

**Welcome to the 2023
OEA Annual Meeting of Members**

**November 4, 2023
Salon 107 – The Royal**

OEA DNA: *“From Grassroots to Podium”*



Today's Agenda:

1. Call to Order & Welcome– President
2. Approval of Agenda – President – Vote - ALL
3. Approval of 2023 AGM Minutes – President – Vote – ALL
4. Opening Remarks/Intro – President – Introduction to the OEA BOD
5. President's Address
 - 2023 Year – Recap & Highlights
 - Programs for Organizers
6. U25 Program Overview – Kendal Lehari & Nikki McLellan
7. The Zara Buren Memorial Award – President
8. 2023 Financials - Treasurer
9. Election of Directors – Chair
10. 2024 – What's lies Ahead - President
11. Awards - Vice President
12. The President's Award
13. Adjournment



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Presentation of 2023 OEA Board of Directors:

Executive:

- President – Veronica Low, BA
- Vice President – Sarah Richardson
- Treasurer – Cheryl Denault, CPA, CA
- Secretary – Tori Pengelly
- Chair – Ann Neal
- Director at large – Charlotte Hodgson

Directors:

- Bernadette Johnston
- Doug Topalovic
- Kendal Lehari
- Jamie Kellock
- Justin Ridgewell
- Linda Plank
- Nikki Maclellan
- Terri Hough-Gilmour

We are all VOLUNTEERS, with a dedication to the sport of eventing in Ontario – and in Canada.

2022 Minutes Approval:

Approval of
2022 Minutes

[2022 AGM
Minutes](#)

APPROVED



President's Address: Who is The OEA

2023 in review:

NEW in 2023 – EC

1. Eventing Rule Change
2. New Dressage Tests
3. New Division Names

INITIATIVES – OEA

1. Mental Health Awareness Seminar – Ashley Johnson
2. Pathways to High Performance Clinic – Rebecca Howard
3. An inter provincial U25 Champs – Eastern Canada
4. EV60 – Provincewide guidelines and roll-out
5. Phillip Dutton Clinic
6. Agreement – PHTA's & EC

2023 in review: EC to OEA to members



Rule Change for 2023

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EXERCISING AND WARMING UP
ARTICLE D107.2.1 and 2.4

Restrictions on Schooling Horses.

The period of restriction shall begin at 4:00 pm the day prior to the start of the Horse's competition, unless otherwise defined by the competition organizer. Any alternate periods of restriction shall be listed in the schedule page/prize list.

Under penalty of elimination, prior to the actual competition it is forbidden to ride in or around the dressage or jumping arenas unless specifically authorized by the Ground Jury. **The exception to this rule is participation in an approved schooling activity hosted by the competition organizer.**

stay tuned for more updates.


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EC Divisions are re-named for 2023
Effective January 1, 2023 – Article D101.4
The EC Eventing competition division shall be identified as follows:

EC Division categorization title 2022 Rules:	EC Division categorization title 2023 Rules:
Advanced	EV 120
Intermediate	EV 115
Preliminary	EV 110
EV 105	EV 105
Training	EV 100
Pre-Training	EV 90
Entry	EV 85

In Ontario, the local divisions are: Pre-Entry (EV 78) & Starter (EV 60)



2023 in review: OEA driven



 **Mental Wellness Month**

Zoom call with 5* US Eventer
Ashley Johnson
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27th @ 7PM



mark your calendar,
don't miss out.

DETAILED EVENTING ASSOCIATION



JULY 27-28
PATHWAYS TO HIGH PERFORMANCE CLINIC

featuring
REBECCA HOWARD

GRAND SLAM
EVENTING



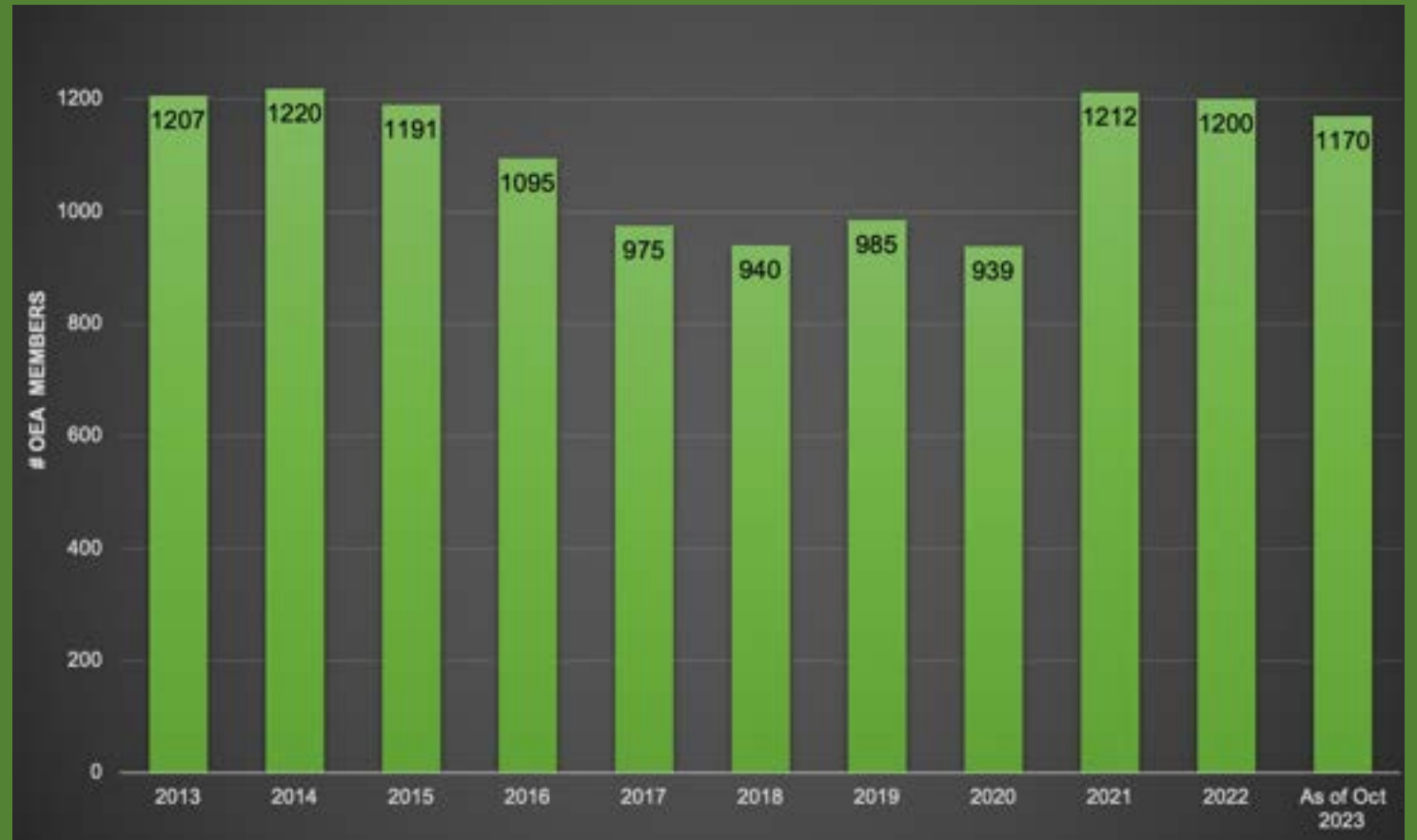
10 Years of OEA Membership:

In 2020, to help our members during COVID-19, we offered a “bonus year” which helped carry our members into 2021 and 2022.

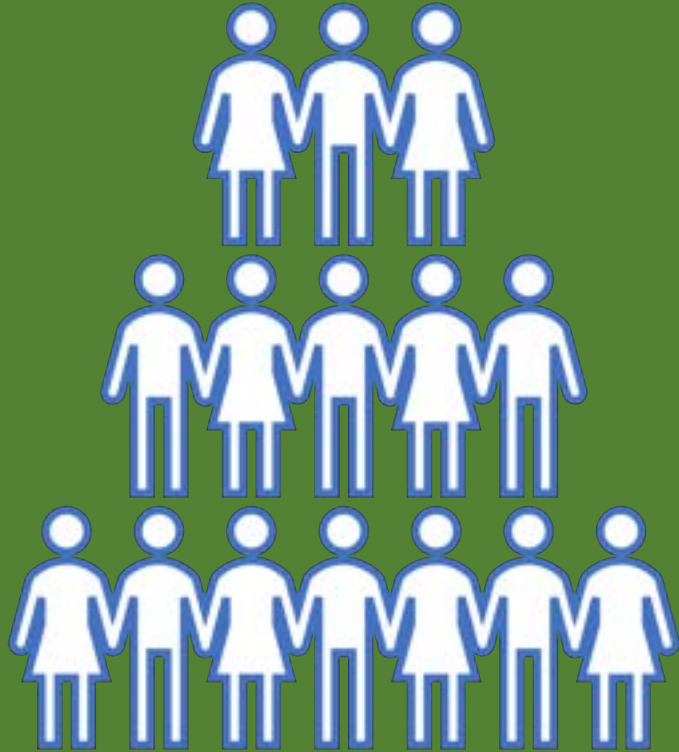
2023 saw membership actually stabilize, without the “bonus year.”

The bulk of our members sign-up at The Royal.

Members are from across the province.



OEA Membership Breakdown:



As of October 16, 2023:

- Associate 64
- Corporate 2
- Junior 431
- Senior 673

Total 1170

For comparison, at the end of last season 2022:

- Associate 94
- Corporate 6
- Junior 398
- Senior 702

Total 1200



2023 Entries by Comparison: last 5 years

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Bronte Creek 1	97	cancelled	106	89	128
Bronte Creek 2	123	cancelled	102	104	100
Caledon 1	114	cancelled		103	100
Caledon 2					
Cherrylane 1	102	cancelled	113	108	117
Cherrylane 2	140	cancelled			138
Dreamcrest	120	75			
Glenarden 1	73	78	95	68	91
Glenarden 2	96	77	102	99	95
Glen Oro 1			cancelled	cancelled	113
Glen Oro 2	131	cancelled	125	106	105
Glen Oro 3	150	99	136	128	132
Grandview 1	200	cancelled	cancelled	141	102
Grandview 2	151	141	125	153	179
Grandview 3	148	150	192	162	165
Lane's End	89	cancelled	89		
Oakhurst 1	82	110	138		
Oakhurst 2	107	101	99		
Wesley Clover Parks 1		cancelled		99	132
Wesley Clover Parks 2	113	cancelled	108	118	167
Stevens Creek 1	73	94		90	94
Stevens Creek 2	73		95	99	79
Stevens Creek 3	83				
Will O'Wind 1			cancelled	80	88
Will O'Wind 2	171	130		141	132
Will O'Wind 2-A		101	168		
Will O'Wind 3	136	100	125	122	
Wits End	31	68	61	55	48
Wits End 2					51
TOTAL ENTRIES	2603	1324	1979	2065	2356
TOTAL VENUES	13	8	11	10	10

Still recovering from COVID 19, which collapsed the 2020 Season and had a severe impact the Spring of 2021, with the May/early Spring Events being cancelled or not running.

Continue to show strong growth, upwards.
How we support our organizers is vital.



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Ontario Sanctioned Entries – by Show & Division:

EVENT	DATE	PAID ENTERIES	EV60	EV78	EV85	EV90	EV90/100	EV100	EV105	EV110	EV110/115	EV115	EV120	2*	3*	HC	TTL STARTS
Will O'Wind Spring	14-May-23	88	NA	10	36	24	NA	9	NA	9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	88
Grandview Spring	21-May-23	102	NA	NA	NA	30	NA	37	NA	16	NA	14	NA	NA	NA	X	97
Glen Oro Spring	28-May-23	113	NA	26	37	17	NA	12	NA	8	NA	10	NA	NA	NA	X	110
Ottawa Horse Trials/WCP	04-Jun-23	132	19	19	34	26	NA	13	8	8	2	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	129
Wits End Spring	04-Jun-23	48	7	11	11	10	NA	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	45
Cherrylane Spring	17-Jun-23	117	6	14	25	32	NA	22	NA	9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	109
Caldeon Horse Trails	25-Jun-23	100	NA	26	32	22	NA	13	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	95
Will O' Wind Summer	01-Jul-23	132	NA	12	20	38	NA	27	NA	10	NA	NA	8	8	4	X	127
Bronte Creek Summer	16-Jul-23	128	14	22	33	23	3	16	8	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	123
Glen Oro Summer	23-Jul-23	105	6	17	21	25	NA	13	NA	11	NA	7	NA	NA	NA	X	100
Glenarden Summer	30-Jul-23	91	15	18	25	22	NA	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	86
Stevens Creek Summer	30-Jul-23	94	15	22	19	23	NA	8	NA	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	91
Grandview Summer	06-Aug-23	179	NA	28	39	45	NA	33	NA	23	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	3	176
Cherrylane Summer	26-Aug-23	138	11	28	25	41	NA	15	NA	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	130
Glen Oro Fall	10-Sep-23	132	7	18	22	29	NA	22	NA	13	NA	8	NA	NA	NA	X	119
Bronte Creek Fall	17-Sep-23	100	14	21	21	16	2	10	4	4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	92
Stevens Creek Fall	17-Sep-23	79	15	20	16	13	NA	6	NA	5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	76
Grandview Fall	23-Sep-23	165	NA	28	31	40	NA	31	NA	17	NA	13	NA	NA	NA	X	160
Glenarden Fall	01-Oct-23	95	14	21	23	24	NA	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	92
Wits End Fall	08-Oct-23	51	7	10	18	8	NA	5	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	X	49
Eastern Canadian Champs/WCP	Oct 14- 15, 2023	167	11	30	36	38	NA	22	14	12	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	164
TOTAL		2356	161	393	524	546	5	336	35	163	7	52	8	8	8	5	2258

Entries up in 2023, by nearly 15%

- EV90 & EV85 remain the most popular divisions
- EV60 proved to be very popular
- **87% of all riders** compete at EV100 and below

Our Organizers:

We CANNOT thank our Organizers enough for holding **sanctioned events** and in doing so, they up-hold a standard of best practices, with a PRIMARY focus on safety.

Sanctioned competitions offer a pathway to High Performance, including leaderboards and inter-provincial championships.

Without them, we would not have eventing in Ontario.

There would be NO sanctioned competitions.

Somewhere in our grassroots is our next Olympian.



PC: Ian Woodley

Official's Bursaries:

It takes a village, and part of that village are the officials!

Without TD's, sanctioned events cannot run!

The OEA has proudly supported TD development for many years.

Next year, we look forward to welcoming **three NEW TD's** in Ontario!



Competition Improvement Program:

OEA offers financial assistance to Organizers in our Competition Improvement Program.

The program consists of three parts:

1. Course Design
2. Annual Improvements
3. Frangible Devices



PC: Ian Woodley



PC: Teresa Mae Finnerty



PC: OEA

Thoroughbred Incentive Program: TIP



Offered by The Jockey Club, in conjunction with our Ontario Organizers at all sanctioned events.

Riders must declare your TTB on Event Entries profile in order to participate.

TO get your TIP number, register here: tjctip.com

2023 U25 Program





OEA U25 2023 Program Highlights:

The **U25 Program** goal is to provide a fun, safe training and competition experience where sportsmanship and friendship are developed, leadership opportunities realized, volunteerism is promoted and an avenue to the uppermost level of our sport is provided.

Participants in the program pay a \$100 flat fee to join. This gives the riders access to clinics, a dedicated leaderboard, sponsored prizes, online educational sessions, and discounted U25 branded clothing among other items.

This year we had **44** horse and rider combinations participating in the program. Riders came from across the province, from Eastern Ontario, to Windsor, to Northern Ontario.





U25 Travel and Training Grants:

Continuing the path to High Performance

Once again, we were pleased to offer **Travel and Training Grants** to riders across the province. A critical element of all grant applications is to volunteer to help grow the sport of eventing in Ontario.

For 2023, the OEA U25 Committee offered up to \$5,000 in training and travel grants to U25 members. These grants were to assist with travel expenses to competitions, to attend U25 Clinics and Events, or to be able to travel to train with a coach in order to improve their skills and horsemanship. Each applicant could receive up to \$1000, based on individual need.

A total of 17 riders from across the province applied for grants this year. Twelve grants were awarded, with \$5,000 in grant monies being disbursed.

Congratulations to all our grant recipients! We look forward to watching your progress continue over the next year!



U25 Onwards:

Rebecca Howard Clinic at Will O'Wind

The Rebecca Howard clinic at Will O'Wind July 27th & 28th was a huge success! The week started out with two days of training with our Canadian High Performance riders, followed by the two-day OEA clinic.

Thursday sessions were focuses on technical skills in the show jumping ring and Friday was out in the cross-country field. We had 30 participants, 16 of whom were U25 riders. Rebecca is an excellent coach and clinician and all of the riders showed improvement over the two days.

We also had educational session over lunch, including "Heart Rate Monitoring for Horses: What to Know and Why it Matters!" with Dr. Perse McCrae PhD, "Nutrition for Competition Horses: The Essentials" with Elise Lafleur, MSc., "Rider Fitness and Why it Matters" with Nardine Oakes of The Strong Rider", and finally "The Pathway to High Performance" with Rebecca Howard, our Team Canada Chef d' Equipe.

Auditing was FREE to all our U25 riders, including the two days of High Performance training sessions - a wonderful educational opportunity. A huge thank you to Will O Wind for donating the use of their beautiful facility and to Mad Barn for sponsoring lunch and snacks along with the OEA.



REBECCA HOWARD CLINIC – WILL O'WIND

Teresa Mae Finnerly



REBECCA HOWARD CLINIC – WILL O'WIND

Teresa MacFinnerty



REBECCA HOWARD CLINIC – WILL O'WIND

Jerusa Mae Finnelly

Photography



U25 Finale & Team Challenge, Eastern Canadian Championships at Wesley Clover Park

October 13th -16th





U25 Finale & Team Challenge



Avery Tallman was the winner of our “Best Dressed” competition, generously sponsored by Equestrian Fashion Outfitters with her two mounts, Rehy Investor and BDE Olympic Royale.



U25 Finale & Team Challenge



From L to R: Kimberley Begin & Ballinagore Rock Quality, winner of the EV110 division. Juliette Veronneau & Kilkenny, winner of the U25 EV100 division. Hope Brown & Coconut Roll, winner of the EV105 division. Emma Sasu & Magic Mike, winner of the EV90 U18 division.



U25 Finale & Team Challenge



From L to R: Camille Lacasse & Namaste, winner of the EV90 U21-U25 division. Poppy Klotz & Davey Crockett, winner of the EV85 U18 division. Emma Dashnay & Prototypes Chromeo, winner of EV78 division. Josie White & Black Licorice, winner of the EV60 division.



U25 Finale & Team Challenge



The team competition was also a huge success! We had 29 teams competing from across Ontario, Quebec, and New Brunswick!



U25 Sponsors: Thank You for your support

We are grateful for our sponsors, who support this program, making it possible. Some sponsors are equestrian businesses, others private individuals: what unites them is their unwavering support and desire to see the next generation of eventers blossom into world-class athletes.

Please support these businesses who support us.

Thank you very much to:

- Bruno Delgrange
- Certika Financial Group
- CWD
- Equestrian Fashion Outfitters
- Horseware Ireland
- Greenhawk
- Mrs. Louise Tallman
- O'Hanlon Eventing
- Struck Breeches
- Tackaberry Construction
- Rush Truck Centres Canada
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- Brooke Nickson
- Bryan & Katie Horan
- Kingsleigh Equine
- Kinsey Lux
- Kit Cameron
- Laura Layne Sheridan
- Mike Jans
- Neal brothers
- Peter Neal
- Scott Keirstead
- The Strong Rider

And thank you to all of our anonymous donors!



U25 Onwards:

Continuing the path to High Performance

Looking forward to 2024!

We are excited for the U25 program to continue in 2024! We will continue to offer the program to riders of all levels and ages. The Rebecca Howard clinic was a huge success and we plan to continue with this clinic format in the future. We are currently working to line up some exciting clinicians for 2024. We are also planning to offer virtual mental health and educational sessions again next year.

We will continue to offer Travel & Training Grants, as well as a dedicated leaderboard, sponsored prizes, clinic opportunities, and other educational tools.

Riders can register for the **OEA 2024 U25** program starting **January 15th, 2024**.



The Zara Buren Memorial Award:

The Zara Buren Memorial Award is made possible through The Zara Buren Memorial Foundation with support from the Ontario Eventing Association, is awarded in memory of a remarkable young woman, an equestrian with a dedication to excellence, sportsmanship and horsemanship.

Zara continues to inspire riders of all ages across the province, who continue to **#rideforzara**

The 2023 Award recipient was Addison Howarth. Five additional grants were also awarded, including four Grants of Distinction and a Grant of Potential:

- Georgia Leah Bunting
- Alexa Maclaren
- Addilyn Rolph
- Trinity Sachau-Sherman
- Skylar Sanchez



The Zara Buren Memorial Award:



**ZARA BUREN
MEMORIAL AWARD 2023**

2023 RECIPIENT: ADDISON HOWARTH

Key Dates for 2024:

- Applications & application process available on-line December 15th 2023
- Entries close January 17th 2024 at midnight
- Recipient to be announced on/around February 15th 2024



2023
Financial Reports

Ontario Eventing Association

Income Statement

For the Year Ended October 31, 2023

	FY2023	FY2022	YoY Inc/(Dec)
Income			
Income - Clinics & Schooling Days	11,805.00	6,560.00	5,245.00
Income - Levies	11,600.00	9,000.00	2,600.00
Income - Membership Fees			
Membership Fees - Day Fees	370.00	430.00	(60.00)
Membership Fees - Regular	49,193.00	48,580.12	612.88
Total Income - Membership Fees	\$ 49,563.00	\$ 49,010.12	\$ 552.88
Income - Sponsored Awards/Grants	16,500.00		16,500.00
Income - U25 Program			
U25 Membership Fees	3,800.00	6,000.00	(2,200.00)
U25 Fundraising & Sponsorship	29,205.00	14,530.00	14,675.00
Total Income - U25 Program	\$ 33,005.00	\$ 20,530.00	\$ 12,475.00
Other Income			
Pinny Sales	419.00	720.00	(301.00)
Sale of Frangible Devices	2,703.28	8,769.17	(6,065.89)
Sponsorship & Fundraising	1,400.00	11,000.00	(9,600.00)
Other Income	0.00	30.00	
Total Other Income	\$ 4,522.28	\$ 20,519.17	\$ (15,996.89)
Total Income	\$ 126,995.28	\$ 105,619.29	\$ 21,375.99

Ontario Eventing Association Income Statement

For the Year Ended October 31, 2023

	FY2023	FY2022	YoY Inc/(Dec)
Expenses			
Administrative Expenses			
AGM	3,936.29	518.67	3,417.62
Bank charges	577.90	824.48	(246.58)
Insurance	1,117.80	1,193.40	(75.60)
Miscellaneous Expense	2.19	1,307.59	(1,305.40)
Office Supplies & Expenses	139.51	120.77	18.74
Software	391.61	123.17	268.44
Teleconferencing	452.00	452.00	0.00
Website Hosting & Expenses	497.16	479.87	17.29
Total Administrative Expenses	\$ 7,114.46	\$ 5,019.95	\$ 2,094.51
Education & Rider Development			
Clinics & Schooling Days	9,519.97	9,743.40	(223.43)
Coach Development		978.00	(978.00)
Webinars & Other Member Education	286.83		286.83
Total Education & Rider Development	\$ 9,806.80	\$ 10,721.40	\$ 914.60
Member Services			
Annual Banquet/Awards	5,419.84	17,560.46	(12,140.62)
Member Appreciation	3,224.39		3,224.39
Membership Processing Fees (OE)	4,878.82	3,670.73	1,208.09
Pinny Inventory Purchase & Shipping	48.63	1,446.31	(1,397.68)
Social Media/E-Mail Blast/Promotional	577.30	520.00	57.30
Sponsored Award Disbursements	15,626.96		15,626.96
Total Member Services	\$ 29,775.94	\$ 23,197.50	\$ 6,578.44

Ontario Eventing Association**Income Statement**

For the Year Ended October 31, 2023

	FY2023	FY2022	YoY Inc/(Dec)
Organizer Support			
Competition Improvement Program	37,685.03	8,800.00	28,885.03
Officials Bursaries	3,450.00	3,717.44	(267.44)
Officials Development	790.00		790.00
TD Cost Reimbursement	8,800.00	4,458.60	4,341.40
Discretionary Eventing Funding		2,500.00	(2,500.00)
Purchase of Frangible Devices		8,769.15	(8,769.15)
Total Organizer Support	\$ 50,725.03	\$ 28,245.19	\$ (22,479.84)
U25 Expenses			
Competition Expenses	22,504.23	16,386.28	6,117.95
Travel & Training Grants	7,000.00	5,000.00	2,000.00
U25 Leaderboard Awards	7,300.00	14,450.00	(7,150.00)
U25 Other Expenses		116.29	(116.29)
Total U25 Expenses	\$ 36,804.23	\$ 35,952.57	\$ 851.66
Total Expenses	\$ 134,226.46	\$ 103,136.61	\$ 31,089.85
Net Income/(Loss)	\$ (7,231.18)	\$ 2,482.68	\$ (9,713.86)

Ontario Eventing Association

Balance Sheet

As at October 31, 2023

	Oct 31, 2023	Oct 31, 2022
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalent		
Cash		
OEA Main Account	118,043.26	107,404.37
Sport Improvement Account	0.00	11,056.59
U25 Account	27,119.01	29,649.34
Total Cash	\$ 145,162.27	\$ 148,110.30
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	\$ 145,162.27	\$ 148,110.30
Accounts Receivable (A/R)		
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	2,684.00	6,218.51
Total Accounts Receivable (A/R)	\$ 2,684.00	\$ 6,218.51
Total Current Assets	\$ 147,846.27	\$ 154,328.81
Total Assets	\$ 147,846.27	\$ 154,328.81
Liabilities and Equity		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable (A/P)		
Accounts Payable (A/P)	748.64	0.00
Total Accounts Payable (A/P)	\$ 748.64	\$ 0.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 748.64	\$ 0.00
Total Liabilities	\$ 748.64	\$ 0.00
Total Equity	\$ 147,097.63	\$ 154,328.81
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 147,846.27	\$ 154,328.81



Election of 2024 OEA BOD Directors

A heartfelt “THANK YOU” as we bid adieu to:

These individuals have either completed their terms or are moving on to focus on their careers. We owe them a debt of gratitude, some who have spent years volunteering on the OEA BOD.

- Ann Neal - Chair (Seven Years)
- Chery Denault, CPA , - Treasurer (One Term)
- Terri Gilmour (Two Terms)
- Justin Ridgewell (One Term)
- Charlotte Hodgson (Five Years)
- Kendal Lehari (Four Years)
- Linda Plank (Two years)

Second Term: Sarah Richardson

Sarah is running for her Second Term, with the intention to step into the role of President next month.

During her first term, Sarah's contributions to the OEA and to eventing in the province has been remarkable! Sarah is a force of nature – and was instrumental in onboarding the new local division, EV60. She was a critical player in the negotiations between EC and all provinces, to define a role for PHTAs vis-à-vis EC and which concluded with, among other things, a secure role for the OEA as Ontario's official PHTA.

Sarah is a familiar face at Ottawa-area horse trials - Stevens Creek and Wesley Clover Parks. She returned to eventing a few years ago, several decades after first catching the bug as a teenager. She brings to the OEA a deep love for the sport and a professional background in international policy, having used her two law degrees to work with the United Nations, the European Commission and other international organizations on issues related to global environmental and economic sustainability.

Please welcome Sarah.

First Term: Kaileen Millard Ruff

Kaileen Millard Ruff is no stranger to the equine world and farming. Coming from a multi-generational grain and livestock farm in rural Saskatchewan, Kaileen's passion for horses grew through her husband's involvement with breeding and training in the Harness Racing Sector.

Her passion and commitment to eventing started when her daughter, Sarah, took up the sport, and she is now fully immersed in the eventing community. She is an avid member and a volunteer of the Canadian Pony Club.

With a professional background in supply chain, e-commerce development and marketing, Kaileen has a track record of success developing various initiatives for LeeValley, Walmart, Hallmark and The Retail Council of Canada.

Please welcome Kaileen.

First Term: Sam Pritchard

Sam is passionate about the role that horses can play in people's lives, and vice versa. She believes that eventing is the best sport out there to promote and test horsemanship and education. The role of education in the journey from human to horseman is second to none.

Sam is a certified Equestrian Canada coach for 15 years. She evented to the Advanced level on a horse she purchased off the track, trained several more through the intermediate level, coached riders through to the NAYC in eventing and worked as a key volunteer at events and organizing committees. She has extensive experience coaching and training the grassroots of our sport.

Sam served on the Board of Directors of the Cochrane Humane Society and during that time she played a key role in fundraising and building of their education and training centre. She sat on the Cochrane Horse Trials Committee and was the director in charge of sponsorship for several years.

Sam believes that her experience and passion will be an asset, further developing educational activities to bring our sport to a larger audience.

Please welcome Sam.

First Term: Stephanie Shatilla, B.A-Hon

No stranger to eventing, Stephanie has competed in Ontario as an adult amateur for over a decade.

Stephanie has spent her career working for both the provincial and federal governments in various capacities. Her breadth of experience includes intergovernmental relations, workplace relations, and the development of policy for the status of women and immigration.

Currently, Stephanie works for the Government of Canada, Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada, as the Senior Director Healthy Workplace Directorate. In this role, as in her previous roles, Stephanie has successfully initiated workplace wellness policies focusing on mental health resources.

Stephanie has a BA, with Honours, in Canadian Studies from Mount Allison University. She competes in eventing and dressage and lives in Hockley Valley.

Please welcome Stephanie.

First Term: Xavier Trainssel

Xavier has many years of experience working with horses in all different aspects, such as riding at the advanced level in eventing, coaching all levels, and sourcing horses for amateur riders to upper-level riders in the USA and Europe.

Xavier has also produced young horses that eventually became very successful at the 5* level or competed at WEG and the Olympics. Xavier started riding at a young age at a French riding school near where he grew up. The head coach there competed in eventing, where his love for the sport and coaching began.

Xavier has a university degree from the Cadre Noir De Saumur in Business and Sports Management and has his International Instructor Level 3 (BEES2), which EC recognizes as a High Performance 1 Instructor.

He is married to Canadian High-Performance Pan AM Team Rider Lindsay Traisnel, and together, they run a very successful eventing barn, Windsor Equestrian Centre. They are parents to two daughters.

Please welcome Xavier.

First Term:

Gabrielle Turcotte – PhD Candidate – University of Guelph

Gabrielle has spent much of her life around horses, not only as a rider but as an instructor at Raynham Stables, an eventing barn in Nobleton, managing a jam-packed and robust program.

Her skills include communication, leadership, time management, organization and teamwork. Since 2020, Gabrielle is a PhD Candidate at the University of Guelph, Epidemiology (Department of Population Medicine)

She attended Ryerson University (2015 – 2020) and received an M.A. in International Economics and Finance and a BSc—mathematics and its Applications (Economics Option), where she made the Dean’s List with a 3.67+ GPA.

Gabrielle is passionate about Equine Welfare and has attended and presented at conferences focused on the well-being of our equine friends, including the Calgary International Equine Symposium (September 2023) and the Conference for Research Workers in Animal Diseases (January 2023). ASCUS 25th Biennial Conference “A Risk Framework for Development in the North” with Michal C. Moore (Cornell University).

Please welcome Gabrielle.

A photograph of a conference room with a long, light-colored table and several black leather chairs. The image is overlaid with a blue tint and white text. The text is centered and reads:

**Motion and
Vote for 2024
OEA Board Of Directors**

**What's planned for
2024?**

2024 OEA Sanctioned Competition Calendar:

Competition	Level	Week	Start	End	Location
Glen Oro Spring Horse Trials	Gold [EV60-EV115]	20	12/05/24	12/05/24	Jarratt, ON
Grandview Spring Horse Trials	Gold [EV78-EV115]	22	26/05/24	26/05/24	Oro-Medonte, ON
Ottawa HTs at Wesley Clover Parks	Gold [EV60-EV115/110]	23	02/06/24	02/06/24	Ottawa, ON
FEI: BROMONT		24			Bromont, QC
Cherrylane Horse Trials 1	Gold [EV60-EV110]	25	15/06/24	15/06/24	Puslinch, ON
Caledon Horse Trials	Silver [EV60-EV100]	26	23/06/24	23/06/24	Caledon, ON
Bronte Creek Horse Trials 1	Gold [EV60-EV110]	27	30/06/24	30/06/24	Carlisle, ON
Wit's End Horse Trials 1	Gold [EV60-EV110]	28	07/07/24	07/07/24	Mansfield, ON
Bronte Creek Horse Trials 2	Gold [EV60-EV110]	29	14/07/24	14/07/24	Carlisle, ON
Glen Oro Summer Horse Trials	Gold [EV60-EV115]	30	21/07/24	21/07/24	Jarratt, ON
Glenarden Horse Trials 1	Silver [EV60-EV100]	31	28/07/24	28/07/24	Fergus, ON
Stevens Creek Horse Trials 1	Gold [EV60-EV110]	31	28/07/24	28/07/24	Ottawa, ON
Grandview Summer Horse Trials	Gold [EV78-EV115]	32	04/08/24	04/08/24	Oro-Medonte, ON
Bronte Creek Horse Trials 3	Gold [EV60-EV110]	33	11/08/24	11/08/24	Carlisle, ON
FEI: BROMONT		34			Bromont, QC
Cherrylane Horse Trials 2	Gold [EV60-EV110]	35	24/08/24	24/08/24	Puslinch, ON
Stevens Creek Horse Trials 2	Gold [EV60-EV110]	35	25/08/24	25/08/24	Ottawa, ON
Glen Oro Autumn Horse Trials	Gold [EV60-EV115]	37	08/09/24	08/09/24	Jarratt, ON
Wit's End Horse Trials 2	Gold [EV60-EV110]	39	22/09/24	22/09/24	Mansfield, ON
Grandview Fall Horse Trials	Gold [EV78-EV115]	40	29/09/24	29/09/24	Oro-Medonte, ON
Glenarden Horse Trials 2	Silver [EV60-EV100]	41	06/10/24	06/10/24	Fergus, ON
Wesley Clover Parks Horse Trials	Gold [EV60-EV110]	43	19/10/24	20/10/24	Ottawa, ON TBC

Note: Over the winter months, the OEA will work with Organizers to reconfigure the guidelines governing the EV78 division so that it is consistent with PE levels in other provinces, currently designated as EV75.

Added in FEI - Bromont to help with planning.

We are currently looking at adding two possible new sanctioned competition venues.

Two new organizers have stepped forward.

Site-inspections and reviews over the next few weeks.

2024: Planned and to Develop ...

- ✓ Continued support for organizers with the CIP
- ✓ Continued support for the development of TD's and officials
- ✓ An info blog for our members "Did You Know?" – Peggy Hambly & Veronica
- ✓ U25 Program as presented earlier by Nikki
- ✓ A new website – exploring in January/Feb of 2024 – Doug
- ✓ Continue to coordinate TIP
- ✓ Development of a program for Adult Amateurs
- ✓ Development of a program for Young Professionals
- ✓ Further assessment of EV60 and EV78 guidelines – room for improvement?
- ✓ Be agile to look at new opportunities as they arise for our membership

Plus ...



INSTALLATION OF MORE FRANGIBLE DEVICES



***** NEW *** VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE
TO SUPPORT ORGANIZERS**

OEA Chat with Kyle Morton:

We are pleased to have a ZOOM conference with OEA member Kyle Morton on his journey of going to Germany to train with Michael Jung, and then set-up shop on his own.

What's it like to be a young Canadian eventer, now competing at the CCI 4-star level across Europe?

Join us!

Date TBC

January – March 2024





**Ontario Eventing Association
2023
Year End Awards
- Nominated -**

Anne Zander Memorial Youth Horsemanship Award:

This award is sponsored by the Rising Star Pony Club in memory of Anne Zander. The Recipient of must be an OEA member under the age of 21 (as of January 1st of award year), who displays an outstanding sense of horsemanship and always puts the well-being of their mount ahead of their own successes.

The rider must show keen responsibility for the health and well-being of their mount. This could include proper warm-up and cool down, making wise choices about their mount's ability to continue in an event, and always treating their mount in a humane and respectful manner.

Candidates are to be nominated with a description of what makes them a worthy recipient of this prestigious award.

Ava Mundt

Barbara Beaudoin Preliminary Rider Bursary:

In honour of a wonderful horse-woman who felt a great passion for the sport of eventing, and the spirit of the amateur competitor trying to make it to the top.

This \$1000 bursary is awarded to a Preliminary level rider who is currently striving for International level competition but still considered an 'amateur'.

This rider competes at the Preliminary level, earns minimal or limited income from the horse industry, and exemplifies great sportsmanship and horsemanship.

This rider has set their sights on the future and is excited to try to achieve their goals.



PC: Ian Woodley

Anna Zakrevska

Hall Of Fame Award:

This award has been created to acknowledge those special equine athletes who have distinguished themselves during their careers. Not just the horses who have carried our top riders to the podium, but those steadfast backyard ponies and school horses who have nurtured one after another of our young riders, helping them to build their confidence and aspire to greater achievements.

Candidates for this award will be nominated by the membership, and the successful candidate will be decided by the OEA Board of Directors. The winner will be honoured on our website Hall of Fame Gallery.



PC: Ian Woodley

Almost Spotless

Unsung Hero Award:

This award is given to honour one of the many volunteers, parents and behind-the-scenes people who work all year and never ask for recognition.

Candidates are nominated by our membership and the winner is voted by the board of the OEA.



Katie Shkut

High Point Rider Award:

This award is presented to the rider who has accumulated **the highest total points** for their **top two placing horses** at the EV110 and EV115 levels.

Totals are calculated from the top 8 Point scores during the season.



Sarah Croft



Canadian Sport Horse Award:

This award is sponsored by the Canadian Sport Horse Association and is given to the owner of the overall high point registered Canadian Sport Horse, ridden by the same rider during the current competitive season.

The horse must compete under the registered Sport Horse name.

To register for 2024, please go to the OEA website.



PC: Sylvia Dixon

Caddyshack
Owned by Sylvia Dixon

Veteran Rider Award:

To qualify for this award a rider must be 50 years of age or older as of January 1st, never have competed above Preliminary level and have accumulated the most points on the same horse during the season.

Totals are calculated from the top 8-point scores during the season.

You must register as a Veteran rider before the final event of the season to be eligible.



Doug Topalovic

President's Award: 2023

The Ontario Eventing Association 2023 President's Award is given with sincere gratitude to the 10 Organizers, who have held sanctioned events in 2023. Without sanctioned events, there is no pathway to high performance, no provincial or inter-provincial championships.

We are deeply grateful to each and every one of you, and to your volunteers.

These Organizers are (in alphabetical order):

- Bronte Creek Equestrian Centre
- Caledon Riding Club
- Cherrylane Equestrian Centre
- Glenarden Farms
- Glen Oro Farm
- Grandview Farm
- Stevens Creek Farm
- Wesley Clover Parks
- Will O'Wind Farm
- Wits End Farm & Horse Trials



**OEA 2023 Divisional
High Point Awards**

EV60 Divisions:

Junior Division

1 st	Zoey Edwards
2 nd	Josephine White
3 rd	Zoe Rocque
3 rd	Emma Salasidis
5 th	Brooke Pirie
5 th	Tori Oks
7 th	Isla Knowles
7 th	Quinn Meyers
8 th	Amelie Fortin
8 th	Ellana Tamir
8 th	Julia Iannello
8 th	Myalia Labelle
8 th	Sydney Keane
8 th	Nola Cavanaugh

Senior Division

1 st	Emily Lindsay
2 nd	Wendy Clayton
3 rd	Julia Ruhl
4 th	Jada Buchanan
4 th	Kristen Bastable
4 th	Leanne Murray
4 th	Louise Hill
8 th	Veronica Chiu

EV78 Divisions:

Junior Division

1 st	Sarah Ruff
2 nd	Bethany Clark
3 rd	Julia DeSario
4 th	Katherine Salasidis
5 th	Leah Cort
6 th	Danica Felter
7 th	Cielo Montecinos
8 th	Chloe Elloit

Senior Division

1 st	Melanie Segal
2 nd	Leanne Murray
3 rd	Maggi Robertson
4 th	Emma Melhuish
5 th	Anna Mihalik
6 th	Anna Myles
6 th	Carley Willcock
8 th	Tania Burrows

EV85 Divisions:

Junior Division

1 st	Georgia Main
2 nd	Charlotte Zantingh
3 rd	Brooke Pirie
4 th	Poppy Klotz
5 th	Carly Ryder
5 th	Danica Armellin
7 th	Grace Wallach
8 th	Daria Risk

Senior Division

1 st	Angie Wyssen
2 nd	Maureen Sinopoli
3 rd	Ashley Boulton
4 th	Abigail Chambers
5 th	Marissa Hishon
6 th	Sue Clark
7 th	Caroline Sanders
8 th	Suzanne Chenard

Open Division

1 st	Kim McGurrin
2 nd	Rachel Smit
3 rd	Penny Rowland
4 th	Phillippa Hambly
5 th	Samantha Krieger
6 th	Laena Good
7 th	Jane Patterson
7 th	Jessica Ruppel
8 th	Allyson Bourke
8 th	Meghan Maloney

EV90 Divisions:

Junior Division

1 st	Addison Moore
2 nd	Daria Risk
3 rd	Grace Wallach
4 th	Carter Cartwright
5 th	Rebecca Lynch
6 th	Kylie Comellssen
7 th	Ava Grenier
8 th	Hannah Bakermans
8 th	Nicole Dupuis

Senior Division

1 st	Olivia Sheldrake
2 nd	Erin Granley
3 rd	Meg Jones
4 th	Allyson Bourke
5 th	Elly Wicket
6 th	Becky Magee
7 th	Andrea Buikema
7 th	Leah Zommers
8 th	Taylor Labrosse

Open Division

1 st	Kim McGurrin
2 nd	Madeline Luker
3 rd	Jessica Ruppel
4 th	Lindsay Beer-Drury
5 th	Penny Rowland
6 th	Jamie Kellock
6 th	Lindsay Traisnal
6 th	Philippa Hambly
8 th	Gavin Kearney
8 th	Anna Zakrevska

EV100 Divisions:

Junior Division

1 st	Alexandra Wickett
2 nd	Carter Cartwright
3 rd	Alexandra Neustaedter
3 rd	Taylor Adams
5 th	Nicole Dupuis

Senior Division

1 st	Nicole Verkindt
2 nd	Lee Andersen
3 rd	Mary Davies
4 th	Christina Fabok
5 th	Grace Emmett
6 th	Julia Mason
7 th	Britney Hensman
8 th	Kirsten Brown

Open Division

1 st	Sarah Croft
2 nd	Jacque Kelton
3 rd	Sable Giesler
4 th	Momo Laframboise
5 th	Jessica Phoenix
6 th	Lindsay Beer-Drury
7 th	Katie Bondrager
8 th	Anna Zakrevska
8 th	Caroline Godson
8 th	Sondra Shantz

EV105 Divisions:

Junior Division

1st Alexandra Wickett

Senior Division

1st Anna Zakrevska

2nd Katelyn Swain

3rd Anna Duarte

4th Julia Mason

4th Samantha Pritchard

Open Division

1st Caroline Godson

2nd Penny Rowland

3rd Kendal Lehari

4th Matt Kidney

EV110 Divisions:

Senior Division

1 st	Anna Zakrevska
2 nd	Samantha Kreiger
3 rd	Kathleen Furber
3 rd	Alayne Reed
5 th	Paula Dupuy
5 th	Julia Mason
7 th	Emily Sasso
8 th	Katie LeBarge
8 th	Katelyn Swain

Open Division: EV 110/CCI 2*

1 st	Emily Boyce
2 nd	Holly Jacks-Smith
3 rd	Sondra Shantz
4 th	Lindsay Beer-Drury
5 th	Ashley Minion
6 th	Matt Kidney
7 th	Lindsay Beer-Drury
7 th	Matt Kidney
8 th	Sable Giesler

EV115 and EV 120 Open Divisions:

Open Division: EV 115/CCI 3*

1 st	Sarah Croft
2 nd	Jessica Phoenix
3 rd	Jessica Phoenix
4 th	Diana Burnett
5 th	Selena O'Hanlon
6 th	Lindsay Beer-Drury
7 th	Jessica Phoenix
7 th	Jessica Phoenix
7 th	Shannon Holmes
8 th	Sondra Shantz
8 th	Holly Jacks-Smith

Open Division: EV 120

1 st	Kendal Lehari
2 nd	Jessica Phoenix
3 rd	Jessica Phoenix
4 th	Kendal Lehari
5 th	Jessica Phoenix

(no ribbons awarded in this division as it was one show only)

Novice Adult Rider Awards:

A Novice Adult is a rider who is 21 years of age or older as of January 1st, who has never competed above EV90.

To be eligible for a Novice Adult award, the rider must register on the website. Novice Adult points will be accumulated only once the rider has registered. Awards are given to the top three horse/rider combinations in the EV60 and EV90 divisions.

EV85

1st: Kim Knapp

EV90

1st: Doug Topalovic

U25 Divisional High Point Awards



EV90 Divisions:

Riders aged U25 can register for the OEA 2023 U25 program starting January 15th, 2024

21 & Under

1 st	Naomi Myers
2 nd	Nicola MacLeod
3 rd	Carly Ryder
4 th	Danika Houston
5 th	Maya Bhattacharjee
6 th	Rachel Keaveney
7 th	Alexa Maclaren
8 th	Tori Horan
8 th	Laena Good

22 - 25

1 st	Audrey Coleman
2 nd	Nicole Reynolds
3 rd	Samantha Ward
4 th	Elli Pattrick

EV100 Divisions:

21 & Under

- 1st Victoria Downey
- 2nd Avery Tallman
- 3rd Georgia Bunting
- 4th Avery Tallman
- 5th Olivia MacLeod
- 6th Addilyn Rolph
- 7th Lea Pelletier
- 8th Emmi Larocque

22 - 25

- 1st Amy Kryschuk
- 2nd Sarah Wyssen
- 3rd Nicole Reynolds
- 4th Hope Brown
- 5th Olivia Reeves
- 6th Samantha Ward
- 7th Audrey Coleman

EV105 Divisions:

21 & Under

1st Emmi Larocque
2nd Lea Pelletier
3rd Avery Tallman
4th Avery Tallman

22 - 25

1st Hope Brown
2nd Olivia Reeves

EV110 Divisions:

21 & Under

- 1st Emalee Bodimeade
- 2nd Nadia Sabot
- 3rd Chelsea Lowe
- 4th Sophie Drinkwater

22 - 25

- 1st Nicole Reynolds
- 2nd Olivia Reeves
- 3rd Kelly Belanger
- 4th Hope Brown
- 5th Audrey Coleman

EV115 Divisions:

21 & Under

1st Nadia Sabot

22 - 25

1st Nicole Reynolds

Congratulations to all our 2023 U25 Riders!

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a gold award medal. The medal is circular with a decorative border and a central emblem. A red ribbon is attached to the top of the medal. The background is a soft, light blue gradient. The text "Congratulations to all the 2023 Award Recipients!" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font with a slight drop shadow.

**Congratulations to all the
2023 Award Recipients!**

Q&A with Lindsay – M.C. Doug





**Other Questions:
We are here for you.**

**Eventers for Eventers
and Eventing
in Ontario.**

Adjournment





**THANK YOU FOR AN AMAZING 2023 SEASON
SEE YOU IN 2024!**