



# Endeavor Monthly

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## Arch of Troy Breaks Maiden at Del Mar, Represents First Victory for the Silks of Endeavor Farm



August 17<sup>th</sup> was a truly thrilling day for us with Arch of Troy, Endeavor Farm's first and only racehorse, breaking her maiden in impressive fashion at Del Mar. The three-year-old bay filly was much the best in the field of nine in the \$62,500 maiden claiming event. Under a fantastic ride by jockey Stewart Elliott, Arch of Troy broke from the gate alertly and jumped up toward the front of the pack early. She settled just off the pace and saved ground by taking the shortest trip around the first turn and backstretch on the inside rail. With traffic in front of her at the top of the stretch, Elliott fanned her out three wide with about two lengths to make up. That's when Arch of Troy put her head down and found another gear, gobbling up ground and blowing by the leader while putting forth an effort that might easily give one goosebumps. She won by a length in a final time of 1:36.11 for the mile race. The ArchArchArch filly won with her ears pricked and looked stellar in the gallop out, as if she wanted to do it all over again right then. What a great job by farm partner and trainer Mark Tsagalakis to have her ready to go in her third career start, first try on the turf. She seemed to like the grass so much we might have to go back and do it again! Terry and his

wife, Caroline, were fortunate enough to have been able to attend the race and have their picture taken in the winner's circle with Mark and his family. Very exciting! Arch of Troy comes from a very deep female family, out of the late foundation mare American Flier. This family is still very much alive today on the track and in the sales ring, and we are thrilled to see it continue to thrive through this filly. In fact, Arch of Troy's niece is featured on the next page as a yearling we are preparing for the September Sale, the Morning Line filly out of Honor Your Gift. She's a looker! This win was huge for the farm on so many levels and we are all doing backflips in excitement. We look forward to seeing what else this filly is capable of so keep an eye out for her next start!

## Keeneland September Yearling Fillies



**Cairo Prince – Sass and Class**  
 Gray/roan filly; foaled: 2/16/16  
 Breeder: Rhineshire Farm



**Morning Line – Honor Your Gift**  
 Bay filly; foaled: 3/3/16  
 Breeder: Willow Lane Stables



**Animal Kingdom – Berry Knoll**  
 Bay filly; foaled: 3/26/16  
 Breeder: Endeavor Farm & Caveman Stables



**Algorithms – Faith in Me**  
 Bay filly; foaled: 4/30/16  
 Breeder: Rhineshire Farm

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## Estrechada Wins Grade 3 Waya at Saratoga

A huge congratulations to trainer Mike Puype and Slugo Racing for their victory in the Grade 3 Waya at Saratoga with Estrechada (Offlee Wild - Escayola (ARG), by Roy). Only twice in his career has Mike Puype made a start at Saratoga, and both times he has come away with graded stakes victories, the other time being six years ago when he won the Grade 1 Test Stakes with Turbulent Descent. Estrechada won the 1 ½ mile turf contest after finishing 6<sup>th</sup> last time out in the River Memorial Stakes at Belmont Park. The six-year-old mare was bred in Argentina by La Esperanza, which is where she began her racing career before making her North American debut in January of 2016 against males in the Grade 2 Marathon Stakes at Santa Anita. The win improves her record to five wins and career earnings of \$227,842. Mike Puype and Slugo racing are clients of the farm with their mare Cotton Ball and we wish them all the best in the future with this mare.

## My Heart Awakens Runs As Good As He Looks, Easily Wins Debut

We were thrilled to watch the debut of Coal Creek Farm's My Heart Awakens (Alternation – My Untamed Heart, by Value

Plus) who made short work of his maiden special weight company at Emerald Downs on August 13<sup>th</sup>. The strapping two-year-old bay gelding settled off the leaders on the rail where he remained until rallying down the stretch to catch the leader with a furlong to go and drew clear in the 5 ½ furlong race. He won by two lengths in a final time of 1:04.25. My Heart Awakens was foaled and raised here at Endeavor Farm, and he is as flashy and good-looking a horse as you'll ever run in to, one that definitely catches your eye when you see him. It has been a great month for Barbara Ratcliff's Coal Creek Farm, with My Heart Awakens' older half-sister My Heart Goes On (by Albertus Maximus) placing in both the King County Overnight Stakes and the Washington Cup Filly and Mare Stakes, as well as placings with Dedicated To You (by Purim) in Emerald Downs' most prestigious race, the Grade 3 Longacres Mile, as well as the Muckleshoot Tribal Classic Stakes. A job well done with all of these horses, all of whom are homebreds for Coal Creek Farm. We look forward to seeing My Heart Awakens make his next start in an allowance race on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.







## Isotope Picks Up Second Win at Saratoga

Cheers for Jim and Mary Durlacher's homebred Isotope (Successful Appeal - Anabranch, by Congaree) who picked up the 2<sup>nd</sup> win of her career at The Spa on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Jockey Florent Geroux gave the bay filly a great ride, saving ground most of the race on the inside then fanning out three wide in the stretch to inch away and win by a length. The victory brings her career earnings to \$36,925, with both of her victories coming under the care of trainer Tom Amoss, who has done a wonderful job with this three-year-old filly. Sadly, she was claimed in this race by Steve Asmussen, but we know that the Durlachers had a great ride with Isotope during their campaign with her. However, not to fear! Isotope has a full-brother named Roiland who is a yearling and is currently being broke in Ocala.