



# The Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association

## January 2010 Newsletter

### 2010 Harness Racing Dates

#### Lebanon Raceway

Feb 19-Dec 11  
(50 live days)

#### Northfield Park

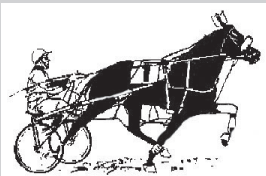
Jan 1-Dec 29  
(213 live days)

#### Raceway Park

April 17-Oct 24  
(56 live days)

#### Scioto Downs

May 17-Sept 18  
(65 live days)



#### OHHA Track Reps

#### Tom Blankenship

Lebanon Raceway

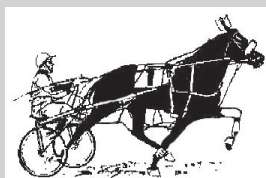
Scioto Downs

#### Amy Hollar

Northfield Park

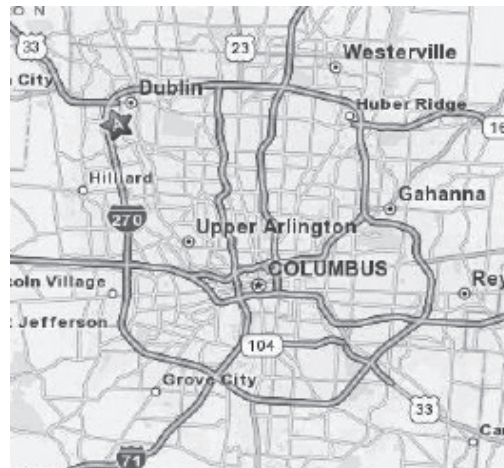
#### Kim Marts

Raceway Park



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The OHHA Annual Awards Banquet & Annual Membership Meeting & USTA District 1 Annual Meeting are Saturday, Jan. 16 at the Columbus Marriott Northwest Hotel. The OHHA Banquet begins at 5:30 pm, where Horse of the Year honors will be announced. Reservations for the Banquet must be made by Jan. 8th, and payment must reach the OHHA office by Jan 12th. Tickets are \$45 each. All tickets must be paid for by Jan. 12, 2010 and can be picked up at the Banquet Reservation Table. **Please note that no tickets will be sold at the door.**



Columbus Marriott Northwest room reservations for Jan. 15 or 16 must be made by Jan. 4, 2010 by calling 888-801-7133. Be sure to ask for the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association rate (\$112.00). Rooms or rates are not guaranteed after that date.

#### January 16, 2010 Timeline

1:00 pm	USTA District 1 Meeting
2:30 pm	OHHA Membership Meeting
4:00 pm	Cocktails Cash Bar
5:30 pm	OHHA Awards Banquet

#### Directions to Columbus Marriott Northwest

**From the North:** Take I-71 south to I-270 West for 15 miles to Exit 15 (Tuttle Crossing Blvd.), and turn left. Travel two miles to Blazer Parkway, turn left.

**From the East:** Take I-70 west through downtown Columbus to I-270 North to Exit 15 (Tuttle Crossing Blvd.) and turn right. Travel one mile to Blazer Parkway, turn left.

**From the South:** Take I-71 north to I-270 west for 15 miles to Exit 15 (Tuttle Crossing Blvd.) and turn right. Travel one mile to Blazer Parkway, turn left.

**From the West:** Take I-70 east to I-270 north for five miles to Exit 15 (Tuttle Crossing Blvd.) and turn right. Travel one mile to Blazer Parkway, turn left.

#### Columbus Marriott Northwest

5605 Blazer Pkwy Dublin, Ohio 43017

Phone: 1-614-336-4705

www.columbusmarriottnorthwest.com

### OHHA Annual Awards

Banquet Reservation Form  
Saturday, January 16, 2010  
Dublin, Ohio

Reserve tickets at \$45 each. Payment must be received by January 12th at the OHHA office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

# of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

# General Manager's Report...

by Jerry Knappenberger

**Expanded Gaming/Legislative Update....**LetOhioVote.org, a group challenging Governor Ted Strickland's authority to order video lottery terminals at Ohio race-tracks, submitted 325,496 signatures on Dec. 20 to force a vote on the matter. The filing by LetOhioVote.org does not guarantee that Ohioans will decide the fate of the VLTs at racetracks proposal in November 2010.

While LetOhioVote.org submitted about 84,000 signatures more than the required 241,365 signatures needed to place the issue on the ballot, many of the signatures will be disqualified by County Boards of Elections and Secretary of State Jennifer Brunner during the validation process. If LetOhioVote.org comes up short of valid signatures, they still would have ten days to collect more and can continue now to collect signatures through the validation process. Even though enough signatures are validated for the issue to be on the November 2010 ballot, the legislature can eliminate the ballot issue by repealing the language in House Bill 1 (HB1) which was deemed "subject to referendum vote" by the Ohio Supreme Court. The whole process should be concluded by mid-January when it will be known if HB1 language will be on the November 2010 ballot.

If the issue is not validated for the ballot, the Governor's plan for VLTs at race-tracks can go forward at that time if no other lawsuits are filed. We ask you to continue to contact the Governor's office and your state legislators, that the survival of our great Ohio agricultural industry is in their hands and Ohio horse racing families need to be placed on a level playing field with surrounding states. If you have questions or need help in contacting your legislators, call me at 1-800-353-6442 or 614-221-3650, or e-mail [jlknappenberger@ohha.com](mailto:jlknappenberger@ohha.com). Remember, state legislators listen to the people who can vote for them. We all must take the time to help our industry.

**2010 Ohio Sire Stakes...**The Ohio Standardbred Development Fund Committee held an emergency meeting on Dec. 21 to approve the dates for the 2010 Ohio Sire Stakes program. The Championship races will be contested on Saturday, Oct. 9 at Lebanon Raceway for guaranteed purses of \$75,000. There will be four legs each for age, sex, gait with guaranteed purses of \$15,000. The 3-year-old legs will begin the July 4th weekend and the 2-year-old legs will begin the weekend of July 16th. The complete schedule of OSS racing dates is available on the OHHA web site at [www.ohha.com](http://www.ohha.com).

**New Director Appointed...**OHHA President Steve McCoy has appointed Brian Brown, Upper Sandusky, to the OHHA Board of Directors as a driver/trainer director, replacing Aaron Merriman.

**Lebanon Fire....**Following the tragic barn fire at Lebanon Raceway on Dec. 5, the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association established a fund to assist the recovery process for the owners and trainers who lost all their horses and equipment. If you would like to help you can do so by sending a check to: Lebanon Horsemen's Relief Fund (Account Number: 987395070), National City Bank, 736 Neil Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43215, Attention: Larry Elovitz, Branch Manager.

**OHHA Annual Meeting...**The Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association annual membership meeting is Saturday, Jan. 16 at 2:30 pm at the Columbus Marriott Northwest Hotel in Dublin (see map on front page). **Please make plans to attend!** This meeting provides members the opportunity to learn more about the association and what it is doing on the membership's behalf. Members will be updated on the association's current activities and will have the opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions for the future.

## OHHA General Manager



Jerry Knappenberger

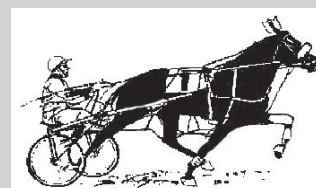
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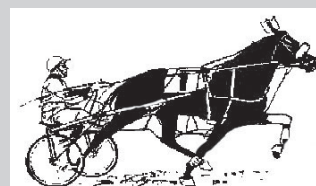
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# Ohio's Night Of Stars!

The OHHA & USTA District One Annual Awards Banquet  
January 16, 2010 at the Columbus Marriott Northwest, Dublin, Ohio

## 2010 Banquet Door Prizes

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The OHHA will offer numerous door prizes at the conclusion of our Awards Banquet!

## 2010 Sponsors include:

Christian Harness Horseman's Association

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## Schedule of Activities

Time	Activity
10 am-5:30 pm	Exhibits--Atrium Terrace Exhibitors: Artist Ann Lufkin, Christian Harness Horsemen's Association, Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association, Signature Series.
10 am-5 pm	Stallion Auction--Union Room
11:30 am-1:30 pm	Ladies Luncheon--Dublin VI Room Cost: \$20.00--Reservations required, Call OHHA office (\$10.00 wrapped gift exchange)
1 pm	USTA District One--Annual Membership Meeting Dublin I & II Rooms
2:30 pm	<b>OHHA Annual Membership Meeting</b> Dublin I & II Rooms
4 pm	Cash Bars open
5:30 pm	<b>OHHA-USTA District One Annual Awards Banquet</b> Dublin Ballroom Master of Ceremonies: Jason Settlemoir Awards: Ohio Horse of the Year, Divisional Horses of the Year, Divisional Dams of the Year, Ohio Triple Crown Winners, OHHA's Dick Brandt "Extra Effort" Award, Terry Holton Ohio Youth Award, USHWA Awards, Jerry Kaltenbach Awards, Signature Series Awards, Dr. H.M.Parshall Futurity Awards.

## Deadline for Advertising

in the February issue of the  
**Buckeye Harness Horsemen Magazine**  
January 15, 2010

Contact Kim at 708-557-2790 or at Trotrink@aol.com  
Reasonable rates & great exposure for stallions, farms, services



# 2010 OHHA Stallion Service Auction



## Bidding

Bidding begins by phone on Friday, Jan. 15, 2010 from Noon to 4 pm, & on Saturday, Jan. 16, from 10 am to 5 pm.

1-800-353-6442 Toll free Ohio & U.S.  
 1-614-221-3650 Columbus-Friday Only  
 1-614-336-4733 Columbus-Saturday Only

## Bidding Rules

Horsemen may bid on an unlimited number of stallions, with a \$50.00 minimum raise. All bids are confidential & bidders are responsible to call in to raise their bids.

All contracts are subject to OHHA & farm approval, & are not transferable to another mare or individual.

The winning bidder must make a desposit for 10% of the bid, with a \$100 minimum.

If there is no live foal, the deposit, less \$25.00, will be refunded upon receipt of a veterinarian certificate, or the deposit may be donated to the OHHA. There is no return privilege.

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

No ownership change on a mare is permitted until service fee is paid unless a statement from a licensed veterinarian declaring the mare not in foal is provided to the OHHA.

## ~PACERS~

<u>Stallion</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Courtesy of</u>
Cam Coder	\$750	Tony Coder
Dave Panlone	\$1,500	Midland Acres
Feelin Friskie	\$2,500	Midland Acres
Medoland Sam	\$500	Clearview Stable
Memphis Flash	\$1,000	Cool Winds Farm
Stand Forever	\$2,000	Hickory Lane Farm
Western Spirit	\$750	Andy Burkholder

## ~TROTTERS~

<u>Stallion</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Courtesy of</u>
Bite The Taxman*	\$500	Andrew Shepler
Chip Chip Hooray	\$2,500	Midland Acres
Full Count**	\$1,500	Full Count Syndicate
Iron Duke***	\$1,000	Vernon Miller
Master Lavec	\$1,500	Midland Acres
Neely Dunn	\$750	Andy Burkholder
Opus	\$400	Rolland Farm
Royal Palm	\$500	Andrew Hersberger Farm
Sheffield**	\$750	Ngaire Umholtz
Softys Smarty****	\$750	Bill Troyer
Train For The Future	\$1,500	Hickory Lane Horse Farm
Victory Sam	\$1,000	Midland Acres

\*Standing at Midnight Stables

\*\*Standing at Marvin Raber Farm

\*\*\*Standing at T-P Stables

\*\*\*\*Standing at Royal View Farm

**The OHHA staff wishes everyone a very  
Happy & Prosperous New Year!**



# 2010 OHIO BREEDERS STAKES

Hosted by Scioto Downs--\$15,000 Est. Purses  
races to be held August 26, 27, 28 or 29



## 2010 Payment Schedule

February 15--Nomination Fee---\$100 or \$150 if stallion was not nominated  
April 15--Sustaining Fee---\$100    Entry Fee---Due at time of Entry---\$300

## 2010 Nominated Stallions

Nominated stallions whose 2- & 3-year-olds are eligible to the Ohio Breeders Stakes.

*\*2-year-olds only eligible for 2010 Ohio Breeders Stakes    \*\*3-year-olds only eligible for 2010 Ohio Breeders Stakes*

Cams Magic Trick	Marsh Lake	Pegasus Spur
Chip Chip Hooray **	Mantacular	Small Town Sport
Crown Time Big Ben	Master Lavec	Softys Smarty
Dawn of A New Day	Medoland Sam	Soho
Full Count	Memphis Flash	Stand Forever
Good Time Georgio	Nobleland Sam	Victory Sam
Jailhouse Jesse	On The Attack	Yankee Cruise

**2010 CONDITIONS:** 1-Ohio sired only & all monies counted must be won in Ohio. 2-Top nine (9) money winners in 2010 at time of entry; if more than 14 enter, split divisions. 3-No more than two (2) entries from one stable or interest. 4-At least six (6) betting interests to race--if not, monies are divided among those entered. 5-All fees taken go into the final purse. 6-All horses must be qualified at time of entry (Scioto Downs Qualifying Standards). 7-All races at one mile--one dash only & all events are subject to OSRC rules.

### Ohio Breeders Stakes Nominating Payment Due February 15, 2010

Fill out form completely & use additional sheets if needed. List horse, age, sex, gait, sire, dam & nominating fee. The nominating payments for each 2 & 3-year-old colt or filly is \$100 or \$150 if the stallion was not nominated. Make check payable to Ohio Harness Horsemen's Assoc. & mail to: OHHA, 800 Michigan Ave. Columbus, OH 43215-1166.

Horse	Age/Sex/Gait	Sire	Dam	Fee
1)				
2)				
3)				
4)				
5)				
6)				

Nominator	Nominator's Phone #	Amount Enclosed
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1) Owner's Name & Address
2) Owner's name & Address
3) Owner's Name & Address
4) Owner's Name & Address
5) Owner's Name & Address
6) Owner's Name & Address



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### Important Dates

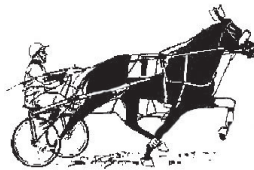
1st Quarter  
OHHA Board Meeting  
January 15, 2010

Annual OHHA  
USTA Awards Banquet  
January 16, 2010

2nd Quarter  
OHHA Board Meeting  
April 20, 2010

3rd Quarter  
OHHA Board Meeting  
June 22, 2010

4th Quarter  
OHHA Board Meeting  
October 26, 2010



## 2010 OHHA Membership Dues

2010 OHHA dues are \$65 for a one-year membership. All 2009 memberships expire on January 31, 2009.

Members and prospective members can visit the OHHA website for further information, and then print out a membership application and mail it to the OHHA Office.

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



### Ohio Racetrack Information

Lebanon Raceway  
665 North Broadway  
Lebanon, Ohio 45036  
(513) 932-4936  
[www.lebanonraceway.com](http://www.lebanonraceway.com)

Northfield Park  
10705 Northfield Road  
Northfield, Ohio 44067  
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Raceway Park  
5700 Telegraph Road  
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