



***Council/Committee/Task Force
Report Form/Board Recommendation***

Committee Name:	Racing	Quarter/Year:	2025
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This Committee is:

☒ Reporting with no action

☐ Recommending board action or a policy change (add information below)

Summary of Activities/Issues/Decisions/Accomplishments:

The Racing committee was again active this year:

Student Recruiting: We held our second Saratoga vet student day at the races this summer. It was a small group of about 15 but they were very enthusiastic and happy to be there. We have more of these days planned in 2026 at Keeneland and possibly Quarter horse races with a location not yet determined. We plan to also to hold one at the new Belmont Park in either the fall of 2026 or Spring of 2027.

After Care Initiatives were discussed extensively including our rebranding of “Not One More Race” to create webinars pointed towards owners and trainers on the benefits of retiring earlier than later. We have reached out to other organizations like Light Up Racing and TOBA for collaboration on CE and content creation. In addition, after a member survey to see how AAEP can help members with retirement conversations, it was concluded that members would like better information on second career options depending on injury and how to best advise owners. We are working with aftercare organizations to both implement intake forms created a few years ago by this committee as well as see what can be mined from the current data available to see if previous recommendations by this committee need revision. We think there will be some to be made.

HISA: We continue our work as a bridge between members and HISA/HIWU. Both by bringing questions by membership to HISA/HIWU and helping HISA/HIWU with their initiatives.

Wearable Sensor Study: 2025 has been our year of data collection and it has been very successful. As of beginning of November, we have over 3300 breezes recorded with 2500 breeze outcomes entered from 542 horses. There were obvious and expected injury defections

throughout the year and some compliance issues but overall great results and our data analyst, who has been monitoring the incoming data, is happy with what she has to work with. We are having the 6 sensor companies present to the review committee at convention about what they have learned over the year. Results of the study will be presented in a private event for donors and the press ahead of the KY Derby in the spring.

Caribbean Racehorse Welfare Task Force: A member of the Racing Committee will serve on this joint working group with the Welfare and Public Policy Advisory Council.

Recommendation for board action:

None at this time.