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ATBHA Newsletter



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ARKANSAS THOROUGHBRED

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A Message from the Board

Dear Friends & Members,

As summer begins to wind down, we have plenty to be proud of when we look back at how well Arkansas-breds have represented our program across the country.

From Saratoga to Del Mar and just about everywhere in between, Arkansas-breds have been showing up and competing all summer long. Week after week, we've seen them in entries and winner's circles at tracks from coast to coast. It's always exciting to see the Arkansas-bred name represented outside our home state, and this summer has once again demonstrated the quality and versatility of the horses being bred and raised right here in Arkansas.

While we've enjoyed following our horses around the country, there's nothing quite like having everyone back home — and another Oaklawn meet is right around the corner!

Opening Day is set for Friday, November 27, and the countdown is officially on. The barn area opens October 15, with training beginning October 21. Before we know it, horses will be back on the track in Hot Springs and we'll be preparing for another exciting season of Arkansas racing.

There is always something special about this time of year. The return of horses to the backside, those first mornings of training and the anticipation leading up to Opening Day remind us why Oaklawn means so much to our breeders, owners, horsemen and fans.

We're proud of everything Arkansas-breds have accomplished this summer, and we're even more excited about what lies ahead.

We can't wait to welcome everyone back home!

**TRACKS WHERE ARKANSAS-BREDS
COMPETED THIS SUMMER:**



CHURCHILL DOWNS



LONE STAR PARK
at Grand Prairie®



2026 – 2027 RACING CALENDAR

NOVEMBER						
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Dear Friends and Members,

What a summer it has been for Arkansas-breds! We've loved watching Arkansas-breds compete, win and proudly represent our program. Now, we're counting down the days until everyone returns home to Oaklawn, with the barn area opening October 15, training beginning October 21 and Opening Day set for Friday, November 27.

We're also excited about the launch of our new website, atbha.com, and hope you've had a chance to check it out. Our goal is to make it easier than ever to stay connected with ATBHA and find the information you need.

We also hope you've been enjoying our weekly e-newsletters featuring Arkansas-bred entries, results, news and updates. If you haven't been receiving them, please email us at atbha@att.net so we can make sure we have your most up-to-date email address.

It's an exciting time for Arkansas racing, and we're grateful to have you along for the ride. We can't wait to see everyone back home at Oaklawn!

Warm Regards,

Terri Hoffrogge & Jennifer Hoyt
Executive Secretaries

ATBHA Rules & Regulations for Stallions Standing in Arkansas

Owners of registered Arkansas stallions must submit a Report of Mares bred to the Jockey Club on or before August 1 following the breeding season, listing all mares bred to the stallion during the season, as required by the Jockey Club Rules & Regulations. A copy of said Report of Mares Bred must be submitted to the ATBHA office by August 1, accompanied by the applicable annual stallion re-certification fee.

To renew a stallion's Arkansas registration, an annual re-certification fee shall be paid on each registered Arkansas stallion that stood in Arkansas only during that year's breeding season. Payment of the annual Stallion re-certification fee shall be the obligation of the stallion owner, shall be in the amount of \$300 per year, beginning the year after the initial Arkansas registration, shall be due and payable to the ATBHA on or before August 1 of the breeding year, and shall be accompanied by a photocopy of the Report of Mares Bred for that year.

2026 Mares Bred Report

Reported as of 8/1/26

American Freedom - 11
Balandeen - 4
Caddo River - 40
Code's Diamond - 2
Coil - 0
Deflator - 2
Echo Town - 29
Gentlemen's Bet - 18
High North - 1
Irish War Cry - 4
Last Samurai - 30
Laurie's Rocket - 8
MG Warrior - 0
Petrov - 24
Sea Foam - 14
Shinnecock Hills - 3
Spy Master - 2
Street Strategy - 35
Super Stock - 12
Tekton - 0
Texas Chrome - 1
Vokazak - 1
Whelen Springs - 6

**HESS
WINNING
THE 2026
ARKANSAS
BREEDERS'
CHAMPIONSHIP
STAKES**



...Breeder... ...Please...

Register ALL Foals
with Breeder(s)
having EXACTLY the
SAME NAME with both
The Jockey Club and
A.T.B.H.A.

Doing this assures
future breeder award
payments are paid
correctly.

If a breeder is an
individual, provide
A.T.B.H.A. with a SSN

If the breeder is a
corporation, LLC, etc.
provide A.T.B.H.A.
with a FEIN

**IF YOU HAVE
QUESTIONS,
CONTACT THE
A.T.B.H.A.
OFFICE**

Oaklawn Updates



Construction is underway on the new 28-stall barn.



Pony barn updates are complete.



Clay being added to horse stalls.



Paving project is in progress from Close Hatches to Vandalingham.



New material is being screened and the track surface is being prepped.



Important Dates

Sept. 25 – Stall applications Due
Oct. 15 – Oaklawn Barn Area Opens
Nov. 27 – Oaklawn's Opening Day
Dec. 31 – 2026 Foal Registrations due
2025 Foal Stakes Nominations due
New Broodmare Registrations to foal in 2027 due
2027 Membership Renewals Due

2027 Stallion Directory Now Available

Visit www.atbha.com for the online version and be watching your mailbox for the printed version.



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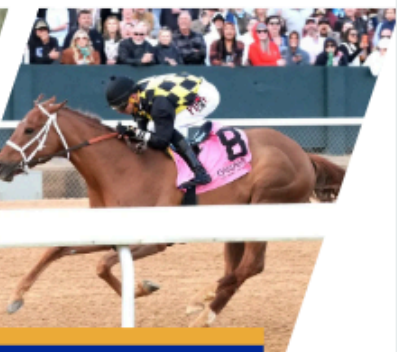
2026 Stallion & Farm Directory



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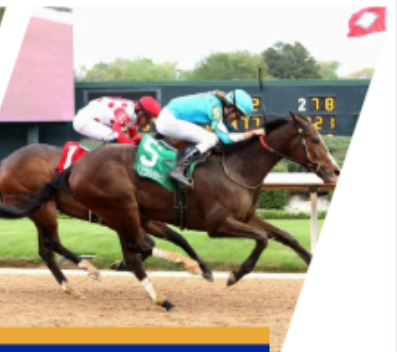
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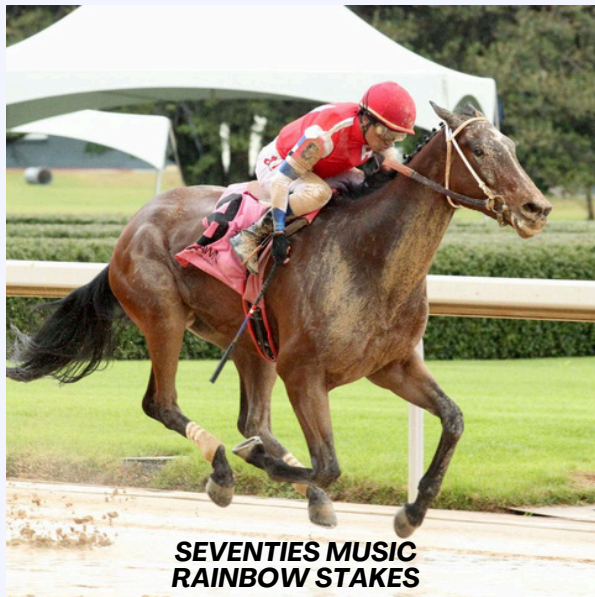


SEVENTIES MUSIC
RAINBOW



WALK AWAY KAYE
RAINBOW MISS

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RAINBOW STAKES**

Broodmare Registrations

Register broodmares immediately upon bringing them into Arkansas. Broodmares **MUST BE** registered **PRIOR TO FOALING.**

It is imperative that you register your **FOALS** with A.T.B.H.A. & The Jockey Club showing the Breeder(s) exactly the same on both registrations.

When ATBHA receives The Jockey Club's information at the end of the year to calculate your Breeder award, their information needs to match the way the foal was registered with ATBHA so the award is paid correctly.



**ARKANSAS
THOROUGHbred**
BREEDERS' & HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Register Your
2026 FOALS
BY 12/31/26
at the rate of **\$40** each.

You **DO NOT** have to have The Jockey Club registration completed before you register your Arkansas foals.

2026 foals registered **after 12/31/26** are \$200 each.



**WALK AWAY KAYE
RAINBOW MISS STAKES**



*Invest in
Arkansas Racing*



**ARKANSAS
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Nominate Your
2025 FOALS

by **December 31, 2026** at a fee of **\$300** to make them eligible to run in any and all stakes races restricted to Registered Arkansas-breds.

The late nomination fee is **\$2,500.**

EQUIBASE

Thoroughbred Racing Economic Indicators For August 2026

August 2026 vs. August 2025

Indicator	August 2026	August 2025	% Change
Wagering on U.S. Races*	\$1,126,909,267	\$1,204,367,092	-6.43%
U.S. Purses (Available)	\$136,682,128	\$152,915,748	-10.62%
U.S. Purses (Paid)	\$132,242,256	\$145,094,654	-8.86%
U.S. Race Days	375	401	-6.48%
U.S. Races	2,964	3,182	-6.85%
U.S. Starts	20,991	22,870	-8.22%
Average Field Size	7.08	7.19	-1.47%
Average Wagering Per Race Day	\$3,005,091	\$3,003,409	+0.06%
Average Available Purses Per Race Day	\$364,486	\$381,336	-4.42%

YTD 2026 vs. YTD 2025

Indicator	YTD 2026	YTD 2025	% Change
Wagering on U.S. Races*	\$7,560,314,083	\$7,941,810,200	-4.80%
U.S. Purses (Available)	\$841,818,821	\$847,010,641	-0.61%
U.S. Purses (Paid)	\$806,879,331	\$808,180,462	-0.16%
U.S. Race Days	2,425	2,483	-2.34%
U.S. Races	19,694	20,260	-2.79%
U.S. Starts	141,475	150,062	-5.72%
Average Field Size	7.18	7.41	-3.01%
Average Wagering Per Race Day	\$3,117,655	\$3,198,474	-2.53%
Average Available Purses Per Race Day	\$347,142	\$341,124	+1.76%

Stallion Update

New Stallions:

Ryvit, Competitive Edge - She is
Bedazzling, by Medaglia d'Oro. Leadem
Farm, Inc., owner

Stormdiver,

Valentine Candy, Justify - Taste Like
Candy, by Candy Ride (ARG). Leadem
Farm, Inc., owner

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ATBHA.com is your source for:

- Registered Arkansas STALLIONS and individual stallion
- Arkansas FARMS with contact information & stallion listings
- HORSES FOR SALE
- REGISTERED FOALS-Arkansas-bred Foals by Foaling Year
- STAKES Nominated Arkansas-bred Foals by Foaling Year
- NEWS & INFORMATION (Forms - Rules - Newsletters - Directory)



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WHO WE ARE

The ATBHA is the official breed registry for all Registered Arkansas-bred Thoroughbreds. The purpose of these registrations is to qualify Registered Arkansas-bred Thoroughbreds for eligibility to run in restricted Arkansas-bred races and to qualify the breeders of Registered Arkansas-bred Thoroughbreds for participation in one of the richest Breeder and/or Stallion Owner Incentive Awards program in the country.

WHAT WE DO

The ATBHA works with the Arkansas Racing Commission to maintain the Rules & Regulations of the association and the Arkansas-bred program, which includes distribution of the Purse and Awards Funds of the Arkansas-bred program to stallion owners and breeders of properly registered Arkansas-bred Thoroughbreds.

ATBHA-SPONSORED ARKANSAS-BRED STAKES

- U Rainbow Stakes
- U Rainbow Miss Stakes
- U Nodouble Breeders' Stakes
- U Downthedustyroad Breeders' Stakes
- U Natural State Breeders' Stakes
- U Arkansas Breeders Championship Stakes

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