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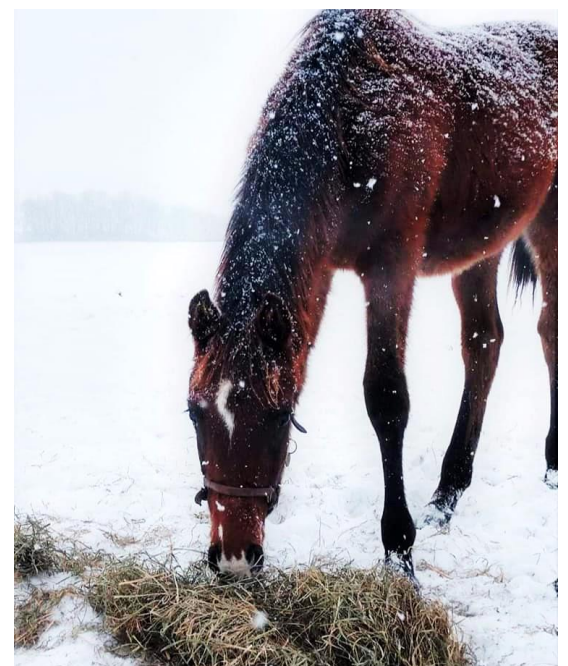
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Highestdistinction Back in Top Form for Willow Lane Stable with Sharp Allowance Victory at Delaware Park

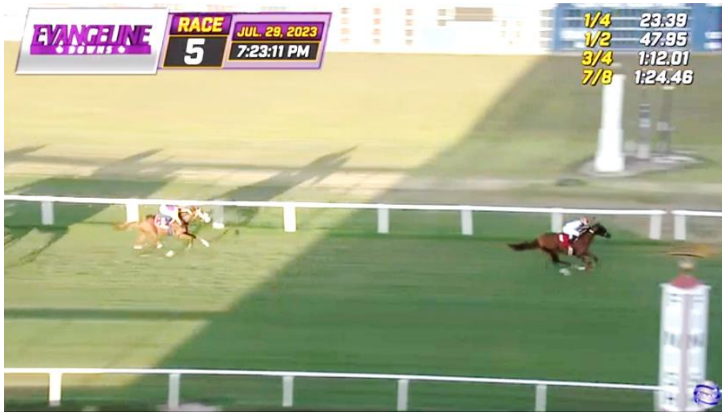


Horses, just like any other type of athlete, can really benefit from time off. It gives them a chance not just to heal up from the physical demands of being a racehorse, but it's also an opportunity to clear their mind and act like a horse again. After a 12-month period that resulted in some good, but not great starts, it seemed like Highestdistinction needed some time away from the track to hit the reset button. And that's exactly what owner Willow Lane Stable (John Kuehl) decided to do with him. The bay son of Point of Entry came back to the farm last August for some rest and relaxation. He spent a little over three months here and went back into training just

after Thanksgiving. It was apparent from the get go that the time away from the track worked wonders, as Highestdistinction was training better than he had in years. He made his six-year-old debut running a fast-closing second at Turfway Park. He followed up that race with three consecutive triple-digit Equibase speed figures, all in allowance company, finishing fourth at Keeneland, second at Monmouth Park, and winning at Delaware Park on July 14th. Trainer Lindsay Schultz has done a wonderful job getting this gelding back into peak form. Highestdistinction was foaled and raised at Endeavor Farm and is the second foal out of the stakes-producer Honor Your Gift (by Sightseeing). Her first foal is stakes-winner and Grade 2-placed Morning Molly (by Morning Line). Honor Your Gift's third foal is stakes-placed Therearenorules (by Declaration of War). Still yet to race are her three-year-old gelding El Gran Sebas (by Air Force Blue), two-year-old gelding Villain (by Lookin At Lucky), and a 2023 colt by Candy Ride. She is currently in foal to Oscar Performance. Congrats to longtime friend and client John Kuehl on this big homebred win!



Highestdistinction on a wintry day at the farm



Bourbon Day Gives Good Reason to Make a Toast

Cypress Bend Farm has found themselves back in the winner’s circle yet again with another homebred! This time it was Bourbon Day (Race Day - Penrose, by Lemon Drop Kid), making his second start in allowance company on July 29th after breaking his maiden in May. This race was not much of a contest, with Bourbon Day drawing away under steady handling to win by five lengths. He makes the fifth winner from five foals to race for his dam, Penrose. Bourbon day was foaled and raised at Endeavor Farm. Great work by trainer Keith Bourgeois and jockey Jose Luis Rodriguez. South Central Stables keeps on rolling!

See Spot Run Adds Another Tally in the Win Column

Congratulations to the connections of See Spot Run (Air Force Blue - Arusha, by Tapit), who is getting quite accustomed to getting his picture taken! The four-year-old has had a very nice campaign this year, with his most recent score coming at Mountaineer on July 31st. He seems to really like Mountaineer, now two for two at the West Virginia track with a combined margin of victory of nearly 12 lengths. That makes four wins in eight starts in 2023 for the sharp, gray gelding. He seems to just keep getting better, with his most recent race earning a career best Equibase speed figure. See Spot Run was bred by his owner, Three Star Stable.

Spotlight: The Working Cat Project



Endeavor Farm has been happy to support a great organization in The Working Cat Project. They are a local non-profit that takes in feral cats from unsafe outdoor living situations and county shelters. Once the cats have been spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and nursed back to health, they move on to their new careers as barn cats! We have adopted many wonderful cats from The Working Cat Project. These are our three newest additions! This is a fantastic organization to support as they are 100% volunteer and donation driven.

