



# THE ROAD HORSE REPORT

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## President's Report



I hope everyone is above the snow and has not had any frozen issues. Looking back at the entries for the Royal it looks like Road Horses are alive and well. Once again we were very fortunate to have many sponsors and we sincerely thank them for their support.

It is only a rumour but a fair in the eastern part of Ontario is possibly planning to include Road Horse classes (6) with substantial prize money offered. We will keep you informed as more information becomes available.

In the meantime the next event for the horse enthusiasts will be the Mane Event. I hope everyone is looking forward to attending this wonderful venue. See you there.

*Bob Clancey*

## 'The Mane Event' AGM & Banquet

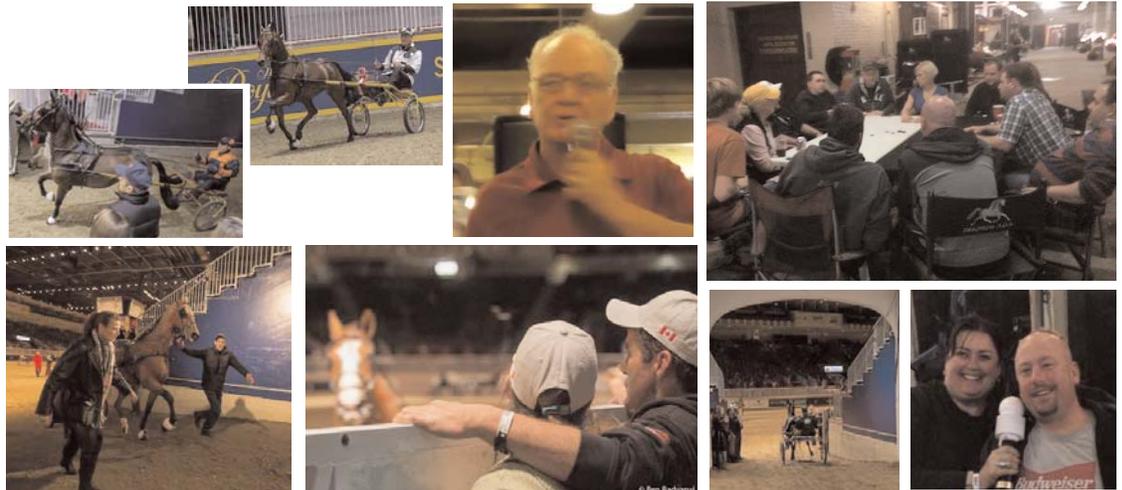
The 2015 annual meeting & banquet will once again be held at the Toronto Airport Marriott on April 10th & 11th. The weekend kicks off with a complimentary Presidents' Welcome Reception on Friday from 9 p.m. - 12 a.m.

**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 Kirk Douglas, Clare Hayes, Joanne Heath, Carolyn Nugent & Kerri-Lynn O'Hara. Directors with one year terms remaining are Helen Thomas, Lorne MacDonald, Penny McKee, Linda Rainey & David Watkins. There is also an optional luncheon (\$10/person, \$12 after March 28th) before the meeting.

Saturday evening will feature a silent and live auction along with dinner and dance. Entertainment will be provided by DJ Mark Dredge. Members are encouraged to donate items for the silent auction as the CRHA will receive all proceeds from the items sold from our table. Also, if anyone has any suggestions or contacts for a donation for the live auction, please contact Linda Rainey.

**SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!**

A detailed schedule and ticket order form is attached. Tickets are \$55 for adults and are to be ordered through Barbara Anness ([banness@sympatico.ca](mailto:banness@sympatico.ca)), Canadian Hackney Society Secretary by March 28th. Any tickets not paid for by March 28th will be at the rate of \$75. Rooms are \$116 per night plus tax (\$2.00 parking) and can be booked at 1-855-823-6348 or online. Specific details for booking your room online at the Mane Event rate can be found on the flyer. The special Mane Event Room rate is only in effect until March 20th.



## News

### Green Roadster Classic sponsored by Little Rascals Child Care

Special thanks to Cheryl O'Hara and Little Rascals Child Care for their generous sponsorship of the Green Roadster Classic at the RAWF. Congratulations to Jim McKague on winning this class with Nordic Storm.



### OEF News

Congratulations to Don Heath on winning the OEF People Make a Difference Award. Don and his wife Joanne began showing road horses in 1971, supporting the fall fairs, CNE and RAWF and have also competed at numerous shows in the United States including the World's Championship Horse Show in Louisville, KY. He has been an avid supporter of our association, serving as President of the CRHA in 1978-79 and as a director for numerous years. Don sits on the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Horse Show Committee representing the road horse division. He has also been instrumental in obtaining sponsorships for many of the Road Horse classes at the Royal including the Green Road Horse Classic. Thank you for everything you have done for the association Don!

Unfortunately, due to funding requirement changes, the OEF did not distribute any grant money to association members in 2014. There has been funding requirement changes and going forward the CRHA may not be eligible to receive any financial assistance as we did in past years.

### 2015 World Championship Horse Show (Louisville)

In an effort to increase entries in the wagon division at the 2015 World Championship Horse Show in Louisville, all **entry fees and stall fees for wagon horses from Canada will be covered**. They hope that this will encourage Canadian's to show there by reducing the costs associated. The 2015 dates for the show held at the Kentucky State Fair are August 22 - 29. More details can be found at <http://www.kystatefair.org/wchs/index.html>.

### 2015 Memberships

A reminder that memberships for 2015 are due. The fee remains at \$15 and should be submitted to Helen Thomas, 5-2244 Upper Middle Road, Burlington, ON L7P 2Z9.

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Please submit news items to  
[sarchdekin@xplornet.ca](mailto:sarchdekin@xplornet.ca).*

## Fundraising & Promotions

### Mane Event Silent Auction

We are looking for donations for the CRHA silent auction table at The Mane Event. If you're not able to attend the event but are able to donate an item, please it with someone else or contact one of the directors.

### Muck Bucket Stable Stock Up Draw

The directors are busy filling a muck bucket & cart that will contain everything you need for your tackroom or stable. It will include grooming and tack supplies, along with other interesting goodies. Special thanks to Rooney Feeds for their donation of the muck bucket & cart. **Donation of items from members would be appreciated and can be in the form of a voucher or product.** Prize package is valued at approximately \$500. Tickets will be available from directors beginning at the Royal and will be \$5.00 each. Draw will be held at the Ontario Show.

### Pancake Breakfast

The CRHA hosted a pancake breakfast at the Royal Winter Fair where we made over \$600. Thanks to Cheryl O'Hara, Mimi Clancey, Doug Cranston and Simon Bourassa for their donations to this event as well as those who purchased tickets.

### 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, Penny McKee or Kirk Douglas.

## Member News

### Get Well Wishes

We wish Phil Austin a speedy recovery following back surgery on February 10th.

### Congratulations Kerri-Lynn & Mike

Congratulations on Kerri-Lynn & Mike O'Hara on the birth of Anders, born on November 28th, 2014 weighing 7 lbs. 5 oz.

Kerri-Lynn extends her thanks to the road horse ladies for their gift at the Royal. It was used to purchase farm-themed nursery decor for Anders' room.



### Louise Campbell

The Canadian Road Horse Association offers it's condolences to the family of Louise Campbell. Louise passed away on January 2nd, 2015 in Campbellford hospital. Louise was the wife of Reverend Morrison Campbell, who showed road horses and the mother of Holly & Lyle Love who, along with their daughters Elyse & Alaina, have shown road horses throughout Southern Ontario for many years.