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### TOP SPRINTER DELAUNAY NAMED Horse Of The Meeting

NEW ORLEANS (Thursday, April 25, 2013) - Maggi Moss's Delaunay, who swept all three of the major stakes for older sprinters, was named Horse of the Meeting for the 141st Thoroughbred Racing Season at Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots. Delaunay's perfect record for the meet included wins in the \$100,000 Thanksgiving Handicap, the \$75,000 F.W. Gaudin Memorial Stakes and the \$150,000 Duncan F. Kenner Stakes. His final time of 1:08.32 in the Kenner was the fastest six furlongs run at Fair Grounds since 2002.

Horse of the Meet and divisional honors were determined by a vote of media and racing officials.

Trained by Tom Amoss, the 6-year-old gelding Delaunay has been working steadily in Louisville, Ky., for his probable next start in the \$400,000 Churchill Downs (GII) at seven furlongs on Kentucky Derby Day, May 4. Delaunay is the first sprinter to win Horse of the Meeting at Fair Grounds since the filly Hallowed Dreams earned that honor at the 2000-2001 stand.

#### 141st Thoroughbred Racing Season Honors

Horse of the Meet: Maggi Moss's Delaunay

**Older Horse of the Meet:** Brereton C. Jones's Mark Valeski **Older Female of the Meet:** Brereton C. Jones's Believe You Can (unanimous)

Turf Horse of the Meet: Calumet Farms' Optimizer

**Turf Female of the Meet:** James M. Miller's Daisy Devine (unanimous)

Sprinter of the Meet: Maggi Moss's Delaunay (unanimous)

Three-Year-Old Male of the Meet: WinStar Farm's Revolutionary (unanimous)

**Three-Year-Old Filly of the Meet:** Repole Stable's Unlimited Budget (unanimous)

**Older Louisiana-bred of the Meet:** Charles Craig Smith's String King **Three-Year-Old Louisiana-bred of the Meet:** Brittlyn Stable's Sunbean **Claimer of the Meet:** Jeff W. Allen, Michael J. Thomas and Donald J. Habeeb's Merv

#### About Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots

Fair Grounds Race Course & Slots, the nation's third-oldest racetrack, has been in operation since 1872. Located in New Orleans, Fair Grounds is owned by Churchill Downs Incorporated (NASDAQ Global Select Market: CHDN); it also operates a slot-machine gaming facility and 11 off-track betting parlors throughout southeast Louisiana. The sixth Summer Quarter Horse Meet runs Aug. 16 to Sept. 7. The 142nd Thoroughbred Racing Season - highlighted by the 101st running of the \$1 million Louisiana Derby and the accompanying Infield Festival -- will run from November 2013 through March 2014. More information can be found online at www.FairGroundsRaceCourse.com.

## THE JOCKEY CLUB, TOBA UNVEIL New Website Promoting Medication Reform

The Jockey Club and the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association (TOBA) today announced the launch of horseracingreform.org, an advocacy and information website designed to promote improved regulatory standards for horse racing. The site replaces cleanhorseracing.org.

"Over the course of the last year we have seen tangible progress in the area of medication reform — as evidenced by the Mid-Atlantic states' adoption of a uniform medication policy, the Association of Racing Commissioners International's approval of a controlled therapeutic medication schedule, and increased movement toward RMTC accreditation of drug-testing labs," said James L. Gagliano, president and chief operating officer of The Jockey Club. "As the horse racing industry moves toward improved and uniform regulations, horseracingreform. org will provide important benchmark information, such as state-by-state summaries of medication rules and safety requirements."

Cleanhorseracing.org, launched in May 2012, featured news, videos, scientific studies and commentary in support of medication-free racing. Horseracingreform.org expands on those features and includes additional information pertaining to:

- The Jockey Club's Thoroughbred Safety Committee
- The regulatory rulings database (thoroughbredrulings.com)
- State-by-state summaries of medication rules and safety requirements
- Details on TOBA's medication- and safety-related programs
- Ongoing work of the Welfare and Safety of the Racehorse Summit committees

The state-by-state graphic summary of medication rules and penalties in all racing states provides users with an efficient means to review regulations. Also included is a timeline charting industrywide medication- and safety-reform initiatives that have been launched since 2006. "The industry has made great strides in reform over the past several years," said Dan Metzger, president of TOBA. "TOBA is proud to continue its collaboration with The Jockey Club, and we are continuously striving to improve the economics, integrity and pleasure of the sport on behalf of owners and breeders with initiatives like the Horse Racing Reform website."

"We have added a great deal of new content and the new name covers a broader scope of activities and more accurately conveys what we are trying to accomplish," said Gagliano. "We believe that the objective,

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factual information on this website will enable visitors to learn more about reform issues and take action to encourage change."

The Jockey Club, founded in 1894 and dedicated to the improvement of Thoroughbred breeding and racing, is the breed registry for North American Thoroughbreds. In fulfillment of its mission, The Jockey Club, directly or through subsidiaries, provides support and leadership on a wide range of important industry initiatives, and it serves the information and technology needs of owners, breeders, media, fans and farms. It is a founding member of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association and the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities and the architect and sole funding source for America's Best Racing, the broad-based fan development initiative for Thoroughbred racing.

TOBA, based in Lexington, Ky., was formed in 1961 and is a national trade organization of leading Thoroughbred horse breeders and owners. TOBA's mission is to improve the economics, integrity and pleasure of the sport on behalf of Thoroughbred owners and breeders. Projects managed by TOBA include the American Graded Stakes Committee, The Racing Game, Sales Integrity Program, and Claiming Crown. Thoroughbred Charities of America is the charitable arm of TOBA. TOBA is the owner of The Blood-Horse Inc. and is represented on the board of directors of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association as a founding member.

## Country Star Martina McBride Will Sing National Anthem at Kentucky Derby 139

by John Asher | Churchill Downs Communications | 04/26/2013

Award-winning country music star Martina McBride, a four-time the Country Music Association ("CMA") "Female Vocalist of the Year" who has sold more than 18 million albums worldwide, will add a new experience to her career resume on Saturday, May 4 when she performs the National Anthem prior to the 139th running of the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (Grade I) at historic Churchill Downs Racetrack ("CDRT") on Saturday, May 4.

McBride will sing "The Star-Spangled Banner" before the Derby's enormous on-track crowd and a national television audience watching the event on NBC Sports shortly after 5 p.m. (all times Eastern). The Kentucky Derby broadcast on NBC will begin at 4 p.m. and post time for the 2013 Kentucky Derby is scheduled for 6:24 p.m.

She will perform the national anthem in the Kentucky Derby Winner's Circle on the presentation stand, which is also known as the Cupola.

McBride joins an impressive roster of entertainers that have performed the National Anthem on racing's biggest day since 2009, when Churchill Downs launched the new Kentucky Derby Day tradition. Singer-songwriter-actress Mary J. Blige performed the anthem last year, following Jordan Sparks (2011), Rascal Flatts (2010) and LeAnn Rimes (2009).

McBride's impressive roster of recordings includes 11 studio albums and 41 singles. Five of McBride's singles have reached #1 on the Billboard country music chart and 17 others charted in the top five. Mc-Bride is tied with Reba McEntire for the most CMA "Female Vocalist of the Year" honors.

Her rendition of the National Anthem will be the second on the day at the historic track. The 113th Army Band from Fort Knox will play "The Star-Spangled Banner" earlier in the afternoon. Formed on July 8, 1840, the 113th Army Band is the second-oldest active duty Army Band after the United States Military Academy Band.

Churchill Downs, the world's most legendary racetrack, has conducted Thoroughbred racing and presented America's greatest race, the Kentucky Derby, continuously since 1875. Located in Louisville, the flagship racetrack of Churchill Downs Incorporated (NASDAQ: CHDN) also operates Trackside at Churchill Downs, which offers year-round simulcast wagering at the historic track. Churchill Downs 2013 Spring Meet is scheduled for April 27-June 30. The track has hosted the Breeders' Cup World Championships a record eight times. Information about Churchill Downs can be found on the Internet at www. ChurchillDowns.com.

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