

# Results of April 2010 TRA Pre-Meet Backstretch Opening Survey PRELIMINARY AS OF 4/16/10

Track	How far in advance of your live race meet do you open your backstretch for training?	Who makes the decision?		
		Mgmt.	Negot. w/horsemen	Horsemen
Calder	Year round		X	
Canterbury Park	Three weeks before the start of the meet; some horses allowed on grounds earlier but no training on main track before three weeks prio		X	
Charles Town	Year round race meet. Barn area has not been closed for any duration in years.	X		
Churchill Downs	50 days		X	
Ellis Park	45 Days before live meet begins; Per contract with HBPA		X	
Gulfstream	Two months	X		
Hastings	80 Days	X		
Hawthorne	Open for training all winter between fall & spring meets. For fall meet, we will be open between 1 month and 3 weeks prior to start of meet	X		
Horsemen's Park	One week		X	
Laurel/Pimlico	Laurel & Bowie stay open all year. Pimlico opened 7 days before the meet started	X		
Lone Star	Two weeks in advance; stays open one week after end of meel		x	
Monmouth Park	April 5 for opening day on May 22; Closes Dec. 1 for last day of racing Nov. 21		X	
Oaklawn	60 days in advance for stabling; 53 days in advance for training.		X	
Penn National	Year Round		x	
Portland Meadows	60 days		X	
Prairie Meadows	No more than five (5) weeks prior to the first day of the Thoroughbred meet.		X	
Remington	30 days		x	
Sam Houston	Backstretch opens 17 days prior, training on the track is 14 days prior		X	
Tampa Bay Downs	Backstretch opens 30 days prior, training on the track is 21 days prior		X	
Thistledown	By contract we are supposed to open 2 weeks prior but each year we negotiate a new addendum to the contrac		X	
Woodbine	February 15 for opening day on April 2	X		
Total: 21		6	15	0

<i>Comments:</i>	
Calder	Collaborative decision between local management and horsemen
Hastings	Always have been asked for more training time