

# The Royal<sup>®</sup> HORSE SHOW

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## Green Meadows Coaching Keeps ‘Old Times’ Alive at Royal Horse Show

Toronto, Ontario – Mr. and Mrs. Harvey and Mary Waller of Stockbridge, MA, and their ‘Old Times’ coach claimed a third consecutive victory in the historic Green Meadows Four-In-Hand Coaching Appointments Class on Friday, November 9, at the Royal Horse Show, held as part of the 96<sup>th</sup> Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto, ON.



*U.S. Olympic and World Equestrian Games team gold medalist McLain Ward, his wife, Lauren, and their three-year-old daughter, Lilly, joined the Wallers atop the ‘Old Times’ for the Green Meadows Four-In-Hand Coaching Appointments Class on Friday, November 9. Photo by Ben Radvanyi Photography*

“It never gets old!” said Mary of the win on Friday night. “It’s always special. I love the Royal.”

The Green Meadows Coaching division, generously sponsored by Hugessen Consulting, Inc., is dedicated to the great tradition of the road coaches and park drags of years gone by, and the Waller’s ‘Old Times’ coach exemplifies a fine example of that tradition.

The 'Old Times' coach was famously driven from London to Brighton, England, in the 1880s. It has since been conserved in its entirety by the Wallers, who purchased the road coach in 2001 and had the paint stripped down to find the original color and lettering, enabling it to be put back to its exact original appearance.

That attention to detail is part of what helped the Waller's earn the win in the Coaching Appointments Class, judged on performance, presentation, and emphasis on appointments. All three factors were taken into consideration during Friday evening's Green Meadows Four-In-Hand Coaching Appointments Class in the Coca-Cola Coliseum, while the presentation and emphasis on appointments were also judged during a special reception on Friday afternoon.



Mr. and Mrs. Harvey and Mary Waller of Stockbridge, MA, and their 'Old Times' coach earned a third consecutive win in the Green Meadows Four-In-Hand Coaching Appointments Class at the Royal Horse Show on Friday, November 9. *Photo by Ben Radvanyi Photography*

“This is a very special coach, so it’s nice to bring it here to a special show,” said Mary. “The way they do the appointments in the other ring beforehand showcases the coaches. You get to see them in a special surrounding, and it makes it that much nicer. All of our staff works so hard, so for them to see it in there after they’ve been working on it for days – and then to have us win – it’s really more for them than for us because it’s our whole team that has accomplished this!”

This year, the Wallers also had three special guests as part of their winning team for the evening’s Coaching Appointments Class. Two-time Olympic and recent World Championship team gold medalist, McLain Ward, rode on ‘Old Times’ alongside his wife, Lauren, and their three-year-old daughter, Lilly.

“We’ve known McLain forever, and he’s probably ridden with us three or four times here at The Royal,” said Mary. “Lilly was bracketed by mom and dad holding her in up there! It was really fun having them with us.”

Finishing in second behind the Wallers was the Canadian entry of Gerben Steenbeek and his park drag entry for Stonecreek Fresians of St. Marys, ON. Third place went to John P. White of Newtown, NJ, driving a road coach, 'Excelsior,' for Shallow Brook Farm.

For more information on the Royal Horse Show, the marquee event of The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, please visit [www.royalfair.org/horseshow.html](http://www.royalfair.org/horseshow.html).

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**Green Meadows Four-In-Hand Coaching Class, presented by Hugessen Consulting, Inc.  
Friday, November 9**

	<u>Driver</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Entry</u>
1.	Harvey Waller	Stockbridge, MA	The Old Times
2.	Gerben Steenbeek	St. Marys, ON	Stonecreek Fresians
3.	John P. White	Newton, NJ	Shallow Brook Farm
4.	Dr. Rae Fischer	Listowel, ON	Dr. Rae & Nancy Fischer
5.	Thorsten Zarembowicz	Odessa, FL	5R Farm LLC

***About The Royal***

*The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair is the world's largest combined indoor agricultural and equestrian event. This year marks the 96<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair at Exhibition Place in Toronto, Canada, from November 2-11, 2018. For competition schedules, live webcasting, results, and to purchase tickets, please visit [www.royalfair.org](http://www.royalfair.org).*