

BILLINGS ACTION ON TWO FRONTS ON SUNDAY, JULY 20
WHITNEY LEADS IN THE EAST; OLDFORD TOPS IN THE MIDWEST

MONTICELLO, NY ---There will be action in the C.K.G. Billings Amateur Driving Series in both the Eastern and Midwestern Regions on Sunday, July 20.

During the afternoon at Monticello Raceway there will be one 8-horse division which will go as race six on the 11-race card which will also feature the preliminary event of the 16th Annual Ms Monticello Raceway Beauty Pageant.

Seven of the top 10 drivers on the Eastern Region leaderboard will be in action including point leader Todd “the Downeaster” Whitney and runner-up Tony “the Capo” Verruso. The former will drive Tennis Champ, a trotter that Whitney has already won with twice in Billings competition, while the latter will handle Super Cat Nova, also a two-time Billings division winner for Verruso this year.

Tennis Champ won Billings’ splits at Monticello Raceway -on June 9-- and at Goshen Historic Track --on July 4-- will start from post two. Super Cat Begoina who scored Billings victories at Saratoga Harness on June 15 and at Tioga Downs on June 29 will race away from the six-hole..

That evening in Tiffin, Ohio at the Seneca County Fair two Billings divisions are slated for action in races eight and 12 on their 13-race card. As in the eastern region seven of the top 10 in points in the midwest region will be in action including point leader Steve You’re Never Too” Oldford, Bob “Lumberman” Troyer and “Lawbook Larry” Farley, fourth and fifth, respectively on the Midwest Region leaderboard.

Oldford will drive Tactical Advantage and start from post five in the 12th race and Troyer will handle Candacraigh and leave from the rail position in the same event.

Farley’s trotter, Prime Number, will start from post five in the first Billings split, race eight on the card.

The Eastern Region current top 10 in points is as follows:Todd Whitney (91); Tony Verruso (67); George “the Brooklyn Cowboy” Casale (64); Steve Oldford (58); Scott “the Driving Doctor” Woogen (39); Steve “Cannonball” Markoff (36); Dave “Yes It’s True” Offenber (35); Peter “the President” Gerry (33); Terry “the Dairy Queen” Donnelly (31), and “Howie the Horse” Gelfand (30).

The Midwest Region leaderboard’s top 10 are: Steve Oldford (107); Todd Whitney (51); “Buckboard Bob” Miller (41); Bob Troyer (30); Larry Farley (29); Dale “the Big Boss” Zahn (27); “Trader Bud” Hatfield (26); Tony Verruso (26); Howie Gelfand (25) and Steve Markoff (21).