



BC THOROUGHBRED OWNERS & BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

“One Voice for Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders in British Columbia”

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Opening Day at Hastings

The opening day card at Hastings Racecourse filled with ease and will have two star-studded stakes races to kick off the 2014 thoroughbred racing season. The 2013 B.C. Derby winner **Title Contender** is back in action for owner Peter Redekop and trainer Anita Bolton in the \$50,000 George Royal. The co-feature is the \$50,000 Brighthouse Belles for fillies and mares headed by **Madeira Park** who was recently honoured as champion mare in 2013. She will not have an easy time it though as veteran Troy Taylor will be saddling two fillies, **Dear Lilly** and **Hollywood Miss** who have been racing at Golden Gate this spring. The first of eight races will start at 1:50 p.m. on Sunday, April 27th.

Thank You from Hastings

This year, as a thank you for racing at Hastings, every winning owner will receive a gift basket from the HBPA, CTHS, BCTOBA, Hastings, and the Derby Bar & Grill. The basket will contain a bottle each of red wine and white wine from the popular Jentsch Cellars in Oliver, B.C., two wine glasses and a Derby Bar & Grill dinner ticket. Also, one DVD of the race will be given to each winning owner.

Interior Information Sessions

Breeders are crucial to supplying horses to Hastings and in an effort to gather information from the B. C. Interior, Brian Butters and I are going to conduct three information sessions to update everyone on recent developments within the B.C. Horse Racing Industry and listen to concerns, ideas and questions that breeders and also any owners may have. Please spread the word! The sessions will be held on the following dates at three Interior locations:

Kamloops 6 p.m. Monday, April 28
Location: Duffy's Pub meeting room, 1797 Pacific Way
Organizers: Jennifer Jackson and Nina Ferguson

Armstrong 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 29
Location: Stride Away Thoroughbreds farm, 4338 Salmon River Road
Organizer: Cathy Reggelsen

Kelowna 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 29
Location: Okanagan Equine Veterinary Service, 4656 Wallace Hill Road
Organizer: Sheila McDonald