

LAKESHORE HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION

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To: All Horse Racing Fans

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Subject: **AGCO Investigation into 2017 Horse Racing at Leamington and Dresden**

Through the media Lakeshore Horse Racing Association (LHRA) was made aware of an active investigation by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO) regarding racing at Leamington and Dresden Raceway.

We have subsequently been provided with a copy of the written complaint and have held discussions with the individuals named in the allegation. Based on our discussions with the accused and our previous history with the accuser, LHRA is satisfied the allegations have no merit. Furthermore, we are of the opinion that the allegations were made to the AGCO with malicious intent. In addition, LHRA believes the accuser sent a copy of the allegations to both the Windsor Star and Chatham Voice newspapers to elevate this false allegation solely as a personal vendetta against two honourable Southwestern Ontario Harness Horse racing participants.

As the allegations remain an active investigation, AGCO is limited in what they can report to the media. Upon conclusion of the AGCO Investigation, they will provide a response to the media inquiries. When available, we will post a copy of the AGCO response on our website.

Yours truly,

Wayne Martinuik,
Lakeshore Horse Racing Association
General Manager and Treasurer