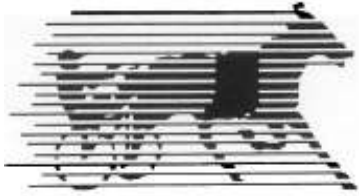


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## ISA TODAY

## July 2006 Newsletter

### ISA President's Remarks

The Indiana Racing Season is in high gear with County Fair racing and 2yr Old Sires Stakes at Indiana Downs. I understand that all owners, trainers, and drivers are very busy at this time. However, your help is needed. We are approaching a very crucial time for the future of Indiana Horse Racing. The November Election is quickly approaching! The Legislative Session of 2007 is the long session. As active horsemen and women in the state of Indiana we need to focus on the Gaming Bill for 2007's Legislative Session. Representative Eric Gutwein, District 16, will once again be caring this bill. The bill has not changed from last year as the parties felt this was a very good bill. Furthermore, it is vital that all horsemen and women contact either Eric Gutwein at, 710 W. Winding Rd, Rensselaer, IN 47978-7284 or your district senators and representatives encouraging them to visit our farms, training facilities, and race tracks. It is important that they see how Horse Racing in Indiana is a family affair and that additional gaming will help Indiana Families grow and prosper in the future. Please make every effort possible to help our industry be seen.

By Jeff Edwards, ISA President



### The ISA's Webpage has a NEW LOOK!

[www.indianaharness.com](http://www.indianaharness.com)

Elite Results, Latest News, Announcements, Pictures, Trainer & Driver Profile's, and more!

**RHINO VACCINATIONS DUE Every 6 Months!**

### Beeman Benefit

A benefit will be held in honor of Marvin Beeman on Saturday, August 5, 2006 at Indiana Downs beginning at 4:00 p.m. The ISA is organizing the event to help raise money to pay medical and hospital expenses only. Marvin Beeman and his family have endured substantial hardships during his illness. Money donated will be regulated by an ISA designee. Please see enclosed flyer with additional information. **Many volunteers are needed for the benefit!** A complete up to date listing of events and an auction flyer is available on the ISA Website [www.indianaharness.com](http://www.indianaharness.com). To donate to the event please contact Megan Sundeen at the ISA office toll free (800) 565-5725.



### Indiana Horse Racing and Breeding Coalition

In the past few years the Indiana Horse Racing and Breeding Coalition has been formed and meets bi-weekly to discuss strategies on the most effective ways to have our voice heard and attention given to our Gaming Bill. The Coalition members are Hoosier Park and Indiana Downs, along with the Standardbred (ISA), Thoroughbred (IHBP), and the Quarter Horse (IQHA) Associations. The Chairman is Larry Smallwood, and Vice Chair Dwayne Rhule. Currently the Coalition is working with lobbyists to convince senators and representatives to recognize our Gaming Bill and assist Indiana Horse Racing. In order to continue these efforts donations are needed to support the Coalition. In the past, racetracks have monetarily supported the Coalition, but additional funding is still needed to accomplish our goals. This 2007 Gaming Bill campaign for the long legislative session is very crucial to the future of Indiana Horse Racing. With additional funding we can strive even harder to make a difference for our Horse Racing Industry. Any amount of donation would be greatly appreciated. If you have questions please feel free to contact me at (317) 590-5213 and leave a message or Megan at the ISA Office toll free (800) 565-5725.

### **Depo Medrol & Vetalog**

The Indiana Horse Racing Commission has announced that Depo Medrol and Vetalog will now have 5 days withdrawal time.

### **2006 Press Release from Hoosier Park**

Tammy Knox, Publicity Director for HOP published the press release for the 13<sup>th</sup> season of racing. Total wagering reached \$57,431,099 for the 60-day meet compared to \$52,853,306 during the 61-day meet in 2005. Average daily handle for the Standardbred meet increased by 10.5% from 2005, as \$957,185 was wagered nightly on Hoosier Park's card around the country compared to an average of \$866,448 in 2005. Average daily on-track handle fell 6.8% as \$37,971 was wagered nightly in 2006 compared to \$40,723 in 2005. An additional \$24,228 was wagered nightly on the HOOSIER Park card at the track's off-track betting locations around Indiana (Indianapolis, Merrillville and Fort Wayne), a decrease of 1.3% from 2005. Average daily attendance at HOP was 822, which was 0.6% above last year's average of 816. An average of 9.6 starters went to the gate in 2006, compared to an average of 9.5 starters in 2005. Average daily purses fell 4.5% in 2006, as horsemen raced for an average of \$113,590 in 2006 versus \$118,994 in 2005. Total purses distributed in 2006 amounted to \$6,815,380 a decrease of 6.1% from the 61-day meet in 2005. The decline in import simulcast handle contributed to the decline in purses.



### **Increase in Salix**

The increased of Furosemide (Salix) will be effective on August 1, 2006 contingent on the approval of raising the maximum dosage of Furosemide (Salix) to ten milliliter (10ml) at the Indian Horse Racing Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. The charge for pre-race Furosemide (Salix) at HOP and Indiana Downs will be raised to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per horse to be paid by the owner or trainer of the horse.

### **Retest Policy for EPO**

Pursuant to 71 IAC 8-12-1 and 8.5-12-1, horses whose blood test indicated the presence of the antibody for erthropoetin or darbopoietin shall be placed on the Judges/Stewards list and shall be ineligible to enter until the horse has tested negative by a commission approved laboratory. In order for such horse to be eligible to be released from the Judges/Stewards list the trainer shall comply with the following procedure; Trainer's Responsibility is to have a practicing veterinarian identify the horse, draw blood and have the blood sample forwarded to Antech Diagnostic. Antech will then forward the sample to Truesdail Laboratory. The owner shall be responsible to pay for the test(s) performed. The trainer is responsible for forwarding negative test results to the Executive Director of the IHRC. Once the Commission's Executive Director receives notice from Truesdail Laboratory that the horse in question has tested clear for the presence of the antibodies arrangements will be made to have blood drawn and retested at a time, location and in a manner as determined by the Commission. The horse shall be released from the Judges/Stewards list once the official IHRC sample is reported clear by Truesdail Laboratory.



### **IHRC Topics Addressed at July Meeting**

- Medication to conform to Association of Racing Commissioners International's model rules
- Policy statement regarding bleeder adjunct medication
- Rule Amendments to permit random and discretionary breathalyzer testing of licensees during training hours
- Approval of Iowa State University as split sample laboratory
- Timeline for filing and pre-approving 2007 live racing dates.

### **Standardbred Drivers & Trainers**

The Indiana Standardbred Association would like to thank all trainers and drivers who were willing and able to sign the petition opposing the mandatory ruling on "safety reins". The signed petition spoke for itself before the Indiana Horse Racing Commission. "Safety Reins" have not been proven as a superior quality product. Therefore, the commission rescinded their initial mandatory vote. Thank you for your support on this important matter.

**Director Elections for 2007 Approaching!**

An election committee will be formed at the July 29<sup>th</sup> ISA Board of Directors meeting. If you are willing to volunteer your time and dedication to the Indiana Horsemen and Women please submit a letter of intent along with a petition signed by 50 members to the ISA Office. District Director positions available for a three year term beginning January 2007 are; Northern – 1, Central – 2, Southern – 2, and At Large – 2.

**2006 Elite Series**

**2yr Filly Pace – Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> Goshen, IN**

Post time 11:00 a.m.

Entry Phone: (765) 395-3803

Race Day Phone: (219) 474-5745

**2yr Colt Trot – Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup> Portland, IN**

Post time 11:00 a.m.

Entry & Race Day Phone: (260) 726-4331

**2yr Colt Pace – Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> Corydon, IN**

Post time 1:00 p.m.

Entry Phone: (765) 395-3803

Race Day Phone: (812) 738-0931 OR  
(812) 738-4261

**2006 ISA Picnic**

A horsemen's picnic will be sponsored by the ISA on **Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> starting at 12:00 p.m.** to be held at Indiana Downs Racetrack under the white tent in front of the grandstand. **FREE FOOD** catered by Indiana Downs, entertainment with the **LIVE BAND – "Country Gold"** (anyone is welcome to karaoke with the band or play an instrument), **GAMES & PRIZES** for children and adults! See enclosed flyer more information on the picnic. All children under the age of 13 will receive a prize. If your child is under 13 and you will be attending the picnic please contact the ISA Office so we can be sure to have enough prizes for the kids.

**Win \$100 Gift Certificate from Big Dee's!**

The ISA is organizing a "Slogan Contest." An advertising sign has been created to promote Indiana Horse Racing. The ISA would like participation from any IHRC licensed individual to compose a "Catchy Slogan" to be printed permanently on the sign. The winner of the Slogan Contest will be rewarded with a \$100 gift certificate from Big Dee's Tack & Vet Supply. Entries may be made to the ISA Office by email or mail with your name, address, and phone number along with your catchy slogan. There will also be an entry drop box located in the race paddock at Indiana Downs beginning Tuesday July 25<sup>th</sup>. Entries must be submitted no later than Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. A committee of ISA Directors will be judging the slogan entries. Directors will not see your name only your slogan for the judging. Slogan winner will be announced.

**Here is the sign!****Sunrise Church Service**

Claudean Webb, ISA Chaplain, is organizing a non-denominational Sunrise Church Service for **Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at Indiana Downs**, under the white tent in front of the Grandstand. Service begins at 10:00 a.m. Music will be provided by the live band, "Country Gold" (listings of 40 religious songs). Following the service is the ISA Picnic at 12:00 p.m. with **FREE FOOD & FUN** for the whole family!

**2 Year Old Qualifiers at HOP**

A qualifying event was held for 2 year olds only at Hoosier Park on Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. There were 113 2 year olds that entered the qualifiers. The qualifiers were sponsored by the ISA, Breed Development, and the Breed Advisory Board. Thank you to all who helped make this a successful event.

**2006 Awards Banquet**

Mark your calendars for Saturday - **February 3, 2007!** The annual awards banquet is scheduled to take place at the same location as last year, Hilton Indianapolis North. A block of rooms have been reserved at a special rate of \$109.00 for a king or double bed room. If you are interested in reserving a room please call the Hilton North at (317) 849-6668. **Reservations must be made by January 13, 2007.**

**Indiana Horsemen Recovering**

Since the last newsletter a few of our horsemen have endured illnesses. Director, Jack Holton suffered a heart attack and is now at home recuperating, Roger Cullipher made it to the hospital just in time to prevent a heart attack that was close at hand. Walt Snyder, Paddock Judge at HOP, underwent open heart surgery after the close of HOP. Dr. Overstreet is getting back into his old routines after his injury.

**Ewart Retires**

Indiana Downs Race Secretary, Jim Ewart, is retiring after a total of 50 years in the Horse Racing Industry. He was involved for 48 of those years with 17 pari-mutuel racetracks from southern California to Massachusetts. Currently residing in Grove City Ohio, Jim is looking forward to bird hunting in the fall all over the U.S. with his 4 English Setters. Then he plans to spend 3 winter months in close proximity to training centers located in southern Florida. Jim wanted to address all Indiana Horsemen / Women with a special note, "It has been a pleasure being affiliated with Indiana Horse Racing, I have met many wonderful people along the way, and I wish you all good luck with your slot bill". Well wishes may be sent to Jim's home address at 2823 Annabelle Ct, Grove City, OH 43123

**Owner's Seminar**

The August Owner's Seminar has been rescheduled for Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> - 2:00 p.m. at Indiana Downs Racetrack. For more information contact Jessica Barnes at (317) 233-3120.

**Director Charlie Kline Loses House in Fire**

Early morning, Tuesday July 18, a terrible storm hit the northern Indiana area of Bristol. Lightening struck Charlie Kline's home, ISA Director, breeder, owner, and trainer. The fire department was unable to respond in time to save the house. Charlie and his wife have lost everything! Fortunately no one was injured. Notes of encouragement may be sent to Charlie's business address at Crystal Valley Sales, 4100 Bullard Rd, Elkhart, IN 46516

**2006 Scholarship Award Recipient**

The 2006 ISA Scholarship Committee has announced that Melissa Landis is this year's recipient. She is currently enrolled at the Indiana Wesleyan University as a full time student with 15 credit hours in their Nursing Program. Her college career begins on September 5, 2006. Best wishes to Melissa with all of her endeavors!

**Obituaries**

**Frank McGraw** (1934-2006) passed away on June 5, 2006. He was a man with many talents, with his passion being racehorses. He was a member of the Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan Standardbred Associations. Tributes may be made in the form of contributions to the American Diabetes Association.

**Jack Hankins** (1925-2006) passed away on July 17<sup>th</sup> after a long struggle with Parkinson's disease. Jack was raised in Veedersburg, IN and followed his father, Harry into the harness horse industry after WWII. In 1948 he and his newlywed wife, Joyce, shared a barn at Indiana State Fairgrounds with Hall of Famers Sep Palin, George Sholty, and Doug Ackerman. Condolences may be sent to Jack's family at 2455 W. Dixie B, Covington, IN 49732.

Please visit the ISA Website at [www.indianaharness.com](http://www.indianaharness.com) for a complete listing of the obituaries.

**2006 Elite Results**