

**Thomas Bain**  
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### **Nominated as ONTARIO TRACK DIRECTOR**

I have been involved in the harness racing industry for close to fifty years. During those years, I owned and trained horses and to a lesser degree, drove a few horses and still continue to hold my driver's licence. Generally my stable contains 4 – 5 horses.

Over my long career, I have raced at almost every track in Ontario and was voted "Harness Sportsman of the Year" for the Leamington Kinsmen Raceway. Among my other accolades, I was nominated for the Windsor Essex Sports People of Importance Award for my work in saving harness racing in the Essex County area after the closing of Windsor Raceway.

My son, grandson and I have been written up in Trot magazine for our family stable. My grandson, Nathan is the youngest person to announce a harness race and now at 17 years of age he's announced at London, Dresden, Leamington, Flamboro, Pompano Park, Northville, Northfield Park and Miami Valley Raceway.

One of my horses, "On the Phone Again" held the record for most consecutive wins. Having ten straight wins while working his way up the claiming ranks. I have had several horses race in the Ontario Sire Stakes Program.

As one of the founding members of the Lakeshore Horse Racing Association, I continue to fight not only to save horse racing in the area but to see it grow.

I am presently the Mayor for the Town of Lakeshore and have been involved in politics for 41 years. I hold the honour of being the longest serving Warden in all of Ontario, having served 9 years with the County of Essex. As a retired School Principal with the Greater Windsor Essex County District School Board I developed a number of Management skills.

If elected to the Standardbred Canada Board, I would look forward to being a part of a team which is devoted to improving and growing the horse racing industry.

I am always eager to provide both input and to learn. I would hope that with my direct involvement in the industry for nearly 50 years and my management skills as an Administrator, I would be able to bring an insightful and productive voice to the board.