

# AGENDA FOR 2026 NHBPA CONFERENCE



## Tuesday March 3

2:00p – 6:00p      Registration – Oaklawn  
5:00p – 7:00p      Welcome Reception

## Wednesday March 4

7:30a – 8:30a      Breakfast  
8:30a – 5:00p      Registration

9:00a – 9:20a      Opening Remarks  
9:25a – 10:45a      Presentation: HISA: Law, Litigation, and the View from the Inside Rail  
10:50a – 11:50a      Presentation: Seeing the Industry from the Barn and the Owner's Box: A Real-World Racing Conversation

Noon – 2:30p      Conference RSVP Lunch and Awards Presentation (RSVP only)

12:45p – 1:15p      Recognition NHBPA 2025 Claiming Horse of the Year

1:20p – 1:50p      Recognition and Resolution Presentations

1:55p – 2:05p      Introduction for Keynote Speaker: Everett Dobson from Nancy Holthus  
2:10p – 2:50p      Keynote Address

2:55p – 4:00p      Presentation: Artificial Intelligence (AI) on the Track: Smart Tech for Racing's Next Frontier  
4:05p – 5:00p      Presentation: Reimagining Racetrack Ownership: A Future Led by Horsemen and Participants

## Thursday March 5

7:00a – 8:30a      Benefit Providers Breakout  
7:30a – 8:30a      Breakfast  
8:30a – Noon      Registration

9:00a – 9:05a      Return and Welcome Remarks

9:10a – 10:20a      Presentation: Prediction Markets and Wagering: An Emerging Threat to Horse Racing and Interstate Horseracing Act Revenue

10:25 – 11:30a      Presentation: Strengthening Integrity Through Education, Support, and Collaboration: ROAP & ORI

11:35a – Noon      Presentation: Beyond the Finish Line: Building Pathways to Second Careers for Thoroughbreds

12:10p – 1:30p      Benefits Provider Luncheon

12:15p – 12:35p Matt Delehanty of Sterling Thompson Equine

12:35p – 12:50p Katie LaMonica of Godolphin, Thoroughbred Industry Employee Awards

12:55p – 1:25p Living Legend Recognition

2:00pm – 5:00pm      NHBPA Executive Committee Meeting – BOARD MEMBERS ONLY

### **Friday March 6**

7:30a – 8:30a      Breakfast

9:00a – 9:05a      Return and Welcome Remarks

9:10a – 9:25a      Gunner laCour, who will discuss the value and operational benefits affiliates receive through National HBPA Sponsor CHRIMS

9:30a – 11:30a      Presentation: Kent Stirling Memorial Medication Panel

11:35a      Conference Wrap Up and Thank You by CEO Eric Hamelback

1:00p – 5:00pm      Day at The Races – Carousel Room  
1:00p      Post Time for 1<sup>st</sup> Race

### **Saturday March 7**

7:30a – 8:30a      Board Members Only - Breakfast

9:00a – 12:30p      NHBPA/NHAC Full Board Meeting & NHBPA Foundation Meeting

