

PHILIP COOLE

Puslinch, Ontario

Nominated as: Active Director, Ontario Region

I am a native of Sydney, Nova Scotia and have lived in Ontario for 30 years, operating my own public stable for 23 years and racing all over North America.

I have put forward this nomination for Standardbred Canada Director as my lifetime passion and involvement in the harness racing industry is extremely important to me.

It's no secret that harness racing in this country is at a crossroads and Standardbred Canada needs to build on its strengths first – data and record-keeping – then support and work closely with other industry stakeholders. We need to ensure that SC is financially accountable for the mandate put forward in the Sustainability Plan.

I believe the present size of the Board is too large, negating its effectiveness and requires realignment. I am prepared to commit the next three years to serving the membership with integrity and passion and to do my part to ensuring Standardbred Canada has a voice and is recognized as an industry leader.