10th consecutive week of racing, but the son of Western Hanover-Artomatic appears to thrive on work.

"Whenever we've given him a break, he wasn't as sharp when he came back," Miller said. "Normally, I wouldn't race a schedule like this, but so far it's worked."

Owners of Western Shore are Brittany Farms, Ronald C. Michelon, Ervin Miller Stable, Riverview Farms (Brittany racing stable manager Myron Bell).

Brittany Farms is owned by George Segal of Chicago, Illinois, a member of the Chicago Board of Trade. Segal has experienced remarkable success as an owner and breeder. Life Sign's 1993 Breeders Crown title made Segal the only owner to win every pacing division of the Breeders Crown. Segal raced three divisional champions in 1992: Artsplace, So Fresh, Western Hanover, something only one other owner (Lou Guida) has done in the past 20 years. He enjoyed great success in 2006 with Horse of the Year Glidemaster as well as divisional champ Passionate Glide, and became the first owner to win both the Hambletonian and Hambletonian Oaks on the same day.

In 1997, he was inducted into the Harness Racing Hall of Fame in Goshen, New York, and in 1998 was accorded a place on the Little Brown Jug Wall of Fame.

Brittany Farms is the leading owner in the 25-year history of the series, in both money and trophies.

| Owner Records | Horses | Starters | Events | Champions | Earnings | Sts W-P-S |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Brittany | 71 | 96 | 81 | 13(15) | \$6,209,400 | 78-15-9-9 |
| Erv Miller Stb | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2-0-0-0 |
| Michelon | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2-0-0-0 |
| Riverview | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1-0-0-0 |

Erv Miller, 41, and his brother, Andy, who is one of the sport's top catch drivers, were born and raised in the Amish community of Arthur, Illinois. Erv drove and cared for horses on the family's farm, but when he saw harness racing at a county fair, he decided that was the career he wanted to pursue.

He now commands a stable of hundreds and concentrates on developing young horses. Under his guidance, Loyal Opposition won three Dan Patch Awards and earned \$2.7 million – third most in harness racing history among female pacers. He is headed for his fourth consecutive \$5 million season.

Miller was voted 2005 Trainer of the Year by the U.S. Harness Writers Association. He has won Breeders Crown titles with female pacers Restive Hanover (2004) and Loyal Opposition (2005) along with male pacers Lis Mara and Shark Gesture in 2006. His Breeders Crown win with Restive Hanover was extra special as it was not only his first Crown, but came with Andy at the lines.

| Stable Record | Horses | Starters | Events | Champions | Earnings | Sts W-P-S |
|---------------|--------|----------|--------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Erv Miller | 13 | 18 | 14 | 4 | \$1,277,590 | 12-4-0-3 |

Breeder Brittany Farms is second to only Hanover Shoe Farms in Crown breeder standings.

| Breeder Record | Horses | Starters | Events | Champions | Earnings | Sts W-P-S |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| Brittany Farms | 107 | 143 | 97 | 13(17) | \$6,793,065 | 105-17-9-8 |

| Driver Record | Horses | Starters | Events | Champions | Earnings | Sts W-P-S |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Mark MacDonald | 22 | 22 | 18 | 1 | \$347,125 | 16-1-0-1 |

Driver Mark MacDonald won his first Breeders Crown here last year with Moving Pictures.