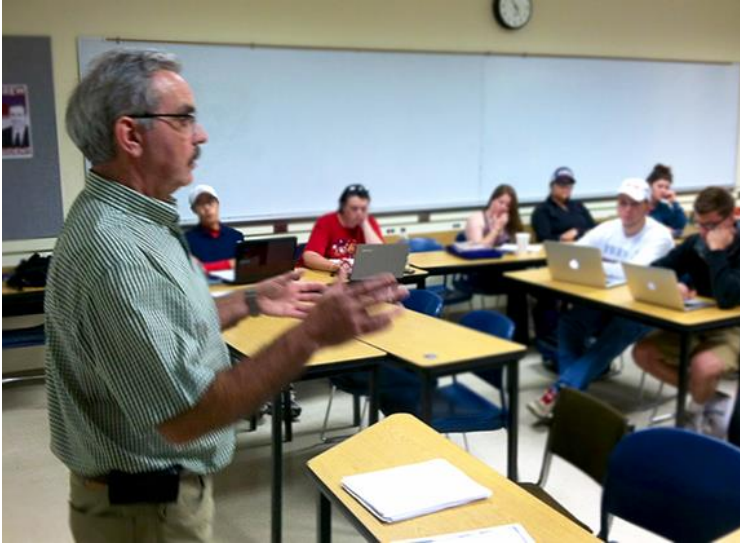


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RACING SECRETARY FROM NORWAY TRAVELS TO SPEAK TO RTIP STUDENTS



Tucson, AZ — Romund Ostbo, a longtime race secretary in Norway, traveled to Tucson to speak to students in the University of Arizona's Race Track Industry Program about his experiences and racing industry issues. Ostbo addressed the Race Track Marketing & Media Relations class.

Ostbo pointed out that Norway has 11 trotting tracks and one thoroughbred track and that none of them are privately owned. He went on to explain that tracks are owned by a horse organization which supervises the operation of all tracks to avoid competition and to assure their financial stability. Another section he spoke on was that drugs are strictly controlled in Norway

and in other European countries. For example, a horse that receives a joint injection in Norway cannot race for one month, and all medications (even leg liniments) are banned from 2-4 days prior to a race.

The lecture and discussion enlightened students on how the racing industry operates in different countries and highlighted the similarities and differences.

ABOUT THE RACE TRACK INDUSTRY PROGRAM:

[The University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program](#) offers both a Bachelors and Masters degree program with an emphasis on the pari-mutuel racing industry and hosts the Global Symposium on Racing & Gaming, held every December since 1974 in Tucson, Arizona.

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