

7-year-olds score upsets in Scioto trots

COLUMBUS, OH --- Bettors sent Rewrite The Rules off at 10-1 odds in Friday's co-feature trot at Scioto Downs, but driver Jack Daily sent the 7-year-old past the leaders in the stretch to win in 1:57.3 by a neck.

Near The Limit, 2-1 in the betting, set all the fractions for driver J.D. Wengerd and rebuffed a challenge from favored Ritz Tracker in the final quarter, but had no answer for Rewrite The Rules in deep stretch. It was only the second win of the 2010 season in 21 starts for the 7-year-old gelded son of Mr Lavec.

Near The Limit was second while Samsawinner and Ritz Track dead-heated for third.

Rewrite The Rules is trained by Steve Boroff for owner Larry D. Farley.

Done Dreamen was also overlooked by bettors in another trotting event at Scioto Downs, but the 7-year-old zoomed past his rivals in the stretch to win in 1:58.2.

Del S. Miller guided the Donerail gelding to a 1-1/2 length victory for the Hatfield Stables and trainer Catherine Blanks. It was his first win in four starts this season.

Driver J.D. Wengerd sent Wyatt to the front at the start of the race while Dan Noble put favored Ray J in the two-hole. Done Dreamen lagged well back in seventh place in the eight-horse field. Miller began to move his trotter forward in the third quarter, but he was still fifth as they turned into the stretch.

Ray J broke stride and Wyatt simply couldn't match the 28.2 final quarter of Done Dreamen. The winner paid a healthy \$33 for a \$2 win ticket. Wyatt held on for second while Ray J recovered for third.