

By Jim Moran

VERNON, NY—The favorite Chantal Hall came through with a 1:54 victory in Thursday night's \$8,000 featured sixth race at Vernon Downs.

Drafting along in second behind the pace-setting fourth choice, Pickmeamerigold, through three-quarters in 1:24.3, Chantal Hall rallied in a :29.2 final panel to earn a one-length victory in the week's top Miracle Mile contest for female pacers.



It marked the second score in the past three outings (both in this class), fifth this season (third locally), and 17th lifetime for the 5-year-old daughter of Pro Bono Best-Camus, who was driven by Jimmy Whittemore for his dad, owner and trainer Dennis Whittemore. The career winner of \$157,566 returned \$4.70 to win.

It was also a successful evening for driver Rick Plano, who produced four triumphs during the nine-race program. He captured the Early Double with Franky Provolone (1:58.1) and Stick Up (1:54.2), and then finished first in catch drives behind St. Lad's Speedy (1:59) and Wygant Rose (1:55.1).

DOWNS DOINGS—Franky Provolone, Justine Colleen, Cocoabella and Uni-Optic Man all collected their initial 2010 wins during Thursday's program...Friday's card, which includes the week's top trotting test in race six, will begin at 6:55 p.m...Additional information regarding the track's 2010 season and its casino can be obtained at www.vernondowns.com.

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