



TOC 2008 Election Update

Six TOC Board Seats Up for Election Four "Owner" and Two "Owner-Trainer" Representatives



Bob Bone



Brian Boudreau



Ron Ellis



Neil Haymes



Billy Koch



Pete Parella



John Liviakis



Randy Morris



Phil Oviedo



Mike Shustek



Don Valpredo

The TOC Executive Committee nominated the following individuals for the 2008 election: Bob Bone, Billy Koch, John Liviakis, Mike Shustek, and Don Valpredo in the "owner" member category; and Ron Ellis and Phil Oviedo in the "owner-trainer" member category. In addition to the seven candidates seeking to be nominated by the Executive Committee, four candidates – Brian Boudreau, Neil Haymes, Randy Morris, and Pete Parella – qualified via the petition process. Each has agreed to run and serve, if elected.

The four owner representative and two owner-trainer representative candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected, and will take office on July 1, 2008, subject to TOC's bylaws. TOC bylaws require that at least three owner and one owner-trainer representative board members be Northern Californians. Thus, if in an election it is necessary for one or more of those elected to be from Northern California, then the Northern California candidate(s) receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected, regardless of whether the candidate(s) was the top vote getter in his or her category. In 2008, only the Northern Californian owner-trainer representative seat –expir-

ing June 30 – is affected and, with Oviedo agreeing to again serve, the requirement is met.

This year's election ballot will be mailed to all TOC members by May 15, 2008. ***To be counted, returned ballots must be post-marked by no later than June 15.*** An independent auditor will complete the vote count by June 21, and the vote will be reported by July 1, at which time the newly elected directors will assume office.

Please check your mailbox next month for the ballot, and vote for the candidates who you believe will represent your interests best as a Thoroughbred owner, and return the ballot in the envelope provided to the independent auditor.

TOC's Annual Meeting

TOC members will have an opportunity to meet the new TOC Board of Directors at the annual meetings to be held at Del Mar on Saturday, Aug. 16, and Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, Oct. 4. Mark your calendars now and look for further information in the summer issue of the *Owners' Circle*.