

# PA HBPA Newsletter

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Welcome to this first edition of news "From The Horse's Mouth," our attempt to provide better communication on the happenings at Penn National Race Track. All of us as horse people constantly deal with a very busy schedule; and with all there is to do in a day, week, month, we don't always have the time to keep up with the activities affecting our racing world at Penn. More often than not race track communication is received through word of mouth, rather than seeing something that is in black and white, and therefore, more meaningful. Hopefully, in this newsletter we, as elected members of your HBPA Board, can keep you a little more

informed and up to date on current events. The purpose of this communication is not to provide a vehicle for criticizing, judging or maligning individuals or to analyze executive decisions made, as all of us know that in a real world none of us can please everyone all the time. We hope through this newsletter to provide you with the information necessary to assist you making more informed decisions about your day-to-day activities at Penn National, in addition to hearing about what's going on with regard to your peers, employees or fellow workers.



We encourage your input and ideas on information to carry in future issues. Let us know what is happening that you believe is worth sharing. Once again on behalf of the Board, thank you for your continued support. It is truly appreciated.

Sincerely, Steph Beattie

## Penn National Updates

Due to the frequent lack of ice, the ice house will now be open on race days from 6:00 to 11:00 am and 4:00 to 10:00 pm. On non-race days it will be open from 6:00 to 11:00 am and closed on Sundays.

Starting July 22, 2010 all horses who finish beyond 5th place in races written at PA-Bred Restricted will receive \$200. This change will replicate the payback that currently exists for open overnight races.

The track will be closed for training for 9 to 12 days starting Sunday, September 12. The last day of racing will be Saturday, September 11 and racing will resume Wednesday, September 29.

## PA HBPA and New Vocations Partnership

The PA HBPA and New Vocations have formed a partnership to develop a race horse adoption program for horses after their racing careers have ended. We have placed advertisements in local horse periodicals to locate facilities to get the program started. On the recommendation of New Vocations' President Anna Ford's suggestion, the PA HBPA is looking for two facilities that will allow for the horses to be both rehabilitated and retrained. The retraining facility will need to have an indoor arena and a large outdoor paddock as well as small paddocks and up to 20-30 stalls. Ideally the facilities



should be located within a 60-mile radius of Penn National.

During the search for facilities the PA HBPA is also working on funding for the program. The PA HBPA will use administrative dollars in combination with a \$25,000 donation from Hollywood Casino at Penn National to implement the program. Perpetual funding will be provided by a \$10 charge for all starters at Penn National being removed from accounts through the Horsemen's Bookkeeper. The \$10 charge will be initiated September 1, 2010. In addition, the PA HBPA has approached the jockey col-

ony at Penn National to make a small contribution from each mount. It is anticipated the program will require annual funding of \$150,000.

The PA HBPA will work to fund the program, but will not run the day-to-day activities at the facility. Placement of the horses will be open to only those horses at Penn National, but eligibility requirements concerning starts or where stabled have not been finalized.

A Horse Adoption Committee has been created. The committee will be chaired by Sandee Beattie with members Neil Parker, Jennifer Hamm, Jay Romig, and Steph Tate. If you have any suggestions, please contact the individuals.

## Act 71 Pension Plan

The Pension Committee with chair Jose Martinez is made up of John Wames, Rick Wasserman, Matt Groff and Steph Beattie in conjunction with our attorney and accountant has drafted a pension plan for eligible trainers at Penn National. The plan will be submitted to the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (PAGCB) by the end of August with an anticipation of three to five months for approval. After the plan has been ap-

proved by the PAGCB, the plan will be submitted to the IRS for final approval. The IRS approval process generally takes three to five years; however, the plan will fund individual's accounts and make distributions to those eligible prior to IRS approval.

*98 Trainers are eligible  
retroactive recipients dating  
back to 1976.*

The eligibility has been established at 30 starts combined at Penn National and Presque Isle in the calendar year with those starts encompassing greater than 50% of all starts in North America. For further information please stop by the PA HBPA office during normal business hours.

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## General Member Contact Information

The PA HBPA is in the process of exploring alternative methods to distribute timely pertinent information to our members. These new methods may include phone, email, text, or website. In order to accomplish this task we need the pertinent contact information for our members. Please complete the form below with your contact information and return to the PA HBPA office. As always, your information will be kept confidential. **Mail to:** PA HBPA, PO Box 88, Grantville, Pa, 17028. Or fax it to: 717-469-7714 or drop it off at the HBPA office at Penn National.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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# YOU ARE INVITED!

The second annual Penn National Horsemen's Appreciation Day at the races is Saturday, September 11, 2010 and this is YOUR invitation! All *currently licensed owners and trainers and one guest* are welcome to enjoy a free buffet dinner on the track apron from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. The buffet will include tossed salad, macaroni salad, rolls, chicken noodle soup, oven toasted chicken, pot roast, potatoes au gratin, vegetable medley, desserts, beverages and more! **You MUST RSVP to confirm your attendance. Return this invitation or a copy of it to the HBPA at Penn National by September 6, 2010.** You will need to present your current PA owners or trainers license on the day of the event. **Mail to:** PA HBPA, PO Box 88, Grantville, Pa, 17028. It can also be faxed to 717-469-7714 or call the office at 717-469-2970 to RSVP.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of guests accompanying you: \_\_\_\_\_ (each licensee permitted to bring 1 guest)

## Editor's Note

The PA HBPA Newsletter will be published several times throughout the year to keep the horsemen of Penn National and Presque Isle informed of pertinent information in a comprehensive and timely manner. HBPA members are invited and encouraged to submit ideas and suggestions to Matt Carter in the PA HBPA office by phone at 717-469-2970 or via email at pahbpa1@yahoo.com

### Schedule of Events

- August 30 — PA HBPA at Presque Isle Downs Golf Tournament
- September 10 — The Presque Isle Mile
- September 11 — The Grade 3 Presque Isle Downs Masters Stakes
- September 11 — Horsemen's Appreciation Day at Penn National
- September 12 — Track at Penn National closed 9-12 days for fence repairs
- September 15 — PA HBPA Golf Tournament at Manada Golf Course
- September 20 — PA HBPA Picnic at HM Levitz Memorial Park
- September 25 — The HBPA Stakes, The Fitz Dixon Jr Memorial Juvenile Stakes, & The Debutante on closing day at Presque Isle Downs

# September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>August</i> 29	<i>August</i> 30	<i>August</i> 31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

## Pennsylvania Governor's Cup

Will Russell Redding, the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, and Ray Hamm, the Pennsylvania Horse Racing Commissioner, in attendance, Bret Calhoun's Chamberlain Bridge scored a half-length victory in the 2010 Pennsylvania Governor's Cup. Under jockey Jaime "The Riot" Theriot, Chamberlain Bridge sat just off the pace in the early stages, took the lead in deep stretch and then held off the late run by Phosphorescent.

In 2009 Chamberlain Bridge also ran in the Governor's Cup, but finished third that day to Cardashi, a horse trained by Penn National-based Tim Kreiser. Cardashi was back to defend his title this year, but finished seventh beaten just over three lengths.

The Governor's Cup was the main attraction over the two days that featured a total of six stake races. In addition to the Governor's Cup three other stakes were contested on the turf course. On Friday night First Ascent won the Red Carpet and Canadian Ballet won the Jenny Wade. On Saturday Thunder Brew took down the Capital City.

One dirt stakes was carded for both Friday and Saturday with Come Sunday winning the Femme Fatale on Friday and Awesome Son taking the East Hanover Township on Saturday.



Moor Mgmt LLC, owners of Chamberlain Bridge

## THE PA HBPA PAC NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Your HBPA is committed to the protection, promotion, and improvement of live thoroughbred horse racing in Pennsylvania. Additionally, the HBPA is charged with the responsibility of fostering a closer, and more understanding, relationship with all levels of the racing industry, including our elected officials.

To that extent the HBPA has maintained a PAC (Political Action Committee) that allows the HBPA to participate in political campaigns to increase the awareness of our elected officials to the needs of live thoroughbred horse racing in Pennsylvania.

Enabled by your PAC contributions, we were extremely successful influencing the provisions in the Slot Legislation — Act 71. The accomplishments included 18% to Horsemen, protection of live racing, funding of a Health & Pension Plan, mandatory expenditure of \$10 million on back-side improvements and Horsemen's control of allocated dollars. Recently, the PAC fund enabled the Legislative Committee to successfully protect the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development and its funding of purses during the very difficult 2010 state budget process.

Please use the attached form if you are interested in making a contribution to the PA HBPA PAC. While we are requesting a level of giving of \$100 per person, if you choose to participate, please contribute whatever amount you feel is appropriate. The PA HBPA PAC thanks you for your contribution.

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Note: Please make checks payable to "PA HBPA PAC"

(Corporate checks cannot be accepted)

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Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## NOTICE - Phenylbutazone

### Attention HBPA:

As announced at its August 12, 2010, public meeting, the State Horse Racing Commission draws attention to its existing regulation at §163.304 (relating to substances of therapeutic value) (58 Pa.Code §163.304) which specifically sets forth the regulation threshold level of phenylbutazone in the race horse.

### **§ 163.304. Substances of therapeutic value.**

A foreign substance of accepted therapeutic value may be administered as prescribed by a veterinarian when test levels and guidelines for its use have been established by the Veterinary-Chemist Advisory Committee of the National Association of State Racing Commissioners and approved by the Commission.

(1) Only one approved nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) may be present in the body of a horse while it is participating in a race. The presence of more than one NSAID at any test level is forbidden.

(2) The test level of phenylbutazone under this section may not be in excess of two micrograms (mcg) per milliliter (ml) of plasma.

(3) The test level of oxyphenbutazone under this section may not be in excess of two micrograms (mcg) per milliliter (ml) of plasma.

(4) The administration of furosemide shall be permitted for the prophylactic treatment of a confirmed bleeder under the conditions and guidelines set forth in § 163.305 (relating to bleeder list), and with the approval of the Commission veterinarian.

In order to avoid a positive test, the Commission encourages all horsemen participating in racing within this Commonwealth to come into compliance with the 2 micro-gram level by September 15, 2010.

Chairman Corinne R. Sweeney  
Commissioner Ray Hamm  
Commissioner John B. (Jeb) Hannum III



## Photos of the Month

Heaven's Lake, middle, crossed the line first, but it was One Smokin' Lady that captured the win in the 2010 Day Lilly Stakes. All Giving, outside, finished third behind Our Khrsty.

Tap Tap I Win has won for 3 different trainers since coming to Penn National. In 8 starts he has 6 wins and 1 second. Currently, Tap Tap I Win is trained by Bruce Kravets.

## PA HBPA Golf Tournament

**WHEN:** Wednesday, September 15, 2010

**WHERE:** Manada Golf Club, Grantville, PA

**FORMAT:** 4 person scramble, at least 3 licensed PA SHRC on a team

**TIME:** 12:00 NOON shotgun start

**DINNER:** Immediately following the tournament

**ENTRY FEE:** \$40.00

Cash or personal check made payable to "PA HBPA" PAC

This is your opportunity to enjoy an afternoon of good food, fun, and friendship. Last year's golf tournament was a great success and we hope to make this year's even better!

Please contact the HBPA Office during normal business hours to register as a single player or as a foursome.



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