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## Royal Colors Racing January 2015 Newsletter

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### 2015 Year-In-Review

## A Healthy 2015

During 2015 our stable saw almost every horse remain healthy and sound throughout the year. Royal Colors Racing had more than 50 total starts, the most in our program's history. Our winning percentage started the year very strong but slipped some in the second half. Wins came from six different horses; Time Catcher, Wright Flyer, Springboard, Slew City Lou, Rikki Tikki Taxi, and Perplexity. We look forward to seeing even more trips to the winner's circle in 2016. At the end of 2015, our stable continues to maintain cumulative statistics among the best in racing syndicates around the country:

Win Percentage 19%!

In-The-Money 47%!

Top 4% in Stable Earnings!



## Trainer Bret Calhoun - Top 10 in Wins

Bret's stable and staff delivered another good year in 2015. His earnings were consistent with the year before and he ranked 21st among all trainers in purses. He recorded a win in 20% of all starts for a total of 177 wins which ranked him 9th among all active trainers.

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## Stable Highlights

### Slew City Lou Stakes Placed in 2015

Slew City Lou raced nine times in 2015, finishing in-the-money six times. She recorded one win and was second four times, including a near miss in the Louisiana Ladies Starter Stakes. She is at 100% and has raced three times in the last sixty days. Slew City Lou is the favorite in her next start, the 2nd race at the Fair Grounds on February 6th. To see her top performances in 2015, follow the links below:

[Louisiana Ladies Starter Stakes, Delta Downs, 2/7/15](#)

[Win #3, Evangeline Downs 5/17/15](#)



## **Rikki Tikki Taxi wins at Remington**

Rikki Tikki Taxi recorded his first win in his third start on November 18th at Remington Park. Since then he has only been able to find a single start, but is entered at Sam Houston Race Park on Monday, February 1st. He is built for two turns and this is a one turn, seven furlong race, so it could be a challenge. He is fit so we

remain optimistic. If you want to watch his race live, he competes in [Race #4 at 2:21 CST](#). just [follow this link](#).





## **Tuk Tuk To Race February 6th Race**

Tuk Tuk has had some tough racing luck recently. First getting rained off the turf and then having a tote, or betting machines, malfunction that resulted in cancellation of racing. The good news is we have re-entered for another Maiden one-mile turf race at Sam Houston to be raced on February 6th. This filly showed her best performance on turf during her

last outing and we are hoping for even more improvement on her return to the grass.

## **RCR Claim "Perplexity" Wins Twice in 2015**

Perplexity was claimed in February during the Oaklawn meet on a day she won by more than eight lengths. She raced for our stable throughout 2015 and won on July 3rd at Lone Star Park and was awarded a second win at Charles Town on November 11th. She has fought some

tough weather in the Mid-Atlantic over the past several weeks, but is on track to enter this week for a race at Charles Town on February 6th. If the race goes, hers could be the third race in one day for our stable.





## Springboard Claimed from Stable in 2015

After winning twice in 2015 for a total of three wins from 13 starts for his owners, and accumulating nearly \$100,000 in earnings, Springboard was claimed for \$32,000 in May of 2015. He was a solid horse for our partnership and has gone on to perform well for his new owners through the balance of 2015.

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## Introducing New Ownership Opportunities

### Flower Alley Colt Named "Florencio"

When you combine the staying power of Flower Alley, a sire responsible for a Kentucky Derby Winner, with a mare by the two-turn monster Mineshaft, it is hard not to get excited. Florencio is bred to fit right in the cross hairs of two-turn Classic distance races. He is on track to start racing later this year as a mature two-year-old and we are excited about the progress he is making. The name Florencio was shared by a two-time champion Hanoverian, so lets hope there is something in a name.



To learn more about Florencio, [follow this link to his profile and pricing.](#)



## Into Mischief Filly - Name TBD

"I really like this filly." Not just my words, the words of almost everyone that comes into contact with the horse. What is not to like? She is bred by rapidly climbing stallion, Into Mischief. Her Dam has produced ten winner from 12 runners, including four stakes winners. Despite her May birthday this filly is well-developed, quick as a cat, and

showing every sign she will be a precocious winner for us.

To learn more about our Into Mischief Filly, [visit her profile in the Royal Colors Racing Stable listings](#). Purchase 25% and you can name her!

## RCR Claiming Partnership - Betsy Boots

Betsy Boots was claimed by our stable on December 20th. She is a four time winner from 12 races. She looks to us to be on the improve, is well-bred, and seems to have found her calling as a turf sprinter that can stay in even if the race rains off the turf.



Bret is great with filly sprinters and I think can move this horse forward. She has raced once for our partnership, finishing third, but is still available with limited shares remaining. Her next race is imminent as we are pursuing a race listed in the extras at the Fair Grounds.

[You can learn more about this filly by visiting her profile on the RCR website](#). We offered her to existing RCR owners and only two 4.5% shares remain available. If you are interested in owning part of Betsy Boots, let us know.

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## Favorite Photos from 2015

We posted a photo album with some of our favorite moments from 2015. Click on the photo to the right to visit our [RCR Facebook page](#) and view the album.



If you have not taken a look, [check out these photos of the April 2015 trip](#) in which several RCR friends and family participated when we visited Churchill Downs, Keeneland and several horse farms and bourbon distilleries.



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