CHMEADOW VANITY 23974

Meadow Vanity, a bay mare foaled in 1935 was trimmed with a white star and hind coronets, and had a long career in the Fine Harness division shown simply as Vanity. Her sire, Meadow Majesty, was by Kalarama Rex and out of Spelling Bee BHF, making him a half brother to Flirtation Walk BHF, the dam of WGC CH Wing Commander. Vanity's dam, Live Wire Beauty, had Harrison Chief, founder of the Chief family, appear four times on her registration papers. Vanity was purchased as a 2 year old by Irving Florsheim, then sold as a 3 year old to her long time owner/exhibitor, Mrs. L. Victor Weil.

Vanity's winning career began early, and as a 3 year old she was crowned World's Grand Champion with Chester Caldwell on the lines. In 1939, Mrs. Weil showed Vanity to another WGC title, and as a team they were nearly invincible. During her show career, she was only defeated on three occasions, two of them by Noble Kalarama and his owner Jack Thompson. Jack Thompson's father, SJ Thompson, was the breeder of Vanity's sire Meadow Majesty.

The Kentucky State Fair was not held in 1942 due to World War II, or it is possible that Vanity could have been a member of the elite group of show horses that won six World's Championship titles. Here is her record at the Kentucky State Fair.

- 1938 Fine Harness Ladies Stake and World's Grand Championship
- 1939 Fine Harness Junior Jackpot and World's Grand Championship
- 1940 Fine Harness Ladies Stake
- 1941 Fine Harness Ladies Stake and World's Grand Championship
- 1943 Fine Harness World's Grand Championship
- 1944 Fine Harness Ladies Stake and World's Grand Championship

Mrs. Weil died later in 1944 and ownership of Vanity passed to her trainer Frank Connor. She changed hands twice more in 1945 and was purchased early in 1946 by James K Robinson of Crebilly Farm, West Chester, Pennsylvania. When bred to their stallion Sensation Rex, Vanity produced the renowned breeding stallion, Vanity's Sensation of Crebilly in 1947. Vanity's Sensation sired two World's Grand Champions, Lover's Sensation and Melody's Winged Sensation, as well as Reserve World's Grand Champion Vanity's Gift. In addition to numerous other World's Champions, Vanity's Sensation sired two Hall of Fame Broodmares, Priceless Gem and Sprucehaven Wild Fashion.

Vanity produced nine foals from 1946 to 1955 and earned yet another title, Broodmare Hall of Fame. What a grand mare she was.





