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**Churchill Downs** 1/4 MILES (1:592) KyDerby-G1 THE KENTUCKY DERBY  
 PRESENTED BY WOODFORD RESERVE. Grade I. Purse \$3,000,000 For Three-year-olds, With An Entry Fee Of \$25,000 Each And A Starting Fee Of \$25,000 Each.



Post time: 6:57 ET

Wagers: Daily Double, Exacta, Trifecta, Superfecta, Pick 3, Super Hi-5

Beyer par: 103

### 1 Known Agenda

Own: St Elias Stable  
 6-1 Forest Green, White 'Ste', White Bars On  
**ORTIZ I JR** (—) 2021: (528 150 28)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 82 Late 100

27Mar21-14GP	fst 1 1/8	:47.73	1:12.29	1:36.61	1:49.45
26Feb21-4GP	fst 1 1/8	:47.89	1:11.94	1:37.14	1:50.47
6Feb21-11Tam	fst 1 1/8	:23.35	:46.94	1:10.80	1:44.30
5Dec20-4Aqu	sly 1 1/8	:47.86	1:12.69	1:37.96	1:50.60
8Nov20-4Aqu	fst 1 1/8	:50.80	1:17.35	1:42.93	1:55.89
27Sep20-7Bel	fst 6/16	:22.79	:46.43	1:11.44	1:17.82

**WORKS:** 23Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:01 B 17/50 16Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:00 B 9/36 9Apr21 PBD 4f fst :50 B 8/11 20Mar21 PBD 5f fst 1:02 B 7/8 13Mar21 PBD 4f fst :49 A 17/22 19Feb21 PBD 4f fst :49 B 5/11

**TRAINER:** 31-60Days(457.23 \$1.75) WonLastStart(230.23 \$1.52) Dirt(681.24 \$1.61) Routes(863.23 \$1.69) GrdStk(145.14 \$2.21)

J/T 2020-21(208 .32 \$1.96)

**CLOSER LOOK:** Avg. winning Beyer is around 104 and only Rock Your World has hit triple digits (100); hinted at talent last year but didn't appear to be going anywhere, until they added blinkers; with that equipment he blasted allowance rivaling by 11 at GP Feb. 26, then validated that with another strong performance in the G1 Florida Derby as he won easily; that Florida Derby wasn't the strongest renewal but that's not this guy's fault; daddy won multiple G1s at 10fs so trip isn't an issue; Pletcher has won this twice (Super Saver, 2010; Always Dreaming, 2017); you do have to go back to Ferdinand in 1986 for the last winner from the rail.

### 2 Like the King

Own: M Racing Group LLC  
 50-1 White And Orange Blocks, Orange Sleeves  
**VAN DYKE D** (4 0 10.00) 2021: (111 7 06)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 100 Late 81

27Mar21-11TP	fst 1 1/8	:46.81	1:11.65	1:37.23	1:50.22
26Feb21-5TP	fst 1 1/8	:23.86	:47.11	1:11.24	1:44.00
4Dec20-2TP	fst 1	:24.86	:49.02	1:13.13	1:37.70
24Oct20-4Kee	gd 1 1/8	:23.67	:47.52	1:12.19	1:44.32
9Sep20-3BtP	fm 1	:22.80	:46.78	1:11.31	1:35.96
29Jly20-4BtP	fst 5/16	:23.03	:47.27	1:06.89	

**WORKS:** 24Apr21 Kee 5f fst 1:01 B 9/28 17Apr21 Kee 6f fst 1:12 B 1/3 10Apr21 Kee 6f fm 1:16 B (D) 1/3 20Mar21 Kee 5f fst :59 B 1/23 21Feb21 Kee 5f fst 1:02 A 2/3 9Feb21 Kee 5f fst 1:02 B 1/2

**TRAINER:** 31-60Days(211.28 \$1.82) WonLastStart(116.19 \$1.17) Dirt(184.32 \$2.09) Routes(150.19 \$1.65) GrdStk(30.23 \$1.62)

J/T 2020-21(2 .50 \$8.00)

Yes, that big G3 win at TP came on synthetic, but remember Animal Kingdom won this race after winning his prep on TP synthetic; and unlike Animal Kingdom who made his first start on dirt in this race, this guy already handled dirt in his sprint debut and he's bred all over for it so the footing shouldn't be an issue; belongs to love how he powered home, particularly after he had traffic issues on the far turn; bred to handle the trip and has worked well since for a high-percentage trainer who doesn't waste bullets, and if Ward thinks this guy belongs to you probably should, too.

### 3 Brooklyn Strong

Own: Mark Schwartz  
 50-1 Turquoise, Black 'Ms', Turquoise Band On  
**RISPOLI U** (1 0 10.00) 2021: (198 47 24)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 80 Late 95

3Apr21-10Aqu	fst 1 1/8	:50.18	1:14.98	1:40.76	1:54.49
5Dec20-4Aqu	sly 1 1/8	:47.86	1:12.69	1:37.96	1:50.60
24Oct20-3Bel	fst 1	:23.63	:47.17	1:11.86	1:37.16
20Oct20-9Bel	fst 7f	:23.93	:47.43	1:12.02	1:24.54
12Sep20-4Del	fst 1	:24.73	:48.74	1:13.94	1:40.97

**WORKS:** 20Apr21 Prx 5f fst 1:00 H 1/2 19Apr21 Prx 4f fst :49 H 7/8 27Mar21 Prx 6f fst 1:13 H 1/1 20Mar21 Prx 5f fst :59 H 1/16 13Mar21 Prx 5f fst 1:01 H 3/13 6Mar21 Prx 4f fst :49 H 13/34

**TRAINER:** 2Off45-180(24.29 \$2.32) Dirt(176.23 \$1.86) Routes(68.18 \$1.49) GrdStk(4.25 \$4.05)

Originally the plan was to wait after a so-so 5th in the G2 Wood which was his first start of the year, but with all the defections his connections opted to throw the dice; and why not?; after all, he looks like the type who will grind out the furlongs and he kept on gamely to win the G2 Remsen at AQU Dec. 5 at 9fs finishing far ahead of one of today's favorites Known Agenda in 3rd; of course, 'Agenda has progressed well while this guy had a setback, but he's got talent and as noted his style suggests: 10fs works, though whether he can get the trip fast enough is another matter.

### 4 Keepmeinmind

Own: Spendthrift Farm LLC Cypress Creek Eq  
 50-1 Orange And Purple Quarters, Orange  
**COHEN D** (—) 2021: (187 30 16)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 66 Late 114

3Apr21-11Kee	fst 1 1/8	:48.21	1:12.08	1:35.97	1:48.50
13Mar21-11OP	fst 1 1/8	:23.42	:47.53	1:12.00	1:43.18
28Nov20-11CD	fst 1 1/8	:24.11	:48.24	1:12.81	1:44.52
6Nov20-10Kee	fst 1 1/8	C :22.58	:45.31	1:10.48	1:42.09
30Oct20-9Kee	fst 1 1/8	:23.97	:48.86	1:13.40	1:44.37
2Sep20-6CD	fst 1	:22.62	:45.83	1:10.92	1:37.37

**WORKS:** 23Apr21 CD 4f fst :46 1/108 17Apr21 Kee 5f fst 1:00 B 5/34 27Mar21 OP 5f fst 1:00 B 4/41 5Mar21 OP 5f fst 1:02 B 23/32 26Feb21 OP 5f sly 1:03 B 8/10 8Feb21 OP 4f gd :49 B 13/23

**TRAINER:** BlinkOff(10.10 \$0.30) Dirt(1256.23 \$1.72) Routes(576.22 \$1.80) GrdStk(14.07 \$0.43)

Ran on for 3rd behind 2 big players here (Essential Quality, Hot Rod Charlie) in the G1 BC Juvenile last Nov. 28, hinting he might be a player in this division; backed it up with a game win in a G2 here Nov. 28; however, then came 3 1/2 months off and his 2 return races as a 3yo weren't too hot; could it be he hasn't trained on?; could be, but also if you look at those 2 races he was up against it in terms of race-shape; main issue is whether he's good enough, but he's worked well since; figures to keep running, and heck, you need someone to fill out those superfecta slots, don't you?

**5 Sainthood**



Own: CHC Inc and WinStar Farm LLC  
 Red, Yellow Stars, Red And Yellow Halved  
**LANERIE C J (8 0 12.00) 2021: (375 33.09)**  
 TimeformUS Pace: Early 106 Late 72

27Mar21-41TP fst 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :46.81 1:11.65 1:37.23 1:50.22 JRSteaks-G3 84 4/11 22 4 $\frac{3}{8}$  6 $\frac{2}{8}$  5 $\frac{3}{8}$  21 Corrales G 123 10.90 92-05 Like the King1231 Sainthood123hd Hockey Dad123q  
 13Feb21-6FG fst 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :24.91 :49.59 1:13.77 1:45.26 Mid Sp Wt 60k 76 8/8 11 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  1hd 1no Velazquez J R L120 \*1.00 85-12 Sainthood120no DolderGrand1201 $\frac{1}{2}$  Msqueprade120 $\frac{1}{2}$  Drift1/8,headed,gamely  
 9Jan21-3GP fst 6f :23.08 :46.59 :59.03 1:11.92 Mid Sp Wt 40k 79 8/8 8 4 $\frac{2}{8}$  3 $\frac{1}{8}$  2hd 2hd Saez L L118 5.40 83-15 Lamutanaaty118hd Sainthood118 $\frac{1}{2}$  Dr. Duke184 Hoppd,3w,duel,outgamed

**WORKS:** 23Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:01 B 17/50 16Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:00 $\frac{2}{3}$  B 9/36 9Apr21 Kee 4f fst :48 $\frac{3}{8}$  B 15/36 20Mar21 PBD 4f fst :48 $\frac{1}{8}$  B 4/25 12Mar21 PBD 5f fst 1:02 B 4/5 ●6Mar21 PBD 4f fst :48 $\frac{2}{8}$  B 1/20

**TRAINER:** 31-60Days(457.23 \$1.75) Dirt(681.24 \$1.61) Routes(863.23 \$1.69) GrdStk(145.14 \$2.21)

J/T 2020-21(1.00 \$0.00)

Considering he had plenty of trouble in that G3 at TP last time out he ran awfully well for 2nd; couldn't quite finish with Like the King but that guy is pretty darn nice; that was not only this colt's first try vs. winners, it was his first try at 9fs and first try on synthetic; shown speed and versatility and he returns to dirt, which he handles quite well; still, don't you get the feeling that if Pletcher wins it's more likely with one of his others?; but, hey, this guy has upside; Pletcher has won this twice (Super Saver, 2010; Always Dreaming, 2017).

**6 O Besos**



Own: Bernard Racing LLC Tagg Team Racing W  
 Black And Red Vertical Halves, Red And  
**PEDROZA M (-) 2021: (340 44.13)**  
 TimeformUS Pace: Early 83 Late 99

20Mar21-44FG fst 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ :47.04 1:11.25 1:36.38 1:55.06 LaDerby-G2 96 8/8 86 $\frac{3}{8}$  87 7 $\frac{5}{8}$  4 $\frac{3}{8}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  Pedroza M 122b 28.80 105-02 HotRodCharlie122 $\frac{1}{2}$  MidnightBourbon122hd OBesos1221 $\frac{1}{2}$  5w1st turn,ins-2p2nd  
 13Feb21-43FG fst 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :48.45 1:12.74 1:37.50 1:50.39 RisenStr-G2 88 7/11 5 $\frac{4}{8}$  6 $\frac{5}{8}$  5 $\frac{5}{8}$  4 $\frac{7}{8}$  Pedroza M 122b 21.20 88-12 Mandaloun1221 $\frac{1}{2}$  Proxy122 $\frac{1}{2}$  Midnight Bourbon122 $\frac{3}{8}$  4-5wide turns,no kick  
 17Jan21-5FG fst 6f :22.49 :46.05 :58.02 1:10.57 Alw 51000n2L 83 5/6 6 6 $\frac{3}{8}$  6 $\frac{3}{8}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  Hernandez B J Jr L122b 2.40 90-14 O Besos122 $\frac{1}{2}$  Tate119 $\frac{1}{2}$  Whiskey Double119 $\frac{1}{4}$  Off step slw,3w,rally  
 20Dec20-3FG gd 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ f :21.66 :45.47 :58.47 1:04.95 Mid Sp Wt 42k 77 2/5 5 4 $\frac{11}{16}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  4 $\frac{1}{2}$  Hernandez B J Jr L120b 3.60 94-15 OBesos120 $\frac{3}{4}$  Uniteddresolutel120no LeroyJnkins 120 $\frac{3}{4}$  Off very slw,hand ride  
 22Nov20-7CD slyS 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ f :22.62 :45.97 1:11.70 1:18.80 Mid Sp Wt 85k 60 3/12 12 12 $\frac{14}{16}$  11 $\frac{15}{16}$  9 $\frac{10}{16}$  Hernandez B J Jr 119b 46.80 76-18 Bob's Edge119 $\frac{1}{2}$  Macron119 $\frac{3}{8}$  Quantum Leap119hd Slow/hopped st,3p turn

**WORKS:** 22Apr21 CD 4f fst :48 B 8/39 13Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:00 $\frac{3}{8}$  B 1/3 5Apr21 CD 4f fst :49 B 10/29 12Mar21 FG 5f fst 1:00 $\frac{4}{8}$  B 8/23 4Mar21 FG 4f fst :48 $\frac{4}{8}$  B 18/59 6Feb21 FG 5f gd 1:01 $\frac{2}{8}$  B 8/35

**TRAINER:** 31-60Days(104.15 \$1.53) Dirt(196.20 \$1.89) Routes(119.15 \$1.34) GrdStk(14.07 \$1.17)

J/T 2020-21(23.09 \$0.40)

Nice move forward in the G2 Louisiana Derby as he ran on well for 3rd, not far at all behind Hot Rod Charlie and Midnight Bourbon; and heck, those 2 guys are considered contenders here so doesn't this guy's proximity to them mean he should be considered a potential contender, too?; darn tootin' it does; daddy won the G1 Ky. Derby so the distance suits and this colt's Beyers continue to trend north; been working super; came from well out of it in the Louisiana Derby but he won going 5 1/2fs so he has some speed; all that being said, another move forward is required.

**7 Mandaloun**



Own: Juddmonte  
 Green, Pink Sash, White Sleeves, Pink  
**GEROUX F (4 0 10.00) 2021: (269 66.25)**  
 TimeformUS Pace: Early 97 Late 82

20Mar21-44FG fst 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ :47.04 1:11.25 1:36.38 1:55.06 LaDerby-G2 82 6/8 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  4 $\frac{2}{8}$  5 $\frac{6}{8}$  6 $\frac{11}{16}$  Geroux F 122b \*1.30 95-02 HotRodCharlie122 $\frac{1}{2}$  MidnightBourbon122hd OBesos1221 $\frac{1}{2}$  4wide turns,chs,d empty  
 13Feb21-43FG fst 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :48.45 1:12.74 1:37.50 1:50.39 RisenStr-G2 98 10/11 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  Geroux F 122b \*2.10 96-12 Mandaloun1221 $\frac{1}{2}$  Proxy122 $\frac{1}{2}$  Midnight Bourbon122 $\frac{3}{8}$  3-4w,lead3/16,clr1/16  
 16Jan21-43FG fst 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :24.68 :48.99 1:13.57 1:44.41 Lecomte-G3 91 8/8 4 $\frac{2}{8}$  4 $\frac{2}{8}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  2 $\frac{1}{2}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  Geroux F 122 \*80 88-14 Midnight Bourbon1221 Proxy122hd Mandaloun122 $\frac{3}{8}$  3-4w turns,willingly  
 28Nov20-40CD fst 7f :22.60 :46.16 1:10.79 1:23.15 OC 75k/n1x-N 82 9/10 3 4 $\frac{3}{8}$  4 $\frac{2}{8}$  2 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  Geroux F 122 \*1.10 87-14 Mandaloun1221 $\frac{1}{2}$  Twilight Blue122 Founder122 $\frac{1}{2}$  Stalk 3w,bid,duel,d,clr  
 24Oct20-10Kee gd 6f :21.87 :45.97 :58.84 1:11.76 Mid Sp Wt 65k 75 7/11 1 8 $\frac{4}{16}$  9 $\frac{3}{16}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  Geroux F 119 \*1.10 87-08 Mandaloun119 $\frac{1}{2}$  Bob's Edge119 $\frac{1}{2}$  Rockstar Ro1191 2wbwt,bmp foe3/16,up

**WORKS:** 24Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:00 B 4/29 17Apr21 CD 6f fst 1:11 $\frac{2}{8}$  B 1/3 ●10Apr21 CD 5f fst :58 $\frac{4}{8}$  B 1/28 3Apr21 CD 4f fst :49 $\frac{4}{8}$  B 32/61 13Mar21 FG 5f fst 1:00 $\frac{3}{8}$  B 4/44 ●6Mar21 FG 5f fst :59 $\frac{1}{8}$  B 1/36

**TRAINER:** 31-60Days(443.26 \$1.75) Dirt(793.26 \$1.63) Routes(699.26 \$1.71) GrdStk(128.30 \$2.44)

J/T 2020-21 CD(114.20 \$1.50) J/T 2020-21(367.26 \$1.70)

The way he battled and edged clear to win the G2 Risen Star at FG Feb. 13 seemed to stamp him one of the ones; however, then came a not-so-hot run in the G2 Louisiana Derby there March 20 where he stalked the pace but then hit the brakes; trainer Cox has said they couldn't find anything to account for that dull run so maybe it was just one of those days, and he's worked superbly since; maiden win came over this track, too; still, you don't usually win the Derby off such a run; Needles (1956) was the last horse to win the Derby after finishing 5th or worse in his Derby prep.

**8 Medina Spirit**



Own: Zedan Racing Stables  
 Blue, Red Sash, White Sleeves, Red Cap  
**VELAZQUEZ J R (-) 2021: (195 33.17)**  
 TimeformUS Pace: Early 123 Late 83

3Apr21-8SA fst 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :46.11 1:10.64 1:36.27 1:49.17 SADerby-G1 94 6/9 4 $\frac{11}{16}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$  2 $\frac{2}{8}$  2 $\frac{1}{4}$  Velazquez J R 124 \*.90 85-11 RockYourWorld124 $\frac{1}{2}$  MedinaSpirit124 $\frac{1}{2}$  DrmShk 124 $\frac{3}{4}$  3deep,3-2wd,willingly  
 6Mar21-6SA fst 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :23.63 :46.83 1:10.55 1:42.18 SnFelipe-G2 95 3/7 2 $\frac{2}{8}$  2 $\frac{2}{8}$  3 $\frac{3}{8}$  3 $\frac{6}{8}$  2 $\frac{8}{8}$  Velazquez J R 122 3.30 87-08 LifeIsGood122 $\frac{1}{2}$  MedinaSpirit122 $\frac{1}{2}$  DremShke 120 $\frac{3}{4}$  Chased 3w,2w,best rest  
 30Jan21-7SA gd 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ :22.89 :46.61 1:12.36 1:46.26 RBLewis-G3 94 1/6 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  Cedillo A 120 \*1.00 74-29 MdinSpirit120 $\frac{1}{2}$  RomnCnturin120no HotRodCharlie1201 $\frac{1}{2}$  Set pace, held gamely  
 2Jan21-8SA fst 1 :23.56 :46.67 1:10.66 1:36.63 Sham-G3 99 1/5 2 $\frac{3}{8}$  2 $\frac{3}{8}$  2 $\frac{4}{8}$  2 $\frac{1}{2}$  Cedillo A 120 9.40 89-17 Life Is Good120 $\frac{3}{8}$  Medina Spirit1201 $\frac{1}{2}$  Parnelli120 $\frac{1}{2}$  Angld out late,gaining  
 11Dec20-6LRC fst 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ f :22.20 :45.14 :56.80 1:02.93 Mid Sp Wt 42k 76 4/6 3 2hd 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  1 $\frac{1}{2}$  Cedillo A 122b 3.40 96-09 Medina Spirit122 $\frac{1}{2}$  First Class Dad115 $\frac{1}{2}$  Kennebec122 $\frac{1}{2}$  Led 3/8, kicked clear

**WORKS:** 22Apr21 SA 6f fst 1:12 $\frac{1}{8}$  H 1/3 16Apr21 SA 5f fst 1:00 H 4/43 28Mar21 SA 4f fst :48 H 13/65 ●22Mar21 SA 5f fst :59 H 1/34 ●27Feb21 SA 6f fst 1:11 $\frac{1}{8}$  H 1/11 ●20Feb21 SA 6f fst 1:12 $\frac{1}{8}$  H 1/8

**TRAINER:** Dirt(380.32 \$1.89) Routes(199.31 \$2.11) GrdStk(136.29 \$1.86)

J/T 2020-21 CD(2.50 \$9.40) J/T 2020-21(26.42 \$2.90)

Fired every time including 2nds in the G2 San Felipe at SA March 6 and G1 SA Derby there April 3; that said, he wasn't really a danger to the winner either time as he was well beaten by stablemate, the now-injured Life Is Good, in the San Felipe and by Rock Your World in the SA Derby; has speed to be well positioned from the start and does remind you of one of Baffert's record-tying 6 winners of this race, the wonderful fighter Silver Charm; Beyerwise he's only just behind the top players so a bit of improvement, with his grit and, well, you get our drift.

9 Hot Rod Charlie

Own: Roadrunner Racing Boat Racing LLC Wil...
8-1 White, Green Road Runner Emblem, Green



Dk. b or br c. 3 (Apr) FTKOCT19 \$110,000
Sire: Oxbow (Awesome Again) \$7,500
Dam: Indian Miss (Indian Charlie)
Br: Edward A Cox Jr (Ky)
Tr: O'Neill Doug(-) 2021:(187 26 .14)

PRAT F (-) 2021: (313 91 29)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 104 Late 89

Previously trained by Mora Leandro 2020: (-)

20Mar21-14FG fst 1 1/8 :47.04 1:11.25 1:36.38 1:55.06 LaDerby-G2

Previously trained by O'Neill Doug 2020: (597 74 78 89 0.12)

30Jan21-7SA gd 1 1/8 :22.89 :46.61 1:12.36 1:46.26 RBLewis-G3

6Nov20-10Kec fst 1 1/8 C :22.58 :45.31 1:10.48 1:42.09 B CJuvnl-G1

20ct20-3SA fst 1 :24.12 :49.02 1:13.87 1:38.00 Mid Sp Wt 55k

7Sep20-3Dmr fm 1 :23.37 :49.25 1:14.47 1:38.47 Mid Sp Wt 57k

14Aug20-3Dmr fm 5f :22.83 :46.02 :57.50 Mid Sp Wt 56k

11Jly20-5Dmr fst 5f :22.62 :46.42 :59.00 Mid Sp Wt 50k

WORKS: 24Apr21 SA 6f fst 1:13 H 2/4 17Apr21 SA 6f fst 1:14 H 5/6 10Apr21 SA 5f fst 1:01 B 2/76 3Apr21 SA 4f fst :49 H 4/3/7 14Mar21 SA 5f fst 1:00 H 15/125 6Mar21 SA 6f fst 1:14 H 4/11

TRAINER: 2Off45-180(102.13 1.15) 31-60Days(242.09 \$1.34) Dirt(344.14 \$1.89) Routes(295.11 \$0.94) GrdStk(73.05 \$0.77)

Darn near got to likely favorite Essential Quality when 2nd in the G1 BC Juvenile and he's progressed since with 2 good efforts this year; yes, he won the G2 Louisiana Derby using his speed but he's done well from off the pace, too; in other words, there's versatility here to give his rider options; Beyerwise he's improved, too; in fact, his 99 in the Louisiana Derby is better than the best fig of Essential Quality; O'Neill has won this twice (I'll Have Another, 2012; Nyquist, 2016), though they came after slightly less time off before the Derby.

10 Midnight Bourbon

Own: Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC
Maroon, White Circled 'W', White Bars On



B. c. 3 (Jan) KEESEP19 \$525,000
Sire: Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy) \$40,000
Dam: Catch the Moon (Malibu Moon)
Br: Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (Ky)
Tr: Asmussen Steven M(2 0 0 1 .00) 2021:(819 175 .21)

SMITH M E (-) 2021: (67 8 .12)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 109 Late 77

20Mar21-14FG fst 1 1/8 :47.04 1:11.25 1:36.38 1:55.06 LaDerby-G2

13Feb21-13FG fst 1 1/8 :48.45 1:12.74 1:37.50 1:50.39 RisenStr-G2

16Jan21-13FG fst 1 1/8 :24.68 :48.99 1:13.57 1:44.41 Lecomte-G3

10Oct20-4Bel fst 1 :23.12 :46.54 1:10.68 1:35.42 Champagn-G1

5Sep20-10CD fst 1 C :23.04 :45.64 1:10.00 1:35.00 Iroquois-G3

22Aug20-8EIP fst 1 :23.30 :47.15 1:11.86 1:37.32 Mid Sp Wt 46k

25Jly20-3EIP fst 1 :23.88 :47.74 1:12.64 1:39.33 Mid Sp Wt 37k

WORKS: 26Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:02 B 14/15 19Apr21 CD 5f fst :59 B 1/13 11Apr21 CD 5f gd 1:00 B 1/15 4Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:01 B 5/11 15Mar21 FG 4f fst :49 B 8/23 8Mar21 FG 5f fst 1:00 B 1/18

TRAINER: 31-60Days(1034.19 1.39) Dirt(2493.20 \$1.42) Routes(1338.17 \$1.34) GrdStk(172.12 \$1.15)

Doubled up 96 Beyers in his last 2 good efforts in G2s at FG so that not only shows quality but that he might be ready to move forward; has ample speed to be in it from the start; cost \$525K so you know there are expectations here and he might be ready to live up to that price tag; had surgery to correct an entrapped epiglottis after his G2 San Felipe run; daddy won the G1 BC Classic (twice) and dam sire produced G1 Ky. Derby winner Orb so there's ample stamina in his pedigree to boot; it won't take much of a move forward to put him in the mix either.

11 Dynamic One

Own: Repole Stable Phipps Stable and St El...
Black, Cherry Cap



Ch. c. 3 (Feb) KEESEP19 \$725,000
Sire: Union Rags (Dixie Union) \$30,000
Dam: Beat the Drums (Smart Strike)
Br: Phipps Stable (Ky)
Tr: Pletcher Todd A(2 0 0 1 .00) 2021:(314 77 .25)

ORTIZ J L (-) 2021: (427 76 .18)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 77 Late 92

3Apr21-10Aqu fst 1 1/8 :50.18 1:14.98 1:40.76 1:54.49 WoodMem-G2

7Mar21-3Aqu fst 1 1/8 :51.44 1:17.29 1:42.20 1:55.21 Mid Sp Wt 77k

23Jan21-2GP fst 1 1/8 :23.76 :47.88 1:12.58 1:44.51 Mid Sp Wt 43k

26Dec20-7GP fst 1 1/8 :24.29 :48.56 1:13.05 1:43.86 Mid Sp Wt 40k

14Nov20-5Aqu gd 7f :22.93 :46.80 1:11.66 1:24.52 Mid Sp Wt 80k

WORKS: 23Apr21 CD 4f fst :47 B 2/108 16Apr21 CD 4f fst :48 B 12/40 27Mar21 Bel.tr.t 4f fst :50 B 63/173 21Mar21 Bel.tr.t 4f fst :49 B 31/162 26Feb21 PBD 4f fst :50 B 7/11 19Feb21 PBD 4f fst :49 B 5/11

TRAINER: Dirt(681.24 \$1.61) Routes(863.23 \$1.69) GrdStk(145.14 \$2.21)

Have to like his progress; remember, he cost \$725K so there are expectations here; just got nailed late by his longshot stablemate in the G2 Wood but ran pretty darn well; that was yet another move forward on the Beyer scale as well; certainly acts as though the added ground should be no problem, and that thought is buoyed by the fact daddy won the G1 Belmont and dam sire produced 2-time HOY Curlin; Pletcher has won this twice (Super Saver, 2010; Always Dreaming, 2017).

12 Helium

Own: D J Stable LLC
Maroon, White Diamond Belt, Maroon



B. c. 3 (Apr) FTKOCT19 \$55,000
Sire: Ironicus (Distorted Humor) \$5,000
Dam: Thundering Emilia (Thunder Gulch)
Br: Teneri Farm Inc & Bernardo Alvarez Calderon (Ky)
Tr: Casse Mark(2 0 0 0 .00) 2021:(312 47 .15)

LEPAROUX J R (4 1 0 0 25) 2021: (216 20 .09)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 97 Late 71

6Mar21-11Tam fst 1 1/8 C :23.23 :47.06 1:11.38 1:43.55 TamDby-G2

18Oct20-10W0 fst 7f :23.64 :46.40 1:10.27 1:22.62 DisplayL 101k

27Sep20-5W0 fst 7f :23.39 :46.16 1:10.96 1:23.45 Mid Sp Wt 80k

WORKS: 23Apr21 CD 4f fst :49 B 75/108 16Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:04 Bg 28/36 10Apr21 CD 5f fst :59 B 4/28 3Apr21 Pmm 5f fst 1:01 B 4/11 27Mar21 Pmm 4f fst :49 B 17/58 26Feb21 Pmm 4f fst :49 B 21/36

TRAINER: 31-60Days(488.16 \$1.42) WonLastStart(214.20 \$1.59) Dirt(328.12 \$1.11) Routes(806.15 \$1.57) GrdStk(138.12 \$1.52)

That G2 Tampa Bay Derby run was his first start on dirt, first start in a route and first start in almost 5 months; none of that fazed him as the colt bided his time well back early, made a strong midrace move to reach contention and then gamely held; that was heady stuff considering all those hurdles; that said, the Beyer didn't come back all that hot, but he's run just 3 times so there's ample room for growth; and while he was well back early in that race note speed shown in 2 prior sprints so he's got the handiness to be better situated early on.

13 Hidden Stash

Own: BBN Racing LLC
50-1 Blue And White Blocks, White Bars On



Ch. c. 3 (Mar) KEESPE19 \$50,000
Sire: Constitution (Tapit) \$85,000
Dam: Making Mark Money (Smart Strike)
Br: Rhineshire Farm LLC (Ky)
Tr: Oliver Victoria(-) 2021:(50 5 .10)

Table with columns: Life, 7, 2, 1, 2, \$231,062, 83. Rows: 2021, 2020, CD.

Table with columns: D.Fst, 6, 1, 1, 2, \$189,062, 83. Rows: Wet(426), Synth, Turf(357), Dst(300).

BEJARANO R (7 0 1 1.00) 2021: (223 39 .17)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 73 Late 105

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WORKS: 23Apr21 Kee 5f fst 1:00 3 B 6/26 ... 14Apr21 Kee 4f fst :47 4 B 1/23 ... 1Apr21 Kee 3f fst :37 1 B 1/3 ... 25Mar21 Pay 5f fst 1:02 3 B 1/1 ... 18Mar21 Pay 5f fst 1:04 B 3/5 ... 2Mar21 Pay 4f fst :49 B 1/6

TRAINER: Dirt(89 .12 \$0.98) Routes(172 .09 \$0.95) GrdStk(20 .00 \$0.00)
Ran on well after a wide trip to be 2nd to Helium in the G2 Tampa Bay Derby; that earned him a shot at the G2 Blue Grass at KEE April 3, but while he ran 4th he was no threat at any point, beaten 10 lengths by likely favorite Essential Quality and top contender Highly Motivated; has a lot of ground to make up on those 2; the good news is he brings solid dirt route form into this, worked well since; daddy produced last year's G1 Belmont/Travers winner and top 3yo male Tiz the Law, and there's stamina on the bottom side, too; still, a big move forward is required.

14 Essential Quality

Own: Godolphin LLC
2-1 Royal Blue, Royal Blue Cap



Gr/ro. c. 3 (Apr)
Sire: Tapit (Pulpit) \$185,000
Dam: Delightful Quality (Evasive Quality)
Br: Godolphin (Ky)
Tr: Cox Brad H(3 1 2 0 .33) 2021:(316 83 .26)

Table with columns: Life, 5, 5, 0, 0, \$2,265,144, 97. Rows: 2021, 2020, CD.

Table with columns: D.Fst, 4, 4, 0, 0, \$1,815,144, 97. Rows: Wet(411), Synth, Turf(318), Dst(307).

SAEZ L (13 2 3 2 .15) 2021: (495 89 .18)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 101 Late 93

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WORKS: 24Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:00 2 B 8/29 ... 17Apr21 CD 5f fst :59 3 B 4/40 ... 27Mar21 FG 5f fst 1:00 2 B 3/18 ... 20Mar21 FG 5f fst :59 B 1/25 ... 13Mar21 FG 4f fst :48 1 B 5/84 ... 20Feb21 FG 5f fst 1:00 4 B 3/41

TRAINER: WonLastStart(261 .29 \$1.96) Dirt(793 .26 \$1.63) Routes(699 .26 \$1.71) GrdStk(128 .30 \$2.44)
Hard to believe Godolphin is 11-0-0-0 in this but maybe that changes here; after all, he's the unbeaten 2yo champ who hasn't missed a beat; not only won the G1 BC Juvenile, he's come back this year with 2 smart wins; showed guts in the G2 Blue Grass and maybe that hard fight was just what the Dr. ordered to set him up for this; Cox has handled him with aplomb; that said, this guy has no Beyer edge; in fact, a few others have done better; and geez, you have to go back to Strike the Gold (1991) to find the last Blue Grass winner who then won the Derby; but boy, he's done nothing wrong.

15 Rock Your World

Own: Hronis Racing LLC and David Michael
5-1 White, Burnt Red 'Rock Your World'



Dk. b or br c. 3 (Feb) KEESPE19 \$650,000
Sire: Candy Ride\*Arg (Ride the Rails) \$75,000
Dam: Charm the Maker (Empire Maker)
Br: Ron McAnally & Deborah McAnally (Ky)
Tr: Sadler John W(-) 2021:(162 35 .22)

Table with columns: Life, 3, 3, 0, 0, \$546,600, 100. Rows: 2021, 2020, CD.

Table with columns: D.Fst, 1, 1, 0, 0, \$450,000, 100. Rows: Wet(447), Synth, Turf(326), Dst(314).

ROSARIO J (-) 2021: (242 61 .25)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 132 Late 81

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WORKS: 24Apr21 SA 5f fst :59 1 H 3/68 ... 17Apr21 SA 5f fst :59 3 H 6/72 ... 28Mar21 SA 5f fst :59 1 H 1/82 ... 22Mar21 SA 6f fst 1:14 2 H 7/11 ... 15Mar21 SA 5f fst 1:00 H 3/52 ... 9Mar21 SA 4f fst :49 1 H 7/17

TRAINER: WonLastStart(89 .20 \$2.11) Dirt(294 .17 \$1.72) Routes(241 .13 \$1.35) GrdStk(57 .12 \$1.15)
Wonderfully bred and cost \$630K so there were expectations from day one and so far so good as the colt is unbeaten and really untested in 3 starts; looked super wiring rivals in the G1 SA Derby, posting the field's top Beyer (100); that was not only first time on dirt it was his first time going 9fs; but before getting too carried away with that win note there was only 1 SW among the 8 he beat; used speed to wire them but he showed in his first 2 starts he's no need-the-lead type; another proven turf star (Barbaro) moved to dirt, flourished and won this.

16 King Fury

Own: Fern Circle Stables Three Chimneys Farm
20-1 Royal Blue, White Stars, White Stars On



Ch. c. 3 (Jan) FTSAUG19 \$950,000
Sire: Curlin (Smart Strike) \$175,000
Dam: Taris (Flatter)
Br: Heider Family Stables LLC (Ky)
Tr: McPeck Kenneth G(-) 2021:(110 9 .08)

Table with columns: Life, 6, 3, 0, 0, \$262,739, 96. Rows: 2021, 2020, CD.

Table with columns: D.Fst, 5, 2, 0, 0, \$142,739, 96. Rows: Wet(433), Synth, Turf(266), Dst(295).

HERNANDEZ B J JR (8 1 2 0 .12) 2021: (317 50 .16)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 100 Late 91

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WORKS: 24Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:00 1 B 6/29 ... 3Apr21 GP 5f fst 1:03 1 B 17/23 ... 27Mar21 GP 5f fst 1:00 4 B 2/18 ... 19Mar21 GP 4f fst :49 4 B 23/31 ... 12Mar21 GP 4f fst :51 B 50/57 ... 5Mar21 GP 3f fst :34 4 B 1/10

TRAINER: 2Off45-180(60 .18 \$2.97) WonLastStart(73 .18 \$2.17) Dirt(351 .17 \$2.32) Routes(374 .17 \$2.36) GrdStk(52 .21 \$2.94)
Looked good blasting home to romp in the G3 Lexington at KEE April 10; remember, he cost \$950K and is a son of 2-time HOY Curlin and top-class sprinter Taris so there have always been expectations here; that said, he's run just once as a 3yo so he's still being asked a lot and you have to question what he beat in the Lexington and also wonder if he just loved the slop; but he's won twice over this track and earned a break-out Beyer April 10 which stacks up decently with the top players here; has some tactical speed and versatility to give his rider options.

### 17 Highly Motivated



B. c. 3 (Mar) KEENOV18 \$240,000  
 Sire: Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday) \$225,000  
 Dam: Strong Incentive (Warrior's Reward)  
 Br: Klarovich Stables (Ky)  
 Tr: Brown Chad C(-) 2021:(203 55 .27)

Life	5	2	2	1	\$320,050	97
2021	2	0	1	1	\$196,000	97
2020	3	2	1	0	\$124,050	96
CD	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

D.Fst	4	2	1	1	\$305,650	97
Wet(402)	1	0	1	0	\$14,400	77
Synth	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Turf(319)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Dst(290)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

CASTELLANO J J (-) 2021: (141 28 .20)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 106 Late 79

3Apr21-11Kee	fst	1 1/8	48.21	1:12.08	1:35.97	1:48.50
6Mar21-9Aqu	fst	1	24.29	:48.03	1:12.85	1:38.70
6Nov20-1Kee	fst	6 1/2	21.73	:44.65	1:08.64	1:14.99
27Sep20-7Bel	fst	6 1/2	22.79	:46.43	1:11.44	1:17.82
29Aug20-6Sar	mys	6 1/2	21.86	:44.81	:57.03	1:10.01

WORKS: 24Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:00 1/4 B 11/29 ● 18Apr21 Kee 4f fst :47 1/2 B 1/27 27Mar21 Bel tr.t 4f fst :48 1/4 B 15/173 21Mar21 Bel tr.t 4f fst :48 B 4/162 28Feb21 Pay 4f fst :49 1/2 B 4/36 ● 20Feb21 Pay 5f fst 1:02 1/2 B 1/4

TRAINER: Dirt(379 .26 \$1.65) Routes(667 .25 \$1.70) GrdStk(193 .19 \$1.48)

Gave Essential Quality fits in the G2 Blue Grass as he set a pressured pace and battled gamely inside that rival through the lane to end up 2nd beaten just a neck; that was a very nice move forward after an OK 3rd in his first start of 2021 when 3rd in the G3 Gotham; the way he kept to his task hints the added ground here might not be too big a problem and while he showed speed that day note versatility in other starts; Super Saver (2010) is the last Derby winner to not win as a 3yo before taking the Derby; that Brown runs him and holds out a couple others may be telling.

### 18 Super Stock



B. c. 3 (Apr) KEESEP19 \$70,000  
 Sire: Dialed In (Mineshaft) \$15,000  
 Dam: Super Girlie (Closing Argument)  
 Br: Pedro Gonzalez & P J Gonzalez (Ky)  
 Tr: Asmussen Steven M(2 0 0 1 .00) 2021:(819 175 .21)

Life	8	2	2	2	\$804,762	92
2021	2	1	0	0	\$650,000	92
2020	6	1	2	2	\$154,762	80
CD	2	0	1	1	\$38,450	79

D.Fst	7	2	2	2	\$804,562	92
Wet(373)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Synth	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Turf(288)	1	0	0	0	\$200	38
Dst(299*)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

SANTANA R JR (3 0 0 0 .00) 2021: (308 68 .22)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 85 Late 98

10Apr21-12OP	fst	1 1/8	46.51	1:11.25	1:37.64	1:50.92
13Mar21-11OP	fst	1 1/8	23.42	:47.53	1:12.00	1:43.18
25Oct20-8CD	fst	1 1/8	24.60	:49.51	1:14.34	1:44.30
30Oct20-9Kee	fst	1 1/8	23.97	:48.86	1:13.40	1:44.37
5Sep20-10CD	fst	1	23.04	:45.64	1:10.00	1:35.00
11Aug20-8LS	fst	5 1/2	22.30	:45.71	:58.42	1:04.95
4Aug20-1LS	fst	5 1/2	22.43	:45.40	:57.51	1:03.81
9Jly20-1Kee	yl	5 1/2	22.14	:46.30	:58.65	1:05.16

WORKS: 24Apr21 CD 5f fst 1:01 1/4 B 16/29 5Apr21 OP 4f fst :50 1/4 B 10/18 ● 29Mar21 OP 5f fst 1:00 1/4 B 1/16 22Mar21 OP 4f fst :51 1/4 B 21/27 8Mar21 FG 5f fst 1:00 1/4 B 4/18 1Mar21 FG 5f fst 1:00 3/4 B 6/21

TRAINER: WonLastStart(538 .23 \$1.45) Dirt(2493 .20 \$1.42) Routes(1338 .17 \$1.34) GrdStk(172 .12 \$1.15)

May well have turned the corner, and he's picked the right time; 3rd to Essential Quality, albeit well beaten, in the G1 Breeders' Futurity at KEE last fall; came back this year to be a non-factor 4th in the G2 Rebel at OP March 13 but moved forward nicely to easily win the G1 Arkansas Derby; sure, he got a dream trip sitting just behind favorites Caddo River and Concert Tour and took advantage when both got weary in the final furlong but that was still a big move forward and could be he gets another nice trip here; Asmussen figures to win this one of these days, right?

### 19 Soup and Sandwich



Gr/ro. c. 3 (Mar)  
 Sire: Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday) \$225,000  
 Dam: Souper Scoop (Tapit)  
 Br: Live Oak Stud (Fla)  
 Tr: Casse Mark(2 0 0 0 .00) 2021:(312 47 .15)

Life	3	2	1	0	\$203,875	90
2021	3	2	1	0	\$203,875	90
2020	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
CD	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

D.Fst	3	2	1	0	\$203,875	90
Wet(428)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Synth	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Turf(345)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Dst(307)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

GAFFALIONE T (12 3 2 2 .25) 2021: (478 87 .18)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 110 Late 96

27Mar21-14GP	fst	1 1/8	47.73	1:12.29	1:36.61	1:49.45
24Feb21-2TAM	fst	1 1/8	24.19	:49.01	1:13.35	1:39.65
28Jan21-6GP	fst	6 1/2	22.63	:46.11	1:10.29	1:16.82

WORKS: 23Apr21 CD 4f fst :50 B 78/108 17Apr21 CD 5f fst :59 1/4 B 7/40 11Apr21 CD 4f gd :48 B 8/17 19Mar21 PmM 4f fst :48 1/2 B 3/28 ● 12Mar21 PmM 4f fst :47 3/4 B 1/40 11Feb21 PmM 4f fst :48 1/4 B 7/23

TRAINER: 31-60Days(488 .16 \$1.42) Dirt(328 .12 \$1.11) Routes(806 .15 \$1.57) GrdStk(138 .12 \$1.52)

Came out firing to romp in his first 2 starts; that earned him a shot at the G1 Florida Derby at GP March 27 and he passed that test with flying colors as it was his first time going 9fs, he was well up in class, was on a pressured pace and stayed on well for 2nd, well clear of the others; his speed figures again to have him prominent from the start, though there are a few others who might make it a bit crowded and a feverish up front early, meaning furlongs 9 and 10 could be a tad dicey if he uses too much fuel too soon; but there's potential for him to be mmm mmm good.

### 20 Bourbonic



Dk. b or br c. 3 (Apr)  
 Sire: Bernardini (A.P. Indy) \$35,000  
 Dam: Dancing Afleet (Afleet Alex)  
 Br: Calumet Farm (Ky)  
 Tr: Pletcher Todd A(2 0 0 1 .00) 2021:(314 77 .25)

Life	6	3	1	0	\$465,880	89
2021	3	2	1	0	\$438,450	89
2020	3	1	0	0	\$27,430	69
CD	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

D.Fst	3	2	0	0	\$430,880	89
Wet(406)	2	1	1	0	\$34,600	76
Synth	0	0	0	0	\$0	-
Turf(246)	1	0	0	0	\$400	47
Dst(261)	0	0	0	0	\$0	-

CARMOUCHE K (2 0 0 0 .00) 2021: (372 76 .20)

TimeformUS Pace: Early 83 Late 99

3Apr21-10Aqu	fst	1 1/8	50.18	1:14.98	1:40.76	1:54.49
23Feb21-9PRx	sly	17 0	23.29	:46.87	1:12.15	1:43.75
17Jan21-3Aqu	fst	1	23.95	:48.34	1:14.46	1:39.84
6Dec20-1Aqu	gd	1	23.45	:47.39	1:12.95	1:38.64
14Nov20-3Aqu	yl	1 1/8	24.09	:49.97	1:15.68	1:47.18
11Oct20-8Bel	fst	7 1/2	22.04	:44.64	1:10.07	1:23.05

WORKS: 23Apr21 CD 4f fst :49 3/4 B 71/108 16Apr21 CD 4f fst :48 3/4 B 12/40 21Mar21 Bel tr.t 4f fst :49 1/4 B 31/162 13Mar21 Bel tr.t 4f fst :50 3/4 B 73/119 11Feb21 Bel tr.t 4f fst :49 3/4 B 11/76 5Feb21 Bel tr.t 4f fst :51 B 76/81

TRAINER: WonLastStart(230 .23 \$1.52) Dirt(681 .24 \$1.61) Routes(863 .23 \$1.69) GrdStk(145 .14 \$2.21)

Like another of Pletcher's runners Known Agenda he's been a different horse since adding blinkers as he's won 3 of his 4 starts with them (2nd in the lone loss); that includes a game rallying win in the G2 Wood at AQU last time out April 3; sure, that wasn't the strongest renewal but the way he rallied still represented a move forward so he's peaking at the right time; bred all over for this trip; main issue is whether he's fast enough; last Wood runner to then win this was Funny Cide (2003); Pletcher has won this twice (Super Saver, 2010; Always Dreaming, 2017). -Michael Hammersly