**Buckpasser**

Buckpasser raced for three years—1965 through 1967. In 1965 he was voted champion 2 year old colt, in 1966—champion 3 year old colt, champion older horse and Horse of the Year, in 1967—champion older horse.

Extremely intelligent and gregarious, Buckpasser loved to play with his competitors—if he attained the lead, he loafed and allowed them to catch up—then he would pull away at the last moment just before reaching the finish line. Consequently his regular jockey, Braulio Baeza, would time Buckpasser’s bursts of speed in the stretch to coincide with the finish line—thus allowing his horse to enjoy his playful ways but still win the race. With a few exceptions Buckpasser never won by more than ¾ length. His idiosyncratic behavior contributed to Buckpasser’s 6 losses. For him racing was literally a “sport” not a “race.”

Past Performance

Races Started 31

First Places 25

Second Places 4

Third Places 1

Earnings $1,462,014