

2014 Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit July 8, 2014





Woodbine views S&I Accreditation as a fundamental operating requirement

Safety, Integrity and pursuit of the very best for horseracing is S.O.P at Woodbine.

Visible Board and Executive support for this objective sets foundation for an actual culture of safety and integrity throughout the ranks of the company and our horsemen.

Result:

"In its review, Woodbine exceeded established benchmarks in the vast majority of areas. The highest 'Best Practice' grading was awarded in 27 areas, which places Woodbine among the leading North American racetracks in commitment to safety and integrity "







EID tracks every movement of the horse ambulance, both a.m. and p.m.

Maximized reach of Official Veterinarian to follow up on van-offs, scratches and other pre/post-race observations gleaned from both racing AND training.

Future Goal – industry full reporting of non-racing injuries





Categorized Vet List

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Horse Name		Tattoo	Date On	Track On	Date Off	Vet Exam	Work
Elmo Shrugs		N21601	22 Jun 2014	Woodbine	29 Jun 2014		
Essence of Audre		O12995	13 Jun 2014	Woodbine		Х	
Executive Shopper		M29047	13 Jun 2014	Woodbine		Х	Х



Stall Office

The Stall office tracks every horse in/out of Woodbine Stable Gate

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Collaborative effort with Stable Security team and cooperative horsemen



Trainer's Signatu

Stall Office

Horses on Grounds report is a fantastic Race Office resource

- added race hustle opportunities
- accountability for use of stalls

But much more important -

Trackability for events of Infectious Disease outbreak or other calamity



Stall Office

- Isolation Stalls
 - Allow immediate and voluntary removal of symptomatic horse from shedrow
 - Limits exposure to other horses,
 - Minimizes cross contact of stable staff
 - Played key role in June, 2013 EHV scare at Woodbine



Helmets and Safety Vests



Every asst. starter and valet wears helmet and vest.

Buy-in slow at first. But fully adopted due to specific experiences.

What is best helmet for the application?





Starting Gate







Weather Data

State of the art weather station installed at head of stretch, jockey height.

Historical Data On-Demand



Real-time Transparency For Customers and Participants





Weather Data – Lightning!

Can we improve on the finger test?

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Turf Data – The Going Stick

"...measures the penetration (the amount of force required to push the tip into the ground) and the shear (the energy needed to pull back to an angle of 45 degrees from the ground). These two measures taken in combination represent a scientifically based proxy for the firmness of the ground and level of traction experienced by a horse during a race."

"Under the British Horseracing Authority rules of racing all UK turf racecourses are now required to issue GoingStick readings."

www.turftrax.co.uk





Turf Data – The Going Stick

- 3 readings (5ft, 10ft, 15ft) at each 1/16th taken at noon on raceday
- Average of readings correlates with track rating
- Variation in readings indicates track variability





Combined Database opportunities

- Weather wind, precipitation, temperature, heat/chill index, solar radiation, evapotranspiration...
- Track maintenance logs
- Irrigation logs
- Going Stick readings
- EID (includes all training and racing injuries and vet list observations)
- Past performance and workout data

Tremendous implications for future understanding of track conditions, injury conditions and value-add opportunities for the wagering customer.



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