

BC THOROUGHBRED OWNERS & BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

"One Voice for Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders in British Columbia"

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Nominations Due Tuesday April 15th

A reminder to everyone that the **Tuesday**, **April 15**th closing day for early nominations is quickly approaching, 'you cannot win if you are not in'. All nomination forms are available on-line at: http://www.hastingsracecourse.com/racing-office-for-horsemen/ which takes you to the Hastings website.

Click on the heading **Racing & Wagering** scroll down to **Racing Office / For Horsemen** and click on it. The nomination forms headings are on the left, click on which ones you wish to fill out or if you would rather, print and fill out.

Many of the winter racetrack meetings are coming to a close, so we are seeing more vans returning horses to Hastings to prepare for the upcoming **Sunday**, **April 27th** opening day. It was encouraging to see that 216 horses have worked already this week, with Saturday and Sunday still to come.

Brian Butters, Director of Racing Sustainability and I, are going to be conducting three information sessions and we will be recording any new ideas from breeders and owners that are brought up at these meetings. The actual locations have not been finalized as of yet, but the three sites will be near Kamloops, Vernon and Kelowna between Monday, April 28th and Wednesday April 30th. I will be sending out more details as they become available as to who will be hosting the meetings in each city.