

Woodbine adds Meza as Racing Surfaces Consultant

TORONTO, November 18, 2024 – Woodbine Entertainment today announced the addition of longtime track superintendent Juan Meza as a Racing Surfaces Consultant for Woodbine Racetrack.

Meza served as the track superintendent at Golden Gate Fields for over two decades up until the track ceased operations this past June.

Like Woodbine, Golden Gate Fields held racing on a Tapeta (All-Weather) racing surface, installing the synthetic track in 2007.

Meza's brings an extensive knowledge in Tapeta to Woodbine and has worked closely alongside the surface manufacturer (Tapeta Footings).

"The safety and well-being of both our equine athletes and human participants is our top priority," said Bill Ford, Executive Vice President of Racing, Woodbine Entertainment. "We are pleased to have Mr. Meza available to assist in our ongoing efforts and commitment to maintain the highest safety standards. We will continue to work closely with the HBPA and AGCO to ensure the safest possible conditions for all involved."

Meza will work in coordination with Ryan Stafford, Director of Racing Surfaces, to maintain the safe condition of the Tapeta surface and support the Racing Surfaces team.