

# NEWS UPDATE



Muscle Hill

## 5 SEPTEMBER 2016

### **Muscle Hill wins BIG at the Big M**

Champion trotting sire **MUSCLE HILL** had a red-letter day on Hambletonian Day at The Meadowlands on August 8.

The winner of the Hambo in 2009, **MUSCLE HILL** sired the winners of seven big trotting classics including the \$1-million Hambletonian and \$500,000 Hambletonian Oaks.

**MUSCLE HILL** produced the winners of both \$70,000 Hambo eliminations in **Marion Marauder** (1:51.6) and **Bar Hopping** (1:51.8) with **Marion Marauder** returning to win the Final in 1:51.8 beating **Southwind Frank** (by **MUSCLE HILL**) by a nose.

**Marion Marauder**, who is out of a **Donerail** mare, is now the richest trotter in North America this year with \$729,905. He is the second Hambo winner sired by **MUSCLE HILL**, the other being **TRIXTON** who took out the 2014 edition.

**All The Time**, last year's Breeders Crown champion, added the Hambletonian Oaks to her list of major race successes, scoring in 1:52.2.

**MUSCLE HILL** sired the winners of both two-year-old classics on the Hambletonian undercard.

**What The Hill** (ex **Angus Hall** mare) captured the \$294,450 Peter Haughton Memorial in 1:54.8, while **Ariana G** won the \$306,500 Jim Doherty Memorial in a season's record 1:53.2. **Ariana G**, out of a mare by **Cantab Hall**, is the richest two-year-old trotter in America with a \$215,587 bankroll.

To cap off a brilliant day **Resolve**, a five-year-old entire son of **MUSCLE HILL**, hoisted a season's record 1:50.4 in winning the \$273,600 John Cashman Memorial. The performance follows his close second in the prestigious Elitlopp in Sweden two starts earlier.

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### **Marion Marauder wins Yonkers Trot**

Outstanding **MUSCLE HILL** colt **Marion Maurader** captured the second leg of Trotting's Triple Crown when he took out the \$500,000 Yonkers Trot at Yonkers Raceway, New York on Saturday (September 3).

Starting from the No 4 gate, the Hambletonian winner pinged straight to the top and reeled off opening quarters in 29 and 29.6. He then ripped home in 28.4 to score by a head.

The time for the flying mile was 1:56.2.

**Marion Marauder** has won eight of his 10 starts this year and a seasonal high \$1,124,905 in stakes. He has bankrolled \$1,406,891 lifetime.

**MUSCLE HILL's** progeny dominated the rich Champlain Stakes for two-year-olds at Mohawk Racetrack, Canada over the weekend.

**Ariana G** (1:55.8) and **Dream Together** (1:56.4) captured both \$110,566 filly divisions on Thursday (September 1), while **Signal Hill** (1:55.2) led in a **MUSCLE HILL** trifecta in a \$106,974 colts and geldings' division the following night.

**MUSCLE HILL** now heads the Trotting sires' premierships in every age group – all aged, three-year-old and two-year-old.

**Non Stick** and **Wendy's Girl**, a pair of **LUCKY CHUCKY** three-year-old fillies, were in the spotlight at Batavia Downs, New York on August 13.

**Non Stick** led most of the way in a \$60,200 leg of the New York Sire Stakes in 1:58.4, while **Wendy's Girl** won a division of the Excelsior Series in 1:57.6 – only a tick outside the track record.

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### **Million dollar day for Muscle Hill**

Champion sire **MUSCLE HILL** sired the winners of more than one million dollars at Mohawk Racetrack, Canada last Saturday (September 17). His progeny won three of the four feature trots and finished second on the other.

The **MUSCLE HILL** three-year-old colts **Bar Hopping** and **Mario Marauder** finished 1-2 in the \$687,000 Canadian Trotting Classic in 1:53.2, **Resolve** downed the best trotters in commission in the \$632,000 Maple Leaf Trot in a stunning 1:51.8, while the two-year-old filly **Ariana G** captured the \$363,000 Peaceful Way in 1:54.

Meanwhile, Jake, a **MUSCLE HILL** two-year-old colt, finished runner-up in the \$350,000 William Wellwood Memorial.

Wendy's Girl, a **LUCKY CHUCKY** three-year-old filly, completed a huge weekend for Stallions Australasia sires winning a \$45,000 leg of the Excelsior Series at Vernon Downs, New York in 1:54.6.

**Stop Press!!** **LUCKY CHUCKY's** outstanding daughter **Non Stick** took out the \$225,000 New York Sires Stake Final for three-year-old fillies in 1:56.8 at Yonkers on Saturday (September 24). It was her sixth win from 10 starts this year for \$345,907 in stakes.