

By John Manzi

After coming east from the Midwest a few weeks ago it didn't take Tyler Buter long to get his name in the Monticello Raceway record books.

On Wednesday July 21 Buter hustled Bennis Sure Thing up in the final strides to collar Konchie and driver Bruce Aldrich, Jr. in a 1:57:3 clocking in the weekly \$7800 winners/over trot. The final race time resulted in a new track record for older trotting geldings. And coincidentally, the horse that held the record prior to today be none other



than Konchie who established that mark on June 3, 2010 when Aldrich won with him in 1:57:4.

For Buter, whose talents are just beginning to be known by the local training colony, his victory with Bennis Sure Thing was the trotters fourth win- in-a -row.

“I had no idea (that) we were headed for a track record,” Buter said after the race. “He (Bennis Sure Thing) has been good in every one of his four starts here and today I was even impressed by the old timer. He really seems to like this track”

Bennis Sure Thing is a 9-year-old altered son of Keystone Nordic whose lifetime best is a 1:54:4 effort taken last season over the mile track at Balmoral Park in Crete, Ill. The trotter, who paid \$6.20 for win, is trained by Amber Buter for owners Lynette Buter and James Marion of Manchester, Michigan.

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