

# Hastings News

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**Happy New Year to all and the best of luck, health, and happiness in 2010!**

## THE 2009 INDUSTRY AWARD WINNERS

The Breeder of the Jack Diamond Futurity Winner, Silly Fella, was Red Rock Farm

The Breeder of the Sadie Diamond Futurity Winner, Vying Ty Grr was Five G's Stable, J Gallagher & L Gallagher

Champion Sire of Two Year Olds, Mass Market

Champion Sire, Vying Victor

Champion Broodmare, Vying Princess

Leading Breeder, Canvasback Farms

Champion 2 –Year Old Colt B.C. Bred & Open, Huitzilopochtli

Champion 2 –Year Old Filly B.C. Bred & Open, Tierra Del Feugo

Champion 3 –Year Old Male B.C. Bred & Open, Tommy Danziger

Champion 3 –Year Old Filly Open, La Rocca

Champion 3 – Year Old Filly B.C. Bred, Tierra Del Feugo

Champion Older Male B.C. Bred, Trick of the North

Champion Older Male Open, Teide

Champion Older Filly/Mare B.C. Bred, Wind Storm

Champion Older Filly/Mare Open, Holy Nova

Champion Sprinter, Bank Emblem

B.C. Bred Horse of the Year, Huitzilopochtli

Horse of the Year, Teide

Top Performing Lower Claimer, Beautiful Breeze

Top Performing Upper Claimer, Sir Gallant

The Breeder's Ambassador's Awards to Dixie Jacobson and the Ben Ternes Family

HBPAs special presentation to Mel Snow

Backstretch Award to Lackey Condilenios and Family

Diamond Award of Excellence to Barb Heads

Hall of Fame Inductee to Frank Barroby

Leading Rider to Fernando Perez

Leading Apprentice Jockey to Giovanni Franco

Leading Trainer to Troy Taylor

Leading Owner to Glen Todd & Patrick Kinsella

We are in the process of changing the HBPA of BC's website. It should be up by the beginning of March. If you need some information, please email your directors, their committees and emails are on the current HBPA site. Thanks to the CTHS of BC for keeping us informed with the current Industry news.

It has been a busy off-season and the 2010 Racing and

Training season will also have some differences. As you are all aware, Hastings Racecourse is classified as a "Red Zone", which means that the frontside is completely closed down until March 3rd. VANOC, the officials of the Olympics, are very strict with their rules and honestly, it has not been easy to find out anything from them. PLEASE do not blame H.E.I. for the lack of information as it is NOT their fault and they cannot change VANOC's rules. What we can hope for is: Vancouver's beauty will entice many of the tourists to return and come to our track and Casino. Our training and parking should be back to normal near the beginning of March.

## BACKSTRETCH HAPPENINGS

During the Christmas vacation, a water main burst and the water flowed into Barn M. A structural engineer inspected Barn M and it has been repaired. Although we have lost some stalls, horses are now allowed in Barn M.

2010 will be a changing year; the racing association has 2 different groups who are working for the betterment of all the racing and breeding in B.C.

1. The B.C. Horse Racing Industry Management Committee. The committee consists of 6 men who were chosen for their experience managing large organizations and their strategic financial skills. The 6 members come from the Provincial Government, horse racing, industry, gaming and business sectors. They are: Derek Sturko (committee chair), Bill Boden, Michael Graydon, George Morfitt, Glen Todd, and Milton Woensdregt.

2. The Horse Racing Leadership Council of B.C. They began informal meetings once a month to compare problems and to look for solutions. This group is formed by the four Presidents and Vice Presidents of the Thoroughbred, Standardbred, and Breeders Associations. If you have any questions or issues, please see an HBPA director.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Kathy Bremner** on winning the "Cleveland Rocks Writing Contest". Kathy's novel "Touch Me" won the romantic suspense category.

**Canvasback Farms** on their homebred, **Tribal Belle**.

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She was the Sovereign Award Winner in the Champion Female Sprinter category.

**Chuck Keeling**, who won the Surrey Board of Trade Businessman of the Year Award.

**CTHSBC** for the honour of selling a Breeder's Cup Winner, even though it was not a B.C. Bred. Under Manager, **Brian Leight**, Orange Blossom Farm sold "**Dancing in Silks**" to Ken Kinakin and Rancho Del Sol. Another happy person was Anne MacLennan as she had made the silks!

Bryant and Ethel McAfee's son-in-law, **Don Sinclair** of Comox/Courtney for his Local Hero Award at the annual Chamber of Commerce Community Awards. Don saved a drowning woman by smashing the back window of her car, pulling her out and saving her life. A true Act of Courage.

**Glen Todd's** racing newsletter, it is great and gives us more information about our sport, if you wish to receive the newsletter, check the website at [www.derbybarand-grill.com/racing.cfm](http://www.derbybarand-grill.com/racing.cfm)

What do **Jackie Humber**, running in Richmond, Gay and Henry Forstbauer's daughter, **Melinda**, running in Elkford, and Lori Lisogar's daughter, **Wendy**, running in Vancouver, have in common? Besides having connections to the Racing Industry and Backstretch, they all had the honour of carrying the OLYMPIC TORCH! What a thrill.

The following pictures were taken by **Cheryl Fruno** as the OLYMPIC TORCH passed by her house in Langley.



## NEW FOALS

A daughter, Haley, to Annette Luke and Jayson Rodriguez.

## OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND THOUGHTS GO OUT TO:

The Berry Family on the loss of Fran  
The Broad Family on the loss of Bob  
The Machovec and Gustavson Families on the loss of Joe  
The Morris Family on the loss of Marilyn

The Racing World lost a wonderful man, **Dick Francis**, at the age of 89, if you wish to learn more about him or send condolences to his family, go to [www.telegraph.co.uk/news/obituaries/culture-obituaries/7237004/Dick-Francis.html](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/obituaries/culture-obituaries/7237004/Dick-Francis.html)

## GROOM'S SCHOOL

The Groom's School will begin in early March, there were more than 45 people applied.

## LEARNING CENTRE

The Learning Centre is open, but with limited hours until March; please contact Eric Vilistus.

We managed to get the Learning Centre painted over the winter. A special thanks to Frank Fuentes, B-J Davidson, Patti LeSage and Eric Vilistus, I couldn't have done it without your help!



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Patti LeSage painting the Learning Centre



## SCHOLARSHIPS

Any young person wanting a career in horses should definitely apply for the DARLEY FLYING START SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME, we have had 2 young ladies accepted to this program, Caroline Costigan and Sorrell Schoenberger. Check out the website: [www.darleyflyingstart.com](http://www.darleyflyingstart.com)

This programme was started by Sheikh Mohammed in 2003. Each year, twelve trainees with varied backgrounds and nationalities are selected for this course. They begin their training in Kilidanagan Stud in County Kildare, Ireland and then go to Dubai, Australia, and the United States. It is a two year management training programme and is free!

## THE THOROUGHBRED LADIES CLUB EXECUTIVE FOR 2010

President-Linda Sentes  
Vice President-Diane Cardinal  
Secretary-Marion Sundquist

Treasurer-Barb Williams  
Sunshine-Shirley Collins  
Health & Welfare-Anna Byrne, Marilyn Combs, & Marion Ryan  
Social Convener-Shirley Collins, Louise Massey  
For information contact 604-318-7949

## NEW STRIDE THOROUGHBRED RETIREMENT FOUNDATION

There will be an open house at Allbury farm on March 7th from 1-5P.M.

The address is 4807 Olund Road, Abbotsford  
For information phone Kim Inglis (President) at 778-866-9527 or Catherine Sheppard at 604-792-4265

Check out their Website [www.newstride.com](http://www.newstride.com)

There is a good article on New Stride at [www.tripledead-heatca/2010/02/new-stride-looking-for-leg-up.html](http://www.tripledead-heatca/2010/02/new-stride-looking-for-leg-up.html)

## PACIFIC STUD OPEN HOUSE AT THE DERBY



Glen Todd and Drew Forster



Al McFee and Tom Longstaff

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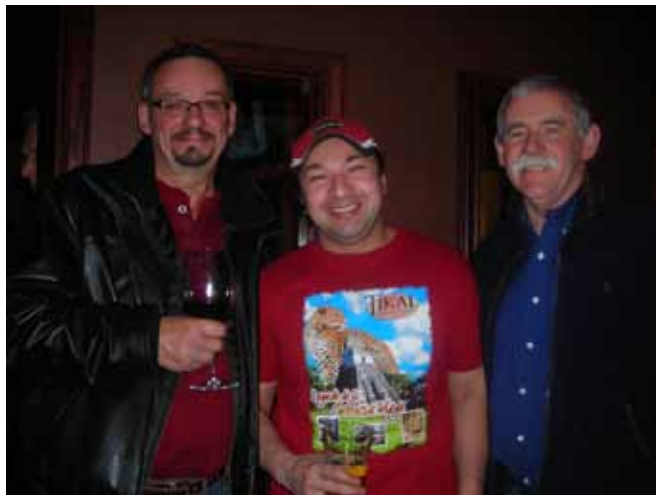
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Frank and Tammy Fuentes with Karen and Joel Mena

**“The size of a friend is no indication of the size of the heart”**



Brian Phillips, Milton and Pete Gregory

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