Goosebump Hanover equals Monticello track mark in NYSS
Tuesday, September 06, 2016 - by Shawn Wiles, for Monticello Raceway

Monticello, NY---The 2016 New York Sire Stakes season at Monticello Raceway concluded Tuesday (Sept. 6) afternoon with 3-year-old filly trotters bidding the swan song for the state’s healthy sire stakes program.

It was an afternoon where the first turn was the nemesis of many of the female trotters on the card, as many of the fillies made miscues in the first turn.

The first division of sire stakes, race 4, went for a purse of $61,300. The bettors' chalk Non Stick, starting from the rail for driver Daniel Dube, made a break in the middle of the first turn. Jim Morrill Jr., driving the fractious Goosebump Hanover (RC Royalty – Good Common Cents) from post position 6, eased her away from the gate and seized the opportunity, went for, and took the lead after Non Stick's miscue and wired the field to win by 2-1/4 lengths in 1:56.1, tying the track record set by Gerri's Joy in 2007.

Goosebump Hanover is trained by Ron Burke for owners Burke Racing Stable, J&T Silva Stables, Crawford Farms and J. Di Scala. The win puts the filly over $130,000 in her 3-year-old campaign.

Race 6 was the second division of the sire stakes. Earn Your Wings, the Credit Winner half sister to the incomparable Mission Brief, won in 1:57. As the gate left, the heavy favorite Fad Finance, coming off on impressive win at Saratoga Raceway in 1:54.1, left from post 7 and tucked in third going down the backside.

Sweet Ashley T and Earn Your Wings were sitting 1 – 2 just before the quarter pole. Jason Bartlett pulled Earn Your Wings to the outside and took the lead. Going to the half, Fad Finance took the lead, passing that stanza in 58.2. The order remained unchanged until the top of the lane and Bartlett had Earn Your Wings on the move, opting to the outside, rather that the passing lane and hand-drove the blue-blooded filly to score in 1:57 by one length and returned $4.80 to her backers. The Credit Winer- Southwind Serene filly is trained by female Swedish trainer Anette Lorentzon for owner SRF stable of Delray Beach, Fla.

Live racing continues this week with its abbreviated Labor Day Weekend schedule of racing Tuesday – Thursday with post time of 12:50 p.m.