

NEWS UPDATE



Muscle Hill

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New millionaire for Muscle Hill

MUSCLE HILL, North America's leading trotting sire, was credited with his ninth million dollar winner when his 3YO daughter **Manchego** captured the \$500,000 Hambletonian Oaks in a track and stakes record time of 1:50 on Saturday (August 4) at The Meadowlands.

Manchego led from outset and, despite being tackled in earnest in the third stanza, the filly powered to the wire with a length to spare.

The 2017 USA 2YO Trotting Filly of the Year,

Manchego has won 17 of her 19 starts for \$1,236,170 in stakes.

Meanwhile, **Propulsion**, an American-bred, Swedish-trained son of **MUSCLE HILL**, won the prestigious Aabergs Memorial at Jagersro, Sweden for the third consecutive year on Wednesday (August 1). He won the same race a year earlier in a European record of 1:49.6.

Despite racing three-wide for the last lap, the 7YO entire won comfortably in a brilliant 1:51.3f.

The \$115,000 winner's cheque lifted **Propulsion's** lifetime stake tally to \$2.1million.

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Wishing Stone

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Wishing Stone 2YO's to the fore

International trotting star **WISHING STONE**, who is second on USA two-year-old sires for average earnings per foals, was represented by the winner of a \$40,000 Ohio Sire Stakes division at Northfield Park in the two-year-colt **Cumberland Gap** (1:57.8).

Lane Of Stone (1:58.4) and **Stone In Love** (1:59.4), a pair of **WISHING STONE** two-year-old colts, finished second in their respective divisions.

Of **WISHING STONE'S** 31 foals, 22 have raced and 12 have won with four going inside 2:00.

TRIXTON, the 2014 Hambletonian winner, sired three of the four divisional winners of the Tompkins-Geer Stakes at Tioga Downs, New York headed by the two-year-old colt **Alternative Fact**, who led throughout in 1:55.6 and the fillies **Evident Beauty** (1:58) and **Big Weezy** (1:59.4).

Meanwhile, **LUCKY CHUCKY'S** leading daughter **Lucky Ava** captured a \$55,000 division of the New York Sire Stakes at Yonkers in 1:56.6 to advance her stake tally to almost \$340,000.

MUSCLE HILL left important winners in two different countries last weekend. **Propulsion** set a new world record of 1:57.4 for 3100 metres winning the prestigious Aby Stora Pris in Gothenberg, Sweden, while **Dream Together** took out the \$141,000 Joie De Vie Mares Trot in 1:53.2 at Tioga Downs.

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Royalty For Life

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Crack colt by Royalty For Life

A two-year-old to take a high ranking in Ontario is **Royal Rob**, one of the first crop sired by the Hambletonian winner **ROYALTY FOR LIFE**.

He won a division of the Ontario Sires Stakes Grassroots series on debut in a Canadian season's record 1:56.2 at Woodbine Mohawk and appears very bit as good as the Canadians rate him. He is out of the Mr Lavec mare Covent Garden

ROYALTY FOR LIFE is also the sire of a smart two-year-old filly in **Cambridge Kate** (1:57.6), also a winner on the Ontario Sires circuit.

ROYALTY FOR LIFE has left 32 starters including six inside 2:00 from 56 foals and they have earned \$267,000 in stakes.

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Muscle Hill dominates USA 2YO list

MUSCLE HILL has outdistanced all other sires in this year's USA 2YO Trotting Sires premiership.

As at August 26, **MUSCLE HILL** had left the winners of \$1.6million, over \$900,000 ahead of his nearest rival. He ranks as the sire of three of the top four stake-winning two-year-old trotters in 2018.

TRIXTON (\$439,000) is the second leading first crop sire, while **WISHING STONE** (\$293,000) is fourth on the list for average earnings per foal.

LUCKY CHUCKY has sired the winners of \$1.3million in 2018 to figure prominently on the All Aged list.

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