



ROYAL COLORS RACING

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Introducing the Yearling Class of 2011

Royal Colors Racing adds four yearlings to stable--a little something for everyone

RCR Management added two fillies and two colts to the stable during the Fall yearling sales. All four of these horses are out of proven sires and each of them looks to have the potential to race at two. The first pair was purchased at the Fasig-Tipton Texas Yearling sale and the other two at the Keeneland September Yearling Sale. Each of these will be featured individually and in-depth over the next four newsletters. A snapshot look at each is included below--ladies first.



Evaluating options at Keeneland September Yearling Sale

Pricing offered between now and the end of the year is the lowest acquisition price that will be offered on this new crop. Take a look at the [new opportunities on the RCR website](#) and move quickly if interested.

SASSY KISS



This black beauty is quite possibly the best combination of conformation and pedigree introduced into the Royal Colors Racing Stable. A yearling filly by Mr. Greeley out of a Fusaichi Pegasus dam, Sassy Kiss comes from a pedigree filled with black-type. She was purchased during the selective Session 3 of the Keeneland Sale and was a true value that simply slipped through the cracks. This filly is a BIG walking girl that looks the part. She hails from two top-of-the-charts sires and a very strong female line. To take a closer look at Sassy Kiss, [visit her profile on the RCR website.](#)



WHY ROCK



Why Rock when you can Roll with a filly like this one? Why Rock stood over a lot of ground and looked like the two-turn athlete one wants in their stable. By chestnut-colored, Lion Heart, the number one third-crop sire in 2010, Why Rock draws the influence of gray in her coat from her broodmare sire, three-time Eclipse award winner and 1998 horse of the year, Skip Away. She is out of a hard-knocking mare that won as a three-year-old and should be built very well based on the race pedigrees on both sides of her family.

Early reports from Twin Oaks indicate she is well behaved, professional, and doing everything right. If you think you might want a piece of the "Rock," [visit her profile by clicking here.](#)

VALENTINE EDDIE



Valentine Eddie is a Louisiana-bred, by perennial number one Texas-sire Valid Expectations. When we found this athletic looking yearling, dreams of restricted stakes danced through our head. Eligible for the Texas Stallion Stakes and the Sales Futurity, as well as state-restricted races in Louisiana, this horse is one to own if you want to see racing in those two states. That said, Valid Expectations usually "stamps" his offspring with precocious talent, so we are already in the beginning stages of determining whether this colt could be race ready as early as April. He was saddle broke three weeks ago and has been galloping at Twin Oaks for the better part of October.

Could this be your Valentine? Learn more about him in [the opportunities section of the RCR website.](#)

EFFOUR



Effour or "Freckles" as some have come to call him, picked up his distinctive markings from his millionaire father, Limehouse. Limehouse has ranked in the top 20 during his first, second, and now third-crop years. His offspring tend to thrive at two-turns, yet bloom early enough to race as two-year-olds. This colt is a Louisiana-bred and stood nearly a hand taller than his peers at the sale. His muscle growth is rapidly catching up with his bone growth, but he is currently like a six-foot tall, eighth grader. Effour was the sole survivor among five yearlings in his owner's barn after an EF-4 rated, 190 MPH wind packing tornado ripped through Oklahoma in May 2011. If you believe in destiny, this is the colt for you. Read more about his amazing story [in his profile by clicking here.](#)



World Series -- Double Header

Saracen to Race Saturday at Hoosier Park

Saracen is in a mixed field of three and four-year-olds all looking for their third win. There is certainly some competition in the group, including some pretty sharp historical Beyer speed ratings, but the top half of this group should be pretty evenly matched. Saracen is wearing number two, departing from post position three, a little more inside than we like. However, his early speed should be able to clear most traffic and hopefully the shortened distance of 5.5 furlongs will work in his favor.



Saracen finished fourth in his last race as he showed some signs of fatigue in the last strides of the six-furlong race. This race is softer company and if he gets a good trip should suit him well. The morning line has him as the second favorite at 3-1.

Hoosier Park does have a live video feed of its races, so if anyone wants to join his owners in cheering him on, please follow [this link for the start of race 8 at 2:30 CST on Saturday afternoon](#).

Forty Winks Gets to Try a Mile for the First Time Saturday Night

Forty Winks who finished a fast-closing third place last time out at 6.5 furlongs on September 16th, looks to improve with added distance on Saturday night. The one-mile maiden special weight will be the first look at two-turns for Forty Winks, but should be right in his cross-hairs. The odds-makers have listed him as the early favorite at 3-1, and he matches up well against this company. "Alternative" is another horse that he has tangled with in his last two races. This horse has also shown a desire for greater distance and has closed well at the end. During the first race Alternative was one spot in front of a closing Forty Winks, and during the second was passed by Forty Winks to finish fourth. "Sheriff Warren" who has put together three seconds and one fourth in four starts, looks to be the other chief competitor in the field.



Remington Park also has a live video feed of its races, so if anyone wants to join his owners in cheering him on, [please follow this link for the start of race 3 at 7:25 CST on Saturday evening](#).

Quest for Candy -- Training Great

Backing off of this filly seems to have been the perfect medicine to get her back on track. Her last two works have been impressive, four furlongs in 47.64 (4th of 27 at the distance) and five furlongs in 59.76 (2nd of nine at the distance). Bret is being patient and wants to do what he believes is best in order for this filly to impress from the start. We are optimistic that she is a talented horse with a bright future. Expect her to race in November.



Doc Hudson -- Free to a Good Home Please Help Spread The Word



Doc Hudson has been retired from racing and is in search of a good home. His athleticism, intelligence and docile demeanor should make him a good candidate for equestrian sports or as a pleasure horse for riders of all ages. [To learn more about Doc Hudson visit his profile by clicking here.](#)

During 2011, he spent much of the year at Selway Equine Therapy Center in Whitesboro, TX. First, for the non-surgical treatment of a stomach abscess he developed and then to rebuild his conditioning in a more relaxed environment during the sweltering heat of Texas in the summer of 2011. He has consistently been well-cared for, received Platinum Performance on a regular basis, and is athletically fit and physically sound.

He was sent to Twin Oaks Training Center on September 4th, 2011 and was building fitness for his return to racing when it was discovered that he has partial paralysis (40-50%) of his left flapper. This condition decreases his prospects as a racehorse, but should not impede his ability to participate at a novice level or better in other equestrian sports, or to serve as a pleasure riding horse. His trainers and caretakers all believe his intelligence and demeanor qualify him to work with riders of all ages. He stands 16.1 hands tall and weighed 1,166 pounds in August 2011. His size, scope, and mentality may make him a very good horse for hunter-jumper events, dressage, or possibly even eventing.

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