

Page 83 - The Rankin Family and Harness Racing

ISSUE: <u>Issue 45</u>

Published by Ronald Caplan on 1987/6/1

train them. One trip you'll cut the mile and let the old horse set in behind you, and let the colt win from there, let the old horse come at him. Or the next trip the old horse will cut it, and you'll move the baby about halfway through the stretch and let him go on to win. You teach so much of it. But when they're in the race, and say if they were parked a guarter or something, and get in--when they move them again, that's heart. Or if they fight off someone who was at them all the way. That's heart. (Donald said you want a horse to feel he's a winner.) I think they know. You can have a horse that's in 2 or 3 races, and finished back. And then if they're dropping down through the classes, when they get to a class that they can win easy, their spirits, like-- they get beaten in a class that they would never get beat in. Or you get a horse that's going up through a class, it's the same way. They know they win. And they'll beat a class that they ordinarily shouldn't beat. They're a lot braver and they'll go on. Donna: Now Sunny Meadows was a racehorse like that. He had all kinds of problems, leg problems, and he would be sore. And if you saw him jogging before the race, he would be lame because his legs were really sore. And when he went behind the (start? ing) gate--he wasn't lame. Darlene: He'd win the race. He raced real- ly well for Sonny. He'd win the race, and when he was parading down in front of the stands, everybody would say, "Oh, that's terrible. You shouldn't race that horse." 'Cause he would be so lame. And if you Come for the summer, for the fall colours- ybu are welcome to VICTORIA county; stay Make Victoria County the centre of your stay in Cape Breton. Hiking, swimming and golfing, motels or camping, music and dance, museums and crafts? people-Victoria County is a world to explore. And it's an excellent base from which to reach all other parts of the Island. • '"ICT t Brook ' Whrt?Pt. Keltic Lodga Cap* Smokay "CIAD MILE FAILTE" e,, ""OneHundred Thousand Welcomes "" VICTORIA COUNTY The Warden, Councilors and Residents Take time to meet the people of Victoria County. SUMMER OF 1987 Hobie Cat National Championship JULY 22 to 25 Closing Ceremonies International Gathering of the Clans AUGUST 8 Centre Bras d'Or Festival of the Arts JULY 17 to AUGUST 23 and Other Major Events Victoria County is a Year 'Round Joy Whether it's a Summer sailing regatta, Winter Alpine and cross-country skiing, or driving and hiking through the Autumn- we invite you to join us, and.., Enjoy Victoria County --We Do