

**Quotes: 2009 Kentucky Cup Classic Handicap (G2)
3-years-old and up
\$200,000 guaranteed (includes \$50,000 KTDF), one mile and one-eighth**

Winning trainer: Mike Maker (Furthest Land)

"When we got [jockey] Garrett [Gomez], my confidence skyrocketed. I loved his race on the Polytrack at Keeneland and we just haven't had a chance to race on it since. I threw his race on the dirt at Canterbury out because I know he prefers this surface. I looked at the race and the favorite [Hold Me Back] had racing against straight three-year-olds and the only other horse I thought was Dubious Miss. I'd think we'd take a look at the [Breeders' Cup] Dirt Mile. The Fayette Stakes [at Keeneland] looks like a logical next start."

Winning jockey: Garrett Gomez (Furthest Land)

"He broke running and got a little aggressive on me, so I eased him back. He was pulling hard so I thought he was telling me something. I took him four or five wide in the first turn and let him settle. I wasn't worried about the top two [Timeless Fashion and Godolphin Gray, alternately first and second down the backstretch]. I had my eye on Boo-Boo's [Calvin Borel] horse [Dubious Miss] and Albarado's horse [Wicked Style]. Calvin's horse came out a little but I got [Furthest Land] on his right lead and hit him twice left-handed. After that he straightened out nicely."

Winning owner: Ken Ramsey (Furthest Land)

"I called into Blue Grass Downs where I have an account and they let me listen to the race on the television. My wife recorded it at home so I called to congratulate her, and I'm about to call Mike and talk with him. Don't read anything into (me going to the game). We had a VIP suite set up for this game and it's the number 1 team, but to tell you the truth, if I had known I was going to win, I would have canceled the football. I hope Kentucky can upset Florida, but I regret not going (to the race) now. We really like this horse."

"We're very proud. We claimed him for \$35,000 and this is the second stakes winner we've had that we claimed this year. I guess Mike is just good with these claiming horses. He's on a hot roll. He's winning like 62% of his races. I'll consult with him to see where we go next. We've already got a couple horses out there (for the Breeders' Cup). We had the one year where we had three horses. Maybe we can get even more and do better than a couple seconds."

"Anytime we can get Garrett Gomez to ride we do it. I go back with (agent) Ron Anderson a ways, back to Jerry Bailey. Anytime you can get a rider like him we look to do it. The jockey is so important and that's why we try to get a rider like Garrett."

2nd place trainer: Paul McGee (Dubious Miss)

"I thought he was home free and he just got run down. I'm thinking about the Fayette at Keeneland. He ran a big race, just got run down in the last. It looks like the winner is better on the Poly."

2nd place jockey: Calvin Borel (Dubious Miss)

"I thought I was home free turning for home. I think on a dirt track he might have carried. He ran good, he showed up, and he tried. He's usually right off them, laying second, third, fourth, and they were going 24 and 47—it wasn't that fast. He just got outrun."

Beaten favorite: Hold Me Back: Trainer: Bill Mott

"Not much explanation at this point. There wasn't anything obvious. He just never looked interested in the race. He was never really traveling well. I mean, he was never really into the bridle and going as good as you'd like. When [jockey Julien Leparoux] asked him, he was just empty—[as if he said] 'not today.'" Julien said he just never felt like he had any horse."

Beaten favorite: Hold Me Back: Jockey: Julien Leparoux

“Empty. That's all I can say. I can't think of any excuse. He did everything good. He warmed up good and felt good. He just had . . . nothing.”

Quotes: 2009 Kentucky Cup Distaff (G3)
Fillies and mares, 3 & up
\$100,000 guaranteed, one mile and one-sixteenth

Winning trainer: Bill Mott (Indescribable)

“That was a nice race. She looked comfortable down the backstretch. She was in the bridle and traveling nicely. It was like her race in Keeneland this spring [Doubledogdare Stakes, won by 2 1/4 lengths]. With her it seems like surface is key. Seems like she's figured out that this is the surface she likes. She was confusing this summer because she was running subpar races but training better than she ever had. The Spinster [Stakes at Keeneland] is definitely a race we'll consider.”

Winning jockey: Garrett Gomez (Indescribable)

“I had a perfect trip—the kind of trip jocks dream of. I just put her behind horses and let her settle down the backstretch. I got her in the clear at the 3/8ths pole. I asked, and she did the rest. Very easy race to ride.”

2nd place trainer: Dallas Stewart (Unforgotten)

“She's run into some nice fillies. The winner today is another nice one. She tries hard all the time and is right around the \$500,000 mark in earnings now. She gave it 110%, and that's all you can ask for.”

2nd place jockey: Calvin Borel (Unforgotten)

“I had a great trip. No excuses. We were simply second best today, beaten by a better horse.”

Beaten favorite: Bear Now (fourth as 8-5 favorite and winner of this race last year): Trainer Al Stall Jr.

“She's going straight to the farm now. That was the plan all along. She just gave up the ship today. Mares will do that sometimes. Robby told me she was very comfortable early on. I think if she had any try, she would have gone right by. She's been all over—from Canada to Florida to Louisiana and all points in between. She's done a lot. I just found out today that she'll be bred to either Unbridled's Song or Medaglia d'Oro.”

Quotes: 2009 Kentucky Cup Sprint (G3)
3 year olds
\$100,000 guaranteed, 6 furlongs

Winning trainer: Malcolm Pierce (El Brujo)

“He ran huge. I was a little worried down the backside, because I didn't expect him to be that far back, but I guess Garrett knew what he was doing, because he did a great job getting him up.

“We had been chasing the Plate because he had run pretty well around two turns as a 2 year old, but now we know for sure six- to seven-furlongs is his best distance.

“The plans are to bring him back to Woodbine tomorrow morning. If he comes out of it really good we would probably look at the Perryville in October (Oct. 17) at Keeneland. It would be straight 3-year-olds and the synthetic, of course, but we want to get him home first. We're not going to make any decisions tonight.

“I watched this race right here at Woodbine. I had four horses in today and I've got a busy morning

tomorrow, but I couldn't get any flights back in time. So we asked Billy Connelly to saddle him for us and it looks like he did a great job."

Winning jockey: Garrett Gomez (El Brujo)

"He showed some speed leaving the gate and I didn't want to interfere too much with him, so I just sat up on him. When I angled him out, it was like I was on a fresh horse. He kicked on nicely. He did everything I asked of him."

2nd place trainer: Kelly Ritchie (Brass Bay)

"This is the first time he's ever had to ship to run, deal with a big crowd. I'm proud of him."

2nd place jockey: Sal Gonzalez Jr. (Brass Bay)

"He's got natural speed and we tried to save all we could for the end. I thought we were home free, you know?"

3rd place jockey: Julien Leparoux (Turfiste)

"He got pushed out a little and they kept us wide, but he ran good—he tried, and he ran a good race."