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Official Newsletter of the Canadian Road Horse Association

THE ROAD HORSE REPORT

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President's Report



As I begin my term as President, I would like to personally thank Kathy Galbraith for her service as President over the past two years. On behalf of the CRHA, thank you Kathy for your leadership and commitment.

I would also like to welcome Dave Hamilton to the CRHA executive as a director. Dave is one of our more recent road horse exhibitors. We appreciate his interest to become involved in the association, and look forward to his ideas and contribution. Welcome aboard Dave!

I look forward to being the CRHA president for the next two years, and welcome your input and ideas of how we can continue to strengthen and grow both the Canadian Road Horse Association and the awareness and exposure of Road Horses. During the AGM and Directors' meeting, a number of initiatives were discussed and we will be unveiling these ideas over the next few months, as we finalize details.

As exhibitors prepare for show season I wish all of you the best of luck, and safe travels. Drive on!

Linda Rainey

The Mane Event AGM & Banquet

Once again 'The Mane Event' was a huge success. The annual banquet and meeting was held on March 31st, 2012 at the Toronto Airport Marriott. Thanks to our Mane Event representatives Linda Rainey & Helen Thomas for their assistance along with Loraine Myler for chairing the committee. The CRHA received a large number of donations for the silent auction table which raised almost \$800 for the CRHA. Special thanks to Debbie Cook, Rheel Bourgeois Stable, Rick Zeron Stable, Bob Young Stable, Scott Coulter Stable, Tackmaster Equipment – Mohawk, James MacDonald, Jean Belliveau, John Burns Stable and Greenhawk Equestrian & Harness for their donations. Special thanks to Rheel Bourgeois for collecting these donations on our behalf.

The minutes from the AGM are attached. The executive for 2012 are: Linda Rainey, President; Bob Clancey, Vice President; Carolyn Nugent, 2nd Vice President; Kathy Galbraith, Past President; Helen Thomas, Treasurer; Sherri Archdekin, Secretary. Directors are Wayne Allison, Dave Hamilton, Joanne Heath, Penny McKee, Scott McLean, Carolyn Nugent, Jeff Passmore and Helen Thomas.

Fundraising & Promotions

Toronto Horse Day

The CRHA will be participating with a display at Toronto Horse Day being held Saturday, June 2, 2012 at the Horse Palace. Horse Day is a free, one-day, public event offered by the Ontario Equestrian Federation which is designed to educate people of all ages about horses and provides visitors with the opportunity to experience horses up close and personal. Horse Day includes educational stations, riding and driving demonstrations and information displays in an effort to promote horses and equestrian activity in Ontario.

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.

Beef Raffle

The CRHA will once again be hosting the annual Beef Raffle to be drawn the the Royal Winter Fair. Tickets will be available for sale from the directors late summer and fall.

Thank you Moree!

Moree Thomas announced at the AGM that she has decided to step down from the position of Treasurer. We would like to thank Moree for her service to the CRHA since its inception over 40 years ago. During her tenure she has held a number of positions including President, Secretary-Treasurer, and most recently Treasurer. Without her contribution and tireless work the association would not be what it is today. Thank you from all of us Moree! Helen Thomas has agreed to take on the function of Treasurer, and we are quite sure that Moree will still be keeping a watchful eye to make sure things are done right.



News & Upcoming Shows

OHHA Green Roadster Classic

We have received confirmation from OHHA that they are once again sponsoring the OHHA Green Roadster Classic at the Royal Winter Fair in 2012. Enclosed in this mailing you will find nomination forms and the breakdown of prize money. *The prize money for 2012 is \$5,000.*

Ontario Hackney Association Show

The 2012 Ontario Hackney Association will be held at the CNE grounds on Monday July 30th & the judge is Mike Bacon of Versailles, KY. Contact Jane Richardson at 905-864-8143 or janefrichardson@bell.net to obtain a prize list.

CNE Horse Show

The dates for the light horse show at the CNE is July 31st and August 1st and the judge is Raymond Shively. Tickets will be sold for a chicken barbeque after the show. The CRHA will once again be donating \$1,000 to the road horse division.

Junior Exhibitor Classes

The CRHA will once again be sponsoring junior exhibitor classes at the Ontario Hackney Show, CNE, Richmond Fair and Norwood. Prize money of \$30/exhibitor will be available at ringside.

Barrie Fair

Barrie Fair will be re-establishing their show and offering road horse classes at their new fairgrounds on September 30th, 2012. Stabling will be available. If you don't receive a copy of the prize list in the mail, it is available on the CRHA website.

Member News

Ralph Walker

The Canadian Road Horse Association was saddened by the news of the passing of Ralph Walker on April 25, 2012 at Brucelea Haven in Walkerton. He was 90 years old.



Ralph, his wife Myrna and their family showed road horses at the fall fairs, Royal Winter Fair and CNE for over 40 years. Ralph served as President of the CRHA in 1976-1977 and was inducted into the CRHA Hall of Fame in 2002. Sympathies are extended to Myrna and his family.

Dave Hare Sr.

The Canadian Road Horse lost another long-time member of our association. Dave Hare Sr. from Wainfleet passed away from cancer on May 15th. Dave, along with his wife Beverly, son Dave Jr. and his wife Cathy have shown road horses and been great supporters of our association for many years. Our sympathies go to the family.

Get Well Moree!

We extend our thoughts and get well wishes to Moree Thomas who is currently in hospital.

Congratulations Rae Ann & Brent!

Congratulations to Rae Ann Brunton & Brent Little who were married on May 19th, 2012.

The CRHA wishes you all the best!



Memberships

Memberships for 2012 remain at \$15.00 and should be forwarded to Helen Thomas. **Please note that to nominate a horse for the OHHA Green class, membership to the CRHA must be received by September 1st, 2012 in order to be eligible.**

We welcome your contributions to our newsletter. Please submit news items to sarchdekin@xplornet.ca.