



ROYAL COLORS RACING

March 2011 Newsletter

Saracen Wins Impressively at Oaklawn Park



Saracen did what we all knew he could and ran away with an impressive win in his first try at Oaklawn Park. The speedy gelding broke very well and settled into a stalking trip second off the leader. When encouraged by jockey Cliff Berry at the top of the turn, he found another gear. By the 1/16th pole he was leading by five lengths and finished off the hand-ride cruising across the finish line.

Trainer Bret Calhoun was very pleased with the progress he saw from Saracen. He commented that the horse rated well and had his ears pricked through the entire trip. Bret's assistant Kristen whispered something in Saracen's ear just before he left the paddock...whatever it was, we want it taped for future use. Saracen recorded an 81Beyer for his efforts and an impressive 8 1/4 on the Ragozin Sheets. The next steps for Saracen are a little undefined at this point. We will clearly be returning at six

furlongs but whether that is in mid-April at Oaklawn, Keeneland, or Indiana Downs is yet to be determined.

Saracen's talent was further endorsed by his first race winner (Ghost is Clear) winning a Stakes race at Turfway Park at the end of March and the horse that placed fourth in his second race (Red Ace) winning its Maiden at the Fair Grounds during its return trip.

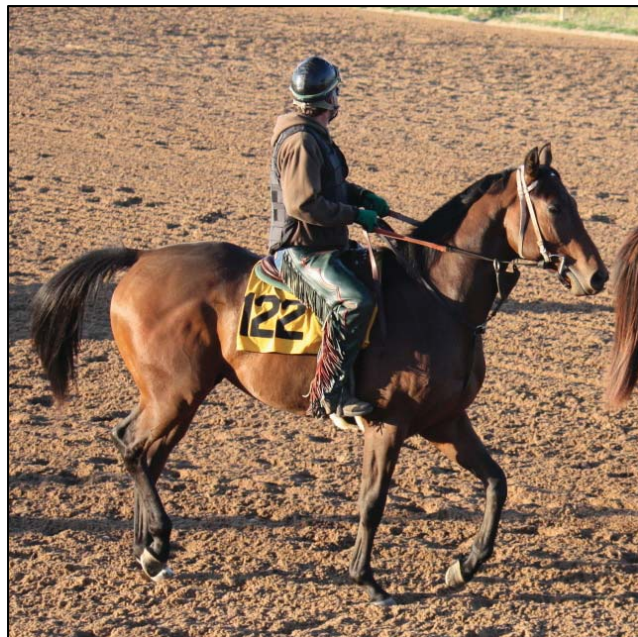


Forty Winks invited to the Kentucky Derby **as a Two-Year-Old!**

(FYI—this newsletter was released on April 1st aka April Fool's Day) The Derby selection committee at Churchill Downs has extended a first-of-its-kind invite to Forty Winks as a two-year-old. The committee chairman, Ivan M. Pyrite, happened to be watching the two-year-olds work at Lone Star Park this morning when he saw our long-striding, speedy colt out of Master Command. Pyrite said, "The field would simply not be composed of the best in the country without this colt."

It its press release of April 1st, 2011, Royal Colors Racing owners Angelina Jolie and Christie Brinkley were quoted as saying, "We already have our hats on order." Fellow owner and former President George Bush said, "secret service or not, I am going to the run for the roses."

Don't be a fool, join in the fun and become a Royal Colors Racing owner and cheer on horses like Forty Winks....wink, wink.



Pink October – “Durable” Defined



Pink continues to race frequently and remains sound and durable. She raced again at Charles Town in March but seemed to be more in a roller-derby match than a race. Starting out of the second slot, she was bumped prior to the turn. She was shuffled back where she ingested a fair amount of West Virginia's finest sand, and then was bumped hard a gain as she tried to move through a seem to make a run at the leaders. One could almost see her say "enough is enough" and settle into the back of the pack.

On that given day she was certainly down, but I would not count her out. We will return to another opportunity as an appropriate race presents itself.

Doc Hudson Enjoys His Spring Break

Doc Hudson continues his progress towards a return to the track this summer. Often times the best treatment for a nagging injury is the excellent healing properties of time. Patience is a challenge in this sport and we certainly continue to remind Doc that he is not cashing checks at the horse spa. But, that said, this is the right course of therapy at this time. We plan to look at his ankle area again by mid month and should have a more firm estimate as to when he will return then. If he can make the latter half of the Lone Star Park meet, that is certainly our goal at this time.



Texas Racing Needs Your Support

The Texas HORSE coalition will work hard in the 82nd Legislative Session but they need the help and support of every horse owner in Texas to pass legislation. Please visit www.texashorseweb.com to learn more.

Areas where you can help are:

1. Show your support for Texas horsemen and women by Signing the Petition
2. Volunteer in the grass roots effort.
3. Contact Your Legislator
4. Become an Advocate
5. Become an Association Affiliate
6. Contact Texas HORSE if you have additional services to offer



Together we can pass legislation to ensure that the Texas horse industry remains strong for generations to come!

Legacy Horse Update

Speedy Spice records a second and third place finish



Speedy Spice ran twice in March finishing third and then second in those tries. She pushed her career earnings to more than \$112,000. After her most recent race she was claimed again for \$40,000 by trainer Merrill Scherrer and some partners. Scherrer saddled her for us last summer during her campaign at Presque Isle Downs.

Brigade Commander wins again

Brigade Commander won his second of four career starts. The horse certainly has a heart of a lion.

