

Mister Big Scores Impressive Victory In Winbak Pace

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Mister Big showed why he is the best aged pacer in North America with a 1:51 triumph in the \$56,650 Winbak Farms Pace Thursday afternoon at the Delaware County Fair.

The victory was Mister Big's eighth in 10 starts this season and raised his lifetime earnings to \$2,971,964.

This really big for me, said trainer Virgil Morgan of Columbus, OH. It is an honor and a privilege to train Mister Big. Mister Big is ranked third in the weekly Standardbred Poll.

The son of Grinfromeartoear grabbed the lead from his No. 2 post and never trailed, pulling away from challenger Won The West.

Nob Hill High, benefitting from a rail trip, caught Sheer Desire and Sand Benelli in mid-stretch to win the first division of the \$91,047 Standardbred 2YO Colt Pace in a lifetime best 1:54-flat. The time equaled the national season's record. The son of Mcardle, driven by David Miller, now has two wins and four seconds in six lifetime starts.

Mobile led from start to finish to easily win the second division of the 2YO Colt Pace in 1:54.1. The son of Real Desire broke a six race losing streak as Miller picked up his second stakes win in a row.

Motor Inn held off the late charge of Photoforwin to capture the first division of the \$78,246 Standardbred 2YO Cold Trot. With Ron Pierce at the controls, the Like A Prayer colt picked up his fourth victory in six lifetime starts in 2:01.4.

Touchdown Franco, another son of Like A Prayer driven by Brad Hanners, won the second 2YO Colt Trot division in 1:58.3. The victory was the colt's second in seven starts.

Pedigree Snob maintained her spot among the best juvenile fillies of the season with a 1:54.4 victory in the first division of the \$68,346 Standardbred 2YO Filly Pace. The Allamerican Native daughter scored by open lengths and increased her 2008 bankroll to \$348,780. Chip Noble was the winning driver.