



**Charlie**

**Conrad**

**McCordsville, Indiana**

**Date of Birth:** June 18, 1975

**Place of Birth:** Corydon, Indiana

**Mentor:** Don Conrad (father)

**How has this person earned mentor status with you?**

He is my dad, and he stopped driving when I started. I really wanted him to keep driving to get his 1,000<sup>th</sup> win but he wouldn't

**How old were you when you first sat behind a horse?** 8

**Where did you have your first drive?** Mayfield, Kentucky

**What do you remember most about your first drive?**

I drove a mare named MIXED PLEASURE and I won with her. We still have her today and she is the dam of NITRO GIRL.

**How many career wins have you had?** 525

**What was your most memorable drive?**

Winning the Indiana Sires Stakes with BIG BOY JOSH (2003). It was memorable because he kept having bad luck and finally we had our day. The other memorable drive was being 2<sup>nd</sup> in the American National Final with SPEAK. It was my first time in this race.

**Favorite Horse Driven:** SOUTH FORTY FORTY

**Why do you consider this horse your favorite drive?**

I personally owned this horse and he was probably the fastest horse I've ever driven. His record did not show it but he was great. Unfortunately his racing career was ended due to an injury.

**If you could give a rookie driver advice what would it be?**

Be patient, watch a lot of races and take advice when it is offered.

**What hobbies do you enjoy that are not related to horse racing?**

Spending time with my wife Sarah, and my son Carson