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Official Newsletter of the Canadian Road Horse Association

THE ROAD HORSE REPORT

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President's Report



After training horses and anticipating the horse show season for so long, it is hard to believe it is now all but behind us and we are into the final countdown to The Royal. It was very exciting to see the number of road horse exhibitors who participated in the Ontario Hackney Futurity and the CNE Horse Show this summer. How nice it was to have an opportunity to show in highly competitive classes and see the hard work and preparation pay off. In September many of us had the opportunity to show at the new Barrie Fairgrounds. It was great to see full classes there as well, including four entries in the team class, and three entries in the under saddle class.

I would like to congratulate CRHA Member Ann McMurray Cox on her win with Blaze of Sonshine in the USTA class in Louisville in August. While at the time of writing, the final list of horses entered in the OHHA Green Roadster Classic has not been published, a total of 19 horses are nominated, which bodes well for yet another exciting class.

Sadly, we lost a much loved and honoured exhibitor in late August. On behalf of the entire association we extend our deepest condolences to the family and loved ones of John Sheridan, our inaugural Hall of Fame inductee.

As you read through this newsletter you will see details of two fundraising initiatives. We are extremely fortunate to have generous contributions from Mako Renovations, who are providing the beef that will be awarded to the winner of the beef raffle as well as SCA and GFS for their support of our pancake supper. Thank you!

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Royal in just a few short weeks, either as exhibitors or cheering on those in the ring from the sidelines. Good luck to all who will be showing Road Horse Division. It is not only a week of great classes, competition, but a time of great camaraderie and celebration as we honour the 2012 Hall of Fame inductees - Lois Allison, Phyllis Sheridan, Ross Thomas, and Myrna Walker.

Travel safe everyone.....Drive on.

Linda Rainey

2012 Hall of Fame

As the CRHA Hall of Fame has evolved, the membership and executive of the Canadian Road Horse Association feel it is important to ensure that Hall of Fame inductions recognize the contribution of the spouse of inductees to both the CRHA and as an exhibitor.

This change in policy was taken to acknowledge the value and importance of the role of both members of a couple as part of the Road Horse community. Therefore, 2012 is our year to backtrack and honour the spouses of our existing Hall of Fame inductees.

We will be celebrating the inclusion of Phyllis Sheridan, Ross Thomas, Lois Allison and Myrna Walker in the Hall of Fame in a joint ceremony at the Royal Winter Fair. Everyone is welcome to join us in honoring the inductees and their families after the OHHA Green class in aisle E, lower west side of the horse palace at the RAWF on Saturday, November 3rd.

Attached is a nomination form for the 2013 Hall of Fame in which a living person or couple is to be inducted. If you would like to nominate someone, please fill it in and submit it to the secretary by December 31st at sarchdekin@xplornet.ca.



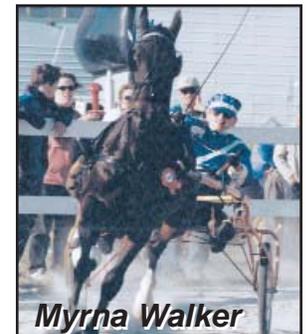
Lois Allison



Phyllis Sheridan



Ross Thomas



Myrna Walker

News & Upcoming Shows



OHHA Green Roadster Classic

The CRHA received 19 nominations for the 2012 OHHA Green Roadster Classic. A reminder that the Show Confirmation Forms must be postmarked by October 19th to be eligible to show. Good luck to all competitors and thank you to OHHA for sponsoring this class.

Royal Winter Fair - Class 31 Entry Fee

Please note that there is an error in the Royal Winter Fair prize list. The entry fee for the Wagon Stake (Class 31) is \$175 instead of the \$250 as printed in the prize list and the Royal Website.

OEF News

The OEF is hosting a member appreciation day at the Royal on Tues. Nov. 6th. All OEF members and family are invited to attend a pizza party at the Spirit of the Horse exhibit from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

All OEF Members are encouraged to attend the OEF Annual General Meeting which will take place on Fri. Nov. 23rd at 12 pm in the Pavilion Auditorium at the Delta Meadowvale Hotel in Mississauga. Following, at 6:30 pm will be a free Awards Party and Opening Ceremony. Saturday will be information sessions. For more information visit www.horse.on.ca.

Fundraising & Promotions

Pancake Supper

Everyone is invited to come out to the pancake supper at the RAWF on Monday November 5th at 4:30 pm. The menu includes pancakes with syrup, sausage, coffee or water and dessert. Tickets are \$10 each or \$5 for children under 10 and are available at the Royal from Linda, Helen Thomas, Joanne Heath or Sherri Archdekin. Thanks to GFS, SCA and Oakrun Farm Bakery for their donations to this event. A special thanks to David Hamilton for making arrangements with both companies to gain their support for this fundraiser.

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. Don't forget to get your tickets to win your choice of 1/2 beef or \$500 cash. Tickets can be purchased from any of the directors for \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Special thanks to Mako Renovations for their donation of the prizes - www.makoreno.ca.



Member News

John Sheridan

The Canadian Road Horse Association was saddened by the news of the passing of John L. Sheridan of Stirling, Ontario on August 23rd, 2012. John and Phyllis showed Hackney Horses and Road Horses in Ontario and Quebec for many years. Some of their well known Hackney horses were Dufferin Emperor and Dufferin Lady Carol. Road Horses, too numerous to mention, but included Golden Riddell, Top Flight, Cinderella and the well known Page Boy. In 1975 and 1982 John won the Wagon Stake at the Royal Winter Fair with Page Boy, who was also shown to success in Louisville. John was one of the founding members of the Canadian Road Horse Association and served as President in 1971-1972 as well as in 1980-1981. He was the first inductee into the Canadian Road Horse Hall of Fame in 2001. John and Phyllis retired from showing in 1996. The great honour of being inducted into the American Road Horse Hall of Fame was bestowed upon them in 2009. John will be remembered by Road Horse and Hackney enthusiasts near and far. Our condolences to Phyllis.



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Congratulations!

Congratulations to Kirk and Catherine Douglas on becoming grandparents. Reese Christine Douglas was born August 2 to Christopher and Tammy. Grandma and Grandpa got word of her imminent arrival while they were on their way home from the Ontario Hackney/CNE shows. After unloading the horses they went to the hospital in time to be there when she was born.



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Sympathies

Our sympathies to Sebastien Hebert on the loss of Electrical Image who earned the title of 2011 Canadian Champion to the Bike at the Royal Winter Fair as well as Reserve Champion to Wagon in previous years.

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