



Premier of Ontario - Première ministre de l'Ontario

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A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am delighted to extend warm greetings to everyone taking part in the 2017 World Driving Championship.

I want to thank Standardbred Canada for bringing this elite event to Canada. Fans of this equestrian sport are sure to be delighted as drivers from around the world compete in races to be held in four different provinces. I am honoured that Ontario is among those provinces.

I would also like to take this occasion to congratulate Canada's horse racing industry, the organizations that support it, and the many aficionados of this sport on marking the 250th anniversary of horse racing in Canada. It is remarkable to note how early horse racing took root in Canada and how it has flourished over the past 250 years.

It takes many hands to make an event of this calibre possible. I commend Standardbred Canada, and the competition's host racetracks in Alberta, Ontario, Québec and Prince Edward Island, for the time, effort and enthusiasm they have invested in organizing the competition.

Please accept my best wishes for an exciting championship. And the best of luck to all participants!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen Wynne".

Kathleen Wynne
Premier