



THE ROAD HORSE REPORT

Official Newsletter of the Canadian Road Horse Association

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome everyone to 2011! Congratulations to all who showed last season and did so well at the Royal Winter Fair. It was great seeing the road horse division well represented once again and thank you to our many generous sponsors. Congratulations also to Lois Allison, the winner of the beef/pork fundraising raffle.

I'd like to invite everyone to come out and enjoy the activities of this year's Mane Event which will be taking place one month later this year on April 1 and 2 in Toronto. There will be a complimentary President's Reception on the Friday evening for those arriving early. Our CRHA AGM will take place from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Saturday followed by a silent auction, dinner, and dance in the evening.

We are looking for something exciting to donate to the live auction - if anyone has any suggestions or something to donate, please let myself or Sherri know as soon as possible. We are also asking for donations of items/services for the silent auction as well. All proceeds from the CRHA's silent auction items will directly benefit the CRHA and its activities.

On another fundraising note, Jeff Passmore is once again working on a stallion auction. If you have a stallion service or know of someone who would like to donate a service, please contact Jeff asap. Jeff's efforts are a valued and key component of our fundraising which enables us to sponsor classes at the various grassroots shows.

Keep warm, stay safe, and we'll see you in April at the Mane Event!

Kathy Galbraith

OHHA GREEN ROADSTER CLASSIC

Special thanks to OHHA for once again sponsoring the Green Roadster Classic at the RAWF. Congratulations to Derek & Howard Salisbury on winning this class with Spunky Len.

'THE MANE EVENT' ANNUAL MEETING & BANQUET

The 2011 annual meeting & banquet is being held at the Toronto Airport Marriott on April 2nd.

The weekend kicks off with a reception on Friday evening from 9 p.m. - 12 a.m.

The Canadian Road Horse Association Annual Meeting will be held Saturday at 1:00 p.m. All members are invited to attend. Directors up for re-election include Wayne Allison, Joanne Heath, Carolyn Nugent and Scott McLean. Directors with one year terms remaining are Linda Rainey, Helen Thomas, Kathy Galbraith, Wayne Scharf, Penny McKee and Bob Clancey. There is also an optional luncheon (\$8/person, \$10 after Feb. 28th) before the meeting.

Saturday evening will feature a dinner and dance along with silent auction. Members are encouraged to donate items for the auction as the CRHA will receive all proceeds from the items sold from our table.

A detailed schedule and ticket order form is attached. Tickets are \$45 for adults and are to be ordered through Barbara Anness, Canadian Hackney Society Secretary by February 28th. Any tickets not paid for by Feb. 28th will be at the rate of \$55. Rooms are \$109 plus tax (includes parking) and can be booked at 1-800-905-2811. Don't forget to mention that you are with THE MANE EVENT. For more information on the hotel, visit <http://marriott.com/property/propertypage/YYZOT>.

ONTARIO EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION

Each year the CRHA applies for a grant through OEF. In 2010 we received \$1308 from this grant. Thanks are extended to Linda Rainey for attending the OEF annual convention and meeting at Delta Meadowvale where she was presented the cheque.

FUNDRAISING

Thanks to everyone who supported our Beef/Pork Raffle. The lucky winner was Lois Allison.

The CRHA hosted another successful BBQ pork dinner for on Monday November 8, 2009 at the RAWF. Thanks are extended to Linda Rainey & her husband Mike Curran for coordinating the event, and everyone who sold tickets and helped serve dinner.

The stallion auction committee is in the process of organizing another silent auction. Please watch the website for further information. If anyone has leads on stallions or are able to assist in promoting the auction, they should contact Jeff Passmore.

HALL OF FAME

Thank you to everyone who helped out at the Hall of Fame Ceremony at the RAWF in honour of Don & Joanne Heath. Special thanks are extended to Sten Williams for providing the entertainment.

The nominees for the 2011 Hall of Fame are Matt MacDougall and Elmer Todd. A vote will be held at the AGM to determine who will be our 2011 Inductee.

CONDOLENCES

The Canadian Road Horse Association offers it's condolences to long time road horse member and exhibitor Elaine Downey and the Downey family on the passing of Elaine's partner and best friend, Brian Carey. Brian passed away suddenly on Sunday, January 2nd, 2011. Visitation and memorial service was held on Wednesday January 5th at Steele Funeral Home in Belleville.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Laurie & Kevin Palmer welcomed their 3rd child into the world on February 3rd at 1:51 a.m. Bryce Gryphon weighed in at 7 lbs. 15 oz and I'm sure will get lots of attention of big sister Taylor and brother Braeden.

Congratulations also to John & Phyllis Sheridan on celebrating their 65th anniversary in December.

GET WELL WISHES

Get well wishes are extended to Dave Hare who suffered a stroke, Simon Bourassa following a car accident and Mary Croft who is recovering from a fall. We wish them all speedy recoveries.

MEMBERSHIP

A reminder that memberships for 2011 are due. The fee remains at \$15 and should be submitted to Moree Thomas, Canadian Road Horse Association, 2858 S. Grimsby Road 20, R.R. #1, Smithville, ON L0R 2A0