

NYSS County Fair Finals and RUS Event at Monticello Sept 2

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Monticello, NY --- On Wednesday September 2, Monticello Raceway will be hosting a 13-race card featuring the, New York County Fair Finals for all eight divisions, and the Racing Under Saddle (RUS) New York Fair Series Championship. Each class of age, sex and gait of the County Fair Finals will race for a purse of \$10,000.

The RUS event will be a Non-Wagering event between the sixth & seventh race. The race is sponsored by RUS N.Y., its charter is to promote the sport and versatility of Standardbreds. The series began this summer in Sandy Creek at the Oswego County Fair on July 1. The season consisted of nine legs and the final.

In order to participate in any RUS NY event, riders will need to participate in a minimum of two qualifying miles under saddle behind the starting gate, with at least one other horse behind the gate.

The field of five starters will be riding for a purse of \$2,500. Monticello warrior Strongbow will start from the rail for rider Codie Smith. Winners Star K sports a three race win streak in RUS events for regular rider Michelle Miller. The 14-year-old American Winner gelding is owned by Lewis Miller of New Berlin NY.

Event organizer Michelle Miller commented "We are extremely pleased to see the growth that we have achieved in the last two years, we are hopeful to see continued growth and exposure next year as well.

Post Time for the card is 12:50 p.m.