

# NEWS UPDATE



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### **Muscle Hill doubles up in Pennsylvania**

**MUSCLE HILL**, last year's leading trotting sire in every category, was represented by two winners and two placegetters in \$30,000 divisions of the Pennsylvania All-Stars for two-year-old trotting colts at Pocono Downs on Sunday (July 2).

**MUSCLES HILL's** winners were **Garnet** (1:58.2), who is out of a Yankee Glide mare, and **You Know You Do** (1:58.6), from a mare by Credit Winner.

**MUSCLE HILL** is the current leading three-year-old sire and is third on the all-aged list.

Meanwhile, **WISHING STONE**, the former international trotting star and the winner of \$2.3-million, is already making a big impact with his first racing crop.

From 16 foals, **WISHING STONE** is represented by nine qualifiers and is the leading percentage sire of two-year-olds on stake earnings.

**WISHING STONE** produced the trifecta in a \$20,000 division of the New Jersey Sire Stakes for two-year-old fillies at The Meadowlands last Saturday (June 30) with **Be Bop Sally** (ex Like A Prayer mare) leading home **Princess Marxxx** and **Stone Cold Cookie**.

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### **Wishing Stone 2YO's on fire in USA**

Stallions Australasia sire **WISHING STONE** has begun his siring career in the same vein as his hugely successful race career.

**WISHING STONE** colts again quinellaed the New Jersey Sire Stakes heat with leading colt **U Need Stones** equalling the early season's mark with a 1:55.4 victory. This win also ranked him the richest two-year-old to date as well.

**Princesss Marxxx** gave **WISHING STONE** his second winning two-year-old filly winning in 1:57.2 and reinforced his position as the leading percentage sire of two-year-old trotters.

**WISHING STONE's** semen is highly fertile and readily available 'Down Under' via Stallions Australasia.

Meanwhile, **MUSCLE HILL** was credited with two 'new' two-year-old winners on either side of the Tasman on Friday (July 7).

**Crow Power**, a lightly raced colt, notched his first win when he outsprinted his rivals in the Group 3 \$25,000 Vicbred Super Series 2YO Silver Trot at Melton, while **Luby Lou**, a two-year-old filly, captured a Breeders Crown heat at Addington on debut.

Bred and owned by Geoff Easom, **Crow Power** is out of the SA Derby and Oaks winner Aftanoondelite (by Wagon Apollo), while **Luby Lou**, bred and raced by Ken Breckon, is from a mare by Andover Hall.

**Muscle Hill** has sired six individual two-year-old winners to date this season.

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### **Muscle Hill son wins \$240,000 Graduate**

The **MUSCLE HILL** four-year-old **Marion Marauder**, the 2016 Trotter of the Year and Triple Crown winner, hoisted a new lifetime mark of 1:51.4 when he captured the \$240,000 Graduate Series final at The Meadowlands on Saturday night (July 8).

Starting from the No 9 gate, the entire settled down in fifth position before being set alight at the half-mile and rounding up the leaders on the home turn. He clocked the last half in 55.5.

It was his 13th win from 31 starts and took his career earnings to \$1.9-million.

**Marion Marauder** is out of a mare by Donerail.

On the same card **Dream Baby Dream**, a **MUSCLE HILL** three-year-old filly, took out a \$41,880 division of the Reynolds Stakes, cutting the mile in a nippy 1:52.6.

The filly is from an Andover Hall mare.

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