

OFFICE UPDATE

The AQHRA Office will be closed for the holidays starting December 23rd, 2021. It will open back up January 3rd, 2022.

If you require assistance during this time please reach out to an individual on the board of directors as found on the [AQHRA website](http://aqhra.ca).

MERRY CHRISTMAS



& HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE- Dale Zukowski

Welcome to the Alberta Quarter Horse Race Associations Stakes program. Quarter Horse Racing has been active since 1957 and our organization strives to serve the Quarter horse owners, breeders, trainers and jockeys.

The Board and I strive to protect the financial interest of the Quarter Horse industry in Alberta and make sure we have a strong industry that can supply horses and be competitive at the "A" track level which is the main focus for us as a racing breed to sustain growth. In order to encourage and promote the racing, training and breeding of Quarter horses and to administer Futurities, Derbies and Stake events in Alberta, we need the full participation of everyone interested in seeing the industry thrive and grow. Everywhere we go we should be encouraging visitors to the track. Each generation needs to discover racing all over again, and as an Association we need to be part of the marketing package. It will help with growing our industry and bring new members into the association. We actively seek change when it is needed as we try to ensure racing opportunities for our horsemen.

Understanding our role and your role as a member will help our association remain strong and vital. Renew your membership annually, be proactive about your interests and perhaps consider being a board member in the future.

As this year comes to a close, we can look ahead to an exciting new season of our sport in the New Year. With the last two challenging years behind us due to unforeseen circumstances I leave you with this quote "Make you come backs stronger than your setbacks"

MEMBERSHIP- no fee changes for 2022

Membership fees will remain the same in 2022. Membership year is from January 1st to December 31st. A membership is required in order to participate in any AQHRA Stakes and Awards program, Equine Events and “Foaled in Alberta” programs, incentives and bonuses.

2021 Membership Breakdown

Alberta: 127 | British Columbia: 7 | Saskatchewan: 9 | United States: 1

[2022 Membership Application](#)

ALBERTA STALLION STAKES- 2022 Enrolment Changes

2022 APPLICATION DEADLINES AND FEES

On or before February 1st of the breeding season\$200

After February 1st and on or before March 31st of the breeding season \$300

Current (2022) AQHRA membershipsee form

- Stallions must stand the entire breeding season in Canada (that being a minimum of five (5) consecutive months, commencing no later than February 1st)

More information can be found at www.aqhra.ca/stallion-stakes

BREED IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

As we approach the start of a new race season, ensure your AB-Bred Accreditation paperwork has been submitted to and approved by the AQHRA.

“Foaled in Alberta” Owner, Breeder & Stallion bonuses have been finalized and cheques were mailed out at the beginning of December. In 2021, the Breed Improvement Program (BIP) bonus incentive total is **\$40,000** and is allocated as follows:

Owner/Breeder Bonuses \$27,500 | Stallion Bonus \$12,500

2022 CANADA QH CUP (RG3) FUTURITY

The first payment to the 2022 Canada QH Cup (RG3) Futurity was December 1st
[Payment Lists](#)

Remaining open berth owners have until January 20, 2022 to use their berth. After this date all unused berths revert to the AQHRA and are available for purchase on a first come first paid basis for \$500. Monies collected from these reverted AQHRA berths will go into AQHRA General Funds.

Late Schedule Conditions:

1. A non-sale horse must have an open berth to be eligible to nominate
2. Horse must be named at time of any nomination payment
3. Only horses nominated on December 1st, have a late payment schedule of three times the amount owing
4. Horses with a late nomination schedule must follow its late payment schedule to maintain eligibility-no missed payments allowed.

Payment Date	Dec 1, 2021	Feb 1, 2022	Apr 1, 2022	Aug 1, 2022	TOE	Total
Sale Horse	\$200	\$200	\$300	\$300		\$1,000
Non-sale Horse*	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500		\$2,000
Sale Horse		\$800	\$300	\$300		\$1,400
Non-sale Horse*		\$2,000	\$500	\$500		\$3,000
Sale Horse			\$1,500	\$300		\$1,800
Non-sale Horse*			\$3,500	\$300		\$4,000
Sale Horse				\$2,400		\$2,400
Non-sale Horse*				\$15,000		\$15,000
Sale Horse					\$12,500	\$12,500
Non-sale Horse*					\$25,000	\$25,000

* Need an open berth

2022 STAKES

The AQHRA board is currently finalizing the 2022 Stakes Schedule, it will be released shortly.

2021 RACE LEADERS

Leading 2-Year-Olds Runners of 2021 by Earnings (C\$)							
#	Horse Name	Foaled, Sex, Sire	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings (C\$)
1	O First Sweet Heart	ABS, F, First Timber	5	3	1	1	\$64,141
2	Wave Burner	ABF, G, Wave Carver	4	2	1	1	\$51,605
3	Destello De Luna	ABS, G, Lethal N First	6	2	3	1	\$47,515
4	Obsessed Bug	ABS, F, Obsessed With Corona	6	2	1	2	\$28,480
5	Bringontherush	ABF, G, Wave Carver	4	1	2	0	\$25,584
6	Interes Fino	CA, G, Separate Interest	4	2	1	0	\$23,907
7	Bearcat Bill	ABS, G, First Timber	7	1	1	0	\$21,284
8	Our Storm Chaser	ABS, G, First Timber	3	1	0	1	\$14,595
9	First Golden Rose	ABS, F, First Timber	7	0	1	1	\$14,146
10	Top Shelf 109	ABF, G, Special Fly Bye	7	1	1	2	\$13,954

Leading 3-Year-Olds Runners of 2021 by Earnings (C\$)							
#	Horse Name	Foaled, Sex, Sire	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings (C\$)
1	Hortons Real Deal	ABF, G, Hortons Specialissue	6	4	2	0	\$35,378
2	Eyesa Timber	ABS, G, First Timber	6	2	2	1	\$28,210
3	Cerveza Corona	CA, S, Favorite Cartel	5	3	1	0	\$27,369
4	Flight Club	CA, G, Foose	4	3	0	0	\$27,078
5	Rowdysvision	MEX, G, Tf Rowdy Lil Perry	3	1	1	1	\$26,048
6	Jagnestimber	ABS, F, First Timber	5	1	0	1	\$18,169
7	Bright Foo Fighter	ABF, S, Gone To The Mountain	8	1	2	1	\$17,556
8	Royale Runaway	ABS, G, First Timber	9	1	3	1	\$14,619
9	Yes Im First	ABF, F, First Moonflash	7	1	2	2	\$13,541
10	Ulnvme To	ABS, G, First Timber	9	0	0	4	\$9,343

Leading 4 and Up Runners of 2021 by Earnings (C\$)							
#	Horse Name	Foaled, Sex, Sire	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earnings (C\$)
1	Double Cruise	ABS, G, Bd Cruiser	5	1	4	0	\$15,609
2	Honor The Fast Man	ABF, G, Honor The Perry	7	1	2	1	\$15,257
3	Getit Foose	CA, G, Foose	4	2	0	2	\$15,169
4	Chasin Harm	UT, G, Hawkinson	6	3	0	0	\$11,888
5	Getit Hot	CA, M, Walk Thru Fire	4	1	1	1	\$11,204
6	Stripsteak	CA, G, One Sweet Jess	5	2	1	0	\$10,444
7	Ss Frosty	ABS, G, Cuivre River	9	1	0	2	\$7,150
8	Rj Fly Bye	ABS, G, Special Fly Bye	9	1	0	1	\$7,072
9	Light Footed	CA, M, Stel Corona	3	1	0	1	\$6,882
10	Sasses Loki	ABS, G, First Timber	6	0	2	1	\$4,432

ABF- Foaled In Alberta | ABS- Alberta Sired

2021 RACE LEADERS -continued

Leading Owners of 2021 by Earnings (C\$)							
#	Person	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earned (C\$)	Top Earner
1	Charles Stojan	33	18	6	3	\$155,637	Hortons Real Deal
2	Jeff Rath	9	5	2	2	\$115,746	O First Sweet Heart
3	Haley Moreno & Jane Leech	6	2	3	1	\$47,515	Destello De Luna
4	Isaak Fehr	13	1	3	3	\$43,834	Rowdysvision
5	Wesley Oulton	21	2	3	3	\$38,362	Eyesa Timber
6	Tom Kenway	26	2	6	2	\$38,302	Double Cruise
7	Barry & Janice Sather	15	2	1	1	\$36,625	Bearcat Bill
8	Travis Reay	6	2	1	2	\$28,480	Obsessed Bug
9	Gonetothebrightside Syndicate	15	1	5	1	\$26,114	Bright Foo Fighter
10	Brant & Dakota Lacz	16	1	4	1	\$18,641	Royale Runaway

Leading AB Breeders of 2021 by Earnings (C\$)							
#	Person	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earned (C\$)	Top Earner
1	Wesley Oulton	54	7	7	10	\$170,736	O First Sweet Heart
2	Ken McFarlane	6	2	3	1	\$47,515	Destello De Luna
3	Ralph Danard	17	3	3	4	\$44,554	Obsessed Bug
4	Barry & Janice Sather	10	2	1	1	\$35,878	Bearcat Bill
5	Charles Stojan	6	4	2	0	\$35,378	Hortons Real Deal
6	Tom Kenway	21	2	6	2	\$35,179	Double Cruise
7	Isaak Fehr	21	1	5	2	\$33,750	First Golden Rose
8	Jack & Deborah Williams	15	1	5	0	\$26,114	Bright Foo Fighter
9	Dale Zukowski	4	1	2	0	\$25,584	Bringontherush
10	Glenn Wills	28	2	2	5	\$23,478	Northforkhigh

Leading Jockeys of 2021 by Earnings (C\$)							
#	Person	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earned (C\$)	Top Earner
1	Ricardo Moreno	40	18	10	3	\$184,755	Destello De Luna
2	Larris Allen	22	7	2	5	\$84,440	O First Sweet Heart
3	Silvino Morales	10	4	1	2	\$69,697	Wave Burner
4	JB Botello	32	3	5	7	\$63,121	Eyesa Timber
5	Martin Ortiz	43	2	10	6	\$59,682	Double Cruise
6	Alfredo Amador	27	3	3	1	\$59,175	Rowdysvision
7	Corrine Andros	23	3	3	3	\$47,547	Obsessed Bug
8	Diego Benitez	20	2	3	4	\$42,966	Bringontherush
9	Jose Rocha	16	4	4	5	\$31,523	Cerveza Corona
10	Adrian Gonzales	10	1	1	1	\$23,820	Jagnewtimber

2021 RACE LEADERS -continued

Leading Trainers of 2021 by Earnings (C\$)							
#	Person	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Earned (C\$)	Top Earner
1	William Leech	62	23	15	8	\$259,540	Destello De Luna
2	Wesley Oulton	35	7	5	5	\$156,481	O First Sweet Herat
3	Misael Moreno	34	3	5	4	\$85,684	Rowdysvision
4	Tom Kenway	28	2	7	3	\$40,630	Double Cruise
5	Buckey Stockwell	37	3	3	9	\$39,943	Top Shelf 109
6	Brant Laczo	25	1	5	2	\$28,027	Royale Runaway
7	Darcy Hawkes	4	1	2	0	\$25,584	Bringontherush
8	Laurie Ferguson	19	2	4	6	\$24,615	Yes Im First
9	Joe Halerewich	5	1	0	1	\$18,169	Jagnestimber
10	Cody Eagle Bear	10	4	0	1	\$17,593	Chasin Harm

2021 REVIEW

After a slight delay in the start of the racing season due to Covid-19 Quarter Horses began their season at Century Mile May 21st. QH's were carded on 19 of the 44 days of TB flat racing, average 7.41 starters per race and average handle of almost \$26,000 per race. Our aggregate handle was over \$830,000, and our largest race handle was the Alberta Bred Futurity: \$72,413.

The summer at Evergreen Park saw QH's carded on 7 of the 16 days of flat racing and hosted two Regional AQHA Challenge races.

There were 81 individual starters, split almost evenly between the three aged groups, 80% were Alberta Breds.

	2YO	3YO	Aged
Alberta Foaled	6	8	2
Alberta Sired	20	15	14
Open	2	4	9

Horsemen ran for a total purse of over \$750,000: overnights, trials and stakes.

PURCHASE/CLAIM INCENTIVE PROGRAM – Let's Get Racing!

The AQHRA may amend the program from time to time.

The AQHRA will pay 40% or up to \$5,000, whichever amount is less, on claims or purchases from a public sale made outside of Alberta.

[Incentive Application Here](#)

Claimed horses must not have ever ran in Alberta, and claim or purchase prices must be minimum \$5,000. In the event horses claimed or purchased in the US, the Canadian to US exchange will be treated as par, \$1USD=\$1CND.

The amount owing to the owner will be paid out equally (25%) over the horses first 4 starts at Century Mile. If the horse fails to get 4 starts over the course of Century's Alberta race meets, it will receive the prorated rate. In the event the horse is claimed on any of the first 4 starts at Century Mile, the original owner will continue to receive their prorated amounts through the horse's 4th start.

Repayment of all monies received for the horse will release the papers unless HRA or Century House Rules prohibits such release.

- Applicants must be an individual or a partnership;
- Horses must have been foaled in 2019 or before;
- If purchased at a sale, the sale must be a recognized public auction (i.e Heritage Place Fall Mixed Sale, Heritage Place Winter Mixed Sale);
- Horses must be claimed/purchased for a minimum \$5,000 to be eligible;
- A maximum of \$5,000 is available per horse;
- Horses must have never started in Alberta as of opening day at Century Mile in 2022;
- Horses cannot be Alberta Bred;
- Horses must be claimed/purchased between the dates of October 14, 2021 and May 1st, 2022.
- Horse must have at least one start at Century Mile's 2022 Race Meet prior to June 15th, 2022 to be eligible
- Application Deadline is May 4th 2022
- **As this program is capped at \$50,000 dollars, limit of one (1) purchase/claim per individual or partnership.**

An **"Open" application** may be submitted previous to the purchase/claim of a horse if the applicant would like to temporarily secure incentive funding before making the purchase/claim. An owner can request an "open" application to the AQHRA Office with intent to buy/claim a horse by the Thursday previous to the weekend of which the buy/claim is to happen. Applicant will have to provide ownership name, date range and location of purchase/claim. By the following Wednesday after the weekend of intent the applicant will have to submit proof of ownership on claim/purchase and claim/purchase price to the AQHRA office to finalize incentive funding. In the event that the application isn't completed by the Wednesday, the application becomes voided.

If applications are submitted after a purchase/claim the applicant will submit proof of ownership and purchase/claim price with the application.

In the event that the original applicant's horse is to be replaced (career ending injury, death, or claimed), the owner has 10 business days to replace it or the application goes available to the public again. ***Vet certificate required with death or career ending injury.**

- **AQHRA has the right to refuse any and all applications. Applicants accept all other terms and conditions relating to the program, which may be amended from time to time.**