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NEWS RELEASE

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JOCKEY QUOTES FROM THE 140TH RUNNING OF THE GRADE I KENTUCKY DERBY PRESENTED BY YUM BRANDS

Victor Espinoza, jockey of California Chrome, first -- "Awesome. I never dreamed I'd win a second Kentucky Derby, but here it is. This was a typical race for him. He ran like he always does. Art (Sherman) just said: 'You know him, ride him.' I had the trip I wanted. I don't mess with him too much. I just stretch his legs and little bit and then let him do his thing. Pressure will be back on for the Preakness, but that's OK."

Shaun Bridgmohan, jockey of Commanding Curve, second -- "All I had to do was just ride him hard and he gave me everything. I was starting to get him geared up when he turned for home and I had half the field beat at that point. I just was looking somewhere for him to go. Once I got him down the lane, man, he lengthened his stride and really dug in for me."

Joe Bravo, jockey of Danza, third -- Really nice the first turn, I had everything good, but turning for home I had to wheel out and go around horses, but he kept kicking, Todd (Pletcher) knows how to get them to the big game."

Rajiv Maragh, jockey of Wicked Strong, fourth -- "He ran well. The trip played out pretty good. Going into the last turn, I felt like I was in a position where if he picked it up from there like he did in the Wood Memorial he would be able to get a big piece of it. He came on at the end. He broke really sharp and was well behaved. He was just fourth best."

Jose Ortiz, jockey of Samraat, fifth -- "He ran very well. He got a perfect trip and broke very well. As soon as I could get clear, I did. After that, I just chased the five horse (California Chrome). I had to move a little because I had to chase him but he's a nice horse. As soon as he was asked, he took off."

Corey Nakatani, jockey of Dance With Fate, sixth -- "He might have come up a little empty after he put in such a big effort in the Blue Grass [Stakes]. The dirt didn't bother him too bad. I got him out about the 3 1/2 and he started making a nice, solid move from that point. Then when I swung him out he got a little bit flat. If he could have continued that run he would have been right there, guaranteed."

Calvin Borel, jockey of Ride On Curlin, seventh -- "It was a little bit of a rough trip. They backed up into me around the turn and we had nowhere to go. He ran a good race, though."

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2014 Spring Meet

Racing Dates: Saturday, April 26 – Sunday, June 29 for a total of 38 dates. No racing Monday-Wednesday and Sunday, May 4 and Thursday, May 29 except for special racing dates on Tuesday, April 29; Wednesday, April 30; and Monday, May 26.

Derby Week Post Times

Saturday, April 26: 6 p.m. ET

Tuesday, April 29-Thursday, May 1: 12:45 p.m. ET

Friday, May 2 (Kentucky Oaks Day) & Saturday,

May 3 (Kentucky Derby Day): 10:30 a.m. ET

Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands

The 140th running of the \$2 million Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands will be held at historic Churchill Downs on Saturday, May 3, 2014. The 1 ¼-mile race for 3-year-old Thoroughbreds is the first leg of horse racing's Triple Crown. Post time is scheduled for 6:32 p.m. EDT. It will be carded as Race 11 on a 13-race program that begins at 10:30 a.m. EDT. The final race of the day is scheduled for 7:50 p.m. EDT. "Kentucky Derby 140" will be televised nationally by NBC from 4-7 p.m. EDT. "Kentucky Derby Saturday" will air on NBC Sports Network from 12-4 p.m. EDT.

Longines Kentucky Oaks

The 140th running of the \$1 million Longines Kentucky Oaks – the Derby's sister race – will be held at Churchill Downs on Friday, May 2, 2014. The 1 1/8-mile race is the nation's most lucrative race for 3-year-old fillies. Post time is scheduled for 5:51 p.m. EDT. It will be carded as Race 11 on a 12-race program that begins at 10:30 a.m. EDT. The final race of the day is scheduled for 6:21 p.m. EDT. "Kentucky Oaks 140" will be televised nationally on NBC Sports Network from 4-6 p.m. EDT.

Derby Week Stakes Schedule

April 26	\$150,000 Derby Trial (GIII)
May 2	\$1,000,000 Longines Kentucky Oaks (GI)
May 2	\$300,000 La Troienne (GI)
May 2	\$300,000 Alysheba Presented by Besilu Stables (GII)
May 2	\$175,000 Eight Belles (GIII)
May 2	\$150,000 Twin Spires Turf Sprint (GIII)
May 2	\$150,000 Edgewood Presented by Forcht Bank
May 3	\$2,000,000 Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (GI)
May 3	\$500,000 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic (GI)
May 3	\$300,000 Humana Distaff (GI)
May 3	\$400,000 Churchill Downs (GII)
May 3	\$300,000 Churchill Distaff Turf Mile Presented by Longines (GII)
May 3	\$250,000 American Turf Presented by Ram Trucks (GII)

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Robby Albarado, jockey of Medal Count, eighth – “No trouble under the wire the first time. I was basically where I needed to be going to the backside. We made a little run turning for home but obviously not what I needed.”

Martin Garcia, jockey of Chitu, ninth – “He ran his race. He ran fine.”

Javier Castellano, jockey of We Miss Artie, 10th – “My horse broke well out of the gate and I tried to take him back since we thought there was a lot of speed in the race. I saved all the ground when I took him all the way inside to the rail, and I had a beautiful trip, I didn’t have any trouble at all. Unfortunately, I just don’t think the horse is the real deal on the dirt. I think he will fare better on the turf.”

Joel Rosario, jockey of General a Rod, 11th – “Good trip. The pace was pretty good, we were pretty steady the whole way. I thought he put together a pretty good run later, but just too late.”

John Velazquez, jockey of Intense Holiday, 12th – “I had a perfect trip. When it came time to go, though, I didn’t have anything to fire with.”

Gary Stevens, jockey of Candy Boy, 13th – “I had a horrible trip. On the first turn Rajiv Maragh came over on Wicked Strong and shut me off. Then he shut [Corey] Nakatani off, causing me to steady again. We’re both lucky we didn’t fall. We need to take care of the horse and rider.”

Irad Ortiz Jr., jockey of Uncle Sigh, 14th – “He got to the lead and was going good, but he got tired.”

Ricardo Santata Jr., jockey of Tapiture, 15th – “He was in a clear spot all through the race. He moved nice but he was a little tired at the end.”

Corey Lanerie, jockey of Harry’s Holiday, 16th – On riding in his first Derby: “It was awesome. What a great feeling. You know, I thought I would actually be more nervous. But to me, I guess I prepared myself to ride like it was just another race. I was actually a lot more aware of my surroundings than I was nervous. I had a great trip. He kind of got a little tired on me going into the final turn. I rode on him a little bit to see if I could get a little piece. The last eighth of a mile, I just took care of him.”

Joe Rocco Jr., jockey of Vinceremos, 17th – “We had a little trouble at the start. There was some banging around a bit. I felt like I saved some ground around the first turn and coming toward the stretch, I got excited because I thought I had a little bit of horse. But when we got to the top of the stretch, I didn’t have any horse left.”

Luis Saez, jockey of Wildcat Red, 18th – “He broke good and was in good position. He just didn’t like getting hit with dirt.”

Rosie Napravnik, jockey of Vicar’s in Trouble, 19th – “We actually got into a really good position. You can’t expect not to be close to each other. We got into a great position. I was tracking behind California Chrome, and we didn’t really have enough horse.”

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 will conduct the 140th running of the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands on May 3, 2014. The 2014 Spring Meet at Churchill Downs is scheduled for April 26-June 29. 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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