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**ANNUAL REPORT**

**2015**

**STATE OF MARYLAND**



**MARYLAND RACING COMMISSION**

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August 1, 2016

Kelly M. Schulz, Secretary  
Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation  
500 N. Calvert Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Dear Secretary Schulz:

The Maryland Racing Commission is pleased to present you with the annual report for calendar year 2015.

A review of this report will give you an overview of the horse racing industry in Maryland.

Sincerely,

J. Michael Hopkins  
Executive Director

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**The Commission during the year 2015 consisted of:**

**Chairman.....John P. McDaniel**

Members .....Mary Louise Preis  
Charles G. Tildon III  
David Hayden  
Ernest R. Grecco  
Tammy Lafferty  
Tom Winebrener  
Dr. Tom Bowman  
Bruce Quade

**The Commission Staff:**

Executive Director .....J. Michael W. Hopkins  
Admin. Program Manager. ....Doreen K. Munday  
Fiscal Accts. Supvr. ....Elizabeth Robinson  
Fiscal Clerk II .....Ursula Suber  
Chief Investigator .....Joseph M. Poag

**Stewards:**

Administrative Steward .....Adam Campola  
Associate Stewards .....Ross Pearce  
Russell Derderian

**Veterinarians:**

Chief Veterinarian.....David G. Zipf  
Veterinarians Thomas C. Jett  
Kelly Walsh

## **MEETING STATISTICS - 2015**

### **Commission Meetings**

In 2015, the Commission met to conduct business on eleven (11) occasions.

## **2015 HIGHLIGHTS**

### **REVENUE:**

**\$ 2,498,236** was collected by the State in 2015. This amount represents a small decrease from the amount of revenue collected in 2014.

### **ATTENDANCE:**

Attendance at Maryland tracks was 638,286 in 2015. Since attendance is not kept for patronage at Satellite Simulcast Betting Facilities and at remote tracks, recorded attendance alone is not a good measure of activity.

## **LEGISLATION and OTHER MAJOR EVENTS**

HB 180 – Allows Ocean Downs and Rosecroft Raceway to apply for operating losses up to \$1.2 million from their share of the purse dedication account through 2019 provided they meet certain criteria.

SB 929 – Allows an organization which represents the majority of Standardbred trainers and owners to apply to the Secretary of Labor for certain expenditures. The application may not exceed 2% of open purses and is limited by other criteria.

Maryland Jockey Club opened a Satellite Simulcast Betting Facility in the Horseshoe Casino in Baltimore City.

In May all horses located at the Bowie training center were re-located to Laurel and Pimlico.

## 2015 RACING DATES

### MILE TRACKS:

Laurel	January 1 – December 31 Simulcast Days	103 + <u>258</u> 361 Days
Pimlico	January 1 - December 31 Simulcast Days	37 + <u>324</u> 361 Days
	<b>Total</b>	<b><u>722</u></b>

### COUNTY FAIR TRACKS:

Timonium	August 28 – September 7 Simulcast Days	7 <u>3</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b><u>10 Days</u></b>

### STEEPLECHASE :

Fair Hill	May 23	<u>1</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1 Days</b>

<b>TOTAL LIVE:</b>	<b>148 DAYS</b>
<b>TOTAL SIMULCAST ONLY:</b>	<b><u>585 DAYS</u></b>
<b>THOROUGHBRED TOTAL:</b>	<b><u><u>733 DAYS</u></u></b>



## 2015 RACING DATES (Continued)

### HARNESS TRACKS:

		+	
Rosecroft	January 1 – December 31	54	
	ITW	304	
		358	Nights
Ocean Downs	January 1 – December 31	48	+
	ITW	313	
		361	Nights
	<b>TOTAL LIVE:</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>NIGHTS</b>
	<b>TOTAL SIMULCAST ONLY:</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>NIGHTS</b>
	<b>HARNESS TOTAL:</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>NIGHTS</b>
 <b>TOTAL LIVE RACING DAYS AND NIGHTS</b>		 <b>250</b>	
<b>TOTAL SIMULCAST ONLY</b>		<b>1,202</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>1,452</b>	

### RACE YEAR SUMMARY:

During the year 2015, there were 1,452 days and nights of licensed racing in the State, consisting of the following:

There were 722 days of licensed racing at the Mile Tracks - Pimlico 361 days and Laurel 361 days; 10 days at Timonium; and 1 day raced at Fair Hill. There were also 719 nights of licensed racing at the Harness Tracks - Rosecroft 358 nights and Ocean Downs 361 nights.

## ATTENDANCE FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2013 – 2015

	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	
Laurel	365,551	338,459	341,867	
Pimlico	287,140	263,782	228,919	
Timonium	16,919	16,278	15,948	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>669,610</b>	<b>618,519</b>	<b>586,734</b>	
Rosecroft **	**	**	**	
Not recorded				
Ocean Downs	45,438	41,349	39,552	*
* Live Only				
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>45,438</b>	<b>41,349</b>	<b>39,552</b>	
Fair Hill **	<b>9,000</b>	<b>11,984</b>	<b>12,000</b>	
<b>TOTAL ATTENDANCE - THOROUGHBRED AND HARNESS:</b>	<b>724,048</b>	<b>671,852</b>	<b>638,286</b>	

**\*\* No record of attendance**

**WAGERING HISTORY IN MARYLAND**  
Of  
**THOROUGHBRED AND HARNESS RACING**

**THOROUGHBRED STATISTICS:**

YEAR	LICENSED DAYS	AMOUNT WAGERED
1999	314	480,988,981
2000	319	344,843,621
2001	348	337,652,117
2002	344	329,705,940
2003	346	306,261,175
2004	312	293,795,752
2005	303	298,722,053
2006	297	279,978,363
2007	301	259,549,867
2008	303	225,189,800
2009	291	195,908,615
2010	290	190,800,402
2011	267	182,980,868
2012	336	158,031,769
2013	363	134,515,395
2014	362	122,668,323
2015	361	129,139,471

**HARNESS STATISTICS:**

YEAR	LICENSED DAYS	AMOUNT WAGERED
1999	622	86,191,188
2000	600	151,566,620
2001	705	156,777,856
2002	749	155,892,827
2003	742	144,598,813
2004	749	131,111,243
2005	721	140,789,276
2006	724	130,058,639
2007	721	117,815,100
2008	727	100,559,207
2009	738	65,631,105
2010	823	22,753,567
2011	490	20,810,252
2013	717	34,180,137
2013	723	47,922,650
2014	724	46,070,856
2015	719	40,915,568

**SSB FACILITIES STATISTICS:**

YEAR	AMOUNT WAGERED
2000	52,791,482
2001	64,393,587
2002	65,580,391
2003	68,972,477
2004	67,351,515
2005	65,745,234
2006	64,961,268
2007	69,206,967
2008	52,507,771
2009	41,360,026
2010	38,137,636
2011	30,812,484
2012	14,288,365
2013	10,212,577
2014	5,140,478
2015	13,857,614

**COMBINED TOTALS:**

YEAR	LICENSED DAYS	AMOUNT WAGERED
1999	936	567,180,169
2000	919	549,201,723
2001	1,053	558,823,560
2002	1,093	555,179,158
2003	1,088	519,832,465
2004	1,061	492,258,510
2005	1,024	505,256,563
2006	1,021	474,998,270
2007	1,022	446,571,934
2008	1,030	378,256,778
2009	1,029	302,899,746
2010	1,113	251,691,605
2011	757	234,603,604
2012	1,053	206,500,271
2013	1,086	192,286,622
2014	1,086	173,879,657
2015	1,080	183,912,653

## AMOUNT WAGERED

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
<b>MILE TRACKS:</b>		
Laurel	\$71,839,713	84,825,256
Pimlico	<u>\$49,348,814</u>	42,883,334
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>\$121,188,527</b></u>	<u><b>127,708,590</b></u>
 <b>COUNTY FAIR TRACKS:</b>		
Timonium	\$1,304,203	1,268,467
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>\$1,304,203</b></u>	<u><b>1,268,467</b></u>
 <b>HARNESS TRACKS:</b>		
Rosecroft	\$37,346,814	32,407,544
Ocean Downs	<u>\$8,724,042</u>	8,508,024
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>\$46,070,856</b></u>	<u><b>40,915,568</b></u>
 <b>STEEPLECHASE:</b>		
Fair Hill	<u>\$175,593</u>	162,414
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>\$175,593</b></u>	<u><b>162,414</b></u>
<b>SSB FACILITIES</b>	<u><b>\$5,140,478</b></u>	<u><b>13,857,614</b></u>
 <b>SUMMARY</b>		
Mile Tracks	\$121,188,527	127,708,590
County Fair Tracks	\$1,304,203	1,268,467
Harness Tracks	\$46,070,856	40,915,568
Steeplechase	\$175,593	162,414
SSB Facilities	<u>\$5,140,478</u>	<u>13,857,614</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>\$173,879,657</b></u>	<u><b>183,912,653</b></u>

## SATELLITE SIMULCAST BETTING

The amounts bet at the Satellite Simulcast Betting Facilities in calendar year 2015 are reflected in the following table.

### Maryland Satellite Simulcast Betting Facilities

<b>Bet At:</b>	<b><u>Riverboat</u></b>	<b><u>Horseshoe</u></b>
Bets on:		
MD Thoroughbred Races	486,333	567,054
MD Harness Races	423	42,466
Out - of -State Races	5,890,896	6,870,442
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>6,377,652</u></b>	<b><u>7,479,962</u></b>

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Out - of -State Races	5,890,896
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>6,377,652</u></b>

In 2015, SSB facilities met the prescribed food and service standards and provide a convenience to the horse racing public.

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF LAUREL

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	341,867	327,690	365,551	429,114	521,765
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	27,661,465	29,106,690	27,815,060	26,589,170	19,589,605
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	103	107	109	117	115
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
Laurel	10,027,397	8,772,235	9,354,955	10,877,867	9,976,957
Other MD tracks	3,587,975	3,541,793	3,265,292	2,601,664	2,267,508
Satellite Simulcast Facilities	678,328	180,372	418,788	505,181	854,026
Out-of-state	175,672,864	142,507,116	161,430,230	156,578,967	131,456,700
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	2,914,564	2,551,364	2,560,813	2,972,084	2,816,611
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	71,883,295	60,516,114	66,662,588	85,446,848	108,884,422
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>84,825,256</b>	<b>71,839,713</b>	<b>78,578,356</b>	<b>99,296,799</b>	<b>121,677,990</b>

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF PIMLICO

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	228,919	256,725	287,140	300,056	312,533
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	12,395,050	12,892,690	12,581,995	8,603,875	6,812,980
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	37	35	36	29	29
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
Pimlico	9,651,661	9,672,078	10,115,032	9,862,787	8,783,040
Other MD tracks	3,512,330	3,416,557	2,946,910	2,813,071	2,636,197
Satellite Simulcast Facilities in MD	344,698	175,696	411,630	406,178	863,782
Out-of-state	171,301,182	146,829,060	143,766,884	128,842,396	112,304,939
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	2,198,420	2,171,348	2,505,917	2,680,782	2,341,922
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	31,033,253	37,505,388	41,224,274	44,712,293	48,730,414
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>42,883,334</b>	<b>49,348,814</b>	<b>53,845,223</b>	<b>57,255,862</b>	<b>59,855,376</b>

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF TIMONIUM

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	15,948	16,278	2,760	18,118	17,389
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	1,071,240	11,843	1,484,290	886,905	715,495
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	7	7	10	7	6
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
Timonium	762,714	790,176	962,966	842,211	813,307
Other MD tracks	191,647	234,163	272,967	238,131	254,828
Satellite Simulcast Facilities in MD	30,361	8,517	22,319	21,061	52,714
Out-of-state	2,188,761	1,555,991	2,404,431	1,611,380	1,514,310
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	505,753	514,027	593,183	487,132	456,251
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>1,268,467</b>	<b>1,304,203</b>	<b>1,556,149</b>	<b>1,329,343</b>	<b>1,269,558</b>



## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF ROSECROFT

	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
<u>Attendance</u>	*0	*0	*0	*0	*0
<u>*Attendance not recorded</u>					
<u>Purses</u>	4,760,147	4,249,537	3,336,615	1,823,332	**483,500
<u>Includes</u>					
<b>**Purses pd. By MD. Stndbred.Race Fund</b>					
<u>Number of days of live racing</u>	54	54	54	54	20
<u>Betting on its live racing at:</u>					
Rosecroft	851,600	812,441	815,926	878,840	379,326
Other MD tracks	71,452	57,530	39,820	0	0
Satellite Simulcast Facilities in MD	22,306	4	4,180	13,231	0
Out-of-state	4,221,548	2,804,119	2,820,681	2,707,644	463,437
<u>Betting on other in-State races</u>	2,410,434	2,126,834	1,559,380	0	0
<u>Betting on out-of-State races</u>	29,145,510	34,407,539	36,077,069	18,789,664	6,753,950
<u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u>	<b>32,407,544</b>	<b>37,346,814</b>	<b>38,452,375</b>	<b>19,668,504</b>	<b>7,133,276</b>

## FIVE YEAR ASSESSMENT OF OCEAN DOWNS

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	39,552	41,349	45,438	46,843	77,466
<b><u>Purses</u></b>	2,610,769	3,345,941	3,367,612	2,485,829	1,997,717
<b><u>Number of days of live racing</u></b>	48	48	46	44	37
<b><u>Betting on its live racing at:</u></b>					
<b>Ocean Downs</b>	1,103,909	981,404	1,057,601	1,080,260	1,156,407
<b>Other MD tracks</b>	125,437	85,510	10,121	75,647	76,601
<b>MD Satellite Simulcast Facilities</b>	22,260	102	4,435	35,258	14,567
<b>Out-of-state</b>	3,318,642	2,389,676	2,973,522	2,605,837	2,521,326
<b><u>Betting on other in-State races</u></b>	504,537	485,974	307,939	557,658	469,259
<b><u>Betting on out-of-State races</u></b>	6,899,578	7,256,664	8,104,735	8,648,920	12,051,310
<b><u>Total betting at this location on all racing</u></b>	<b>8,508,024</b>	<b>8,724,042</b>	<b>9,470,275</b>	<b>10,286,838</b>	<b>13,676,976</b>

## METHOD OF TAXATION

### TAKEOUT AT MARYLAND THOROUGHBRED RACETRACKS

Effective July 1, 2005

	<b>Regular <u>Pool%</u></b>	<b>2-Horse <u>Multiple</u></b>	<b>3-Horse Multiple <u>1st Race</u></b>
State Tax	.32	.32	.32
Purses	7.88 (1)	8.88 (1)	11.88 (1)
Track	7.70 (2)	8.70 (2)	11.70 (2)
Maryland Million	1.00	2.0	.75
Bred Fund	<u>1.10</u>	<u>1.10</u>	<u>1.10</u>
Total Takeout	18.00	21.00	25.75
Returned to Public	<u>82.00</u>	<u>79.00</u>	<u>74.25</u>
<b>Total Handle</b>	100.00 %	100.00 %	100.00 %

#### **Timonium**

State Tax	0 (3)	0 (3)	0 (3)
Purses	5.00	7.00	13.00
Track	10.50 (2)	10.50 (2)	10.50 (2)
Bred Fund	<u>1.50</u>	<u>1.50</u>	<u>1.50</u>
Total Takeout	17.00	19.00	25.00
Returned to Public	<u>83.00</u>	<u>81.00</u>	<u>75.00</u>
<b>Total Handle</b>	100.00 %	100.00 %	100.00 %

#### **Fair Hill**

State Tax (Fair Hill Improvement Fund)	9.00		
Track	<u>16.00</u>		
Total Takeout	25.00		
Returned to Public	<u>75.00</u>		
<b>Total Handle</b>	100.00 %		

(1) Includes .18 for purses.

(2) Includes .25 for Pension Fund.

(3) No State tax paid during the State Fair.

## METHOD OF TAXATION

(Continued)

### TAKEOUT AT MARYLAND HARNESS RACETRACKS

	1-Horse <u>Pool %</u>	2-Horse <u>Pool %</u>	Over 2-Horse <u>Pool %</u>
State Tax	.32	.32	.32
Purses	.18	.18	.18
Track	18.00	20.00	26.00
Standardbred Fund	(4)	(4)	(4)
Track Pensions	(5)	(5)	(5)
Total Takeout	18.75	20.75	26.75
Returned to Public	<u>81.25</u>	<u>79.25</u>	<u>73.25</u>
Total Handle	100.00 %	100.00 %	100.00 %

(4) The amount deducted is .5 and 1.00 respectively of the first \$125,000 daily average. The amount deducted for amounts in excess of \$125,000 are 1.00, 1.00 and 1.50 of the track share of the takeout.

(5) If daily average for the year exceeds \$125,000, .25% of the handle is deducted from all pools for track employee pensions.

**REVENUE TO THE STATE: THOROUGHBRED**  
**TOTAL FOR ALL MEETS**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
<b>LAUREL</b>		
Race Days	263	361
Tax to the State	426,551	406,935
License Fee	<u>6,000</u>	<u>9,025</u>
	<b>432,551</b>	<b>415,960</b>
 <b>PIMLICO</b>		
Race Days	91	361
Tax to the State	296,362	273,767
License Fee	<u>2,250</u>	<u>9,025</u>
	<b>298,612</b>	<b>282,792</b>
<b>TOTAL THOROUGHBRED</b>	<u><b>731,163</b></u>	<u><b>698,752</b></u>
 <b>COUNTY FAIR: TIMONIUM</b>		
Race Days	10	10
Tax to the State	-0-	0
License Fee	<u>-0-</u>	<u>0</u>
	-0-	0
<b>TOTAL COUNTY FAIR</b>	<u><b>-0-</b></u>	<u><b>0</b></u>
 <b>STEEPLECHASE: FAIR HILL</b>		
Race Days	1	1
Tax to the State	<u>15,803</u>	<u>14,617</u>
<b>TOTAL STEEPLECHASE</b>	<u><b>15,803</b></u>	<u><b>14,617</b></u>

## REVENUE TO THE STATE: HARNESS

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
<b>ROSECROFT</b>		
Race Days	362	361
Tax to the State	134,393	128,626
License Fee	<u>9,050</u>	<u>9,025</u>
	<b>143,443</b>	<b>137,651</b>
<b>OCEAN DOWNS</b>		
Race Days	362	361
Tax to the State	3,141	3,535
License Fee	<u>9,050</u>	<u>9,025</u>
	<b>12,191</b>	<b>12,560</b>
<b>TOTAL HARNESS</b>	<u><b>155,634</b></u>	<u><b>150,211</b></u>

(Race days include live and simulcast only days)

# SUMMARY OF LICENSES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED

## 2015

### THOROUGHBRED LICENSES:

705	Original Owner	@ \$50.00	\$35,250
2,644	Renewal Owner	25	66,100
75	Original Trainer	50	3,750
284	Renewal Trainer	25	7,100
162	Assistant Trainer	25	4,050
448	Owner / Trainer	50	22,400
246	Jockey	25	6,150
68	Apprentice Jockey	25	1,700
39	Jockey Agent	25	975
28	Veterinarian	25	700
37	Farrier	10	370
961	Stable Employee	5	4,805
432	Mutuel Employee	5	2,160
183	Vendor	5	915
262	Exercise Rider	5	1,310
307	Track Employee	5	1,535
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<b>6,881</b>	<b>TOTAL LICENSES</b>		<b><u>\$159,270</u></b>

### THOROUGHBRED REGISTRATIONS:

89	Authorized Agent	@ \$10.00	890
1231	Assumed Name	75	92,325
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<b>1320</b>	<b>TOTAL REGISTRATIONS</b>		<b><u>\$93,215</u></b>

## SUMMARY OF LICENSES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED

(Continued)

### HARNESS LICENSES:

141	Original Owner	@ \$50.00	\$7,050
525	Renewal Owner	25	13,125
18	Original Trainer	25	450
69	Renewal Trainer	25	1,725
33	Driver	25	825
30	Trainer / Driver	50	1,500
166	Owner / Trainer	50	8,300
110	Owner / Trainer / Driver	75	8,250
12	Owner / Driver	50	600
3	Veterinarian	25	75
196	Stable Employee	5	980
40	Mutuel Employee	5	200
80	Track Employee	5	400
14	Vendor	5	70
2	Farrier	5	10
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<b>1,439</b>	<b>TOTAL LICENSES</b>		<b><u>\$43,560</u></b>

### HARNESS REGISTRATIONS:

0	Authorized Agent	10	0
94	Assumed Name	75	7,050
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<b>94</b>	<b>TOTAL REGISTRATIONS</b>		<b><u>\$7,050</u></b>

### THOROUGHBRED AND HARNESS

**TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR LICENSES & REGISTRATIONS ISSUED: \$303,095**



## UNCASHED PARI-MUTUEL TICKETS

If any winning ticket is not redeemed for a period of one (1) year from the date of issue, the amount necessary to redeem the ticket shall be paid to a special fund of the State. The following receipts are from race meetings conducted in the year prior to that indicated by the columnar heading.

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Mile Tracks	\$355,330	\$369,116
Harness Tracks	216,000	210,394
County Fair Track	0*	0*
Steeplechase	3,294	<u>4,184</u>
 <b>TOTAL UNCASHED PARI-MUTUEL TICKETS</b>	 <b><u>\$574,624</u></b>	 <b><u>\$583,694</u></b>

*\*County Fair uncashed monies included with mile tracks.*

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS  
DISBURSED TO THE STATE COMPTROLLER**

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
<b><u>MILE TRACKS:</u></b>		
Track License Fees	\$8,250	\$18,050
Tax on Betting	722,913	680,702
Licensing Fees	118,590	159,270
Registration Fees	66,065	93,215
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	355,330	369,116
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS MILE TRACKS</b>	<b>\$1,271,148</b>	<b>\$1,320,353</b>
 <b><u>COUNTY FAIR TRACKS:</u></b>		
Tax on Betting (6)	-0-	-0-
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	*	*
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS COUNTY FAIR TRACKS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
 <b><u>HARNESS TRACKS:</u></b>		
Track License Fees	\$18,100	\$18,050
Tax on Betting	137,533	132,162
Licensing Fees	40,380	43,560
Registration Fees	5,185	7,050
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	216,000	210,395
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS HARNESS TRACKS</b>	<b>\$417,198</b>	<b>\$411,217</b>
 <b><u>STEEPLECHASE:</u></b>		
Tax on Betting	\$15,803	\$14,617
Uncashed Pari-Mutuels	3,294	4,184
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS STEEPLECHASE</b>	<b>\$19,097</b>	<b>\$18,801</b>
 <b><u>OTB'S:</u></b>		
Permit Fee	\$1,000	\$1,500
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS O.T.B.</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
 <b><u>TOTAL ALL DISBURSEMENTS</u></b>	 <b>\$1,708,443</b>	 <b>\$1,751,871</b>

(6) No State tax is payable when racing is conducted during the State Fair.

\*County Fair uncashed monies included with mile tracks.

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

### DISBURSED TO THE STATE COMPTROLLER

(Continued)

#### **DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS TO STATE COMPTROLLER:**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Tax on Admissions	\$406,259	408,670
Sales Tax on Horses Claimed	<u>457,838</u>	<u>337,695</u>
<b>TOTAL DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS TO STATE</b>	<b>\$864,097</b>	<b>746,365</b>
<b><u>TOTAL ALL DISBURSEMENTS TO STATE COMPTROLLER</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,572,540</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,498,236</u></b>

## STATEMENT OF ACTUAL EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year '15' July 1, 2014 TO June 30, 2015

### SALARIES & BENEFITS

Commission Personnel	<u>\$370,878</u>
<b>Total Salary Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$370,878</u></b>

### OFFICE EXPENDITURES:

Telephone and Postage	8,260
Travel Expenses	13,933
Motor Vehicle Operation	3,069
Contractual Services, i.e., Printing, Repairs, Equipment and Leasing, Court Expenses, Transcript of Hearings	20,562 0
Office Supplies	6,655
Office Equipment Additional	0
Fixed Charges, i.e., Rent, Insurance, Subscriptions and Dues	12,333
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$64,812</u></b>

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND DISBURSEMENTS (7)** **\$435,690**

### OTHER DISBURSEMENTS:

<b>Grants</b>	<b>\$2,035,637</b>
<b>Impact Aid</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Other:</b>	
Fair Hill	\$14,617
Maryland Standardbred Race Fund	0
Maryland-bred Race Fund	0
MD. Agric. Edu. & Rural Dev. Asst. Fund	0
<b>Total Other:</b>	<b><u>\$14,617</u></b>
<b>TOTAL OTHER DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b><u>\$2,050,254</u></b>

(7) Does not include salaries of Stewards and Judges, nor salaries of personnel and expenses reimbursed by the associations.

## MARYLAND RACING COMMISSION 2015 EQUINE SPECIMEN TESTING

Truesdail Laboratories located in Tustin, California was one of two laboratories that responded to a “Request For Proposal” (RFP) issued by the Department late in 2013. Consequently Truesdail was awarded the five year contract and provided the urine and blood specimen analysis during 2015 and continues to do so. Below are the statistics regarding the analysis of these samples.

### NUMBER OF OFFICIAL SAMPLES ANALYZED

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>URINE</b>	<b>BLOOD</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>POSITIVE</b>
Thoroughbred	2,335	3,311	5,646	25
Standardbred	2,080	6,331	8,411	12
Human	0	0	0	0
<b>2015 Totals</b>	<b>4,415</b>	<b>9,642</b>	<b>14,057</b>	<b>37</b>

## **THE MARYLAND JOCKEY INJURY COMPENSATION FUND**

The Maryland Jockey Injury Compensation Fund, Inc. was established by legislative action during the 1985 session of the General Assembly and became effective January 1, 1986.

The purpose of this fund is to purchase a blanket workmen's compensation insurance policy for all jockeys licensed by the Maryland Racing Commission and participating at the Maryland race tracks.

### **POLICY COST**

1997	\$	318,181.00
1998	\$	312,093.00
1999	\$	346,367.00
2000	\$	355,966.00
2001	\$	378,578.00
2002	\$	388,877.00
2003	\$	586,640.00
2004	\$	611,533.00
2005	\$	655,311.00
2006	\$	741,868.00
2007	\$	977,423.00
2008	\$	723,852.00
2009	\$	476,211.00
2010	\$	404,954.00
2011	\$	508,182.00
2012	\$	1,675,611.00
2013	\$	1,648,613.00
2014	\$	1,223,005.00
2015	\$	808,553.00

The above costs were funded by an assessment on all licensed owners and trainers levied and collected by the Maryland Racing Commission at the time of licensure. The assessment per licensee for 2015 was \$100.00

# MARYLAND-BRED FUND REPORT

## MARYLAND-BRED FUND DISTRIBUTION IS EXPLAINED

The Maryland Fund was created by the General Assembly in 1962. Maryland was the first state to develop a legislated incentive program to encourage the improvement of Thoroughbred breeding and racing. Since that time, more than 30 other states have instituted incentive programs largely based on this model.

In Maryland, there are six categories through which monies from the fund are made available: 1) **purse money** for stakes races for registered Maryland-breds; 2) **awards for owners** of registered Maryland-breds finishing first, second or third; 3) **awards for breeders** of registered Maryland-breds finishing first, second or third; 4) **awards for owners of stallions** which are duly registered with the Maryland Horse Breeders Association (MHBA); 5) **yearling show bonus awards** for the four highest-earning 2 and 3-year-olds shown at the annual MHBA yearling show (based on North American earnings); and 6) **Maryland-sired allocation** for purses and awards for horses conceived in Maryland by a registered/nominated Maryland stallion.

The Maryland-Bred Fund receives slightly less than 1 percent of the total mutuel handle and breakage from Laurel and Pimlico (the State's two mile tracks), and receives approximately 1.5 percent of the mutuel handle and 5.0 percent of the breakage at Timonium (the State's half mile track).

In 2015, revenue for the Maryland Bred Fund totaled over \$6.5 million (includes approximately \$2.2 million from pari-mutuel wagering funds and \$4.3 million from other sources).

After eligible deductions a portion of this money is allocated to purses and owner awards. The remaining percentage is distributed in the form of breeder awards and stallion awards. In 2015 over \$700,000 was paid in purses and owner awards and \$ 3.6 million was disbursed as breeder and stallion awards.

Through January of 2015, owner awards were paid to the owners of all registered Maryland-breds when they finished first through third in any race other than stakes . These awards were 30 percent of the winner's share of the purse per a specific agreement of the industry groups.

In 2015, breeder and stallion awards were paid for the registered Maryland-bred who finished first through third in any race in Maryland. The breeder awards were 30 percent and the stallion bonuses were 10 percent of the winner's share of the purse. In stakes races the award is based on the first \$100,000 of the gross purse. The Maryland-bred stakes program is typically planned on a meet by meet basis, and is based on projected revenues for the coming year.

In order to earn a breeder award, the horse must be registered as a Maryland-bred. In order to earn a stallion award, the horse must be registered as a Maryland-bred, and the sire must be registered with the MHBA, in addition to having been standing in Maryland at the time the horse was conceived.

The Maryland-Bred Fund program is administered by the Maryland Racing Commission with the assistance and advice of the Maryland Fund Advisory Committee chaired by David Hayden, a member of the Maryland Racing Commission. Other members of the Maryland Fund Advisory Committee are Georganne Hale (representing mile tracks); Andy Cashman (half-mile track) and Joseph P. Pons, Jr. and Donald H. Barr (MHBA). Under the direction of the Commission, the actual implementation of the fund, including maintaining the Maryland-bred registry and computing and distributing all bonus awards, is performed by the MHBA for which it receives up to 10 percent of the total receipts of the Fund, subject to the approval of the Maryland Racing Commission.

Breeder and stallion award percentages are determined on a bi-annual basis on the advice of the Maryland Fund Advisory Committee. Owner award percentages are determined by a separate agreement. (For Maryland Million Day, breeder and stallion award percentages are determined annually). Awards are distributed as soon as is practical. The quality of Maryland-breds has improved since the Maryland-Bred Fund was initiated over 50 years ago and the program is evaluated bi-annually to ensure the most effective use of the money.

## **MARYLAND STANDARDBRED RACE FUND**



Total purses for the year were \$707,750, an increase from 2010 purses. The Maryland Sire Stakes (MSS) and Maryland Standardbred Fund (MSF) combined totals for the program in each year from 1996 through 2015 are shown below:

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>MSS</b>	<b>MSF</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>1996</b>	<b>\$1,736,050</b>	<b>\$1,017,270</b>	<b>\$2,753,320</b>
<i>1997</i>	<i>\$1,209,660</i>	<i>\$793,775</i>	<i>\$2,003,435</i>
<b>1998</b>	<b>\$1,152,040</b>	<b>\$909,190</b>	<b>\$2,061,230</b>
<b>1999</b>	<b>\$1,171,750</b>	<b>\$967,620</b>	<b>\$2,139,370</b>
<b>2000</b>	<b>\$1,215,690</b>	<b>\$1,132,700</b>	<b>\$2,348,390</b>
<b>2001</b>	<b>\$1,142,780</b>	<b>\$1,039,960</b>	<b>\$2,182,740</b>
<b>2002</b>	<b>\$970,360</b>	<b>\$900,690</b>	<b>\$1,871,050</b>
<b>2003</b>	<b>\$947,550</b>	<b>\$833,250</b>	<b>\$1,780,800</b>
<b>2004</b>	<b>\$784,000</b>	<b>\$537,127</b>	<b>\$1,321,127</b>
<b>2005</b>	<b>\$779,104</b>	<b>\$627,761</b>	<b>\$1,406,865</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>\$859,650</b>	<b>\$687,860</b>	<b>\$1,547,510</b>
<b>2007</b>	<b>\$816,750</b>	<b>\$620,200</b>	<b>\$1,436,950</b>
<b>2008</b>	<b>\$720,000</b>	<b>\$494,550</b>	<b>\$1,214,550</b>
<b>2009</b>	<b>\$445,000</b>	<b>\$315,550</b>	<b>\$760,550</b>
<b>2010</b>	<b>\$311,500</b>	<b>\$241,475</b>	<b>\$552,975</b>
<b>2011</b>	<b>\$447,500</b>	<b>\$260,250</b>	<b>\$707,750</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>\$798,600</b>	<b>\$172,250</b>	<b>\$970,850</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>\$825,997</b>	<b>\$529,475</b>	<b>\$1,355,472</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>\$1,406,377</b>	<b>\$501,835</b>	<b>\$1,908,212</b>
<b>2015</b>	<b>\$1,210,700</b>	<b>\$472,585</b>	<b>\$1,683,285</b>