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MONMOUTH PARK TURF RACE NAMED IN HONOR OF DR. HENRY INDYK

Brad Park*

On Wednesday afternoon, August 23, 2006, Monmouth Park Racetrack, Oceanport, NJ recognized the late Dr. Henry Indyk for the agronomic help he provided the track over the years in the management of the turf course.

The seventh race was a one mile and one sixteenth race over the Monmouth Park turf course and listed in the program as, "IN MEMORY OF DR. HENRY W. INDYK". Mary Indyk (wife) and Ken Indyk (son) were on-hand to watch the race as well as present a trophy to the winning jockey.

Dr. Indyk passed away last September at the age of 84. He taught at Rutgers Cook College for more than 30 years and became Professor Emeritus of Turfgrass Science in 1990. Among his many achievements was the establishment of the New Jersey Turfgrass Expo as well as creation of the Sports Turf Managers Association's (STMA) Certified Sports Field Managers (CSFM) program.

A special thanks goes out to Bob Juliano, Director of Facilities, Monmouth Park Racetrack for arranging this tribute to Dr. Indyk.

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A trophy was presented to the jockey of the winning horse in a race dedicated to Dr. Henry W. Indyk at Monmouth Park Racetrack, Oceanport, NJ on August 23, 2006. Pictured (l-r): Timothy Hills, owner/trainer of winning horse; Charles C. Lopez, jockey that rode winning horse; Mary Indyk, wife of Dr. Indyk; Ken Indyk, son of Dr. Indyk.



Monmouth Park Racetrack paid tribute to Dr. Indyk by naming a turf race in his honor and utilizing the infield tote board to personally thank Henry for all the help he provided the trace over the years.