



JAPAN RACING ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE MR. TOMOAKI HASHIMOTO VISITING BUENOS AIRES



Tomoaki Hashimoto, General Manager of the New York office of the Japan Racing Association (JRA) travelled to Buenos Aires during the week of June 24th to 29th, to hold a series of visits and meetings related to his functions within the horse racing activity, as well as protocol meetings at the Embassy and Consulate of Japan in Argentina.



Hashimoto visited the training center at San Isidro Racecourse and attended races on Wednesday the 26th, where he met with the Chairman of OSAF and the Jockey Club, Juan Villar Urquiza, as well as other members of San Isidro Racecourse Racing Commission.

During his brief stay in Buenos Aires, he had the opportunity to visit Haras Carampagne, Stud Haras Abolengo, and Stud Friends, where he also held meetings with the trainers in charge and gave an interview to racing journalist Diego Mitagstein (TurfDiario).

Concluding his activities, on Saturday he also visited Hipódromo Argentino de Palermo, on the occasion of the running of the Carrera de las Estrellas series. The race meeting included in its program a race named after the *Japan Racing Association* in honor of their representative's attendance, and Hashimoto took part in the price-giving ceremony presenting the winners with the JRA's emblematic gifts.

The visit of important racing authorities from other regions, such as the Japan Racing Association, particularly through the efforts made by Mr. Horacio Espósito, Vice Chairman of IFHA and OSAF Advisor in International Affairs, is of utmost relevance for the entire region, as it is fully aligned with the strategy of globalization and integration of South American racing with racing World-wide.

