## Welcome back to another year of being Legends!

First off, we want to say thank you to each and every one of you that makes this program what it is. Without the continued support this program would not be possible. We started out with a goal to bring big money opportunities to the South as well as showcase our local stallions and every year we have grown and done just that! In 2022 we paid out a total of \$126,000, as of 8/1/2023 we have paid out \$198,560 plus our \$200,000 slot race bringing us to \$398,560 and the year isn't over with yet!

2022 and the beginning of 2023 has been trying times battling things out of our control and throwing plans all over the place between hurricanes, other shows cancelling and trying not to schedule on top of any other major events. Our Legends Race and Slot race had to be ran in conjunction with the Stopanio memorial last year due to the hurricane and it was a great payout, but it was just overwhelming for everyone physically and financially considering the amount of runs the horses had to make and the amount of money it cost to enter all the classes. Legends has really been wanting and needing a date and home of its own and we are happy to announce we will be in <u>Ocala, FL at the Southeastern Livestock</u>

Pavilion June 28th-30th 2024!

Concerning our slot race, we know there are a lot of slot races, and we are excited people followed suit and got on board with these big money races. But we also understand the financial burden it has put on people. Most of the payments that are due between slot races, futurities and incentive program money due, between September and December we hope the slot race being moved to June will allow people to financially breathe for a minute before more payments are due. Our payment plan will open January 1st, 2024, it will be \$500 to secure your slot \$750 due March 1st and \$750 due May 1st. You may also pay in full. Payments can be made online at thelegendsofthesouth.com or you can also print and mail in the form. The slot fee will be \$2000, we will allow a max of 175 slots to be sold and we will be paying back 100% of the entries! That means \$350,000 up for grabs, 2D ½ second split, paying \$210,000 to the 1D and \$140,000 to the 2D!

As with everything, time will tell us what turns out to be good ideas and bad. We try to do our best and grow but also try to pay attention to detail and feedback from our current and returning stallion owners and nominators. This year we decided to add a couple of extra shows with added money and an entry fee to increase the payout and we did just that! A show that was \$25,000 added instead of just \$25,000 paid out paid \$52,160. Alot of people loved the idea, but an equal number weren't fans. We understand all sides and agree it may be too difficult for people to pay the show entry fees they are already paying and then have the extra fees for the incentive side pot. So, after careful consideration we made the changes for this coming year so that all incentive money will be a side pot with no entry fee. The only race that will have an entry fee will be the Legends race in June.

Our other concerns have been the shows that we have chosen to add money too. Some of them were cancelled and some didn't have many entries. We want to get money spread out throughout the south as much as possible, but we never want to sacrifice the quality of the shows that we are adding incentive money too. So, with tons of excitement, we would like to announce or 2024 season schedule!!

December 2023 Rob & Teresa Stopanio Memorial Ocala, FL

February 2024 Kinder Cup Kinder LA

March 2024 NBHA Super Show Asheville NC

March 2024 Lucky Dog Productions Texarkana AR

April 2024 NBHA Wrangler Jacksonville Super Show Jacksonville FL

May 2024 Derby Days Ocala FL

June 2024 Legends Super Show & Slot Race

July 2024 NBHA Summer Run Perry GA

August 2024 The Mega Barrel Race

August 2024 NBHA Colonial Nationals Lexington VA

September 2024 NBHA Super Show Murfreesboro TN

September 2024 GTBRA Clemson SC

October 2024 Lucky Dog Productions Texarkana AR

October 2024 Perdue Productions Pensacola FL

November 2024 Fiddlers Turkey Run

November 2024 MR Productions Unadilla GA

\*\* Exact dates will be released soon as they're available as well as exact payouts soon as our enrollments are in for the year. \*\*

Enrollments open September 1st, it is \$2500 for SR stallions, \$1500 for JR stallions, as well as a donated breeding for our stallion auction. Enrollments are due no later than November 1st, 2023. Our new year begins in line with futurity season 11/15/23. Enrollments can be done online at thelegendsofthesouth.com you can also print a form and mail a check.

Stallion auction will run from November 15th to January 15th,2024, online at thelegendsofthesouth.com

We have some amazing stallions returning this year along with some new and exciting ones coming on board so stay tuned!