

# Thoroughbred Racing BC Announcement

TRBC members recently met to discuss many important matters involving the Thoroughbred Racing industry.

Among the topics discussed was the horse population at the track, the impact of regular horse retirements and the decline in 2 year olds, both BC Bred and others.

It was determined that to ensure minimum starters for the races expected to be put forward by the race office, the Fresh Horse Incentive program – in a fashion similar to previous years – is needed to incentivize owners to bring in new horses to our track. The total amount of this incentive will be \$7,500 payable over 3 starts, for each eligible horse, that makes Hastings its racing home for the 2024 Race Season. David Milburn, President of the HBPA BC, said “this program is critical to get our horse population to a sustaining level for the 2024 meet”. A sentiment shared by Dairen Edwards, President of CTHS BC and Ole Nielsen of BCTOBA.

All of the attached conditions must be met to be eligible for this incentive program.

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