

## RISKY ROUTE PAYS OFF FOR ON THE ROAD AGAIN

The true mark of a champion is the ability to overcome obstacles and still end up on top. That's exactly what On The Road Again did, overcoming a trailing starting position from post 12, to win the 1984 Meadowlands Pace.

In a brilliant tactical move, driver William "Buddy" Gilmour elected to follow the No. 3 Russ Lyn Scott away from the gate, as that colt appeared to have more early speed than No. 2 Ahlberg. He was also able to avoid getting trapped on the rail in the bulky 12-horse field.

On The Road Again, a chestnut son of Happy Motoring, was fourth over down the backside when Gilmour opted for an aggressive "do or die" move, tipping out three-wide and rushing toward the front to challenge pace-setting Long Fella.

With three-eighths of a mile to go, On The Road Again forged to the front and had just enough left to hold off the furious late charge of arch-rival Guts by a neck in 1:53.3.

Owned by Calgary, Alberta auto dealer Gordon Rumpel and his wife, Illa, On The Road Again was purchased as a weanling for \$10,000 and entrusted to the care of unheralded Canadian trainer Harry Poulton.

The colt made only five starts as a two-year-old, but blossomed into the best pacer in the sport as a three-year-old. The Meadowlands Pace pushed his earnings to more than \$1,366,000, thanks to a courageous drive by Gilmour and an even more courageous effort by On The Road Again.

### 1<sup>ST</sup> ELIMINATION - 7/13/84 - 1:53<sup>3</sup>

Horse	Driver	Trainer
1 Long Fella	Tom Harmer	Tom Harmer
2 Greener Pastures	Pat Crowe	William Seaman
3 Hobo's Willy	Mike Gagliardi	Howard Camden

### 2<sup>ND</sup> ELIMINATION - 7/13/84 - 1:53

Horse	Driver	Trainer
1 Andrel	Carmine Abbatiello	White/Crane
2 On The Road Again	Buddy Gilmour	Harry Poulton
3 Jariz	Ron Waples	William Robinson

### 3<sup>RD</sup> ELIMINATION - 7/13/84 - 1:53<sup>1</sup>

Horse	Driver	Trainer
1 Guts	Bill O'Donnell	Barry Abrams
2 Farmsteads Future	William Haughton	Gaskin/Haughton
3 Neros Bret	G. (Jerry) Procino	G. (Jerry) Procino

### 4<sup>TH</sup> ELIMINATION - 7/13/84 - 1:53<sup>4</sup>

Horse	Driver	Trainer
1 Russ Lyn Scott	Bill O'Donnell	Russ Pecchia
2 Joel's David	Jim Doherty	Donald Queen
3 Ahlberg	Marvin Maker	Bruce Hamilton

### CONSOLATION - 7/27/84 - 1:53<sup>4</sup>

Horse	Driver	Trainer
1 King Towner	Bill O'Donnell	George Berkner
2 Walton Hanover	Harold Dancer Jr.	John Simpson Jr.
3 Holmes Hanover	Carl LeCause	Carl LeCause

### \$1,293,000 FINAL - 7/20/84 - 1:53<sup>3</sup>

Horse	Driver	Trainer
1 On The Road Again	Buddy Gilmour	Harry Poulton
2 Guts	Bill O'Donnell	Barry Abrams
3 Ahlberg	Marvin Maker	Bruce Hamilton
Hobo's Willy	Mike Gagliardi	Howard Camden

## 1984

RACE 7	1 MILE	MEADOWLANDS PACE-FINAL							PURSE \$1,293,000	Quarter times	27 <sup>2</sup> , 56 <sup>4</sup> , 1:25 <sup>2</sup> , 1:53 <sup>3</sup>	TRACK: FAST	OFF: 10:25	
12 On The Road Again	12	8 <sup>o</sup>	2 <sup>oo</sup>	1 <sup>o</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>nk</sup>	1:53 <sup>3</sup>	W. Gilmour	Mutuels	(12)	7.20	3.60	3.00	2.60
7 Guts	7	9 <sup>o</sup>	9 <sup>o</sup>	9 <sup>o</sup>	7 <sup>6/4</sup>	2 <sup>nk</sup>	1:53 <sup>3</sup>	W. O'Donnell		(7)		3.60	3.00	*1.30
2 Ahlberg	2	4	7	8	6 <sup>6/4</sup>	3 <sup>3/4dh</sup>	1:53 <sup>4</sup>	M. Maker		(2)			5.20	87.90
4 Hobo's Willy	4	2	3	4	3 <sup>1/4</sup>	3 <sup>3/4dh</sup>	1:53 <sup>4</sup>	M. Gagliardi		(4)			3.60	24.40
3 Russ Lyn Scott	3	7 <sup>o</sup>	6 <sup>o</sup>	5 <sup>o</sup>	5 <sup>1/2</sup>		1:53 <sup>4</sup>	J. Campbell						10.10
1 Long Fella	1	1	1	2	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>2/4</sup>	1:54	T. Harmer						8.90
5 Joel's David	5	3 <sup>o</sup>	5	6	8 <sup>7/4</sup>	7 <sup>4</sup>	1:54 <sup>2</sup>	J. Doherty						14.10
11 Neros Bret	11	6	8 <sup>o</sup>	7 <sup>o</sup>	9 <sup>o</sup>	8 <sup>4/4</sup>	1:54 <sup>3</sup>	G. Procino						143.40
6 Jariz	6	5 <sup>o</sup>	4 <sup>o</sup>	3 <sup>o</sup>	4 <sup>3</sup>	9 <sup>4/4</sup>	1:54 <sup>3</sup>	R. Waples						17.90
10 Greener Pastures	10	12	10	10	10 <sup>10/4</sup>	10 <sup>5/4</sup>	1:54 <sup>3</sup>	P. Crowe						87.30
8 Andrel	8	10 <sup>o</sup>	11 <sup>o</sup>	11 <sup>o</sup>	11 <sup>11/4</sup>	11 <sup>7</sup>	1:55	C. Abbatiello						7.80
9 Farmsteads Fame	9	11 <sup>o</sup>	12 <sup>o</sup>	12 <sup>o</sup>	12 <sup>13/4</sup>	12 <sup>9/4</sup>	1:55 <sup>2</sup>	W. Haughton	Exacta	(12-7)		20.60		54.10

Winning Owners: Gordon Rumpel, Illa Rumpel  
Winning Trainer: Harry Poulton