



E-NEWS AND E-NOTES FOR MONDAY DECEMBER 22nd 2025



WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS

PACERS

2pc BEAU JANGLES p1:48.3

2pf LOU DIPA p1:48

3pc LOUPRINT p1:46.3

3pf MIKI AND MINNI p1:48.2

aph ERVIN HANOVER p1:46.2

apm TWIN B JOE FRESH p1:47.3

TROTTERS

2tc APEX 1:51.4

2tf SETYOURSIGHTSHIGH 1:53.1

3tc SUPER CHAPTER 1:50f

3tf YO TILLIE 1:50.2

ath LEXUS CODY 1:49.1

atm WARRAWEE MICHELLE 1:50f

WHO WILL BE HORSE OF THE YEAR?

Join the fan vote on the USTrotting
Facebook page

While there have been numerous
repeat winners for the Horse of the
Year since its inception in 1947, who
was the first to earn half a million?

- A) Good Time
- B) Scott Frost
- C) Adios Butler

visit pyesite.com

Under the Mistletoe...



It was fifty years
ago this month that
I jogged a yearling
filly by *Most Happy
Fella* for the first
time. While they

said that she was "light in the hind end"
(kicks) she never showed that "side" to me
and it was the start of a journey that would
take us to heights beyond our dreams.

I watched her develop from a somewhat
spindly two-year-old into a rugged 3-year-
old who would sweep the Pacing Filly
Triple Crown of 1977. While she was beat a
head by *Big Towner* in the \$228,000 OTB
Classic at Monticello, the highlight of her
career was when she captured the Jugette
in Delaware, Ohio in straight heats. She
would earn the distaff honors of the year.

Mistletoe Shalee raced against some very
tough mares as a four-year-old such as
Future Fame, *Luannes Jewel*, *Au Clair*, *Mary
Mel* and her male opponents were
Champions *Rambling Willie*, *Governor
Skipper*, *Town Drunk*, *Battling Brad* and
Seatrain before retiring with over a half
million dollars in earnings (\$2.4 million
today) and a then record 25 two-minute
miles in her 38 lifetime wins.

Shalee was tough, gutsy, and could be
rambunctious but would show up to work
week after week as she set numerous track
records over every size oval and was on-
the-board in 57 of her 65 lifetime starts.

The most impressive thing about Shalee?
She put up with me for those three years.

Copyright 2025

Thom Pye

All rights reserved