

# NEWS UPDATE



Muscle Hill

## 3 NOVEMBER 2019

### Three Stakes winners for Muscle Hill

**MUSCLE HILL**, who leads every category of this year's USA sire premierships, led in three important Stakes winners at the weekend.

**Don't Let'Em**, a three-year-old colt, started the ball rolling with a track record-breaking win in 1:51.8 in the \$US220,000 Carl Erskine Trot at Hoosier Park, Indiana on Friday (November 1).

Sent to the top[ at the half-way mark, **Don't Let'em** unleashed a final quarter in 28.4 to win by five lengths. He has earned \$US569,967 in stakes.

On the same card, **The Ice Dutchess** captured the \$US120,000 Crossroads Of America for three-year-old trotting fillies in 1:53 by four lengths after sitting parked throughout.

The **MUSCLE HILL** filly lifted her lifetime stake tally to \$US774,029.

**EL Ideal**, a two-year-old **MUSCLE HILL** colt, led for the last three quarters and cruised to victory in the \$US251,460 Kindergarten Classic Final in 1:53.2 at The Meadowlands on Saturday (November 2).

It was his third win and increased his bankroll to \$US276,437. The colt is out of a mare by Garland Lobell.

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### **Muscle Hill, Southwind Frank shine at Harrisburg**

**MUSCLE HILL** sired three of the four top priced yearlings at the 2019 Standardbred Horse Sale at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

The draft included the highest priced filly **Gangsta Rat** (\$550,000) and the leading colt **Take This Society** (\$475,000).

Of the 25 **MUSCLE HILL** yearlings sold in the first session, 15 made \$100,000 or more and they averaged \$175,600.

Overall, **MUSCLE HILL** was the leading sire at the Sale with 31 head grossing \$4,753,000, an average of a whopping \$153,323.

**SOUTHWIND FRANK** had three sell on opening day including two colts, **Pilot Hanover** and **The Ruthless Frank** which realised \$240,000 and \$100,000 respectively.

The **SOUTHWIND FRANK** colt **Delayed Hanover** was the top priced trotting yearling at \$230,000 on the second day.

**SOUTHWIND FRANK** achieved an average of \$73,643 for 14 lots over the three days.

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## 25 NOVEMBER 2019

### **Ideal win in Valley Victory**

Brilliant **MUSCLE HILL** two-year-old colt **EL Ideal** made a one-act affair of the \$US505,050 Valley Victory at The Meadowlands on Saturday night (November 23).

Sent straight to the top, the colt carved out the opening half in 57.8 and was never really seriously challenged, scoring by 2-1/4 lengths in 1:53.4.

**Chestnut Hill** (by **MUSCLE HILL**) ran third.

**EL Ideal** has won four of his 10 starts and a season's high \$US523,934 for one his age, sex and gait.

The **MUSCLE HILL** mare **Manchego** finished a close second in the \$US350,000 TVG Open Trot in 1:50.2.

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