



**BC THOROUGHBRED OWNERS & BREEDERS ASSOCIATION**  
“One Voice for Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders in British Columbia”

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**New Stride Thoroughbred Adoption Society showcases the horse with a  
\$7,500 Hunter Classic Series**

Langley, BC, May 16, 2013-Last year an estimated 25,200 Thoroughbred foals were registered with the Jockey Club. Within a few years, many of those horses will be finished with their racing careers and will need new homes. That's where New Stride Thoroughbred Adoption Society comes in. The registered charity finds adoptive homes and new careers for Thoroughbred racehorses and has successfully placed over 120 since it was formed in 2002.

New Stride is proud to recognize, promote, and reward Thoroughbred owners and riders with its \$7,500 Hunter Classic Series for 2013. “We aim to show the public the best side of the Thoroughbred horse and the industry built around it,” said Bill Randall, President of New Stride Thoroughbred Adoption Society. “Our unique series will raise the profile of Thoroughbreds in sport and will ultimately help find more homes for these magnificent animals.”

The idea of holding a Thoroughbred Hunter Classic Series was spearheaded by Stacey Krembil and Long Run Thoroughbred Adoption Society in Ontario. Over the last five years, it has turned into a highly regarded Series that draws Thoroughbred enthusiasts ranging from promising amateurs to seasoned professional riders. The Series is showcased at a variety of “A” Circuit and FEI-ranked shows.

Working in partnership with Stacey Krembil and Long Run, New Stride's goal is to build the same success in British Columbia and create a national Series over the next few years.

New Stride's \$7,500 Thoroughbred Hunter Classic Series will take place at Thunderbird Show Park (June 2) and Milner Downs Equestrian Centre (July 20 & 27). The Finale will be held at Thunderbird Show Park in late September. The Series will be open to all riders and registered Thoroughbred horses with fences being set at the horses' respective division heights. An additional \$500 in prize money will be awarded to the top overall Thoroughbred/rider combination between the East and West champions.

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New Stride is pleased to recognize Austeville Properties, Chiefswood Stables, Great Canadian Casino, North American Thoroughbred Horse Company, and Shannon Stables Ltd for their support of the Series.

About New Stride Thoroughbred Adoption Society:

New Stride is a registered charity dedicated to finding adoptive homes and new careers for Thoroughbred racehorses. The charity was founded at Hastings Racecourse in 2002 by a group of concerned owners, breeders and backstretch workers who sought to provide a dignified retirement for as many Thoroughbreds as possible.

During its existence New Stride has placed over 120 Thoroughbreds into adoptive homes and assisted many owners and trainers in connecting horses coming off the track with opportunities for new careers and homes. The organization also offers assistance to Thoroughbred owners outside the racing community in the form of information, advice and free advertising of horses for sale on its website. For more information, visit: [www.newstride.com](http://www.newstride.com)

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