

To: **Members of the Alberta Standardbred Horse Association**  
From: **ASHA President and Board of Directors**  
Date of Notice: **March 18, 2024**  
Regarding: **THE 2024 ASHA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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**Please be advised that the 2024 Alberta Standardbred Horse Association Annual General Meeting will be held on**

**Saturday April 20th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m**  
**(NO ACCESS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE RACES**  
**TO ALLOW THE STAFF TIME TO SET UP)**

**(Homestretch Room - Upper level) Century Downs Racetrack and Casino**  
**Meal service to commence at 6:45, Meeting to Commence at 7:15 pm**

**\*\*\*Candidates wishing to run for a position on the Board of Directors or the Breeders Committee should be present for the meeting at Century Downs Racetrack and Casino.\*\*\***

Members wishing to allow their nominations to stand and who cannot be present at the AGM must submit a letter and/or email to Nancy Retzlaff ([nancy@asha.ab.ca](mailto:nancy@asha.ab.ca)) to ASHA prior to the commencement of the meeting stating they wish to allow their name to stand.

**\*\*Started In 2022! \*\* Please submit your name and a write up of a bio, and qualifications, for standing for a position on the ASHA Board of director, to be posted to the ASHA Website and the ASHA Facebook pages.**

The proposed Agenda for the Annual Meeting is as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Notification regarding quorum of voting members
3. Approval of the minutes from the 2023 Annual General Meeting
4. Financial Report and approval of 2023 financial statement - John Hind
5. ASHA Committee Reports:
  - a) Presidents Report- Don McDougall
  - b) HRA Breeders Report – John Hind
  - c) HRA Representatives – John Hind/Don McDougall
  - d) ASHA Breeders Report – Kelly Crump
  - e) Owners Committee – Jocelyn Giesbrecht
  - f) Drivers and Trainers Committee – Brandon Campbell
6. New Business/Question Period
7. Election of Officers and Directors this year:
  - a) Vice President- (two-year term) (Currently Jackson Wittup)
  - b) Secretary/Treasurer - (two-year term) (Currently John Hind)

- c) Breeders Chair - (two-year term) (Currently Kelly Crump)
- d) Owners Chair - (two-year term) (Currently Jocelyn Giesbrecht)
- e) Director - (one-year term) (Currently JF Gagne)
- f) Director - (two-year term) (Currently Dave Kelly)
- g) Director- (two-year term) (Currently Bret Litke)

- 8. Election of three members of the Breeders' Committee (three-year term)  
    Outgoing – Evelyn Sabraw, Rod Hennessy and Connie Kolthammer
- 9. Installation of New Officers and Directors
- 10. Motion to destroy ballots and tally sheets
- 11. Motion for termination of meeting

**Note: To be eligible to vote\*\* at any meeting of the Association, or to be appointed or run for any position on the Board of Directors, a person must have either held full membership in the Association or held membership as a groom currently licensed by Horse Racing Alberta, for a period of 30 days prior to the date of such meeting, appointment, or election.**

**Payment for membership must have been received in full at the ASHA office on or before the end of business hours (4:00 PM, MST) Wednesday, March 20th, 2024.**

***NO EXCEPTIONS!***

\*\* To be Eligible to vote you must be a Full Member of the Association or have a valid Groom membership in the Association. Article 3. b) (i). of the ASHA By-Laws currently states “an applicant is eligible for full membership if that applicant or that applicant’s spouse is a registered owner or lessee of a registered Standardbred horse or a breeder, trainer or driver currently licensed by Horse Racing Alberta. “

**NOTICE TO ALL:**

Century Casinos, operating both Century Downs Racetrack and Casino and Century Mile Racetrack and Casino, has requested that all racing participants have **full** membership in the Alberta Standardbred Horse Association. This membership provides liability coverage for those involved at *any* capacity around the race grounds. This means that all participants (grooms, drivers, trainers, and owners) **MUST** have current memberships to be on Century Casinos properties for any race related activity. Century Downs, *not ASHA*, has made this request. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.