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Royal Colors Racing July 2013 Newsletter

Sassy Kiss – One Race, One Win!

Any doubts as to whether this filly is special were removed Friday night, July 5th, when Sassy Kiss started her racing career at Lone Star Park. Sent off as the second favorite at 9-to-5, she did not disappoint her supporters, winning by nearly five lengths and basically leading wire-to-wire. Good things come to those who wait and Sassy Kiss rewarded her patient owners with a stellar maiden performance.



Having a maiden winner is always special, but Sassy did it the right way. She was not the first out of the gates, but she moved up quickly and led this field of thirteen other experienced horses through respectable, sharp fractions. Turning for home, the favorite closed rapidly to challenge her, and after two light taps from her jockey Cliff Berry, she accelerated away and left



Sassy Kiss Nearing Finish Line

nothing in doubt. Her five-length win was impressive but the additional five lengths to the balance of the field from the second-place horse made her performance nothing short of stellar. She was awarded with a 90 Brisnet Speed Figure and an eye-catching 85 Beyer. This is an impressive number for a first-time starter and three-year-old filly. It has not gone unnoticed in the racing community. If you have not seen her race, [follow this link and click play.](#)

Royal Colors Racing had about 20 owners and fans in attendance, but the march to the winner's circle swelled to nearly thirty. For a real feel of the excitement and fun shared by all attending her race, [click this video link and participate in the paddock and track-side festivities with her cheering section.](#)



Post Win Celebration

What's next for Sassy Kiss? Well, according to one of her owners who visited her in the stable the next morning, "it looked like she was ready to run again that afternoon." She came out of the race great. Knowing that she has positioned herself for a bright future, we sent her up to Bret Calhoun's Churchill Downs Stable on Tuesday night. She arrived in good order and is settling in well. We will be looking for a target race in the second week or so of August.



Stable Prices to Increase on July 31st

Prices on all available horses increasing at end of month

We are tabulating the final costs incurred by the horses in our stable between January and June, and will be issuing distributions or invoices this month. New pricing for Springboard, Divine Decree and Slew City Lou will be posted and in effect starting July 31st. All will be taking a significant step

up in price based on their proximity to the start of their racing careers. The Royal Colors Racing philosophy regarding pricing has always been to give those partners buying in early the greatest discount and to escalate pricing as the horses progress in their training. Those who share in the developmental process get the greatest bargain, those who wait until the horse is close to racing pay a larger premium or risk being shut out. Limited shares remain in both Springboard and Divine Decree, so expect them to sell out prior to their first race in August. [Please visit the RCR Stable Offerings to get a closer look at all of our currently available horse.](#)



Ownership Opportunities are running away fast

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Stable Updates

Springboard Off to a Great Start

Our Spring at Last Colt "Springboard" reports to gate training on Wednesday and will breeze for the second time at Lone Star Park later this week. His first official work was a grand way to begin, covering ½ mile in 49.00 seconds and ranking 7th of 25 at the distance. We are excited about the progress this colt has made already on the track and look forward to his first start in August. His family continues to support our decision to buy him as a yearling. Spring at Last remains in the top 10 among the leading second crop sires. Springboard's three-quarter brother won an allowance race on June 30th, his seventh win in 30 starts. Also, from the same female family, Fast Falcon, a four-year-old colt pushed his earnings to more than \$310,000 after finishing third in both the \$200,000 Grade 2 Brooklyn Handicap and the \$350,000 Grade 2 Suburban Handicap. If you are looking to race next month, [visit the profile of Springboard at the RCR website](#) and move quickly before he is sold out.





Divine Decree Ships to Lone Star Park

Since the Calhoun stable is remaining at Lone Star Park through the third or fourth week of July we decided to move Divine Decree up to the track to get some official on-track training into her. As time passes, she just keeps looking better. Eddie Milligan, owner of Twin Oaks Training Center, said that her last work prior to shipping her, was a very good one. He stated, "this normally high-strung filly, finally settled down in the work, and finished the breeze extremely well...it was like the light bulb turned on and she actually enjoyed what she was made to do." If you want a ready-to-run-on-any-surface filly, produced by the consistently top-20 sire Stormy Atlantic, then you have found your girl.



[Consider purchasing a share in Divine Decree](#), also on track for a start as early as August.



Slew City Lou – Ahead of Scheduled Plans

Slew City Lou is two-minute licking (working on the track at a two-minute-mile pace) and has really matured both physically and mentally in the past few months. She is very composed, is moving well, and looks to be a very nice filly. At this point she is ahead of schedule and will probably start breezing in the next couple weeks. If all proceeds well, we will most likely get a start in her prior to the beginning of the Fair Grounds meet in New Orleans in November. If you want a durable filly with expectations of a lengthy racing career, then [take a look at Slew City Lou's profile](#). Trainer Bret Calhoun stated, "anyone overlooking this filly and the lucrative Louisiana-bred restricted purses that she is eligible to race for is making a mistake" based on what he has seen of her so far.





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