



# State of Indiana Indiana Horse Racing Commission

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## **Indiana Horse Racing Summit Held**

The Indiana Horse Racing Commission hosted Indiana's first Horse Racing Summit today at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis, Indiana. The open-invitation public meeting provided participants an opportunity to share their thoughts, concerns and suggestions with members of the Indiana Horse Racing Commission.

There were over one-hundred individuals in attendance representing all three breeds racing in Indiana, (Quarter Horse, Standardbred and Thoroughbred). Also present were representatives from Indiana's two pari-mutual racetracks, Indiana Grand and Hoosier Park, along with IHRC staff and racing officials. Topics of discussion included Commission rules, Breed Development Programs, marketing and methods to grow the industry.

"We are very pleased with the number of horsemen who took time out their busy schedules to share their thoughts with us. They are a vital piece of our horse racing industry and we will be looking into the many suggestions made today," noted Chairman Thomas Weatherwax. The Commission and staff will now begin the process of analyzing the input received to assist them in identifying ways in which Indiana's racing industry may be improved.

"Today was an important step in moving forward with the Commission's goal of creating an open dialogue between all facets of the industry. The Commission hopes to expand upon what we've accomplished here today by considering additional Summits in the future," remarked Chairman Weatherwax.

Additional information about the Indiana Horse Racing Industry may be found on the IHRC's website at [www.in.gov/hrc](http://www.in.gov/hrc).