

Hall of Famer draws hip numbers for Goshen Yearling Sale

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Goshen, NY --- Newly inducted member of the Harness Racing Hall of Fame, Bruce Nickells, drew the random letter "W" from a lottery-style basket for hip number allocation at the Harness Racing Museum & Hall of Fame induction ceremonies on Sunday (July 3) evening.



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Bruce Nickells (far right) is joined by Goshen Yearling Sale consignors and directors (l. to r.) Joe Thomson, Mark Ford, David Meirs, Jean Brown, Russell Williams, Steve Jones, Bob Boni & Dale Welk.

Yearlings whose dam's names begin with the letter "W" will start the Goshen Yearling Sale, and continue through the alphabet for the 160 colts and fillies being offered on Sunday, September 18, 2016 at the Mark Ford Training Center, Middletown, NY.

Consignors and principles of the sales company were on hand to witness the ceremonial draw, which took place on the patio of Haughton Hall during the cocktail hour of the annual Hall of Fame event. Representing Winbak Farm was Hall of Famer Joe Thomson, who is also a director of the sale company. Russell Williams and Dale Welk observed the proceedings on behalf of Hanover Shoe Farms.

The son and daughter of Immortal Hall of Famers represented their respective farms; Steve Jones from Cameo Hills Farm and Jean Brown of Blue Chip Farm witnessed the draw. David Meirs from Concord Stud completed the group of consignors, with Mark Ford and Bob Boni also on hand to represent the sales company.

With hip numbers now drawn, pedigrees receive a final update next week with a digital version of the catalog being available on the sales company website on Thursday, July 21. Printed catalogs will be mailed Aug. 4 and will also be available during the Hambletonian festival at the Meadowlands.

For more information, or to request a catalog, visit the sales company website at: GoshenYearlingSale.com