

Minutes of the  
**ANNUAL MEETING of the  
CANADIAN ROAD HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012 @ 1:00 p.m.  
Toronto Airport Marriott Hotel

President, Kathy Galbraith called the meeting to order at approximately 1 p.m.

A minute of silence was held in remembrance of those who have passed away. Kathy Galbraith asked everyone to introduce themselves. There were 26 members and guests present.

Kathy Galbraith thanked Sherri Archdekin for her assistance as Secretary, Linda Rainey and Sherri Archdekin for their work on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary DVD and Moree Thomas and Helen Thomas for sharing the duties of the Treasurer. After 40 years, Moree has decided to resign as Treasurer of the association. She also thanked Don and Joanne Heath for their assistance.

A motion was made by Bob Clancey, seconded by Carolyn Nugent to approve the minutes from the 2011 Annual General Meeting as circulated. Carried.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was distributed and it shows a bank balance of \$13,953.27 as of December 31, 2011 plus a GIC worth \$9,062.48. Moree Thomas made a motion to approve the 2011 Treasurer's Report, seconded by Linda Rainey.

### **Correspondence**

Correspondence included thank you notes from Don Heath & family and the Children's Wish Fund.

### **Reports**

*OEF* – Helen Thomas reported that the grant process is changing in 2012 but we aren't sure how it's going to work yet.

*Equine Canada* – Helen Thomas said that there isn't anything to report from Equine Canada. Most of the stuff from Equine Canada doesn't really apply to road horses.

*Ontario Hackney Show* – Joanne Heath reported that the 2011 Ontario Hackney Show will once again be at the Ricoh coliseum. It will be on Monday July 30<sup>th</sup>. They have not confirmed a judge yet. A chicken BBQ will be held again. Joanne thanked everyone who supports the harness draw as that covers the expenses of the Ontario Hackney Show.

*CNE* – The CNE horse show will follow the Ontario Hackney Show on July 31 and August 1.

*RAWF* – Don Heath reported that there were no issues for the road horse division. Don has requested that we would like larger #'s so that the judges can see them easier and he was told that it should not be a problem. Janice Blakeney is no longer working for the Royal and they hope to have her position filled by April 1<sup>st</sup>. The judge for 2012 is Gene Van der Walt.

*OHHA Green Roadster Classic* – Helen Thomas has received verbal confirmation that OHHA will be sponsoring the Green Roadster Classic in the amount of \$5,000 however we have not received anything in writing.

### **Fundraising**

DVD's – To date we have sold 50 DVD's and have more than covered the expenses.

Discussion took place on hosting a pancake supper at the Royal Winter Fair. We can perhaps use a generator to solve any hydro issues. It will be discussed further by the directors.

It was mentioned that the tickets for the meat draw were an easy sell and members would like to do it again in 2012.

## **2013 AGM & Banquet**

The Mane Event has a new chair, Loraine Myler, and everything is running very smoothly this year. All were in favour of leaving the AGM and Banquet as is.

## **Hall of Fame**

A motion was made at the 2011 AGM to induct the significant partners of those who have already been inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2012. Therefore 2012 Hall of Fame inductees will be Lois Allison, Ross Thomas, Myrna Walker and Phyllis Sheridan.

## **Other New Business**

Glen Heath reported that Barrie Fair is a go ahead for 2012 with a full slate of classes. The date is Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup>. Stabling will be available. Prize money is not finalized, but as of now there will be \$6300 for road horses. When the complex is complete there will be 420 stalls and a 225' x 125' ring.

John Brunton mentioned that OVLHA is hosting a clinic on April 28<sup>th</sup> at Benhaven Farms, Carleton Place with Stand Bodnar. Cost is \$40 (\$60 after April 1). Juniors are \$20. There is also a Kars Horse Show Dinner/Dance that night for those wanting to make a weekend out of it.

Ontario Hackney Society will be postponing their clinic so not to impede upon the OVLHA clinic.

## **Director Election**

Following nominations and voting, the following directors will serve 2 year terms: Penny McKee, Helen Thomas, Linda Rainey, Dave Hamilton and Bob Clancey. A motion was made by Wayne Allison, seconded by Carolyn Nugent to destroy the ballots.

Moree Thomas thanked everyone for their cooperation over the last 40 years and wishes the CRHA the best of luck.

COSA has confirmed sponsorship for the 2012 RAWF.

Helen Thomas mentioned that there will not be road horse classes at the Equestrian Day in Burlington as originally planned.

Donations for our silent auction tonight were received from many race horse participants. A thank you will be posted acknowledging their support.

Kirk Douglas suggested that we should give some of the race tracks our DVD to play between the races.

Helen Thomas mentioned that someone has offered to entertain at our 2012 Hall of Fame reception at the Royal.

With no further business, Linda Rainey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Joanne Heath.