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OHHA In Person Banquet Returns

The annual meeting and awards banquet of the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association will be an in-person affair in 2022. The meeting and banquet are scheduled for January 15th at the Hilton Polaris in Columbus.



Last year's meeting and banquet were cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions involving large gatherings. Instead, a virtual awards ceremony was presented to honor the Horse of the Year, Divisional Winners, and other honorees.

"Although we remain vigilant as the pandemic continues and will be following all applicable health code requirements, we are very pleased at this time to be in-person to celebrate Ohio's 2021 equine and human stars," said OHHA Executive Director Renée Mancino.

The awards banquet will honor the 2021 Ohio Horse of the Year, ten divisional winners, the Terry Holton Youth Award, the OHHA Outstanding Groom Award, the Maynard & Stella Hagemeyer Significant Contribution Award, Dick Brandt Sr. Extra Effort Award and Service to Industry and other special awards.

The Ohio Chapter of the United States Harness Writers Association will also honor Hall of Fame inductees and present 2021 awards.

In addition, the Jerry Kaltenbach Memorial Awards for the top driver and trainer in Ohio Sire Stakes events will also be awarded.

The Awards Banquet, the 2022 Member's meeting and First Lady's Luncheon are also scheduled.

The Lady's Luncheon hosted by OHHA First Lady Terri Bateson will include a charitable project that will benefit With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry. With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry Executive Director Nicole Adkins will provide insight and detail into the organization's goal to, "eradicate hunger through compassion, dedication and helping from the heart." Attendees are asked to bring a non-perishable food item to the luncheon.

The agenda for the day includes:

- 11:30 am Lady's Luncheon
- 1:00 pm OHHA Annual Membership Meeting
- 4:00 pm Cocktail Hour
- 5:00 pm Dinner Seating
- 5:30 pm OHHA Annual Awards Banquet
- 9:00 pm After party

Tickets are \$30 each and reservations can be made by calling the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association office by Monday, January 3rd.

Hotel reservations can be made through the hotel at 614-885-1600. Ask for the OHHA block for a discounted room rate.



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OHHA Annual Awards Banquet



2020 Horse of the Year, Action Uncle

Join us to celebrate 2021 at the **OHHA Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday, January 15, 2022** at the Hilton Polaris. The OHHA member meeting and First Lady's Luncheon are also planned that afternoon.

- Reservations and payment for tickets for the banquet must be at the OHHA office by Monday, January 3, 2022.
- Tickets are \$30 each and can be picked up at the Banquet Reservation Table. No tickets will be sold at the door.
- There will be reserved tables available. If you would like to reserve a table, please indicate that and the name to be displayed on the table on your reservation form. Reservation for a reserved table is 8 guests.

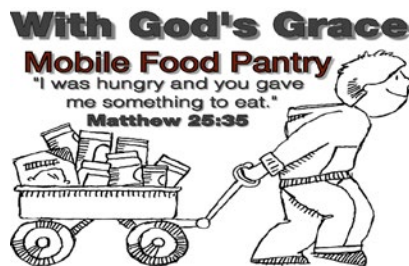
January 15, 2022 Agenda

- 11:30 a.m. First Lady's Luncheon
- 1:00 p.m. OHHA Annual Membership Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. Cocktail Hour - Cash Bar
- 5:00 p.m. Stallion Auction Closes
- 5:00 p.m. Dinner Seating
- 5:30 p.m. OHHA Annual Awards Banquet
- 9:00 p.m. After Party with live entertainment and cash bar

Room Reservations must be made by January 5, 2022, by calling (614) 885-1600. Ask for the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association Block to get discounted rate of \$115 or book via the reservation link on the OHHA Website home page or at <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/cmhpohf-ohhors-0acf3432-2e1d-4903-a027-d63211ab573c/>

Annual First Lady's Luncheon

All ladies are invited to join First Lady Terri Bateson for a luncheon and charitable project for With God's Grace Mobile Food Pantry. Join Nicole Adkins, Executive Director and owner as she provides insight and detail into the Dayton-area organization with a goal to, "eradicate hunger through compassion, dedication, and helping from the heart".



The ladies will create no-sew fleece hats to be donated in the With God's Grace communities. If you would like to participate, please bring canned good items to be donated as well.

Banquet Reservation Form

Tickets are \$30 each. Reservation and/or payment must be received by the OHHA office by January 3, 2022.

Name of Guest(s) & Meal Preference:
(Please note beside name B - Beef, C - Chicken, or V - Vegan)

Reserve your own table? Y or N

Tables can be reserved for 8 guests only per table. Please let your guests know the name on the table that is reserved.

Table Reservation Name.

Phone Number: _____

Total Tickets: _____ Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Annual First Lady's Luncheon

Please RSVP if you would like to attend. The luncheon is free of charge.

Attendees: _____ (Please include email)

Political Action Committee for Equine Racing (P.A.C.E.R.) 2022 Ohio Stallion Service Auction

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Saturday, January 15, 2022

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Well Said	\$4,000	Sugar Valley Farm
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TROTTERS

<u>STALLION</u>	<u>ADVERTISED STUD FEE</u>	<u>STANDING AT</u>
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Pine Credit	\$1,000	Clark Acres Equine
Stormin Normand	\$3,000	Abby Stables
Triumphant Caviar	\$5,000	Abby Stables
Uncle Peter	\$5,000	Hickory Lane Farm
Volstead	\$4,500	Dublin Valley Farms
What The Hill	\$7,000	Hickory Lane Farm

Bidding Rules

Horsemen may bid on an unlimited number of stallions with a \$100 minimum raise. All bids are confidential and bidders are responsible to raise their bids either online or via phone.

Bidding is an open-ended format. If there is an active bid within the last two minutes of auction, bidding will be extended for two minutes until bidding activity stops for two full minutes. If bidding activity stops for two minutes, the auction for that individual stallion will close.

All contracts are subject to P.A.C.E.R. and Farm approval and are not transferable to another mare or individual without the consent of both.

The winning bidder must be an individual, sole proprietor, or LLC and make a deposit for 10% of the bid with \$100 minimum. All deposits will be charged to your credit card at the end of the auction. The balance (90%) is due upon the birth of a live foal.

If there is no live foal, the deposit, less \$25, will be refunded upon receipt of a veterinarian's certification, or the deposit may be donated to P.A.C.E.R. There is no return privilege.

Failure to present your mare to the stallion without justifiable cause will result in forfeit of entire deposit.

No ownership change on a mare is permitted until service is paid, unless a statement is provided to P.A.C.E.R. from a licensed veterinarian declaring the mare is not in foal.

Instructions and Tips for Online Bidding

Register on www.onGait.com

- 1) Bidding is an open-ended format (Bidding remains open up to 2 minutes after the last bid).
- 2) All bids are in US dollars.
- 3) Minimum raise is \$100.
- 4) Winning bidders owe a refundable 10%, minimum \$100 deposit. Deposit will be charged to credit card on file. (\$25 of deposit is non-refundable for administrative fees).
- 5) Balance is due to Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association with a live foal in 2023.
- 6) **Winning bidders will be charged \$50 by onGait.com for each breeding purchased and is non-refundable.**

Awards Aplenty at OFRC Banquet

BY THOM PYE

It was 40 years ago when the Duran Duran hit Hungry Like the Wolf played that the Ward L. Adams American Legion Post #54 began to serve the horsemen of northwest Ohio delicious homestyle meals. On Saturday, November 20, a limited but enthusiastic crowd enjoyed another fine dinner offered up at the Ohio Fair Racing Conference's 8th annual banquet. To go along with the servings, the eight divisional winners as well as the OFRC driver and trainer of the fair year and the winner of the Spring Haven Farm Ladies Driving Series received their accolades. As longtime host Bill Peters read off the names of the divisional winners, Trot and Pace Racing replayed the various races from this past summer to highlight their accomplishments on the 21-member tracks of the OFRC. Each of the runner ups in point totals were presented with a handsome version of the award - crafted by Motivation Plaques of Wellington, Ohio - from Director Todd Brown.

The evening started with Patrick M. Sweeney's Aint Easy Being Me (Well Said - Ima Forget Me Not) grabbing the two-year-old colt pacer trophy.

It was Disney Springs (Rockin Amadeus - Tarpon Springs) earning the two-year-old filly pacer award for owner Henry H. Trimble.



Wegothat'sright owners Brian Boring and Jennifer Vollmer accept the award for top 2-Year-Old Filly Trotter from OFRC Regional Coordinator Todd Brown.

Taylor Equine Racing LLC's Swan Hilluva Time (What The Hill - Black Swan) captured the two-year-old colt trot while the filly counterpart went to Wegothat'sright (And Away We Go - Hmm Is That Right) for owners Brian Boring and Jennifer Vollmer.

There was a very tight contest in the three-year-old pacing colts as the top two were separated by only four points. Jennifer K. Brown and Jessica McCown's Im Rocking It (Pet Rock - I've Had It Hanover) bested Richard H. Copp's Imagine It (If I Can Dream - Cadie's Sure Shot) for the top prize.

The top point getter in the three-year-old pacing filly division was Matt Rowe and Chris Page's daughter of Nob Hill High - Lifes A Trip, Don't Trip, who scored easily over the rest of the field.



B.J. Roberts accepts award for OFRC 3-Year-Old Colt Trotter of the Year Tango With Me. Left-to-right: B.J. Roberts, Audrey Rickard, and OFRC Regional Coordinator Todd Brown.

It was a dance in the park for the three-year-old colt trotter Tango With Me (Deep Chip - Dance-withme Chuck) as the Chris Beaver, Donald Robinson, and R.B.H. Ventures Inc. award was picked up by regular driver B.J. Roberts. The familiar green and white colors of Mr. Roberts also accepted the award for Chris Beaver, David Meola, Donald Robinson, and R.B.H. Inc.'s Chip It In (Break The Bank K - Chippiesbrownsugar) for the three-year-old filly trotters.

The top 2021 OFRC Fair trainer award went to Chris Beaver. Beaver's 36 wins were the best.

While Cameron McCown was busy working at Dayton it was a young Chase McCown who hoisted the top Fair driver award up for his dad. Cam had a season leading total of 41 OFRC wins.

Heather Woolums was the leading Spring Haven Farm lady driver point earner.

Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association President Steve Bateson offered a few words to the assemblage before the 50-50 raffle drawing and the door prizes were awarded. By the time my ticket number was called all that was left was a Racing With The Stars magnet and a half-empty bag of Fried Pork Rinds. They were good though.



Chase and Madi accept Driver of the Year award for their Dad, Cameron McCown

The directors of the OFRC want to thank all the horsemen who started the 525 colts and fillies this year and to thank all the sponsors and volunteers for making the 2021 Season safe and 100% accident free!

Photos by Susan Schroeder

TRACK NOTES



Drama Act

Drama Act became the fastest 4-year-old pacing mare in the history of Northfield Park on December 4, when she won the \$19,500 Fillies and Mares Open in 1:50.1. Ronnie Wrenn Jr. drove the daughter of Well Said, leading at every call and winning by 2 ¼ lengths for trainer Ron Burke. The win was Drama Act's 22nd of her career and lifted her earnings to \$421,312.

The record-breaking performance was the highlight of Wrenn's night as he won seven times on the card.

Hunter Myers equaled his personal best of six wins in a single race card at Northfield Park on November 28. Myers drove Robin Banks, Bold Strategy, Arya Again, Gotti, Royal Regatta, and Executive Dash N to wins.

At the end of November, Aaron Merriman sat atop the standings for most wins by a driver. Merriman has 782 wins with one month of racing left. Trace Tetrick is 3rd in the standings with 590 wins, while Wrenn is fourth with 539.

Amateur driver Steve Oldford won the Great Lakes Amateur Drivers Association trot with Pepin Coolie on November 27. Oldford says he recently purchased the Swan For All gelding. "I was delighted how easy he was to drive and how well he raced," said Oldford. Oldford added that Pepin Coolie was an Amish horse who pulled a buggy to church on Sundays.

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Hunter Myers Reaches 1,000 Career Wins BY AYERS RATLIFF



Hunter Myers drove Over Six to victory to claim his 1,000th win.

Hunter Myers made his 1,000th trip to the winner's circle after triumphing with Over Six at MGM Northfield Park on December 1.

The 23-year-old Myers began driving in 2014. His 1,000 wins have helped him garner over \$7 million in purse earnings.

Harness racing is in Myers' blood. He and his father, Michael, have been involved with the sport their entire lives.

"I have always had a good support group around me that likes and understands the ups and downs of racing," stated Myers. "My Mom, Dad and other family members have

always been behind me all the way and have always pushed me to be the best that I can be."

In addition to his family, Myers says that harness racing is full of encouraging people that have and continue to help and show support.

"I receive a lot of support from my girlfriend Scarlett and the entire Wilder family," explained Myers. "Sam and Jodi Schillaci are also a big part of my support system. Sam offers a lot of great advice on both driving and life."

Hunter was driving professionally while attending Westfall High School in Williamsport, Ohio and began working with horses full-time immediately after graduating in 2016.

"I love to race horses and cannot picture myself doing anything else," said Myers.

Hunter drove his first race in June, 2014 at the Pickaway County Fair in Circleville, Ohio. It resulted in a 2nd place finish aboard



Myers and friends celebrate his 1,000th win Indian Spirit. Just three weeks and seven drives later Myers scored his first win with Uptown Dreamer at the Jackson County Fair in Wellston, Ohio.

Myers's richest win is a \$75,000 Ohio Sires Stake Consolation in October at Hollywood Dayton Raceway aboard Cash N Chips.

"There have been many people that have given me opportunities and I thank them all," offered Myers. "There have been a lot of people that have stood by me for several years now, even when I was a rookie at the fairs not knowing what I was doing out there."

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MILLER CROSSES \$100 MILLION PLATEAU



Hollywood drivers honor Brett Miller for crossing \$100 million plateau. Photo By: Brad Conrad

When driver Brett Miller crossed the finished line with Charlie May to win the \$164,750 Matron Stakes 3-Year-Old Colt and Gelding Pace at Dover Downs in Dover, Delaware, on Nov 11, he also crossed the \$100-million-dollar mark in earnings.

Miller, who has driven Charlie May in 24 of his 29 lifetime starts, took the son of McCardle to the lead from post seven to an opening quarter of :27. Charlie May never looked back, pacing the final half in :53 with a final quarter in :26.4, to win by a neck.

The 48-year-old Miller has now earned \$100,036,518 in his career.

"It feels good to hit the milestone," said Miller. "When I was 21 and driving one horse a week at Raceway Park, I use to think wouldn't it be nice to win 1,000 races. To get as lucky as I have gotten, is a great feeling."

Miller of Blacklick, Ohio, began his career in 1991. He won his first race at Northfield Park in October of 1992.

Miller's best year was 2004 when he won 639 wins. He has 380 wins this season and is currently ranked 9th among all drivers.

In 2016, Miller had his best year in earnings, winning \$7.8 million. Currently this year, he has earnings of \$5,666,492.

Miller mainly drives the Ohio southern circuit which consists of Hollywood Dayton Raceway, Eldorado Scioto Downs and Miami Valley.



Left to Right: Steve Carter, Charlie May, Don Tiger and Brett Miller Photo by: Fotowon

OUTSTANDING GROOMS

The Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association would like to congratulate our Outstanding Grooms **Case Bateson and Kimberly Price** for November.



Case Bateson



Kimberly Price

Bateson grooms 5 horses daily for trainer Jason Brewer. He was raised around harness horses and credits his dad, Steve, for the love of the sport.

Bateson has since expanded his passion into the sulky. This year, he guided aged pacer Rock N Randy V to the winner's circle for the first time at the Fayette County Fair in Washington Court House. He thanks Brewer and his dad for the opportunities that have been provided to him at such a young age.

Price married into the industry and now has more than 40 years of experience as a groom. Located at the Wapakoneta fairgrounds with her husband and trainer, Tony, she helps maintain the daily routine of the stable alongside shipping and paddocking. Outside of the barn, Price enjoys spending time with her grandchildren.

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2022 Ohio Staking Guide

For the first time, a limited number of ads will be available in the 2022 Ohio Staking Guide. For more information about placing an advertisement for your business, e-mail publications@ohha.com. Deadline 1/15/22

2022 Huff's National Fair Directory

The 116th annual HUFF'S GUIDE contains a chronological list of Ohio's 2022 fairs, a detailed racing program for each fair and information about each of the state's fair circuits. It's required reading for horsemen and women who plan their summer race schedule in Ohio. For information about placing an ad in the 2022 Huff's guide contact Frank Fraas at publications@ohha.com. Deadline 1/30/22

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Regularly Scheduled Meeting Recap by Renée Mancino

Wednesday, November 17, 2021 *Roll Call, all Commissioners in-person attendance except Commissioner Patmon present by telephone.*

In normal business for the Commission, Executive Director Chris Dragone's Report and Approval items were introduced, and the October 20, 2021 minutes were offered for ratification. There were no documents related to the Executive Director's approvals disclosed or provided to those in attendance. The discussion regarding the Executive Director's approval request indicated normal and customary approvals. The Racing Commission unanimously ratified the Executive Director's Approval items and the October 20, 2021, Meeting Minutes.

The Executive Director's report items included the 2022 live racing approvals for MGM Northfield Park, Miami Valley, Thistledown, and Mahoning Valley's 2022 live meets. They submitted requests to, (1) Waive their surety bond for 2022 race meet, (2) Approve listed officials, (3) Approve the number of races and wagering format, (4) Approve post times, (5) Approve their simulcasting schedule, and (6) Approve their letters to the Fire Marshall. No documents were provided to those in attendance. The Racing Commission ratified all requests noting approval on listed officials due to on-site training is complete. Thistledown and Miami Valley Gaming's approvals were held pending administrative issues that need to be completed.

Dr. Randall Blevins appointment to the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Health Fund as Trustee was discussed and ratification of appointment passed unanimously by the Commissioners.

Resolution 2021-12 VICI Properties was distributed and discussed. The Resolution provided the approval from the Racing Commission for VICI Properties real estate investment trust to purchase the land under the MGM Northfield Park property. Noted were wording changes requested in the first paragraph including language specifying the "ultimate owner" as MGM. Commissioner Thomas Winters also provided clarification regarding the racino operator's share of the casino commission for commercial operations, and the fact that MGM will no longer receive a portion of the casino commission earmarked for operations. The MGM purse pool contribution will continue to be paid for the benefit of racing.

Agenda item seven about the Caesars Scioto Downs Grandstand. Joe Morris - Senior Vice President of Racing Caesars Entertainment, Amy Anker-son - Senior Vice President and General Manager Caesars Scioto Downs, and Jason Roth - Director of Racing Caesars Scioto Downs were present for the discussion.

SVP Joe Morris re-stated the timeline updating October's disclosure. (1) Asbestos and Lead Paint abatement is complete. (2) Relocate site electrical located under the Grandstand area bids due November 22, 2021. Disconnection and relocation of electrical to commence December 1, 2021. Expected completion on electrical the last week of January 2022. (3) Demolition of the Grandstand and Penthouse structures would start in the last week of January. The target end-date for clean-up and removal of site debris would be February 2022, with construction to follow. (4) Rebuild expected to start in March 2022. Full facility building permits have been submitted and the construction timeline will be updated after permit issuance and structural steel delivery is confirmed. Mr. Morris provided detail that a construction webcam would be installed to watch the progress on site livestreamed.

Caesars live racing application was modified to permit use of the existing temporary structure for racing in 2022 and modify post-times to 3:30 p.m. for the 2022 live meet due to the loss of track lighting above the grandstand until final construction is complete. The Racing Commission previewed and approved a slightly new configuration on the prior temporary structure to house racing officials at the racetrack. The broadcast room, officials' location, reconfiguration of racing operations equipment, and post time were approved unanimously by the Racing Commission for the 2022 live meet.

A recap on the horse racing fatalities was provided by Racing Commission Consulting Veterinarian, Dr. James Robertson. It was noted that the numbers reported since 2009 are for training and racing related catastrophic breakdowns, analogous to the Jockey Club's reporting requirements for sudden deaths that occur during training, racing, or 72 hours after a race. To date the report on catastrophic losses included four thoroughbreds and one standardbred. Year-to-date 2021 catastrophic losses are thirty-nine thoroughbred fatalities (thirty-four racing and five training) and six Standardbred fatalities (all racing) for a combined total of 45.

The monthly commission financial report was provided by Fiscal Officer Sherry White. Fiscal year 2022 overall had a revenue increase of 56% due to the casino commission release and other tax revenue up over last year. Year-over-year revenue up \$179,000 overall and expenses were up. Increased expenses were attributed mainly to audit costs and travel expenses. The Racing Commission Operating Fund has just over \$2.4 million through October in the fund.

Commissioner Hansen provided a Medication and Testing Committee meeting held September 29, 2021 to discuss Lasix provisions and the Association of Racing Commissioners International's models for Lasix. Commissioner Hansen outlined additional comments requested. The OHHA filed their comments upon receipt of the proposed amended rule. The Ohio Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association represented complete agreement with the Lasix rule as drafted. It is anticipated that the December Racing Commission meeting will provide a Resolution. There was added discussion on the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) and their deadline date for rules promulgation of December 2, 2021. One question that has been difficult to answer in HISA is where funding will come from? Another question is opt-in or out for other breeds racing.

Commissioner Simpson Chairman of the Safety Committee recapped the meeting held November 9, 2021. Meeting topics of discussion were primarily head numbers, safety vests, and emergency response protocols. Want the same procedures regarding protective vests, whipping rule fines and suspensions for jockeys and drivers. There will likely be a rule put into effect in January making safety vests mandatory, vests must be able to be worn under racing colors. The rule will be like the existing thoroughbred rule and require a safety vest for anyone seated behind a horse when racing or training. With the new rule likely going into place in January, a roll-in three-month enforcement period to March prior to enforcement and fines being levied was requested by the OHHA. This would permit horsemen

time to obtain compliant safety vests or have their racing colors altered to accommodate wearing the vest underneath their colors. Head numbers at the pari-mutuel racetracks were also discussed and will be eliminated. Still under final consideration is a rule regarding county fair use. The question is whether to make use optional at county fairs, some of whom have requested that they remain. On emergency response protocols the Racing Commission represented a requirement will be put into place soon that will be uniform and will require all racing locations to utilize Advanced Life Saving protocol going forward at all facilities.

The Standardbred Racing Sub-Committee Chairman Thomas Winters outlined a standardbred racing meeting to be held concurrent with the Standardbred Development Fund Committee Meeting November 18, 2021, immediately following that meeting.

In the Matters of licensees Charlie J. Williams and Eric Barbaran. August 8, 2020 in the 9th race at Thistledown, jockey Eric Barbaran riding Moonlight Mission trained by Silvano Gonzalez owner Charlie J. Williams was involved in chain-reaction contact involving horses Leona's Reward (Timothy Hamm) and Drillit (T.D. Houghton). The Stewards ruled Moonlight Mission the cause of the chain reaction. Moonlight Mission won by eight lengths but was placed 7th. Mr. Williams represented by attorney Brandon Smith asserted the incident occurred after Leona's Reward and jockey Timothy Hamm had difficulties from the start with Drillit contributing to the interference. Both jockeys lodged objections after the race against Barbaran. Further Mr. Williams set forth no action taken against the other two horses and jockeys with Leona's Reward finishing second. Mr. Williams appealed claiming the evidence was not considered and given proper weight by the Hearing Officer. After hearing, the Hearing Officer's Report and Recommendation upheld the Stewards decision to disqualify. After discussion and consideration, the Racing Commission unanimously upheld the Hearing Officer's Report and Recommendations denying reversal of the disqualification against both licensees.

Chairman Borgemenke provided Chairman's comments related to his term on the Racing Commission. From COVID to the retirement and passing of key Ohio State Racing Commission personnel there have been many challenges. The Chairman said they would look at the rules, what they do, and what they can do within the Commission's resources to the best of their ability.

There was further business to conduct in executive session related to Racing Commission employment and personnel. After the executive session no further business would be conducted, so the motion and vote were taken to adjourn the meeting, enter into executive session, and end the general session meeting.

For a transcript of the meeting contact the Ohio State Racing Commission. The next scheduled Racing Commission meeting date is December 15, at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held in person only at the Riffe Building in Room 1948. The Agenda and Meeting Information can be found at the Ohio State Racing Commission's website at www.racingohio.net.



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Ohio Breeders Award Requirements

Mares registered in 2017 (Foals of 2018) mare registration date 12/31/17

Foal Age	Membership Requirement
Bred 2017	Grace Period, No Membership Required
Foal Born 2018	No Membership Required
Yearling 2019	No Membership Required
2 & 3-Year-Old 2020, 2021	Membership Required

Mares registered in 2018 (Foals of 2019) mare registration date 11/30/18

Foal Age	Membership Requirement
Foal Born 2019	Membership Required
Yearling 2020	No Membership Required
2 & 3-Year-Old 2021, 2022	Membership Required

Mares registered in 2019 (Foals of 2020) mare registration date 11/30/19

Foal Age	Membership Requirement
Foal Born 2020	Membership Required
Yearling 2021	No Membership Required
2 & 3-Year-Old 2022, 2023	No Membership Required

Mares registered in 2020 (Foals of 2021) mare registration date 11/30/20

Foal Age	Membership Requirement
Foal Born 2021	Membership Required
Yearling 2022	No Membership Required
2 & 3-Year-Old 2023, 2024	No Membership Required

Mares registered in 2021 (Foals of 2022) mare registration date 11/30/21

Foal Age	Membership Requirement
Foal Born 2022	Membership Required
Yearling 2023	No Membership Required
2 & 3-Year-Old 2024, 2025	No Membership Required

Registration Fee: \$20 per mare. For mares registered in 2019 forward, in addition to the \$20 registration fee per mare, registrations received from December 1st to December 31st must add a \$100 per-mare late fee. Registration will not be accepted until all fees are paid in full.

Membership Requirements: All owners of the mare (including those in businesses or stables) are required to join as Active OHHA Members. All business entities or stables listed as owners are also required to join as Associate Members.

Mare Residency: Mare in foal to an Ohio Stallion, must foal in Ohio, and reside in Ohio for 187 consecutive days in the year of foaling.

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