

Greetings to the registrants for the 2022 IEOC meeting from the Planning Committee!

We are sure that everyone is looking forward to getting together in person again. On Friday, June 10, our first keynote speaker Dr. Jim Schumacher will present a one-hour session that outlines competition rules for medications that relate to ophthalmology; our second keynote speaker Dr. Catharine Nunnery will follow with a discussion of competition case situations, clarifying what venues allow blind or half blind horses, and what the rules are for withdrawal of medication or use of devices like suprachoroidal implants. Then on Saturday, Dr. Nunnery will deliver two more hours of lectures on equine ophthalmology in the field, discussing recent innovations in diagnosis and treatment of problems we all struggle with. The program of abstracts, case reports and group discussion will be available soon.

As you make your trip plans, the planning committee thought you would appreciate some information on outings you can take before or after the meeting. Churchill Downs, the home of the Kentucky Derby, is an iconic destination for horse lovers, so many of you will want to plan a visit before or after the meeting. Some of you may be planning a trip to Lexington to visit the Kentucky Horse Park and tour legendary horse farms. Others may want to visit some of the famous Kentucky distilleries; and anyone who is a baseball fan will want to tour the Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory. We have summarized these options for you below.

Churchill Downs:

Information on purchasing tickets for visiting the on-site Derby Museum:

<https://www.derbymuseum.org/plan-a-visit/general-information.html>.

Day racing takes place before and after the IEOC meeting on Wednesday, June 8 and Sunday, June 11, with the first post time at 12:45 PM. Evening racing is scheduled for Thursday, June 9 from 5:00 PM to 8:45 PM.

- Derby Museum is open Monday to Saturday 8am-5pm, and Sunday from 11am to 5pm.
- Churchill Downs is just a 10-minute ride from the hotel
- Visit www.churchilldowns.com for the dress code and any additional details

Whiskey Row Distilleries

- Angel's Envy: www.angelsenjoy.com
- Evan Williams: www.kentuckypeerless.com
- Rabbit Hole: www.rabbitholedistillery.com
- Angel's Envy and Evan Williams are on the same street as our hotel. Tours are offered daily.

Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory

- Distil <https://www.sluggermuseum.com/>
- Located on same street as Hotel Distil
- Hours are Monday thru Saturday 9am-4pm, Sunday 10am-4pm

Lexington Kentucky sites of interest for horse lovers (about one hour away)

- Kentucky Horse Park- <https://kyhorsepark.com/>
- Horse Farm Tours: <https://www.kentuckytourism.com/horses/horse-farms-stables>

Restaurants near Hotel Distil:

Italian-Vincenzo's, www.vincenzositalianrestaurant.com

American-Wiltshire Pantry on Market, www.wiltshirepantry.com/wiltshire-on-market

American-Bristol Bar and Grill. <https://bristolbarandgrille.com/menus>

Steak-Jeff Ruby's \$\$\$, <https://www.jeffruby.com/>

Mussel and Burger Bar, <https://www.mussel-burger-bar.com/menus/>

American-Proof on Main \$\$\$, <https://www.proofonmain.com/>

Fried Chicken/Southern-Merle's Whiskey Kitchen, <https://merleswhiskeykitchen.com/>

Latin American-Mayan Cafe, <https://themayancafe.com/restaurant/>

There are so many amazing restaurants in Louisville as it has become quite a foodie town. It is hard to go wrong in the area that the conference is located.