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Official Newsletter of the Canadian Road Horse Association

THE ROAD HORSE REPORT

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President's Report



Though very slow in arriving this year, spring is now here and we are enjoying some fine weather. It certainly sparks the desire to get the horses out and ready for the show season.

I would like to welcome a new director Lorne MacDonald and a former director David Watkins to the board and look forward to working with them this year.

The strong numbers in the Road Horse Classes at the 2013 Royal Winter Fair is indicative of the heightened interest in showing of road horses. It also is wonderful to see the younger generation take an interest in the road horses and we acknowledge the effort by Cody McLean in promoting the road horses at Horse Day in Toronto. As well Judy Nixon represented the road horses in Horse Day in Ottawa. It is rewarding to see this support for our association and its future.

Many members of our association again attended the Mane Event and participated to help raise a substantial amount at the silent auction table. This money will help to fund activities this show season.

Unfortunately the racing industry is still in limbo and many fine horsemen and horses are no longer in the industry. One has to look with envy to our neighbours to the south as they enjoy the same programme that served our province so successfully in years past.

In the past OHHA was able to sponsor the Green Roadster Classic. However this year we are very fortunate to have Cheryl O Hara with her company, Little Rascals Daycare, sponsor this class. Thank you Cheryl.

I would also like to thank Linda Rainey for her tenure as president for the past two years and hope to continue her fine work.

The show season is upon us and I look forward to seeing and meeting new and old exhibitors and wish everyone all the best in each endeavour.

Bob Clancey

President

The Mane Event AGM & Banquet

Once again 'The Mane Event' was a huge success. The annual banquet and meeting was held on April 12th, 2014 at the Toronto Airport Marriott. Thanks to our Mane Event representatives Linda Rainey & Helen Thomas for their assistance along with the rest of the Mane Event committee and the students from Seneca College for their assistance in planning and organizing this weekend. The CRHA received a large number of donations for the silent auction table which raised almost \$400 for the CRHA.

The minutes from the AGM are attached. The executive for 2014 are: Bob Clancey, President; Carolyn Nugent, Vice President; Kirk Douglas, 2nd Vice President; Linda Rainey, Past President; Helen Thomas, Treasurer; Sherri Archdekin, Secretary. Directors are Clare Hayes, Joanne Heath, Lorne MacDonald, Penny McKee, Kerri-Lynn O'Hara, Helen Thomas and David Watkins.

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

News & Upcoming Shows

\$2,500 Green Roadster Classic

The Canadian Road Horse Association is pleased to announce that Little Rascals Childcare, owned by Cheryl O'Hara will be sponsoring the 2014 Green Roadster Classic at the Royal Winter Fair in the amount of \$2,500. We are extremely appreciative of Cheryl O'Hara for her support.

Nomination fees and dates are as follows:

Nominations postmarked on or before July 15, 2014 - \$25

Nominations postmarked on or before Sept. 2, 2014 - \$100

Ontario Hackney Association Show

The 2014 Ontario Hackney Association will be held at the Orangeville fairgrounds on Saturday August 2nd & the judge is Mark Bodnar.

There are a couple of errors in the prize list.

1. Class 64, \$500 Road Horse Championship Class, 1st place prize money should be **\$145.00**, not \$125.00. Also, it should read, "Entries in this class must have shown in open bike, open wagon, green bike **or** green wagon."

2. Class 19, Road Horse Jr. Exhibitor Showmanship and Class 73, Road Horse Drive by a Jr. Exhibitor - There is no entry fee for these classes. Prize Money is \$20/exhibitor for Class 19 and \$30/exhibitor for Class 73.

Essa Canadian Draft Horse Exhibition

Plans are currently in the works for a new show titled the Essa Canadian Draft Horse Exhibition to be held just outside of Barrie on August 2 & 3rd. There is a possibility that if we obtain enough sponsorship, road horses will be included at this show on Sunday August 3rd (the day following the Ontario Hackney Association Show).

Junior Exhibitor Classes

The CRHA will be sponsoring junior exhibitor classes at the Ontario Hackney Show, Orono, Perth, South Mountain and Norwood. Prize money of \$30/exhibitor will be available at ringside.

Barrie Fair

The road horses will show on Sunday, August 24th at Barrie Fair. A copy of the prize list is available on the road horse website.

Norfolk Fair

Norfolk Fair (Simcoe) has changed the date of their road horse classes to Friday October 10, 2014 (rather than Thursday) and have increased their prize money in the stake classes.

Paris Fair

Paris Fair is putting a light horse show on this year. Road horses and hackneys will show on Sunday August 30th.
<http://www.parisfair.com/2014%20fair%20book%20livestock.pdf>

Fundraising & Promotions

2014 Horse Day

Cody McLean represented the Canadian Road Horse Association by participating in Toronto Horse Day with a display and demonstration at Exhibition Place in Toronto on Saturday, June 7, 2014.



Motorized Cooler

We will be hosting a raffle for a motorized cooler. Tickets will be available for sale at the Ontario Hackney Show and fall fairs from directors. The draw will be held at the Royal Winter Fair.

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

Congratulations Kerri-Lynn & Mike!

Congratulations to Kerri-Lynn O'Hara and Mike Armstrong as they were married on June 7th, 2014.

All the best on your future together!



Barn Fire at Nixon's

The CRHA was saddened to hear of the unfortunate barn fire at the farm of Dave & Judy Nixon in North Gower on March 22, 2014. Dave & Judy lost beef cattle and 2 ponies but were lucky to have saved their standardbred mare, Mia. Mia has undergone much treatment and received a lot of support from the community. Dave & Judy attended Horse Day at Westly Clover Parks on June 7th with Mia. Glad to see she is healing beautifully!

