

## **Alberta-bred Highlights of the 2011 Northlands Meet**

The names Freedoms Traveller, My Lucky Thirteen, My Daddy's Girl, Silver Baubles, Two Horn Unicorn, Hollywood Dreams, Mr. Shadar, Professor Pollard, Regal Tigereyes and Ruckus Time make up the top ten earning Alberta bred racehorses of the Northlands Race Meet list. The following is an overview of these Alberta bred runners:

**FREEDOMS TRAVELLER** was the star Alberta bred of the season after his race meet included a win in the July 9<sup>th</sup> \$50,000 Ky Alta Handicap followed by a second place finish on July 30<sup>th</sup> in the Count Lathum Handicap rounded out by a stunning victory as the only Alberta-bred entry in the \$300,000 Canadian Derby on August 20<sup>th</sup>. His earnings for 2011 were \$234,400 bringing his career total to \$258,100. Freedoms Traveller had six starts in 2011 with three wins, once second and two thirds. The breeder and owners of this three year old gelding are Randy and Donna Feddema of Carstairs, Alberta. Freedoms Traveller was sired by the Alberta stallion Peacenfreedom also owned by the Feddemas.

**MY DADDY'S GIRL** was the top earning two year old Alberta bred of the season. This two year old dark brown filly won the \$50,000 Two Year Old Filly Sales Stakes on August 13<sup>th</sup> followed by another victory in the Bird of Pay Stakes on August 27<sup>th</sup>. In the six starts of her debut season, My Daddy's Girl won three races and placed third once finishing out the season with \$78,330 in earnings. She was bred by Highfield Stock Farms of Okotoks, Alberta and sold through the 2010 CTHS Thoroughbred Sale to current owner Riversedge Racing Stables Ltd. My Daddy's Girl was sired by Cape Canaveral out of Crystal Forest. She is trained by Greg Tracy.

**MY LUCKY THIRTEEN** had a successful four year old season winning three of his six starts and placing second and third in two others. He followed up wins in two allowance races with a second place finish in the \$50,000 Alberta Breeders' Handicap on September 17<sup>th</sup> and a win in the \$50,000 Three and Four Year Old Sales Stakes on October 1<sup>st</sup>. My Lucky Thirteen then finished off the season with a third place in the Harvest Gold Plate Handicap on October 10<sup>th</sup>. The bay gelding by General Royal out of Bia Valentine brought his career earnings to \$94,620 with \$73,080 of that number earned in 2011. My Lucky Thirteen was sold through the 2008 CTHS Mixed Sale and purchased by his current owner Buddy Bensmiller and trained by Twylla Bensmiller.

**SILVER BAUBLES** started off the season with a win and a second in two Maiden Special Weight races followed by a third place in the Edmonton Juvenile Stakes on July 30<sup>th</sup> and a second place finish in the Birdcatcher Stakes on August 27<sup>th</sup>. The Bar None Ranches homebred followed up these solid placings with a win in the \$50,000 Alberta Premier's Futurity on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The two year old by Gilded Time brought his 2011 earnings to \$68,645 with a second place finish in his final race of the season, the Canadian Juvenile Stakes on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Silver Baubles is owned by Bar None Ranches and trained by Ron Grieves.

**TWO HORN UNICORN** added a win in the Fall Classic Distaff on September 17<sup>th</sup> to her race record resulting in earnings of \$61,146 for the 2011 season and \$101,646 in total career earnings. This dark brown four year old filly was sired by Tempered Appeal who stands at Bar None Ranches in DeWinton. Two Horn Unicorn was bred and is owned by Central City Stables. She is trained by Ron Grieves.

**HOLLYWOOD DREAMS** won his only start in 2010 and has now placed in five of seven starts in the 2011 season including a victory in the Red Diamond Express Handicap on September 17<sup>th</sup> and wins in two allowance races. This chestnut three year old earned \$62,243 in 2011 and now has career earnings of \$71,900. Hollywood Dreams was sired by Ministers Wild Cat and bred by Ken Anderson of Huxley, Alberta. He is currently owned by M & P Equipment Inc. and Met Set Consulting and trained by Dean Martinuk.

**MR. SHADAR** continued his successful career in 2011 with a third place in the Sun Sprint Championship Handicap on September 3<sup>rd</sup>; a second place finish in the Red Diamond Express Handicap on September 17<sup>th</sup> and a win in the Harvest Gold Handicap on October 10<sup>th</sup>. The 2010 Champion Sprinter and Alberta-bred added \$54,822 to his earnings to bring his career total to \$273,713. The five year old gelding was bred by Jack Johnston of Peaceful Valley Stables and is owned by Gerry Beerda. The son of Alberta based stallion Alydeed was sold through the 2007 Alberta Thoroughbred Summer Yearling Sale.

**PROFESSOR POLLARD** had a very consistent race meet this year with two firsts and two seconds in four starts. The four year old gelding placed first and second in his first two races which were Allowance Optional Claiming races followed by a win in the Don Fleming Handicap on July 22<sup>nd</sup> and a second place finish in the Westerner Handicap on August 6<sup>th</sup>. His 2011 earnings were \$57,682 bringing his overall career earnings to \$123,210. Professor Pollard was bred by Stone Ranches Ltd and is now owned by Sycamore Stables and trained by Jim Meyaard.

**REGAL TIGEREYES** followed up a win in an early season Maiden Special Weight race with a victory in the 3 and 4 Year Old Fillies Sales Stakes on October 1, 2011. Regal Tigereyes is by the deceased Alberta stallion Tiger Trap out of the mare Regal Estate by Regal Remark. The three year old chestnut filly placed in five of her seven starts and has now earned \$51,360 in her first year on the track. She was bred by Tom Lees and consigned to the 2009 CTHS Fall Mixed Sale by Tom and Emily Lees and purchased by her current owners, Rocky Ridge Racing Stables. Regal Tigereyes is trained by Kirsty Anne Luft-Nault.

**RUCKUS TIME** had a very successful first season placing second in the Two Year Old Filly Sales Stakes on August 13<sup>th</sup> and winning the Sturgeon River Stakes on September 17<sup>th</sup>. This two year old filly by Gilded Time placed in four of her six starts bringing her earnings to \$ 51,842 for the season. Ruckus Time was bred by Ibed Itani and is now owned by Lucky Strike Stable and Viking Stable. She is trained by Joan Petrowski.

\*\* All statistics and earnings taken from Equibase Company.