

IARA'S INAUGURAL RACES IN BLACKFOOT A SUCCESS

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BLACKFOOT, IDAHO—The Idaho Appaloosa Racing Association (IARA) hosted two new races, a derby and futurity, in Blackfoot, Idaho during the 2007 Labor Day weekend. The two races proved to be a success, with nine starters and more than \$6,000 in purse money.

Tisa Arrow C, a 3-year-old Appaloosa, went down in history as the first winner of the IARA Derby. She completed the 350-yard dirt track with Wes Smith aboard in 18.149 seconds, and won \$1,860 of the \$3,100 purse, bringing her lifetime earnings to \$5,358. The Idaho-bred filly is by Geneo Jj and out of Regular Dandy. Tisa Arrow C is owned by Andy and Mary Atkinson; and trained by Robert Smith.

Geena Fox, an Idaho-bred Appaloosa, followed closely in second place. The 3-year-old filly drew off under Judd Rasmussen, and finished the race in 18.241 seconds. She won \$775, bringing her lifetime earnings to \$2,178. Geena Fox is by Geneo Jj and out of J&B Little Fox. She is owned by Judy and Kent Taylor; and trained by Glen Jamison.

Following in third, was Mkv Gus. The Appaloosa gelding, ridden by Dallas Erickson, completed the track in 18.522 seconds and won \$465, bringing his lifetime earnings to \$741. The Idaho-bred gelding is by Geneo Jj and out of Mylady Ridge. He is owned by Kurt and Martha Vanderwoude; and trained by Martha Vanderwoude.

Also-ran was Paint Horse, Dark C Kelly, ridden by Todd Thomas. The 3-year-old filly is owned by Maurice G. Wilcox; and trained by Reggie Anger.

The derby was immediately followed by the IARA Futurity.

Badons Corona Extra, a 2-year-old Appaloosa, received the honor of winning the first IARA Futurity. The Idaho-bred gelding completed the 330-yard fast dirt track with Judd Rasmussen aboard in 17.233 seconds, and won \$1,980 of the \$3,300 total purse, bringing his lifetime earnings to \$5,775. Badons Corona Extra is by Dale Badon and out of Lds Somkinda Sunset. He is owned by Holly Morrison; and trained by Bobby Price.

Royal Quick Honors, a 2-year-old Appaloosa stallion, drew off under Wes Smith to claim the second place title. The Idaho-bred stallion crossed the finish line in 17.252 seconds, and won \$825, bringing his lifetime earnings to \$4,898. Royal Quick Honors is by The Royal Jester and out of Effies Honor (AQHA). He is owned by Thomas Mansanarez; and trained by Glen Jamison.

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Appaloosa stallion, Cleopatras Pharoah, followed in third with Shad Holdaway aboard. The two crossed the finish line in 17.550 seconds to win \$495, bringing the stallion's lifetime earnings to \$1,203. The Idaho-bred stallion is by Flying T Kingofkings and out of Antonios Cleopatra. He is owned by Ralph Hartline; and trained by Don Atwood.

Other horses completing the field included Jtc Lucky Thirteen (ApHC) and Sexy in Silver (ApHC).

Appaloosa Racing

Appaloosas have long been an integral part of one of America's most popular spectator sports—horse racing. The Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) officially recognized the sport in 1962, beginning Appaloosa racing history with four races and 23 starters competing for \$12,000 in total purses. In 2006, 203 starters competed in 440 races for \$2,904,774 in total purses.

Racing fans can find Appaloosas crossing the finish line in Arizona, California, Colorado, Kansas, Michigan, Montana, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas, Washington and Wyoming.

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