A DAY AT THE BEACH FOR REMMEN COLT

The Remmen name will always be linked to great moments in Meadowlands history. Ray Remmen won the first pari-mutuel race ever at the Meadowlands in 1976 with Quick Baron and won the first Hambletonian raced at the Meadowlands with Shiaway St. Pat in 1981. But in 1990, Ray and his brother Larry had their greatest horse and won their richest race in the $1,153,500 Meadowlands Pace with Beach Towel.

Beach Towel showed he was a special horse from the start, winning 11 of 13 races as a two-year-old with earnings of just under half a million dollars.

At three, he stepped to the forefront winning 18 of 23 races, including a nose victory over Jake And Elwood in the Pace, after overcoming post 10.

The only time he was off the board all season was in the $1 million North America Cup where he made a break at the start and was distanced at odds of 4-5. Despite the missed opportunity for a large payday in Canada, Beach Towel still went on to set a single season earnings mark of $2,091,860, surpassing the old mark set by Nihilator in 1985. Beach Towel won Horse of the Year honors in 1990, receiving nearly 88 percent of the votes in the balloting.

He took his lifetime mark of 1:50 at DuQuoin, Illinois which at the time made him the third fastest standardbred of all time.