Indiana Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders Association





Son of a Nut wins first stakes race at Indiana Grand Racing & Casino

SHELBYVILLE, Ind.; – June 10, 2015 – Son of a Nut just keeps on bringing in the wins. The three-year-old son of Unbridled Express kept his spotless record intact Wednesday, June 10, winning his third consecutive race and his first stakes in the \$85,000 Sagamore Sired Stakes at Indiana Grand Racing & Casino. The lanky grey gelding more than doubled his career bankroll and now possesses more than \$91,000 for owner Sherri Greenhill.

Tasked with an outside post in the 12 horse field, Indiana Grand's Leading Jockey Albin Jimenez wasted no time getting Son of a Nut in the early action, rolling right for the lead from the start. Son of a Nut, known for his laid back attitude in the barn, had his ears pinned and was all business as he joined Two If By Sea and Malcolm Franklin on the inside and Aye Skipper with Francisco Torres aboard on the outside as the field headed down the backstretch.

Heading into the turn, a small tap from Jimenez gave Son of a Nut the signal to advance, getting a slight edge on the competition before the stretch drive home. At the top of the stretch, he excelled into the lead and although several horses came at him for one final attempt at the lead, Son of a Nut was in full gear, striding out to a seven length advantage at the wire for his third win in as many starts. Lucky Newton and Alex Contreras first tried him on the outside and dipped down along the inside in pursuit of Son of a Nut to finish second followed closely by Aye Skipper, who maintained ground on the outside to finish third. "He (Son of a Nut) definitely had more energy today than he did in his last race," said Jimenez. "There's still more left in the tank. He's an amazing horse."

A surprising second choice by fans, Son of a Nut paid \$9.20, \$5.80 and \$3.80 across the board. Jeff Greenhill trains the sophomore standout, who completed the six furlong event in a time of 1:10.06 seconds, a new stakes record in the second running of the Sagamore Stakes.

The next stop for Son of a Nut is still undecided by the Greenhills. "He (Son of a Nut) is as cool as the other side of the pillow," said Greenhill.

"Right now, I couldn't tell you. I'll have to assess the situation, look at the spots and decide later."

Greenhill has a lot of experience with the family of Son of a Nut. He also trained older siblings Peanut Man, who is now enjoying a second career as a show jumper and In a Jif, who won the \$60,000 Holiday Inaugural Stakes at Turfway Park in December 2014.

The 13th season of live Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse continues through Saturday, Oct. 31, 2015. Racing is conducted Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 2:05 p.m. with first post Saturdays set at 6:05 p.m.

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