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‘UNBELIEVABLE’

Rich Strike Stuns With 80-1 Kentucky Derby Upset

BY BYRON KING | [@BH_BKING](#)

Rich Strike made his mutuel backers in the May 7 Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1) precisely that—richer, posting the second-largest upset in the race's 148-year history.

Catching two of the race favorites, Epicenter and Zandon, with a dramatic stretch drive under unheralded jockey Sonny Leon, the 80-1 longshot stunned a crowd of 147,294 at Churchill Downs. The Keen Ice colt returned \$163.60 for a \$2 win wager, a payoff surpassed only Donerail, who returned \$184.90 in 1913.

Bettors weren't the only ones shocked. Winning trainer Eric Reed said his knees buckled in excitement soon after the race, and he fell to the ground as he watched his colt cross the wire in front.

"Can you believe this, man?" Reed later exclaimed to friends as people rushed to congratulate him.

He wasn't alone in feeling that way. Winning owner Rick Dawson of RED TR-Racing also was stunned.

"What planet is this? I feel like I have been propelled somewhere. I'm not sure," he said. "This is unbelievable. I asked my trainer up on the stage, I said,



SNIP DICKSTEIN

Rich Strike defeats Epicenter (center) and Zandon in the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs

'Are you sure this is not a dream? Because it can't be true.' He assured me this is real."

For many in attendance, this was a result that wasn't supposed to happen—and it nearly didn't. Rich Strike wasn't even in the original field of 20, lacking the Kentucky Derby qualifying points of other competitors, leaving him as an also-eligible in need of a scratch to start.

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SKIP DICKSTEIN

Rich Strike's connections celebrate with the Kentucky Derby trophy

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(L-R): Rich Strike makes history beneath the Twin Spires; Rick Dawson savors the moment in the Kentucky Derby winner's circle

RICH STRIKE STUNS WITH 80-1 KENTUCKY DERBY UPSET

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From the time of entries May 2 until the early morning hours of May 6, it didn't look like he would get the chance. But opportunity knocked in the waning minutes before closing scratch time at 9 a.m. Friday, when Ethereal Road was pulled from the race, clearing the way for him to start.

As an also-eligible, he secured a spot in the race on the far outside in post 20, a position from which only one horse, Big Brown (2008), had won in 17 previous attempts.

But Leon—who rode not at Churchill Downs on Kentucky Oaks Day but at his regular base at Belterra Park—never rode like a jockey daunted by the wide draw. Quickly easing his mount back off the pace, he settled Rich Strike toward the back of the pack, and the colt entered the first turn in 18th, ahead of just two horses and only a couple of paths off the inside.

With a hot pace unfolding in the Derby—Summer Is Tomorrow threw down taxing opening splits of :21.78 and :45.36 while chased by Japan's Crown

Pride—Rich Strike's placement toward the back left him with plenty in reserve.

By the six-furlong stage of the Derby, the pace began to moderate, with Messier forging to a narrow advantage over Crown Pride. But the off-the-pace horses were coming.

Following the rallies of horses in front of him, notably Epicenter and Zandon, Rich Strike began picking off rivals, with Leon moving a few paths outside on the turn, then inside for the stretch run.

Still, few yet noticed Rich Strike, as attention shifted to Epicenter, the 4-1 public choice, who, racing from farther off the pace than usual, took command after a mile in 1:36.96. With Zandon hot on his heels, the race seemed likely to come down to a battle between the race favorite and the morning-line favorite in Zandon, who closed at 6-1.

But Rich Strike was just finding his stride. With Leon narrowly avoiding running up on the heels of a tiring Messier in midstretch, Rich Strike reeled in the leaders, catching Epicenter in the final sixteenth for a three-quarter length victory. He stopped the clock with 1 1/4 miles on a fast track in 2:02.61.

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"I didn't know if he could win, but I had a good feeling with him," said Leon, whose lone mount on the card was the Derby. "I had to wait until the stretch, and that's what I did. I waited, and then the rail opened up. I wasn't nervous. I was excited. Nobody knows my horse like I know my horse."

Rich Strike's victory denied Steve Asmussen, the winningest trainer in North American racing history, an elusive Derby win. He is 0-for-24, with three runner-up finishes and two thirds.

"I said it earlier, they're gonna tell me this happened tomorrow, and I'm not going to agree," he said in the paddock tunnel after the race. "I'm like, I'm not gonna believe 'em."

He was pleased with the performance of his colt and Joel Rosario's patient handling to rate his

horse in eighth early. He noted Rosario positioned Epicenter "where you want to be" with the lead in the stretch, set to fend off Zandon.

Then "I saw the other horse, and I'm like, 'No! He's not going to beat us.' And he did," Asmussen said.

He praised the winner and Rich Strike's connections.

"Hats off to him. They won the Kentucky Derby. What a story," he said.

Following Zandon across the wire was Simplification, who ran fourth, two lengths behind the show finisher. A closing Mo Donegal settled for fifth after a poor start.

Completing the field were Barber Road, Tawny Port, Smile Happy, Tiz the Bomb, Zozos, Classic Causeway, Taiba, Crown Pride, Happy Jack, Messier, White Abarrio, Charge It, Cyberknife, Pioneer of Medina and Summer Is Tomorrow.

Indicative of the demanding pace, no horse that raced among the top four for the first half-mile finished better than 10th.

Saturday's Derby had a field that was among the least experienced on record, with seven colts having four or fewer starts. One entrant, Taiba, had raced just twice, winning a maiden race and the Runhappy Santa Anita Derby (G1).

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—RICK DAWSON



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Both Taiba and Santa Anita Derby runner-up Messier were prepared for Saturday's race by Tim Yakteen, who began overseeing their training this spring. Yakteen took over shortly before their prior trainer, six-time Derby winner, Bob Baffert began serving a suspension from Medina Spirit testing positive for a prohibited medication in last year's race and ultimately being disqualified.

While other Derby starters, such as Taiba, cost exorbitant sums at auction, Rich Strike was acquired for \$30,000, plucked out of a maiden



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claiming race last September at Churchill Downs in his second start.

Reed had been encouraged by the colt's earlier workouts and was optimistic he may not have run to his potential in his Ellis Park debut when competing on turf for trainer Joe Sharp and his owner/breeder, Calumet Farm.

So Reed submitted a claim and watched in excitement as Rich Strike won on dirt by 17 1/2 lengths, showing an affinity for the main track at Churchill Downs. The horse then joined his stable.

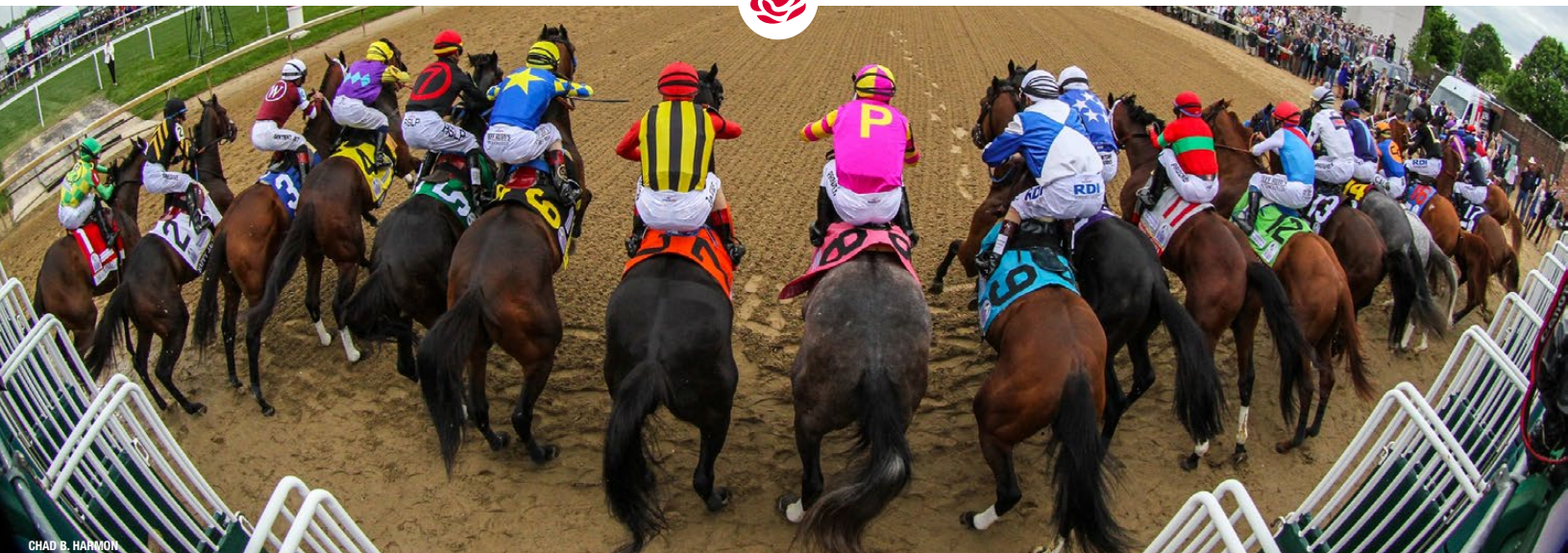
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Rich Strike emerges victorious and Sonny Leon celebrates with roses after the field is sent on its way for the 148th Kentucky Derby



RICH STRIKE STUNS WITH 80-1 KENTUCKY DERBY UPSET

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Rich Strike entered the Kentucky Derby with no other wins, with his best finish in four stakes being a pair of third-place finishes, the most recent of which came in the April 2 Jeff Ruby Steaks (G3) at Turfway Park when he lost on a synthetic surface by 5 3/4 lengths to Tiz the Bomb. Epicenter had beaten him by 14 lengths in the Gun Runner Stakes over the winter at Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots.

"It's a horse race, and anybody can win. And the tote board doesn't mean a thing," Reed said.

Even without Rich Strike in their colors, Calumet Farm was represented in the Derby by 14th-place finisher Happy Jack. He needed to be reloaded in the gate after being loaded, briefly delaying the start of the Derby.

The Derby winner is a Kentucky-bred and one of eight foals out of the graded stakes-winning Smart Strike mare Gold Strike, champion 3-year-old filly in Canada in 2005. She has produced four winners, including Llanarmon (Sky Mesa), who captured the Natalma Stakes (G2T) at Woodbine on turf in 2013. Rich Strike is her most recent foal.

Rich Strike earned \$1,860,000 in taking the \$3 million Kentucky Derby, elevating his earnings to \$1,971,289 with a record of 2-0-3 in eight starts.

He provided Calumet Farm with their 10th Kentucky Derby win as breeder, extending their record, with eight coming from horses that raced for the farm when the Wright family operated Calumet in the mid-to-late-20th Century. Brad Kelley currently owns Calumet, where Keen Ice stands at stud.

Like Rich Strike, Keen Ice pulled off a memorable upset, surprising Triple Crown winner American Pharoah at 16-1 odds in the 2015 Travers Stakes (G1) at Saratoga Race Course. BH



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\$2 Mutuel Prices: 21-RICH STRIKE 163.60 74.20 29.40, 3-EPICENTER 7.40 5.20, 10-ZANDON 5.60

\$2 EXACTA 21-3 PAID \$4,101.20 \$1 SUPERFACTA 21-3-10-13 PAID \$321,500.10 \$1 SUPER HIGH FIVE 21-3-10-13-1 PAID \$741,018.50 50 CENT TRIFECTA 21-3-10 PAID \$7,435.35

Ch. c. (Apr), by Keen Ice - Gold Strike, by Smart Strike. Trainer: Reed Eric R. Bred by Calumet Farm (Ky). RICH STRIKE came out a step slow while breaking just a bit outwardly at the start, tucked down behind the main group shortly after, settled far back two wide, picked up stride to move four wide and between horses into the far turn, awaited racing room among foes turning for home before smartly shifting inward approaching the lane, rallied along the inside in upper stretch, altered course outside of MESSIER leaving the three sixteenth pole while checking mildly, then sustained his charge inside of the leading pair in the final furlong, bid in the final sixteenth and edged an advantage approaching the wire. EPICENTER settled saving ground, took closer order inside the half mile marker, moved out and continued the advance between rivals, waited briefly near the quarter, angled out further into the stretch, shook clear once uncovered, dug in and fought doggedly but was unable to resist the winner. ZANDON was put in tight early, tucked in to save ground, ranged into striking distance into the second turn, worked his way through traffic as he closed the gap, shifted out to clear entering the lane, loomed a danger but failed to make headway in the drive. SIMPLIFICATION settled off of the pace three wide, shifted five wide approaching the far turn, inched closer under urging between horses turning for home, fanned seven wide entering the lane then stayed on well through the final furlong to chase the leaders home. MO DONEGAL broke awkwardly and was away behind the field, was untroubled toward the inside near the back of the pack, wheeled outward wide leaving the second turn and was making up ground too late. BARBER ROAD dropped in after breaking towards the back of the pace, raced at the rear two wide, raced five to six wide around the far turn before swinging eleven wide entering the lane and stayed on mildly, but was fended off by an MO DONEGAL while outside that one for a minor share. TAWNY PORT took mild nudges from rivals on either side at the start, tucked into the first turn to save ground off the pace, shifted off the rail to surpass the stopping early-pace setter around the far turn, improved inside of rivals entering the lane, shifted out six wide in upper stretch to take aim on the leading group but only managed to chase them before flattening out in the final furlong. SMILE HAPPY settled between rivals while striking distance, was caught in tight and steadied near the three furlong marker, battled on between runners through the second bend, altered to the outside for clear sailing into the stretch, but flattened in the final furlong. TIZ THE BOMB broke slow, settled along the inside, came under a ride into the second turn, followed the path of the winner into the stretch and around the tiring ones to make up some ground. ZOZOS brushed by the rival from his inside at the start, moved forward approaching the wire for the first time to achieve a three wide stalking position, was floated four wide by EPICENTER while chasing the leaders around the far turn, got outmoved by that foe at the five sixteenth pole, and faded shortly after. CLASSIC CAUSEWAY leaned outwardly at the start while breaking a step slowly, rated off of the pace three wide in the first turn, moved along between horses into the far turn, steadied hard among foes passing the five sixteenth pole, got floated out by CYBERKNIFE in upper stretch, and made little impact. TAIBA tracked from midpack while gradually shifting inward through the lane for the first time, cleared an inner CHARGE IT entering the first turn, pursued comfortably from the two path, shifted out to be four wide into the far turn, chased under encouragement among rivals around that bend, but offered little response, and tired on his left lead in midstretch. CROWN PRIDE (JPN) prompted the pace three deep, contested the issue to the stretch and faltered. HAPPY JACK was slow into stride and passed only the tiring foes. MESSIER tracked the leaders along the inside under a snug hold, commenced his bid between horses, forged a brief lead near the quarter pole, but came up empty entering the stretch and retreated. WHITE ABARRIO got hung out five wide while midpack around the first turn, inched closer seven wide and outside of foes while under heavy urging around the far turn but spun into the lane nine wide and faded between horses in upper stretch. CHARGE IT was caught in tight entering the first turn, steadied and altered course to the outside, when five to six wide through the second turn, was forced in when CYBERKNIFE came in and failed to menace. CYBERKNIFE tracked wide while forwardly placed in the three to four path around the first turn, got floated five wide into the latter bend, required urging to keep pace turning for home and cavorted after fanning eight wide into the lane. PIONEER OF MEDINA brushed with an inner rival soon after the start, raced midpack four wide and between horses around the first turn while under steady urging, came under a heavier drive while a bit wider down the backstretch, but was through into the far turn, weakened around that bend and got eased through the lane. SUMMER IS TOMORROW was away in good order, set a contested tempo for six furlongs, but gave way readily once headed and was eased through the lane and walked off.

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2	New Year's Day, '11, (Street Cry) N/A, N/A	2.64	1.16	5	208	8	3	2
3	Curlin, '04, (Smart Strike) Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY, \$175,000	2.27	2.21	11	1,055	86	47	17
4	Tapit, '01, (Pulpit) Gainesway, KY, \$185,000	2.22	2.19	15	1,559	150	94	29
5	Constitution, '11, (Tapit) WinStar Farm, KY, \$85,000	2.07	1.52	4	463	21	12	2
6	Into Mischief, '05, (Harlan's Holiday) Spendthrift Farm, KY, \$250,000	2.07	1.68	11	1,309	110	48	11
7	War Front, '02, (Danzig) Claiborne Farm, KY, \$100,000	2.05	2.13	13	919	102	56	22
8	Ghostzapper, '00, (Awesome Again) Hill 'n' Dale Farms, KY, \$75,000	2.02	1.95	14	1,131	88	46	12
9	Speightstown, '98, (Gone West) WinStar Farm, KY, \$90,000	2.01	1.95	15	1,295	125	61	23
10	Quality Road, '06, (Elusive Quality) Lane's End, KY, \$150,000	1.99	1.92	9	812	57	31	13

Listed above are the top 10 leading sires by lifetime Average Earnings Index (AEI) through May 6, 2022. Only stallions that stand, will stand, or stood in North America (excluding stallions that died or were exported prior to the 2018 breeding season), with at least 150 named foals of racing age are included. All statistics are Northern Hemisphere only. AEI indicates how much purse money the progeny of one sire has earned in relation to the average earnings of all runners in the same years; average earnings of all runners in any year is represented by an index of 1.00. CI indicates the average earnings of progeny produced from mares bred to one sire, when these same mares were bred to other sires. Stakes winners are lifetime.



DAWSON FINDS GOLD MINE WITH RICH STRIKE

By Molly Rollins

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The horse owned by a man who had won less than 10 races in his life defeated a horse owned by one of the most successful owners in the business, Ron Winchell, a man whose runners have bankrolled more than \$28,000,000.

"As far as my career in horse racing, I think it just started," said Richard Dawson of RED TR-Racing.

You could say that again.

When Dawson's Rich Strike rocketed up the rail at odds of 80-1 to blast by race favorite and Twinspires.com Louisiana Derby winner (G2) Epicenter in the final yards of the 148th Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1), the owner who had never had a horse win an allowance race just captured the biggest race in the country.

Semi-retired after a lengthy career in the oil and gas industry, Ohio-based Dawson is a relative newcomer to the racing industry, purchasing his first horse in 2019. He currently counts five horses total in his stable, with Rich Strike being his only active horse in training.

"What planet is this?" said Dawson. "I feel like I have been propelled somewhere. I'm not sure. This is unbelievable. I asked my trainer up on the stage, I said, 'Are you sure this is not a dream? Because it can't be true.' He assured me this is real. I said okay."

Dawson and trainer Eric Reed dropped a claim for Rich Strike in a \$30,000 maiden claiming race at Churchill Downs last September. Although they liked the son of Keen Ice, the horse they lost the shake on—the horse they really wanted—was a colt named Twitchy.

Twitchy never ran again for his new connections. Rich Strike, a stellar 17 1/4-length winner that day under the Twin Spires, won the Derby.

"I didn't get into this to win the Kentucky Derby, although I'm not giving the trophy back," joked Dawson.

"But I got in it because I loved it, and it was interesting," said Dawson. "It was fun. I was at a point in my life where I had the time and the energy, wanted to go to the farm, wanted to go—and I learned the



RICK SAMUELS

“As far as my career in horse racing, I think it just started.”

— RICHARD DAWSON

business. And Eric was so great about teaching me. If I asked him a stupid question, he didn't say, 'That's a stupid question.' He would just, he would give me a great answer and truthfully, I would learn from that. And that's how we built what we built."

Dawson put his faith in Reed when the trainer told him last fall that Rich Strike had the potential to be a Derby contender and he never questioned the trainer's decisions in getting his colt to the starting gate Saturday. Even when Reed was adamant about keeping little-known Ohio-based jockey Sonny Leon aboard Rich Strike.

"A month or so back we had a conversation (about jockeys), like most people," said Dawson. "You're looking at options. And (Reed) said if you get in the Derby I want to stick with Sonny. I said, yeah, I would never, ever change at this point. I said I may not change my socks let alone—my jock, you know?"

Dawson also played his hand in the breeding game recently. Cognizant of Rich Strike's potential, Dawson made sure to breed his one and only broodmare to the colt's stallion, Travers Stakes (G1) hero and the conqueror of Triple Crown champion American Pharoah, Keen Ice. **BH**

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(L-R): Herbert Reed and Eric Reed at the press conference

LIFELONG PASSION CARRIES REED TO DERBY WINNER'S CIRCLE

By Claire Crosby

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Eric Reed stood in the quiet of the Churchill Downs stakes barn, where Rich Strike—a feel-good chestnut with a coat of burnished copper—was contemplating the depths of his feed tub in a manner that would satisfy even the most brooding trainer. It was 10:13 a.m. ET, one day before the 148th running of the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1). They had just drawn in off the also-eligible list.

Confident in his horse but also a dreamer, Reed choked up just thinking about the opportunity to saddle his first Derby starter. It was a chance so revered, so delicate, plucked from the fortunes of others and placed gently into his 57-year-old hands. It was a precious gift he was overwhelmed to receive, and yet, he was ready.

Reed would never tell you he had a chance of winning the Kentucky Derby. That was too outlandish. He just knew he had a horse capable of running well—and if you don't swing for the fences, what are you even doing in this business?

For 32 hours and 49 minutes, pundits would question that belief. There would be one more night of relative anonymity, and then Derby Day dawned.

From final preparations to the walkover to the paddock, the horse known around the barn as "Ritchie"

“If you find something you love to do, you never work. And (Eric Reed) found something he loved to do, and he’s good at it.”

—HERBERT REED

was discounted, ultimately sent off at odds of 80-1. But horses can't read the tote board, and on his journey from last to first, Rich Strike took that special something Reed could feel brewing just beneath the surface and put it on display for the world to see.

Watching the race unfold from the paddock, the lifelong horseman crumpled to his knees. He saw Rich Strike cut to the inside at the head of the stretch, and then—"I passed out," Reed said. "I don't remember what happened after that."

What happened was a once-in-a-lifetime achievement for a man whose heart has always been with the horses. Growing up the son of veteran trainer Herbert Reed, who stuck by his side through every step of Saturday's post-race melee, Reed has given his life to a sport at once beautiful and cruel, a heart-breaking, exhilarating, humbling, exhausting, rewarding, thrilling game.

"He's been going to the track with me since he was 6 years old, and that's no bull," the older Reed recalled during the post-race press conference. "He would go every day. And when he was 8, he could put a spider bandage on a horse, and most people don't even know what it is anymore."

"He said, 'I know what I want to do. I'm not going to college; I'm going to train horses,'" the elder Reed recalled. "And if you find something you love to do, you never work. And he found something he loved to do, and he's good at it."

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LIFELONG PASSION CARRIES REED TO DERBY WINNER'S CIRCLE

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"My dad gave me two horses and said, 'You want to be a trainer? Here's two horses. You're a trainer,'" Reed remembered with a grin. "And I've never called a person in my life and asked them to train a horse, ever. So every horse that I got was from referral or somebody that just wanted to give me a chance."

A lot of people had never heard of Eric Reed before Saturday. His lone graded stakes score came in the 2009 Lexus Raven Run Stakes (G2) at Keeneland with Satans Quick Chick. He took a run at the legendary Zenyatta and came up a neck short with Rinterval in the 2010 Clement L. Hirsch Stakes (G1).

"We've won a graded stakes—now two," he laughed.

More than wins have carried Reed and his wife, Kay, whose father and mother were horse trainers and whose great uncle Charlie Kurtsinger rode War Admiral to Triple Crown victory in 1937, through the years. Their resilience and determination, and the support of the racing community, kept them going in the aftermath of a tragic barn fire that claimed the lives of 23 of their horses in 2016.

[MITCHELL: Fire Devastates Mercury Equine Center](#)

"The next morning when we saw the devastation—because this happened in the middle of the night—I just thought of all the years and all the stuff we had done to get this beautiful farm," said Reed of his beloved Mercury Equine Center. "And to have this happen, that something might be telling me it's the end of the line..."

"(But) my best friends were there in the morning to pick me up. And about the third or fourth day when people started showing up from states that didn't know who I was, they just saw the story—it let me know there's so much good out there. And then I had a few trainers that sent me texts. Some big trainers, the guys you know well, that told me, 'Don't let this take you out. And we'll help you. We'll get you horses, we'll get you clients. Whatever you need.' And that kept me going, and then I just decided that I wasn't going to let it take me out. And thank God, we're here today."

In the aftermath of victory, Reed couldn't blame the public for discounting him and his horse. That was logical, he said, more than the win that defied his wildest expectations.

"Small trainer, small rider, small stable," Reed said. "He should have been 80-1. But I've been around a long time, and I've had some really nice horses. And we knew what we had. I'm not telling you by any means

we knew we had a Derby winner... (but) we knew we had a horse that was capable of running good."

"Eric easily undersells and overperforms, and that's kind of the way he goes about life," owner Rick Dawson added. "I said, 'Do you think we had a Derby horse?' He goes, 'Maybe.' I said, 'Well, let's get the calendar out, find the first Saturday in May, and back up from there.'... and Eric was incredibly calm and convincing... and so I trusted Eric to always tell me the truth. Sometimes that wasn't good news, but I knew it was always the truth, and I can deal with that. That's the relationship we've built, and here we are." **BH**



SNIP DICKSTEIN

Eric Reed hoists the Kentucky Derby trophy at Churchill Downs

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CALUMET EXTENDS RECORD AS LEADING KY DERBY BREEDER

By Eric Mitchell

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No Thoroughbred operation has a greater association with the Kentucky Derby (G1) than Calumet Farm, whose name prior to this weekend had been associated as the breeder of a record nine victories since 1941.

Under the tutelage of Kentucky businessman Brad Kelley since 2012, the historic farm next to Keeneland with distinctive white board fencing raised its tally to 10 when 80-1 longshot Rich Strike blew past 4-1 favorite Epicenter in deep stretch May 7 to capture America's biggest race.

The last Kentucky Derby winner bred by Calumet Farm was Strike the Gold, a son of Alydar bred when the farm was being run by former president J.T. Lundy. Strike the Gold won the Derby in 1991, the same year the farm declared bankruptcy and unleashed a torrent of lawsuits that landed Lundy in jail. The farm was then sold at public auction in 1992 to Henryk de Kwiatkowski, then later sold to Kelley.

Kelley is a native of Franklin, Ky., and founder of Commonwealth Tobacco, a discount cigarette company that he sold in 2001 for \$1 billion. According to Forbes, Kelley has become one of the largest landowners in the United States, with 1.5 million acres from Florida to Hawaii in his portfolio. Forbes estimates his net worth as of May 7 at \$2.7 billion.

Rich Strike is a son of Calumet's second-crop sire Keen Ice, who delivered his own upset in 2015 when he defeated Triple Crown winner American Pharoah in the Travers Stakes (G1) at odds of 16-1. The 10-year-old son of Curlin had finished third in the Belmont Stakes Presented by DraftKings (G1) that year and was second in the William Hill Haskell Invitational Stakes (G1). At 5, he won the Suburban Stakes (G2) and was runner-up in the Whitney Stakes (G1) and Jockey Club Gold Cup Stakes (G1) on his way to earning \$3,407,245.

As a stallion, Keen Ice has sired 30 winners and had only one black-type winner in Puerto Rico prior to Saturday, when Rich Strike was among his five stakes-placed performers.



ANNE M. EBENHARDT

Keen Ice at Calumet Farm

Rich Strike is out of the 2005 Canadian champion 3-year-old filly Gold Strike, a daughter of Smart Strike, and winner of the 2005 Labatt Woodbine Oaks. Gold Strike is also the dam of Natalma Stakes (G2) winner Llanarmon, who was third in the 2014 Woodbine Oaks. The Derby winner is the last foal the mare has produced.

Calumet originally became a Thoroughbred nursery when Warren Wright Sr., heir to the Calumet Baking Power Co., inherited the farm in 1931. The farm passed to Wright's widow, Lucille, after he died in 1950 and she married Gene Markey. They ran the farm until Markey died in 1980.

Calumet's greatest achievements came during 1941-61, when it won the Kentucky Derby seven times with homebreds Whirlaway (1941), Pensive (1944), Citation (1948), Ponder (1949), Hill Gail (1952), Iron Liege (1957), and Tim Tam (1958). The farm won its eighth Derby with homebred Forward Pass in 1968 after the disqualification of Dancer's Image. Strike the Gold was raced by William Condren, Joseph Cornacchia, and B. Giles Brophy. **BH**

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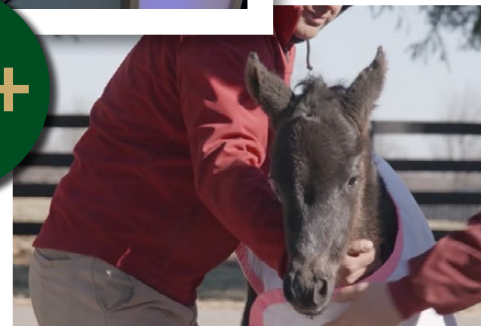
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LEON STRIKES WITH FIRST GRADED STAKES WIN IN KY DERBY

By Corrie McCroskey

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Sonny Leon's first graded stakes victory was simply unimaginable.

Coming from the back of the pack with the odds stacked 80-1 against him, Leon nimbly cut Rich Strike through a field of 19 proven horses, eyes studying the rail and told the horse: Go.

"I know this horse; I know the horse can be in the race," Leon said. "I don't know if I think he can win the race but I have the feeling with him... He didn't want to stop."

Leon, a 32-year-old Venezuelan jockey who has ridden for trainer Eric Reed for the past two years and has only been riding in the U.S. for seven, had full confidence in the power under him.

"I was excited; a lot of people asked, 'Are you nervous?' and I said, 'I'm not nervous, I'm excited; I'm riding in the Kentucky Derby.' I've got the longshot horse; nobody knows my horse like I know that horse," Leon said.

Describing how he rode the race, Leon said he saw an opportunity and went for it with no hesitation.

"I know my horse likes the rail. When I turned for home, the door opened for me but I had a horse in front of mine on the rail. I come through, or I avoid the horse. I didn't want to take a chance... I'm going to avoid the horse. That's what I did... I did the right thing."

When owner Richard Dawson found out his horse was in the field, he did not falter in keeping Leon on the job.

"I would never, ever change at this point... I've watched Sonny ride a bunch. His courage, his smartness on the track, his athleticism. He's our kind of guy," Dawson said.

Reed echoed these sentiments, explaining how Leon helped to put the essential miles under the 3-year-old Keen Ice colt, teaching him how to "calm down and how to get aggressive when the time came."

Gratitude for Leon was palpable as the team reflected on the astonishing success.

"Everybody was Sonny Leon at some point in their career, they just needed the big stable and the good horses to take them to the top. He could've gone, he's a family man, he's the leading rider where he is. He was good enough to get me here," Reed said.

"The difference between the Sonny Leons and the

guys that everybody sees every day is that they ride those horses all the time, and he doesn't get a chance. But where he rides, he rides those horses everywhere and he wins all the races. He's a great rider, with a lot of courage but he has a very smart head and a good sense of pace. He's ridden for me for two years; he's my number one rider."

As the dust settles, Rich Strike's connections will feel out the horse and let him tell them where he will go next. For Leon, he is fulfilled.

Sitting calmly, Leon responded to the question: "How do you think this will change your career?"

He said, "I want to enjoy this moment and we'll see what happens tomorrow." **BH**



RICK SAMUELS

Sonny Leon savors winning the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs

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RICH STRIKE FIRST CLAIMED HORSE TO WIN KENTUCKY DERBY

By Meredith Daugherty
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Every year, industry professionals spend millions of dollars on breeding, selling, and training Thoroughbred racehorses in the hope that one day they will make it on racing's largest stage. It's a long and often arduous process, but the regally bred, the well-conformed, and the preternaturally talented can rise to the top of the ranks and reward their owners with results that justify their time and hopefully, their price tags.

But if the result of the May 7 Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1) at Churchill Downs reminds racing fans of anything, it's that a good horse can come from anywhere—and at any price.

RED TR-Racing's Rich Strike's victory in Saturday's race makes the 3-year-old colt the only horse to have been claimed and went on to win the most coveted of American classics.

Plucked out of relative obscurity on only his second career start by trainer Eric Reed and owner Rick Dawson, the son of Calumet stallion Keen Ice joined the roster of his connections for a \$30,000 claiming tag.

In the 148-year history of the Kentucky Derby, there are only two other known winners to have run in claiming company, though they were never claimed themselves. The first was the 1999 winner Charismatic and the second was 2009 winner Mine That Bird.

Sent out for his first start last August by breeder Calumet Farm in a maiden special weight on the turf at Ellis Park, Rich Strike did little to impress on the track and finished last in the 10-horse field after simply being outrun. Despite that dismal effort, this



SNP DICKSTEIN

Rich Strike wins the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs

horse's works in the morning had captured Reed's attention as he was looking for horses for Dawson.

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RICH STRIKE FIRST CLAIMED HORSE TO WIN KENTUCKY DERBY

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"Rick and I were trying to build a stable," said Reed. "He'd gone through a rough patch and he really should have gotten out of the business, but decided to give it another chance.

"What I liked about this horse was that he had had fantastic works before his first race at Ellis Park. They were works that a 2-year-old normally doesn't do and they bet him down pretty hard. But they ran him on the turf and handicapping what I saw in the horse, I thought they ran him on the turf probably because they wanted the distance more than the turf. Of course, he ran terrible.

"I saw when he was in for \$30,000 (at Churchill Downs) and that he was working very good on the dirt. He had been bet in a maiden special weight—they didn't think he was a cheap horse or they wouldn't have run him in a maiden special weight at first pop—and they bet him. So I was taking a gamble that it was the turf that had gotten him beat."

"We're always looking for horses that we feel could get better," said Dawson. "Rich Strike had the pedigree and as Eric said his workouts had been very impressive. I'm a Keen Ice fan so that's how we really got there."

Reed's initial suspicions about Rich Strike proved to be right when in his one-mile maiden claiming race at Churchill

Downs last September, the colt blew the field away with a 17 1/4-length win. While Reed had also had his eye on another horse up for claim that day, he was out-shook and instead, it was Rich Strike who came to his barn.

It's a stroke of luck the pair will likely never forget. **BH**

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Rick (Dawson) and I were trying to build a stable. He'd gone through a rough patch and he really should have gotten out of the business, but decided to give it another chance.”

—ERIC REED



Rich Strike wins a 2021 maiden claiming race at Churchill Downs

KENTUCKY DERBY DAY SCENES



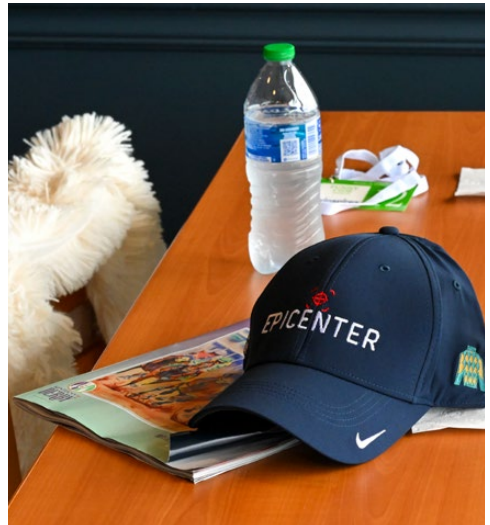
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CHURCHILL REPORTS RECORD KENTUCKY DERBY DAY WAGERING

By Frank Angst

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After returning to normal following two years of pandemic-impacted business, the 148th edition of the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1) race, day, and week established a number of wagering records.

Topping the achievements, all-sources betting on the May 7 Kentucky Derby card at Churchill Downs reached \$273.8 million, a 17% increase over last year's \$233 million and a 9% bump over the previous record of \$250.9 million from 2019.

After the conclusion of Saturday's card, Louisville-based Churchill Downs Inc. reported strong business results for Kentucky Derby week—the cornerstone of the gambling company's racing division. Derby week handle also set a record at \$391.8 million, up 25% from last year's \$314.6 million and up 14% over the previous record of \$343 million in 2019.

Betting on this year's 20-horse Derby race totaled \$179 million, up 15% from last year's \$155.4 million—a 19-horse edition—and up 8% over the previous record of \$166.5 million in 2019. Churchill noted this year's wagering included \$8.3 million wagered in Japan as Japan-trained Crown Pride finished 13th in the race.

Combined all-sources handle of \$348.4 million reported for both the Longines Kentucky Oaks (G1) and Derby days is a record as well, bettering the prior record of \$311.1 million in 2019.

The crowd of 147,294 was a return to normal after COVID-19 led to a fanless 2020 Derby in September and a deliberately limited 51,838 last year. The record of 170,513 was established in 2015.

Churchill also reported its TwinSpires.com

advance-deposit wagering service seeing \$67.4 million in wagering on Churchill Downs races for the Derby Day program, an 8% increase over the previous record of \$62.7 million last year. The Derby race handle of \$44 million for TwinSpires was up 8% over last year's then-record \$40.8 million.

All of the results will combine to significantly improve the company's earnings before taxes and other factors are taken into account, the company said in a release.

"We are deeply grateful to all of the fans of the Kentucky Derby around the world who once again made this an amazing and memorable experience," CDI CEO Bill Carstanjen said in a statement in the release. "We expect the Kentucky Derby Week Adjusted EBITDA (earnings before taxes and other factors) to reflect another record with \$7 to \$9 million of growth over the prior record in 2019." **BH**

Kentucky Derby
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\$273.8 million

All-sources wagering

+17%

Percent change from 2021

\$179 million

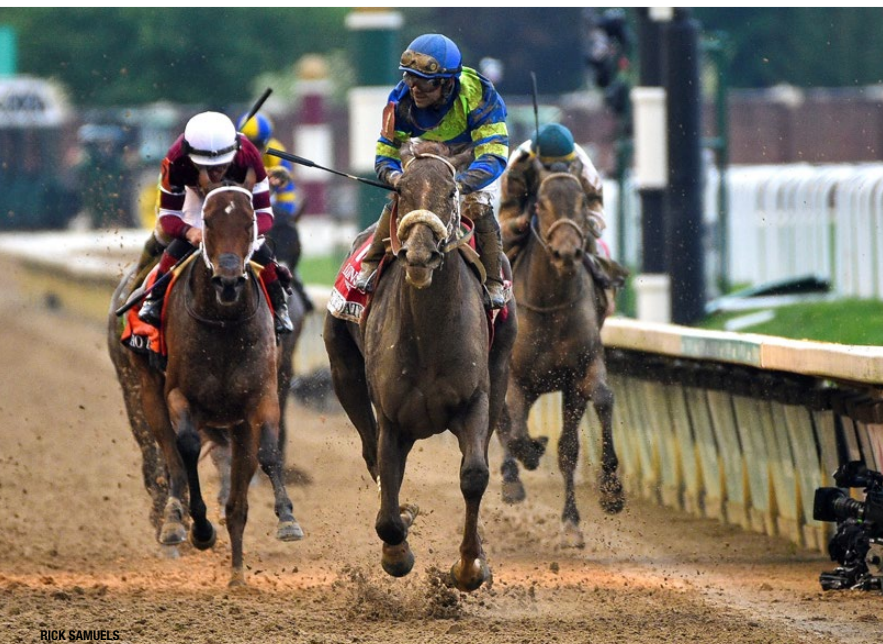
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Bettors contribute to a record day of wagering on Kentucky Derby Day

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RICK SAMUELS

Secret Oath wins the Kentucky Oaks at Churchill Downs

SECRET OATH EXITS KENTUCKY OAKS IN GOOD ORDER

By Meredith Daugherty

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The weighty anticipation of the 148th running of the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1) did little to disrupt the calm May 7 outside the barn of D. Wayne Lukas.

The coveted blanket of lilies, which had adorned the neck of Longines Kentucky Oaks (G1) winner Secret Oath the day before, lay draped artfully in front of Lukas' wall of accolades outside his Churchill Downs barn.

Friday's Oaks win was the fifth overall in the race for the Hall of Fame trainer, who nabbed his first victory in the American filly classic 40 years ago in 1982 with Blush With Pride. Lukas said Saturday morning that Secret Oath exited the Oaks in fine form and next steps were already being discussed with owner/breeders Rob and Stacy Mitchell of Briland Farm.

“We’re tickled to see her come out of that tough race and to be bouncing around here this morning. She’s excellent.”

—D . WAYNE LUKAS



MEREDITH DAUGHERTY

The Kentucky Oaks blanket May 7 outside the barn of trainer D. Wayne Lukas at Churchill Downs

"She bounced back very quickly last night and she's very sharp here this morning," Lukas said. "Looks very good. We're tickled to see her come out of that tough race and to be bouncing around here this morning. She's excellent."

"She ran a picture-perfect race, a beautiful trip. It kind of went the way we had mapped it out. When (jockey) Luis (Saez) moved into position down the backstretch, I told Laurie (his wife) that we were going to be OK."

Lukas said that the second leg of the Triple Crown, the \$1.5 million Preakness Stakes (G1) May 21 at Pimlico Race Course, could be among options for Secret Oath. Should that possibility come to fruition, it would mark the second time the daughter of Arrogate has faced the boys. One start ahead of her Oaks win, she finished third in the April 2 Arkansas Derby (G1) at Oaklawn Park.

"I'm going to let a few days go by and then I'll get with (owner) Rob Mitchell," said Lukas. "I'll let him have an opinion. The Preakness is an option, but so is the Black-Eyed Susan (G2). The big difference is a million dollars and a grade 1. Would be nice to get her a second grade 1."

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The \$250,000 George E. Mitchell Black-Eyed Susan Stakes (G2) is also at Pimlico, contested a day before the Preakness on May 20. Due in part to the short turnaround from the Oaks, it typically draws a different cast than the fillies seen at Churchill Downs.

While the thrill of the Oaks win will continue to buoy the Lukas mare, Derby Day will likely be a more tame affair for the trainer and his team than originally anticipated. Lukas scratched his sole Derby entrant, Ethereal Road, the morning of May 6. Despite that decision, the Hall of Famer admitted a trip to Maryland could also be in the cards for the Quality Road colt in a couple of weeks.



D. Wayne Lukas speaks with Nick Luck of NBC after Secret Oath's Kentucky Oaks score

"I thought if I ran him today (in the Derby), I'd have no shot of going on with him," Lukas said. "I have run him a lot between Oaklawn and Keeneland. I didn't think he'd win, so I took him out and now we have the option of the Preakness."

The colt ran twice last month at Keeneland, finishing seventh in the April 9 Toyota Blue Grass Stakes (G1) and fourth a week later in the April 16 Stonestreet Lexington Stakes (G3).

Todd Pletcher's trio of Oaks finishers also exited Friday's race in fine fettle.

"They all came back well. Everyone ate up," said Pletcher. "They're all likely to be headed up to New York. We've got to do some checking on flight schedules, but they'll be headed out in the next little while."

Repole Stable, Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, and Michael House's Nest took second place for Pletcher in the Oaks. Fellow trainees Shahama and Goddess of Fire ran sixth and 11th, respectively.

Third-place finisher Desert Dawn, who grabbed third in the Oaks for owner H and E Ranch and trainer Phil D'Amato, was pronounced happy and healthy Saturday morning. Exercise rider Roman Cecher had nothing but praise for the Arizona-bred filly.

"She came back from the race really well," Cecher said. "She ate everything up last night. The filly ran huge for us and we thought she was going to get second. Everybody was very pleased." **BH**

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SANTIN SCORES TOP HONORS FOR GODOLPHIN IN TURF CLASSIC

By Bob Kieckhefer

If there's a run on blinkers at the local tack shop after the \$1 million Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic (G1T) May 7 at Churchill Downs, blame trainer Brendan Walsh.

For the second straight day, Walsh added blinkers to a long-shot contender in a major stakes race at the Louisville oval. For the second straight day, that long shot won.

In the 1 1/8-mile Turf Classic, it was Santin pulling off the upset in the hoofprints of filly stablemate New Year's Eve, who turned the trick a day earlier in the Edgewood Stakes Presented by Forcht Bank (G2T).

Both Walsh and Turf Classic-winning rider Tyler Gaffalione pointed to the blinkers by way of explanation.

"Kind of similar to the filly yesterday," Walsh said. "He's a very, very laid-back horse. The plan was always to come here. We got a few runs into him down in New Orleans and today was the day so we said, 'We better pull the blinkers out.'"

If the equipment change indeed had an effect, it was as the field charged down the Churchill Downs stretch. Santin, a 4-year-old colt by Distorted Humor, had hounded front-running Tribhuvan through most of the race and, as that one faded, moved to take a narrow lead, only to find Mira Mission making his own run at the front.

Mira Mission and jockey Julien Leparoux appeared to grab a narrow lead before a focused Santin dug back in, re-rallied and got home first by a neck over the stubborn rival. Adhamo put in a late run to get show money but was a full six lengths farther back with Shirl's Speight settling for fourth, another three-quarters of a length in arrears.

Santin finished the 1 1/8 miles on firm turf in 1:49.72.

So what about the equipment change, Mr. Gaffalione? Did the change matter?

"I definitely think so," the jockey replied. "You know, he's just one of those horses, you can just never get to the bottom of him. Brendan made the change today and he really responded.

"He broke alertly. Coming into the stretch, I wheeled out a little bit and the horse got back up and engaged (Mira Mission) and he fought on."

The win was the third from six starts for Santin, a Godolphin homebred out of the Medaglia d'Oro mare Sentiero Italia. He won his first two starts as a 2-year-old before reporting second in the Hollywood Derby (G1T) at Del Mar behind only Beyond Brilliant.

He started 2022 with a close fourth-place finish in the Fair Grounds Stakes (G3T) in New Orleans, then got home second in the Muniz Memorial Classic Stakes Presented by Horse Racing Nation (G2T) before heading north. He had been training at Keeneland and Churchill Downs since early April.

Adhamo, a 4-year-old colt by Intello, finished second in the Fair Grounds Stakes in his first U.S. start for trainer Chad Brown. Mira Mission came into the race off a fifth-place finish in the Maker's Mark Mile Stakes (G1T) at Keeneland—a race won by Shirl's Speight.

"It was very exciting," Walsh said of the Turf Classic. "I thought Tyler gave him a fantastic ride. He had him in a perfect spot, close to the lead. He had all his bases covered. The horse obviously liked the track here. He seemed to put that first horse away and then when the other horse came to him and looked like he was going to go by him, he seemed to find a little bit more. Then again, that's him."

Will he put blinkers on all his horses now?

"I'll have to buy some more pairs," the Irishman said with a smile. **BH**

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MIKE CORRAO

Santin wins the Turf Classic at Churchill Downs



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Jackie's Warrior races beneath the Twin Spires in winning the Churchill Downs Stakes at Churchill Downs

JACKIE'S WARRIOR ASSERTS DOMINANCE IN CHURCHILL DOWNS

By Frank Angst

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After watching Jackie's Warrior win a grade 1 race on the Kentucky Derby Day undercard, co-owner J. Kirk Robison decided to try something new.

With a hand from assistant trainer Scott Blasi, longtime owner Robison led Jackie's Warrior into the Churchill Downs winner's circle after watching his champion male sprinter post a dominating, front-end victory in the \$750,000 Churchill Downs Stakes Presented by Ford (G1) May 7.

"I've never done that before," Robison said. "Wow, I was so close to him. I could feel him breathing on me. That was special; I mean I'm a city guy, not a horse guy, so that was fun, a lot of fun."

Robison campaigns Jackie's Warrior with his wife, Judy, who exchanged a winner's circle hug with winning trainer Steve Asmussen after the race. Kirk Robison said Jackie's Warrior is far and away the best horse he's ever campaigned.

"He's number one, number two, number three, four, and five," Robison said. "He's the best I've ever had. I've had some nice horses but he's the real deal."

The winning connections had no problem picking up Jackie's Warrior when the field of seven older horses broke from the gate for Saturday's seven-furlong test as the 4-year-old son of Maclean's Music broke well under Joel Rosario and seized a clear lead through a quarter-mile in :22.76. Rosario kept Jackie's Warrior three or four paths off the rail as he raced well within himself while posting a half-mile in :45.50 with longshot Sir Alfred James and last year's Qatar Breeders' Cup Sprint (G1) winner Aloha West pursuing 1 1/2 lengths back.

Racing in the five path into the lane, Jackie's Warrior increased his advantage to three lengths in mid-stretch and would be wrapped up late as he cruised to a four-length victory. He completed seven furlongs in 1:21.95 on a fast track to secure the fourth grade 1 victory of his career and surpass \$2.3 million in earnings.

"I thought Joel said it best before the race when we were just standing in the paddock," Asmussen said. "He said, 'They don't come along like this all the time, do they?'"

Jackie's Warrior has grade 1 wins for each of the seasons he's raced. As a juvenile, he captured the Runhappy Hopeful Stakes (G1) at Saratoga Race Course and the Champagne Stakes (G1) at Belmont Park. Then

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last year at Saratoga he won the H. Allen Jerkens Memorial Stakes (G1); one of his four graded stakes wins in landing an Eclipse Award. He prepped for Saturday's test with a victory in the Count Fleet Sprint Handicap (G3) April 16 at Oaklawn Park.

"Enough cannot be said for Kirk and Judy to make a financial sacrifice and keep this horse in training," Asmussen said. "It's like Kirk said, 'I've never had one like him and I doubt if I'll ever have another one like him.' I was just extremely pleased to get the chance to run him as a 4-year-old."

Rosario said Jackie's Warrior was comfortable racing away from the rail.

"It seemed better to keep him off the rail. It seemed to be a better place for him," Rosario said. "He's an

amazing horse—the speed that he is able to give you. He is just a strong horse, to get out of there (at the start)—like a Quarter Horse, and to keep going with that speed. He's just there for you whenever you ask."

Following Jackie's Warrior under the wire Saturday was Klaravich Stables' Reinvestment Risk in second, and Aloha West another length back in third. Reinvestment Risk entered off a runner-up finish to Speaker's Corner in the April 9 Carter Handicap (G1) at Aqueduct while Aloha West was making his first start since the Breeders' Cup.

Favored Jackie's Warrior returned \$4, \$3.20, and \$2.40, while Reinvestment Risk paid \$4.20 to place and \$2.80 to show. Aloha West also returned \$2.80 to show.

After last season, Jackie's Warrior had successful knee chip surgery and was given time off until the Count Fleet. Asmussen said Saturday's race was the first goal on the schedule and he'll take some time to consider the next target. He does believe that his champion has improved at age 4.

"He's older, he's more mature; I think the level of confidence that he's gotten,"

Asmussen said. "As beautiful as he was last year, as expected, he's older, more mature, bigger, prettier."

Bred in Kentucky by J & J Stables, Jackie's Warrior is out of the winning A. P. Five Hundred mare Unicorn Girl, who has produced two winners from three starters. She has an unnamed juvenile colt by Triple Crown winner American Pharoah and a 2022 weanling filly by multiple leading sire Into Mischief.

Kirk Robison went to \$95,000 to land Jackie's Warrior at the 2019 Keeneland September Yearling Sale, where he was consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency. **BH**



RICK SAMUELS

Scott Blasi joins Jackie's Warrior and Joel Rosario after winning the Churchill Downs Stakes at Churchill Downs

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OBLIGATORY PUNCHES GRADE 1 TICKET IN DERBY CITY DISTAFF

By Meredith Daugherty

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Minutes after 4-year-old Obligatory snagged the first grade 1 win of her career May 7 at Churchill Downs, trainer Bill Mott paused mid-sentence when fielding questions and pointed toward the jumbotron.

"Look at this. Just look at this run," said Mott to reporters in quiet awe as the filly's late-running drive to the wire in the \$750,000 Derby City Distaff Presented by Kendall-Jackson Winery (G1) was replayed on the screens to the crowd.

"She just keeps coming. I mean that was impressive," said Mott. "I was impressed, and I'm very seldom impressed."

High praise from the Hall of Fame trainer who has seen his fair share of greats.

Among the favored runners in the seven-horse field, Obligatory entered the Derby City Distaff off a win in the March 12 Hurricane Bertie Stakes (G1) at Gulfstream Park in her season debut. But when the gate opened and the race got underway, the flashy gray filly dropped to the back of the pack and settled well off the pace of her competitors. To the lay observer, the move seemed a contrary one. But to Mott, it was on par with what he expected from his filly.

"She loves the stretch run here," said Mott. "I reminded him (jockey Jose Ortiz)—but I didn't have to remind him—that her stretch run here is her weapon."

Trailing the field well removed from the rail along the backside, Obligatory did her best to avoid eating too much dirt from her competitors while biding her time. At the front of the field, a very different strategy was playing out with leader Just One Time who had taken the early lead from the break and led the field through fractions of :22.36 and :44.95 for the half-mile. Pressing the leader early were Edgeway and Center Aisle, who kept within a half-length of Just One Time along the back stretch as they vied for second and third.

But at the quarter-pole, Edgeway and Center Aisle seemed to run out of gas and dropped back through the field. The opening allowed Four Graces the chance to move between horses and to take second.



SKIP DICKSTEIN



Obligatory (outside) catches Four Graces to win the Derby City Distaff Stakes at Churchill Downs

Unwilling to yield, Just One Time battled toward the finish under Flavien Prat.

Singularly focused on the wire, the pair were unprepared to fend off Obligatory who shifted six wide in the lane and pounded home with a massive late kick. With a clear path to the finish line, Obligatory stormed past Just One Time and then caught another late challenger, Four Graces, to take the title by three-quarters of a length. Final time for the seven-furlong dirt test was 1:22.17.

"I never felt confident until they got to the 70-yard pole," said Mott. "But I saw she was running. When she was at the three-eighths pole and the others were at the quarter-pole, I said, 'We've got a lot to make up.' She was still quite aways back and she made up a lot of ground."

Four Graces held for second $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths ahead of Just One Time in third.

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"She tried very hard," said Julien Leparoux, who was aboard Four Graces. "The race set up perfectly for us. She sat nice early for me, made a big run, and never quit. She fought back but was just second best today."

"I really thought we had it inside the 1/16th pole," said Four Graces' trainer Ian Wilkes. "She ran such a big race."

Bell's the One, Kimari, Edgeway, and Center Aisle completed the field.

"She's a very nice mare," said Ortiz. "I feel like she's getting better and better. I just waited and let her get into her own rhythm. They were going very fast on the front end. I was sitting at the back of the pack. I didn't want to sweep her off her feet to get a good finish. I was very happy with the trip I had. I swung a little wide because I felt like I had enough (horse)."

If her stretch run is Obligatory's weapon, then Churchill Downs is the ground on which she wields it best. The Derby City Distaff was the third win beneath the historic Twin Spires for the filly, who took the Eight Belles Stakes Presented by Smithfield (G2) and Chilukki Stakes (G3) at the track in 2021.

Already a multiple graded stakes winner, a grade 1 score had eluded Obligatory in three previous attempts prior to Saturday's Derby City Distaff. At 3, the Curlin filly finished second in the Acorn Stakes (G1) at Belmont Park and the Cotillion Stakes (G1) at Parx Racing, as

well as fifth in the Longines Test Stakes (G1) at Saratoga Race Course. Mott said he knew that if ever there was a place for Obligatory to earn a grade 1, Churchill would be the likely venue.

"A (grade 1) is the goal. She's won a grade 2 and a grade 3 and she's a nice filly," said Mott. "But the goal, if they're good enough, is to win a grade 1 and this was what we pointed toward. She loves the track and she loves the stretch and it worked out well just like it did in the Eight Belles and the Chilukki. She turned the corner last year here in the Eight Belles. She's been steadily holding her own and getting better, at least maintaining that good form."

"If we were going to run in the Breeders' Cup, (running it at Churchill) would be a bonus. For whatever reason, she loves the track."

At the mention of the Breeders' Cup, Mott remained cautious in his clarifications. While he admits the World Championships are always among the end-of-year plans for top-level horses, he doesn't plan to get ahead of himself.

"A lot of things can happen between now and then," said Mott. "You always look at it, and I think during the course of the year, as you're figuring out a schedule, you always look at the end of the year before the end of the year."

A Kentucky homebred for Juddmonte, Obligatory is out of the stakes-winning Macho Uno mare Uno Duo. Obligatory's win in the Derby City Distaff improved her record to 5-2-0 from 11 starts with \$1,228,594 in purse earnings. **BH**

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SNIP DICKSTEIN

Obligatory's connections celebrate the victory in the Derby City Distaff at Churchill Downs

JACK CHRISTOPHER MAKES SUCCESSFUL PAT DAY MILE RETURN

By Byron King

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As his connections dreamed he would, Jack Christopher made it to Churchill Downs on the First Saturday in May and was met with success. The victory, however, came not in the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1), but in the Pat Day Mile Stakes Presented by LG&E and KU (G2) on the undercard.

Too far behind schedule to make the Derby after the colt had shin surgery in late fall, the winning connections still had much to celebrate Saturday. In addition to the race's \$500,000 purse, they were elated to see him return with the same excellence he showed in winning a maiden race at Saratoga Race Course and the Champagne Stakes (G1) at Belmont Park in two races last year. After pressing the pace of early leader Pappacap in the Pat Day Mile, he pulled away to decisively score by 3 3/4 lengths.

"Awesome horse," co-owner Jim Bakke said.

Bakke isn't alone in holding such a high opinion. Last fall, Coolmore Stud and Peter Brant's White Birch Farm joined Bakke and Gerry Isbister in ownership, banking on the colt's success and eventual stallion career.

They own a fast horse. In winning the Pat Day Mile on a fast track, the 3-year-old son of Munnings was clocked covering eight furlongs out of the chute in 1:34.81—more than three-fifths faster than older horse Three Technique's time of 1:35.48 a race earlier in winning the restricted Knicks Go Overnight Stakes Presented by L&N Federal Credit Union. Heavily favored, Jack Christopher paid \$3.40 for a \$2 win wager.

"(Running) one mile brought my horse's 'A' game today," said winning rider Jose Ortiz.



Jack Christopher wins the Pat Day Mile at Churchill Downs

Of Jack Christopher's 10 rivals, Ortiz said he was most concerned about the battle-tested Pappacap, fourth in the Curlin Florida Derby Presented by Hill 'n' Dale Farms at Xalapa (G1) in his last start. So he dialed up the heat on the leader after he set fractions of :22.70, :45.61, and 1:09.66.

"So I moved into him and when I got to him at the five-sixteenths (pole) I felt like I had him," Ortiz said.

He did indeed. Jack Christopher forged to a length's advantage by midstretch and extended his lead in the final furlong.

Pappacap lasted for the place by a head over My Prankster, who rallied to show. O Captain was a non-threatening fourth.

"It's a little bittersweet that we did get him to the first Saturday in May, which we had been thinking about since he debuted up at Saratoga, that unbelievable performance," trainer Chad Brown said. "To get him to the first Saturday in May and have him roar down the stretch and get to the winner's circle but not be in the race

that's a few races later, will always be in the back of my mind if he could have done it.

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—CHAD BROWN

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JACK CHRISTOPHER MAKES SUCCESSFUL PAT DAY MILE RETURN

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"You know, it is what it is and we have a great horse in our hands. I hope he has the long, successful career that he deserves."

Where his next start comes next is to be determined, Brown said, noting that options include a cutback in distance for the seven-furlong Woody Stephens Stakes Presented by Mohegan Sun (G1) June 11 on Belmont Stakes Day at Belmont Park or racing in route stakes.

"I'm not gonna make any prediction that he's definitely getting a mile and a quarter," Brown said. "That's a lot to ask. I won't rule that out, but I certainly think he'd go farther than a mile."

Brown felt confident that Jack Christopher would handle two turns and 1 1/16 miles last fall in the TVG Breeders' Cup Juvenile Presented by Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance (G1) at Del Mar, but the colt never got the chance to start. He was scratched in the lead-up due to his shin.

"We were disappointed the evening before the Breeders' Cup race, but kudos to Chad Brown and the



HEATHER JACKSON

(L-R): Jim Bakke and Jerry Isbister lead Jose Ortiz and Jack Christopher to the winner's circle

team to bring him back after such a long layoff and race so competitively," Isbister said.

Jack Christopher, purchased for \$135,000 in 2020 from Paramount Sales' consignment to The October Sale, Fasig-Tipton's fall yearling sale in Kentucky, elevated his earnings to \$621,400 and remained perfect in three starts.

Bred in Kentucky by Castleton Lyons and Kilboy Estate, he is out of the Half Ours mare Rushin No Blushin, a half sister to multiple grade 1 winner and sire Street Boss. Rushin No Blushin's most recent foal is a 2-year-old filly by Mo Town. The mare was bred to Complexity last year. **BH**



WATCH: Co-Owners Bakke, Isbister 'Proud' of Jack Christopher

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Jack Christopher soars home beneath the Twin Spires

STOLEN BASE STEALS THE SHOW IN AMERICAN TURF

By Molly Rollins

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CHAD B. HARMON

Stolen Base wins the American Turf Stakes at Churchill Downs

After a terrific Keeneland meet that saw the rider Flavien Prat finish third in the standings, the 29-year-old Frenchman further justified his decision to move his tack to Kentucky by landing four graded stakes races at Churchill Downs during Derby weekend.

A day after taking the Eight Belles Stakes Presented by TwinSpires (G2) with Matareya and the Modesty Stakes Presented by TwinSpires (G3T) with Bleecker Street, Prat kept the momentum rolling May 7 with a victory aboard Speak of the Devil in the Longines Churchill Distaff Turf Mile Stakes (G2T) earlier on the card before guiding longshot Stolen Base to an upset score in the \$500,000 American Turf Stakes Presented by BMW (G2T).

"It's been a great day, a great weekend really," said Prat. "Hopefully it'll stay that way."

After two failed tries on the polytrack chasing Tiz the Bomb at Turfway Park, Stolen Base returned to his preferred surface—turf. Outfitted with blinkers, which he first wore when running an even seventh in the April 2 Jeff Ruby Steaks (G3), the colt at last

garnered his first graded stakes victory for owners Three Diamonds Farm and Deuce Greathouse.

The colt was on the muscle from the moment the gates sprang, clipping heels with Portfolio Company in the run around the first turn. After an opening quarter in :23.97, Prat was able to settle the eager Stolen Base in fifth position behind horses down the backstretch. Race leader Dowagiac Chief had slowed the pace down considerably on the front end, racing the half-mile in :49.27 before beginning his retreat as the field wheeled into the final bend. Prat and Stolen Base had inched into contention and pounced on the leaders with a four-wide move into the stretch. As Stolen Base struck the front, mid-stretch California invader Balnikhov rushed up to his outside and thrust a head in front.

"I didn't think we would hold off (Balnikhov),"

said Prat. "Manny (Franco) came at me (with Balnikhov) but my horse seemed to regroup and take off again."

Stolen Base dug in bravely to the inside of Balnikhov and kicked clear of that rival, finishing 1 1/4 lengths ahead at the wire. Favored Sy Dog could only manage third in the first defeat of his career.



Stolen Base and Flavien Prat are led into the winner's circle

"They slowed down the pace up front and my horse jumped slowly so we had it tough," said Franco of Balnikhov.

The American Turf was the Adaa'y's gelding second race in North America since joining Phil D'Amato's barn. "I rode him the way they instructed me, to save ground and when you have a chance, to come running down the middle of the track, where it is best right now. I was following Irad (Ortiz Jr.) first and then I followed Flavien (Prat) but (Stolen Base) never stopped running."

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The 1 1/16 miles was run in a time of 1.44.57 on turf course rated firm. Stolen Base paid \$13.20 to win from a \$2 ticket.

"He's a tough horse, Stolen Base, he shows up every time," said trainer Mike Maker. "Last time (in the Jeff Ruby Steaks) he was battling a minor illness so we just have to cross that last race out.

"We got away well, Flavien (Prat) put him in a good position and just felt if we were good enough, there would be no excuses."

A horse that has performed on all three surfaces in his career, Maker indicated that the prestigious Caesars Turf Triple Series in New York could be on the radar for Stolen Base. The first race in the \$3,000,000 series is the July 9 Caesars Belmont Derby Invitational (G1T) at Belmont Park.

Stolen Base, becoming the 25th individual stakes winner for his sire with the American Turf victory, was bred in Kentucky by Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds. He is the fourth foal out of the winning Indian Charlie mare Running Wild, herself a daughter of grade 3 stakes winner Race Artist and a half sister to multiple stakes winner Cherokee Artist, an earner of more than \$900,000, and to stakes winner Cherokee Girl. Running Wild has an unraced 2-year-old filly named

Racing and a yearling colt named Mad Dash, both by Candy Ride, and delivered a filly by Honor A. P. on May 3.

Stolen Base went through the sales ring twice, selling for \$45,000 to Pura Vida Investments as a juvenile when consigned by Ocala Stud at the 2021 Ocala Breeders' Sales Spring Sale of 2-Year-Olds in Training before being bought by trainer Mike Maker from the Bluewater Sales consignment for \$335,000 at last year's Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale after his seventh-place finish in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf (G1T). **BH**



CHAD B. HARMON

Stolen Base's connections celebrate the win in the American Turf Stakes at Churchill Downs

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SPEAK OF THE DEVIL FLIES HOME IN DISTAFF TURF MILE

By Corrie McCroskey

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Kicking off her stateside debut in a whirlwind fashion was Chad Brown trainee Speak of the Devil who completed Brown's 'one-two punch' after passing stablemate In Italian in the final furlong to win the Longines Churchill Distaff Turf Mile Stakes (G2T) May 7 at Churchill Downs.

"(They are) two nice fillies, and you hate to run them against each other because they're both really top-quality horses," Brown said. "Looking for a mile turf stakes right now, there weren't many options, so we decided we would run them both against each other.

"We had the pace covered either way. We knew that if there was no speed in the race like there was about to be, we had it covered on the front with In Italian, a confirmed front-runner with quality, and then Speak of the Devil, knowing it's her first time in the country, she was probably going to fall back a bit out of the gate and come with one run."

Coming off a five-month hiatus from her last start, a winning effort in the listed Prix Tantieme, in the fall of 2021 at Saint-Cloud Racecourse, Speak of the Devil stayed off the pace and remained in sixth until making her move at the three-furlong marker and streaking down the stretch to win by 2 3/4 lengths.

The 5-year-old daughter of Wootton Bassett owned by Peter Brant had previously finished second in the 2020 Emirates Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (G1) in her third start and had placed in the 2021 Prix Rothschild (G1), both at Deauville.

Brown says the mare has improved both mentally and physically since coming to the U.S. and has steadily progressed in training.

"She always trained well, every work continued to train better and better. Had some nice form way back over in France," Brown said. "Maybe her last couple of starts she might've just been a little tired or something, but also physically when you bring these horses over, she looked like a tired horse when I got her very late last year.



Speak of the Devil wins the Churchill Distaff Turf Mile Stakes at Churchill Downs

"I just turned her out for a while and really eased her into training slowly. Every week I just couldn't believe the coat and the weight on her. She looked like a tiger when we took her off the van here."

Brown also mentioned that he was proud of how the mare performed but felt like she was slightly mentally rattled from the atmosphere. He said that Jockey Flavien Prat handled the mare's nerves well.

Prat also commented on the run, saying, "I thought I was in some good holes, but for some reason she was not progressing down the backside. I decided to drop down to the inside, and as soon as I called on her, she cut really well."

In Italian, Brown's other horse in the field and also owned by Brant, was dominant from the onset of the race, moving easily into the lead and holding her position until the stretch when she fell to second.

Gradually moving up in class, the 4-year-old daughter of Dubawi improved quickly after breaking her maiden in May 2021. She started in only one allowance race before winning the March 5 Honey Fox Stakes (G3T) at Gulfstream Park, her first attempt at a graded stakes.

Between his two talented horses with whom he could play the pace, Brown says he moved positively into the Distaff Turf Mile and thought he had a good shot.

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"Going into the race, I felt pretty confident one of them was a likely winner just from a pace standpoint. But you just never know, anything can happen, it's a big stakes.

Next up for Speak of the Devil could be a start in the Just a Game Stakes (G1T) at Belmont Park in June or the Diana Stakes (G1T) at Saratoga Race Course in July. Brown says that he will make a game plan with Brant first and that his priority is for the health of the animal.

"You couldn't rule it (Just a Game Stakes) out," Brown said. "She certainly looks like she'll stretch out, but a race like the Diana is not until the summer, so she may meet another filly with green silks on here in five weeks but we'll see, I'll talk to the boss about it.

"As always, you have to keep these horses healthy, can't ever take them for granted. (Trainer Bobby) Frankel used to tell me they're like strawberries; they spoil overnight. He got that from someone else way before him. Clearly for 100 years it's just been taking it day to day with horses and making sure they're healthy."

Speak of the Devil was bred in France by Herve Viallon. She is out of the Indian Rocket mare Moranda, who is also the dam of multiple group stakes winner Morando. Moranda has an unraced juvenile Anodin filly and a yearling Best Solution colt. **BH**

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Connections of Speak of the Devil celebrate in the winner's circle following the Churchill Distaff Turf Mile at Churchill Downs



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LONGSHOT THREE TECHNIQUE TACKLES KNICKS GO STAKES

By Joe Perez

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Being a longshot is nothing new to David Miller, owner of Three Technique.

When Miller bought the horse at the Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale last year, there was a 27-way shake. Trainer Jason Cook, speaking to NBC, said of Miller's claim, "He said, 'I hope our card is three, our card is a three.' And we got it."

Three got it again, this time a 36-1 underdog that made a furious push down the stretch to take the \$160,000 Knicks Go Overnight Stakes at Churchill Downs May 7. The race is restricted to 4-year-olds and up who have not won a graded stakes in 2021-22.

Three Technique completed the mile on a fast track in 1:35.48. The Knicks Go was his first win in more than a year.

Gun It, by Tapit, grabbed the lead from the start, but was never able to put more than half a length between him and his primary challengers through three-quarters of a mile—Dream Shake and Injunction. Gun It posted fractions of :22.72, :45.74, and 1:10.28.

Getting out behind most of the 11-horse field, Three Technique trailed by 7 1/2 lengths. He gained two lengths each of the next quarter miles before closing to within a length as he hit the stretch.

Dream Shake, under Flavien Prat, worked his way into the lead, but Rafael Bejarano continued

urging Three Technique to charge forward. Moving from the outside, Bejarano pulled Three Technique into a five-wide sprint to the wire. Joining Dream Shake, Injunction, Gun It, and Necker Island, Three Technique and Bejarano made their final move at the sixteenth pole to pass Dream Shake for the win.

Bejarano said, "The horse had a good trip. I finally got him in the clear this time. The horse was ready today and I was very happy for him and the owners."

Cook told NBC he had a feeling Saturday was his trainee's day.

"I felt like today was it if there was ever a day," he said.

The order of finish behind the victor went Injunction, South Bend, Necker Island, Dream Shake, Shared Sense, Gun It, A C Expressway, Endorsed, Perfectly Speighty, and Frosted Grace.

"He broke good and put me into a good position. I

just waited for the right time to go and the winner ran me down and was just better than me today," said Jose Ortiz, who rode Injunction.

A \$2 bet on Three Technique delivered \$75.60. Injunction brought home \$7.00 for the place, with South Bend at \$5.20 for the show.

Three Technique is a 5-year-old Kentucky-bred son of Mr Speaker out of the Harlan's Holiday mare Nite in Rome. Nite in Rome is the dam of 11 foals with six winners from eight starters, including stakes winner and grade 2-placed Stan the Man (by Broken Vow).

Three Technique earned \$94,366 for Saturday's victory to bring his career earnings to \$475,411. He has four wins from 23 starts. **BH**



Three Technique wins the Knicks Go Overnight Stakes



Rafael Bejarano celebrates upon return to the winner's circle

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L'IMPERATOR, VIRGINIA JOY SWEEP TURF STAKES FOR BROWN

By Bob Ehalt

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On another wild Kentucky Derby (G1) Day of racing, one of the biggest surprises of a memorable afternoon might have taken place at a cold and rain-soaked Belmont Park.

Given all that happened in the early parts of May 7, when trainer Chad Brown posted five wins—three of them in graded stakes—at Belmont and Churchill Downs before the clock struck 4 p.m. Eastern, it was a bit of a head-scratcher that one of the four-time Eclipse Award winner's horses was sent off at 10-1 odds in a stakes he had won the last four years, the \$200,000 Fort Marcy Stakes (G2T) at Belmont.

As illogical as that might have seemed, it made complete sense once the field crossed the finish line in the Fort Marcy with Brown horses running 1-2 and L'Imperator prevailing by 3 1/4 lengths in front-running fashion at those aforementioned 10-1 odds.

"There was not a ton of speed on paper and we left it up to (jockey Eric Cancel) and he did a good job of taking the initiative and going to the front," said assistant trainer Dan Stubbs, who handled the stable's New York horses while Brown tended to some rather important matters at Churchill Downs on the first Saturday in May. "The way the turf is so soft, a lot of horses struggle in it, and this horse was able to overcome the conditions and show some ability. We're happy with the outcome."

Not surprisingly, the victory gave Brown, the nation's premier turf trainer, a sweep of the two graded turf stakes on Saturday's Belmont card after Virginia Joy took the Sheepshead Bay Stakes (G2T) for fillies and mares earlier in the day.



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L'Imperator wins the Fort Marcy Stakes at Belmont Park

As is often the case in a New York graded turf stakes, L'Imperator (\$22.60) filled the role of the "other Chad" in a field of seven that included three starters from the Brown barn. Grade 1-placed Sacred Life, who was second at 7-2 odds, and grade 1 winner Rockemperor, a 2-1 proposition,

were considered the better prospects from the Brown trio by handicappers. But when Cancel was able to set dawdling fractions on the water-logged course, there was no catching the 5-year-old Holy Roman Emperor gelding owned by Madaket Stables, Wonder Stables, and Robert LaPenta.

"He broke pretty sharp and he put me on the lead and I just went with it. I didn't want to take away what he gave me so easily. It worked out well," Cancel said.

Cancel, who normally enjoys his greatest success in the winter, was grateful for the chance to ride for Brown in a spring graded stakes while most of New York's top riders were in Kentucky.

"It's wonderful to win for him," Cancel said. "He gave me the opportunity and I've been doing my best to keep getting these chances."

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L'IMPERATOR, VIRGINIA JOY SWEEP TURF STAKES FOR BROWN

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The victory was the first in a graded stakes for L'Imperator, who now has 6 wins in 12 starts with earnings of \$292,941. He had not raced since finishing a dull 10th in the Feb. 5 Tampa Bay Stakes (G3T).

Cancel carved out fractions of :52.78 and 1:19.65 to hold a length lead over 24-1 shot Glynn County and opened up in the stretch to cover the about 1 1/8-mile distance in 1:59.72 with the rails out 35 feet on the yielding inner turf course.

Michael Dubb, Michael Caruso, Madaket Stables, and Wonder Stables' Sacred Life, a Siyouni ridgling, advanced from fifth to take second by a half-length over Three Diamonds Farm's Glynn County, a son of Kitten's Joy trained by Mike Maker.

Bred by Jean-Pierre Dubois in France, where he started his career, L'Imperator is the fifth of seven foals from the Montjeu mare La Joie and her first graded stakes winner. Her most recent foal is a 2-year-old filly by Al Wukair.

Odds-on Virginia Joy Prevails in Sheepshead Bay

There was significantly less drama in the \$186,000 Sheepshead Bay as a confident Trevor McCarthy put the 5-year-old Virginia Joy on the lead at the start and never looked back in prevailing by 14 1/4 lengths for Brown and owner Peter Brant.



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Virginia Joy takes the Sheepshead Bay Stakes at Belmont Park

After fending off a mild bid from Lovely Lucky, the daughter of Soldier Hollow extended to a 1 1/2-length lead after a mile over the soggy going and then sailed home from there, extending to a 12-length lead in mid-stretch. She covered the about 1 3/8-mile distance in 2:30.88 over a course labeled yielding after day-long rain to give Brown his fifth Sheepshead Bay win.

"This might be the second sloppiest turf I've been on," McCarthy said. "I had a pretty bad day at Laurel Park once."

In her four previous races for Brown and Brant since shifting from her native Germany to the United States last year, Virginia Joy's two losses came on courses that were less than firm. Yet even if it was not the mare's preferred going, she had more than enough talent and speed to outclass her three rivals.

"I don't think it's her truly best footing that she would love, but she was best in here. She handled it OK before and I thought she was the best horse in here and that if she handled it a little bit she would win easy."

Catherine Wills' Luck Money, a daughter of Lookin At Lucky trained by Arnaud Delacour, was a very distant second, 6 1/2 lengths ahead of Elizabeth



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Mateo's Lovely Lucky, another daughter of Lookin At Lucky trained by Tom Albertrani.

A group 3 winner in Germany, Virginia Joy was coming off a March 5 victory in The Very One Stakes (G3T) on firm turf at Gulfstream Park, her initial graded stakes

win in the United States. A winner of five of 11 career starts, she has earned \$435,557.

Bred by Gestut Auenquelle, she was bought for \$1,142,388 by Oceanic Bloodstock at the 2020 Arqana Saint-Cloud Sale. She is the first of three foals by the Doyen mare Virginia Sun and a full sister to the group 3-placed 4-year-old colt Virginia Storm. A 3-year-old full sister has yet to race.

Since the rails for the race were out by 35-feet, it was considered an "about" 1 3/8 mile distance and a course record since there was not a previous race at that extended distance. The course record for 1 3/8 miles on the inner turf under normal conditions stands at 2:10 1/5. **BH**

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CODY'S WISH DOMINATES WESTCHESTER AT BELMONT PARK

By Ed McNamara

Cody's Wish always looked like a winner in the \$200,000 Westchester Stakes (G3) May 7 at Belmont Park, and the 3-5 favorite and jockey Junior Alvarado locked up the race early. They stalked front-running Sound Money in second through quick fractions of :22.68 and :44.91 before gliding to the lead on the turn and drawing off to a five-length runaway over Sound Money.

"I had to make a little move on the turn because the horse in front kind of floated by the three-eighths pole, and I didn't want anybody to get through on the rail," Alvarado said. "At that point, I felt I had enough horse and figured he would carry me all the way to the wire. He's a big horse who needs a big, long run, so I knew it wouldn't be a problem."

It was the fourth victory in the last five starts for the 4-year-old colt by Curlin, who has improved dramatically for trainer Bill Mott after needing four tries to break his maiden last year. In his previous race, he was second by a neck to Scalding in the \$100,000 Michelob Ultra Challenger Stakes (G3) at Tampa Bay Downs. Scalding came back to take the Ben Ali Stakes (G3) at Keeneland, so it was clear that Cody's Wish was on the rise.

The son of Curlin was named for Cody Dorman, a 15-year-old who suffers from the rare genetic disorder Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome.

Cody's Wish paid \$3.70 for his fourth win in eight starts and earned \$110,000, raising his career total to \$385,060 for owner/breeder Godolphin. He was timed in 1:34.68 for a one-turn mile over a sealed surface made sloppy by two days of relentless rain. Mott also won the Westchester with To Honor and Serve (2012) and Flat Out (2013).

Coming in third, 6 1/2 lengths behind Sound Money, was Zoomer. He was 5 3/4 lengths ahead of major disappointment Greatest Honour, who beat 23-1 Informative by a head to avert a last-place finish in the field of five.



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Cody's Wish wins the Westchester Stakes at Belmont Park

It was the fourth straight defeat for Greatest Honour, who early last year was a highly rated Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve (G1) contender. Then came an uncompetitive third as the 4-5 favorite in the Curlin Florida Derby Presented by Hill 'n' Dale Farms at Xalapa (G1) before the discovery of a leg cyst ended his 3-year-old season.

Trainer Shug McGaughey added blinkers for the Westchester to try to wake up Greatest Honour. "I hope the blinkers will help him get into the race and focus better," the Hall of Famer told Fox Sports 2's Acacia Courtney. The blinkers had the opposite effect, with Greatest Honour a distant last for most of the race.

Last winter, Greatest Honour won the Holy Bull (G3) and the Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth (G2), and Cody's Wish hadn't raced yet. No sport can rival horse racing for dramatic turnarounds.

"I'm looking forward to what's next," Alvarado said. "He's a horse that we've been pretty high on. Bill Mott likes to take it step by step, and he doesn't like to rush with them. He lets them develop. That always helps in the long run, and it's helped this horse."

Cody's Wish is the fourth foal and first stakes winner out of the Tapit mare Dance Card, who won the 2012 Gazelle Stakes (G1). She is also the dam of multiple graded stakes-placed Endorsed. Her latest foal is a yearling colt by Into Mischief. **BH**

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ARMY MULE GETS FIRST WINNER WITH ONE IN VERMILLION

By BloodHorse Staff



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One in Vermillion wins the Open Spring Futurity at Turf Paradise

In the fifth race May 7 at Turf Paradise, Jonathan Kalman's juvenile colt, One in Vermillion, became a winner at second asking and the first winner for freshman sire Army Mule. The California-bred colt scored by 2 1/4 lengths for trainer Esteban Martinez, defeating eight other juveniles in the Open Spring Futurity going five furlongs on dirt.

One in Vermillion broke alertly to stalk the leaders while racing four wide, then moved up to take command with a sixteenth to run and quickly drew away. His final time was :56.50 for the five furlongs. One in Vermillion paid \$6.80 on a \$2 wager.

Diamonds Danzing was second, 1 1/2 lengths in front of third-place finisher Beyond Awesome.

The colt is out of the winning Any Given Saturday mare Given Star and was bred in California by Richard Barton Enterprises. One in Vermillion was consigned by Few Acre Farm to the 2021 Arizona Thoroughbred Breeders' Association Fall Mixed Sale, selling to Kalman for \$26,000.

Given Star is the dam of four foals, with three winners from three starters. She is the dam of a yearling filly by Cat Burglar.

Army Mule, an 8-year-old son of Friesan Fire, won the 2018 Carter Handicap (G1) as a 4-year-old. He is a perfect 3-for-3 with earnings of \$311,400.

He stands in 2022 at Hill 'n' Dale Farms in Kentucky for a fee of \$7,500. **BH**

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SNAPDANCER UPSETS ROBERT SANGSTER FIELD

By Tim Rowe/ANZ Bloodstock News

Syndicator Brad Spicer plans to return to the Gold Coast with the May 7 upset winner of the Saora Robert Sangster Stakes (G1), Snapdancer, but not to immediately cash in on the mare's skyrocketing value as a broodmare prospect, instead chasing more Magic Millions race day riches and group 1 glory with the daughter of Choisir.

That could be as soon as The Goodwood (G1) at Morphettville on Saturday week or the Tatts Tiara (G1) at Eagle Farm during the Queensland winter carnival, an elated Spicer suggested last night from Melbourne.

"She is a really nice horse because we can freshen her, whether it's a three, four, five, or six-week freshen, so she's ideal for that sort of scenario," Spicer told ANZ Bloodstock News.

"She loves the beach, she does a bit of work down at Balnarring and the team know her. That's pretty much where she's lived whenever she's in Melbourne."

Ridden by Ethan Brown for trainers Ciaron Maher and David Eustace from barrier 15 yesterday, Snapdancer scored by a length and a half over stablemate Away Game with favored September Run another length and a quarter away in third.

A winner of the \$1 million Magic Millions Fillies & Mares in January, she also won the Robrick Lodge Triscay Stakes (G3) in February before a puzzling down-the-track performance in the Yulong Stud Newmarket Handicap (G1) at Flemington, a race in which a number of favored horses under performed.

"I couldn't really make sense of what happened last start," Maher said post-race.

"Track bias or whether she didn't like the straight, but we freshened her up and pretty much like what we did at the Gold Coast, and the main thing with her is the start.

"I said to Ethan, if you get the start, the rest is easy and I was very surprised how easily she got across (from the wide barrier)."

Snapdancer's Sangster success was also the first group 1 for the Alice Springs-raised Brown.

"To get it at such a young age, it is so surreal. I can't explain the feeling (as) I've been in that situation before and been run down. Ciaron said to just make sure I was on top of her in the gates."

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Snapdancer lands the Sangster Stakes at Morphettville Racecourse



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SNAPDANCER UPSETS ROBERT SANGSTER FIELD

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Spicer was also rapt to be able to enjoy group 1 success with Brown, the pair creating a rapport about four to five years ago through the deeds of another talented mare in Platinum Angel.

"She jumped so well and she just got there so easily and, credit to Ethan, he just went with her and she traveled well in that soft ground," he said.

"Halfway up the straight I thought I'd better get off the couch because I think she's home."

A three-quarter sister to the stakes-placed Drago, the Coolmore-bred Snapdancer is a daughter of the Galileo mare Snapdragon whose value has soared courtesy of yesterday's group 1 victory.

Having already been through an auction ring twice, selling for AU\$60,000 (US\$45,270) to agent Sheamus Mills at the 2017 Inglis Chairman's Weanling Sale before being resold at the following year's Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale to Spicer and original trainer Darren Weir for AU\$180,000 (\$141,156), yesterday's win could place her valuation closer to \$2 million, if not more.

Snapdancer has now won six of her 18 starts and earned almost AU\$1.3 million (\$738,077) in prize-money.

"We thought she was worth between \$1 million and \$1.5 million before today and she can go back to the Gold Coast, carry 60 kilograms next January in a million dollar race, so we weighed it up and thought we'd put off selling her for another year," Spicer said.

"With her pedigree, she's out of a Galileo mare, so it is going to open up opportunities in both hemispheres. There will be major studs, and I won't name them, who I think will be pretty keen to have her in their

broodmare band and hopefully she does end up with one of those so she can go to some of the best stallions in the world."

Her dam Snapdragon was sold to Aquis Farm in 2018 for AU\$60,000 (\$45,450) to support their first season stallion The Mission, a mating which produced an unnamed filly who will be offered for sale at the Gold Coast later this month. Snapdragon died in 2020.

While Snapdancer continues her career on the racetrack, runner-up Away Game will be one of the most sought after mares to be offered at the Magic Millions National Sale on the Gold Coast later this month.

Away Game has finished second in three group 1 races: the Longines Golden Slipper (1,200 meters), the Neds Oakleigh Plate (1,100), and now in the Sangster.

"Away Game, she must be the best bridesmaid in the country," Maher said.

Craig Williams said the well-supported last start William Reid Stakes (G1, 1,200 meters) winner September Run slipped at the start.

"That was detrimental from then on but she ran super to still finish in the placings," the jockey said.

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Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (G1)

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$3,000,000, 3yo, 10f (dirt), 2:02.61, track fast.

- 1—**Rich Strike**, 126, ch c, 3\$1,860,000
Keen Ice—Gold Strike, by Smart Strike
O—RED TR-Racing, LLC, B—Calumet Farm (KY), T—Eric R. Reed, J—Sonny Leon
- 2—**Epicenter**, 126, b c, 3\$600,000
Not This Time—Silent Candy, by **Candy Ride** (ARG)
O—Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC, B—Westwind Farms (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Joel Rosario

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$260,000.

- 3—**Zandon**, 126, dk b/br c, 3\$300,000
Upstart—Memories Prevail, by **Creative Cause**
O—Jeff Drown, B—Brereton C. Jones (KY), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Flavien Prat

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$170,000.

Margins: $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, 2. **Others:** Simplification (\$150,000), Mo Donegal (\$90,000), Barber Road, Tawny Port, Smile Happy, Tiz the Bomb, Zozos, Classic Causeway, Taiba, Crown Pride (JPN), Happy Jack, Messier, White Abarrio, Charge It, Cyberknife, Pioneer of Medina, Summer Is Tomorrow. **Scratched:** Ethereal Road, Rattle N Roll.
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Old Forester Bourbon Turf Classic S. (G1T)

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 9f (turf), 1:49.72, course firm.

- 1—**Santin**, 123, b c, 4\$595,200
Distorted Humor—Sentiero Italia, by **Medaglia d'Oro**
O—Godolphin, LLC, B—Godolphin (KY), T—Brendan P. Walsh, J—Tyler Gaffalione
- 2—**Mira Mission**, 123, b g, 4\$192,000
Noble Mission (GB)—Kazamira, by Dynaformer
O—Mary Abeel Sullivan Revocable Trust, B—Mary A Sullivan (KY), T—Ian R. Wilkes, J—Julien R. Lejaroux
- 3—**Adhamo** (IRE), 123, ch c, 4\$96,000
Intello (GER)—Foreign Tune (GB), by **Invincible Spirit** (IRE)

O—Dubbs, Michael, Madaket Stables LLC and Lazzinnaro, Louis, B—Wertheimer Et Frere (IRE), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Flavien Prat

Sale History: 2021 ARQARC, \$289,834.

Margins: neck, 6, $\frac{3}{4}$. **Others:** Shirli's Speight (\$48,000), Tribhuvan (FR) (\$28,800), Public Sector (GB) (\$10,000), Bizzee Channel (\$10,000), Cavalry Charge (\$10,000), Kentucky Ghost (\$10,000). **Scratched:** Ivar (BRZ). [View Equibase Chart](#)

Churchill Downs S. presented by Ford (G1)

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$750,000, 4yo/up, 7f (dirt), 1:21.95, track fast.

- 1—**Jackie's Warrior**, 123, b c, 4 ...\$455,700
Maclean's Music—Unicorn Girl, by A. P. Five Hundred
O—Robison, J. Kirk and Robison, Judy, B—J & J Stables (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Joel Rosario

Sale History: 2019 KEESEP, \$95,000.

- 2—**Reinvestment Risk**, 123, b c, 4\$147,000
Upstart—Ridingwiththediaboli, by **Candy Ride** (ARG)
O—Klaravich Stables, Inc., B—Aschinger Bloodstock Holdings, LLC (KY), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Irad Ortiz, Jr.

Sale History: 2020 OBSMAR, \$280,000, 2019 FTKJUL, \$140,000.

- 3—**Aloha West**, 123, dk b/br h, 5 ...\$73,500
Hard Spun—Island Bound, by **Speightstown**
O—Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, B—Robert Manfuso & Katharine M. Voss (MD), T—Wayne M. Catalano, J—Jose L. Ortiz

Sale History: 2018 KEESEP, \$160,000.

Margins: 4, 1, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$. **Others:** Sir Alfred James (\$36,750), Mind Control (\$22,050), Long Range Toddy (\$7,500), Prevalence (\$7,500). **Scratched:** Cezanne. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Derby City Distaff S. presented by Kendall-Jackson Winery (G1)

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$750,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f (dirt), 1:22.17, track fast.

- 1—**Obligatory**, 123, gr/ro f, 4\$455,700
Curlin—Uno Duo, by Macho Uno
O—Juddmonte, B—Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY), T—William I. Mott, J—Jose L. Ortiz

2—**Four Graces**, 123, dk b/br m, 5\$147,000
Majesticperfection—Ivory Empress, by Seeking the Gold
O—Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC, B—Whitham Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY), T—Ian R. Wilkes, J—Julien R. Lejaroux

3—**Just One Time**, 123, ch f, 4\$73,500
Not This Time—Ida Clark, by **Speightstown**

O—Warriors Reward, LLC and Commonwealth New Era Racing, B—Warrior's Reward LLC (PA), T—Brad H. Cox, J—Flavien Prat

Margins: $\frac{3}{4}$, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, neck. **Others:** Bell's the One (\$36,750), Kimari (\$22,050), Edgeway (\$7,500), Center Aisle (\$7,500). **Scratched:** Lady Rocket.
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American Turf S. presented by BMW (G2T)

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$500,000, 3yo, 8.5f (turf), 1:44.57, course firm.

- 1—**Stolen Base**, 118, b c, 3\$294,500
Bodemeister—Running Wild, by Indian Charlie
O—Three Diamonds Farm and Greathouse, Deuce, B—Peter E. Blum Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY), T—Michael J. Maker, J—Flavien Prat

Sale History: 2021 KEENOV, \$335,000, 2021 OBSAPR, \$45,000.

2—**Balnikhov** (IRE), 118, dk b/br g, 3\$95,000
Adaay (IRE)—Leeward, by First Defence
O—Little Red Feather Racing, Madaket Stables LLC and Old Bones Racing Stable, LLC, B—T. de La Heronniere&Gestut Zur Kuste AG (IRE), T—Philip D'Amato, J—Manuel Franco

Sale History: 2020 ARQAUG, \$31,899.

3—**Sy Dog**, 120, dk b/br c, 3\$47,500
Slumber (GB)—My Love Venezuela, by Scat Daddy
O—Head of Plains Partners LLC, B—Head of Plains Partners & Madaket Stables (KY), T—H. Graham Motion, J—Irad Ortiz, Jr.

Margins: 1 $\frac{1}{4}$, 1, 1. **Others:** Smokin' T (\$23,750), Portfolio Company (\$14,250), Red Run (\$5,000), Red Danger (\$5,000), Coinage (\$5,000), Main Event (\$5,000), Dowagiac Chief (\$5,000). **Scratched:** Royal Spirit. [View Equibase Chart](#)

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Longines Churchill Distaff Turf Mile S. (G2T)

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 8f (turf), 1:37.47, course firm.

1—**Speak of the Devil** (FR), 118, b m, 5.....\$306,900

Wootton Bassett (GB)—Moranda (FR), by Indian Rocket (GB)

O—Peter M. Brant, B—Herve Viallon (FR), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Flavien Prat

Sale History: 2021 ARQDEC, \$2,205,478, 2018 ARQOCT, \$70,643, 2017 ARQDEC, \$52,983.

2—**In Italian** (GB), 118, ch f, 4.....\$99,000
Dubawi (IRE)—Florentina (AUS), by Redoute's Choice (AUS)

O—Peter M. Brant, B—Fairway Thoroughbreds (GB), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Irad Ortiz, Jr.

Sale History: 2019 TATOC1, \$609,434.

3—**Wakanaka** (IRE), 118, b f, 4.....\$49,500
Power (GB)—Storyline (IRE), by **Kodiac** (GB)

O—Team Valor International and Barber, Gary, B—MRS JEAN BRENNAN (IRE), T—William I. Mott, J—Jose L. Ortiz

Sale History: 2019 GUKPRE, \$4,274.

Margins: 2¾, 3, 3. **Others:** Lady Speightspeare (\$24,750), Flower Point (\$14,850), Abscond (\$5,000). **Scratched:** Mona Stella, She Can't Sing. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Pat Day Mile S. presented by LG&E and KU (G2)

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$500,000, 3yo, 8f (dirt), 1:34.81, track fast.

1—**Jack Christopher**, 122, ch c, 3 \$291,400
Munnings—Rushin No Blushin, by Half Ours

O—Bakke, Jim, Isbister, Gerry, Coolmore Stud and White Birch Farm, Inc., B—Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate (KY), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Jose L. Ortiz

Sale History: 2020 FTKOCT, \$135,000, 2020 FTKSEP, (\$145,000 RNA).

2—**Pappacap**, 122, b c, 3.....\$94,000
Gun Runner—Pappascap, by Scat Daddy O—Rustlewood Farm, Inc., B—Rustlewood Farm, Inc. (FL), T—Mark E. Casse, J—Flavien Prat

3—**My Prankster**, 120, b c, 3.....\$47,000
Into Mischief—My Wandy's Girl, by Flower Alley

O—Low, Lawana L. and Robert E., B—Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY), T—Todd A. Pletcher, J—Luis Saez

Sale History: 2020 FTKSEP, \$600,000.

Margins: 3¾, head, 2. **Others:** 0 Captain

(\$23,500), Trafalgar (\$14,100), Doppelganger (\$5,000), Tejano Twist (\$5,000), Kavod (\$5,000), Major General (\$5,000), Trademark (\$5,000), Ben Diesel (\$5,000). **Scratched:** Howling Time. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Fort Marcy S. (G2T)

Belmont Park, 5/7, \$200,000, 4yo/up, a9f (turf), 1:59.72, course yielding.

1—**L'Imperator** (FR), 118, b g, 5...\$110,000
Holy Roman Emperor (IRE)—La Joie (FR), by Montjeu (IRE)

O—Madaket Stables LLC, Wonder Stables and LaPenta, Robert V., B—Jean-Pierre Dubois (FR), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Eric Cancel

Sale History: 2018 ARQAUG, (\$91,504 RNA).

2—**Sacred Life** (FR), 120, b r, 7.....\$40,000
Siyouni (FR)—Knyazhna (IRE), by Montjeu (IRE)

O—Dubb, Michael, Madaket Stables LLC, Wonder Stables and Caruso, Michael J., B—Mr. Viktor Timoshenko & Mr. Andriy Milovanov (FR), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Hector Rafael Diaz, Jr.

Sale History: 2016 ARQAUG, \$55,925.

3—**Glynn County**, 118, b h, 5.....\$24,000
Kitten's Joy—Quad Tens, by Rock Hard Ten

O—Three Diamonds Farm, B—Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey (KY), T—Michael J. Maker, J—Junior Alvarado

Sale History: 2019 OBSAPR, \$80,000, 2018 KEESEP, \$45,000.

Margins: 3¼, ½, 14¼. **Others:** City Man (\$12,000), Rockemperor (IRE) (\$8,000), King Cause (\$3,000), Starting Over (\$3,000). **Scratched:** Doswell. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Sheepshead Bay S. (G2T)

Belmont Park, 5/7, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m, a11f (turf), 2:30.88, course yielding.

1—**Virginia Joy** (GER), 120, b m, 5\$110,000
Soldier Hollow (GB)—Virginia Sun (GER), by Doyen (IRE)

O—Peter M. Brant, B—Gestut Auenquelle (GER), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Trevor McCarthy

Sale History: 2020 ARQARC, \$1,142,388.

2—**Luck Money**, 119, dk b/br m, 5. \$40,000
Lookin At Lucky—Flagrant, by Rahy

O—Catherine M. Wills, B—Dr. Catherine Wills (KY), T—Arnaud Delacour, J—Hector Rafael Diaz, Jr.

3—**Lovely Lucky**, 118, b m, 6.....\$24,000
Lookin At Lucky—Dynaffair, by Dynaformer

O—Elizabeth Mateo, B—Vartan Vartanov (KY), T—Thomas Albertrani, J—Dylan Davis

Sale History: 2017 FTKOCT, \$5,000.

Margins: 1¼, 6½, 20. **Others:** Sister Otoole (\$12,000). **Scratched:** Mia Martina. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Westchester S. (G3)

Belmont Park, 5/7, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:34.68, track sloppy.

1—**Cody's Wish**, 118, b c, 4.....\$110,000
Curlin—Dance Card, by **Tapit**

O—Godolphin, LLC, B—Godolphin (KY), T—William I. Mott, J—Junior Alvarado

2—**Sound Money**, 120, b c, 4.....\$40,000
Flutter—Vegas Trip, by Aldebaran

O—Klaravich Stables, Inc., B—Lannister Holdings & Glidawn Stud (KY), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Kendrick Carmouche

Sale History: 2018 KEENOV, \$200,000.

3—**Zoomer**, 118, ch g, 6.....\$24,000
Curlin—Rasindy, by A.P. Indy

O—Winning Move Stable and Rideau Racers LLC, B—Robert E. Low & Lawana L. Low (KY), T—Linda Rice, J—Dylan Davis

Sale History: 2017 FTSAUG, (\$245,000 RNA).

Margins: 5, 6½, 5¾. **Others:** Greatest Honour (\$12,000), Informative (\$8,000). [View Equibase Chart](#)

Senorita S. (G3T)

Santa Anita Park, 5/7, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 8f (turf), 1:35.35, course firm.

1—**Island of Love** (IRE), 120, b f, 3. \$60,000
Kodiac (GB)—Misham (GB), by Shamardal O—R Unicorn Stable, B—Razza Del Velino Srl (IRE), T—Philip D'Amato, J—Juan J. Hernandez

2—**Sterling Crest** (IRE), 120, ch f, 3 \$20,000
No Nay Never—Tamazug (GB), by Machiavellian

O—Nguyen, Calvin and Tran, Joey C., B—LONGUEVILLE BLOODSTOCK (IRE), T—Richard Baltas, J—Victor Espinoza

Sale History: 2021 OBSMAR, (\$195,000 RNA), 2020 KEESEP, \$135,000.

3—**Baby Steps**, 120, ch f, 3.....\$12,000
Jimmy Creed—Competitivebalance, by Into Mischief

O—California Racing Partners, Ciaglia Racing LLC and Pearson, Richard C., B—Summer Mayberry & Rick Rudman (FL), T—Ryan Hanson, J—Diego A. Herrera

Sale History: 2021 OBSMAR, \$70,000.

Margins: 2¼, 1¼, ¾. **Others:** Fuente Ovejuna (GB) (\$6,000), Lucky Girl (IRE) (\$2,000), Delmona (IRE) (\$500). [View Equibase Chart](#)

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BLACK TYPE STAKES

Arkansas Breeders' Championship S.

Oaklawn Park, 5/7, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 8.5f (dirt), 1:44.09, track fast.

- 1—[Souixper Charger](#), 118, dk b/br g, 6 \$120,000
Portobello Road—My Angel's Halo, by Southern Forest
O—J J Thoroughbreds, B—Anderson Farms (AR), T—John Henry Prather, Jr., J—Luis S. Quinonez
- 2—[Bandit Point](#), 124, ch h, 7 \$40,000
Indy Squall—Set Point, by Langfuhr
O—Robert N. Cline, B—Marianna's Fate Inc. (AR), T—Robert N. Cline, J—Kelsi Harr
- 3—[Man in the Can](#), 124, b h, 5 \$20,000
Can the Man—Smeauxkininthelane, by Smoke Glacken
O—JRita Young Thoroughbreds LLC and LaPenta, Robert V., B—JRita Young Thoroughbreds, LLC (AR), T—Ron Moquett, J—Alex L. Canchari

Margins: 3, 1½, 1¾. **Others:** Twisted Dixie (\$10,000), More Than Blessed (\$6,000), Promising Shoes (\$445), Tempt Fate (\$445), K J's Nobility (\$445), Dinner At Crumpies (\$445), Implicator (\$444), Big Success (\$444), J. E.'s Handmedown (\$444), Bellamys Roan (\$444), Mrs. Beans (\$444).

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Knicks Go Overnight S. presented by L&N Federal Credit Union

Churchill Downs, 5/7, \$160,000, 4yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:35.48, track fast.

- 1—[Three Technique](#), 118, dk b/br h, 5 \$94,366
[Mr Speaker](#)—Nite in Rome, by Harlan's Holiday
O—David E. Miller, B—Omega Farm LLC & Bally Breeders (KY), T—Jason G. Cook, J—Rafael Bejarano
Sale History: 2021 KEENOV, (\$47,000 RNA), 2018 FTKJUL, \$180,000, 2017 KEENOV, \$50,000.
- 2—[Injunction](#), 118, ch g, 4 \$30,860
[Skipshot](#)—Valid Valencia, by Northern Afleet
O—J&G Stables, LLC and Vaccarezza, Nicholas, B—Mikhail Yanakov (KY), T—Carlo Vaccarezza, J—Jose L. Ortiz
- 3—[South Bend](#), 118, b h, 5 \$15,430
[Algorithms](#)—Sandra's Rose, by Old Trieste
O—Pantofel Stable, LLC, Wachtel Stable, Barber, Gary and Deutsch, Peter, B—Highclere Inc. (KY), T—William I. Mott, J—Joel Rosario
Sale History: 2019 OBSMAR, \$70,000, 2018



California Frolic (outside) wins the English Channel Stakes at Gulfstream Park

FTKJUL, (\$47,000 RNA).

Margins: 1, nose, 1¾. **Others:** Necker Island (\$7,715), Dream Shake (\$4,629), Shared Sense (\$1,171), Gun It (\$1,171), A C Expressway (\$1,170), Endorsed (\$1,169), Perfect Speighty (\$1,169), Frosted Grace (\$950). **Scratched:** Major Fed. [View Equibase Chart](#)

English Channel S.

Gulfstream Park, 5/7, \$75,000, 3yo, a8f (turf), 1:36.66, course firm.

- 1—[California Frolic](#), 120, ch c, 3 \$45,570
[California Chrome](#)—Curlin's Frolic, by Curlin
O—Julian J. De Mora Jr., B—Steven Friedfert & Taylor Made Sales Agency (KY), T—Armando De la cerda, J—Edgar Perez
Sale History: 2021 OBSAPR, \$32,000, 2020 KEESEP, \$50,000, 2019 KEENOV, (\$75,000 RNA).
- 2—[Bob Marco](#), 118, dk b/br c, 3 \$14,700
Arrogate—Astray, by Bernardini
O—Flying Pheasant Farm, LLC, B—Machmer Hall (KY), T—Mary E. Eppler, J—Miguel Angel Vasquez
Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$250,000.
- 3—[Old Town Road](#), 120, dk b/br c, 3 \$7,350
[Classic Empire](#)—Pi Bella, by Pioneering
O—Daniel Alonso, B—Buck Pond Farm, Inc. (KY), T—Amador Merei Sanchez, J—Hector Isaac Berrios

Margins: neck, neck, neck. **Others:** Merlin (\$3,675), Tapthespeedofsound (\$2,205), Vladislav (\$750), I'll Figure It Out (\$750). [View Equibase Chart](#)

Honey Ryder S.

Gulfstream Park, 5/7, \$75,000, 3yo, f, a8f (turf), 1:36.18, course firm.

- 1—[Ocean Safari](#), 118, dk b/br f, 3 \$44,640
[Temple City](#)—Media Access, by Devil's Bag
O—Soldi Stable LLC and Ohana Racing LLC, B—Cricket Hooper & Athens Woods LLC (KY), T—Gilberto Zerpa, J—Hector Isaac Berrios
Sale History: 2021 OBSMAR, \$42,000, 2020 FTMSEP, (\$19,000 RNA), 2020 KEEJAN, \$7,000.
- 2—[Omioxochitl](#), 118, ch f, 3 \$14,400
[More Than Ready](#)—Goodbye Kid, by Lemon Drop Kid
O—St. George Stable LLC, B—St. George Stables, LLC (KY), T—Fausto Gutierrez, J—Emisael Jaramillo
- 3—[Love Her Lots](#), 118, gr/ro f, 3 \$7,200
[Cupid](#)—Curtain Call, by Congrats
O—Dole, Kevin A., Gagne, Debbi and Spatz, Ronald B., B—Moreau Bloodstock International, Inc. (KY), T—Ronald B. Spatz, J—Miguel Angel Vasquez
Sale History: 2021 OBSMAR, \$20,000, 2020 FTKOCT, \$14,000, 2019 KEENOV, (\$19,000 RNA).

Margins: ½, 1, 1. **Others:** Rapturous (\$3,600), Lemieux (\$2,160), Diamond Wow (\$750), Empress Ellie (\$750), Unbridled Ensign (\$750), Big Tentations (\$750). **Scratched:** Lady Puchi, Fawning. [View Equibase Chart](#)

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Michael F. Rowland Memorial H.

Thistledown, 5/7, \$75,000, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:11.60, track fast.

1—**Direct Deceit**, 123, gr/ro g, 7\$45,000

Twinspired—Funnys Approval, by Outrageouslyfunny

O—Friedman, Michael J. and Rivera, Nestor R., B—Bobby R. Rankin (OH), T—Nestor Rivera, J—Angel I. Diaz

2—**Authentic Cowtown**, 120, dk b/br g, 5...\$15,000

Cowtown Cat—Echt, by Fusaichi Pegasus
O—Authentic Racing, LLC and McDonald, James H., B—Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (OH), T—James H. McDonald, J—Erik Barbaran

3—**Mobil Solution**, 122, dk b/br g, 7.\$7,500
Mobil—Perfect Solution, by Seeking the Gold

O—Danielle Agnello, B—Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (OH), T—Jeffrey Skerrett, J—Jeffrey Sanchez

Sale History: 2020 OHIOCT, \$88,000.

Margins: ¾, 2¾, 1½. **Others:** Ohio Eagle (\$3,750), First Song (\$2,250), Sweet Lemon Drop (\$1,500), Midnight Mikey, Play Ball, Mister Mobil, Rosco P. Coltrane. **Scratched:** Thedayofthegrey. **View Equibase Chart**

Third Chance S.

Hawthorne, 5/7, \$75,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:10.02, track fast.

1—**Dancin At Midnight**, 118, gr/ro f, 4.....\$45,000

Bandbox—Buzzin At Midnight, by **Midnight Lute**

O—Donald L. Griffin, B—Dr. Donald L. Griffin (IL), T—Steve Manley, J—E. T. Baird

2—**Sister Ruler**, 118, dk b/br m, 6..\$15,000

Road Ruler—Canyons Sister, by Marte
O—Hoffman Farms Racing, LLC (Keith Hoffman), B—Larry Owens (IL), T—Michele Boyce, J—Jareth Loveberry

3—**Get None**, 119, dk b/br m, 6.....\$7,500

Biondetti—Lose None, by Royal Academy
O—Hermilo Racing Stable, LLC, B—Pedi Racing LLC & Larry Rivelli (IL), T—Hugo Rodriguez, J—Rocco Bowen

Margins: 4, ¾, 2. **Others:** Stopshoppingamy (\$3,750), Racetothe finish (\$2,250), War Colors (\$750), Iggy Bigs (\$750). **View Equibase Chart**

EVD Classic S.

Evangeline Downs, 5/7, \$60,000, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:37.90, track fast.

1—**Who Took the Money**, 123, ch g, 4.....\$36,000

Street Boss—Speights' Colony, by **Speightstown**

O—Allied Racing Stable, LLC, B—Allied Racing Stable, LLC (LA), T—W. Bret Calhoun, J—Deshawn L. Parker

2—**Highland Creek**, 117, b g, 4.....\$11,400

Broken Vow—Mizzenway, by Mizzen Mast

O—Allied Racing Stable, LLC, B—J. Adcock & Neal McFadden (LA), T—W. Bret Calhoun, J—C.J. McMahon

Sale History: 2019 ESLSEP, \$60,000.

3—**Venn**, 116, gr/ro g, 6.....\$6,000

My Pal Charlie—I'mavikingprincess, by I'ma Hell Raiser

O—Marcia J. LaMarche, B—Marcia LaMarche (LA), T—Samuel Breau, J—Joel Dominguez

Margins: ½, 3½, 1. **Others:** Relentless Dancer (\$3,000), Free Indeed (\$1,200), Maga Man (\$600), Father Goose (\$600), Drewhustle (\$600), Treys Midnite Moon (\$600). **Scratched:** Speaktomeoflo. **View Equibase Chart**

EVD Distaff S.

Evangeline Downs, 5/6, \$60,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:39.65, track fast.

1—**Winning Romance**, 123, ch f, 4.\$36,000

First Samurai—Lipstick Junky, by **Flatter**

O—Allied Racing Stable, LLC, B—Allied Racing Stable, LLC (LA), T—W. Bret Calhoun, J—Deshawn L. Parker

2—**She's Gone d'Wild**, 117, dk b/br m, 5...\$12,000

D'wildcat—Bonita Saleeta, by Porto Foricos

O—William T. Reed, B—William T. Reed (LA), T—W. Bret Calhoun, J—C.J. McMahon

3—**Snowball**, 116, gr/ro m, 6.....\$4,800

Apriority—Inner Peace, by Value Plus

O—Tin Roof Farms LLC, B—4M Ranch (LA), T—Samuel Breau, J—Vicente Del-Cid

Sale History: 2017 ESLMIX, \$1,700.

3—**Net a Bear**, 123, b m, 6.....\$4,800

Awesome Bet—Edacious Reality, by **Edington**

O—Lamarche, Maximo and Deltoro, Federico, B—Lora Pitre & Elaine Carroll (LA), T—Allen Landry, J—Joe Stokes

Margins: 1¾, 2¼, 6, 6. **Others:** Eileen Alexandra (\$1,800), Offspring (\$600). **Scratched:** Shelli's Angel. **View Equibase Chart**

NON-BLACK TYPE STAKES

Jack Cole S.

Sunray Park, 5/7, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 6.5f (dirt), 1:19.21, track fast.

1—**No Pasa Nada**, 123, b g, 6.....\$60,000

Attila's Storm—Charlotte's Drone, by B.

G.'s Drone

O—Christopher Nathaniel Roybal, B—Rob-

ert Driggers & DelRae Driggers (NM), T—Aurelio P. Valdez, J—Alejandro Medellin

Sale History: 2017 RUIAUG, (\$22,000 RNA).

2—**Shining Source**, 123, dk b/br g, 11.....\$20,000

Source—Shine Miss Comet, by Comet Shine

O—Rust, Terri and Barton Ranch Stables, LLC, B—Susan K Vescovo (NM), T—Terri Rust, J—Rigo Sarmiento

3—**Tucum**, 123, dk b/br g, 4.....\$10,000

King Bull—Last Danz, by Danzatore

O—Tucumcari Thoroughbreds, B—Tucumcari Thoroughbreds (NM), T—Danny Morales, J—Enrique Portillo Gomez

Margins: 1¼, ½, head. **Others:** Diabolical Ruler (\$3,000), Sea Emperor (\$2,000), Izeright (\$1,000), Jet N G (\$1,000), Delbert Too (\$1,000), Cheese Tray (\$1,000), All Chrome (\$1,000). **Scratched:** Cerveza, Attiliano. **View Equibase Chart**

Turf Paradise Open Spring Futurity

Turf Paradise, 5/7, \$84,485, 2yo, 5f (dirt), :56.50, track fast.

1—**One in Vermillion**, 124, ch c, 2..\$49,611

Army Mule—Given Star, by Any Given Saturday

O—Jonathan Kalman, B—Richard Barton Enterprises (CA), T—Esteban Martinez, J—Harry Hernandez

Sale History: 2021 ARZOCT, \$26,000.

2—**Diamonds Danzing**, 121, ch f, 2.\$16,537

Danzing Candy—Temper, by Giant's Causeway

O—Jeremy Ramsland, B—H & E Ranch (CA), T—Miguel L. Hernandez, J—Enrique Garcia

Sale History: 2021 ARZOCT, \$19,500.

3—**Beyond Awesome**, 121, ch f, 2...\$9,269

Boos—Camille, by **Rocky Bar**

O—Jeremy Ramsland, B—Triple AAA Ranch (AZ), T—Justin R. Evans, J—Luis Negron

Sale History: 2021 ARZOCT, \$8,000.

Margins: 2¼, 1½, 8¾. **Others:** Arizona Kalei (\$4,634), Panzer Pride (\$2,780), Scatalicious (\$1,654), Little Axe Soul, Natural Immunity, Paisley's Vision. **View Equibase Chart**

ALLOWANCE RESULTS

Belmont Park, Race 4, AOC

5/7, \$92,000, 3yo, f, 8.5f (dirt), 1:44.87, track sloppy.

1—**Gina Romantica**, 120, b f, 3, **Into Mischief**—Special Me, by Unbridled's Song, \$50,600, O—Peter M. Brant, B—Machmer Hall, Carrie Brogden & Craig Brogden (KY), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Kendrick Carmouche

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$1,025,000.

Margin: nose, 4 starters. **View Equibase Chart**

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Belmont Park, Race 5, ALW

5/7, \$92,000, 3yo/up, 7f (dirt), 1:23.65, track sloppy.
1—**River Dog**, 125, dk b/br g, 4, **Twirling Candy**—Sterling Forest, by Forest Wildcat, \$50,600, O—Robert G. Hahn, B—Robert Hahn (NY), T—Kelly J. Breen, J—Kendrick Carmouche

Margin: ¾, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Belmont Park, Race 9, ALW

5/7, \$92,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:11.33, track sloppy.

1—**Sweet Solare**, 120, b f, 3, **Into Mischief**—Elusive Checkers, by **Quality Road**, \$50,600, O—Michael J. Ryan, B—Lone Pine Bloodstock (KY), T—Horacio De Paz, J—Kendrick Carmouche

Margin: ¾, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Charles Town, Race 4, AOC

5/7, \$29,700, 4yo/up, f/m, 4.5f (dirt), :51.46, track sloppy.

1—**Heated**, 120, dk b/br f, 4, **Competitive Edge**—Aqua, by Giant's Causeway, \$17,820, O—Crystal G. Pickett, B—Judy Hicks (KY), T—Crystal G. Pickett, J—Jose Montano

Sale History: 2019 FTKOCT, \$3,500.

Margin: 5¾, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Charles Town, Race 6, ALW

5/7, \$33,900, 3yo/up, 7f (dirt), 1:27.15, track sloppy.
1—**C R's Mandate**, 120, dk b/br g, 4, Strong Mandate—Malibu Baby, by Malibu Moon, \$21,018, O—Antonio Scotto DiCarlo, B—Maurice F. Casey III (WV), T—Raimondo Schiano-Dicola, J—Christian Hiraldo

Margin: neck, 5 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Charles Town, Race 7, ALW

5/6, \$33,900, 3yo/up, 7f (dirt), 1:27.51, track sloppy.
1—**Drive by Layover**, 124, b g, 4, **Done Talking**—Talented Princess, by Suave Prospect, \$20,259, O—Ulman, Louis J. and Glasser, H. Neil, B—Franklin G. Smith (SC), T—Dale Capuano, J—Carlos Eduardo Lopez

Margin: 2¾, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Charles Town, Race 7, ALW

5/7, \$34,900, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f (dirt), 1:47.48, track sloppy.
1—**Jerusalem**, 113, dk b/br f, 3, **Super Saver**—Pinch Pie, by **Victory Gallop**, \$20,778, O—Timothy Freitag, B—Catesby W. Clay Investment 2 LLC (KY), T—Anthony Farrior, J—Marshall Mendez

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, (\$18,000 RNA).

Margin: 1¾, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Churchill Downs, Race 2, AOC

5/7, \$127,000, 3yo, 6.5f (dirt), 1:16.60, track wet fast.

1—**Surfer Dude**, 118, ch c, 3, **Curlin**—Tiz Miz Sue, by Tiznow, \$73,420, O—Stanley, Mark H. and Stanley,

Nancy W., B—CresRan LLC (KY), T—Dallas Stewart, J—Irado Ortiz, Jr.

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$190,000.

Margin: ½, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Churchill Downs, Race 3, ALW

5/7, \$127,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f (turf), 1:51.62, course firm.

1—**Lady Rockstar** (GB), 124, b f, 4, **Frankel** (GB)—Noozhah (GB), by Singspiel (IRE), \$38,920, O—CLIPPER LOGISTICS, B—BRANTON COURT STUD (GB), T—Brendan P. Walsh, J—Tyler Gaffalione

Margin: 3½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Churchill Downs, Race 4, AOC

5/7, \$127,000, 3yo, 8.5f (dirt), 1:42.37, track fast.
1—**Creative Minister**, 122, gr/ro c, 3, **Creative Cause**—Tamboz, by **Tapit**, \$73,420, O—Fern Circle Stables and Back Racing, LLC, B—Dell Ridge Farm, LLC (KY), T—Kenneth G. McPeck, J—Brian Joseph Hernandez, Jr.

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$180,000.

Margin: 2¾, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Churchill Downs, Race 13, AOC

5/7, \$134,000, 3yo/up, 8.5f (dirt), 1:43.45, track fast.

1—**Candy Tycoon**, 122, b g, 5, **Twirling Candy**—Liberty's Lyric, by Unbridled's Song, \$77,380, O—AJ Suited Racing Stable, LLC, D C Racing and Cardinal Hill Racing, B—Jerry Romans Jr. (KY), T—Norm W. Casse, J—Luis Saez

Sale History: 2019 OBSAPR, \$170,000, 2018 KEESEP, \$52,000.

Margin: 2¼, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Evangeline Downs, Race 4, ALW

5/7, \$24,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:40.06, track fast.

1—**Staythirstymyamico**, 118, ch m, 6, **Stay Thirsty**—Michael's Rose, by Rahy, \$14,400, O—Scott Gelner, B—Stephen Wigmore & Spruce Lane Farm (KY), T—Scott Gelner, J—Joel Dominguez

Sale History: 2017 KEESEP, \$10,000.

Margin: 3½, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Golden Gate Fields, Race 3, AOC

5/7, \$31,000, 3yo, 6f (all-weather), 1:11.01, track fast.

1—**Unto Thee**, 121, dk b/br g, 3, **Congrats**—Faith Proof, by **Idiot Proof**, \$18,600, O—Clinger, Cole M. and Hall, Jason R., B—Jason Hall, Cole Clinger, and Joe Wheeler (KY), T—Jonathan Wong, J—Brayan Pena

Margin: 2¼, 5 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Golden Gate Fields, Race 9, ALW

5/7, \$31,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (all-weather), 1:10.99, track fast.

1—**Becca Taylor**, 128, b f, 4, **Old Topper**—Lady Sax, by General Meeting, \$24,180, O—Nicholas B. Alexander,

B—Nick Alexander (CA), T—Steven Miyadi, J—Armando Ayuso

Margin: 1, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Gulfstream Park, Race 9, ALW

5/7, \$48,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:12.28, track fast.

1—**Kozy Dreams**, 124, b m, 5, **Khozan**—Angel Dreams, by City Place, \$29,300, O—Ivette Perez Chambless, B—Rustlewood Farm, Inc. (FL), T—Jose Garoffalo, J—Leonel Reyes

Sale History: 2018 OBSOCT, \$7,500.

Margin: 1, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Gulfstream Park, Race 10, AOC

5/7, \$51,000, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:36.24, track fast.
1—**Mish**, 122, gr/ro g, 5, **Field Commission**—Wicked Great, by **Greatness**, \$31,300, O—C2 Racing Stable LLC, B—Joyce Mary Kielty (FL), T—Saffie A. Joseph, Jr., J—Edwin Gonzalez

Margin: 8½, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Hawthorne, Race 5, ALW

5/7, \$42,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:41.52, track fast.

1—**Regular Guy**, 121, dk b/br c, 4, **Bernardini**—Rebridled Dreams, by Unbridled's Song, \$25,200, O—Coffeepot Stables, B—Coffee Pot Stable (KY), T—Wayne M. Catalano, J—Jareth Loveberry

Margin: 3½, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Hawthorne, Race 6, AOC

5/7, \$44,000, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:09.61, track fast.
1—**Like a Saltshaker**, 121, b g, 4, **Peace and Justice**—With Sprinkles, by Harlan's Holiday, \$26,400, O—Patricia's Hope LLC, B—Glenn E. Brok LLC (PA), T—Larry Rivelli, J—Jareth Loveberry

Margin: 3, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Horseshoe Indianapolis, Race 1, ALW

5/7, \$42,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 5.5f (dirt), 1:06.43, track good.

1—**Mintchocolatechip**, 122, dk b/br m, 5, **Can the Man**—Marshmellowfudge, by Garthorn, \$25,200, O—Klopp, Liz and Claramunt, Dennis, B—Richard Snyder & Connie Snyder (IN), T—Randy L. Klopp, J—Thomas L. Pompell

Sale History: 2018 INDOCT, \$13,500.

Margin: neck, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Horseshoe Indianapolis, Race 4, ALW

5/7, \$41,000, 3yo/up, 5f (dirt), :59.43, track fast.
1—**Highcotton Justice**, 118, b g, 3, **Harry's Holiday**—Traditionalist, by Aptitude, \$24,600, O—Southwest Racing Stables and Lewis, Steve H., B—Justice Farm, Greg Justice (IN), T—Genaro Garcia, J—Jose Riquelme

Sale History: 2020 FTKOCT, \$6,500.

Margin: 2¼, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

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Horseshoe Indianapolis, Race 5, ALW

5/7, \$36,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:42.93, track fast.

1—**Kittansett**, 122, b h, 5, **American Pharoah**—Bsharpsonata, by Pulpit, \$21,600, O—OXO Equine LLC, B—Sierra Farm (KY), T—Paulo H. Lobo, J—Alex Achard

Sale History: 2018 KEESEP, \$1,400,000.

Margin: 2¾, 4 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Horseshoe Indianapolis, Race 7, ALW

5/7, \$36,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:43.95, track fast.

1—**More Memories**, 118, gr/ro c, 3, **More Than Ready**—Cozy Gain, by Cozzene, \$21,600, O—Maggi Moss, B—Scott & Company Farm, LLC (LA), T—Thomas M. Amoss, J—Edgar Morales

Sale History: 2021 OBSAPR, \$80,000, 2020 KEESEP, \$60,000, 2020 KEEJAN, \$30,000.

Margin: ½, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Horseshoe Indianapolis, Race 9, ALW

5/7, \$38,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:45.17, track fast.

1—**Rotary Dial**, 122, b g, 4, **Dialed In**—Dreamin Big, by Pure Prize, \$22,800, O—Penny S. Lauer, B—Michael E. Lauer & Penny S. Lauer (IN), T—Michael E. Lauer, J—Rodney A. Prescott

Margin: 1½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Laurel Park, Race 9, ALW

5/7, \$44,000, 3yo/up, 5.5f (dirt), 1:03.89, track sloppy.

1—**Alottahope**, 118, b g, 3, **Editorial**—Alottalute, by **Midnight Lute**, \$26,400, O—No Guts No Glory Farm, B—Dr. & Mrs. Thomas Bowman & Dr Brooke Bowman (MD), T—John J. Robb, J—Xavier Perez

Margin: ½, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 3, AOC

5/7, \$36,500, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:37.96, track fast.

1—**Gold Pilot**, 124, gr/ro g, 5, **My Golden Song**—Formal Flyer, by Early Flyer, \$21,900, O—Sanders, Wayne and Hirsch, Larry, B—Ronald Ellerbee & Margaret Ellerbee (TX), T—W. Bret Calhoun, J—Jose L. Alvarez

Sale History: 2018 TEXAUG, \$15,000.

Margin: 1, 5 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 4, ALW

5/7, \$34,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 5.5f (dirt), 1:06.28, track fast.

1—**Tolonda**, 120, dk b/br f, 3, **Bind**—Princess Meg, by Walesa, \$20,640, O—David L. Davis, B—David L. Davis (TX), T—Austin Gustafson, J—Ry Eikleberry

Margin: ¾, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 6, ALW

5/6, \$34,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (dirt), 1:25.22, track fast.

1—**Rosie Jane**, 119, dk b/br f, 4, **Court Vision**—I Am Jane Dough, by **My Golden Song**, \$20,460, O—Rose Mary Chandler, B—Rose Mary Chandler (TX), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Stewart Elliott

Margin: neck, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 7, AOC

5/6, \$36,500, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:09.90, track fast.

1—**It Makes Sense**, 120, ch g, 7, **Majestic Warrior**—Sensibly Chic, by Distorted Humor, \$21,660, O—Shawn H. Davis, B—McKenzie Bloodstock (KY), T—Shawn H. Davis, J—Jose L. Alvarez

Sale History: 2017 BARMAR, (\$25,000 RNA), 2016 FT-KOCT, \$40,000.

Margin: 2, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 7, AOC

5/7, \$36,500, 3yo/up, 5f (turf), :59.18, course firm.

1—**Excess Magic**, 122, dk b/br c, 4, **Magician (IRE)**—Exchanted, by Exchange Rate, \$21,660, O—William T. Reed, B—William T. Reed (KY), T—W. Bret Calhoun, J—Lane J. Luzzi

Margin: ½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 8, ALW

5/6, \$33,000, 3yo/up, 5f (turf), :56.77, course firm.

1—**Sign of War**, 122, gr/ro g, 4, **Half Ours**—Lady o' War, by Leestown, \$19,440, O—L and G Racing Stables, B—World War IV Racing (LA), T—Cesar Govea, J—Ernesto Valdez-Jiminez

Margin: 4½, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 8, ALW

5/7, \$34,500, 3yo/up, 5f (dirt), :58.53, track fast.

1—**Mac B Quick**, 124, dk b/br g, 4, **Maclean's Music**—Broadway Baby, by Gilded Time, \$20,520, O—John Rigney, B—Fairytail Farms, LLP (TX), T—Mindy J. Willis, J—Stewart Elliott

Margin: 1¼, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 10, ALW

5/7, \$33,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 7.5f (turf), 1:32.07, course firm.

1—**Tudela**, 121, b f, 4, **Holiday Promise**—Lil Precious, by Forestry, \$19,440, O—Darrell W. Bravenec, B—Jose Luis Espinoza (TX), T—Jaime Castellanos, J—Ernesto Valdez-Jiminez

Margin: head, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Louisiana Downs, Race 6, ALW

5/7, \$21,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.32f (dirt), 1:44.65, track fast.

1—**Just Passing Thru**, 122, b f, 4, **Include**—Fivethirtynine, by Bernstein, \$12,600, O—Hugh Moore, B—Hugh M Moore & Include Syndicate (KY), T—Shane Wilson, J—Jose Andres Guerrero

Margin: 6¼, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mountaineer, Race 2, ALW

5/7, \$23,800, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:11.56, track good.

1—**I'm Money**, 120, b g, 4, **Bayern**—Jilly, by **Lookin At Lucky**, \$13,804, O—Travis W. Short, B—Natalie J Baffert (KY), T—Travis W. Short, J—Eddie Dominguez

Sale History: 2019 KEESEP, \$1,000, 2019 FTKFEB, \$2,000.

Margin: 1½, 5 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Mountaineer, Race 7, ALW

5/7, \$28,600, 3yo/up, 5f (dirt), :57.83, track good.

1—**Baytown Bear**, 120, gr/ro g, 4, **Upstart**—And You Can, by Istan, \$16,588, O—McEntee Racing, Inc., B—Brereton C. Jones (KY), T—Paul McEntee, J—Odhair J. Mayta

Sale History: 2019 KEESEP, (\$9,500 RNA).

Margin: ¾, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 10, AOC

5/7, \$107,000, 3yo/up, 5.5f (dirt), 1:04.20, track fast.

1—**Ima Bling Cat**, 125, gr/ro g, 4, **Too Much Bling**—Stephanies Wildcat, by D'wildcat, \$64,200, O—End Zone Athletics, Inc., B—Keene Thoroughbreds, LLC (AR), T—Karl Broberg, J—Elvin Gonzalez

Margin: 1¾, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 12, AOC

5/7, \$106,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:11.56, track fast.

1—**Upandcomingstar**, 121, b f, 4, **Into Mischief**—Freedom Star, by Street Cry (IRE), \$63,600, O—Heiligbrodt, L. William, Heiligbrodt, Corinne, Madaket Stables LLC and Spendthrift Farm LLC, B—George Krikorian (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Isaac Castillo

Sale History: 2019 KEESEP, \$500,000.

Margin: ¾, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Penn National, Race 2, ALW

5/7, \$28,000, 3yo, 6f (dirt), 1:10.51, track sloppy.

1—**Bourbon Music**, 123, b g, 3, **Weigelia**—Da Mi Basia Mille, by Pure Prize, \$20,060, O—Sylmar Farm, B—Elizabeth R. Houghton (PA), T—T. Bernard Houghton, J—Tyler Conner

Margin: ½, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Penn National, Race 3, AOC

5/7, \$28,900, 3yo/up, 5f (dirt), :57.44, track sloppy.

1—**Savagery**, 120, b g, 6, **Bellamy Road**—Successful Katie, by Successful Appeal, \$17,340, O—Norman Games, B—Ponder Hill, Inc. (KY), T—Kimberly A Graci, J—Ricardo Chiappe

Sale History: 2018 OBSAPR, \$100,000, 2017 OBSJAN, (\$7,500 RNA).

Margin: 3¼, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

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Penn National, Race 5, ALW

5/7, \$31,600, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.32f (dirt), 1:43.29, track sloppy.

1—**Amaterasu**, 120, b f, 4, **Karakontie** (JPN)—Courage and Intent, by Pleasantly Perfect, \$18,960, O—Alexander R. Levengood, B—Horseshoe Valley Equine Center, LLC (PA), T—Phil Schoenthal, J—Victor R. Carasco

Margin: neck, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Santa Anita Park, Race 2, AOC

5/7, \$69,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:10.87, track fast.

1—**Dance to the Music**, 118, ch f, 3, **Maclean's Music**—Beautified, by Congrats, \$41,400, O—Red Baron's Barn LLC and Rancho Temescal LLC, B—George Kirkorian (KY), T—Mark Glatt, J—Abel Cedillo

Sale History: 2021 OBSAPR, \$575,000, 2020 KEESEP, \$40,000.

Margin: ¾, 5 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Santa Anita Park, Race 9, AOC

5/7, \$69,000, 3yo, f, a6.5f (turf), 1:14.16, course firm.

1—**Connie Swingle**, 122, gr/ro f, 3, **Grazen**—Sky Mami, by Sky Mesa, \$53,820, O—Nicholas B. Alexander, B—Nick Alexander (CA), T—Philip D'Amato, J—Kyle Frey

Margin: 2¾, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Santa Anita Park, Race 10, AOC

5/7, \$69,000, 3yo/up, 9f (turf), 1:47.57, course firm.

1—**Shadow Sphinx**, 126, dk b/br g, 7, Pioneer of the Nile—Manx Cat, by Forest Wildcat, \$41,400, O—47 Roses, LLC, Mojallali Stables and Twilight Racing LLC, B—Grade 1 Bloodstock & Halcyon Farm & Equine Equity Partners, LLC (KY), T—Kristin Mulhall, J—Jose Valdivia, Jr.

Margin: ¾, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Sunray Park, Race 8, ALW

5/7, \$47,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (dirt), 1:18.73, track fast.

1—**Raneem**, 123, b m, 6, **Fed Biz**—JP's Flashy Honey, by Flashy Bull, \$28,200, O—Max Franklin, B—Golden Pedigree LLC (KY), T—James Cappellucci, J—Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.

Sale History: 2018 OBSAPR, \$100,000, 2016 KEENOV, \$60,000.

Margin: 1½, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Sunray Park, Race 10, ALW

5/7, \$53,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (dirt), 1:20.22, track fast.

1—**Thatgirl'sonfire**, 123, dk b/br m, 5, Touchdown Ky—Zoom to the Tune, by Here Comes Charlie, \$31,800, O—Michael Fuhs, B—Michael Fuhs & Jeanne Fuhs (NM), T—Pedro Gomez, J—Aldo Arboleda

Margin: neck, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Tampa Bay Downs, Race 4, ALW

5/7, \$31,000, 3yo/up, 8.5f (turf), 1:43.50, course good.

1—**Alabama Slammer**, 125, b g, 4, **Handsome Mike**—Streethomealabama, by Street Sense, \$18,900, O—Asterace Group, LLC, B—Dr. Ross Russell (FL), T—Antonio Cordero, J—David Cardoso

Margin: 2¾, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Tampa Bay Downs, Race 6, AOC

5/7, \$36,000, 3yo, f, 6.5f (dirt), 1:16.99, track fast.

1—**Tone Elise**, 122, ch f, 3, **Tonalist**—Love You Forever, by Concord Point, \$16,800, O—Happy Tenth Stable, B—Dr. Barbara Boineau (KY), T—Leslielyn N. Hardesty, J—John Bisono

Sale History: 2021 OBSAPR, (\$19,000 RNA).

Margin: 4¾, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Thistledown, Race 7, AOC

5/7, \$31,400, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:11.28, track fast.

1—**Pulpit's Purrfect**, 121, b m, 6, Power Broker—Term Paper, by Dixie Union, \$18,840, O—Khadeem Galloway, B—Gary & Mary West Stables Inc. (KY), T—Khadeem Galloway, J—Luis Alberto Batista

Sale History: 2020 OHIOCT, \$8,700, 2017 FTKOCT, \$2,700.

Margin: ½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Turf Paradise, Race 7, AOC

5/7, \$25,130, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f (dirt), :56.58, track fast.

1—**Bounty of Gold**, 124, ch m, 6, Unionize—Loyal Bounty, by Loyal Double, \$14,646, O—Johnny Taboada, B—W. L. Yates & Barbara Yates (CA), T—Reed Saldana, J—Daniel P. Vergara

Margin: neck, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Turf Paradise, Race 8, AOC

5/7, \$25,130, 3yo/up, 8f (turf), 1:36.01, course firm.

1—**Tw Skipping Stones**, 122, ch g, 6, Miraculous Hand—Month of Diamonds, by Home Run Trot, \$15,113, O—Gerald Wehrli, B—Gerald R. Wehrli & Katherine A. Wehrli (ID), T—Chad K. Story, J—Leslie Mawing

Margin: neck, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Woodbine, Race 3, AOC

5/7, \$78,425, 3yo, 6.5f (all-weather), 1:16.75, track fast.

1—**Duke of Love**, 118, b c, 3, **Cupid**—Tell the Duchess, by Smart Strike, \$37,662, O—MyRacehorse, B—Caldara Farm Inc., Patrick Costello, David Whitford & Tom Zwiesler (ON), T—Josie Carroll, J—Justin Stein

Sale History: 2021 FTMMAY, \$85,000, 2020 FTKOCT, \$40,000, 2019 KEENOV, \$15,000.

Margin: 5¼, 4 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Woodbine, Race 10, ALW

5/7, \$78,425, 3yo/up, f/m, 5.5f (all-weather), 1:04.07, track fast.

1—**Hai Bobbi**, 122, b m, 5, **Shanghai Bobby**—Fast Resource, by Bob and John, \$31,385, O—The B King Racing Ltd., B—Peter A. Berglar Racing Interests, LLC (KY), T—Kathy Patton, J—Leo Salles

Sale History: 2019 OBSAPR, (\$145,000 RNA), 2018 FTK-JUL, \$95,000, 2017 KEENOV, (\$47,000 RNA).

Margin: 1¼, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

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Belmont Park, Race 6, MSW

5/7, \$90,000, 3yo/up, 8.5f (dirt), 1:43.52, track sloppy.

1—**Efficiency**, 118, dk b/br g, 3, **Gun Runner**—Sunday Sonnet, by Any Given Saturday, \$49,500, O—Klaravich Stables, Inc., B—Hermitage Farm (KY), T—Chad C. Brown, J—Trevor McCarthy

Sale History: 2020 KEEJAN, \$290,000.

Margin: 11, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Belmont Park, Race 7, MSW

5/7, \$90,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (dirt), 1:17.83, track sloppy.

1—**Everyoneloveslinda**, 118, dk b/br f, 3, **Secret Circle**—Arty'skentuckygirl, by Golden Missile, \$49,500, O—Rudina Stable and K Five Stable, B—E. H. Beau Lane III (KY), T—Edward R. Barker, J—Eric Cancel

Sale History: 2021 OBSAPR, \$105,000, 2020 KEESEP, (\$19,000 RNA).

Margin: 6, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Belmont Park, Race 11, MCL

5/7, \$45,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (dirt), 1:12.50, track sloppy.

1—**Doc Doc Rock**, 118, dk b/br f, 3, **Into Mischief**—A True Pussycat, by Yes It's True, \$24,750, O—Valente, Roddy J., Bilinski, Darlene and Alfred, Richard, B—Dr. Jerry Bilinski, Roddy Valente & Dr. Richard Alfred (NY), T—Bruce N. Levine, J—Jose Lezcano

Sale History: 2020 FTKSEP, (\$120,000 RNA).

Margin: 1¼, 7 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Century Mile, Race 4, MSW

5/7, \$27,123, 3yo, f, 5.5f (dirt), 1:06.91, track fast.

1—**Libbitspicy**, 121, dk b/br f, 3, **Iliad**—Givonna B, by Proud and True, \$16,274, O—C and H Duggan Farms Ltd., B—C & H Duggan Farms (AB), T—Jodey Payne, J—Desmond Bryan

Margin: 1¼, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Century Mile, Race 8, MSW

5/7, \$27,123, 3yo, 5.5f (dirt), 1:05.26, track fast.

1—**Spot On Dude**, 122, ch g, 3, Value Plus—Holiday Maker, by Harlan's Holiday, \$16,274, O—Danard, Don B. and Knight, Don, B—C W Matier (AB), T—Carson Frey, J—Dane Nelson

Sale History: 2020 ALBSEP, \$12,153.

Margin: 3, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

RACE RESULTS

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Charles Town, Race 5, MSW

5/7, \$32,700, 3/4/5/6yo, 6.5f (dirt), 1:20.36, track sloppy.

1—**Hello Amigo**, 124, dk b/br g, 6, Bandbox—Hello Now, by Tiznow, \$19,620, O—Hillwood Stable LLC, B—Hillwood Stables, LLC (MD), T—Rodney Jenkins, J—J. D. Acosta

Margin: 6¼, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Churchill Downs, Race 1, MSW

5/7, \$120,000, 3yo/up, 8f (dirt), 1:35.50, track wet fast.

1—**Congressman**, 118, b c, 3, **Constitution**—Don't Stop to Shop, by Unbridled's Song, \$69,460, O—Win-Star Farm LLC and Siena Farm LLC, B—White Fox Farm (KY), T—Todd A. Pletcher, J—Flavien Prat

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$275,000.

Margin: 1¾, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Churchill Downs, Race 14, MSW

5/7, \$120,000, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:08.71, track fast.

1—**Strobe**, 118, b c, 3, **Into Mischief**—Flashing, by A.P. Indy, \$69,460, O—Godolphin, LLC, B—Godolphin (KY), T—Brad H. Cox, J—Florent Geroux

Margin: 4½, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Fanduel Sportsbook And Horse Racing, Race 5, MSW

5/7, \$23,500, 3yo/up, 5.5f (dirt), 1:05.65, track fast.

1—**Tonys Morning Line**, 118, dk b/br g, 3, Morning Line—Littlebitofsense, by **Street Sense**, \$14,100, O—Reiman, Peter S. and Clifton, Charles A., B—Peter Scott Reiman (IL), T—Eddie M. Essenpreis, J—Victor Jadhvir Bailon

Margin: 3¾, 10 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Golden Gate Fields, Race 1, MSW

5/7, \$30,000, 2yo, 4.5f (all-weather), :51.92, track fast.

1—**Rousing Jewel**, 118, ch f, 2, **Rousing Sermon**—Ribbon of Jewels, by Distorted Humor, \$23,400, O—Williams, Larry D. and Williams, Marianne, B—Mr. & Mrs. Larry D. Williams (CA), T—Steven Specht, J—Frank T. Alvarado

Margin: 3, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Hawthorne, Race 4, MSW

5/7, \$40,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:42.52, track fast.

1—**Path to Success**, 118, b g, 3, **Dialed In**—Folk, by Quiet American, \$24,000, O—Ismael Thoroughbreds, LLC, B—Godolphin (KY), T—Eduardo Rodriguez, J—Julio E. Felix

Margin: 4¾, 5 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Horseshoe Indianapolis, Race 3, MSW

5/7, \$34,000, 3yo/up, 8.32f (dirt), 1:43.60, track fast.

1—**Eleven Central**, 124, b g, 4, **Into Mischief**—Sealy Hill, by Point Given, \$20,400, O—OXO Equine LLC, B—Bonne Chance Farm LLC (KY), T—Paulo H. Lobo, J—Alex Achard

Sale History: 2019 KEESEP, \$950,000.

Margin: 8½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Horseshoe Indianapolis, Race 8, MSW

5/7, \$38,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 5.5f (dirt), 1:06.46, track fast.

1—**Buoy**, 124, b f, 4, Majestic Harbor—Floating Sky, by Malibu Moon, \$23,100, O—Deerfield Farm Racing, B—Deerfield Farm Inc (IN), T—Robert J. Pincins, J—Marcelino Pedroza, Jr.

Margin: 1¾, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Laurel Park, Race 8, MSW

5/7, \$50,600, 3/4/5yo, f/m, 8f (dirt), 1:39.94, track sloppy.

1—**Charmed Way**, 117, ch f, 3, **Brody's Cause**—Terry the Terror, by Crowd Pleaser, \$30,360, O—Ronald Salerno, B—Ronald Paul Salerno (KY), T—Jane Cibelli, J—Angel Suarez

Margin: 4¼, 6 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Lone Star Park, Race 1, MSW

5/7, \$33,000, 3yo/up, 5f (turf), :57.36, course firm.

1—**Desert Oryx**, 121, b c, 3, **Overanalyze**—Dulce Arabe (CHI), by **Speightstown**, \$19,620, O—Sumaya U.S. Stable, B—International Equities Holding, Inc. (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Stewart Elliott

Margin: 1¼, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 1, MCL

5/7, \$30,000, 3yo/up, 8.5f (dirt), 1:45.45, track fast.

1—**Risky Situation**, 125, dk b/br h, 5, Commander's Shoes—Desi Dawn, by Teton Forest, \$18,000, O—Robert N. Cline, B—Robert N. Cline (AR), T—Robert N. Cline, J—Gabriel Saez

Margin: 2½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 3, MCL

5/7, \$30,000, 3yo, 6f (dirt), 1:11.61, track fast.

1—**Loyal to the Game**, 122, b c, 3, Empire Maker—Moonlit Cove, by Giant's Causeway, \$18,000, O—Clark O. Brewster, B—Michael Waresk (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Isaac Castillo

Sale History: 2021 FTMMAY, \$40,000, 2020 KEESEP, \$37,000.

Margin: 6, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 5, MCL

5/7, \$30,000, 3yo/up, 8.5f (dirt), 1:46.52, track fast.

1—**Mo Vodka**, 121, gr/ro g, 3, **Mo Tom**—The Gray Goose, by Malabar Gold, \$18,000, O—JRita Young Thoroughbreds LLC, B—McDowell Farm (AR), T—Allen Milligan, J—Luis S. Quinonez

Margin: 3½, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Oaklawn Park, Race 8, MSW

5/7, \$90,000, 3yo/up, 6f (dirt), 1:10.29, track fast.

1—**Mean Jakey**, 121, dk b/br c, 3, **Violence**—Lindy, by War Front, \$54,000, O—Mike McCarty, B—RanJan Racing, Inc. (KY), T—Steven M. Asmussen, J—Luis S. Quinonez

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$340,000.

Margin: 2½, 8 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Santa Anita Park, Race 1, MCL

5/7, \$39,000, 3yo/up, 6f (turf), 1:09.09, course firm.

1—**Awesome Rhythm**, 118, dk b/br g, 3, **First Samurai**—Heavenly Candy, by **Candy Ride** (ARG), \$23,400, O—Rafael Gutierrez, B—Lawrence T. Jett & Ann L. Jett (KY), T—Victor L. Garcia, J—Mario Gutierrez

Margin: neck, 11 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Santa Anita Park, Race 7, MSW

5/7, \$67,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (turf), 1:35.74, course firm.

1—**Ballet Dancing**, 118, b f, 3, **Medaglia d'Oro**—Fully Living, by Unbridled's Song, \$40,200, O—Westerberg Limited, Magnier, Mrs. John, Tabor, Michael B. and Smith, Derrick, B—Ashview Farm & Old Oak Farm (KY), T—Simon Callaghan, J—Drayden Van Dyke

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$800,000.

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Santa Anita Park, Race 8, MSW

5/7, \$67,000, 3yo/up, 7f (dirt), 1:23.60, track fast.

1—**Hopper**, 118, dk b/br c, 3, **Declaration of War**—Irri-descence (SAF), by Caesour, \$40,200, O—Lanni Bloodstock, Madaket Stables LLC and SF Racing LLC, B—Green Lantern Stables, LLC (KY), T—Sean McCarthy, J—Juan J. Hernandez

Sale History: 2020 KEESEP, \$90,000.

Margin: 2¼, 9 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

Tampa Bay Downs, Race 7, MSW

5/7, \$30,000, 3yo, f, 8f (turf), 1:38.63, course good.

1—**Center Stage**, 113, b f, 3, **Gormley**—Open Agenda, by **More Than Ready**, \$15,390, O—Lantern Hill Farm LLC, B—Lantern Hill Farm LLC (KY), T—Arnaud Delacour, J—Madeline Rowland

Sale History: 2021 OBSAPR, (\$47,000 RNA).

Margin: 5, 12 starters. [View Equibase Chart](#)

TODAY'S ENTRIES



RUFFIAN S. (G2)

Belmont Park, Sunday, May 8, Race 8
8f (dirt), \$200,000, 4yo/up f/m, 4:51 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Bank Sting	Central Banker	5/m	Flavien Prat	122	8/1	Hidden Brook Farm, McMahon, Joseph G. and McMahon, Anne
2	2	Lady Rocket	Tale of the Cat	5/m	John R. Velazquez	122	2/1	Frank Fletcher Racing Operations, Inc. and Ten Strike Racing
3	3	Royal Flag	Candy Ride (ARG)	6/m	Joel Rosario	124	8/5	Farish, W.S.
4	4	Search Results	Flatter	4/f	Irado Ortiz, Jr.	124	7/2	Klaravich Stables, Inc.
5	5	Zaajel	Street Sense	4/f	Luis Saez	122	15/1	Shadwell Stable
6	6	Make Mischief	Into Mischief	4/f	Dylan Davis	118	5/1	Barber, Gary

Breeders: 1—McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC; 2—La Ciega LLC & Tale Of The Cat Syndicate; 3—W. S. Farish; 4—Machmer Hall; 5—Shadwell Farm, LLC; 6—Avanti Stable.

Trainers: 1—John P. Terranova II; 2—Brad H. Cox; 3—Chad C. Brown; 4—Chad C. Brown; 5—Todd A. Pletcher; 6—Mark E. Casse.

WHIMSICAL S. (G3)

Woodbine, Sunday, May 8, Race 6
6f (all-weather), \$150,000, 4yo/up f/m, 3:53 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Lorena	Souper Speedy	4/f	Gary Boulanger	125	10/1	Brent McLellan, Russell McLellan, Kai Olguin and Stuart C. Simon
2	2	Dreaming of Drew	Speightster	4/f	Patrick Husbands	121	4/1	Hoolie Racing Stable, LLC and Madaket Stables LLC
3	3	Dirty Dangle	Not This Time	4/f	Rafael Manuel Hernandez	119	12/1	Gary Barber and Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners
4	4	Artie's Princess	We Miss Artie	5/m	Reylu Gutierrez	119	2/1	Kenneth L. and Sarah K. Ramsey
5	5	Boardroom	Commissioner	5/m	Luis Contreras	123	9/5	LNJ Foxwoods
6	6	Our Secret Agent	Secret Circle	5/m	Kazushi Kimura	121	6/1	Gary Barber
7	7	Millennium Force	Declaration of War	5/m	Antonio A. Gallardo	119	20/1	TEC Racing

Breeders: 1—Dr. LIAM GANNON; 2—WinStar Farm, LLC; 3—Nancy Shuford; 4—Kenneth L. Ramsey & Sarah K. Ramsey; 5—Polo Green Stable, Inc.; 6—Paul Tackett Revocable Trust; 7—Huntington Stud Farm Corp..

Trainers: 1—Stuart C. Simon; 2—Barbara J. Minshall; 3—Mark E. Casse; 4—Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; 5—Josie Carroll; 6—Mark E. Casse; 7—Martin Drexler.

ANGELS FLIGHT S.

Santa Anita Park, Sunday, May 8, Race 5
7f (dirt), \$75,000, 3yo f, 3:07 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Classical Romance	Classic Empire	3/f	Ryan Curatolo	122	20/1	Cutter Nehf Racing Stables, LLC
2	2	Empire Gal	Empire Maker	3/f	Victor Espinoza	120	4/1	Bridlewood Farm or Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners
3	3	Elm Drive	Mohaymen	3/f	Ricardo Gonzalez	124	5/2	Little Red Feather Racing
4	4	Eda	Munnings	3/f	Juan J. Hernandez	124	4/5	Baoma Corp
5	5	Unsolved Mystery	Goldencents	3/f	Mario Gutierrez	124	12/1	California Racing Partners, Ciaglia Racing LLC or Seacoast Racing LLC
6	6	Kirstenbosch	Midnight Lute	3/f	Tyler Baze	120	6/1	Keith Abrahams

Breeders: 1—Stonehaven Steadings; 2—Bridlewood Farm; 3—Kenneth D'Oyen; 4—Nathan McCauley; 5—Joanne R. Mummert; 6—Keith Abrahams.

Trainers: 1—Jay Nehf; 2—Michael W. McCarthy; 3—Philip D'Amato; 4—Sean McCarthy; 5—Ryan Hanson; 6—John W. Sadler.

TODAY'S ENTRIES



SERENA'S SONG S.

Monmouth Park, Sunday, May 8, Race 9
8.32f (dirt), \$100,000, 3yo/up f/m, 4:09 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Stand for the Flag	Super Saver	6/m	Samy Camacho	118	15/1	Haymarket Farm
2	2	Moraz	Empire Maker	4/f	Nik Juarez	118	4/1	Don Alberto Stable
3	3	Cafe Society	Empire Maker	4/f	Junior Alvarado	118	3/1	Allen Stable, Inc.
4	4	Wholebodemeister	Bodemeister	4/f	Paco Lopez	118	9/2	Holly Hill Stables LLC
5	5	Oliviaofthedesert	Bernardini	4/f	Samuel Marin	118	10/1	Susan Moulton
6	6	Miss Leslie	Paynter	4/f	Angel Cruz	118	6/1	BB Horses
7	7	Leader of the Band	Bandbox	4/f	Frankie Pennington	118	6/1	SMD Limited
8	8	Flight to Shanghai	Shanghai Bobby	4/f	Jairo Rendon	118	8/1	Goodwood Racing XI
9	9	Moma Tiger	Smiling Tiger	5/m	Julio A. Hernandez	118	8/1	Maria Montez Haire
10	10	Misty Taste	Verrazano	5/m	Jomar Torres	118	15/1	Jessica Nicole Wilson

Breeders: 1–Pursuit of Success LLC; 2–Don Alberto Corporation; 3–Anderson Farms Ont. Inc.; 4–Sabana Farm, LLC; 5–Timber Town Stable LLC & Jane Winegardner; 6–Maxis Stable; 7–SMD Ltd.; 8–Kathie Maybee; 9–Mary K. Haire; 10–Ron Lombardi.

Trainers: 1–J. Reeve McGaughey; 2–Jerry Hollendorfer; 3–Claude R. McGaughey III; 4–Michelle Hemingway; 5–Kenneth G. McPeck; 6–Claudio A. Gonzalez; 7–John C. Servis; 8–Jane Cibelli; 9–Flint W. Stites; 10–Claudio A. Gonzalez.

C.O. KEN KENDRICK MEMORIAL S.

Sunray Park, Sunday, May 8, Race 8
4.5f (dirt), \$100,000, 2yo, 5:03 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	New Mexico Jeremy	Shame On Charlie	2/c	Francisco Amparan	123	6/1	Stable H.M.A. (Mark Dyer et al)
2	2	Tatas Joe Mark	Marking	2/g	Aldo Arboleda	123	3/1	Villalobos Racing (Rigoberto Villalobos et al)
3	3	Better Believe	Marking	2/f	Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.	120	5/2	Lewis, R. Lee and King, Brad E.
4	4	Shame On Sam	Shame On Charlie	2/g	Luis Ramon Rodriguez	123	9/2	Powers, Jimmy and Powers, Rebecca
5	5	Nacho Grande	Dome	2/g	Alejandro Medellin	123	15/1	Luis Quintana
6	6	New Cut Road	Rule by Night	2/g	Christian Ramos	123	8/1	McCloy, Mark and McCloy, Fay Annette
7	7	Nostrangrtotherain	Shame On Charlie	2/g	Rigo Sarmiento	123	7/2	Powers, Jimmy and Powers, Rebecca

Breeders: 1–Greg Green & DeLinda Green; 2–Fred Alexander; 3–Lee Lewis & Brad King; 4–Mark Durio; 5–M. H. Carson, W.L. Mooring & Dee Mooring; 6–Mark McCloy & Annette McCloy; 7–Greg Green & Dwain Yarbar.

Trainers: 1–Bart G. Hone; 2–Miguel A. Villalobos; 3–Leroy A. Fincher; 4–Clifford C. Lambert, Sr.; 5–Melvin O. Cordova; 6–Leroy A. Fincher; 7–Clifford C. Lambert, Sr..

MONROE S.

Gulfstream Park, Sunday, May 8, Race 9
8.5f (turf), \$75,000, 3yo/up f/m, 5:30 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1	1	Key Biscayne	Brethren	5/m	Elione Chaves	122	12/1	Arindel (Alan Cohen)
2	2	Ballymore Star (IRE)	Sea The Stars (IRE)	5/m	Miguel Angel Vasquez	120	5/1	Robert S. Evans
3	3	Una Luna	Dunkirk	7/m	Jose E. Morelos	120	8/1	Robert J. Amendola
4	4	Starship Nterprise	Honor Code	4/f	Hector Isaac Berrios	120	8/1	Starship Stables (Laurence Leavy) and Steven Dwoskin
5	5	Grand Ave Girl	Runhappy	4/f	Emisael Jaramillo	122	6/5	e Five Racing Thoroughbreds (Robert Edwards, Jr.)
6	6	Lucky Peridot	Itsmyluckyday	6/m	Romero Ramsay Maragh	120	7/2	Robert Bone and Gumpster Stable, LLC (Andrew Berg)
7	7	Dance Warrior	Pioneerof the Nile	4/f	Edwin Gonzalez	120	15/1	Cheyenne Stable, LLC (Everett R. Dobson)
8	8	Flying Black	Not This Time	4/f	Kevin Krigger	120	20/1	Pinnacle Racing Stable, LLC (Adam Lazarus)

Breeders: 1–Arindel; 2–Mogeely Stud; 3–Caroni Stable; 4–Scott Dilworth & Evan Dilworth; 5–SF Bloodstock LLC; 6–Marion G. Montanari; 7–Candy Meadows LLC; 8–Curt Leake.

Trainers: 1–Juan Alvarado; 2–J. Kent Sweezey; 3–Jose A. Gallegos; 4–Steven Dwoskin; 5–David Fawkes; 6–Francisco D'Angelo; 7–Jeremiah O'Dwyer; 8–Luis M. Ramirez.

UPCOMING ENTRIES



SUNRAY PARK S.

Sunray Park, Saturday, May 14, Race 9
4.5f (dirt), \$75,000, 3yo/up, 5:27 PM (local)

P #	PP	Horse	Sire	Age/Sex	Jockey	Weight	M/L	Owner
1		Ize a Crafty Gal	Hold Me Back	7/m	Aldo Arboleda	118	-	Alvaro Hinojos
2		Classy Class	Discreetly Mine	10/g	Alfredo Sigala	123	-	Terry Motschanbacher
3		Two Bills	Run Brother Ron	6/g	Luis Ramon Rodriguez	123	-	Angel A. Santos
4		J T's La Nena	Lotsa Mischief	4/f	Alejandro Medellin	118	-	Juan Cesar Torres-Casas
5		Mr Paytience	Paynter	6/g	Rigo Sarmiento	123	-	Stable H.M.A. (Mark Dyer et al)
6		Hollywood Henry	Roll Hennessy Roll	7/g	Alfredo J. Juarez, Jr.	123	-	Bennie A. Vanecek
7		Numerologist	Alternation	7/g	Francisco Amparan	123	-	Dilly Dilly Racing (Pamela Ginnings Sena et al)
8		Competitive Idea	Competitive Edge	5/g	Enrique Portillo Gomez	123	-	The Luxury Group Racing LLC (Alexander Cordova et al) and Mike Luciano
9		El Chavo Del Ocho	Tannersmyman	7/g	Joree L. Scriver	123	-	Jeremy Ramslund
10		Sigur Ros	Gemologist	8/g	Ricardo Ramirez	123	-	Jesus J. Uranga
11		Monterey Secret	Monterey Jazz	5/g	Angel Marquez	123	-	Cesar Mendoza

Breeders: 1–Brandywine Farm (Jim & Pam Robinson); 2–E Paul Robsham Stable LLC; 3–Michelle Freidman; 4–Fleming Thoroughbred Farm LLC; 5–Ballena Vista Farm; 6–Fred Alexander; 7–Pin Oak Stud, LLC; 8–J. Kirk Robison & Judy Robison; 9–Joseph A. Duffel & Woodbridge Farm; 10–Pronto Pronto Breeders; 11–Pam Allen & Charles Cobb.

Trainers: 1–Alvaro Hinojos; 2–Wendell L. Matt; 3–Jesus J. Uranga; 4–Candelario Villamar; 5–Bart G. Hone; 6–Fred I. Danley; 7–Simon J. Buechler; 8–James Cappellucci; 9–James Cappellucci; 10–Jesus J. Uranga; 11–Bernadette Barrios.

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