

# Woodside Charm gives Yoder his first Crown

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**Wilkes-Barre, PA** — Verlin Yoder drove Woodside Charm to a 1:54.1 win in the Breeders Crown 2-Year-Old Filly Trot final at The Downs at Mohegan Sun Pocono on Saturday (Oct. 27) over a track that was rated “sloppy” to remain undefeated.



**Woodside Charm remains undefeated with Breeders Crown win.**

**Curtis Salonick photo.**

Yoder owns and trains the Chapter Seven—Fireworks Hanover filly, which was Yoder’s first Breeders Crown entry, along with his first appearance.

Yoder took his filly right to the top as the gate swung open, followed by When Dovescry and Cloud Nine Fashion, with The Ice Dutchess waiting in fourth for a move.

The first quarter went in :27.4. The field remained in the same order as Woodside Charm glided along easy to a half in :57.1. The Ice Dutchess took to the outside and tried to launch a challenge but was soon weary and faded by three-quarters which went in 1:25.2.

When Dovescry made her move just after three-quarters, but Woodside Charm was taking Yoder on an easy path to the winner’s circle.

When Dovescry finished second to the 1-9 favorite, with Cloud Nine Fashion holding on for third and Special Honor sliding in fourth.

It was the seventh win in seven starts for Woodside Charm, who was bred by AV & Son. “You can’t put this into words,” Yoder said after his visit to the winner’s circle, adding the filly will “Go to Florida to un-thaw and see what happens for next year.”

Simon Allard, who steered When Dovescry had nothing but praise for the winner.

"I figured I'd move a little early and come to her bridle; maybe she never had someone coming to her bridle," he said. "And, yeah, I had no shot. The only way we could beat that filly is if she was very sick or something. That filly is a world champion. Just following her is like following a Lamborghini. I had something maybe not as fast. But we're proud of our filly. She is nice. But (Woodside Charm) is tough. Wow, she can fly. (Yoder) does a great job with her. It's going to be a tough year even next year racing against her because it doesn't look like she's all the way out yet."