

IDAHO STATE RACING COMMISSION



2006
ANNUAL REPORT

Date March 28, 2007

The Honorable C.L. "Butch" Otter
Governor of the State of Idaho
Capitol Building
Boise, Idaho 83720

Dear Governor Otter:

On behalf of the Idaho State Racing Commission (ISRC) I am pleased to advise you that our 2006 Annual Report has been posted on our website, www.isp.state.id.us/race. Pursuant to the provisions of Idaho Statute 54-2505, the ISRC submits its annual report for the 2006 racing season.

The ISRC and its staff are pleased and gratified that horse racing is recognized as both an economic and recreational asset to the people of Idaho. The racing and breeding industries are a valuable sector of the state's economy and agribusiness.

We appreciate your continued support of the ISRC and the horse racing industry and look forward to working with you to address the challenges that confront horse racing while we work to strengthen its role and viability in our state.

Respectfully,

Oscar Steinley, Chairman

Carolyn Hunt, Commissioner

Judy Radin, Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS

The Racing Commission is comprised of three members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate for six-year terms. The names of the current commissioners are listed below with the ending date of each of their respective terms.

Oscar Steinley, Chairman	January 2007
Carolyn Hunt	January 2007
Judy Radin	January 2010

Pursuant to state law, the commissioners are paid \$50 for each day spent on Racing Commission business.

COMMISSION STAFF

The following individuals staff the Racing Commission:

Eugene "Jack" O. Baker	Executive Director
Jacqueline Libengood	Management Assistant/State Pari-Mutuel Inspector
Lavon Napoli	Technical Records Specialist 1
Lisa Osterman	Technical Records Specialist 1
Fred Becker	Investigator

To further assist the Commission with its regulatory responsibilities, the following individuals were hired by the Commission as part-time seasonal employees for professional and technical services during the 2006 racing season:

Terry Crystal	State Steward - Les Bois Park
Doug Standlee	Deputy State Steward - Les Bois Park
David Wheeler	State Steward - Fair Circuit
Melvin Warr	Deputy State Steward - Fair Circuit
Richard Cade	Deputy State Steward - Fair Circuit
Toni Wheeler	State Pari-Mutuel Inspector/Licensing - Fair Circuit
Ardie Noyes	State Pari-Mutuel Inspector - Les Bois Park
Nancy Haycock	Licensing Clerk - Les Bois Park

Horse racing is undoubtedly the most thoroughly regulated of all sports. To assist the Commission in the task of supervision Commission Veterinarians are retained on a contract basis for the duration of the meets.

Donald Roloff, DVM	State Veterinarian - Les Bois Park
Mark Ipsen, DVM	State Veterinarian - Fair Circuit
Kent Warner, DVM	State Veterinarian - Fair Circuit

OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

The Idaho State Racing Commission operates under the authority of the Idaho Horse Racing Act Title 54, Chapter 25 Idaho Code. The Commission is vested by law with full authority to prescribe the rules, regulations and conditions under which horse and simulcast racing with pari-mutuel wagering may be conducted in Idaho. The Commission also has the power to govern, direct and regulate racing in Idaho.

The Commission's primary objective is to maintain the integrity of horse racing in Idaho. This is carried out in a number of ways. Close supervision by the Commission and its representatives at the tracks insure the public and the participants:

1. that the Association conducting a race meeting is operated by responsible management;
2. that every owner and trainer seeking to enter a horse in competition is a person of good character and of financial responsibility;
3. that every horse appearing in a race is the animal that it is represented to be on the program and is carrying the correct weight as assigned by a the track handicapper;
4. that every race run will represent a true competitive effort by every participating rider or horse;
5. that no rider during the running of a race, commits any act that would fairly tend to make the race anything other than a true competitive test;
6. that every horse is physically fit to race;
7. that no one responsible for the custody of a competing animal has administered or permitted to be administered any forbidden medication to the competing animal;
8. that every racing association is doing its utmost to provide the spectator public, the animals and their attendants the best possible facilities that it can afford.

The Commission also fulfills the role of liaison, acting as the intermediary; between the various associations and the Government of Idaho.

The primary goals of the Commission are to build a strong and credible industry, to operate the Commission offices as efficiently and economically as possible and to serve as a steadfast entity on which the industry and the public can depend upon to preserve and maintain the integrity of horse racing in Idaho.

RACETRACK ROSTER AND APPROVED 2006 RACE DATES

Les Bois Park
5610 Glenwood
Boise, ID 83714
Telephone: (208) 375-7050
Alan Horowitz, General Manager
MAY 5,6,9,12,13,16,19,20,23,26,27,29,30
JUNE 2,3,6,9,10,13,16,17,20,23,24,27,30
JULY 1,3,4,7,8,11,14,15,18,21,22,25,28,29
AUGUST 1,4,5,8,11,12

Gem County Fairboard
P.O. Box 463
Emmett, ID 83617
Telephone: (208) 365-5560
Kathy Black
APRIL 22, 23,30

Sandy Downs Racing, Inc
P.O. Box 465
Rigby, ID 83442
Telephone: (208) 529-0671
Larry Chapple
SEPTEMBER 16, 17, 23, 24, 30
OCTOBER 1

Jerome Racing
P.O. Box 414
Telephone: (208) 324-3840
Chet Child, Manager
JUNE 17, 18, 25

Cassia County Fairboard
P.O. Box 1222
Burley, ID 83318
Telephone: (208) 678-8610
Dean Draper, General Manager
AUGUST 17, 18

Pocatello Downs
P.O. Box 248
Pocatello, ID 83204
Telephone: (208) 238-1721
Treena Caverhill, General Manager
MAY 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29, 30
JUNE 4, 5

Rupert Downs
P.O. Box 153
Rupert, ID 83350
Telephone: (208) 436-1104
Jim Bennett , Operator
JULY 1,2,4,8,9

Oneida County Fairboard
P. O. Box 13
Malad, ID 83252
Telephone: (208) 766-4706
Bob Hobson, President
AUGUST 5, 6,12,13

Eastern Idaho Fair Board
P.O. Box 250
Blackfoot, ID 83221
Telephone: (208) 785-2480
Doris Wallace, General Manager
SEPTEMBER 4,5,8,9

BREAKDOWN OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES

<u>TYPE OF LICENSES</u>	<u># OF LICENSES</u>
Admissions	13
Announcer	3
Asst. Starter – Starter	16
Clerk of Scales/Clocker/Identifier	7
Concessionaire	8
Concession Employees	50
Emergency Medical Technician	4
Exercise Person	30
Groom	194
Horsemen’s Bookkeeper	7
Jockey Agent	5
Jockey	66
Maintenance Employees	10
Miscellaneous ¹	16
Mutuel Employees	149
Officials	11
Office Staff	9
Other	64
Owners	811
Owner/Trainer	285
Outrider/Valet	8
Paddock Judge	4
Photographer & Video Operator	25
Plater	9
Pony Person	69
Racing Secretary/Stall Superintendent	3
Security	29
Stable Names	40
Trainer	75
Tote Employees	11
Veterinarian & Vet Assistants	23

¹ Miscellaneous: Duplicate Licenses, Add-ons and Changes to licenses.

2006 CAPITOL RACING AT THE WESTERN IDAHO FAIR

RACE DAYS	46
NUMBER OF RACES	371
ATTENDANCE	94,327
DAILY AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	2,051
THOROUGHBRED RACES	265
QUARTER HORSE RACES	106
PARI-MUTUEL HANDLE	\$2,415,649
DAILY AVERAGE HANDLE	\$52,514
TOTAL THOROUGHBRED HANDLE	\$1,871,612
TOTAL QUARTER HORSE HANDLE	\$54,306
TOTAL OTHER HANDLE	\$1,731
TOTAL PURSES PAID**	\$1,738,891
TOTAL THOROUGHBRED PURSES	\$1,032,713
TOTAL QUARTER HORSE PURSES	\$706,178
AVERAGE PURSE PER RACE	\$4,687
TOTAL EXPORT HANDLE	\$1,027,652

** Includes all Sponsorship, horsemen, and added monies

2006 FAIR CIRCUIT STATISTICS *****

RACE DAYS	32
NUMBER OF RACES . . . . .	.259
ATTENDANCE	20,925
THOROUGHBRED RACES	48
QUARTER HORSE RACES . . . . .	.169
OTHER RACES***** . . . . .	.42
PARI-MUTUEL HANDLE	\$431,413
DAILY AVERAGE HANDLE	\$13,482
TOTAL THOROUGHBRED HANDLE	\$93,293
TOTAL QUARTER HORSE HANDLE	\$266,550
TOTAL OTHER HANDLE	\$71,570
TOTAL PURSES PAID**	\$480,427
TOTAL THOROUGHBRED PURSES	\$53,925
TOTAL QUARTER HORSE PURSES	\$172,711
TOTAL OTHER PURSES	\$253,791
AVERAGE PURSE PER RACE	\$.1,855

* Emmett, Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Rupert, Jerome, Burley, Malad, and Blackfoot make up the "Fair Circuit"

*** Mixed, Appaloosa, Paint, Arabian, and Mule

** Includes all Sponsorship, horsemen, and added monies

2006 HORSE RACING STATISTICS

RACE DAYS	78
NUMBER OF RACES	630
PARI-MUTUEL HANDLE	\$2,847,062
DAILY AVERAGE HANDLE	\$36,501
TOTAL RETURNED TO PATRONS	\$2,160,321

PARI-MUTUEL DISTRIBUTION

Racing Commission	\$49,083.91
Public School Account.	\$10,206.33
Small Track Account	\$14,235.47
Equine Education Account	\$10,206.33

PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCOUNT

The Public School Income Fund, and the Equine Education Income Fund (Idaho Code 54-2513) was established by the Legislature on a sliding percentage scale in order to financially assist Idaho's Public schools.

Idaho's racetracks generated \$10,206.33 in 2006 from live horse racing for the public schools. The Equine Education Fund generated \$10,206.33 from live horse racing as well. Listed below are the amounts generated by each racetrack through live meet pari-mutuel wagering.

	SCHOOL FUND	EQUINE FUND
Gem County Fairboard	\$-0-	\$-0-
Les Bois Park	\$10,093.66	\$10,093.66
Pocatello Racing Association	\$14.64	\$14.64
Rupert Downs Incorporated	\$ -0-	\$-0-
Sandy Downs – Idaho Falls	\$8.15	\$8.15
Jerome County Fairboard	\$ -0-	\$-0-
Cassia County Fairboard	\$ -0-	\$-0-
Eastern Idaho Fairboard	\$89.88	\$89.88
Oneida County Fairboard	\$-0-	\$-0-

BREED ASSOCIATION ACCOUNT

The Breed Association Distribution Account (Idaho Code 54-2513) was established by the Idaho Legislature authorizing one half of one percent (.5%) of the daily live pari-mutuel handle be distributed quarterly to the lawfully constituted representatives of each horse breed for the betterment of the Idaho-bred horse racing industry. The Racing Commission requires an annual accounting of expenditures from these trustee-and-benefit account recipients. In 2006, this fund generated \$14,235.47 and was distributed as follows:

Idaho Thoroughbred Association	\$9,824.39
Idaho Quarter Horse Association	\$4,044.46
Idaho Appaloosa Association	\$261.84
Idaho Paint Association	\$104.78

**DISTRIBUTION OF SMALL TRACK ACCOUNT
LIVE HORSE RACING**

One half of one percent (.5%) of gross daily receipts, separately stated, shall be paid to the Idaho State Racing Commission for deposit in the track distribution account, which is created in the dedicated fund for further distribution to certain Idaho racetracks, defined as follows:

- a. Recipient tracks shall be those which, during the racing year of distribution, have an average daily handle of less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000);
- b. Distributions to recipient tracks shall be weighted proportionately based on the number of days raced during the year of distribution.

The amount contributed by each racetrack is listed below:

Les Bois Park	\$12,078.33
Gem County Fairboard . . . . .	.\$173.83
Pocatello Racing Association . . . . .	.\$436.73
Rupert Downs Incorporated	\$130.30
Jerome County Fairboard	\$131.52
Cassia County Fairboard . . . . .	.\$80.67
Eastern Idaho Fairboard . . . . .	.\$527.33
Sandy Downs Racing Inc	\$387.85
Oneida County Fairboard . . . . .	.\$288.91

The Small Track Account generated \$14,235.47 in 2006 from 32 days of live horse racing with the disbursements listed below. *****

Gem County Fairboard.	3 days.	\$1,334.58
Pocatello Racing Association	6 days	\$2,669.16
Rupert Downs Incorporated	5 days	\$2,224.30
Jerome County Fairboard	3 days.	\$1,334.58
Cassia County Fairboard	2 days. . . . .	.\$889.72
Eastern Idaho Fairboard	4 days. . . . .	.\$1,779.44
Oneida County Fairboard . . . . .	.4 days. . . . .	.\$1,779.44
Sandy Downs Racing . . . . .	.5 days	\$2,224.30

***** Les Bois Park is not included in this disbursement due to the fact that their pari-mutuel handle grosses in excess of \$60,000 per race day, which disqualifies them from receiving any money under Idaho Code 54-2513.

SIMULCAST RACES

Simulcast races from around the country were wagered on by patrons at Les Bois Park in Boise, , Sandy Downs, in Idaho Falls, and at the Greyhound Park in Post Falls, Idaho.

2006 SIMULCASTING STATISTICS

SIMULCAST RACE DAYS	365
SIMULCAST PARI-MUTUEL HORSE	\$15,851,451
SIMULCAST PARI-MUTUEL GREYHOUND.	\$1,235,511
SIMULCAST DAILY AVERAGE HANDLE	\$46,814
SIMULCAST TOTAL RETURNED TO BETTORS	\$13,187,262

2006 Simulcast Sites & Generated Handles

Les Bois Park - Boise	\$10,274,297
Sandy Downs Fairgrounds – Idaho Falls	\$729,842
Greyhound Park - Post Falls	\$6,082,824

SIMULCAST PARI-MUTUEL DISTRIBUTION

Racing Commission	\$296,839.99
Public School Account.	\$21,771.15
Small Track Account	\$79,258.32
Breed Fund Account	\$79,258.32
Equine Education Fund Account	\$21,771.15
Kootenai County Fund.	\$7,144.58
Ada County Fund.	\$4,485.93
Bonneville County Fund	\$724.75
Horse Owner/Breeder Fund Account.	\$6,178.80

SIMULCASTING SMALL TRACK DISTRIBUTION

Simulcasting paid one half of one percent (.5%) of the total daily pari-mutuel handle into the small track account, and the same amount into the breed account. Total amount distributed will differ slightly from amount collected due to cut off dates for disbursements. These monies were distributed annually to the small tracks fund and quarterly to the breed associations as follows:

Gem County Fairboard.	3 days	\$7,270.29
Pocatello Racing Association . . . . .	.6 days	\$14,540.58
Rupert Downs Incorporated	5 days	\$12,117.15
Jerome County Fairboard . . . . .	.3 days	\$7,270.29
Oneida County Fairboard	4 days	\$9,693.72
Cassia County Fairboard	2 days	\$4,846.86
Eastern Idaho Fairboard	4 days	\$9,693.72
Sandy Downs Racing Inc	5 days	\$12,117.15

SIMULCASTING BREED DISTRIBUTION

Thoroughbred	\$74,289.24
Quarter Horse	\$2,819.94
Appaloosa	\$16.75
Arabian	\$250.43
Paints	\$28.71
Mules	\$18.86
Harness (transferred to School Fund per Statute)	\$1,834.39

ADVANCE DEPOSIT WAGERING

Governor Kempthorne signed House Bill 374 on April 23rd, 2003 which amended the existing law to clarify advance deposit wagering on horse racing. The new law requires a source market fee of 10% of the wagered handle to be paid to the Idaho State Racing Commission for further disbursement. The Advanced Deposit Wagering generated a total handle of \$4,128,049.85 beginning in December of 2005 through November 2006. Listed below is the breakdown of disbursement, which equals \$412,804.99

Racing Commission	\$20,640.25
Small Track Account	\$20,640.25
Breed Fund Account	\$20,640.25
Public School Fund	\$20,640.25
Live Meet Purse Enhancement	\$165,121.99
Simulcast Facility Enhancement	\$132,910.78
Track Expenses	\$32,211.22

Advance Deposit Wagers Disbursements

Track	Small Track	Purses Enhancement	Track Expenses	Simulcast Tracks
Emmett	\$1,935.02	\$5,766.16	\$1,235.89	\$-0-
Jerome	\$1,935.02	\$7,862.95	\$1,238.89	\$-0-
Rupert	\$3,225.04	\$8,387.15	\$2,064.82	\$-0-
Pocatello	\$3,870.05	\$13,629.12	\$2,477.79	\$-0-
Malad	\$2,580.03	\$8,125.05	\$1,651.86	\$-0-
Burley	\$1,290.02	\$4,979.87	\$825.93	\$-0-
Idaho Falls	\$3,225.04	\$11,532.33	\$2,064.82	\$6,075.50
Blackfoot	\$2,580.03	\$7,600.85	\$1,651.86	\$-0-
Les Bois Park	\$-0-	\$97,238.51	\$18,996.36	\$78,932.05
Post Falls	\$-0-	\$-0-	\$-0-	\$47,903.23

Advance Deposit Wagers Breed Distribution

Thoroughbred	\$18,578.59
Quarter Horse	\$1,517.38
Appaloosa	\$61.39
Arabian	\$54.95
Paints	\$29.38
Mules	\$2.56
Harness (transferred to School Fund per Statute)	\$395.99

IDAHO STATE RACING COMMISSION

REVENUES & EXPENDITURES JANUARY 2006 DECEMBER 2006

RECEIPTS

Licenses	\$68,295.00
Fines	\$4,800.00
Pari-Mutuel	\$346,961.04
Other -	\$0.00
Simulcast License Fee	\$55,700.00
Miscellaneous Receipt	<u>\$21,347.24</u>
Total	<u>\$497,103.28</u>

EXPENDITURES

Salaries - Staff	\$131,638.92
Part-Time	\$104,460.50
Commissioners	\$350.00
Benefits	\$49,860.38
Travel and Per Diem	\$7,311.37
Contract - Testing	\$26,941.70
Veterinarians	\$44,956.00
Photos/Video Services	\$41,795.00
Printing, Xerox, & Photo Supplies	\$551.98
Utilities	\$3,302.42
Dues & Subscriptions	\$6,298.51
Other Services	\$7,040.22
Fingerprinting	\$5,300.00
Postage & Telephone	\$3,871.83
Car - Fuel, Repairs, Maintenance	\$2,429.42
Supplies & Equipment.	\$4,398.13
Office Equipment Rental	\$975.69
Maintenance & Repairs	\$4,301.87
Legal Fees	\$8,549.24
Insurance	\$347.19
Refunds	(\$46.11)
Indirect Costs	\$1.33
Miscellaneous & State Auditor Fees.	<u>\$22,528.70</u>
Total	<u>\$479,359.29</u>

FINANCIAL SUMMARIES

In March 2005, HB 85aa relating to reports of the Idaho State Racing Commission amended section 54-2505, Idaho Code, to clarify the content of the annual report. The annual report shall be submitted to the Governor's Office on or before the thirty-first day of March each year and shall cover the activities of the commission, including the financial report of the commission and a financial summary of licensees subject to section 54-2508, Idaho Code, and organizations of licensees defined in section 54-2502(3), Idaho Code.

Track	Revenue	Expenditures	Net
Gem County Fair Board	\$72,328.30	\$65,600.24	\$6,728.06
Jerome Racing	\$52,300.00	\$51,500.00	\$800.00
Sandy Downs Racing	\$52,336.81	\$52,335.54	\$1.27
Oneida County Fair Board	\$148,296.92	\$148,190.17	\$106.75
Cassia County Fair Board	\$29,214.55	\$28,211.25	\$1,003.30
Pocatello Downs	\$189,127.26	\$186,467.79	\$2,659.47
Eastern Idaho Fair Board	\$73,119.59	\$96,760.71	(\$23,641.12)
Capitol Racing	\$3,060,435.72	\$4,216,162.86	(\$1,155,727.14)
Coeur d'Alene Greyhound Park	\$1,686,885.40	\$2,072,127.88	(\$385,242.48)
Idaho H.B.P.A.	\$10,182.88	\$6,742.97	\$3,439.91
Eastern Idaho Horsemen	\$781.00	\$1,600.00	(\$765.00)
Rupert Downs	\$78,435.83	\$78,120.62	\$315.21