

## BCTOBA PRESS RELEASE

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The B.C. Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders Association (BCTOBA) is pleased to announce that at the request of Great Canadian Gaming Corporation (GCGC) and with the advice of the BC Horse Racing Industry Management Committee, BCTOBA is taking over management and control of the thoroughbred purse account at Hastings Park.

We will be responsible for the Horsemen's Bookkeeper and are pleased to report that we have retained Merrilee Elliott as the bookkeeper, a position she has held through various track ownerships over the past 25 years.

We feel that this is a very positive move to give the horsemen management and control of their own funds as is being done in numerous jurisdictions throughout North America.

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BCTOBA President