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# THE ROAD HORSE REPORT

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## President's Report



Perhaps it is my role with the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame, but recently I have been reflecting on the words 'heritage' and 'tradition'.

These words that are intertwined into all of our family customs are also incredibly meaningful to those of us involved with road horses. We as an organization represent and exemplify the heritage and tradition of a bygone era, an earlier time. For many of us, showing road horses is something we have known all of our lives. The love of the Standardbred has been passed down from one generation to the next, and it is with great pride that we carry on the traditions of those that came before us.

In the fast paced, technology driven world we live in today, it is easy for past traditions to begin to disappear, and thus as supporters of the road horse, it is so important that we tell our story whenever, and wherever possible. Over the past several months, the CRHA has taken on several initiatives to introduce road horses to as wide an audience as possible. Through the use of equine industry organizations, social media, trade shows and racetrack events, the Canadian Road Horse Association has reached thousands of people, many of whom were unaware of our organization or discipline. Details of some of these activities are included as part of this newsletter. It is through these efforts by our membership that we will gain new interest, new exhibitors and new supporters, for the road horse division in which we find such fulfillment.

As this show season draws to an end, let us take every opportunity we can to share our story with the same passion, enthusiasm and energy with which we show our horses. We owe it to each other; we owe it to those who came before us and we owe it to those yet to come to keep our traditions alive.

*Linda Rainey*

## 2013 Hall of Fame - Glen & Lori Downey

The Canadian Road Horse Association would like to congratulate the 2013 Hall of Fame Inductees Glen and Lori Downey of Madoc, Ontario. Glen served as president of the Canadian Road Horse Association from 1984 - 1985 and was a director for many years. Glen and Lori put a lot of effort into organizing the annual banquet when it was held in Belleville.

We will be celebrating the addition of Glen & Lori Downey in the Hall of Fame at the Royal Winter Fair. We invite everyone to join us as we honour them Saturday, November 2nd following the OHHA Green Class in Aisle E, lower west side of the Horse Palace.

Attached is a nomination form for the 2014 Hall of Fame in which a deceased person or couple is to be inducted. We encourage members to nominate someone who has assisted in promoting the road horse. If more than one nomination is received, a vote will be held at the 2014 AGM. To nominate someone, please fill it in and submit it to the secretary by December 31st at [sarchdekin@xplornet.ca](mailto:sarchdekin@xplornet.ca).



*Glen Downey showing EL Dakota*

## News & Upcoming Shows



### OHHA Green Roadster Classic

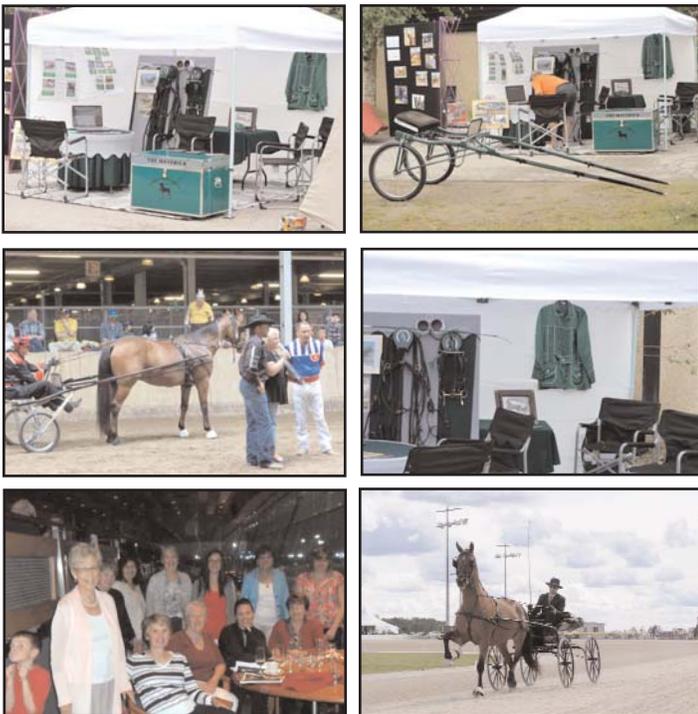
The CRHA received 17 nominations for the 2013 OHHA Green Roadster Classic. The list can be found on the website. A reminder that the Show Confirmation Forms must be postmarked by October 19th to be eligible to show and must be submitted for all green road horses, regardless of whether they are in their first or second year of competition. Good luck to all competitors and thank you to OHHA for sponsoring this class.

### OEF News

The OEF is hosting a member appreciation event at the Royal on Tues. Nov. 5th. All OEF members and family are invited to attend a pizza party. Further information will be announced as it is available.

# Fundraising & Promotions

The CRHA has been working hard over the summer promoting road horses. Special thanks to Kirk Douglas for setting up a fabulous display at OEF Horse Day in Ottawa and to Steve McLean who did a demonstration at the Toronto version of the event, led the post parades both at Mohawk on June 22nd and at Grand River Raceway on Industry Day on August 1st. A group of CRHA ladies attended Mohawk as well on June 22nd and presented a cooler to the winner of one of the trots that night. Below are some of the photos from the various events.



## Pancake Breakfast

Everyone is invited to come out to the Pancake Tuesday Breakfast at the RAWF on Tuesday November 5th at 9:30 am. The menu includes pancakes with Quebec maple syrup, sausage, coffee or water. Tickets are \$5 each and are available at the Royal from Linda Rainey, Helen Thomas, Joanne Heath or Sherri Archdekin. Thanks to Simon Bourassa & family, Cheryl O'Hara, GFS, SCA and Oakrun Farm Bakery for their donations to this event.

## 50/50 Draw

The CRHA will be holding a 50/50 draw at the Royal Winter Fair. Tickets will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. The draw will be held Tuesday morning following the pancake breakfast.

## 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!

Congratulations to Howard Salisbury on his recent induction into the Quebec Road Horse Association Hall of Fame. A ceremony was held in his honour at Brome Fair on Labour Day weekend where Howard was inducted by the association President, Sebastien Hébert.



Howard has also contributed to the Canadian Road Horse Association as he served as a director for a number of years and as President from 2006 - 2008.

Congratulations to Elyse (Love) and Gord Clement on their wedding. Elyse and Gord were married June 30th, 2013. The CRHA wishes you all the best for a happy future together!



Congratulations to Rae Ann (Brunton) & Brent Little on the birth of Reid John! Reid was born at 12:05 a.m. Wednesday August 7th weighing 7 lbs. 11oz.



Mary and Clare Hayes are grandparents again! Congratulations to Brian and Ruthie Hayes on their baby girl, Natalie Catherine, born at 1:07 am July 16th, 2013!



Mike Allison, son of Wayne & Prudy Allison has signed a one year contract with the Durham Wildcats of the British Basketball League (BBL). Mike will also be working towards his Masters of Science in Medical Education at Durham University while playing for the Wildcats. Best of luck, Mike!



*We welcome your contributions to our newsletter. Please submit news items to [sarchdekin@xplonet.ca](mailto:sarchdekin@xplonet.ca).*

