

# The ATBHA News

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## ATBHA Awards Banquet, Membership Meeting & Silent Auction

The annual ATBHA Awards Banquet is being held Friday, March 30 at the CLARION RESORT ON THE LAKE, 4813 Central Avenue.

The cost per ticket is \$40. Tickets can be purchased through the ATBHA office. A reservation card is enclosed for ordering tickets. Tickets and/or reservations must be made on or before March 25th.

Frank Mirahmadi, Oaklawn's track announcer, will be our featured speaker. Mr. Mirahmadi has spoken at many events since taking over the position, but not ours.

Breeder of the Year, Horse of the Year, Stallion of the Year and Broodmare of the Year

will be announced at the banquet as well as honoring all registered Arkansas-bred stakes winners in 2012.

Additionally this is an election year and the Directors elected for the 2013-2015 term will be announced at the conclusion of the banquet.

As always we will have a silent auction. If you have something you would like to donate for this auction, please contact the ATBHA office and we will arrange to get it from you. Also, if you know of a business that might be interested in making a donation to our auction, please provide their name and we will contact them to arrange a pick.

**Order your banquet tickets now!!!**

## 2013 Election of ATBHA Directors

This is an election year for the ATBHA Board of Directors. Pursuant to the Bylaws of ATBHA, **each member, current in their payment of dues, is entitled to cast only one vote of each ballot, submitted to a vote of the members.**

If you are current in the payment of 2013 ATBHA Membership dues, a Ballot will be sent to you by first class mail. Please follow the directions for filling out and submitting your ballot to ATBHA. Failure to do so will result in your

vote not being counted.

If you have any questions, contact the ATBHA office immediately.

Ballots MUST be received in the ATBHA office no later than 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 20th, 2013. Ballots received after that date WILL NOT be counted. All ballots will be given to our CPA's March 20th for counting.

Election results will be announced at the conclusion of the 2013 General Membership Meeting and Awards Banquet.

**THE JOCKEY CLUB** encourages use of the Jockey Club Interactive Registry. Submit your live foal reports on line. It's so easy. Jockey Club Rules regarding Live Foal/No Foal reports state:

**Live Foal/No Foal Report (LF/NF).** "Within 30 days of the birth of a foal, the owner, breeder or authorized agent must complete a Live Foal/No Foal Report. The LF/NF indicates the exact date of foaling, the sex of the foal and the state or Canadian province where the foal was born. It is at this stage of the registration process, that the breeder of the foal and correct address for receiving correspondence and the Certificate of Foal Registration must be supplied. In the event the breeding did not result in pregnancy or the pregnancy was lost during gestation, a No Foal Report should be completed and submitted to The Jockey Club as soon as possible.

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Stallion Registration Application  
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FRIDAY  
MARCH 29th**

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MARCH 25th**

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**AWARDS  
CHECKS**

**(on 2012 earnings)**

**will be  
MAILED  
at the  
END OF  
MARCH  
2013**



**IMPORTANT  
DATES &  
DEADLINES**

- Feb. 16      Nomination - Downthedustyroad  
                Nomination - Nodouble Breeders S.
- Feb. 23      Downthedustyroad Breeders' Stakes
- Feb. 24      Nodouble Breeders' Stakes
- Mar. 1        Deadline for 2012 Membership Dues
- Mar. 15      Nomination-Ark Breeders' S (Females)
- Mar. 6        ATBHA Board Meeting
- Mar. 21      Nomination - Rainbow Miss S.
- Mar. 22      Nominate - Rainbow S.  
                Race Track Chaplaincy Banquet
- Mar. 24      Arkansas Breeders S - Female Div.
- Mar 26        Make ATBHA Banquet Reservations
- Mar. 28      Nominate-Ark Breeders S (Open)
- Mar. 29      Rainbow Miss S.  
                ATBHA Awards Banquet & Annual  
                Membership Meeting
- Mar. 29      Rainbow Stakes
- Mar. 30      Rainbow Miss Stakes
- Apr. 7        Arkansas Breeders' S - Open Div.
- Apr. 3        ATBHA Board Meeting
- Apr. 13      Arkansas Derby  
                (Conclusion of 2013 Live Meet)

*(Check ATBHA Office for any changes to above dates)*

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING  
OF  
ARKANSAS THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS'  
& HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

A meeting of the ATBHA General Membership and Awards Banquet is scheduled for Friday, March 29, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at The Clarion Resort on the Lake, 4813 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, AR.

If you have any items you would like placed on the agenda for this meeting, please notify Deana Echols at the ATBHA office by phone (501) 624-6328, by FAX (501) 623-5722, or by email [atbha@att.net](mailto:atbha@att.net).

Your attendance is necessary so we have a quorum.

## **OBITUARY**

**VINCE GULLA** - longtime member of ATBHA passed away January 31, 2013. Mr. Gulla was a breeder and owner of Arkansas-bred thoroughbreds. When Stanley Roberts began training thoroughbred horses, Mr. Gulla was his first owner.

Mr. Gulla was born in Boston. He served in the Marine Corps during the Korean War, earning a Purple Heart. After living in Miami for several years, he moved to Memphis, Tennessee. For over 35 years, he opened and ran several stores in the area, including his current business, Madison Tobacco Shop. He is survived by one sister, one brother, two sons, two granddaughters, and several nieces and nephews who loved "Uncle Jimmy," an old Boston neighborhood nickname. Our condolences are with the Gulla family.



## **NEWS RELEASE**

**February 12, 2013**

**The Jockey Club, NBC Sports Group Announce 2013 "Road to the Kentucky Derby" TV Schedule Series Features Six Key Races and the Road to the Kentucky Derby Preview Show on Four Consecutive Weekends Beginning Saturday, March 23**

NEW YORK – February 12, 2013 – The Jockey Club, in collaboration with the NBC Sports Group and six racetracks, will provide live coverage of six major prep races for the 2013 Kentucky Derby presented by Yum! Brands, as well as a 30-minute special previewing the Triple Crown season during the last two Saturdays in March and the first two Saturdays in April, it was announced today.

The Road to the Kentucky Derby series starts with a 30-minute special previewing the televised races and the Triple Crown season. The special will air on NBC Sports Network on Saturday, March 23, from 6 – 6:30 p.m. ET.

The racing telecasts kick off Saturday, March 30, with the Besilu Florida Derby from Gulfstream Park and the Louisiana Derby from Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots on NBC Sports Network from 6 – 7 p.m. ET.

The Wood Memorial from Aqueduct Racetrack and the Santa Anita Derby from Santa Anita Park will air on NBC Sports Network on Saturday, April 6, from 6 – 7:30 p.m. ET.

The series will conclude on Saturday, April 13, with two and half hours of continuous coverage spread across two networks.

A 90-minute live broadcast on NBC featuring the Toyota Blue Grass Stakes from Keeneland Race Course will be followed by a one-hour broadcast on the NBC Sports Network featuring the Arkansas Derby. The NBC telecast will air from 4:30 – 6 p.m. ET; the NBC Sports Network telecast will air from 6 – 7 p.m. ET.

All six races fall into the highest tier on Churchill Downs' new points system to determine starters for the 139th running of the Kentucky Derby on Saturday, May 4, on NBC. The points system features 36 stakes races overall and 17 marquee events for 3-year-old Thoroughbreds that comprise a 10-week run up to the first Saturday in May.

"The Jockey Club is committed to bringing some of our sport's best races to a national television audience, and we are proud to be underwriting the Road to the Kentucky Derby again this spring in collaboration with the NBC Sports Group and six racetracks," said Ogden Mills Phipps, chairman of The Jockey Club. "Increasing the television presence of Thoroughbred racing is one of the fan development initiatives we have embraced over the past 18 months, and we will continue to aggressively cross-promote Thoroughbred racing not only on television but also on a variety of traditional and new digital media platforms."

"These important prep races build excitement and interest in the Kentucky Derby and they also complement the NBC Sports Group's coverage of the sport of Thoroughbred racing, which already includes long-term deals for the Triple Crown races and Breeders' Cup as well as races from Saratoga," said Jon Miller, president, programming, NBC Sports and NBC Sports Network.

Increased television coverage of Thoroughbred racing and the development of a new digital media strategy were among nine major recommendations identified in the major economic study of the Thoroughbred industry that was commissioned by The Jockey Club and conducted in association with the management consulting firm McKinsey & Company in 2011.

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF  
ARKANSAS THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS' & HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Arkansas Thoroughbred Breeders' & Horsemen's Association was held Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the ATBHA office located at 161 Golf Links Road, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

President Bill McDowell called the meeting to order. The roll was called, Tim Martin was the only Director not in attendance. A quorum was announced.

President McDowell first introduced Rolly Hoyt from Oaklawn who presented plans for Hoyt Communications, who would be working with Oaklawn, to produce a show, "Oaklawn Today", recapping the races on all live meet days. He explained in detail the coverage areas, channels, times, plans for what the show will include, and how the Arkansas Breeders' Program and Arkansas-bred's will have more coverage, detailed statistical information and overall exposure. ATBHA was asked to be a sponsor for the "Oaklawn Today" show. Mr. Hoyt was thanked for his time and efforts in continuing a recap program of Oaklawn's live meet races and was applauded for his ideas of giving more exposure to the Arkansas programs. Mr. Hoyt was advised that we would get back with him regarding ATBHA's sponsorship.

After the presentation, there was open discussion between the Directors regarding our sponsorship. A Motion was made by Bob McFarlin for Bill McDowell and Lewis Mathews to negotiate with Oaklawn and Mr. Hoyt a sponsorship contract. This Motion died for lack of a second. A Motion was then made by David Whited, seconded by Stanley Roberts for Lewis Mathews to negotiate with Mr. Hoyt and Oaklawn, if necessary, a price for sponsorship that was within ATBHA's budget. A vote was taken and the Motion passed unanimously.

Next President McDowell asked the Directors if there were any comments or corrections to the Minutes from the last meeting that were included in the packet that was emailed to all directors. There being none, Susan Watkins made a motion to approve the Minutes as submitted, seconded by Bob McFarlin. Motion passed unanimously.

President McDowell then went off the record into executive session.

Upon returning, the next item discussed was "foal sharing". After lengthy discussion, it was agreed that foal sharing does not change any of the existing rules. By Motion of Jim Glover seconded by David Whited and unanimously approved all parties to a foal share must be paid ATBHA members at the time of registration and the foal share notation would be made on the actual Application for Registration of Foal and in the database.

The next item was the registration of a 2012 foal by 2 year old Bella's Diamond out of 2 year old Naughty Louis. Each director having reviewed a written description of the circumstances agreed this was not a planned breeding, but to resolve this matter so the foal was eligible for registration as an Arkansas foal, the existing rules would be followed. The 2 year old colt, Bella's Diamond, will be registered in as an Arkansas stallion paying the applicable fee in 2012 (the year of breeding) and the 2 year-old filly, Naughty Louis, will be registered as an Arkansas Broodmare in 2013 with the subsequent foal being registered as an Arkansas-bred foal in 2013.

Next was a discussion regarding the guest speaker of ATBHA's awards banquet. After discussion Susan Watkins said she would contact Frank Mirahmadi Oaklawn's Announcer, to see if he would be available to speak at our banquet.

Next was a brief discussion acknowledging a notice received from The Jockey Club announcing the changes to Black Type Rules effective January 1, 2014.

Next was discussion about the "Kick Off Banquet" in Little Rock Wednesday, January 9, 2013. Susan made a motion, seconded by David Whited for ATBHA to sponsor a table at the banquet. Motion passed unanimously. It was then mentioned that Susan will take copies of the 2013 Stallion & Farm Directory, Newsletters, and other hand outs to the banquet for distribution to interested persons. ATBHA would again provide address list of current members so an invitation could be sent to them.

The next item was a request from Rick Williamson to use the ATBHA building on Monday evenings of each week for a couple's bible study class. President McDowell stated he felt the office should not be used by any others because of the nature important personal information in the files. No motion was made, but all directors agreed unanimously.

The last item discussed was the finances of A.T.B.H.A. After discussion Motion was made by Jim Glover, seconded by Stanley Roberts that effective in 2013 the owner(s) of each registered Arkansas stallions shall pay a \$300 re-certification fee to ATBHA on or before August 1 of each year and said fee shall be accompanied by a copy of the Report of Mares Bred for that year's breeding season.

There being no further business, Motion made by Susan Watkins, seconded by Stanley Roberts and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

Bill McDowell, President

Deana Echols, Executive Secretary



## NEWS RELEASE

Dear Interactive Registration User,

In February 2011, The Jockey Club launched its first Registry app for the iPhone, the Identification App, which enabled customers to upload photos for Registration Applications, and later allowed for the submission of markings. In February 2012, we launched the Naming App, which enabled names to be claimed, changed, reserved, or generated directly from your iOS device.

Now, we are proud to announce that the Identification App and the Naming App are available for mobile devices that operate the Android operating system. Both may be downloaded directly from Google Play or by clicking [here](#).

The iOS versions of these apps saw a steady growth in the use of mobile devices for registration processes, especially naming. We continue to work to develop new ways to leverage the capabilities of mobile devices for breeders and owners.

We encourage you to download and use these apps from your smartphone. We are confident you will find them to be effective and efficient when conducting registration and naming with our offices.

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## THE ARKANSAS RACE TRACK CHAPLAINCY

is holding it's annual

**“Person of the Year” Banquet**

**Friday, March 22nd**

Hot Springs Convention Center - Horner Hall - 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$60.00 per person and are available from  
the ATBHA office, Chaplain Rich, Deborah Keene at  
Oaklawn's Horsemen's Relations or Beans Whited

## 2013 REGISTERED ARKANSAS-BRED STAKES RACES

**AT OAKLAWN PARK - \$60,000 Guaranteed Purses**

Saturday, February 23, 2013	Downthedustyroad Breeders'	3-Year-Olds & Up, Fillies & Mares	6 furlongs
Saturday, February 24, 2013	The Nodouble Breeders'	3-Year-Olds & Up, Colts & Geldings	6 furlongs
Sunday, March 24, 2013	Arkansas Breeders' - Female Div.	3-Year-Olds & Up, Fillies & Mares	1 1/16 Miles
Friday, March 29, 2013	Rainbow Miss	3-Year-Olds, Fillies	6 furlongs
Saturday, March 30, 2013	Rainbow	3-Year-Olds, Colts & Geldings	6 furlongs
Sunday, April 7, 2013	Arkansas Breeders' - Open Div.	3-Year-Olds & Up	1 1/16 Miles

Effective this year, each of the above Arkansas-bred stakes races have a nomination deadline.  
The nomination date is listed on page 2 of this newsletter under Important Dates & Deadlines

**DON'T MISS THE NOMINATION DEADLINE**

# **ATTENTION OWNERS**

## of Registered Arkansas-breds of Racing Age

### **NEW RULE Effective 2014!!!!**

- It is the **Owner's** responsibility, not the trainer's, to have proof of registration as an Arkansas-bred affixed to The Jockey Club Certificate of a registered Arkansas-bred foal. The Jockey Club Certificate **MUST BE** stamped and signed by an authorized representative of A.T.B.H.A., **or** the yellow copy of the Arkansas-bred Foal Registration Certificate, issued by A.T.B.H.A., **MUST BE** attached to the top corner of the back of the certificate. Either of the above two forms of proof of registration **MUST BE** accomplished.

- Effective in 2014 registered Arkansas-breds **WILL NOT** be allowed to run at Oaklawn Park without one of the above described forms of proof of registration affixed to The Jockey Club Certificate of the horse. The owner must make sure this is taken care of **PRIOR TO** the papers being delivered to a trainer.

- Failure to adhere to the above rule could cause you to lose your date of entry at the racing office if the papers have to be pulled and taken to the A.T.B.H.A. for stamping and/or cause your horse to be ineligible to race.

The Arkansas-bred Foal Registration Certificate is mailed to the person who submits the Application for Registration of the foal to A.T.B.H.A., usually on or before Dec. 31 of the weanling year.

# PORTOBELLO ROAD

## Horses for Sale at Anderson Farms

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REGISTERED ARKANSAS?BRED YEARLINGS

Colt by Storm and a Half out of Beautiful and Abl

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## FOR SALE

## STALLION NEWS

### STALLIONS RECENTLY REGISTERED IN ARKANSAS

**INDY SQUALL**, '07, bay, by Jump Start - Hong Kong Squall,  
by Summer Squall. Dr. K K. & Devi Jayaraman, owners.  
Standing at McDowell Farm, Sparkman, AR. \$1,000 LFG

The Blood-Horse publishes a list, by stallion  
and state, of recent two-year-old (juvenile)  
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their web-site [www.BloodHorse.com](http://www.BloodHorse.com).

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## NOTICE

BALLOTS FOR THE ELECTION OF  
2013?2015 A.T.B.H.A. BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS  
WILL BE MAILED  
THE END OF FEBRUARY  
TO ALL A.T.B.H.A. MEMBERS  
WHO HAVE PAID THEIR  
2013 MEMBERSHIP DUES

# A LEG to STAND on

by: Catherine Katsirdakis and Lisa Huhn

Can foot form really affect a horse's conformation? Rest assured it can and does - in fact, it affects much more than that! The condition, overall shape and functioning of your horse's feet influence not only his posture, stance, attitude, personality and movement, but also his bodily functions such as circulation, lymph function, digestion and muscle development. We will even go so far to say that foot form and function have a great influence on your horse's trainability and soundness - physically, emotionally and mentally.

## WHAT IS GOOD HOOF FORM?

A few simple guidelines can be used to assess whether your horse has healthy hoof form.

1. **FROM THE SIDE**, your horse's hoof should look triangular. With the limb fully weighted, the hairline (or coronet band) should be straight and resting at a 30 degree angle. The front (dorsal) angle should be roughly 45 degrees to 50 degrees in the forelimbs and 50degrees to 55 degrees in the hind limbs.

2. **FROM THE FRONT**, the coronet band should appear level and straight - any humps or deviations in shape indicate uneven pressure. From the rear, your horse's heel bulbs should be thigh, round and low to the ground. You should be able to fit one or two fingers comfortably between the bulbs.

3. **FROM THE BOTTOM**, the frogs should be thick, dense, triangular pads, blending smoothly with the heel bulbs to form a "heart" shape. The sole should be smooth and convex, forming a bowl. The bearing surface of the heel should be level with the widest point of the frog, and the hoof wall should be approximately the same thickness all the way around.

4. **THE WHITE LINE** should be a solid elastic "seal" all the way around. Any black material or gaps in the white line are not acceptable and your horse could present with lameness until this is rectified.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Front and hind feet have significantly different shapes, which develop after birth to accommodate their differing purposes. The fronts should be quite round (or even triangular in shape with the rear of the foot being the widest) and very symmetrical in appearance. The symmetrical shape of front hooves provides proper weight bearing, shock absorption and dissipates concussion upon landing.

The hinds have more of a "spade" shape - they are basis of proper locomotion. The inner (medial) portion of the hind foot should be slightly narrower than the outer (lateral) portion. The horse uses the steeper medial wall for digging into the ground, gaining traction during takeoffs or on difficult footing. The wide lateral portion of the hind foot aids the horse during collection. If you're a dressage rider, imagine the collection capable of a horse working on full, healthy uncontracted hooves! A rarity in today's upper level horses.

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## COMMON PATHOLOGIES.

1. Contraction refers to an excessively narrow foot, with heels and bulbs pinched together. This is one of the most common pathologies afflicting domestic horses today. Contracted feet can be linked to a host of behavioral problems such as bucking, rearing, teeth grinding, tripping, headshaking, rushing or balking. Jumping horses with contracted hooves will be "dirty stoppers" - refusing to jump fences with the shock-absorbing system in their feet compromised. These are often horses who will "bronc" or bolt away from the landing side after jumping.

2. Thrush always goes hand in hand with contraction. When the heel bulbs are pinched together, the frog is also stressed, pinched and crowded. It will atrophy and shrivel up which makes it susceptible to

ever-present opportunistic bacteria and fungi. Many horse owners do not recognize thrush because it is so common. We are told to occasionally apply some caustic goo in blue, purple or green and forget about it. What is not realized is the impact unhealthy frog pads can have on limb function. When the frog pad is hurt, the horse will begin to avoid using them and land "toe first". The landing limits the horse's stride range by several inches, and the compromised use of the limb with each stride predisposes him to soft tissue injuries such as tendon or suspensory injuries. Long term, this type of movement leads to navicular or DDFT lameness. Thrush pain can also cause a horse to stand over at the knee; commonly considered a conformation fault, this flaw can often be "cured" with improved hoof management.

3. Under-run heels are also known as "under-slung" or "crushed" heels. This condition is often confused with a horse that "doesn't grow heel" or has "no heel". In fact, these horses generally have excess amounts of heel, but it is easily overlooked because it grows on a dramatically forward plane. These horses can be predisposed to bowed tendons and suspensory injuries.

4. Flares are one of the most preventable hoof pathologies, and a major contributor to winging/paddling gaits. Simply provide a balanced trim at regular intervals, and flares will become a non-issue in your horses. Some horses do need a shorter trimming/shaping schedule of just a few weeks to gain control and heal the flare thoroughly. Do not leave your horse for months between trims.

5. Cracks and chipping are also very preventable. Balanced trimming at short intervals will "cure" chronic cracking problems. If your horse has quarter cracks, or chips in the quarters, he is receiving a "flat" or non-functioning trim. He is simply shedding excess material. Trimming to accommodate the natural plane of the foot will eliminate the problem. If your horse has a coronary band injury, he will probably grow out a thick crack like a scar. This should not affect his performance.

6. Medial/lateral imbalance refers to a horse whose hooves are imbalance left to right. Shockingly, many horses are trimmed and/or shod out of balance for years at a time! These horses often have uneven arthritic changes in the joints of the lower limb (appearing as hard "bubbly" material surrounding the joints). This imbalance can be a major contributor to ringbone and sidebone. Improvements can be made to these conditions through regular, balanced trimming, resulting in increased comfort and longevity for your horse.

## FIVE HEARTS

When a healthy and fully functioning equine foot strikes the ground, it will expand approximately 3mm to 5 mm and fill with cushioning blood. As the foot leaves the ground, it contracts, expelling blood from the foot. The action of your horse's feet assists his heart in pumping blood throughout the limbs and body, as if he has five hearts. Certain pathologies can disrupt this process, restricting blood flow and limiting the function of his feet. Now think - if four of your horse's "hearts" are constricted, how is the fifth to function at full capacity? Imagine the potential of your horse if he were able to fully utilize all his resources.

As you can see, a properly formed and functioning foot affects your horse's entire well being. Pay close attention to his hooves, and address any imbalances and pathologies with your trimmer as they arise, for optimal health and performance

**DID YOU KNOW?** All hooved mammals on our planet have similar attributes to their feet. These include round front hooves, spade shaped hinds, and a flexible pad towards the rear of the foot. Every single one of these mammals, including the horse, has a natural arch in their feet, which allows for optimal hemodynamics. Flat trims hinder circulation.



**ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY COVERAGE** (All Times ET)

**Saturday, March 23, 2013, 6 – 6:30 p.m.** (NBC Sports Network)  
Road to the Kentucky Derby preview show

**Saturday, March 30, 2013, 6 – 7 p.m.** (NBC Sports Network) Florida Derby (Gulfstream Park) and Louisiana Derby  
(Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots)

**Saturday, April 6, 2013, 6 – 7:30 p.m.** (NBC Sports Network) Wood Memorial (Aqueduct Racetrack) and Santa Anita  
Derby (Santa Anita Park)

**Saturday, April 13, 2013, 4:30 – 6 p.m.** (NBC) Toyota Blue Grass Stakes (Keeneland)

**Saturday, April 13, 2013, 6 – 7 p.m.** (NBC Sports Network) Arkansas Derby (Oaklawn Park)

**QUOTES FROM RACETRACK REPRESENTATIVES:**

Mike Rogers, president of The Stronach Group, Racing Division: "The Stronach Group is pleased that two of its signature events, the Florida Derby and the Santa Anita Derby, will be part of the Road to the Kentucky Derby, presented by The Jockey Club and NBC Sports Group. We look forward to having our world-class facilities at both Santa Anita Park and Gulfstream Park showcased on these historic days. We also look forward to watching the many Derby contenders stabled and training throughout The Stronach Group properties taking part in these exciting races in the weeks leading up to the Triple Crown."

Tim Bryant, president, Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots: "The Louisiana Derby has become more important than ever in the last three years since we raised the purse to \$1 million and shifted the date to serve as a final Kentucky Derby prep. This year, we celebrate the race's 100th running with a new Infield Festival to complement the richest day of Thoroughbred racing ever run in Louisiana. We look forward to sharing our version of Southern hospitality with a national television audience."

Rodnell Workman, vice president and chief marketing officer, New York Racing Association: "NYRA is once again thrilled to be a part of the NBC Sports Group's Road to the Kentucky Derby series. Nationally televising the 2013 renewal of Aqueduct's Wood Memorial, and all of these important prep races, is great exposure for racing and we're looking forward to working with the NBC Sports Group on this year's broadcast."

Bill Thomason, president and chief executive officer, Keeneland Association: "Keeneland is very excited to showcase the Toyota Blue Grass Stakes to a national television audience. We applaud The Jockey Club's strategic initiative to create exposure for racing and give fans the opportunity to become familiar with its stars."

Charles J. Cella, president, Oaklawn Park: "We appreciate The Jockey Club and the NBC Sports Group offering us a platform to showcase the \$1 million Arkansas Derby to a national audience. This race has had a significant impact on the Triple Crown over the years with so many great horses, such as Sunny's Halo, Pine Bluff, Smarty Jones and Curlin, and we're excited to see who emerges this year."

—ABOUT NBC SPORTS GROUP—

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# FOALS of 2013



Colt by Portobello Road - Deep Ocean  
Dan Bearden, breeder/owner  
2-9-13



Foal by Portobello Road - Silk Dress  
Anderson Farms, Breeder  
2/3/13



Filly by Portobello Road - My Angel's Halo  
Anderson Farms, breeder/owner  
2-9-13



Colt by Prom Shoes - Dear Alicia  
Eugene & Linda Branum, Breeders  
2/13/13



**FULL BROTHER TO TRICKY SUSPECT**  
Colt by Primary Suspect - Great Trick  
Eugenia Thompson & Joe Benight, Breeders  
2/11/13



Colt by Portobello Road - Holland Polland  
Eugene & Linda Branum, Breeders  
2/8/13



Filly by Portobello Road - Sheiswhatsheis  
Pat Jackson, Breeder  
2/4/13



Colt by Jonesboro - Automatic Audit  
Cody Ungles, Breeder  
1/11/13



Colt by First Dude - Mount Gay  
McDowell Farm, Breeder  
1/31/13

# *A Message from our President:*

Instead of a letter, I thought I would give you a simplified chart of the progress we have made in Arkansas.

	<u>Purse and Awards Fund</u>	<u>Restricted Purses</u>	<u>Total Funding of Arkansas-breds</u>
<b>2004</b>	\$ 523,217	\$ 786,000	\$ 1,309,217
<b>2005</b>	576,391	891,900	1,468,291
<b>2006</b>	641,000	995,500	1,636,500
<b>2007</b>	654,362	870,000	1,524,362
<b>2008</b>	664,966	1,041,700	1,706,666
<b>2009</b>	706,324	1,211,800	1,918,124
<b>2010</b>	716,337	1,486,400	2,202,737
<b>2011</b>	837,527	1,667,300	2,504,827
<b>2012</b>	1,018,897	1,736,600	2,755,497

Bill McDowell, President

## **ATBHA AWARDS BANQUET RESERVA-**

A card is enclosed with this newsletter for ordering banquet tickets. The banquet will be **FRIDAY, MARCH 29th** at **THE CLARION ON THE LAKE**, 4813 Central Avenue.

**6:30 Cash Bar - Silent Auction Items on Display - 7:15 Dinner**

Dinners are \$40 per person. Please return the card with your check listing the number of reservations needed and the name of those attending. Mail your card and check to arrive at the ATBHA office by Monday, March 25th. As a last resort, reservations may be made by phone by Monday, March 25th and paid for at the door.

### **FROM THE ATBHA OFFICE**

This is the busy time for the ATBHA office. We received The Jockey Club's year end data for compilation of Breeder, Stallion & Owner Awards. This year the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration is convinced the program they have been working on for five years is going to work to process all of the awards checks and have them ready to mail by the end of March just like we always do. I will be meeting with them in Little Rock one day this month, as they requested. After that meeting I am sure I will have a better idea as to how their program is running.

Yes, it is an election year, as you've read throughout this newsletter! For those that have paid their 2013 dues, you will receive a ballot by first class mail. Please follow the directions carefully so your vote is counted. Our CPAs will count the ballots on the 21st of March and the results will be announced at the conclusion of the ATBHA Awards Banquet & Membership Meeting.

Our Awards Banquet & Membership Meeting will be held on Friday, March 29th at The Clarion Resort on the Lake, the same location as last year. The response from many that attended last year was very positive regarding the facility, the service and the food. A reservation card is enclosed with this newsletter. Please send it in with your reservations and check (\$40 per person) to arrive at the ATBHA office no later than Monday, March 25th, the date we have to turn in a head count for the quantity of food to be prepared. If for some reason you fail to mail the card on time, please at least call in the number of people that will be attending by Monday, March 25th. No Shows for reservations made will not be refunded or if not previously paid, will be billed to you. Once a head count is turned in, we have to pay for it.

Send in your pictures of 2013 foal pictures so we can put them in the next newsletter. We have several in this newsletter, but we want to include yours also. The easiest way to send them to us is by email to [atbha@att.net](mailto:atbha@att.net).

Good luck in this year's stakes races at Oaklawn and we hope to see you at the banquet.

**REMEMBER ... MAKE RESERVATIONS NOW using the Reservation Card Enclosed.**

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**Katharine Allen Adams**

**Heath Michael Hampton**

**John Cash**

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**ATBHA MEMBERS**

**RE: MEMBERSHIP DUES**

**ATTENTION ATTENTION ATTENTION**

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE KEPT CURRENT. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE DECEMBER 31ST PRIOR TO THE MEMBERSHIP CALENDAR YEAR AND ARE DELINQUENT IF PAID AFTER **MARCH 1ST** OF THE CALENDAR YEAR.

PURSUANT TO ATBHA RULES AND REGULATIONS (SEE PAGE 6 OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS BOOK), IF YOU DO NOT PAY YOUR ANNUAL DUES BY THE MARCH 1ST DEADLINE, YOU WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO REGISTER YOUR BROODMARES, FOALS AND/OR STALLIONS AT THE MEMBERSHIP RATE.

THIS RULE WILL BE ENFORCED.  
**ANNUAL DUES PAID BY 3/1 ARE \$50.00 PER MEMBER**

**DUES PAID AFTER MARCH 1ST**  
**ARE \$75.00 PER MEMBER.**

**WILLIAM R. WARD, Breeder/Owner**

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