# Nominations for HBPA BC Director – Trainer (Five to be elected)

Please note that an individual who is licensed as both an Thoroughbred Owner and Trainer, must run as a Trainer Director per the HBPA BC Constitution.



#### **Mark Freeman**

Born April 2, 1958, Toronto Ontario and a former Professional Hockey player.

Primary Occupation: Owner of Marco Sports Medicine & Bracing Medical supply business.

Selling and Marketing products for the Medical Industry Unofficial supplier of medical braces to the Hastings horsemen and backstretch workers

31 years in Business responsible for \$8M in sales of medical equipment in the lower mainland.

Thoroughbred horse trainer since 2019 and Manager of the Hastings Racing Club



#### **Barbara Heads - incumbent**

A resident of Aldergrove, BC with over 40 years of racing experience, Barb is a Trainer owner who has grown up with the industry.

She has trained for 35 years and have been fortunate to be raised in a family of owners and trainers, parents Cy and June Anderson and brothers Rob and Mike.

During those years I have raced in British Columbia, Alberta, Washington, California and Arizona and was fortunate to experience all aspects of racing in different jurisdictions. I feel our industry has been challenged for so many years and will need strong unity to fight to sustain and help grow this amazing sport.



#### Steve Henson - incumbent

Steve has been an active trainer at Hastings and other North American tracks for many years. He is very dedicated to the industry and the people who work within it and has been the point person for the HPBA's benevolence and care programs.

"I have been in the industry for almost 50 years, a board member for the past 18 years. Currently vice president. I am on the board for every, body not just myself and have an opendoor policy on most issues. I will help where I can".



# John Snow

John has been a very active Thoroughbred Horseracing advocate for many years.

From a well-known and respected horseracing family, he has taken his game to other tracks in North America, earning respect and accolades all while maintaining his attachment to Hastings.

Along with his training partner Tammy, he has a continued commitment to the success of racing at Hastings.



### **Mel Snow - incumbent**

Mel is an active and experienced multi-generational trainer who has been vocal in his support for horseracing for years. He has worked with the Board with his focus on track conditions and jockey recruitment.

He has had a focus on the feedstore's operation as part of his current Director role and is an avid supporter of maintaining the HBPA banner and connection with HBPA National in Kentucky.



## **Demetris Topouzis**

Demetris has been an active owner and advocate for horseracing and Hastings for many years. He is dedicated to the industry and the success and enjoyment of his owners.