

Dr. J.P. West

Inducted 2012

Dr. J.P. West, a veterinarian from Madison, Wisconsin, was a prominent owner, trainer, driver and breeder throughout the 1930's, 1940's and 1950's. Although active at county fairs throughout Wisconsin, Dr. West's greatest impact may be as a breeder. He owned several prominent stallions that stood at stud in Wisconsin for many years.

These stallions include McKinney Scott, Frisco June, Lulu Guy and Knight Hanover, to name a few. Dr. West's horses were easy to recognize, as their names frequently began with Highlawn (as in Highlawn Del, Highlawn Lady and Highlawn Myrtle).

McKinney Scott was the sire of 58 registered foals, of which 50 started on the trot and the pace. His foals earned over \$245,000. Perhaps his best known offspring is Miss Pluto Scott, who took a record of 2:03 ½. Miss Pluto Scott was the dam of Golden Miss, 1 1997 inductee into the Wisconsin Harness Racing Hall of Fame. Golden Miss was the dam of the prominent stallion Strike Out, who sired 443 starters with earnings of over \$24,000,000. Strike Out himself had a record of 1.56.3 and earnings of over \$454,000.

Frisco June sired 82 registered foals, of which 30 started on the trot and pace and earned over \$89,000. When Dr. West sold Frisco June at a dispersal sale in 1936, he listed him as the sire of 20 with records under 2:10. As a racehorse, Frisco June took a record of 2.01 ¼ in 1920 at the age of three. Lulu Guy was the sire of 18 starters who compiled earnings of over \$107,000 while Knight Hanover sired 15 starters with earnings over \$49,000.

Nominated by O.L. "Buck" and Sara Weaver