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MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION

REPORT OF 1951 RACE MEETINGS

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November 9, 1951

To: Mr. Harry B. McKenney
Mr. Edwin C. Snowdon
Mr. Rosaire L. Halle

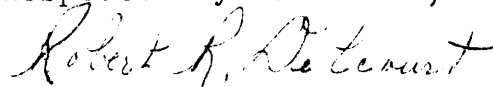
Gentlemen:

I have examined the pari-mutuel records of each of the fair and racing organizations holding harness racing meets with wagering permits, in the State of Maine during the 1951 season.

As a result of this examination, I present herewith a summary of race meetings and a comparative analysis of the amounts wagered for the years 1950 and 1951.

May I take this opportunity to thank each member of the Commission for the cooperation I have received, without which it would have been difficult for me to carry out my work as supervisor of pari-mutuel operations for the Maine Harness Racing Commission.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert R. Delcourt

Supervisor

MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION

EXHIBIT A

SUMMARY OF RACE MEETINGS 1951

| DATE | PLACE | AMOUNTS WAGERED | 5% STATE COMMISSION | 1/2% STIPEND FUND (Agric.) | 9 1/2% ASSOC. COMMISSION | BREAKAGE | RETURN TO PUBLIC | OUT TICKETS | MEET CLASSES |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 6/7 - 6/16 | Lewiston | \$ 218,712.00 | \$ 10,935.60 | \$ 1,093.59 | \$ 20,777.61 | \$ 1,709.60 | \$ 184,195.60 | \$ 498.40 | |
| 6/18 - 6/23 | New Gloucester | 130,922.00 | 6,546.10 | 654.62 | 12,437.58 | 977.40 | 110,306.30 | 269.20 | |
| 6/25 - 6/30 | Cumberland | 108,612.00 | 5,430.60 | 543.07 | 10,318.13 | 714.80 | 91,605.40 | 768.25 | (Spring) |
| 7/2 - 8/25 | Gorham | 1,244,679.00 | 62,233.95 | 6,223.47 | 118,244.43 | 9,420.15 | 1,048,557.00 | 1,818.00 | \$1,702,925.00 |
| 7/31 - 8/4 | Presque Isle | 93,639.00 | 4,681.95 | 468.20 | 8,895.70 | 834.50 | 78,758.65 | 373.75 | |
| 8/6 - 8/11 | Bangor | 192,428.00 | 9,621.40 | 962.16 | 18,280.64 | 1,594.50 | 161,969.30 | 1,050.90 | |
| 8/13 - 8/18 | Skowhegan | 92,387.00 | 4,619.35 | 461.95 | 8,776.75 | 797.20 | 77,731.75 | 452.20 | |
| 8/22 - 8/25 | Union | 79,998.00 | 3,999.90 | 399.99 | 7,599.81 | 665.90 | 67,332.40 | 326.10 | |
| 8/29 - 9/3 | Windsor | 119,988.00 | 5,999.40 | 599.95 | 11,398.85 | 837.40 | 101,152.40 | 547.30 | |
| 9/3 - 9/10 | Lewiston | 269,604.00 | 13,480.20 | 1,348.04 | 25,612.36 | 2,122.95 | 227,040.45 | 465.25 | |
| 9/11 - 9/15 | Norway-So. Paris | 106,314.00 | 5,315.70 | 531.58 | 10,099.82 | 805.75 | 89,561.15 | 160.35 | |
| 9/18 - 9/22 | Farmington | 130,331.00 | 6,516.55 | 651.66 | 12,381.44 | 1,018.50 | 109,762.85 | 265.50 | |
| 9/24 - 9/29 | Cumberland | 211,850.00 | 10,592.50 | 1,059.27 | 20,125.73 | 1,467.35 | 178,605.15 | 428.65 | |
| 10/1 - 10/6 | Fryeburg | 151,133.00 | 7,556.65 | 755.67 | 14,357.63 | 1,274.85 | 127,188.20 | 359.05 | |
| 10/8 - 10/13 | Topsham | 187,365.00 | 9,368.25 | 936.84 | 17,799.66 | 1,520.50 | 157,739.75 | 328.80 | (Fairs) |
| 10/15 - 10/20 | New Gloucester | 240,073.00 | 12,003.65 | 1,200.38 | 22,806.92 | 1,790.00 | 202,272.05 | 290.70 | \$1,875,110.00 |
| 10/22 - 10/27 | Lewiston | 200,129.00 | 10,006.45 | 1,000.66 | 19,012.24 | 1,381.60 | 168,728.05 | 311.80 | (Overcoat) |
| 10/29 - 11/3 | Cumberland | 65,020.00 | 3,251.00 | 325.11 | 6,176.89 | 410.20 | 54,856.80 | 542.50 | \$ 265,149.00 |
| | | <u>\$3,843,184.00</u> | <u>\$192,159.20</u> | <u>\$19,216.21</u> | <u>\$365,102.19</u> | <u>\$29,343.15</u> | <u>\$3,237,363.25</u> | <u>\$9,256.70</u> | <u>\$3,843,184.00</u> |

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF RACE PROGRAMS 1950 and 1951

| YEAR | TOTAL WAGERED | PROGRAMS SCHEDULED | PROGRAMS RAINED OUT | PROGRAMS ADDED | TOTAL PROGRAMS RUN | RACES SCHEDULED | RACES RUN | RACES NOT RUN | AVERAGE WAGER PER RACE |
|----------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|------------------------|
| 1950 | \$3,958,863.00 | 139 | 12 | — | 127 | 1192 | 1059 | 133 | \$ 3,738.30 |
| 1951 | <u>3,843,184.00</u> | <u>157</u> | <u>31</u> | — | <u>126</u> | <u>1300</u> | <u>1039</u> | <u>261</u> | <u>3,698.92</u> |
| DECREASE | \$ 115,679.00 | | | | 1 | | 20 | | \$ 39.38 |
| INCREASE | | 18 | 19 | — | | 108 | | 128 | |

MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION

EXHIBIT B

ANALYSIS OF TICKETS PURCHASED 1951

| PLACE | \$2 DAILY DOUBLE | STRAIGHT | | | PLACE | | | SHOW | | | COMBINATION | | VALUE |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------------|--------|----------------|
| | | \$10 | \$5 | \$2 | \$10 | \$5 | \$2 | \$10 | \$5 | \$2 | \$3 | \$6 | |
| Lewiston | 12,868 | 1,942 | 4,395 | 23,530 | 898 | 2,567 | 14,662 | 526 | 976 | 7,482 | — | 4,713 | \$ 218,712.00 |
| New Gloucester | 8,217 | 1,249 | 2,461 | 12,679 | 607 | 1,576 | 7,861 | 253 | 645 | 4,941 | 6,342 | — | 130,922.00 |
| Cumberland | 6,686 | 930 | 2,097 | 10,015 | 494 | 1,317 | 6,032 | 238 | 633 | 3,988 | 6,105 | — | 108,612.00 |
| Gorham | 68,060 | 8,562 | 17,947 | 118,962 | 5,154 | 12,500 | 89,611 | 3,053 | 7,372 | 82,507 | — | 28,269 | 1,244,679.00 |
| Presque Isle | 3,386 | — | 3,584 | 9,996 | — | 1,591 | 8,183 | — | 573 | 4,310 | 4,383 | — | 93,639.00 |
| Bangor | 9,273 | 1,163 | 3,906 | 16,471 | 626 | 2,839 | 15,733 | 330 | 1,290 | 8,819 | 10,157 | — | 192,428.00 |
| Skowhegan | 5,688 | 583 | 1,775 | 8,057 | 385 | 1,236 | 6,582 | 199 | 486 | 4,077 | 4,808 | — | 92,387.00 |
| Union | 4,435 | — | 2,643 | 7,009 | — | 1,521 | 5,682 | — | 639 | 3,556 | 4,873 | — | 79,998.00 |
| Windsor | 6,769 | — | 3,986 | 10,638 | — | 2,744 | 7,622 | — | 1,115 | 4,455 | 7,265 | — | 119,988.00 |
| Lewiston | 16,007 | 2,351 | 4,413 | 27,216 | 1,274 | 3,086 | 19,776 | 439 | 1,146 | 9,346 | 7,825 | 2,929 | 269,604.00 |
| Norway-S. Paris | 6,845 | 889 | 1,684 | 9,635 | 515 | 1,157 | 7,061 | 218 | 507 | 4,460 | 5,784 | — | 106,314.00 |
| Farmington | 9,213 | — | 4,479 | 11,701 | — | 2,933 | 8,025 | — | 986 | 4,319 | 7,275 | — | 130,331.00 |
| Cumberland | 13,501 | 2,032 | 4,545 | 19,707 | 1,036 | 2,852 | 12,466 | 351 | 1,235 | 7,308 | 9,512 | — | 211,850.00 |
| Fryeburg | 7,561 | — | 5,321 | 14,359 | — | 3,322 | 9,500 | — | 1,344 | 7,152 | 8,018 | — | 151,133.00 |
| Topsham | 10,569 | 1,837 | 3,741 | 15,519 | 1,118 | 2,475 | 10,819 | 516 | 1,148 | 7,077 | 9,289 | — | 187,365.00 |
| New Gloucester | 15,782 | 2,320 | 4,162 | 21,360 | 1,219 | 3,076 | 14,640 | 576 | 1,550 | 8,011 | 11,799 | — | 240,073.00 |
| Lewiston | 14,264 | 2,163 | 3,869 | 16,535 | 983 | 2,492 | 10,520 | 605 | 1,389 | 6,202 | 9,609 | — | 200,129.00 |
| Cumberland | 5,071 | 713 | 1,128 | 5,036 | 377 | 785 | 2,901 | 280 | 499 | 2,125 | 2,998 | — | 65,020.00 |
| Total Tickets | 224,195 | 26,734 | 76,136 | 358,425 | 14,686 | 50,069 | 257,676 | 7,584 | 23,533 | 180,135 | 116,042 | 35,911 | \$3,843,184.00 |

MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION

EXHIBIT C

ANALYSIS OF RACE PROGRAMS 1951

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>PLACE</u> | <u>DAY WAGERS</u> | <u>PROGRAMS</u> | <u>RACES HELD</u> | <u>NIGHT WAGERS</u> | <u>PROGRAMS</u> | <u>RACES HELD</u> | <u>TOTAL PROGRAMS</u> | <u>TOTAL RACES</u> |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 6/7 - 6/16 | Lewiston | \$ 21,329.00 | 1 | 8 | \$ 197,383.00 | 6 | 49 | 7 | 57 |
| 6/18 - 6/23 | New Gloucester | --- | - | - | 130,922.00 | 5 | 40 | 5 | 40 |
| 6/25 - 6/30 | Cumberland | --- | - | - | 108,612.00 | 3 | 24 | 3 | 24 |
| 7/2 - 8/25 | Gorham | --- | - | - | 1,244,679.00 | 38 | 307 | 38 | 307 |
| 7/31 - 8/4 | Presque Isle | 93,639.00 | 5 | 44 | --- | - | - | 5 | 44 |
| 8/6 - 8/11 | Bangor | 192,428.00 | 6 | 48 | --- | - | - | 6 | 48 |
| 8/13 - 8/18 | Skowhegan | 92,387.00 | 4 | 32 | --- | - | - | 4 | 32 |
| 8/22 - 8/25 | Union | 79,998.00 | 4 | 32 | --- | - | - | 4 | 32 |
| 8/29 - 9/3 | Windsor | 119,988.00 | 4 | 36 | --- | - | - | 4 | 36 |
| 9/3 - 9/10 | Lewiston | 38,234.00 | 1 | 8 | 231,370.00 | 5 | 42 | 6 | 50 |
| 9/11 - 9/15 | Norway-So. Paris | 106,314.00 | 4 | 33 | --- | - | - | 4 | 33 |
| 9/18 - 9/22 | Farmington | 130,331.00 | 5 | 42 | --- | - | - | 5 | 42 |
| 9/24 - 9/29 | Cumberland | 77,442.00 | 3 | 24 | 134,408.00 | 4 | 32 | 7 | 56 |
| 10/1 - 10/6 | Fryeburg | 151,133.00 | 6 | 57 | --- | - | - | 6 | 57 |
| 10/8 - 10/13 | Topsham | 187,365.00 | 5 | 45 | --- | - | - | 5 | 45 |
| 10/15 - 10/20 | New Gloucester | 71,996.00 | 2 | 16 | 168,077.00 | 6 | 48 | 8 | 64 |
| 10/22 - 10/27 | Lewiston | 39,257.00 | 1 | 8 | 160,872.00 | 5 | 40 | 6 | 48 |
| 10/29 - 11/3 | Cumberland | 65,020.00 | 3 | 24 | --- | - | - | 3 | 24 |
| | | <u>\$1,466,861.00</u> | <u>54</u> | <u>457</u> | <u>\$2,376,323.00</u> | <u>72</u> | <u>582</u> | <u>126</u> | <u>1039</u> |

Total Wagered \$3,843,184.00

MAINE STATE HARNESS RACING COMMISSION

EXHIBIT D

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF AMOUNTS WAGERED FOR THE YEARS 1950 and 1951

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>PLACE</u> | <u>1951 AMOUNT WAGERED</u> | <u>1950 AMOUNT WAGERED</u> | <u>INCREASE</u> | <u>DECREASE</u> | <u>NET DECREASE</u> |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 6/7 - 6/16 | Lewiston | \$ 218,712.00 | \$ 177,748.00 | \$ 40,964.00 | | |
| 6/18 - 6/23 | New Gloucester | 130,922.00 | — | 130,922.00 | | |
| 6/25 - 6/30 | Cumberland | 108,612.00 | 357,740.00 | — | \$ 249,128.00 | |
| 7/2 - 8/25 | Gorham | 1,244,679.00 | 375,764.00 | 868,915.00 | | |
| 1950 | Old Orchard | — | 661,473.00 | — | 661,473.00 | |
| 1950 | Lewiston | — | 152,578.00 | — | 152,578.00 | |
| 7/31 - 8/4 | Presque Isle | 93,639.00 | 107,287.00 | — | 13,648.00 | |
| 8/6 - 8/11 | Bangor | 192,428.00 | 181,533.00 | 10,895.00 | | |
| 8/13 - 8/18 | Skowhegan | 92,387.00 | 154,914.00 | — | 62,527.00 | |
| 8/22 - 8/25 | Union | 79,998.00 | 91,199.00 | — | 11,201.00 | |
| 8/29 - 9/3 | Windsor | 119,988.00 | 84,250.00 | 35,738.00 | | |
| 9/3 - 9/10 | Lewiston | 269,604.00 | 269,607.00 | — | 3.00 | |
| 9/11 - 9/15 | Norway--So. Paris | 106,314.00 | 158,208.00 | — | 51,894.00 | |
| 9/18 - 9/22 | Farmington | 130,331.00 | 102,683.00 | 27,648.00 | | |
| 9/24 - 9/29 | Cumberland | 211,850.00 | 245,408.00 | — | 33,558.00 | |
| 10/1 - 10/6 | Fryeburg | 151,133.00 | 136,601.00 | 14,532.00 | | |
| 10/8 - 10/13 | Topsham | 187,365.00 | 129,196.00 | 58,169.00 | | |
| 10/15 - 10/20 | New Gloucester | 240,073.00 | 202,730.00 | 37,343.00 | | |
| 10/22 - 10/27 | Lewiston | 200,129.00 | — | 200,129.00 | | |
| 10/29 - 11/3 | Cumberland | 65,020.00 | 231,091.00 | — | 166,071.00 | |
| 1950 | Topsham | — | 138,853.00 | — | 138,853.00 | |
| | Totals | \$3,843,184.00 | \$3,958,863.00 | \$1,425,255.00 | \$1,540,934.00 | \$ 115,679.00 |
| License Fees | | \$ 320.00 | \$ 310.00 | | | |