



# THE ROAD HORSE REPORT

Official Newsletter of the Canadian Road Horse Association

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello 2012! 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 to Lloyd and Carolyn Nugent on their Green Class win with Storm Trooper and also to Brian Harris, the winner of the beef/pork fundraising raffle.

Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the activities of this year's Mane Event which will be held this year on March 30 and 31 in Toronto. There will be a complimentary President's Reception on the Friday evening for those arriving early. Your participation is encouraged at our CRHA AGM which will take place from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Saturday followed by the silent auction, dinner, and dance in the evening.

We will again be 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. Thanks to Helen Thomas and Linda Rainey for representing us so well on the Mane Event committee.

Keep warm, stay safe, and we'll see you in March 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 Lloyd & Carolyn Nugent on winning this class with Storm Trooper.

## ONTARIO HACKNEY SHOW/CNE

The Ontario Hackney Show will occur on Monday July 30th, and the CNE will follow on July 31st, and August 1st. Tickets for the Freedman Harness draw which is drawn at The Mane Event are available from Joanne Heath. The proceeds from the draw assists in covering the expenses of the Ontario Show. The CNE show will follow on July 31st and August 1st.

## 'THE MANE EVENT' ANNUAL MEETING & BANQUET

The 2012 annual meeting & banquet is being held at the Toronto Airport Marriott on March 30th & 31st.

The weekend kicks off with the Presidents Welcoming Reception on Friday 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 Linda Rainey, Helen Thomas, Kathy Galbraith, Wayne Scharf, Penny McKee and Bob Clancey. Directors with one year terms remaining are Wayne Allison, Joanne Heath, Carolyn Nugent and Scott McLean. There is also an optional luncheon (\$8/person, \$10 after Feb. 28th) before the meeting.

Saturday evening will feature a silent and live auction along with dinner and dance. Entertainment will be provided by a live band. Members are encouraged to donate items for the auction as the CRHA will receive all proceeds from the items sold from our table. We are also looking for volunteers to assist with setting up the auction tables. If anyone is available, please contact Linda Rainey or Helen Thomas.

A detailed schedule and ticket order form is attached. Tickets are \$45 for adults and are to be ordered through Barbara Anness (banness@sympatico.ca), 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>.

## HALL OF FAME

Thank you to everyone who helped out at the Hall of Fame Ceremony at the RAWF in honour of Matt & Myrtle MacDougall. Special thanks are extended to Krista Cranston-Laposi and Dave Ptolemy for providing the entertainment.

## **ONTARIO EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION**

Each year the CRHA applies for a grant through OEF. In 2011 we received \$1158.00 from this grant which is meant to help offset the costs of our Hall of Fame reception, support our Junior Exhibitor classes at select shows and assist in promoting road horses and the CRHA.

Congratulations to OHHA on winning the OEF Sponsor of the Year Award. The CRHA nominated OHHA for their continued support in sponsoring the OHHA Green Roadster Classic at the Royal Winter Fair for the past 11 years. OHHA was presented their award at the OEF banquet at the Delta Meadowvale on November 26th, 2011.

## **BEEF/PORK RAFFLE**

Thanks to everyone who supported our Beef/Pork Raffle. The lucky winner was Brian Harris. The revenue on the draw was \$1030.00.

## **40th ANNIVERSARY DVD**

A reminder that CRHA 40th Anniversary DVDs are still available at a cost of \$30 each from Linda Rainey, Helen Thomas, Sherri Archdekin or Penny McKee.

## **THANK YOU FROM THE BOURGEOIS FAMILY**

Rheal, Shawn and Niki would like to thank the Canadian Road Horse Association and its members for all of the support they received on the passing of Liz. The family was overwhelmed by all the donations, cards, phone calls and words of comfort that they received from road horse exhibitors.

Liz Bourgeois, passed away peacefully in her sleep on December 15, 2011. She was 63. Liz is survived by her husband, Rheal; two children, Shawn and Nicole; and her three grandchildren, Ayden, Ethan and Genevieve. Visitation was held on Sunday, December 18th at Gilbert MacIntyre & Son Funeral Homes, Guelph.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Sebastien Hebert and Evelyn Binnette on the birth of their son. Noah was born on December 7th and weighed 7 lbs. 12 ounces.

## **BEST WISHES**

The CRHA also sends best wishes to Dave Hare Sr. We hope he is feeling better following a recent stay at the hospital.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

A reminder that memberships for 2012 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