



HARNISS RACING

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ONLY DURING FAIR 419-228-6303
Mon., Aug. 24, 8 AM - 10 AM
Tue., Aug. 25, 8 AM - 10 AM

RAIN DATE

Sun., Aug. 30, 2009

'Supertrot' Entry Fee

\$100

'Dunlap Renner' Entry Fee

\$100

'Overnights' Entry Fee

\$25

Winner of Each Heat Receives a Trophy Blanket!

*** \$5,000 Bounty for New Track Record ***

ALLEN COUNTY FAIR
28th ANNUAL SUPERSTAKES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2009 and
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2009
SPEED PROGRAM

3 DAY BOX

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2009

POST TIME 6 PM

Pace, 2 yr. old Filly - WOCRA Superstakes '08 Actual - \$ 10,582
Trot, 2 yr. old Filly - WOCRA Superstakes '08 Actual - \$ 9,282
Pace, 3 yr. old Filly - WOCRA Superstakes '08 Actual - \$ 5,931
Trot, 3 yr. old Filly - WOCRA Superstakes '08 Actual - \$10,583
Trot-Non Winners 1 Race or \$3,000 lifetime, also eligible 2 yr. old
2009 Purse \$1,200

Trot -Aged/Open - ALLEN COUNTY SUPER TROT

A Signature Series Race ADDED \$5,000

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2009

POST TIME 6 PM

Pace, 2 yr. old Colt - WOCRA Superstakes '08 Actual - \$11,432
Trot, 2 yr. old Colt - WOCRA Superstakes '08 Actual - \$11,932
Pace, 3 yr. old Colt - WOCRA Superstakes '08 Actual - \$ 7,882
Trot, 3 yr. old Colt - WOCRA - Superstakes
Dr. Steiner Classic '08 Actual - \$7,782
Pace-NonWinners 1 Race or \$3,000 lifetime, also eligible 2 yr old
2009 Purse - \$ 1,200

Pace - Aged/Open - DUNLAP-RENNER MEMORIAL

A Signature Series Race ADDED \$3,000

**ALLEN COUNTY SUPER TROT and
DUNLAP RENNER MEMORIAL PACE
CONDITIONS**

1. Aged Horses 4 years old and up.
2. Super Trot Starting Fee of \$100; Dunlap Renner Starting Fee of \$100.
3. 3 Day Box.
4. In event that more than nine (9) horses are declared to start, the event will be split and raced in divisions.
5. Divisions will race for an equal share of the total purse.
6. U.S.T.A./O.S.R.C. rules prevail

PHOTO FINISH STARTING GATE
CHARTED LINES PARI-MUTUELS
CONDITIONS

1. Western Ohio Colt stake conditions as published. U.S.T.A. rules to govern all races with exceptions.
2. Money divided 45 - 25 - 15 - 10 - 5 percent. Three Starters 50 - 30 - 20 percent. In the event there are less than three (3) starters the race is declared off. The Horsemen's nomination, sustaining and declaration fees will be distributed equally to

- the horses declared in the Superstakes race.
- 3. Early declarations for all racing events to be made not later than 10 AM, three (3) days preceding the race.
- 4. Entries made over the telephone must be made to the Race Secretary 419.228.6303, NOT THE FAIR OFFICE!
- 5. In the event more than nine (9) colts or fillies are declared in to start, the race may be split and raced in divisions (each division will race for an equal share of the total Superstake purse), or management reserves the right to race elimination heats in accordance with rules of the U.S.T.A. 6 to name, 5 to start.
- 6. Veterinarian will be on the grounds for Lassix injections.
- 7. Right reserved to change program or reject any entries.
- 8. SPECIAL GATE for all Horsemen to enter is on Bowman Road by the horse barn. Gate Admission is \$6. WOCRA passes will be honored on racing days.
- 9. The Society assumes no liability in case of accident.

\$5,000 TRACK RECORD BOUNTY CONDITIONS

Pace Track Record 1:55.2 Set by Odysus A 2003
 Trot Track Record 1:59.4 Set by One Final Time 2004

\$5,000 (divided \$4,000 to owner and \$1,000 to driver) will be paid to the horse setting a new track record at either gait for the entire 2009 race program provided the posted track record is lowered by 1 full second or more. In case of a tie, Bounty will be divided among record holders.

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
 OF THE
 ALLEN COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY**

Article I - Name

This Society shall be known as Allen County Agricultural Society of Allen County, Ohio, with its object and purpose to promote the agriculture and other such interests of the county and of the state.

MISSION STATEMENT

To improve, promote and preserve the public welfare through the understanding of agriculture, horticulture, domestic art and science, general community betterment, together with all other industrial, commercial and educational interests of the County of Allen and the State of Ohio.

It is also the purpose of the Allen County Agricultural Society to serve and benefit the citizens of Allen County, the surrounding counties and the State of Ohio, by planning, organizing and operating the Allen County Fair, as well as carrying out the other purposes stated herein, all of which promote and serve the vital industry of agriculture in Ohio.

Article II - Membership

- A. There shall be one (1) type of Membership: Regular.
- B. The regular membership shall be available to all residents of Allen County who are eighteen (18) years of age and pay the annual membership fee. The term of this membership shall be from January 1st to December 31st of each year. The cost of this membership will be established by the Board of Directors.

Article III - Directors

- A. The Society shall be governed by a Board of Directors which board shall consist of eighteen (18) members whose term of office shall be three (3) years; one third (1/3) of whom shall be elected annually and all of whom must be members of the Society. Term of office shall start on the 15th day of November in the year of which the director is elected. Representation of the Board of Directors shall consist of one (1) Director from each township in Allen County; (1) Director from within the corporation limits of the City of Lima; and Five (5) At Large Directors. At Large Directors shall be elected from the City of Lima, City of Delphos, the twelve (12) townships and the political subdivisions therein, provided however, that there shall be no more than three (3) Directors from any one township or political subdivision. An otherwise qualified candidate cannot seek the Office of Director of the Allen County Agricultural Society if his/her election should cause more than three (3) Directors to represent by residence any one township or political subdivision. Should a Director, other than an AT LARGE Director, fail to be a resident of his respective township or political subdivision for three (3) consecutive months,

- then in that event, a vacancy shall be declared and the provision of Article VI Vacancies shall be followed.
- B. A Director shall be deemed to qualify if he meets all of the following criteria:
 - 1. Have attained the age of eighteen (18) years;
 - 2. Possess a current annual membership;
 - 3. Resides in the County of Allen and unless an AT LARGE Director resides within the township or political subdivision from which elected;
 - 4. Take the oath of affirmation as provided in Article V-B. Any Director who fails to qualify within three (3) months after election will be deemed to have forfeited his office and a vacancy shall be declared.
- C. The Society may also have Honorary Directors who can contribute expertise to the Society not resident within the elected Board of Directors. The Honorary Director(s) shall be designated annually by the board of Directors. Honorary Directors shall act in an advisory capacity and have not voting power.
- D. Any Board Member whose behavior is deemed by a majority of the Executive Committee of the Allen County Agricultural Society to be rowdy, unruly, disruptive, obstructive, obnoxious or offensive, shall be issued a warning. Upon the third finding of the Executive Committee of such conduct by a Board Member in any one term, then upon the third finding, the Board Member in violation shall appear before the Board of Directors to answer as to why the offending Board Member should not be expelled from the Board. After said hearing, should three-fourths (3/4) of the Board vote to expel the offending Board Member, said offending Board Member shall be forthwith expelled, the expelled Board Member's position to be filled pursuant to Article VI herein.

Article IV - Annual Election

- A. The annual election for directors to serve for the ensuing year shall be by ballot at a time and place fixed by the Board of Directors. Due notice must be given as is required by law. The election should be held prior to November 15th each year.
- B. Candidates for the office of Directors of the Allen County Agricultural Society must file a written Petition signed by at least ten (10) members of the Society. Said Petition must be filed with the Secretary of said Society at least 7 days prior to the annual election.
- C. Only members in good standing, residing in Allen County and eighteen (18) years of age, who have paid their dues for the current year shall be eligible to vote for members of the Board of Directors.
- D. The Polls, for election of Directors at the Annual Meeting, shall be opened for at least four (4) hours and announced to the Public at the time of the Annual Meeting announcement.
- E. A majority of the Board of Directors or any group of 25 citizens of legal voting age in a county or district concerned may petition the Department of Agriculture to supervise their annual election of Directors.
- F. A Director seeking re-election, a member seeking election as a Director, or a person assisting a candidate for election/re-election, may not use society funds, facilities or employees:
 - 1. To promote the candidacy of any person who seeks election/re-election to the Board of Directors of the Society.
 - 2. To solicit during the election process on the behalf of any candidate for election/re-election.
 - 3. To influence the votes of members upon any amendment to the constitution or by-laws of the Society.

Article V - Reorganization Meetings of Directors

- A. The Board of Directors shall meet at a time after the annual election but prior to November 30th each year to elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as they deem proper. The President and Vice President shall be elected to serve a one year term; the Secretary not more than 3 years. These officers shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. The President and Vice President must be an elected board member. The Secretary and Treasurer may or may not be elected board members.
- B. At the December meeting, all newly elected Directors and officers shall qualify by taking the following Oath of Affirmation: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States; the Constitution of the State of Ohio ; and the Constitution of this Society; and the Rules & Regulations of the Ohio Department of Agriculture as pertains to County Fairs; and to the best of my ability perform the duties of the Director of the Allen County Agricultural Society, So help me God."

Article VI - Vacancies on the Board

- A. Any vacancies caused by death, resignation, refusal to qualify, removed

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from County or other cause may be filled by the Board of Directors until the next annual election when a Director shall be elected for the unexpired term. Such appointee shall be a member of the Allen County Agricultural Society and may live anywhere in the county, not necessarily the township or city where the vacancy occurred. Any Director who fails to qualify within three (3) months, after the election will be deemed to have forfeited his office and a vacancy will be declared.

Article VII - Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held monthly on the third (3rd) Wednesday in each month. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the Secretary and held at the request of the President or any four (4) of the Directors.

Article VIII - Notice of Meeting

The Secretary shall give notice of each meeting to the Board of Directors whether regular or special to each member of the Board.

Article IX - Place of Meeting

The Board of Directors may hold its meeting at such place or places within the County of Allen, State of Ohio, as the Board may from time to time determine.

Article X - Compensation

Officers and Directors of the corporation shall receive as their compensation such amount as is determined by the Board of Directors and such compensation shall not exceed the limits specified in the Ohio Department of Agriculture Rule 901:5-09 and may be changed by the Board of Directors as they deem proper.

Article XI - Duties of Officers

- A. President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the membership of Directors. He shall exercise, subject to the control of the Directors, a general supervision over all affairs of the society and shall perform generally all duties incident to the office and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors from time to time.
- B. Vice President: The Vice President shall perform all duties of the President in his absence or during his inability to act and shall have such other and further other powers and shall perform such other and further duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.
- C. Secretary: The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all proceedings of the Board of Directors and make a proper record of the same which shall be attested by him. He shall keep such books as may be required by the Board of Directors, shall keep a roll of the members of the Society and shall conduct the correspondence of the Society. He shall keep a record of all monies coming into and from what source. He shall likewise keep an itemized account of all monies paid out and for what purpose and generally perform such other duties as may be required by the Board of Directors or as prescribed by the Ohio Department of Agriculture.
- D. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall:
1. Assume custody and responsibility of all funds and/or Securities of the Society.
 2. Be responsible for all deposits and withdrawals of monies into and out of a banking or investment firm designated by the Board of Directors.
 3. Be responsible for investing all monies pursuant to the Investment Policy as adopted by the Board of Directors.
 4. Be responsible for maintaining an accurate and legible accounting system and associated records.
 5. Be responsible to receive all money coming into the Society, legible accounting system and associated records.
 6. Be responsible for a receipting system to show the source of revenue.
 7. Be responsible for maintaining a record of all pay orders.
 8. Be responsible for disbursements of all monies by check, cash, money orders, etc.
 9. Be responsible for preparing a monthly and an annual report of any monies received and/or disbursed during each respective reporting period.
 10. Be responsible for the computations of the payroll and maintaining the payroll records.
 11. Be responsible for submitting all Federal, State & Local tax reporting requirements.
 12. Maintain a file of financial records as may be required by Federal, State and Local law.
 13. Be responsible for preparing the portion of the Ohio Department of Agriculture's report which require financial information.
 14. Supervise all cashiers, ticket sellers and other personnel working for the Treasurer.

15. Serve as a Committee member on the Budget and Finance Committee.

16. Coordinate as needed with the Secretary, Fair Manager & Directors any money receipts/disbursements required in their respective area of responsibility.

17. Perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors.

- E. Both the Secretary and the Treasurer shall serve under bond in an amount to be determined by the Board of Directors and paid for by the Society.

Article XII - Operations of the Fair and Fairgrounds Facility

The Board of Directors shall prescribe such rules and regulations as are necessary to carry on the purpose of this organization by conducting a County Fair and ancillary uses and activities of the fairgrounds facility. Included but not limited to rental of the entire fairgrounds or any portion thereof.

They shall determine all matters of policy in the matter of the fair and operations of the fairgrounds and may employ such individuals as are necessary to properly promote and conduct such fair and operations of the fairgrounds. They may employ a Fair Manager who will be responsible to the Board and operate under its direction and who will be paid such compensation as is determined by the Board. He may be employed only on a year to year basis, but may be engaged either part-time or full-time.

The Board of Directors to promulgate such rules and regulations deemed appropriate relating to the use of alcohol and gambling and games of chance.

The Board of Directors each year at the time of its annual organizational meeting shall fix the annual membership fee as well as fix a definite time by which such fee must be paid which time must be five (5) days prior to the annual fair.

Article XIII - Order of Business

Insofar as is practical the order of business of the meetings of the Directors shall be as follows: (1) Call meeting to order; (2) Roll Call; (3) Reading and disposal of previous minutes; (4) Reports of Officers and Committees; (5) Unfinished Business; (6) New Business and (7) Adjournment.

Article XIV - Premiums

The Society shall annually offer and award premiums for improvement of grains, fruit, vegetables, livestock articles of domestic industry, public school displays and such other articles, improvements as the Board of Directors may deem proper and shall publish a premium book in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board may prescribe from time to time.

Article XV - Committees and Superintendents

The President shall appoint committees, superintendents and heads of the various departments as the Board of Directors may deem necessary and such appointments shall be confirmed by the Board.

Article XVI - Fair and Annual Exhibit

There shall be held a fair and annual exhibit of the Society each year in the County of Allen, State of Ohio at the time and place designated by the Board of Directors at their annual meeting, if said dates are approved by the Ohio Director of Agriculture.

Article XVII - Amendments

Amendments to this constitution and the by-laws may be made only by a majority vote of the members at the annual election of the Society.

Article XVIII - Quorum

A majority of all duly elected and qualified members of the Board of Directors of the Allen County Agricultural Society present at any meeting of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any or all business coming before the Board at such meeting.

Article XIX - Indemnification of Directors and Officers -

Henceforth, all Board members and Officers will be indemnified by the Society to the fullest extent allowable by law. Indemnification shall be determined by the Board of Directors, on a case-by-case basis, and shall be freely given to all parties who:

- a) have acted in good faith, and in the scope of their duties; and
- b) have acted in good faith in the best interest of the Society.

The Directors and Officers of this Society are hereby authorized to insure this Society against losses or expenditures it might have in making indemnification as provided in this article.