



Matthew Abbott

Age: 35

Hometown: lyndhurst, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Matthew Ache

Age: 49

Hometown: Austin, TX

Occupation: CEO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	68.70	462
2016	191.30	54
2017	63.40	539
2018	66.20	535
2018	96.40	362

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualified for the NHC the first year I started playing contest and finished in the money.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Catching up with friends I typically see once a year at this tournament.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Of course horses and handicapping. Spending time with my family (wife and 2 daughters), Enjoy playing and watching Soccer, Rugby, and Hockey

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Put together some partnerships to buy some race horses. Put some into kids college funds. Take family to Scotland for the pubs and Paris for the food



Vincent Achillarre

Hometown: Convent station, NJ
Occupation: Managing Director - Home
Care Company



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	107.00	308
2016	151.90	106
2017	106.80	348
2018	119.80	245

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning my first NHC Qualifier with seven winners and four second place finishes out of twelve races.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I have gained a lot of NHC tournament experience from my three previous years of qualifying and feel that this will be the year to make it into the top 10% finishers.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Thoroughbred handicapping (obviously), deep sea and surf casting fishing, and golfing.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

A few things. Share some with the family, make some contributions to various equine and jockey foundations and other worthy causes, and making an initial investment in owning thoroughbreds and starting a racing stable.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Favorite race track is Gulfstream and I have a preference in handicapping route turf races using a system that I have developed, with good success, over many years.



Eric Adler

Age: 33
Hometown: Sherman Oaks, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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john agnello

Age: 63
Hometown: North Fort Myers, FL
Occupation: automotive sales



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	67.40	530
2018	139.60	156

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying 2 out of the past 3 years to the NHC @ Treasure Island.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Winning.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Love spending quality time with my wife of 35 years and my family. Retiring in March, 2018 and we are relocating to N Fort Myers, Florida. I am truly Blessed by GOD.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Put it in our retirement fund.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Very humbled and honored to be in a tournament of this magnitude competing against the best of the best.



Adam Aiken

Age: 41
Hometown: Springfield, MA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	102.10	332
2018	88.60	399
2018	144.20	145



Don Allen

Age: 57
Hometown: Bradley, AR
Occupation: Logger



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	22.40	677
2009	197.00	62
2010	119.20	69
2012	150.00	37
2013	143.60	127
2014	109.80	231
2014	221.80	32
2015	50.80	441
2016	165.60	76
2017	70.60	508
2018	207.20	53

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Visiting with everyone that have met there over the past years

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Ask my wife



Donald Allen

Hometown: Monrovia, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jason Alonzo

Hometown: Chappaqua, NY
Occupation: Portfolio manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	171.80	73

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing 12th at the 2017 Wynn tournament

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Being around a lot of people who love racing and competing.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy a racehorse, pay for kids college

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I actually had Sarava on top in the 2002 Belmont (and Birdstone two years later). You realize you are due for a nice win when you are highlighting things that happened 15 years ago!



Tom Arndt

Age: 59
Hometown: Carefree, AZ
Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	113.20	302
2017	115.20	274
2018	82.60	439



Steve Arrison

Hometown: Point Pleasant Beach, NJ
Occupation: Animal Shelter Manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	46.80	556
2017	100.80	374
2017	246.50	20
2018	122.00	235
2018	206.40	55



Steve Arrison

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Playing in my first BCBC

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The camaraderie and competition

What are your interests and hobbies?

Golf and Animal Rescue

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Rent a house in Saratoga for the summer and invite all my family and friends



Raymond Arsenault

Hometown: thornhill, FL
Occupation: Tranportation Broker



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	129.00	28
2008	84.30	138
2009	124.00	97
2010	67.20	531
2012	92.80	384
2014	37.00	443
2016	148.20	120
2016	236.40	23
2017	407.70	1
2018	0.00	695
2018	58.80	567

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the NHC contest this past year.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Going to try and become the 1st player to win a second NHC and also back to back.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horses pretty well take up most of my time however i'm a big golf fan. I love to play and watch the pros on TV.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Do what I did this past year and continue to go to my favourite places for contests.



Jeff Arthur

Age: 56

Hometown: Chesapeake, VA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	71.00	511
2016	93.20	383
2016	169.30	65
2017	87.40	409



Richard Averill



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Mark Aylward

Hometown: Waxhaw, NC

Occupation: Self employed contractor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	111.60	135
2016	33.40	586
2017	101.00	373
2018	32.60	648

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Playing in a high stakes, online contest, being in the top 10, and having my play of the day coming up, getting 16-1 horse winning easy, and basically being the only one to have him! This going on to make a huge score!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The whole experience is very very cool! Being why that many passionate horseplayers meeting new people, catching up with old friends! And the chance at becoming the NHC CHAMP

What are your interests and hobbies?

Golf, cornhole, hanging out with family and friends when I'm not working

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay for my kids college probably, ugh!! Then save whatever is left, maybe buy a pony???? Lol



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Dino Baccari

Age: 41

Hometown: Cranston, RI



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Michael Bailey

Age: 68

Hometown: Pomona, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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No Data Available



David Bambacigno

Age: 84

Hometown: Covina, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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2009	83.80	431
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2012	95.40	372
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Karl Barth

Age: 56
Hometown: Shepherdstown, WV
Occupation: Social Forecaster



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	157.50	104
2018	169.80	78

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning a contest with a crazy 40-1 horse in the last race

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Vegas

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest in a well-diversified pool of low-risk mutual funds



David Basler

Hometown: Grove City, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	27.20	668
2011	46.20	243
2012	133.70	66



Randy Bauer

Hometown: Henderson, NE



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	34.20	266
2012	162.50	25
2013	172.20	72
2014	65.20	539
2015	134.40	68
2016	188.40	56
2017	229.60	38
2018	84.60	424



Stanley Bavlish

Hometown: Chesapeake, VA
Occupation: Subway Franchisee



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	189.20	1
2008	93.40	119
2010	42.80	616
2011	90.80	389
2012	32.80	423
2013	103.20	328
2014	115.80	272
2015	47.40	460
2016	284.20	9
2017	200.50	62
2018	32.20	649
2018	109.90	295

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning NHC 2007.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing old friends and playing two entries for the first time.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Spending as much time as possible with my girlfriend, Carol and our dogs, TJ and Sadie Sue. Running to stay in shape. I have also had the privilege of serving for 20 years on the Board of Directors for the Independent Purchasing Co-op for Subway.

I also serve on the NTRA/NHC Advisory Board.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire happy.



John Behnke

Hometown: GOLDEN, CO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	156.80	93



Jim Benes

Hometown: Countryside, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	41.10	391
2013	268.40	1
2014	67.00	532
2014	92.40	295
2015	43.00	614
2015	86.20	416
2016	68.20	527
2016	107.00	308
2017	108.80	299
2018	65.40	538



Oconnell Benjamin

Hometown: marlboro, NJ

Occupation: consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2003	109.50	67
2009	104.50	126
2010	59.70	200
2018	117.00	259
2018	124.20	224

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

The first Breeders Cup Handicapping Contest that was held at Santa Anita was exciting as the format was new and a very competitive set of races were selected. The leader board stayed close to the very end and I was in it with a good chance up to the last race.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I think as the contest evolves this would be better than all previous events but most importantly new contests are challenging for the top contest position and I am looking forward to changes that would make the contest a true reflection of the skill and work that it takes to win.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I like gardening and travel along with attending the horse races.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would place a tidy sum in my grandchildren's education fund.



Andrew Berg

Hometown: Roslyn, NY

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Bruce Berg

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Daniel Bergen

Hometown: Fairless Hills, PA

Occupation: Supply Chain Analyst



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	81.80	448

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the Monmouth Handicapping Qualifier in April of 2017. Also, being with my dad last year as he qualified for day 3 of the NHC.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The overall atmosphere at Treasure Island during the NHC, and the excitement of the mandatory races.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports, music, movies, handicapping

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

My dad and I are partners. We'd donate to thoroughbred aftercare, buy a yearling, and give to family.



Lawrence Bergen

Hometown: Fairless Hills, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	199.40	63



Chris Bertolucci

Hometown: san mateo, CA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	104.80	101
2012	106.80	122
2014	136.60	132



Michael Beychok

Age: 55

Hometown: Baton Rouge, LA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	133.80	80
2010	38.00	634
2011	165.60	23
2012	238.60	1
2013	22.40	677
2015	168.00	40
2016	122.40	205
2017	104.20	356
2018	94.10	378



Hugh Bishop

Age: 64

Hometown: Sarasota, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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gary blair

Hometown: toronto, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	80.20	458



Jobby Blevins

Age: 53

Hometown: Vancouver, WA

Occupation: retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	79.20	465
2017	111.50	310
2018	151.20	121

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

The first time I qualified for the NHC at River Downs.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Winning!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing, horse racing, and horse racing.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Continue to play online and go to more live events. Travel to racetracks I've not visited yet.



@GonnaTapit



Thomas Blosser

Hometown: CORNVILLE, AZ

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	0.00	695
2011	129.20	55
2012	51.40	352
2013	44.00	611
2014	52.00	586
2014	108.20	302
2015	107.80	304
2015	95.20	201
2016	68.10	464
2016	93.40	347
2017	120.40	278
2018	26.80	669
2018	41.40	620



Greg Bone

Hometown: Dallas, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	40.90	496
2017	74.20	497
2017	90.90	388
2018	88.60	399
2018	120.20	243

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My first time at the NHC in 2015. It was a great experience and made me want to continue to pursue tournament play and hopefully make it back to the NHC.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The challenge of playing in the tournament - 3 days of handicapping against a field of competitors that have all earned the privilege to play for the championship.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Handicapping and horse racing. Obviously.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I'm not going to think about that until it happens.



George Bosch

Hometown: BROOKLYN, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	80.80	457
2017	170.30	92
2018	100.40	339



Ron Bowden

Hometown: Sioux Falls, SD



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	136.80	170
2012	29.90	431
2013	53.80	359
2015	79.00	269



Amy Brantley

Hometown: HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK, AR
Occupation: Legal and Compliance Consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	64.00	542
2011	118.00	73
2013	210.20	18
2014	123.60	226
2014	200.80	40
2015	20.20	564
2016	86.80	384
2016	167.70	66
2017	49.00	595
2017	150.80	124
2018	72.00	506

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

my first time cashing at the NHC

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing the friends I have made over the last ten years through the NHC. Each year more people I know are getting involved with horse racing contests and it makes it more fun for all of us.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I enjoy photography and my sister has sparked my interest in birding. I have found getting back to nature is very calming.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Just the usual, pay off bills, invest and set aside bankroll for 2018 horse racing events.



Tony Brice

Age: 62

Hometown: Colleyville, TX

Occupation: Retired

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	337.00	2
2015	16.20	683
2016	154.20	112
2017	69.60	520
2018	163.30	90

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing 2nd at NHC 15.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Trying to win and become the first horseplayer ever with both a 1st and 2nd place finish at the NHC.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Travel and songwriting.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Compete on the 2018 NHC Tour and the Breeder's Cup Betting Challenge, mark more travel destinations off my list, and make more frequent trips to Nashville for songwriting.

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Dan Edwards

Age: 62
Hometown: Colleyville, TX
Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

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2018	163.30	90

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Dan Brockman

Age: 60
Hometown: La Verne, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	72.40	505
2012	84.10	203
2013	96.40	362
2015	38.40	633



Rick Broth

Hometown: dunwoody, GA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	68.20	527
2016	181.20	60
2017	102.90	361
2017	142.10	178
2018	79.20	465



eric brothers

Age: 38

Hometown: manchester,



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Blaise Brucato

Hometown: Highland heights, OH
Occupation: General Manager
Bar/Restaurant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	99.20	347
2013	69.80	518
2015	70.30	515
2017	120.40	279
2018	142.30	149

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Would have to be split between 4th Place finish last year in BCBC and my double win at Keeneland in Spring of 2017. The BCBC because it was the biggest payday of my handicapping career. The Keeneland win because it came two days in a row in separate contests over an elite field of players. I believe it is one of the more unique feats in player history and coming on the weekend of my father's birthday (who handed down his love of the sport to me) made it that much more emotional and special.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

To the camaraderie and seeing many of my friends. Being able to sit back and reflect on the racing year and enjoy the challenge of competing with the best handicapper's in the world attempting to win the most coveted honor of NHC Champion.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides racing, golf which I don't get to play enough, traveling and spending time with my family

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire!!! to become a full time handicapper. Travel, buy racehorse(s) and share proceeds with my wonderful wife and kids.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Guessing that after the interviews and articles that were written after the "historical weekend of handicapping" (not my words), I will forever be associated with the tagline of "I could read a racing form before I could read Dr. Suess". It was basically a true statement, and one that I am regularly teased about from that time on.



Blaise Brucato
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Peter Bucci

Hometown: Revere, MA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	152.20	88
2015	34.10	525



Robin Buser

Age: 59
Hometown: Delran, NJ
Occupation: Lawyer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	183.40	6
2010	90.80	389
2011	113.70	80
2012	27.60	438
2015	43.80	612
2016	29.00	600
2017	84.80	444
2017	155.90	135
2018	135.00	179

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I have a very good feeling it's about to happen real soon!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Definitely looking forward to being back at the table with friends old and new, enjoying all the activities and the tense moments of Win, Place or Also Ran competition. I've been working on strengthening my physical stamina so I can stay sharp, keep better pace and not miss anything this year.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I collect sports stuff; memorabilia, cards and autographs. Mostly Baseball, Football, Hockey and Basketball, but I also have quite a stock of Horse-racing and Celebrity items as well.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

That'll be just fine for today, folks.



Just look up my name.



Jeff Bussan

Hometown: New Canaan, CT



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	58.90	549
2018	169.20	80
2018	228.40	31



Tony Calabrese

Age: 50
Hometown: Toronto, ON
Occupation: Manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	136.30	172
2013	155.60	95
2016	110.10	252
2017	95.70	397
2018	44.00	611
2018	157.90	101



Joseph Calvo

Age: 55
Hometown: Jersey City, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Spencer Caple

Hometown: LEESBURG, VA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Hometown: Temecula, CA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?
Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
Deposit it!



Karen Carey

Age: 63

Hometown: new york, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Scott Carson

Hometown: New York, NY

Occupation: Free Bird



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	137.20	23
2009	49.60	239
2010	0.00	695
2011	113.80	79
2012	59.90	311
2013	34.20	419
2015	41.20	494
2016	110.90	290
2017	85.30	441
2017	123.00	230
2018	267.80	6

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

The day I won the Saratoga Challenge for a \$45,000 payday.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The buffet.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides horse racing? Not that many!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Rent a house at Saratoga for the whole meet and invite all my friends.



@CarsonPH



keith castleberry

Age: 71

Hometown: w sacramento, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jim Cauduro

Age: 60

Hometown: Plano, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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No Data Available



Louis Cavalaris

Hometown: Oakville, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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2012	60.60	307
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2013	184.20	45
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2016	90.00	368
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Roger Cettina

Age: 51
Hometown: Rumson, NJ
Occupation: Construction Management



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	47.40	232
2009	78.90	174
2012	34.00	418
2013	267.20	2
2014	108.20	302
2015	16.60	578
2016	150.60	113
2016	389.10	2
2017	131.20	232
2017	163.80	108
2018	31.80	651
2018	201.60	56

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing 2nd Twice in the NHC in 2013 and 2016

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Trying to break the Ice and be Victorious !!!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse Racing and Cycling thats about It !!!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest the money for early retirement.



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Bill Chenvert

Hometown: THE VILLAGES, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	108.60	77
2007	155.40	15
2012	25.40	444
2016	58.40	506
2016	147.00	136
2017	113.40	282



Ron Chittick

Age: 60

Hometown: Calgary, AB



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Mikael Christen

Hometown: Miami, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



John Christensen



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Dan Churilla

Hometown: Crown point, IN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	53.20	339
2013	88.20	402
2017	137.60	196



Jon Cianci

Hometown: Huntington Beach, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	211.60	4
2015	64.00	542



Dave Cichy



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



John Cilia

Hometown: Houston, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	131.40	156
2016	153.20	101



Dennis Colditz



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Richard (Scott) Coles

Age: 34

Hometown: Grayslake, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Wayne A. Collier

Age: 73

Hometown: slidell, LA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	112.20	287
2013	146.20	117
2014	134.80	181
2015	59.00	400
2015	142.80	148
2016	95.40	372
2018	38.00	634
2018	105.20	320



John Connelly

Hometown: El cajon, CA

Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	76.80	480
2018	80.20	458

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Breeders' Cup Keeneland 2015, it was a great experience

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing all my friends that I've made over the years.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Watching my little boy grow up is the greatest thing in my life, play some golf when I have the time.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

That would be awesome, I would make a donation to old friends aftercare, the rest I'd have to give some thought to.



James Connors

Hometown: Pleasanton, CA



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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	72.80	504
2015	126.60	209
2016	62.60	554



David Conover

Age: 59

Hometown: Barnegat, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	107.90	303
2012	52.00	586
2013	126.80	168
2014	128.80	194
2014	157.40	76
2015	93.00	209
2016	109.20	256
2017	69.20	514
2017	209.60	52
2018	153.70	114

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning my first live tourney at Monmouth Park with all my friends surrounding me to make sure I bet enough to win.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing old and new friends and the competition.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Get my daughters through college. Then travel.



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Louis Constan

Hometown: GLENDALE, CA

Occupation: Tax preparer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2001	81.70	450
2003	58.60	569
2004	144.70	144
2005	40.80	174
2006	17.00	222
2007	87.50	408
2010	39.00	246
2011	116.40	265
2012	164.00	23
2013	56.40	353
2014	54.20	408
2015	8.40	597
2016	116.90	230
2016	125.90	196
2017	112.00	288
2018	76.50	483

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

At the 2011 Del Mar two-day live money contest, I hit a 12-1 wire to wire winner ridden by Garret Gomez in the 3rd race. The hit catapulted my bankroll to around \$17,000 and with it, the lead. I maintained the bankroll and lead the rest of the way up to the final race. I lost the final race and thought that multiple players probably passed me. Only one did, and I finished in 2nd place, winning \$20,000 second place prize money and an NHC spot.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

As always, the opportunity to win big \$\$, while not having to pay an entry fee.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I enjoy attending film festivals. Also, I'm a big Dodgers, Lakers and Kings fan.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Probably buy a house.



Terry Cook

Age: 61

Hometown: towson, MD

Occupation: retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	201.20	58
2018	236.40	23

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Back to back at saratoga

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Meet all the players

What are your interests and hobbies?

All sports, poker...grandkids

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest it



Ben Coppola

Hometown: manahawkin, nj



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	54.40	332
2016	75.10	441



Joseph Costello

Hometown: Chicago, IL

Occupation: Executive VP

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	83.80	431
2017	157.70	103
2018	38.60	632
2018	87.40	409

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Connecting on Paige, Ultra Brat, and Squadron A last year, all cap horses, both online and at Surfside to score 2 tournament wins in one weekend and cap off a run to be 4th in the 2016 NHC Tour.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

A second chance to improve on my rookie try last year, and reconnecting with new friends on the Tour.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides horse racing, I enjoy 80s & 90s Firebirds & Corvettes, and I am a private pilot.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Payoff my mortgage, contribute to my brother's charity for orphaned children in Nigeria, and save up for retirement.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I imagine my old college professors would cringe at the thought of me using my Masters Thesis in Uncertainty Analysis to play the most uncertain of all sporting events, a horse race, but I'm glad to put the critical thinking skills to use for a hobby as real life work so often does not provide us those opportunities.



Erick Counts

Hometown: Rosemont, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Blake Courtney

Hometown: Lawrence, KS

Occupation: Information Technology



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	32.00	650
2018	63.00	549

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Pushing my handicapping boundaries. The fun experience offered by fantastic competition in this unique event.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Nature / Travel, TV / Movies, Books, Science

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Get married, Move to the West Coast (near family), Spend some time in nature, exploring and traveling, Spend time developing and investing in technology that would better or benefit society, Pay off debt



Michael Coutu

Hometown: Windermere, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	181.50	68



Kevin Cox

Hometown: OCEANSIDE, NY
Occupation: Professional Handicapper
for Saratoga Bets



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	102.00	333
2014	78.60	467
2014	79.80	462
2015	57.20	410
2016	49.00	595
2016	80.80	457
2017	132.30	226
2018	40.40	626
2018	145.50	142

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I would have to say that winning my first big live event at Belmont several years back was pretty cool! Cashed for over \$43,000 and got myself a spot on the "Horseplayers" TV show as well!!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I'm looking forward to the shampoo conditioner at the hotel. My hair is always so nice and soft when I get out there.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I am on the advisory board of Old Friends at Cabin Creek as well as the advisory board of the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance. I like to "collect racetracks", where I travel all over the country going to tracks I've never been to before. The key is that I have to get into the winner's circle! I'm up to 52 now (in 4 different countries) and also have 2 dog tracks & 3 Jai Alai frontons under my belt as well!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

In keeping with a tradition of recent years, I have publicly pledged 10% of any winnings to be split among assorted charities. This year the 3 charities are the two I'm on the board on as well as Mercy Ships.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Started my 5th year with Saratoga Bets recently, and during that time had a 1,920 race streak with a flat bet profit, as well as having given out a \$206 on top winner (believed to be the highest ever given out by a public handicapper) and a \$1,847 exacta box to boot!!



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Nicole Cox

Hometown: OCEANSIDE, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	108.60	236
2014	124.60	179
2015	144.90	51
2018	116.00	269



daniel cronin

Hometown: cincinnati, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jorge Cruz-Aedo

Age: 32

Hometown: Houston, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	129.20	77



Coleen Curley

Age: 58

Hometown: RALEIGH, NC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	35.80	255
2012	133.80	65



Richard Dahlgren

Age: 71

Hometown: The Villages, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Dan Dalfiume

Age: 42

Hometown: Santa Ana, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	131.20	231



Frank D'Angelo

Age: 66

Hometown: Beacon Falls, CT



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Stephanie Davis

Hometown: Brooklyn, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	85.30	114
2007	39.20	631
2008	30.20	656
2009	151.60	52
2010	110.20	294
2012	100.10	141
2013	160.00	98
2014	134.20	144
2016	70.80	512
2016	78.00	472
2017	134.40	216
2018	86.40	412
2018	240.70	21



Mark Deaton



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	68.70	271
2013	105.60	317
2014	44.80	608
2018	76.20	484



Steve Decaspers

Age: 43

Hometown: Forest park, IL

Occupation: Director of Marketing, U.S.

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	92.60	354
2016	222.50	36
2018	41.80	617

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Celebrating 2 in the money finishes at the Wynn last year (infamous for having no live scoreboard) with my playing partner Brent Schraff and our new friend Justin Dew, who we met due to our seating arrangements.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The intensity of the competition and the camaraderie between horseplayers.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing is my main interest and hobby.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Give \$50K to Brian DiDonato of Franklin Avenue Equine Partners to claim undervalued broodmare prospects, like he did with My Sugar - claimed for \$7,500 and sold at Keeneland January for \$30,000.



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Dennis Decauwer

Hometown: RANCHO CUCAMONGA,
CA
Occupation: Horseplayer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	99.10	102
2007	104.80	73
2008	78.30	152
2009	224.50	2
2010	66.60	533
2011	76.00	486
2012	49.60	359
2013	85.40	273
2014	137.00	130
2015	4.80	692
2015	71.80	507
2016	140.40	144
2017	86.20	416
2018	26.00	673

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

While I have been fortunate to win numerous contests, my favorite contest memory is finishing 2nd in the NHC. I was in contention the entire two days and held the lead going to the last race. While it was a bit disappointing to lose the lead in the final race, it was a very exciting two days!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The competition and the opportunity.

What are your interests and hobbies?

First, and foremost, I love spending time with my family--especially my grandkids. Additionally, I am a big baseball fan and I watch a lot of baseball during the season.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Save some, set some aside to help with grandkids' college education, buy a race horse or two with whatever is left!



Sam Decicco

Hometown: kingston, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	175.00	15
2012	70.00	265
2013	158.70	89
2014	25.10	467
2017	134.40	215



William Degnan

Hometown: Boynton beach, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Edward Deicke

Hometown: lido beach, NY
Occupation: Financial advisor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	37.60	636

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

The breeders cup 2017. I brought my son in law Jon Spack with me as my guest which was his Christmas gift. He is new to racing and was stunned with how first class and exciting the Breeders cup is. I finished 10 in the tournament along with my partner Steve Reddan and after cashing on several long shots in a row Jon turned to me and asked "Is this the best day you've ever had?" We all laughed because it was by far and he thought we always win.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Just having my son Coz with me and all of our guests including Andrew Chen,Matthew Wood hopefully Raviv Berlin and Jason Liang and of course my partner Steve "Bar of Gold" Reddan.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Movie, sports, horse racing and finance

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Split it with my partner. Split it with my wife. Split it with the IRS. Give some money to my kids and then put some money away for my granddaughters college education. I would be more thrilled with the eclipse award than anything else about winning. That trophy would sit in my living room and be a sense of tremendous pride.



Dennis Desenberg

Age: 67

Hometown: Norwalk, IA

Occupation: Retired USPS



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	30.40	655
2014	62.80	552
2018	186.10	68

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My 1st NHC Qualifier, winning the contest with Lava Man.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Doing better than I have in my last two, picking winners, and meeting fellow handicappers.

What are your interests and hobbies?

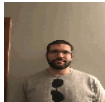
I flew a hot air balloon for 14 years as a hobby and I also enjoy exercise, auctions, volunteering and fishing.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take a very long cruise with my wife.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Horse race handicapping is such a dynamic pastime and contests just add to the appeal and pleasure.



Derek Deutsch

Age: 32

Hometown: Nazareth, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	163.30	90



Alex DeVito

Hometown: norwalk, ct
Occupation: Account Executive at IX
Sports & Entertainment



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	180.60	72
2018	90.70	390

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying for this year's Championship. I was home in Connecticut for the holidays and a local casino held an on-site contest just after New Years, so my father and I took a shot. Both of us played in the NHC last year and he was a dual-qualifier, but neither of us had qualified for 2018 yet. I had only ever qualified through tour points so this was my first actual contest win, and my most profitable day with the horses.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Playing again! I qualified last year and was the youngest player in the field. I missed out on the last day cut by a couple dollars (If only I bet Taghleebl!). I just won at Mohegan Sun in January. Coming in hot, I'm gonna keep it going.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports, Music, Live Events. Paco on the rail.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

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Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

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Basil Devito

Hometown: norwalk, ct



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	13.40	587
2015	68.20	527
2016	131.60	173
2016	240.40	23
2017	61.40	545
2017	129.40	244
2018	150.80	124

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

It's a new one! Watching my son win a contest and get his ticket to NHC in Vegas.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

With experience of playing multiple years at NHC, I hope to be able to make the cut this year.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I'm not sure, but I'd like to have the chance to figure it out. Probably invest most of it and the spend the rest - is past performance is an indicator of future results.



Justin Dew

Hometown: Longwood, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Peter Deys

Hometown: Edmonton, AB

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	67.00	532
2013	4.00	454
2016	307.80	7
2018	191.80	66



Jack DiCenso

Hometown: Welland, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	64.70	205
2014	128.00	198



Edward Dissinger



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Kim Dixon

Age: 51
Hometown: Arlington, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Steven Doodnauth

Hometown: Valley Stream, NY
Occupation: Finance



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	30.70	654

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My favorite contest memory is most definitely qualifying for the NHC in my first try this year via the HorseTourneys Kickoff Qualifier. Nick Juarez & Pretty Perfection scoring at 13-1 in the Gulfstream Park Lady's Turf Sprint Stakes (Pegasus Day) was the moment I knew it could be my day.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I'm mostly just looking forward to the overall experience, as it's my first time there.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I'm a huge sports fan, and can talk sports just about all day. My favorite sport however, is horse racing. Handicapping & Fantasy Sports are probably my two biggest hobbies.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would invest the majority of it, and take my family on a vacation w/ the rest.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

My favorite horse of all time is Silver Charm, favorite trainer Bob Baffert, and favorite Jockey John Velazquez (Johnny V!).



Bill Downes

Hometown: Indianapolis, IN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2001	64.80	152
2004	30.50	240
2006	197.40	15
2007	85.40	115
2008	57.20	205
2010	127.00	206
2012	149.90	125
2013	69.20	316
2017	123.40	265



peter dresens

Hometown: groton, MA
Occupation: physician



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	130.40	191
2017	236.10	25
2018	97.60	355
2018	113.30	283

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Earning the 2016 NHC Rookie of the year

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Enjoying the challenge, meeting up again with the other players, hoping to improve on last year's 29th place finish!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Mostly handicapping and daily exercise

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay for my son's tuition ,clear a few debts, maybe consider going professional...



Francis Drew

Hometown: Clearwater, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	76.20	484
2015	63.60	369
2017	35.20	620
2017	128.30	196



Doug Drewry

Age: 35

Hometown: Alexandria, VA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



George Duarte

Hometown: Long Beach, CA

Occupation: Lease Operator



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	178.00	36
2016	51.30	541
2017	179.60	74
2017	230.00	30
2018	56.30	577
2018	115.00	276

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning The Bet America Kentucky Downs contest. Since I started handicapping quarterhorses I felt it validated my ability to handicap thoroughbreds just as well.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Trying to improve off my placing last year and make final table.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Golf, Videogames, Sports

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy some horses and pay off my parents house



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Dave Durkin

Hometown: WIMAUMA, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	132.20	32
2007	119.00	246
2012	96.20	366
2013	6.60	453
2017	99.60	377



Vincent Easley

Hometown: San antonio, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Hometown: belle harbor, NY

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?

Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Deposit it!



Mike Elsass

Hometown: Miamisburg, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	77.50	145
2005	205.40	3
2010	8.40	292
2013	70.20	517
2016	192.10	52



Bob Engelhard

Hometown: King of Prussia, PA

Occupation: VP of Corporate insurance



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	80.60	223
2013	48.60	378
2014	30.00	657
2014	139.70	119
2015	112.80	128
2016	95.70	329
2016	231.30	28
2017	66.70	523
2017	77.10	484
2018	44.80	608
2018	89.30	395

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Hitting a 99-1 shot in an online contest and betting it also which contributed substantially to earning a qualification in 2016.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The daily interaction at our table where all of our buddies have qualified--my brother Kevin and friends John, Pete and Big Al..

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports in general and horse racing in particular. Most important interest is helping my grandson's (3) to have what they need to to grow up the proper way.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire on the spot--I'm two years out as it is so that would seal the deal.



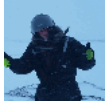
Kevin Engelhard

Hometown: franklin park, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	72.40	505
2010	90.40	129
2011	73.40	502
2012	63.20	547
2013	41.00	402
2014	22.80	472
2014	150.60	91
2015	89.40	394
2015	117.50	253
2016	70.80	512
2017	88.60	399
2017	129.70	243
2018	101.80	334
2018	110.90	290



Monte Engler

Hometown: New York, NY

Occupation: Soon-to-be retired attorney



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2003	77.10	123
2010	91.20	127
2011	74.90	492
2012	68.40	272
2013	136.40	140
2014	105.20	320
2015	120.80	242
2016	94.30	338
2017	109.20	327
2018	69.80	518
2018	164.20	85

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Hard to isolate one, but hitting a 23-1 shot 2 years ago comes close!!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The camaraderie developed among fellow competitors as we share the excitement of the contest. Many good friends have been made over the years through this shared passion.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse ownership and handicapping; Golf; Squash and racquetball; Chess; Writing.....likely in that order, depending on the day!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

A few dollars would be put aside for continuing contest play; likely buy a horse or two and the balance would be in trust for my three wonderful grandchildren.



Brian Fairlie

Age: 61

Hometown: point pleasant, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Chris Fallica

Hometown: FARMINGTON, CT
Occupation: ESPN College GameDay
Researcher, Host - Behind the Bets
Podcast, Writer - ESPN Chalk



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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	40.00	404
2014	160.60	72
2015	113.30	283
2016	40.00	570
2017	107.30	307
2018	89.80	391
2018	120.00	244



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What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Although it wasn't specifically part of the contest, hitting a six-figure Pick 5 at Santa Anita in January 2014 during the NHC has to rank up there.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

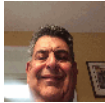
Just being in the room and feeling all of the excitement and seeing people I've gotten to know over the years. And hopefully getting off to a better start this year!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Some may know me as "The Bear" from College GameDay. Love to travel and see the world.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take a really nice trip and likely buy a new home.



Bob Farah



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Todd Faro

Hometown: COVINA, CA

Occupation: Business owner



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	193.60	65

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

2006 World Series at the Orleans, finished 3rd out of over 900 entrants.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The experience and playing against the best

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides horses, most sports, money management and fantasy baseball.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest it in real estate.



John Farrar

Age: 55

Hometown: willimantic, CT

Occupation: mgr



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	71.80	507
2016	123.20	228
2017	65.30	532
2018	227.30	32

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

First time I walked into the contest room at Treasure Island, I was completely in awe. There were so many people and the excitement filled the room.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Hoping to make to final table.

What are your interests and hobbies?

My kids, obviously horses, poker tournaments, and traveling.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would see to it that my parents had no financial worries, and look into a promising 2 year old.



Richard Favire

Age: 51
Hometown: Winfield Park, NJ
Occupation: Professional Services
Engineer

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	154.00	113

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I am looking for the Thrill of the Chase...! Some people would say they are coming to win it all. Not me though. I am going to enjoy the moment from leaving New Jersey in the airplane to getting into Las Vegas and driving to Treasure Island...tasting the local flavors and enjoying the casino and night life. Sure my goal is to take home the victory but the journey is worth a thousand lifetimes.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I love the outdoors...hunting, fishing, camping, and hiking. I love horse racing and spend some summer days at Monmouth Park here in New Jersey and Saratoga once in a while.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Well first I would see if the new tax laws (YEAH!) apply to the winnings and take care of the tax man and some bill collectors...lol. Give the wife 3/4 of what is left and put what is left into my account to try again at getting a seat to 2019 NHC...!

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Yes, I owe a special thank you to my stepdad..Dan Gray who got me started in horse racing back in 1979 (I was 12 Years Old). He and Uncle Lou took me to see Affirmed beat Alydar to win the Triple Crown...I picked Steve Cauthen and Affirmed to win and have been hooked ever since on Horse Racing...What a journey it has turned out to be. Can't thank him enough for all he has done for me through the years.



rickfavire



brendan fay

Age: 49
Hometown: Tonalea, AZ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	32.10	261
2015	119.40	105
2016	214.70	40
2017	250.20	18
2018	49.00	595



Nick Fazzolari

Hometown: COLTS NECK, NJ
Occupation: Financial Services



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	47.40	162
2012	50.20	356
2015	50.30	591
2017	58.80	567
2017	171.00	90
2018	53.10	582
2018	80.00	460

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning this years Wynn handicapping contest. This contest is unique in the sense that there is no leaderboard. Despite this, I knew I was in good shape prior to receiving the official results.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Hopefully, my fair share of winners.

What are your interests and hobbies?

All things horse racing. The handicapping and breeding side of the game top my list.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy myself a place near Gulfstream Park. No more winter snow for me!

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Good luck to all of my friends!



Mark Feld

Hometown: Ladera Ranch, CA
Occupation: Entrepreneur



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	45.80	603
2016	154.60	96
2017	88.80	424
2018	82.80	437

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the Wynn Tournament in 2016.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

It's all good!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Pretty much anything having to do with Thoroughbreds.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy more Thoroughbred stallions, I love the stallion business.



Gary Fenton



Hometown: Los Angeles, CA
Occupation: Managing Partner - Little Red Feather Racing

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	130.40	191
2018	146.80	137

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing in the top 2 of a pre-Thanksgiving tournament and qualifying for my first NHC in my rookie season.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

It was a bucket list item to join the tour and make it to the NHC. There are so many great handicappers who I admire and it will be an honor to be in the same room with them.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horses, hockey and family. Go Kings Go.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take my wife somewhere nice and then put the rest away to put my young kids through school.



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John Ferraro



Hometown: CLIFTON PARK, NY

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	106.20	315
2016	117.40	254
2018	128.00	198



Ron Ferrise

Hometown: Henderson, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	46.00	601
2018	63.70	544

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

2017 BCBC finished 2nd!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The atmosphere & electricity of the best town in america

What are your interests and hobbies?

horse racing & ice hockey (go Vegas Golden Knights!)

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Not go to Disneyland, but a trip to Italy, helping some family members & donating to our local animal shelters.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Let's Bet!



Mike Ferrozzo

Age: 60

Hometown: eagan, MN

Occupation: IT Projects Manager -
Health care



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	119.60	48
2010	92.60	122
2011	62.40	555
2012	62.60	554
2013	58.20	350
2014	72.80	504
2014	155.20	108
2015	64.00	542
2015	234.40	10
2016	91.00	365
2016	245.20	21
2017	55.40	578
2018	83.90	430
2018	118.40	248

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I have quite a few having been at this since 2007; Winning the Dog Days tournament one year at Canterbury Downs hitting a consolation pic 10, 16 times. Not getting in the DOG DAYS tournament at Canterbury a few years prior and Hitting a 20K pic 10. Making the final table at the NHC in 2015. Hitting an ex 70 times at Surf side to win a tournament there during a NY holiday. coming in 2nd at Belmont after having four cap horses and getting passed by a Guy with the last 5 winners the following day..

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Just getting together with friends and having a respectable showing.....like make the top 10 %

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse handicapping has been a part time (or full time maybe) hobby for 30 years.....Been bowling for 40 years....been playing golf since high school, but I'm not good.....staying in shape working out running and weights...

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Help out with donations to church and charity, the rest probably just invest . Firstly, I enjoy the competition of horse handicapping tournaments, the prize money just makes it that much better !

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I'm also a family guy with a wife (Michelle) and son (Michael) who cheer me on. Michelle is into riding horses every weekend (while I'm playing tournaments) and Michael Jr. is busy with his Sales career at AT@T.



@mferozzo



Mark Fienberg

Age: 68
Hometown: toronto, ON
Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	99.80	342
2018	132.60	185

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

This past July I had the dream handicapping contest day. I won an NHC Seat (My First) and a free entry into The \$3500 Woodbine Live Money Contest. I got my NHC Berth by finishing 3rd in a Pick and Pray that awarded 2 seats. The 2nd Place finisher had already double qualified so I was bumped up and got the other seat. THE woodbine Qualifier I won by 10 cents. At Woodbine I earned my 2nd NHC Seat.. Lady Luck was definitely with me that day

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Putting faces to the names I've competed against online will be fun. Also competing with my friends from Toronto who do qualify. Also I haven't been to Las Vegas since 1999 so that-will be interesting.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides Handicapping contests I bet on sports and play lots of fantasy sports. I love to shop for and cook food. Political Junkie, Movies Small Time Art Collector

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

First Two on my "Bucket list" Purchase a nice thoroughbred horse probably a yearling

Second buy a Lauren Harris painting (Canadian Artist of note)

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

My Uncle Dave Foster's Horse , Sunny Halo won the 1983 Kentucky Derby. I was in The Winner's circle at Churchill that Saturday along with about 50 family and friends



Louis Filoso

Age: 67
Hometown: ASBURY PARK, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	110.60	75
2007	44.40	610
2015	134.70	66
2016	93.90	379
2017	148.80	130
2017	309.30	4



Christopher Fischer

Age: 59

Hometown: pacific grove, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	59.60	563



John Fisher

Hometown: Leesburg, FL

Occupation: Handicapper; Portfolio Manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	34.80	256
2009	94.60	141
2013	123.40	176
2014	41.00	434
2015	58.00	570
2016	99.80	342
2017	102.30	331
2017	119.90	282
2018	27.20	668
2018	45.80	603

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Probably the 2009 NHC Finals at Red Rock Hotel where my wife led the tournament almost all of the 2nd and final day.....had ~ \$15 lead going into the last race of the tournament and got beat.....at the wire.....by a neck.....to a Jeff Mullins first time starter longshot.....she finished 5th. Pretty exciting !

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing my friends and competing with the best handicappers in the country for the 2018 NHC title. Maybe, just maybe...letting them know that I recently won the BetPTC Handicapper of the Year contest and a 2nd NHC seat....lol

What are your interests and hobbies?

Developing strategies and execution methodologies for each cash tournament offered throughout the year, whether online or at a host site. Being part of both the Sovereign Stables and West Point Thoroughbreds racing partnerships. Terry Finley and his staff at WPT do a great job with their members, especially the newer ones. For me, joining a racing partnership allows me to continue "living the dream" of owning a horse and going to the Derby and/or Breeders Cup.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Giving back: Uncle Sam, church, wife.....and if there is anything left over....buying more racehorses.....

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I enjoy being part of the Mentor Program with the NHC/NTRA. Getting some experienced, helpful "do's, don'ts and how to's" often speeds up their learning curve and makes the NHC experience more enjoyable. I also enjoyed being part of 2 panels at the recently concluded 44th Annual Global Symposium on Racing. I think it's very important for the horseplayer to have a voice and help shape/support the future of horseracing and especially contest play.



Kyle Fitzgerald

Hometown: Nashville, TN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	78.20	470



Scott D Fitzgerald

Age: 50

Hometown: WESTFORD, MA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	56.40	224
2017	161.00	113
2018	35.40	639



Ryan Flanders

Hometown: CARLSBAD, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	111.80	222
2014	294.60	9
2016	114.80	277
2016	143.40	133



Dan Flanigan

Age: 48
Hometown: Hamel, MN
Occupation: Finance/Banking



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	75.40	243
2013	214.00	14
2014	14.40	484
2014	125.40	218
2015	82.50	442
2015	211.20	16
2016	64.60	481
2016	77.80	474
2017	169.50	93
2017	231.20	36
2018	147.70	132



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What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I have many - my most recent favorite memory is winning the Big One at Laurel Park in 2016. What I liked the most about it was that the contest played out like I thought it would. I really liked the 2nd from last race - I knew what I was going to bet before the day started, and it's all went as planned. Very rarely does it work out that way!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing friends - It's my favorite event of the year, and I really enjoy connecting with everyone that I only see once a year. I also like Vegas!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Other than horse racing, I like playing tennis, golf and bowling (yes bowling). I'm also a salt water aquarium enthusiast. I have a 150 gallon salt water tank that I really enjoy.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would definitely donate some of the winnings to the Leg Up Fund, which provides emergency financial assistance to jockeys injured while riding at Canterbury Park. And of course I would buy more horses to race, and make a trip to see the Dubai World Cup.



Travis Foelsch

Age: 29
Hometown: Lake Arrowhead, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Gilson Fontz

Hometown: Millersville, MD

HOLLYWOOD
Casino
AT PENN NATIONAL RACE COURSE

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	76.60	482
2008	97.60	355
2009	36.40	262



Bart Fooden

Hometown: POINT LOOKOUT, NY

BELMONT
PARK

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2002	47.60	142
2005	110.00	56
2009	54.20	229
2012	56.80	573
2013	60.00	340
2017	55.80	566



Frank Foss

Hometown: Manassas, VA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	111.80	209
2014	111.00	224
2015	105.20	320
2016	109.70	253
2017	91.00	416
2018	75.00	491



William Fuchs



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Brian Gallagher

Age: 47

Hometown: NEWTON, MA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Robert Gallant

Age: 31

Hometown: West Orange, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	110.20	294



J. Randy Gallo

Hometown: Jupiter, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2000	146.40	48
2001	46.40	171
2006	20.60	219
2012	107.40	306



Randy Gallo

Hometown: PALM BEACH GARDENS,
FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2002	65.20	539
2007	121.40	238
2008	86.70	131
2009	16.80	288
2013	25.20	674
2018	73.60	499
2018	77.60	476
2018	88.70	398



Ross Gallo

Hometown: Jupiter, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2001	34.60	643
2002	4.60	173
2004	150.40	17
2006	139.30	43
2007	38.60	632
2008	131.40	47
2009	68.10	201
2010	60.80	560
2012	63.60	291
2013	126.40	212
2016	106.30	314
2017	111.40	311
2017	177.60	80



Tony Garafalo

Age: 54

Hometown: loveland, OH

Occupation: Business owner



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	111.80	51
2007	38.80	211
2009	133.40	82
2011	125.20	60
2017	101.80	334
2018	137.70	166

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the NTRA free qualifier contests in 2016 against 2500 other entries.

It was totally unexpected. One of those days when everything goes right.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Watching sports, traveling, coaching baseball.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

College tuition, give to local animal shelters, put some money away for the future.



Hometown: New Braunfels, TX

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?
Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
Deposit it!



John Gaspar

Hometown: Wakefield, MA
Occupation: Self Employed Stock
Option Plan Administrator



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	165.00	104
2018	71.20	509
2018	114.30	278

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

In general, during the 2017 NHC, the excitement of the mandatory races, especially when a mid priced or longer shot wins. The ballroom was electric. Lots of people "riding" their choices home. Quite fun. Personally, it was from the Big One at Laurel. Getting to meet a class group of quality handicappers, exchange ideas and getting to watch them play was fantastic.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing some familiar faces, making new friends and 3-4 days of eating, drinking and talking about gambling and horses.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse Racing, Horse Ownership, Poker. I probably need a hobby outside of gambling.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Do you mean my remaining allowance after my spouse confiscates the earnings? I'd likely purchase interests in some horses and travel to racetracks in France and England. I love visiting the backside of a race track in the morning. Nothing more peaceful for me.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I once killed a man while betting on the horses. Sitting in the Foxwoods horse book betting the Preakness Stakes when an older gentlemen sat beside me. We chatted for a few minutes and 30 minutes later he collapsed in his carousel and could not be revived. Upon telling the story to my family, my sister commented that she knew it would eventually happen. It was only a matter of time until I bored somebody to death. Love my family.



@johnG032



Bruce Gasson



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Tim Gavin

Age: 64
Hometown: DALLAS, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Ian Gendler

Hometown: Brooklyn, NY
Occupation: Stock Analyst



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	85.00	421

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

This is my first NHC, so I am excited to experience the entire event.

What are your interests and hobbies?

scotch whisky, basketball and baseball statistics

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy a house



iangendler



Patrick Gianforte

Hometown: CARY, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	124.80	221
2007	50.60	590
2009	41.20	252
2010	97.40	356
2011	9.00	688
2012	30.70	654
2013	164.00	80
2014	9.00	688
2015	17.80	570
2015	68.20	527
2016	81.20	455
2016	141.50	140
2017	123.90	263



Robert Gianquitti

Hometown: lake worth, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	72.40	505
2011	70.00	195
2015	88.20	402
2017	107.50	343
2017	109.40	325
2018	95.40	372
2018	156.40	105



Eric Gielata

Hometown: Coraopolis, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	108.40	300
2015	35.80	518



Robert Gilbert

Hometown: Yardley, PA

Occupation: Retired from both US Air Force and high school teaching.



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	70.20	517
2016	51.40	540
2016	219.70	37
2017	90.10	419
2017	144.60	171
2018	69.50	521
2018	128.20	197

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

At the Breeders' Cup Betting Challenge, I wasn't doing too good on Friday. So I punched in some picks and headed back to the hotel to beat the traffic.

When I checked my picks, I was pleasantly surprised to find out I had hit a \$2 trifecta for over \$4000 along with win and exacta bets.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I'm just looking forward to the "whole" experience--the VIP treatment we receive, seeing some of the big names in the tournament game, and, of course, the great competition.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Having spent 20 years in the military and 13 years teaching high school, I enjoy the low stress environment of stay-at-home retirement. I play a lot of handicapping tournaments on-line, follow sports, watch a bunch of TV shows and take care of my pets.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

It's fun to dream about money you don't have. My house needs some updating and my retirement nest egg should be bigger. I'm sure there are many charities that also could use some help.



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Mike Gillum

Age: 48

Hometown: Indianapolis, IN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Chris Goodall

Hometown: Las Vegas, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2003	5.20	211
2007	32.20	649
2009	8.00	295
2010	74.80	493
2012	11.80	474
2013	163.80	82
2014	137.80	126
2016	30.60	595
2017	81.40	453
2018	67.80	528



Richard Goodall

Age: 75

Hometown: las vegas, NV

Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2002	76.60	482
2005	102.80	66
2006	106.10	79
2007	90.60	101
2008	272.30	1
2009	103.00	131
2010	113.60	78
2011	58.60	569
2012	78.60	467
2013	59.00	346
2014	133.80	145
2015	72.80	504
2015	89.40	394
2016	88.60	399
2016	133.00	169
2017	137.60	195
2017	232.70	32
2018	28.40	664
2018	126.40	212

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Easily, my best handicapping memory is winning the 2008 NHC and receiving an Eclipse Award. That's a hard act to follow.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

It goes without saying that I'd like to play well in the contest, but, it's always fun to see old friends.

What are your interests and hobbies?

My wife Sally and I like to travel, especially if an NHC contest is involved. I still love to drive, how can beat a trip to Surfside or Monmouth in the Summer. .

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I don't have to guess at this answer; I did and still would give it to my wife--she has more sense than I ever will



Sally Goodall

Hometown: Las Vegas, NV

Occupation: Owner of Financial

Healthcare Resources



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2002	55.50	135
2003	32.60	648
2004	63.00	549
2006	83.00	116
2007	70.60	140
2008	22.60	271
2009	5.00	299
2010	13.90	286
2011	93.60	382
2012	102.40	133
2013	74.80	493
2014	36.80	444
2014	115.60	211
2015	88.00	404
2015	103.80	167
2016	27.00	609
2016	80.80	457
2017	121.20	240
2017	262.70	12
2018	51.00	588
2018	72.40	505

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I finished 12th last year in the NHC Tournament. Even though I missed out on making our "Final Table", it was very exciting...

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The NHC Championship is the "Big Elephant" in our contest season so I am always excited to be in it. . But I also look forward to seeing old friends and meeting the new players I compete against. .

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides handicapping, I like to travel and I love doing things with my mom and the rest of my family from China.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy some horses and shoot for the Kentucky Derby; might as well dream big.



Marshall Gramm

Hometown: Memphis, TN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	61.60	558
2016	83.40	434
2017	130.40	191
2018	28.20	665



Stephan Gravina

Hometown: Huntington Beach, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Dave Gray

Hometown: CLEVELAND, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Patrick Grippo

Age: 45
Hometown: Poughquag, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Chuck Grubbs

Occupation: Self employed



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	103.20	328
2014	118.00	205
2015	52.20	584
2015	27.40	545
2018	222.80	38

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing in the money in 2 BCBC

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing everyone

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay some bills

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I would like to wish everyone good luck in this years nhc



Chuck Grubbs



Frank Gryboski Jr

Hometown: Wayne, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	90.50	215
2016	118.20	225
2017	151.00	122
2018	241.10	20



Blaise Guadagno

Age: 64
Hometown: Levittown, NY
Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	168.50	96
2018	163.60	88

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Horse Tourneys/Big One and NHC

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Help my children first. Long vacation with the wife.



David Gutfreund

Age: 57
Hometown: Chicago, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2002	38.60	632
2003	161.30	19
2004	99.20	347
2005	153.00	20
2007	34.80	222
2008	95.80	111
2011	184.90	9
2012	106.40	123
2013	170.80	75
2014	83.80	431
2015	81.20	455
2015	122.80	95
2016	116.70	262
2016	331.80	5
2017	76.60	482
2017	103.80	358



William Haliziw

Age: 74

Hometown: CHICAGO, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	166.20	13
2006	199.40	13
2009	24.80	280
2010	74.10	169



Larry Hall

Age: 59

Hometown: Verona, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	73.90	496
2017	136.50	201



Len Hanson

Hometown: Redondo Beach, CA

Occupation: Wealth Advisor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	107.00	308
2017	78.00	472
2018	141.60	153

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

In 2015 I won the Cal racing's (Best handicapper in California) contest. The prize was an NHC seat for 2016, this was my first one. Cal racing has not had another contest since so I am still the best handicapper in California. Top that Christian, Kevin, and Nisan.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Breaking out of my NHC slump.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Stocks and horses.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy my wife something nice for putting up with me and my hobbies. Put the rest to work in the market.



Allen Harberg

Hometown: Philadelphia, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	30.00	657
2017	128.00	198



Kevin Harrell

Hometown: MARION, IN

Occupation: Healthcare Solutions
Consultant

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	47.80	455
2018	161.70	93

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying for my first NHC in my 2nd attempt.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Learning from mistakes made in my first NHC, being more prepared going into this tournament and knowing what to expect this time around.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Golf, reading, technology.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Eliminate all debt, buy a house, and dedicate some prize money to the sport and future contests.



Daniel Hart

Age: 56

Hometown: Batesville, AR

Occupation: Account Manager/Sales Rep



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	256.10	10

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the Dec 30th qualifier for the 2018 NHC

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Meeting and learning from the best in the game

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing, sports, music, photography and travel

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Remodel our home and travel



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Michelle Hartsell

Age: 42

Hometown: San Diego, CA

Occupation: Compliance Auditor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	76.10	485
2018	106.20	315

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

The first trip I ever took with my husband was to San Diego, California. He sold me on a lovely weekend wherein we would lounge beachside while celebrating the New Year. Little did I know that it was also the weekend of the Surfside tournament (and his last chance to qualify for the NHC). There was no lounging, and my view of the beach was from the Surfside patio, but I learned much about what all the fuss was about. ...And he won the tournament.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would save some, invest some, and hide the rest from my husband, Matt Rentze, so he doesn't "reinvest" it in the parimutuel system...



Steven Hartshorn

Hometown: fallbrook, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2001	135.40	40
2007	94.00	94
2008	46.20	233
2009	24.40	281
2010	49.10	224
2011	76.60	482
2012	133.60	68
2013	50.80	369
2015	88.00	404
2017	299.40	6
2018	97.20	357
2018	160.80	96



Hometown: RUNNELLS, IA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?
Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
Deposit it!



Christian Hellmers



Hometown: Del mar, CA
Occupation: Professional Horseplayer /
Investor / Entrepreneur / Evangelist

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	17.80	462
2013	154.80	111
2014	52.00	586
2014	125.80	175
2015	107.60	154
2016	39.80	630
2017	44.20	610
2017	96.20	366
2018	4.80	692
2018	62.60	554

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?
Taking first prize in the HPWS is up there. Every time I make a great call against the grain I'm charmed.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
The look on everyone's face when I win it.

What are your interests and hobbies?
Competing against the best horseplayers in the world, living original, sharing truth(s), challenging tradition, making visual art, taking my pup to the beach, throwing theme parties, playing spades/bridge, running half marathons, indulging in nature, eating plant powered cruelty free foods, dating powerful women, betting thousands of dollars on strong opinions, traveling the world alone, putting people on the spot to see if they know their stuff, giving back to those that deserve

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
Make a short film about the Pick 6 Boys.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?
I'm one of the most competitive humans on this planet hence the headband. I covet the opportunity to compete against anyone in a real money cash betting tournament over any weekend. I plan to revolutionize the game this year and for years to come through my tournament performances and individual player challenges.



@rawordie



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Greg Helm

Hometown: La Quinta, CA

Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	197.00	62

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Learning the ropes; making new friends; winning!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse ownership, golf, charity.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Expand horse ownership, donate to charity.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Santa Anita and Del Mar rock!



William Henderson

Hometown: studio city, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



George Henning

Hometown: Palatine, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	161.20	70
2015	185.50	31
2016	93.00	351
2017	137.80	194



James Henry

Age: 50

Hometown: TORRANCE, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	141.60	153
2009	167.40	29
2010	110.60	84
2011	34.60	643
2012	56.60	576
2013	46.80	384
2014	63.80	543
2014	88.00	404
2015	29.40	660
2016	26.40	672
2016	136.10	175
2017	40.80	617
2018	85.60	418
2018	117.20	256



Phillip Henslee

Age: 49

Hometown: Arlington, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Tim Herboth

Hometown: Chicago, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	137.70	166
2010	54.00	209
2011	47.60	239
2012	13.40	473
2013	30.20	656
2014	30.80	453
2016	59.60	563



Shawn Heron

Age: 53

Hometown: WESTFIELD, NJ

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	95.90	396
2017	220.10	43



Dino Herrera

Age: 63
Hometown: Scottsdale, AZ
Occupation: Engineer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	171.80	73
2017	75.20	490
2018	116.00	269
2018	116.30	267

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My first NHC contest where I was \$1.60 from qualifying for the final day.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Being a dual entrant. This is the first time this has occurred.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Watching family play sports. Watching NFL and NBA games from my season ticket seats. Traveling on vacation with my wife whenever possible.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Charity for starters.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I have contributed to the Horseplayer Now Buzz report for a few years. Developed by Jeremy Plonk, HPNow is known for their Night School program which has run for a few years. The handicappers that contribute to HPNow and the Buzz report include Brian Spencer, Brian Nadeau, Caton Bredar, Bob Neumeier, Jerry Shottenkirk and Terry Turrell. Past Buzz contributors were Joe Kristufek, Jeff Nahill and Candice Hare.



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Brian Herrity

Hometown: Mankato, MN
Occupation: Owner, LMH Brokerage & Distribution



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	240.80	4
2012	121.60	89
2013	36.60	412
2015	112.00	288
2016	116.40	265
2016	183.50	59
2017	67.10	520
2017	156.00	132
2018	138.60	158
2018	234.50	26

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Placing 2nd in the initial BCBC.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Winning the contest.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Interest: Horse Racing. Hobby: Betting on Horse Racing.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest it, along with donating some to my favorite charity.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

One of the very few people to be the single winner twice of the So. Cal P6 on a carry over day!



Ernest Hey Jr

Hometown: Alden, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jeff Ho

Age: 50

Hometown: Irvine, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	69.50	521



Alan Hoffman

Hometown: SAN GABRIEL, CA

Occupation: Business Owner



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	171.00	18
2012	117.80	250
2013	143.20	128
2014	81.60	334
2016	38.60	632
2017	144.60	170
2018	51.60	587

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I don't really have one. I have had several top 10 finishes that have all ended in complete frustration. In all seriousness, all of the contests that I have played in have been a lot of fun.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Winning is the obvious answer, but another thing that I'm looking forward to is this is the first time that my son Tyler has qualified on his own. So playing along side him will be a lot of fun!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides horseracing which takes up a considerable amount of my free time, I like to play golf and travel.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I assume most of it will go towards funding my retirement, but I could also see putting a little bit of money back into the game in the form of ownership.



Tyler Hoffman

Hometown: San gabriel, CA
Occupation: Project Manager at PAG
Construction



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	219.10	46

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

When I was 18 years old, I won the Santa Anita online showviver contest for \$3,000.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Hopefully picking a few double digit winners so I can be in the top 50 and really have a shot to win this thing.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I love sports and traveling!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I'd donate a portion of the winnings to a few different charities. It's important to give back to the game we all love. I'd probably also do a bit more traveling to some of the the big cash contests. The rest of it would be saved and invested.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Horse racing has been in my blood since the day I was born. My parents met at Santa Anita and my first SA Derby was April of 92. I was 5 weeks old...

I think the first time my parents figured out I was hooked to the sport of kings was in Kindergarten. The teacher asked me to count to 12.

"1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,12", I proudly said. The teacher replied, "what happened to 11?" I looked up at her and said "It was scratched".



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William Holmes

Hometown: Burlington, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	78.90	228
2014	70.20	517
2015	119.40	106
2016	163.30	90
2017	156.50	127
2018	84.20	426
2018	219.50	44



William Holobowski

Age: 49

Hometown: Tinton Falls, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	16.60	579
2016	54.40	520



Craig Hom

Hometown: San Francisco, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	87.30	113
2012	174.40	16
2013	185.00	44
2014	79.80	462
2014	235.60	20
2015	156.30	46
2016	96.40	362
2017	120.90	241
2018	66.40	534



Samuel Homiack Jr

Age: 60

Hometown: Las Vegas, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Eliot Honaker

Age: 41

Hometown: Louisville, KY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	56.20	416
2017	171.60	87
2017	258.30	15
2018	120.80	242



Ken Hopkins

Age: 68

Hometown: flushing, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	16.80	290
2011	68.90	199
2012	54.80	330
2015	17.70	571



Gwyn Houston

Hometown: FALLSTON, MD



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2000	91.00	111
2001	225.40	3
2003	25.60	199
2007	57.40	174
2009	213.80	4
2010	52.60	213
2012	29.40	660
2013	47.80	381
2014	54.00	409
2016	115.60	239
2017	149.20	128
2017	194.30	66
2018	96.20	366



John Howland

Age: 64

Hometown: newton, MA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	43.20	234



Timothy Hughes

Age: 56

Hometown: Point Pleasant, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	220.80	40



Joe Hyerczyk

Hometown: Johnsburg, IL

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	139.80	187



Mike Iannone

Hometown: Carteret, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Chris Inman



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



eddie inman

Hometown: Houston, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Derek Isenberg

Hometown: Haddon Heights, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	30.20	656
2011	82.40	443
2012	81.80	448
2016	153.80	99
2017	114.00	297



Karl Jacob

Hometown: Fort Salonga, NY

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	21.40	679

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying for the NHC for the first time.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Having fun!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Have a backyard barn with some Off-Track Thoroughbreds. Keeps me busy.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

No idea. A good problem to have.



Karl Jacob



Tim Jacobs

Age: 60

Hometown: Pingree Grove, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	94.60	335



terry jerge

Hometown: altadena, CA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	59.80	395
2016	83.20	435
2016	233.00	27
2017	135.50	205
2018	69.00	525



Blake Jessee

Hometown: orlando, FL

Occupation: Racing Manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	208.50	44
2018	170.80	75

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Arlington contest 2015

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing all my contest friends & doing my best to win

What are your interests and hobbies?

Gambling

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Make sure my family is taken care of.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Thanks to all the horses & horseman that make this game possible



@hongkongblake



jeff joffrion

Hometown: Baton Rouge, LA
Occupation: employer Benefits consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	214.20	49

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

2017-2018 Comb BC and NHC qualification

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

meeting some of the players

What are your interests and hobbies?

hunting , fishing,

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

invest it



Jay Johns

Hometown: KANSAS CITY, MO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	16.60	205
2012	61.20	304
2013	45.80	603
2014	58.40	403
2015	22.90	559
2015	76.10	485



Brent Johnson

Hometown: Oakton, VA

Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	62.00	557
2018	120.90	241

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the 2017 Woodbine Weekend Handicapping Tournament

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Simply participating in such a large and prestigious tournament with others that enjoy the sport as much as I do.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Family, Horse racing handicapping and ownership, Traveling

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Put it all on Red

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I was an owner of 2004 Breeders Cup Turf Winner Better Talk Now



@brent_johnson4

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brian johnson

Age: 44

Hometown: lexington, KY

Occupation: retired

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	163.60	88

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Anything at Keeneland.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The second chance tournament.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Needlepoint and backgammon.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Bet more at the races.



Carol Johnson

Age: 55
Hometown: Oakton, VA
Occupation: Accountant

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	49.00	595

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the 2017 Woodbine Spring Tournament.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Playing in one of the biggest contest of the year in Las Vegas.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Spending time with my family. I particularly like watching my son play in his college golf tournaments.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Watch my husband put it all on red.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

This has been a crazy year with my husband and I playing in our first tournaments. I have really enjoyed it and look forward to playing in many more.



Joseph Johnson

Hometown: San antonio, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	71.20	509
2017	92.40	413
2018	46.60	599
2018	223.70	37



Joseph Johnson

Hometown: Lexington, VA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Scott Johnson

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	74.20	497



Kevin Jones

Age: 63

Hometown: North chesterfield, VA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	71.40	305
2015	50.50	443
2017	247.20	19



Ken Jordan

Hometown: FARMINGDALE, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	145.30	33
2012	43.40	384
2013	130.00	156
2014	64.80	386
2015	291.70	2
2016	238.40	25
2017	105.10	353
2018	40.60	622



Gloria Kahlden

Hometown: St Petersburg, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	120.70	277
2018	262.50	7

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Making the NHC last year my first time qualifying

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Trying for a higher final ranking than last year

What are your interests and hobbies?

Boating and playing slot machines at the Hard Rock Casino in Tampa

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Do some more remodeling on the house and go on a big shopping spree



Lawrence Kahlden

Hometown: St Petersburg, FL

Occupation: Retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	214.60	13
2016	28.40	664
2016	137.40	157
2017	51.40	587
2017	108.40	300
2018	31.60	652
2018	62.80	552

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Having the highest score on Day 2 of my first NHC in Vegas after scoring 0 points on Day 1

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Same as it is each year, attempting to win the NHC! But it is always great seeing all the great horseplayers I play against weekly online and meeting new ones that I haven't met before.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Gambling on the horses, taking my boat on weekend or week long trips, and going to LSU Tiger and New Orleans Saints games. In addition I have claimed 4 horses recently and love going to watch them race live.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would probably buy a bigger boat, claim a few more horses and make an annual donation to some of the horse aftercare charities



John Kaiser

Hometown: Krotz springs, LA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	174.80	56
2014	114.00	214
2015	77.00	285
2016	95.80	328



stelios kandias

Hometown: Ridge, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Dan Kaplan

Hometown: Las vegas, NV

Occupation: retired

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	114.20	280
2011	85.00	421
2012	83.70	205
2013	126.20	170
2014	85.40	319
2016	89.90	369
2017	63.80	543
2017	147.00	136
2018	76.70	481

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning 2016 Horseplayers World Series at the Orleans Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas



David Kaplan

Age: 51
Hometown: Little Neck, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Joseph Karabaich

Hometown: Phoenix, AZ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Ken Kasowicz

Hometown: Chicago, IL
Occupation: Technology Manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	73.70	498
2017	164.40	105
2018	63.00	549

What are your interests and hobbies?

I have ran and finished 25 marathons including every Chicago marathon since 2003

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I am not letting myself get too far ahead by even thinking too deeply about it, but I think some trips would probably be in the cards.



ken.kasowicz



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Craig Kaufman

Hometown: Hacienda Heights, CA
Occupation: Poker Tournament Director



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2000	81.80	448
2005	101.00	71
2007	99.00	79
2008	99.20	347
2009	27.80	276
2010	88.40	401
2011	45.80	603
2012	87.30	187
2013	68.80	526
2014	88.40	401
2014	128.80	194
2015	62.40	555
2015	57.40	408
2016	134.00	184
2018	136.00	176

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I don't have a favorite, its just a thrill to win any tournament I play in.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Making the final 10

What are your interests and hobbies?

Betting horses and cashing tickets

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I'll take one step at a time and will disclose plans when I win

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

My daughter, Lisa Kaufman, a multi NHC qualifier got married this past summer. She and my son-in-law, Louis, took Cheryl and I to game one of the World Series.



Ron Kaufmann

Hometown: St. Louis, MO

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	58.00	570
2013	176.20	53



Michael Kavana

Age: 47
Hometown: Walpole, MA
Occupation: Research Scientist



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	50.00	593

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying for the NHC of course! Hitting Tapwrit in the Belmont was enough to win a feeder into the NHC qualifier. Then I had a really good day at Churchill with a first time starter at Santa Anita at the end to seal the deal!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Just soaking in the environment and enjoying the experience!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Boring but I'd pay off the mortgage to start



@MikeKatthespa



Hometown: charles town, WV

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?

Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Deposit it!



Barry Kerbel



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Robert Kerr



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Wadie Khalaf

Age: 40
Hometown: Tampa, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



John Kimove

Hometown: milton, ON
Occupation: roadside assistance



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	37.40	405
2013	144.20	145
2016	82.80	437
2017	75.60	488
2018	161.40	94

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

its a tie between winning a tournament to qualify for the nhc my first time,,and last years NHC final where I sat beside my good friend ray arsenault and watched him bring in the NHC championship..lived it with him.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

see all the players again..getting ready for the grind

What are your interests and hobbies?

golf and horseracing

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

live a little better



Jonathon Kinchen

Age: 36

Hometown: Austin, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	230.00	30
2015	256.60	7
2016	105.40	319
2016	121.70	210
2017	80.90	463
2017	163.10	111
2018	187.20	67



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What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

2015 NHC when I had two entries qualify for the final table

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Bacon for breakfast...

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing and adult beverages...

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Besides all the boring life answers...I would definitely start a small claiming operation and buy a few two year olds from the sales.



Kenneth King

Hometown: NEW YORK, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	81.60	218
2015	58.80	567



Gregg Kingma

Age: 57

Hometown: Las Vegas, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Paul Kloeker

Age: 33

Hometown: Cold spring, KY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Cheryl Knepper

Hometown: Reading, PA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	118.40	248
2015	71.00	511
2016	53.90	524
2016	65.90	476
2017	53.90	576



Greg Knepper

Hometown: West lawn, PA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	21.30	218
2013	175.60	54
2014	30.80	454
2014	96.40	362
2015	132.70	75
2016	83.90	430
2017	20.30	641
2018	136.80	170



Brian Knowles

Hometown: Phoenix, AZ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	134.60	183
2018	169.80	78



Nick Kochanski

Hometown: Mount Prospect, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	185.60	30
2016	126.40	212
2017	96.30	365
2018	46.60	599
2018	113.40	282



Joe Koury

Age: 54

Hometown: DOUGLASSVILLE, PA

Occupation: Investor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	118.80	64
2009	64.10	207
2011	28.40	664
2012	87.10	189
2014	125.60	216
2015	131.60	76
2016	166.60	69
2017	58.40	553
2017	96.20	366
2018	68.80	526



@joek726

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I won the Players Challenge in South Dakota so naturally that's a great memory. The 2013 BCBC also comes to mind where the highlight was getting the autograph of the Brooklyn Cowboy.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

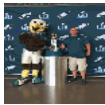
Seeing and spending time with the friends I've met over the years playing tournaments.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Spending time with family and friends, investing in horses,sports, and financial markets, playing horse racing tournaments,

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Not sure, but as Paul Matties said, "there won't be any bonds or cd's bought with it."



Kevin Muggsy Kreiser

Hometown: Wernersville, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	140.00	60
2017	53.40	580
2017	132.00	187



Brian Kubik

Hometown: CHASKA, MN

Occupation: General Manager

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	41.80	617
2016	78.00	472
2018	30.20	656

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Every onsite tourney has brought great and unforgettable memories for me. Win or lose. What a great reason to visit a new or favorite track/destination.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Hopefully a better performance than prior visits. The bar is set pretty low. And the extra visit to Vegas.

What are your interests and hobbies?

time with my kids, handicapping, fishing, hunting, golf, sports.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

After the responsible things, I'd be sure to set some aside to fund the handicapping hobby for a few years. I'd attend a few more onsite tourneys and take extra warm weather vacations away from MN in the winter.



Emily Kyrillou

Hometown: Flushing, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	71.00	511



Darwin Labordo

Hometown: Sierra Madre, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	65.00	206
2012	206.60	3
2013	88.80	262
2014	77.00	346
2015	69.00	525
2017	145.00	168



Marlyse Labordo

Age: 32

Hometown: Denver, CO

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	53.20	340
2013	107.00	308



Thomas Labordo

Hometown: SIERRA MADRE, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	81.60	284
2014	153.40	85
2017	93.70	381



Yolanda Labordo

Hometown: Sierra madre, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	170.60	62
2015	189.70	26



darryl lacy

Hometown: hopkinsville, KY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	66.40	534
2018	16.20	683



Philip Lam

Hometown: fresh meadows, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	118.70	247
2011	97.60	355
2012	134.90	180
2013	130.60	152
2015	221.00	12
2016	125.80	197
2016	189.40	55
2018	78.00	472
2018	219.40	45



Christopher Larmey

Hometown: Kennewick, WA
Occupation: Mathematician/Engineer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	34.80	185
2008	76.70	481
2009	64.40	206
2010	89.80	391
2011	181.80	11
2012	24.00	451
2013	213.60	15
2014	41.00	433
2014	79.00	341
2015	105.80	160
2015	162.40	43
2016	36.00	579
2016	120.70	213
2017	29.00	632
2017	237.60	27
2018	71.70	508

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Obviously, winning over \$100,000 in the Players Challenge was a big thrill but I might have to go with the spine-tingling experience of hearing the tremendous roar of the crowd as Zenyatta made the lead near the wire in a historic edition of the Breeder's Cup Classic at Santa Anita several years ago. That race also capped off a memorable weekend of racing for me as I also finished 9th in the inaugural Breeder's Cup Betting Challenge (BCBS).

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I always look forward to the NHC and Spending time with friends that share my passion for racing and handicapping contests. As Chairman of the NHC Player's Committee, I am proud to have played a small part in helping it evolve into the tremendous event that it has now become thanks to the efforts of many others including the Alex Waldrop, Keith Chamblin and Michele Ravencraft at the NTRA.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I was fortunate this year to become a grandfather to two adorable, identical twin boys. They have now become my favorite hobby. I really look forward to watching them grow and to introducing them to some of my passions including racing and contest play. Maybe someday I will attend the NHC with them.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Let's hope that I have to figure that one out this February! I will not even think about it unless it happens. I am sure that my wife, son and daughter (and lots of other friends and family) will have plenty of suggestions, if it does. One sure thing is that I will give some of it back to those that helped make it possible including horse aftercare programs and the disabled jockey fund.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I want to make sure I mention the most important people in my life: my wife, Marylou, who supports my passion for this game and my daughter (Klara), son (Alex), daughter-in-law (Sabrina) and Grandsons (Ronin and Dorian). I am also very proud to have played a small role in bringing about the new regulations regarding the withholding and reporting of pari-mutuel proceeds that will have helped horseplayers and the entire racing industry.



@derby1592



George Larrick

Hometown: Fuquay varina, NC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Hometown: Clayton, NC

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?
Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
Deposit it!



Zachary Ledford

Age: 35
Hometown: Fayetteville, AR



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Michael Levinson

Age: 37
Hometown: TULSA, OK



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Alan Levitt

Hometown: Baltimore, MD
Occupation: Physician



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	66.80	187
2009	104.20	129
2011	35.40	639
2012	195.20	7
2013	82.20	281
2014	19.80	681
2015	34.40	644
2015	71.60	310
2017	93.20	383
2018	124.90	220

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I finished 7th in the NHC in 2012. I finished 2nd in the Consolation Tournament in 2015.



Mathew Levy

Hometown: VALLEY STREAM, NY

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2000	132.80	64
2018	117.00	259



Gregory Lewis

Age: 55
Hometown: Columbus, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jay Lietzau

Age: 50

Hometown: Minneapolis, MN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Robert Little

Age: 61

Hometown: RENSSELAER, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	112.40	305



Chris Littlemore

Hometown: Whitby, ON

Occupation: retired autoworker



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	224.40	29
2015	81.60	259
2016	51.20	542
2017	157.80	102
2018	348.30	1

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the Consolation Contest at the NHC.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The atmosphere and competition.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I like hockey and Golf

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay for my kids Education and travel to more NHC live events.



Julie Loboyko

Hometown: Lexington, KY

Occupation: Freelance Graphic Designer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	149.40	127
2018	155.00	110

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

It was the qualifier I just won. My father passed away on Jan 13 & was my long-time horse racing buddy. I won an entry through a feeder. I made my picks & forgot about it. I checked & was pleasantly surprised to see that I was in 2nd place with 1 race left. My horse, #6 Pepe Tono, was trailing by a good distance from the 1st turn on into the backstretch. He slowly started passing some horses on the last turn, Then he turned it on and closed like a rocket. I swear I think my Dad whispered in Pepe

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Winning! But I also enjoy the competition and camaraderie. I had a blast in 2014.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Aside from playing the ponies, I enjoy reading, movies and photography.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire, travel and buy a racehorse!



Edward Lohn

Age: 63

Hometown: The Villages, FL

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	94.80	373



Wendy Long

Hometown: Surrey, BC

Occupation: Freelance Writer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	162.40	85
2014	146.00	105
2014	175.60	49
2015	43.00	614
2015	116.60	263
2016	104.20	286
2016	136.00	176
2017	68.20	527
2017	176.80	82
2018	118.10	249
2018	154.20	112

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Both my husband and I picked an humungous longshot named Brittney's Bunny and the room was dead silent, except for us cheering, when she came on to win.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Being able to put together more than one stellar day - I seem to start off fast but end up being up the track and nowhere by the third day. This seems to happen to me a lot - in fact my nickname for myself when it comes to handicapping is Cheap Speed!

What are your interests and hobbies?

My husband, Steve Nemetz, and I have three former racehorses that we ride and spoil. We are also avid sports fans and when we are not watching horse racing we are watching baseball, football, golf, tennis, track and field, skiing, etc. etc. In my spare time I love to cook.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take a trip to Royal Ascot

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I love going to live tournaments because we get to put faces to names that we have come to know from online contests - such a fun, diverse and fascinating group of people who make up the handicapping community.



George Longobardi

Hometown: MORGANVILLE, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	91.40	299



Stephen Luca

Age: 52
Hometown: Reisterstown, MD
Occupation: Physical Therapist



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	127.40	251
2018	80.80	457

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My favorite contest memory was when my best friend Joe Violanti, who has since passed away, won a Delaware Park mini tournament for the first and only time. He was so excited and that memory sticks with me more than any tournament I have ever won.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The NHC tournament is an awesome experience for a horse player. You have the best handicappers in the world in one room and I look forward to the buzz in the room when the first mandatory race goes off, it is electric!

What are your interests and hobbies?

I love to travel, especially to southern Italy to visit all my relatives. I am a physical therapist who specializes in throwing injuries and mechanics of pitchers and I am trained in dry needling which is an awesome tool in treating athletes and patients.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

If I won the grand prize, I would invest the money.



Alan Lynch

Age: 68
Hometown: Cave Creek, AZ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Gary Lyons



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	110.80	291



Dan Lytwynec

Hometown: Galena, MD



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Gary Machiz

Hometown: CREAM RIDGE, NJ
Occupation: horse trainer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	152.50	33
2014	61.00	559
2014	87.00	411
2015	93.10	206
2016	104.20	287
2018	98.20	352

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

going all in on the last race at woodbine in a qualifying tourney at monmouth park, winning just enough for an nhc seat

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

an improved performance over previous years

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

after a tough negotiation with my wife, I would hope to retain as much as 10% of the winnings.



Ralph Magnetti

Hometown: Stormville, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	9.70	249
2012	55.00	329
2013	176.40	52
2015	9.60	591
2015	64.60	364
2016	71.60	454
2016	103.00	292

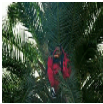


Pete Manzo

Hometown: Fairfax, VA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	90.50	178
2013	139.40	133
2014	73.60	499
2015	72.50	302
2016	27.90	667
2017	104.20	355
2018	244.40	16



donald markwardt

Age: 31

Hometown: los angeles, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Michael Marlaire

Hometown: Boulder creek, CA

Occupation: retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	25.60	464
2016	78.30	426
2016	150.40	114
2017	98.00	385
2018	86.00	417

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Best: Watching Housebuster from the rail walk near me warming up for race at Laurel, breathing fire, eyes ablaze, strutting his front legs, awesome/magnificent horse

Worst: watching Charismatic break his leg in the stretch when I thought he would win the 1999 Belmont (and Triple Crown),-- great way Chris Antley jumped off and at least Charismatic survived. Classic horse racing story on both the Lucas \$62k claimer and the tough career of jockey Chris Antley.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

playing great for three days

What are your interests and hobbies?

assisting start-up tech companies

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

travel, pay house purchase down payment for my son and his new bride

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

love horse racing and handicapping, best sport of all



Douglas Martin

Age: 56

Hometown: galloway, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Michael Martin

Hometown: Cincinnati, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	59.20	566



Tommy Massis

Hometown: toronto, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	20.90	287
2012	16.80	464
2013	127.20	204
2016	85.10	393
2016	99.60	313



Robert Masterton

Hometown: EAST BRUNSWICK, NJ

Occupation: Corporate Real Estate

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	117.50	253

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

First time I won a contest and qualified for the Keeneland Grade One Gamble

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Going to Vegas and hopefully picking some winners

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse Racing only

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire



@Macesace



Anthony Mattera

Hometown: Estell Manor, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	94.40	376
2017	141.20	183
2018	151.70	118



Robert Matthews

Hometown: Abington, MA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	87.10	435
2017	158.50	120



Duke Matties

Hometown: LAGUNA BEACH, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	74.20	497
2006	190.90	16
2007	37.00	217
2008	127.30	56
2009	175.00	21
2010	94.50	375
2011	70.60	194
2013	50.20	372
2014	58.20	404
2015	36.40	513
2015	122.80	96
2016	53.80	526
2016	337.30	4
2017	232.20	34
2018	81.80	448
2018	238.70	22



Paul Matties

Hometown: East Greenbush, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	70.90	138
2017	241.30	25



Paul Matties Jr.

Hometown: Ballston spa, NY

Occupation: Professional gambler



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	98.10	353
2007	56.80	573
2008	143.70	147
2011	62.10	556
2012	102.40	132
2013	114.80	277
2014	39.00	438
2015	133.40	71
2016	399.50	1
2017	107.00	308
2018	151.30	120

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the NHC17 in 2016, but more everything that has come with it.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The competition and the challenge of trying to win it again.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides everything horse racing, my three boys and whatever they're into it.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

My three boys are coming up on college, and I promised my nephew, Carson, a new car, this time.



@PaulMattiesJr



Darryl Mays

Hometown: PLAINFIELD, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	105.90	97
2012	40.50	624
2016	142.20	150



David McCarty

Age: 76

Hometown: San Diego, CA

Occupation: Bio Technology Consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	50.60	590
2016	65.40	538
2017	109.30	296
2017	140.00	186
2018	23.40	676
2018	98.80	349

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning an online contest on the last day for first half four points and thereby finishing in the first half top five for 2017.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing my fellow handicapper friends, catching up, and of course having a few beers together.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I enjoy running, swimming, and cycling even though I no longer compete in triathlons. Every year my son and I take a fly fishing trip to some new river in Idaho or Oregon.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy part of a horse, take a father/son fly fishing trip to New Zealand, and save the rest to play in future tournaments



Denis McCormick

Hometown: Broomfield, CO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	56.20	225
2012	44.30	380
2016	120.40	215



faron mccubbins

Hometown: mt washington, KY
Occupation: concrete construction industry



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	44.40	610

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the 2017 Belmont Challenge for a chance at a million dollar bonus in the BCBC

Winning the 2017 Del Mar Challenge for a chance at a million dollar bonus in the BCBC

Its a tie!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

This is my first year so not really sure what to expect

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse Racing is about my only hobby/interest. If I'm not working I'm either at the track or with my wife and kids hanging out.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Probably invest for retirement

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mccubbins



Frank Mcgoey

Hometown: NEW ORLEANS, LA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	53.10	582
2013	54.40	358
2014	19.20	477



Lynn Mcguire

Hometown: newbury park, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	96.20	366
2014	273.00	10
2015	54.80	423
2015	124.00	91
2018	136.20	173



Dylan McIntosh

Hometown: Pembroke pines, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	261.00	12



Cheryl McIntyre

Hometown: MASSILLON, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	81.80	448
2013	140.00	130
2014	38.60	632
2014	104.00	256
2015	118.40	248
2015	87.80	235
2016	91.80	361
2016	166.80	68
2017	0.00	695
2017	55.40	578
2018	43.60	613



Michael McIntyre

Hometown: massillon, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	106.20	315
2014	164.00	68
2014	299.80	8
2015	54.60	425
2015	183.70	32
2016	86.90	383
2016	95.70	330
2017	156.00	133
2018	56.60	576



robert mcintyre

Hometown: Park city, Ut



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	19.40	476
2017	79.90	461
2018	123.60	226



joseph mckay

Age: 60
Hometown: Gaithersburg, MD
Occupation: Restaurant
Consultant-Handicapper



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	102.10	332

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Laurel Champions Tournament in August 2017 and digging up a 30-1 FTS at Gulfstream and seeing him wire the field and get us the win!!!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Meeting the different players from all over the country and the thrill of being a part of it all!!!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Food has been a passion and a big part of my life. I enjoy mentoring up and coming Restaurateurs. I love golf and enjoy watching all sports.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Get into the ownership of a few more Thoroughbreds on a slightly larger scale and giving back to the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Former Jockey Agent for Frank Douglas in Maryland in the 90's and guest Triple Crown Handicapper for the last 23 years on ESPN 980 in DC.



Joseph W
McKay



@smokinjoertr12



scott mckeever

Age: 53
Hometown: newport beach, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	97.10	358



James McKenna

Hometown: marrero, LA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Kenneth McMahan

Hometown: Lexington, KY

Occupation: Poisonous Snake Handler



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	26.20	434
2014	86.60	317
2014	93.00	290
2015	49.40	594
2016	118.20	226
2017	77.60	476
2017	133.40	219
2018	39.90	629

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I don't remember

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The Bacon at breakfast

What are your interests and hobbies?

Japanese Beetle fighting, time travel, and Planking

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Donate \$50,000 to retired horses.

Spend the rest.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I love handicapping with my wife Jeannie King, and enjoy the friends we have met around the country.



Gary McMaster

Hometown: etobicoke, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	110.20	294
2015	156.40	105
2017	9.40	647
2017	124.70	222



Stephen McNatton

Age: 51
Hometown: CARY, NC
Occupation: Computer Consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	60.20	562
2013	48.80	377
2015	42.20	488
2015	133.20	73
2016	164.40	78
2017	176.50	83
2018	82.30	445
2018	94.20	377

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My two top 10 finishes at the Horse Players World Series. Hoping to do the same at the NHC someday.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Walking into the ballroom on the first day of the contest is always an exciting moment.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I enjoy travelling with my wife and kids - although the trips are always my wife's ideas.



Jim Meeks

Hometown: ELKO, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	66.40	534
2014	49.80	416
2015	41.60	491
2016	148.00	122
2016	153.70	114
2017	94.70	399
2017	96.30	365
2018	16.20	683
2018	123.20	228



Steven Meier

Hometown: New York, NY
Occupation: retired attorney



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PLAYERS**



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	48.30	598

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Sarava winning the Belmont Stakes

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Had a heart problem and couldn't go first time I qualified. Will be there this year.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Love handicapping tournaments. Also avid reader..

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take whole family on an amazing vacation.



Ron Meister

Hometown: Brampton, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Norma Mendoza

Hometown: glendale, CA
Occupation: Retired Mortgage Banker

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PLAYERS**

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	93.60	382
2017	142.20	150
2018	146.10	140

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

When I first qualified for the NHC.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Hopefully, I have the chance to be one of the top 10 winners. It's a great experience to compete with the best handicappers & previous NHC champions.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I have some, but my favorite is horse handicapping.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I will be able to complete some projects that I have been wanting to do..



Bob Meseke

Age: 69

Hometown: Concord, NC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	67.60	344



James Metzger

Hometown: LOUISVILLE, KY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Curtis Meyer

Hometown: PARKER, CO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	91.60	256
2014	92.80	384
2014	85.40	320
2015	36.40	512
2015	123.10	93
2016	138.00	165
2017	165.30	102
2018	46.00	601



James Michelson

Hometown: Bloomfield Huills, MI
Occupation: Advertising



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2003	8.60	209
2005	59.00	143
2008	43.00	614
2013	196.60	27
2014	109.00	297
2017	141.50	179
2018	11.60	685

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying for the first time at Bettor OTB in Sioux Falls SD

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The excitement. The competition. And renewing old friendships.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Activities with my children and grandchildren.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would be very charitable and generous with my family.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I began participating in NHC contests with my son Jamie Michelson (James jr.) probably about 15 years ago. He was the NHC Champion in 2005. We have continued to do this together and all of trips to Las Vegas to the NHC have been together whether one of us or both of us qualified.



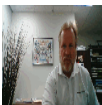
Ronald Milchhofer

Hometown: North riverside, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Bob Montgomery

Hometown: Ottawa, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	86.80	316
2015	16.90	575
2017	60.40	546
2018	27.90	667



Dennis Montoro

Hometown: Las Vegas, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Eric Moomey

Hometown: Madison, SD



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	135.40	143
2014	0.00	695
2014	112.60	286
2015	7.00	691
2015	41.40	620
2016	27.20	668
2016	104.60	283
2017	66.00	527
2017	164.40	106
2018	39.20	631
2018	122.20	233



Christy Moore

Age: 39

Hometown: Fishers, IN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	45.70	605



Rene Morety

Hometown: Jackson heights, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	99.40	344



Seth Morris

Hometown: Rockville centre, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Ryan Mueller

Hometown: LYNNFIELD, MA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	131.30	230



Michael Mulvihill

Age: 40

Hometown: Palatine, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	49.60	546
2017	130.50	190



Matt Mungiole

Hometown: Philadelphia, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	140.00	41
2017	97.10	358



Frank Mustari

Hometown: DES PLAINES, IL

Occupation: Own Insulation Contracting Company



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	144.20	145
2012	82.90	436
2015	40.00	498
2016	132.00	187
2016	208.30	45
2017	156.00	134
2017	279.40	8
2018	127.00	206
2018	209.60	52

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

8th place finish in 2017 NHC

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Finishing ahead of John Fisher

What are your interests and hobbies?

Chicago Sports Fan

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy my wife her dream home



Justin Mustari

Hometown: DesPlaines, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	105.00	321



daniel mustari JR.

Age: 26

Hometown: rosemont, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	149.00	129



CHARLES MYERS

Age: 55

Hometown: REDFORD, MI

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	101.40	336
2018	130.80	188



Doug Nachman



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



David Nance

Hometown: San Gabriel, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	63.20	547
2016	91.60	362
2017	33.60	623
2017	66.00	528



David Nelson

Hometown: Exton, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	29.60	432
2013	87.40	409
2014	120.20	243
2015	46.60	599
2016	87.00	411
2017	99.20	347
2018	164.20	85



Steven NEMETZ

Hometown: Vancouver, BC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	139.60	156
2014	8.80	491
2014	18.40	479
2015	67.20	531
2015	77.60	476
2016	39.00	574
2016	115.70	238
2017	137.40	197
2018	87.50	408
2018	233.70	27



Nate Newby

Hometown: Pasadena, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Dave Nichols

Age: 40

Hometown: WAYNE, PA

Occupation: Handicapper/blogger



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	11.60	685
2015	29.80	539
2016	63.90	486
2017	57.50	558
2018	86.40	412

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Hitting my double bet on Day 1 of the 2016 Wynn tournament was probably the most exciting moment I have had in a live tournament. It's not often that I get loud during a live tournament, but seeing the one horse I had been waiting for all day long win at 13-1 was very gratifying. As far as online contests go, my best memory involves winning an NHC seat while at a car dealership.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Sharing a table with my handicapping buddies. I only see them once or twice a year, so it will be good to hang out with them for the weekend and talk horse racing.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing and writing, primarily. I had been doing Crossfit for almost 5 years, but I recently left my gym. I love being active, so I'm in search of a new activity to keep me healthy.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

There are several charities that I would love to help out on a larger scale. I would also like to replace the rickety fence surrounding my yard. And my wife could use a wine cellar.



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John Nichols

Age: 43

Hometown: louisville, KY

Occupation: clocker



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	99.10	122
2012	103.50	326
2013	145.40	143
2014	132.00	187
2014	131.60	154
2015	53.00	432
2016	92.60	355
2016	134.70	162
2017	115.60	291
2017	233.70	27
2018	224.30	35

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Being in the top 5 at one time in 2017 at NHC and finishing in top 30.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Watching races everyday and collecting sports memorabilia

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Put in bank and reinvest into a short term equine market(play more races)



Richard Nilsen

Hometown: Tarpon springs, FL
Occupation: Director of Player Services
BetPTC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2001	132.10	44
2002	161.90	8
2004	35.80	233
2005	86.20	416
2008	68.10	182
2009	38.30	257
2010	149.00	129
2011	187.40	8
2012	79.70	224
2013	31.40	422
2014	186.80	43
2015	98.10	353
2017	71.60	503
2018	119.00	246

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Been blessed with many great memories. Finishing 1st and 3rd in an Ellis Park real money tournament, against some great players, is among my favorites.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing friends. Playing for my father who passed away the night before the Breeders' Cup.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Tennis, Writing

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take the family on a big vacation



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GT NIXON

Hometown: port jervis, NY
Occupation: precious metals



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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	142.20	150
2016	139.80	146
2017	124.50	261
2017	156.50	128
2018	82.40	443
2018	102.00	333

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Overall enthusiasm and optimistic outlook in one room of over 500 horseplayers.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

While I won't hit the final 10, would sure like to hit the top 10%. Oh Well !!!!!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse Racing

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Travel to more away games.

Nice donation to OLD FRIENDS Thoroughbred Retirement Farms.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Looking forward to a healthy and profitable new year for all.



Matthew Nixon

Age: 49
Hometown: Alcoa, TN

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Nick Noce

Hometown: Rochester, NY

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	84.20	426



Sean Nolan

Hometown: ALEXANDRIA, VA
Occupation: Government contractor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2001	230.40	2
2007	53.00	184
2009	22.80	283
2010	71.60	176
2011	42.50	251
2012	188.50	10
2013	125.60	216
2014	113.80	217
2015	55.40	578
2015	125.60	216
2016	95.00	333
2016	246.30	20
2017	42.80	616
2017	142.60	174
2018	121.80	237

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying for my 1st NHC appearance in Oct 2000 at Delaware Park. It was a live money tournament and I had been following Albert the Great all year. I went all in on Albert the Great in the Jockey Club Gold Cup and romped on the front end. I ended up finishing 2nd to Judy Wagner in NHC II and have been chasing the big prize ever since!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Meeting up with my handicapping friends. They are all excellent handicappers and even better people. Obviously I would like to be successful in the tourney but will be rooting for my colleagues just as much.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Other than my love for horse racing, I enjoy travelling with my wife to Liz to Germany every year. We were both stationed there while in the Army and it has always been a 2nd home to us (so to speak). I am a avid St. Louis Blues hockey fan and enjoy curling in the Olympics. Finally, I am a meteorologist and love snowstorms!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Probably remodel our house and take some more trips to Germany and other European countries.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I was a TV meteorologist in St. Louis and Columbia, MO back in the late 90s.



Tom Noone

Hometown: Redondo Beach, CA

Occupation: Service manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	35.00	641
2007	95.80	88
2008	72.60	170
2009	79.40	464
2010	90.40	130
2011	25.40	282
2012	91.00	172
2013	189.20	36
2014	93.80	287
2014	138.60	158
2015	114.40	120
2016	86.20	416
2017	64.20	541
2018	287.60	4

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Being named The King of Fairplex and having to defend that title, all in good fun.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing friends from all over North America.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Love going to live racing and hanging out with friends anywhere.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would share my blessing with others not as fortunate. Then fulfill my dreams of going to Royal Ascot for the Queen's meeting and buying a yearling at the Keeneland September sale(or try to).



Jimmie O Nail

Hometown: Chino, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	214.60	8
2013	170.60	66
2014	247.60	14
2015	26.00	673
2016	217.70	39
2017	47.60	598
2018	99.40	344
2018	137.30	168



Thomas O'Connor

Age: 54

Hometown: Rochester, MI



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	82.80	437
2017	218.80	45
2018	87.90	405



Tom O'Keefe

Hometown: New Orleans, LA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Chris Olsson



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	239.70	26
2018	95.60	371



Sean OMalley



Hometown: Artesia, CA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	104.80	354
2018	56.80	573



Matt Ordzowialy



Hometown: McCook, IL

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	104.80	252



Peter Osella

Age: 56

Hometown: Phillipsburg, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	43.30	612



Edward Osterhout

Hometown: Waterford, NY

Occupation: Medical Sales



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	87.10	436
2017	117.80	250
2018	58.70	568
2018	77.60	476

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning 2nd seat in 2017 while playing online @ HorseTourney from Xian, China.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The energy and passion in the main room. Renewing friendships. oh I almost forgot.....

or maybe cashing too. LOL!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Travel, fitness, handicapping, comedy clubs, fine dining.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Give 10% to needy families in my town for clothes and living needs. 25% to my son and daughter IRA. 10% to my 2018 tournament fund, and book a family vacation at Disney/Universal.

50% in my 401k.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Played on tour 2 years and double qualified both years. Published tip sheet Moffett the Prophet which was sold on track at Nyra.



Rachel Papp

Hometown: Palm Beach Gardens, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Age: 43
Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?
Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
Deposit it!



Ellen Patrick

Age: 59
Hometown: DALLAS, TX
Occupation: Paralegal & Licensing
Compliance Director

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	48.80	241
2017	126.40	212
2018	83.20	435

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?
Winning the 2016 Last Chance/First Chance Tournament at Treasure Island last year! I was close to qualifying for the NHC but did not make it. Since I already had purchased my ticket to Vegas - I decided to meet my family in Vegas and also play in the Last Chance Tournament. I was fortunate to have two good plays early on and was able to win it! It was a fantastic day!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
The thrill and the excitement of playing in this year's contest with so many great players. I look at each event as an opportunity!

What are your interests and hobbies?
I love traveling, spending time with family, reading, shopping and of course horseracing! I am also a baccarat player and have been known to make a stop at the tables every now and then! :)

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
First, I would throw a huge party to be held in the "vault" private dining room at Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steakhouse in Philadelphia, PA (my favorite Del's location even though I live in Dallas) - flying in friends and family for an awesome celebration. Then I would plan to attend the 2018 Kentucky Derby VIP (I have only been there as a commoner - lol), After that, I would take a trip to Italy and start planning my early retirement!

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?
My late husband Dennis Patrick and I enjoyed horse handicapping for years and it was his dream to win the NHC. I qualified for the NHC the year he died (2008) at my home track (Lone Star Park), by picking 2 of 2 superfecta's (my husband's favorite wager). I am proud to be the first female to win the Last Chance/First Chance Tournament at Treasure Island! In hopes of giving a little back to others, I am also an NHC player mentor.



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Rich Pawlowski

Hometown: Cranberry Township, PA

Occupation: retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	183.40	48
2014	102.60	260
2014	172.20	72
2017	92.40	412
2017	136.60	200
2018	75.50	489

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My father, my racing buddy, passed away just prior to the 2014 NHC. Just days after his funeral, I was on a plane heading to the NHC. Day 1, I was in 2nd place just behind Jose Arias. On Day 2, I scored ZERO and missed the cut/money bubble by \$1. Even without knowing about my father's passing, my tablemates and friends at the contest were wonderful to me, especially during the whole Day 2 collapse. For that I'll always be grateful. Jan 14 was an emotional roller coaster ride unlike anything else.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Competing and taking my best shot at the title. There is no doubt that this is the most prestigious handicapping event in the country and winning would be an award like no other.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Comic Books

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I must admit that it is the challenge not money that motivates me to play in these contests. But I would take a second to send another donation to the CFIDS Association of America. I'll be traveling alone to the contest because my wife who suffers with CFID can no longer travel. CFIDS helps educate the public and are advocates for the people who suffer with this debilitating disease.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Standing in an OTB watching a race on the TV, the guy beside me starts yelling for a jockey to get his horse to pass the leader. From the top of the turn to half way down the stretch this guy is yelling "Get this horse up / Get this horse up" over and over again. Finally, full of frustration he SCREAMS at the jockey "HIT THE HORSE YOU MORON". Of course the horse finishes second, he starts mumbling about the fix being in, and I had the hardest time getting out of there before he saw me laughin



Luke Peltz

Hometown: Malcolm, NE



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	137.60	41
2016	54.00	523
2018	71.80	507



Ron Peltz

Age: 68

Hometown: Kingwood, TX

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	52.20	584



Gregg Pendola

Age: 45

Hometown: Calabasas, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Steven Perreira

Age: 32

Hometown: Buena Park, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Frank Perri

Age: 62
Hometown: PHILADELPHIA, PA
Occupation: retired



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	201.40	57

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying on my first paid entry ever, in a two stage qualifier.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The competition.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Music, history, college sports, thoroughbred and harness racing.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest it.



Daniel Perry

Age: 23
Hometown: Hamilton, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Joseph Perry

Hometown: Hamilton, NJ

Occupation: CPA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	54.10	230
2010	146.00	32
2011	175.00	14
2012	23.20	453
2013	90.60	258
2014	137.20	128
2015	16.60	581
2015	134.60	183
2016	198.30	50
2016	319.40	6
2017	87.60	407
2018	45.60	606
2018	138.00	165

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

2016 Final Table

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

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What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse Racing & Financial Markets



Jeff Pesot

Hometown: New york, NY

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	119.20	285



Anthony Peterkin

Age: 31

Hometown: Bracebridge, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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No Data Available



Ed Peters

Hometown: PELHAM, NH

Occupation: Self Employed

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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2015	41.00	495
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2015	79.20	465
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2016	78.30	425
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2016	150.10	115
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2018	55.20	579
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2018	63.70	544
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What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the "Big One" at Laurel Park. Running on fumes the last part of the day I managed to string a few good ideas together and went from nowhere to first late in the tournament.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Getting back together with the friends that I have made the last few years at the tournaments. It is great fun to be around so many like minded people in one place!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse Racing, obviously....but going to sporting events for sure, most notably hockey games.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Put my wife into early retirement, and myself into semi-retirement.



Leonard Peterson

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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2016	229.80	29
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Joe Pettit

Hometown: CHARLESTON, SC

Occupation: Self Employed



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	132.00	187
2015	12.80	589
2015	13.00	588
2016	33.60	585
2016	114.40	242
2017	50.40	590
2017	84.00	429
2018	63.00	549
2018	216.80	48

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I always enjoyed the Saratoga event (when it was done under the previous format). Ran second one year , losing was worth 35K and a BCBC and NHC seat. Great weekend!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Always a great event. Lot of good people that seem to return each year. Watching everyone rooting for the players at the final table , shows the camaraderie of the horseplayers in the room.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I would consider horse-playing a hobby. Also enjoy breeding thoroughbreds on my farm.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take a very very long vacation.



Joe Pettit



John Pinder

Age: 43

Hometown: San Antonio, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Michael Pink

Hometown: Mississauga, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Michael Pirrung

Hometown: IRVINE, CA



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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	90.30	105
2008	113.00	284
2014	109.00	297
2014	104.80	251
2015	177.00	37
2016	29.30	598
2017	115.20	274



Christopher Podratz

Age: 51

Hometown: SANTA CLARITA, CA

Occupation: Registered Nurse

Administrator

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	187.20	11
2013	36.20	637
2014	78.40	469
2014	97.80	354
2015	82.00	446
2015	154.60	48
2016	30.00	657
2016	133.10	168
2017	83.20	435
2017	147.70	132
2018	136.30	172
2018	231.40	29



Antonio Polk



NHC Qualifying History

Year Earnings Rank
No Data Available



David Porco

Hometown: ALIQUIPPA, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year Earnings Rank
No Data Available



Bruce Pratt

Hometown: Las Vegas, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year Earnings Rank
2018 67.20 531



Rob Ramirez

Hometown: Ronkonkoma, NY
Occupation: Heavy High Construction



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	112.90	82
2012	45.40	373
2015	109.00	297
2017	138.30	190
2018	99.40	344

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Seeing my good friend John Oneil win the NHC in 2015

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would put money aside for my two sons and I would take my wonderful wife on her dream vacation to Ireland



Eric Rampolla

Age: 45
Hometown: Piscataway, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jose Raphael

Hometown: new bedford, MA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	228.80	26
2015	96.00	370
2016	84.20	426
2017	138.50	161
2018	146.30	138
2018	218.50	47



Michael Ray

Hometown: LAS VEGAS, NV



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	58.70	568
2015	36.00	515
2015	53.20	429
2016	79.20	465
2016	108.40	300
2017	262.30	13
2018	50.30	591



Thomas Reed

Hometown: NORTHBROOK, IL

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	104.20	75
2008	86.20	416
2017	179.50	75



Ed Reidy

Hometown: Gibschia, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	74.40	494
2013	107.20	218
2014	107.80	304
2015	32.20	649
2015	210.80	17
2016	66.70	472
2016	217.80	38
2017	71.40	505
2018	76.00	486
2018	124.80	221



Robert Reidy

Hometown: Rumson, NJ

Occupation: Director of Operations



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	150.60	92
2015	23.40	676
2017	88.60	399
2018	56.80	573
2018	148.70	131

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I am looking forward to seeing all the people that I have become friends with over the years and making new memories, hopefully winning ones!

What are your interests and hobbies?

I enjoy owning racehorses and being involved with that side of the sport in addition to handicapping.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would buy a small farm to keep my horses on and have a place that my wife and I could retire to someday.



Bernard Reilly

Hometown: Fair haven, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	16.60	447
2015	54.80	424
2016	52.50	532
2016	129.30	193
2017	21.40	679
2017	142.30	149
2018	109.00	297
2018	137.10	169



Bill Rendino

Hometown: BRONX, NY

Occupation: Retired - NYC Fire Dept



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	26.40	672
2013	118.80	186
2016	165.20	77
2017	81.20	455
2017	204.60	57
2018	79.80	462
2018	114.30	278

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Making the cut last year to move on to Day 3.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Nothing but handicapping and playing horses for four days.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Babysitting the grandkids and playing NYRA every day they run.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy a condo near Gulfstream because Aqueduct in the winter is just too depressing.



Mark Renney

Age: 66
Hometown: Vancouver, BC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Matthew Rentze

Hometown: san diego, CA
Occupation: Auto Dealer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	58.10	203
2012	120.60	94
2013	81.80	448
2014	107.00	308
2014	151.00	122
2015	62.60	554
2015	208.60	19
2016	62.40	555
2016	131.20	175
2017	232.40	33
2018	77.40	479
2018	125.70	215

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Gathering in the Puzzle Palace with my fellow handicapping brothers and sisters for three days of fierce competition!

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay for Linda Rodriguez and David Mccarty's wedding then give my bride what's left!



Ron Ricciuti

Hometown: Wake forest, NC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Karen Richards

Hometown: Pembroke Pines, FL
Occupation: Executive Assistant to the
Mayor of Pembroke Pines



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2003	39.80	630
2006	159.20	29
2009	147.70	132
2010	140.70	39
2013	159.00	87
2014	83.80	431
2015	61.00	559
2015	125.40	218
2016	100.60	304
2017	36.10	619
2018	128.00	198

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I have several, like my first NHC at Bally's or Qualifying at the last chance @ Red Rock but nothing compares to my husband Mark's top 10 finish in the 2015 NHC. This is his dream and I just love coming along for the ride. Handicapping together as a team is incredible, there are highs and lows but the excitement is exhilarating.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I look forward to coming to the NHC yearly, I love Vegas. I enjoy seeing my friends I have met through the years who share the same passion for horseracing. Also Mark and I will both be celebrating our 10th time qualifying for the NHC.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I have three daughters, Jennifer, Jessica and Juliana and three grandbabies, Alyssa, Cooper and Madilyn. They are my everything. If I could make their lives a little more secure and less stressful, it will make my life complete. I would love to travel more and visit different race tracks around the United States with my wonderful husband of 32 years, Mark Richards.



Karen Pester
Richards



Mark Richards

Hometown: Pembroke Pines, FL

Occupation: Professional Engineer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	37.00	216
2009	45.90	245
2011	92.60	133
2012	61.40	302
2013	231.20	
2014	10.00	488
2014	115.00	276
2015	111.60	134
2016	283.20	10
2017	87.20	432
2018	128.30	196

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Making it to the final table in the NHC Championship in 2016. I ended up finishing 10th for my second time but the thrill of making it to the top 10 with so many outstanding handicappers and contest players was fantastic.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I always enjoy staying at TI and competing against the best. I look forward to the new set up at TI and the wonderful hospitality that they always show. What a great venue to compete at!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing of course is one of my passions along with Miami Hurricane football and basketball games.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay of debt as well as giving some money to my daughters and my favorite charities.



Myles Richards

Hometown: HOLLYWOOD, FL

Occupation: Engineer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	175.60	4
2009	129.40	89
2010	153.70	114
2011	26.60	671
2012	79.70	225
2013	97.20	357
2015	262.20	5
2016	74.60	445
2017	46.70	605
2018	29.40	660
2018	106.30	314

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My best finishes in the NHC have been 4th and 5th —being at the final table was really cool.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing all of my handicapping friends up close and personal.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I am pretty low key—I enjoy fine cigars and playing the ponies. Spending time with friends and family pretty much consumes my free time (free time being away from work and playing the ponies that is)

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Standard answer here--- Pay Bills (after the party)

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Went to the Kentucky Derby for the first time this year and had a blast (despite the weather). We saw Brant Allen, with Twinspires, on Oaks Day and really enjoyed ourselves that day.



Traci Richards

Hometown: pembroke pines, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	134.10	29
2013	176.60	51
2015	102.50	330
2017	83.80	431



Sammy Richman

Hometown: Danville, NH
Occupation: Psychologist



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	25.00	675
2015	63.30	371
2016	49.00	595
2016	94.80	373
2017	143.50	172
2018	149.70	126

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Watching Hard Aces come up the rail at 7-1 in the 2015 Gold Cup to win a photo finish over Hoppertunity and win me an NHC seat and a Del Mar Handicapping Contest entry. At the time, I was by the hotel swimming pool, on on a family vacation

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing Big Elvis and hopefully winning some money.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Horse racing, my family and work keep me plenty busy. Golf and a game of poker with friends are also nice.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Have a lot of fun and hopefully have something left to pay for my kids' college.



Raymond Riley

Age: 52
Hometown: Seekonk, MA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	139.30	149



David Rink

Age: 39
Hometown: CHICAGO, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Anthony Robb

Hometown: NJ, NJ

Occupation: Consultant/Creative.



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	53.90	577
2017	67.30	519
2018	69.60	520

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Picking a horse called Flamboyant in the last race of a Derby Wars 100k game and leapfrog into second from way down the table only to be denied the win by a couple of dollars due to the cap. I loved the horse and bet the horse as well. It was days before my vacation to Australia and second place more than paid for the trip!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Having the experience of last year behind me and hopefully getting into a strong position and making the final 50. Last year I had two entries and was very disappointed with my effort. Was not one of my better tourneys.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Film, Art, music, travel and Fly fishing.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Build my own house the way I want and maybe get a little place close to the track in Saratoga!

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Just want to shout out to my Grandpa Frank Robb in Australia who is 94 and still punting!! He taught me the ropes!



Ed Robinson

Hometown: Moody, AL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	123.60	226
2017	134.30	217
2018	89.30	395



Joe Rodgers

Age: 52

Hometown: North Providence, RI



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Linda Rodriguez

Hometown: San Diego, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	42.30	487
2015	127.00	206
2016	156.90	94
2016	159.00	87
2017	163.20	109
2018	25.20	674

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I was down to my last \$600 in a \$3,000 bankroll contest at Santa Anita. I went all in on Glory Zapper in the next to last race of the contest. He won and I then went all in again on Mr. Rory in the last race. He won. I went from the bottom to third place. I was so excited that I jumped up and down and fell on my butt.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Getting drunk on Sunday after the contest and then riding the mechanical bull at Gilley's.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides playing handicapping contests, I enjoy going to Ballet performances, Operas, and Musicals.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest it at the track and double my money of course.



Peter Rogers

Hometown: Summit, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	23.40	676
2016	85.70	390
2017	97.80	354



Joseph Rosen

Age: 49

Hometown: Hidden Hills, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Shona Rosenblum

Age: 29

Hometown: Saratoga Springs, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



robert rosenzweig

Hometown: toronto, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Robert Rosette

Hometown: Chandler, AZ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Paul Roth

Hometown: Toronto, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	67.20	531



Dominic Rudy

Age: 23

Hometown: Wichita, KS



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Mark Rudy



Hometown: WICHITA, KS

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	72.40	505
2009	37.80	258
2012	48.80	361
2013	130.40	191
2014	113.40	282
2015	132.80	74
2016	85.80	389
2016	229.40	31
2018	96.10	369



Michael Ryan



Hometown: Potomac Falls, VA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	60.80	560
2016	23.80	615
2018	244.00	17



Chris Savage



Hometown: DENHAM SPRINGS, LA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	140.70	24
2011	101.60	111



Joe Scanio

Hometown: brooklyn, NY

Occupation: Sales Associate for Hilton Grand Vacations



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	61.40	181
2006	82.00	446
2007	33.80	224
2009	16.00	291
2010	16.60	282
2011	65.20	539
2012	31.80	651
2013	151.40	119
2014	17.80	480
2014	139.80	118
2015	260.20	6
2016	33.20	646
2017	42.20	615
2018	195.70	63
2018	220.30	41

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Everyone that I qualify is special.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Getting into the final 50 and just pray from there!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Acting

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Finish paying my daughters student loans off. Of course play more contests.!!!



Allan Schaffer

Hometown: toronto, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2000	242.20	6
2006	149.20	128
2010	33.00	647
2012	145.40	143
2013	181.00	49
2014	122.20	233
2015	35.20	520
2016	65.40	538
2017	216.60	47
2018	88.20	402



Douglas Schenk

Age: 54

Hometown: West Hempstead, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	61.30	214
2017	151.80	146



Robert Schintzius

Hometown: BUFFALO, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2002	126.40	212
2008	50.60	590
2012	46.00	601
2015	89.80	391
2018	65.70	537



Steven Schmidt

Age: 64

Hometown: Goodyear, AZ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Matt Scholten

Hometown: Lexington, KY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



H. Mitchell Schuman

Hometown: Brightwaters, NY
Occupation: Public Defender



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	98.00	105
2006	88.70	398
2008	41.80	617
2009	134.80	181
2010	65.60	188
2011	124.20	224
2012	38.40	633
2013	158.60	90
2014	88.80	306
2014	171.00	59
2015	47.60	458
2015	110.40	142
2016	99.50	314
2016	139.60	156
2017	133.60	218
2017	255.90	11
2018	96.20	366
2018	212.10	50

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the Breeders Cup Day Handicapping Contest at Canterbury Park in 2005. Big bet on Pleasant Home won me \$45,000 in cash and prizes.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Spending time and handicapping with all of my handicapping buddies.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I am a big NY Mets fan and was a season ticket holder for 25 years. From 2008 - 2013 I did a radio report called Mitch on the Mets. I have also appeared in a Mets Documentary about the 1986 team call "Simply Amazin'" on SNY in NY. I have been playing a lot of poker recently, especially in Seniors Tournaments where I have had some nice cashes.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay off my mortgage.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I'd be nowhere without the support of my wife Gina and my son Ben.



Matt Schwade

Age: 40
Hometown: Dublin, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Robert Schwartz

Age: 65

Hometown: PITTSFORD, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	176.40	20
2013	195.40	
2014	209.20	35
2015	67.40	530
2016	52.40	583
2017	93.20	383



Chad Scianna

Age: 36

Hometown: Shillington, PA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Dennis Scott

Age: 77

Hometown: BROOKSVILLE, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jim Sebes

Hometown: Hillsborough, NJ

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	72.80	504



Ken Seeman

Hometown: Wantagh, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	186.30	12
2010	180.60	14
2011	8.10	296
2012	27.00	442
2013	228.00	11
2014	26.60	671
2014	120.40	190
2015	58.20	403
2016	53.80	528
2016	97.20	357
2017	159.60	117
2017	242.90	23
2018	125.30	219
2018	165.80	84



Terrence Severson

Hometown: Rockaway, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2001	219.60	4
2006	83.00	117
2013	58.40	349



Steven Shaffer

Age: 29

Hometown: Prospect, KY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



George Shamy

Hometown: North Brunswick, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	66.40	534
2018	147.40	134



Kenny Shaw

Hometown: Plainfield, IL

Occupation: Business owner



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	81.80	448
2015	210.40	18
2018	79.80	462
2018	181.30	69

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing in 18th in NHC 15.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Hopefully improve on past performance and enjoying time with friends.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I love sports, cryptocurrency and anything my kids are involved in. Which at the present time is club soccer and volleyball.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Obviously I would pay off all my bills then donate to a local charity and last but not least I would purchase my first racehorse.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

My friend Brian Everding will be with me again this year. His dad, John Everding, got me involved in horse handicapping in 1990 at Arapahoe Park in Colorado. I have continued on since then. He past away of cancer complications a few months ago. Hopefully he will be looking down with pride as I try to bring in home. My brother Perry and handicapping buddy Stan Werner will be with me as well.



Bobby Shoemaker

Hometown: Helotes, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	132.80	229
2017	206.40	55



Dan Shugar

Hometown: los angeles, CA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	131.20	85
2012	85.60	418
2013	42.60	395
2014	231.80	23
2015	23.40	676
2016	160.80	96
2017	78.30	477



Paul Shurman

Hometown: Dix Hills, NY

Occupation: Attorney



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2003	76.40	125
2004	58.30	189
2005	43.40	167
2006	28.40	664
2007	69.60	520
2008	130.20	192
2009	219.00	3
2010	91.30	126
2011	59.60	563
2012	195.90	6
2013	83.60	432
2014	105.80	244
2014	302.60	6
2015	102.20	175
2016	119.00	246
2016	114.60	241
2017	110.20	294
2017	149.80	153
2018	121.40	238
2018	207.00	54

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Coming in third at the NHC in 2009.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Being with my friends doing what I love to do most.

What are your interests and hobbies?

NY Mets, Islanders and Jets.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest in plastics.



William Shurman

Hometown: Danville, CA
Occupation: Commercial Real Estate
Investment



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	76.00	486
2005	200.60	6
2006	54.20	183
2007	64.80	151
2008	121.20	240
2009	147.20	56
2010	99.60	109
2011	54.80	227
2012	17.00	463
2013	42.00	398
2014	18.80	478
2014	135.80	136
2015	117.60	112
2016	62.40	555
2016	251.40	16
2017	88.20	402
2017	245.70	22
2018	86.40	412
2018	157.70	103

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My favorite handicapping memories include tournament wins at Del Mar, Keeneland, \$100K on-line event, and leading the NHC after Day 1 (I think it was 2005), before finishing 6th. My favorite horse racing moment was being at the Breeders Cup and seeing Zenyatta's win in the Classic.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Spending time with friends, both old and new.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Golden State Warriors, Handicapping, Travel, Cycling, Politics (reluctantly).

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay all the taxes due, then save the rest for when the iPhone XI comes out.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Brother of one of the best handicappers and most successful tournament players - Paul Shurman



Florin Sima



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	75.20	490
2017	112.80	304
2018	70.30	515
2018	124.10	225



Age: 36

Hometown: Oklahoma City, OK

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Competition

What are your interests and hobbies?

Traveling to race tracks and creating photos journals of the visits.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Deposit it!



Steven Simonovic

Age: 43

Hometown: Pleasant Prairie, WI



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	110.20	294
2016	88.20	402
2016	86.10	387



Garett Skiba

Hometown: Hinsdale, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	68.80	526
2013	117.20	256
2014	131.40	155
2016	141.00	141
2016	158.20	88
2017	54.40	574
2017	141.10	184
2018	149.00	129
2018	314.00	3



Christopher Skotz

Hometown: CAMPBELL, CA

Occupation: Personal Assistant for Mr
Top40



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	80.80	457
2009	61.60	558
2012	16.40	466
2014	83.00	326
2014	300.80	7
2016	66.40	534
2016	179.60	61
2017	53.90	578
2017	79.20	465
2018	0.00	695
2018	154.80	111

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Probably a tie between seeing Trey Stiles compete in a qualifier using the very underrated "No Selection" approach, listening to the merits of a Heineken and a fruit cup for breakfast and competing at the inaugural final table

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Catching up with table mates, being completely underwhelmed by the Aqu Inner Card and bet any horse with "black" in their name.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Traveling to kids sporting events, watching David Shaw's conservative coaching, paying for college

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Give it to my wife and be unbearable to my table the following year



Dan Slattery

Age: 64
Hometown: BETHESDA, MD
Occupation: Mortgage Banker



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	58.60	569

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
Winning

What are your interests and hobbies?
Grandchildren and horse handicapping.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
See interests and hobbies above



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Pete Sluis

Hometown: san dimas, CA
Occupation: virtually employed

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	93.00	143
2010	105.80	98
2012	31.80	651
2013	33.00	647
2016	101.60	299
2018	110.20	294
2018	117.40	254

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?
winning

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
relaxing

What are your interests and hobbies?
reading, sports, finance

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?
parlay it



Keith Smith

Hometown: Laguna Niguel, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	108.80	299



Tim Smith

Hometown: Kenosha, WI



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	126.90	207



William Smith

Hometown: REISTERSTOWN, MD



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	116.60	263
2012	68.00	275
2013	59.60	563
2015	90.00	219



Kelly Smith-Lawless

Hometown: Saratoga springs, NY

Occupation: retired

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	78.60	467
2014	33.00	647
2018	83.40	434

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

The first time I qualified at Saratoga, my "home" track. I started day 2 with a goose egg and just missed 1st by the end of the day!

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The opportunity to compete with the world's best handicappers. It always feels like a reunion when you have a room filled with like minded people who share a passion for the sport.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Too many to mention here! For racing--I am a self confessed data pig--I like all things data--particularly horse racing handicapping and genealogy! I love to travel to new racetracks--still have Arlington, Fairgrounds, Kentucky Downs, Ascot, Chantilly, Curragh, Flemington, Meydan and ShaTin on my bucket list.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would make donations to those who give their all to the sport--namely retired racehorses, disabled jockeys and backstretch workers; I would buy waterfront property near a racetrack so I can enjoy the best of both worlds; and lastly, I would travel to a few of the tracks on my bucket list.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

One of the best parts of contests for me is sharing the fun with my husband and best friend, Ed Lawless, seven time qualifier (including this year.) I am so lucky!



David Snyder

Age: 63

Hometown: MISSION VIEJO, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	3.40	258
2011	75.40	185
2012	77.00	239
2013	77.60	476
2014	116.20	268
2014	189.00	42
2015	78.20	470
2016	32.80	589
2016	105.00	321
2017	128.60	246



Don Speaks

Hometown: San diego, CA
Occupation: Retired Accountant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2002	183.00	3
2004	87.00	411
2015	38.80	501
2018	100.70	338

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning my first(and only) tournament at Turf Paradise in 2001 and parlayed that to Third place in the 2002 NHC tournament at the MGM.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I like the competition and chance to renew friendships with people that I only see at handicapping contests.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Participating in online contests

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Share with children and grandchildren, one in college, one starting next year.



Al Squillante

Hometown: Ocean, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	59.00	504



Paul Stath

Hometown: floral park, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	97.30	108
2008	97.30	108



victor stauffer

Hometown: Novato, CA
Occupation: RACETRACK
ANNOUNCER OAKLAWN PARK



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	105.60	317
2018	151.00	122

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

BEING IN 2ND PLACE IN 2016 BCBC ALIVE FOR A MILLION DOLLAR BONUS WITH ONE RACE TO RUN.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

BEING IN A POSITION TO WIN AT THE FINAL TABLE.

What are your interests and hobbies?

MUSICAL THEATRE, OFFICIATING SPORTS, OWNING RACE HORSES,

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

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Mike Stich

Hometown: Palatine, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	78.40	469
2016	32.90	588



Pat Stich

Hometown: Palatine, IL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	155.60	47
2016	72.50	452
2018	67.00	532



Trey Stiles

Age: 50
Hometown: Houston, TX
Occupation: Attorney



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2003	136.60	33
2004	111.60	73
2005	10.40	210
2006	72.60	143
2007	73.00	135
2008	7.80	275
2009	75.80	186
2010	51.30	217
2011	106.40	97
2012	105.10	125
2013	163.80	81
2014	44.80	608
2014	244.80	16
2015	43.40	482
2016	84.20	426
2016	123.00	230
2017	8.10	648
2018	75.60	488
2018	110.30	293

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

NHC IV. I did ok. Not great, but it sparked an interest that I have enjoyed the past 16 years.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Winning.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I enjoy college sports. I have had season tickets to The University of Texas football since 1993. I also enjoy fishing at our farm and at the beach/bay.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Most would go to pay for college. My oldest son is a freshman at Trinity University in San Antonio and my youngest is a high school sophomore. I have lots of college tuition bills in my future!



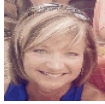
Jim Stirr

Age: 58
Hometown: Edmonton, AB



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Carolyn Stovall

Age: 60
Hometown: Mesquite, TX



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Mark Stovall

Age: 60
Hometown: Mesquite, TX
Occupation: Retired Dallas Firefighter

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	193.50	6
2012	148.60	43
2014	44.00	611
2015	27.00	547
2017	134.60	183
2018	112.60	286

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

When Tackleberry (a cap horse) won for me and allowed me finish 6th in the NHC 2011 tournament.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Fellowship with other horse players and getting to do this with my wife and family also playing.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Playing the horses, spending time with my wife and friends, cooking, golf, music.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Invest some of it and just play and travel with the rest.



John Strickek

Age: 74
Hometown: Whitehouse Station, NJ
Occupation: Retired Attorney at Law



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	66.70	282
2014	120.40	190
2015	31.50	533
2016	94.60	336
2018	149.40	127

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Nothing special.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The competition.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Make my retirement more comfortable, share it with my family (which now includes two granddaughters, Kaleigh and Quinn, who are the children of my son, Sean, and my daughter-in-law, Colleen) and give some to charity.



Matt Strutzel

Age: 37

Hometown: Wheaton, IL

Occupation: Investment Advisor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	121.80	237
2017	169.20	80
2018	116.40	265

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

In 2015 I finished 2nd place in the NHC Consolation Tournament. I scored \$97.00 while the 1st place winner had \$97.20. The 0.20 difference cost me a bigger payout and getting my picture taken with one of those big checks.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Improving on my top 100 finishes the previous two times out.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I played college hockey and was the starting goaltender at Bradley University in Peoria, IL. During my sophomore year I received a call from my coach who had just spoken with a representative from the Peoria Rivermen, which at the time was a minor league affiliate of the St. Louis Blues. They had an emergency call up of one of their goalies and only had one dressed for the game that evening. They heard about our team's success and were calling to ask if I could suit up for a one day contract

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Payback my wife for allowing me to go to Las Vegas while she stays home with 6 kids. I'd also donate to Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. They saved the life of my youngest son, Beckham. He was born with a heart defect called Coarctation of the Aorta and he required surgery just 5 days after he was born. There are some very special people that work in that hospital and they help some very sick kids each and every day.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I have 6 children, 5 boys between the ages of 5 and 14, and a daughter who is 2 1/2. All of them enjoy horseracing, but my daughter is the one that cheers the loudest. We've made a few trips out to Arlington and it hasn't been too difficult to get them interested in going - especially when I promise ice cream is involved.



Barbara Stubblebine

Age: 50

Hometown: Troy, NY

Occupation: New York State

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	211.00	51

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Qualifying for Vegas! :-)

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Enjoying the atmosphere and making the most of this experience.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Camping, reading, listening to music, going to cultural events, working out, and spending time with friends and family.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take a vacation. :-)



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David Sullivan

Hometown: Raleigh, NC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	118.20	70
2013	46.80	385
2016	248.40	19
2018	61.00	559



Brent Sumja

Hometown: SAN ANSELMO, CA
Occupation: Professional Gambler



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	120.60	93
2013	97.20	357
2014	87.40	409
2014	121.60	188
2015	99.40	344
2016	99.00	315
2016	127.00	206
2017	156.40	105
2017	167.50	98
2018	99.20	347

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Most are simply because of the camaraderie between an incredibly special group of people I have been so fortunate to meet. My favorite tourney moment is where both Joe Koury & I had gone all in on a race without knowing it. My horse looked like a mortal cinch turning for home & I quietly sat there thinking, I got this. All of a sudden I hear Joe saying, "Come on with this 6, come on with this 6" as I sat there going no no no. His horse came back on the inside and beat mine giving him a 100k+ vic

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I have been so blessed to be able to share this experience with my Mom, Jacqueline Sukanick. We have so many laughs and memories that make the NHC a priceless event for lots of people to compete in with many family members taking part in the amazing tourney. I love watching her enjoy being a part of our group at the table. She loves all the kind people she has met. Nothing will ever be more special at any tournament I attend.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I have a godson whose name is Devin Gregg. He is the brightest beam of light I could have ever asked for. He is a sophomore in college and plays golf at a very high level. I travel around to all of his tournaments anywhere they go in the country. I am pretty much the team mascot/parent and I love it beyond words. I hope to caddie for him on a professional tour one day soon.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Aftercare and more Aftercare, I believe we need to pay back the amazing athletes who give us the opportunity to make a living from their efforts. They do not have IRA's or 401k's and I am constantly trying to do all I can by donating on each and every score I make. I would likely increase my average unit I bet as well LOL.



Brent Sumja



@bsumja



Gary Sutton

Hometown: Fort Lupton, CO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Mike Sylvester

Age: 66

Hometown: NORTH LITTLE ROCK, AR

Occupation: Chief of Detention with the Pulaski County Sheriff's Office Little Rock Arkansas



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	46.60	599
2014	156.20	79
2015	86.60	239
2016	143.00	135

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Having the opportunity to talk with Ron Rippey the 2006 NHC winner while playing at the Wynn, a contest which he won and I cashed. They don't make them like him anymore, what CLASS!!! RIP

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

To have the opportunity to play against the great group of handicappers that I have gotten to know over the years.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I love college football and when given the time and opportunity I enjoy fishing with my daughter.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I'm planning on retiring at the end of 2018 and it would move up my retirement date>

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

My wife Rhonda, also enjoys playing in the Handicapping Tournaments and was the first half money leader a couple of years back. She is also a much better player than I am, but don't tell her I said so.



Ross Szlasa

Age: 34

Hometown: Mooresville, NC



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Ronald Tackett

Age: 54
Hometown: El Dorado Hills, CA
Occupation: President / CEO Volume
Press



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	143.70	147

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

winning a high dollar Breeders Cup contest online this year

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

making the finals

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports fan



Nicholas Tamaro

Hometown: Houston, TX
Occupation: Sales Executive



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	123.60	226
2015	34.20	524
2015	105.00	321
2016	123.80	200
2016	141.60	153
2017	18.60	643
2018	0.00	695
2018	224.30	35

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning this year's Keeneland Fall Challenge with my closest friends in attendance. Finishing 4th in the 2014 BCBC ranks up there as well.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The camaraderie and fellowship among players. It is always fun to see some you haven't in a while and to spend time taking on the arduous task of preparing for the NHC.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Playing golf, reading, cooking

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Good things!



Nick Tamaro



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Cheryl Tayala

Hometown: WARREN, OH
Occupation: retired from General
Electric



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	42.00	207
2009	37.80	259
2010	54.40	207
2018	106.90	309

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

The first time I qualified was at a live contest at Keeneland. I wasn't paying attention (I went to the gift shop), and I bet one too many optional races , which disqualified me from second place. I was feeling horrible, until I was told that my fourth place entry moved up to third as a result of my second place disqualification. The top three qualified for Vegas, so, I went from feeling horrible to feeling lucky. I try to pay more attention now...

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I look forward to being among people who all love thoroughbred racing, and to playing for prize money that makes it nerve-wracking, but, exhilarating too.

What are your interests and hobbies?

My sixteen year old grandson plays baseball, so I spend a lot of time watching him. I also love going to Cleveland Indian games with my family. When I'm not watching baseball, I try to spend time with my horse, Sunny.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would give some of my winnings to equine rescue organizations, because it takes a lot of money to care for horses. I would help my grandson pay for college, and give money to my daughter for a nice vacation. I would also use some to play in tournaments like the BCBC.



Tanya Taylor

Hometown: LITTLE ROCK, AR
Occupation: Physical Therapist



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	78.00	472
2016	179.40	62
2017	109.00	297
2017	178.20	77
2018	59.40	564

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My favorite memory is the first time I qualified for the NHC. I was at Oaklawn watching the races and needed Drayden Van Dyke's horse to win. He came rolling late and won. I had never been more excited watching a horse win!

What are your interests and hobbies?

I love my dogs. I enjoy spending time with my family and traveling.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would donate some to lab rescues and horse retirement orgs. My family and I would take an extended trip.



Edmund Teicht

Hometown: Hackensack, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2007	115.60	56
2008	131.40	48
2009	72.40	505
2010	91.40	125
2011	47.10	242
2012	172.10	18
2013	128.60	164
2014	99.00	268
2015	72.10	306
2016	105.20	320
2017	56.90	561
2018	137.70	166



Kirk Tesar

Hometown: Knox, IN



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	135.00	179



John Thomas



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Matthew Thomas

Hometown: Stamford, CT



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	116.00	269
2018	96.30	365



Stephen Thompson

Hometown: LEBANON, PA

Occupation: Owner & License funeral director of Thompson Funeral Home, Inc.



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2008	95.00	114
2010	57.40	204
2012	84.20	426
2013	153.40	102
2014	104.00	255
2014	137.40	127
2015	46.30	465
2015	95.70	199
2016	8.40	624
2016	130.60	178
2017	214.00	49
2018	96.60	361

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning The Santa Anita Contest in June, 2017, making the cut into Sunday last year at the NHC, most of all watching my great friend Ray Arsenault win the NHC last year.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Spending 4 days with so many great friends and handicappers.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Handicapping and fishing.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Give the first 100,000.00 to retired racehorse organizations. Then have one hell of a party with all my friends in Vegas for several days and of course pay their hotel fees and airline fees to change flights.



Josh Thorpe

Hometown: omaha, NE



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	57.80	555



Paul Thorson

Hometown: Vancouver, WA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	81.10	456



Adam Thoutt

Hometown: Westminster, CO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	45.80	603
2017	119.90	283



Dennis Tiernan

GULFSTREAM
HARNESS RACING

Hometown: Mill valley, CA

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2000	166.30	35
2003	40.00	185
2004	134.60	183
2005	17.00	203
2007	45.60	606
2008	72.10	174
2012	42.60	388
2013	9.80	452



Rock Tocheri

Age: 62

Hometown: Thunder Bay, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Michael Tomatz

Age: 39
Hometown: Minneapolis, MN
Occupation: District Supervisor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	66.00	525
2017	73.80	497
2018	22.40	677

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Last year at the TI first chance/last chance qualifier, I finished 3rd and was on of the first to qualify for this year's NHC. It was exciting to do so well in a group of excellent handicappers and it made the weekend quite profitable even though I didn't do well in the main event.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I am looking forward to improving on last year's performance. I plan to spend more time studying in order to do the best that I can.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Besides horse racing, I like walking, Ice Skating, playing the piano, livestreaming on Periscope and travel.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would do at least something very fun, like a long expensive vacation. I may use some for the down payment on a house, I may save some, and I would like to use some to join a partnership on a Thoroughbred horse.



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David Torregiano



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Scott Trabucco

Age: 53
Hometown: Stoughton, MA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Carol Trageser

Age: 52
Hometown: Frederick, MD



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Anthony Trezza

Age: 56
Hometown: East Stroudsburg, PA
Occupation: Optometric Physician



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	49.80	545
2016	92.40	359
2017	76.80	480
2017	92.00	414
2018	51.00	588
2018	126.60	209

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Winning the \$50,000 online contest this year from the road on the final pick.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Just hanging with all the friends that I have made over the past few years at the live tournaments especially Team Whodat- Michael Beychok and Jonathan Hurd.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Love all sports but football and horse racing are the tops. Love playing fantasy sports or any type of contest thrown at me. Love spending time at my Florida condo near Gulfstream Park with my wife Jeana and my four boys.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

After a few days of celebration in Vegas with friends and family, I would make some wise choices for the future.



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Evan Trommer

Hometown: Lexington, KY
Occupation: CEO



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	134.80	181
2018	136.20	173

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Keeneland Spring and Fall live money tournaments

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

My son also qualified, so getting to contest with him

What are your interests and hobbies?

Race Horses and Motorcycles and the Oakland/Las Vegas Raiders.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Buy a few more horses, save some, donate some, give my kids and family some

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

The best luck I ever had was meeting and marrying my wife of 26 years. I have 2 great sons that love horse racing. I also have 3 great pets (2 dogs and 1 cat). Add all that up and you get the luckiest guy in the world.



Kwokfu Tsui

Hometown: Flushing, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	133.30	220



Joe Turner

Hometown: FRESNO, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	123.00	230



Shawn Turner

Age: 53

Hometown: MIDDLETOWN, MD



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	59.40	564
2017	94.10	378
2018	28.80	662



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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Hank Uffmann

Hometown: Hicksville, NY

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	140.50	143
2017	134.40	213



matthew vagvolgyi

Age: 37

Hometown: Albany, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jon Van Niel

Age: 53

Hometown: Chatsworth, CA

Occupation: Inventory Manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	151.20	121
2018	113.00	284

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Wynn Handicapping Challenge 2017, I placed 2nd.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Since it is my 2nd time qualifying for the NHC, hopefully I will not be so overwhelmed by the experience.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports, and shooting

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay off all bills, invest for the long term, donate to the Semper Fi Fund, and take a small vacation with my wife.



Rick Vasquez

Hometown: SPRINGFIELD, MO

Occupation: Attorney

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	21.10	640
2018	89.80	391

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Coming in second place at the Wynn Handicapping Challenge, followed by winning the consolation NHC tournament, followed by blowing most of the \$7500 for the Breeders Cup Tourney.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Hockey and Horse racing

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Packing it away for retirement and grandchildren college funds.



Timothy Vatne

Hometown: Reston, VA
Occupation: Software Development



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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	60.80	560

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

This is my first year where I seriously played contests. My favorite memory so far was qualifying for the NHC on Breeders Cup day.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Excited to meet fellow handicappers

What are your interests and hobbies?

Sports, gaming, reading, web development

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Purchase horse farm



Joe Vida

Age: 47
Hometown: Lomita, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	226.80	32



Jim Videtic

Age: 47
Hometown: Willowick, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Jennifer Viens

Hometown: Palm Harbor, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Mark Vitaliano

Age: 31

Hometown: Chicago, IL

Occupation: Software Product Manager

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	220.30	41

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

When I won my first seat to the 2018 NHC. With the first five races not hitting anything, and a place with the sixth race, I was able to rally with four straight winners. The last race of the contest was at Gulfstream & if my horse won, I knew I would take 1st in the contest. Before the race, I called my father to watch the race & tell him what the situation was. With a good break from the gate, Federal Reserve took the lead & never looked back. It was a great win & I'll never forget it.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Just being there. Since it's my first year I just want to take it all in. Knowing how hard it is to qualify for the NHC, I'm not sure when I'll be back.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I try to read a book a month but usually don't do that. I do enjoy running but living in Chicago there are about three months out of the year where I try not to leave my house. Besides that my main interest is the visualization of data. With my current job, I work with BI (Business Intelligence) tools to visualize customers data in a way so they can understand it easier, and make decisions on it. I also do that with any data I come across in my free time.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Take a trip to Disney World. After that, I'm not sure.



John Vogel

Age: 70

Hometown: Cleveland, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Leo Vukmanovich

Hometown: Cypress, CA

Occupation: IT Support Consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	82.00	446

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

My favorite memory was in the tournament I qualified for the NHC at Santa Anita this past June. It was a \$500 buy-in with \$200 going to the prize pool and \$300 live money. I hit a \$150 exacta in the first race, then a \$50 daily double and after two races I had a bankroll of over \$7500. I also finished in the top 7 with my second entry.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I'm looking forward to preparing for the tournament and competing against the best players.

What are your interests and hobbies?

I'm a weekend warrior and spend most of my free time betting the races at my home track at Santa Anita.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

I would give most of the winnings to my family and also have a nice bankroll to fund some up and coming tournaments.



Leo Vukmanovich



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Robert Wada

Age: 63

Hometown: FULLERTON, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	35.40	639



BUCK WALLER

Age: 62

Hometown: Nicholasville, KY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2006	16.10	223



Preston Ward

Age: 59

Hometown: Marietta, GA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	78.40	469



David Watts

Age: 38

Hometown: Vancouver, WA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	158.00	100
2018	260.70	8



David Weaver

Age: 44

Hometown: Lakewood, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2017	123.80	264



Dan Weisenburger

Hometown: Stow, OH



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2011	147.00	136
2013	19.00	444
2015	188.20	27
2016	24.20	613



Paul Weizer

Hometown: Leominster, MA

Occupation: Professor



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	47.80	215
2006	7.80	225
2008	80.00	460
2009	159.20	43
2010	51.50	216
2011	77.40	479
2012	108.40	300
2014	69.00	525
2015	84.60	424
2016	92.50	356
2016	250.10	18
2017	86.40	412
2017	122.80	270
2018	82.90	436

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing second in the 2014 BCBC.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Competing with friends for a big prize.



Gary West

Age: 73

Hometown: rancho santa fe, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	19.60	475
2016	107.40	306



Brett Wiener

Hometown: CLEARWATER, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	122.00	235
2012	45.30	374
2013	49.60	375
2014	104.20	253
2014	169.40	65
2015	14.20	585
2015	161.00	44
2016	63.80	543
2016	152.60	116
2017	108.80	299
2017	155.80	107
2018	85.00	421
2018	116.80	261



Sarah Wiener

Hometown: CLEARWATER, FL



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	114.70	106
2013	124.60	173
2014	166.20	66
2015	106.40	157
2015	114.40	121
2016	84.80	394
2016	120.90	241
2018	81.50	451
2018	147.00	136



Donald Wildermuth

Hometown: Saratoga Springs, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Russ Wilkes

Age: 58

Hometown: Ottawa, ON



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	60.10	391



Kevin Willett

Hometown: HASTINGS, NE

Occupation: Developer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	96.40	362
2018	125.60	216

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Coming in 3rd and 4th with 2 entries in the 2017 Wynn contest,
What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?
Meeting up with old friends and making new ones

What are your interests and hobbies?

Water sports golf and most sporting activities

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Pay the taxes 1st ,ha! And pay off my children's school debt

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

I wish more people could have the joy that I and most other competitors have found in handicapping contest's and horse racing in general!



Chris Williams

Hometown: Minden, LA

Occupation: Sporting Goods Retailer



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	224.60	34

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

1st time at the NHC

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Competing against the best in the game

What are your interests and hobbies?

I just work and play the ponies a little.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Blow it on hookers and coke



@Mindensmoon



Joel Wincowski

Hometown: LAKE GEORGE, NY
Occupation: Consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	234.70	22
2015	27.20	668
2018	170.80	75

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Watching American Pharoah win at the Breeders Cup

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Meeting my son out in Vegas for the tournament.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Coaching, sports

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire!!



Eric Wing

Age: 56
Hometown: North Salem, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Charley Witt

Age: 67
Hometown: Gilbert, AZ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2004	52.40	583
2008	9.80	274
2009	171.30	24
2012	97.50	148
2014	90.60	301
2016	56.20	510
2017	17.40	644



David Wolff



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	79.80	462
2017	58.90	550



Leonard Wong

Hometown: Calgary, AB

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2009	157.60	45
2012	51.70	351
2013	235.20	6



Gary Wright

Age: 58

Hometown: Staten Island, NY

Occupation: Senior Manager



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	229.60	30
2017	81.80	448
2018	108.90	298

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

Finishing 30th in my first NHC

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The NTRA puts on a great event. Looking forward to seeing all the participants and hopefully a successful tournament!

What are your interests and hobbies?

Crossfit, all sports and being a father

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Devote a year full time to the NHC tour



Peter Yan

Age: 48

Hometown: NY, NY

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
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Cara Yarusso

Hometown: Eagan, MN

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2010	82.20	147
2011	87.20	149
2012	86.40	412
2013	136.20	173
2014	24.40	471
2018	28.60	663



Mike Yarusso

Hometown: Eagan, MN

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NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2012	16.60	465
2014	119.20	197
2018	81.40	453



Darren Yarwood

Age: 55

Hometown: GARDEN CITY, NY



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	110.80	291
2015	32.60	648
2017	87.40	409
2018	194.70	64



Timothy Yohler

Hometown: Fishers, IN

Occupation: Executive



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2005	15.20	207
2016	99.60	311
2018	96.20	366

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

I won the very first handicapping tournament I ever entered at Hoosier Park in 2004.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

The tournament is a "first-class" environment and so well organized it is always fun to participate.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Poker, golf, bowling

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire



Mike Yurczyk

Age: 36
Hometown: Bloomington, MN
Occupation: Aflac Regional Sales
Coordinator



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2015	16.60	582
2015	152.70	49
2016	55.20	579
2018	63.20	547
2018	242.70	18

What is your favorite handicapping contest memory?

A top 50 finish at NHC 16.

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

I love the event overall. I have been looking forward to it since I qualified in February on Horsetourneys.... while I was ice fishing.

What are your interests and hobbies?

Poker and horses are at the top of the list, but I also enjoy watching sports, playing sports, astronomy, coin collecting, fishing and drinking bourbon.

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

Retire earlier and buy a few horses.

Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Just want to say I love contests and I am happy to be involved.



Karl Zappa

Age: 59
Hometown: fullerton, CA



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2013	66.80	325
2016	54.60	517



Daniel Zaretsky

Hometown: Phoenix, AZ
Occupation: Technology Consultant



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	104.40	324

What are you most looking forward to at the NHC this year?

Seeing if I stack up against the best

What are your interests and hobbies?

Music, Movies, Football, Basketball

What would you do with the NHC grand prize if you won?

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Anything else you would like to include in your Bio?

Member of the Church of the Dude



Ken Zelin



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2014	128.60	167
2016	26.60	671
2017	87.50	408



Alexa Zepp

Age: 23

Hometown: Lawrence, KS



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
No Data Available		



Tony Zhou

Hometown: Jersey City, NJ



NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2016	100.50	305
2017	109.60	324
2017	180.80	70
2018	97.40	356
2018	142.00	151



Jonathan Zvara

Hometown: Canfield, OH

NHC Qualifying History

Year	Earnings	Rank
2018	254.80	12
