

Winners Circle Group

Fort Erie, Ontario

Sometime in 1950 jockeys Leo K. & Mel R. started AA meetings at the Fort Erie Track and so it was named the Winners Circle Group.

As per the General Service Office in New York, they received the first correspondence from the group secretary, Carl B., advising of the new group and requesting literature, etc. The meeting was being held at Our Lady of Victory School (St. Michael's parish hall). The group was listed in the world directory until sometime in 1955.

As per Rich W., he joined the group in March, 1962 and is almost certain that the group ceased meeting until April 13 1961. Terry G. who also was employed at the race track was instrumental in the group starting up again.

The podium blanket was made by a jockey's mother and is the same type of blanket that was placed on a winning horse. The John Barleycorn bottle cover was made by Terry G's mother.

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