

Vote ☒ Sheena Cohen

wnyhha board

24 years

Trainer / Driver

10 years

Owning & Training

New Energy

Fresh Ideas

In the barn every morning. At the track every race night.



Leonidas

A winner of the Potomac pace and 3 legs of the MGM Borgata, 2nd in the final



Dapper Dude

winner of \$1,395,000



Lyons Surfing

WNY local

★ Why I'm Running ★

Harness racing is my passion. After 24 years in the sport, including 10 years of owning and training my own stable, I bring national experience and a fresh perspective to Western New York. I understand how to build a successful racing program and advocate for horsemen.

★ My Priorities ★



Horse & Driver Safety First

Advocate for safe, consistent racing surfaces to protect our horses and drivers.



Fair Purses & Responsible Leadership

Advocate for competitive purses while making decisions that benefit the membership as a whole.



A Voice in the Barns

Be available, listen, and support trainers, drivers, owners, and grooms daily in the barn and paddock.



Better Communication & Member Benefits

Improve communication between the board and members, while enhancing health, insurance, and welfare resources for horsemen.

Let's move western New York Harness Racing forward—together.

I bring experience, a strong work ethic, and a passion to represent our membership with integrity and determination. I would be truly honored to earn your vote.

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Working for Horsemen, Every Day

Dear Fellow WNYHHA Members, Owners, Trainers, and Drivers,

I am writing to formally announce my candidacy for the WNYHHA Board of Directors in the Trainer/Driver category. My name is Sheena Cohen, and I have dedicated 24 years to harness racing—literally growing up in this industry—and have spent the last 10 years successfully running and training my own stable.

While I joined the Western New York circuit a year ago, I bring a wealth of experience from racing at tracks across the country. I have achieved a high level of success as a trainer on multiple circuits, and I know exactly what it takes to build a winning, sustainable stable in the modern era of racing. As a Trainer/Driver, I live this sport from the inside out. I am in the barn every morning and at the track on race nights. This role gives me a sharp understanding of what horsemen need—especially when it comes to safe racing surfaces, paddock efficiency, and fair opportunities on the racetrack.

As one of the younger candidates in this election, I offer a unique combination of deep industry roots and fresh energy. I am fully invested in the long-term future of our sport. I want to ensure that Buffalo Raceway and Batavia Downs remain vibrant, profitable, and safe places to race for decades to come.

If elected to represent you, I will use my modern perspective and national experience to advocate for:

- Driver & Horse Safety First: Pushing track management for optimal, consistent track surfaces that protect horse soundness and ensure driver safety**
- Fair purses and responsible leadership: Advocate for competitive purses while making decisions that benefit the membership as a whole.**
- Energetic Backstretch Advocacy: Bringing a new, proactive voice to the board that is accessible in the barns and the paddock every single day to listen to your needs.**

- **Forward-Thinking Member Benefits: Modernizing our association's communication and strengthening health, accident insurance, and welfare resources for horsemen.**

We can protect Western New York's rich racing traditions while incorporating fresh ideas and energy needed to move us forward. I have the drive, the track record, and the passion to fight for you. I would be deeply honored to earn your vote.

See you at the track!

Sheena Cohen

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Candidate for WNYHHA Trainer/Driver Director