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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The annual Board of Directors election will take place in February 2007.

Welcome New Members

Anderson Farms Andrew Thompson Co. **Burleson Farm** Castle Park Stud Chanteclair Farm Cloverleaf Farms II **Darley America** Dell Ridge Farm Diamond A Double K LLC Dreamfields Eutrophia Farm Foxtale Farm Hilbert Thoroughbreds Jamm Ltd Kilroy Thoroughbreds Orange Blossom Farm Richwood Farm Shadwell Farm Stonerside Summer Wind Swettenham Stud Twin Willows Farm WinStar Farm

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Members.

A very good year. During 2006, the CBA evolved from an organizing committee to a full fledged and important organization with by-laws and an elected Board. Currently, the CBA has over 150 members, representing nearly 75% of auction sales revenue for weanlings, yearlings, and breeding stock in North America.

Board members have created a strong working relationship with Keeneland, Fasig-Tipton, TOBA, KTA/KTOB, and the veterinary community which will help us be effective with future projects and objectives..

Educational initiatives. Our initial educational efforts to provide useful information to buyers and sellers have been overwhelmingly successful. Publication of the first two booklets on veterinary topics received consistent

praise from industry professionals around the world. The JRA has translated and reprinted *Vet Work Plain and Simple: SCOPING* and *Vet Work Plain and Simple: OCDs in Sale Horses* for their Japanese membership. Aushorse and the New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders Association have asked to reproduce the booklets for horsemen in their respective countries. In addition, over 10,000 booklets have been distributed in North America, Ireland, and England.

Legislative action. While supporting the spirit of House Bill 446 related to dual agency, the CBA worked with the bill's sponsor, our legislative lobbyist, and various friends in the legislature to amend language in the bill to prevent unintended consequences related to unfair liability for honest consignors and breeders.

Veterinary sales issues. The CBA has formed a veterinary subcommittee to study and advise on veterinary issues related to auction sales. This committee has provided CBA representation and a voice at meetings related to anabolic steroid use and testing of sale weanlings and yearlings held by the RMTC. In addition, this subcommittee is developing a dialogue with both central Kentucky sales companies to address this important issue in a proactive manner.

Code of Conduct. As part of its ongoing effort to promote high ethical standards and inspire buyer confidence, the CBA has prepared and adopted a "Code of Conduct" for all members. The Code of Conduct is printed on the following page.

Going forward. I am very proud that Board members have left their competitive natures and personal interests "at the door" and have worked inside the Board room for the common good of the industry and the entire membership. During 2007, I am confident that working together we will make important strides toward making the sales scene better for buyer and seller alike. Medication issues will be at the forefront of our attention, as well as accountability by all who participate in the business of auction sales.

Most importantly, as members of the CBA, you are the driving force for the direction of the Board. Your views and opinions are openly welcomed and needed as we move ahead. Please take the time to speak with a Board member and let your voice be heard. Our website is a convenient way to communicate. Meanwhile, may the New Year be very good to you.







"As individuals we can accomplish some things. As a strong group working together, we can accomplish many things and make a difference."



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CBA Code Of Conduct

Introduction:

This initial CBA Code of Conduct builds on the well established policy of the CBA to promote appropriate ethical standards regarding the public and private sale of horses via self-regulatory codes.

Adoption of these self-disciplinary rules is a significant way for consignors and breeders to demonstrate that we are motivated by a sense of social responsibility.

The Code is designed primarily as an instrument for self-discipline, but it is also intended for use by legal or administrative bodies as a reference document within the framework of applicable laws.

The CBA believes that this Code will raise awareness and promote adherence to appropriate standards of trade within the thoroughbred marketplace.

The Code sets standards of

ethical conduct to be followed by all member consignors and breeders. (Veterinarians, bloodstock agents, sales companies or others providing services at public auctions should also be encouraged to adhere to the terms of the Code).

Members of the Consignors and Commercial Breeders Association (CBA) agree to uphold the following professional standards and Code of Conduct.

CBA CODE OF CONDUCT

A CBA Member Will:

- ▶ Strive at all times to serve the best interests of his, her or its clients.
- ► Conduct business with honesty, integrity, and fairness toward clients, other CBA members, and the buying public.
- ► Answer truthfully and avoid intentionally misleading statements when responding to inquiries from prospective buyers.
- ▶ Refuse to pay or accept commissions that are not disclosed to the member's principal and refuse to participate in any undisclosed dual agency or other fraud.
- ► Comply with all applicable sales company rules of sale and with all applicable state and federal laws.

CBA Educational Initiatives' International Reach

In 2006 the CBA published two volumes of its buyer education series. Volume I was titled *Vet Work Plain and Simple: "What is Scoping?"*. In September the CBA released Volume II titled *Vet Work Plain and Simple: "OCDs in Sale Horses"*.

Soon after the release of Volume I, the JRA requested permission to translate the edition into Japanese for distribution among its members.

Underlining the international impact of its educational initiatives, the CBA was re-

cently contacted by Aushorse Ltd. and the New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders Association for permission to use and distribute both booklets. In a letter to the CBA, John Messara of Aushorse Ltd. wrote, "We would like to commend the CBA on the recent educational projects your organization have produced." Peter Francis of the NZTBA found the book to be "easy to understand and informative".

The CBA membership can take pride that such international attention has been paid to these



projects. The booklets are the result of much hard work by CBA members. Look for a new volume in 2007.



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Diamond A Double K LLC Dreamfields Dromoland Farm Eaton Sales Elia. Christopher Elm Tree Farm Equus Farm Eutrophia Farm Farish, W.S. Jr. Farish, W.S. III Four Star Sales Foxtale Farm Gabriel Thoroughbreds Gaines-Gentry T'breds Gainesway Farm Gaulstown Stud Gentry, Olin Glenmalure Farm Hart Farm Hermitage Farm Hernon, Michael Hidden Brook Farm Highclere Hilbert Thoroughbreds Hill n Dale Farm Hinkle Farms Hundley, C. Bruce Hunter Valley Farm Idle Hour Farm Indian Creek Jamm I td Justice Farm Kane, Eddie Katalpa Farm Kilroy Thoroughbreds Kingswood Farm

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Sellers. Bill



BULLETIN BOARD

Notice To CBA Membership:

Future newsletters will be published on a quarterly basis to keep the membership informed of CBA actions. Information is continually posted on the website: www.consignorsandbreeders.com.

Helpful Link:

The Kentucky Breeders' Incentive Fund keeps lists of all KBIF nominated mares that appear in North American sales on their website:

www.khra.ky.gov/breedersincentive.

"Working together we can make the sales scene better for everyone."



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CBA Subcommittes & Bylaw Changes

Following are the standing committees that served the CBA in 2006. The CBA welcomes members to participate on these committees and would like to get the membership more involved in 2007. If you are interested in serving on one of these committees, please talk to a CBA board member or officer.

Budget:

Pat Costello (chair), Peter O'Callaghan, Kerry Cauthen

Education:

Rob Whiteley (chair), Kerry Cauthen, Dermot Ryan, Mark Taylor, Bayne Welker

Consingor Membership:

Joe Seitz (chair), Bayne Welker

Breeder Membership:

Robbie Lyons (chair), Dermot Ryan

Communication:

Pat Costello (chair), Rob Whiteley, Mark Taylor, Bayne Welker

Nomination:

Bayne Welker (chair), Joe Seitz, Mike Cline, Kerry Cauthen, Rob Whiteley

Medication/Vet:

Tom VanMeter (chair), Mark Taylor, Bayne Welker, Kerry Cauthen, Craig Bandoroff

Website:

Kris Stuebs

The Board of Directors has adopted two important bylaw amendments. One moves the election of the Board of Directors to February and the second addresses attendance requirements for Board members. The complete bylaws can be read on the CBA website: www.consignorsandbreeders.com.



The CBA works democratically on behalf of every consignor and commercial breeder, large and small, to provide representation and a constructive, unified voice related to sales issues, policies, and procedures. The Association's initiatives are designed to encourage a fair and expanding marketplace for all who breed, buy or sell thoroughbreds.

What Do You Think?

The CBA continually works on behalf of all members, large and small. Your opinion is important. The CBA would like your feedback and ideas.

What topics would you like to have the CBA address in 2007?

Please email your comments to **info@consignorsandbreeders.com**. Alternatively, you can send your comments to the CBA at the address below. The CBA plans to use interactive internet surveys to poll both members and potential members about various topics in the future. If you would like to participate in future CBA surveys, please inform us of your interest by sending an email to the address above.

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