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North County Wins Untapable Stakes, Maintains Undefeated Record

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Even though we are just now closing the books on 2021 and beginning a New Year, North County has already got her sights set on the first Friday in May! The bay daughter of Not This Time has landed herself on

the Road to the Kentucky Oaks, earning 10 points with a victory in the Untapable Stakes at Fair Grounds on December 26th. After a clean break, North County patiently stalked the lead for most of the race from a few lengths back. She dug down deep in the final furlong to reel in her foes with determined strides, getting up in time to win by a neck. She earned \$60,000 for owners Rebecca Hillen, Stonecrest Farm, and Bruno De Julio.

North County is out of farm resident Northern Netti (by City Zip), who is currently in foal to Spun to Run and due to deliver in February. Her yearling filly by Sharp Azteca is selling in the Keeneland January Sale in the Eaton Sales consignment. What a timely catalog update! We wish all the connections of North County the best of luck with her three-year-old campaign.

Photo: Coady Photography



North County rolling to victory in Keeneland allowance race



Blarney Girl Breaks Maiden at Turfway

Getting that first career win can be elusive sometimes, but after coming so close so often, Blarney Girl (Exaggerator – Irish Pleasure, by Awesome Again) finally got to take her well-deserved trip to the winner’s circle at Turfway Park on December 3rd. She found herself bunched up in traffic in the middle of the pack coming around the second turn, but split her way through the crowd to get up at the wire to win by a head. Hopefully this will be the first of many victories for this filly! Blarney Girl was foaled and raised at Endeavor Farm. Great job by trainer Michael Ewing and jockey Alex Achard.



Thirtyminutemass Rolls to Victory

Off as the post-time favorite, Thirtyminutemass (Honor Code – Poppy's Baby Girl, by Yankee Gentleman) lived up to the hype and dominated his competition at Turf Paradise on December 7th. The dark bay or brown gelding took the lead from the start and never gave it up, easily staying in front the whole time to win by a margin of 3 ½ lengths. Thirtyminutemass was foaled, raised, sales prepped, and consigned by Endeavor Farm. Congratulations to his connections, including owner/trainer Orlando Guerrero and jockey Jorge Correno.

Homebred Derby Day Lassie Breaks Maiden on Debut at Oaklawn

A big congratulations are in order for J.R. & Rita Young! They had an exciting day on December 10th, when their homebred Derby Day Lassie won first ask in a maiden special weight race at Oaklawn Park. The Arkansas-bred daughter of Double Irish won for fun, leading the whole way around and riding off under a hand ride to win by four lengths. The striking gray just-turned-three-year-old is out of seasonal resident Rita's Fifty Seven. The sky is the limit for this very obviously talented filly, way to go!



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A Word from Terry

With the New Year upon us, I hope that everyone enjoyed a wonderful Holiday season. We have been fortunate to have good health and a warm winter so far in Central Kentucky. There are other parts of our Commonwealth that have been ravaged by tornadoes earlier in December. While the loss of life and property is tragic, the outpouring of help from the horse community is amazing to see. The truck loads of hay and grain sent to Western Kentucky, as well as the monetary donations, are a blessing to residents that lost everything. The last number I saw was nearly \$750,000 donated from the equine community. It is commendable to see the caring and resilient bunch that we are.

Foaling season is upon us. Endeavor has two mares due in January which will get the season started for 2022. We will follow up with another 25-30 new arrivals later in the season. Early February will kick off the breeding season. If you still have mares that are not booked to local stallions, let us know if we can be of service to you. We have seen books fill up faster this year to popular horses, and of course the new stallions are in high demand.

Endeavor Sales will have a consignment in February at Fasig-Tipton, which will consist of two mares, a short yearling, and a 2-year-old filly. There will be more in the next newsletter. Until then, we wish all a safe and prosperous New Year.

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