



Leaderboard

Updated: Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017

HOW TO GET INTO THE KENTUCKY OAKS STARTING GATE – The Road to the Kentucky Oaks is a 30-race series that awards points to the Top 4 finishers in each race. The Top 14 point earners nominated to the Longines Kentucky Oaks will earn a spot in the starting gate for the 143rd running of the \$1 million Longines Kentucky Oaks (Grade I) on Friday, May 5, 2017. The 1 1/8-mile Oaks is the nation's premier race for 3-year-old fillies.

| Rank | Horse | Points | Owner(s) | Trainer | Non-Restricted Stakes Earnings |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------|--|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. | Champagne Room | 23 | Ciaglia, Exline-Border, Gulliver Racing, R. Christensen, D. Legan & Sharon. Alesia | Peter Eurton | \$1,298,000 |
| 2. | Daddys Lil Darling | 20 | Normandy Farm (Nancy K. Polk) | Kenny McPeek | \$336,240 |
| 3. | Unique Bella | 20 | Don Alberto Stable | Jerry Hollendorfer | \$240,000 |
| 4. | Farrell | 20 | Coffeepot Stables (Bob Cummings & Annette Bacola) | Wayne Catalano | \$213,407 |
| 5. | Shane's Girlfriend | 12 | ERJ Racing LLC, W. C. Racing & Dennis O'Neill | Doug O'Neill | \$264,000 |
| 6. | Chanel's Legacy | 11 | Poindexter Thoroughbreds LLC | Lynn Chleborad | \$206,000 |
| 7. | Miss Sky Warrior | 10 | Arlene's Sun Star Stable | Kelly Breen | \$300,000 |
| 8. | Dancing Rags | 10 | Chadds Ford Stable | Graham Motion | \$260,000 |
| 9. | Yellow Agate | 10 | China Horse Club (Ah Khing Teo) | Christopher Clement | \$240,000 |
| 10. | Noted and Quoted | 10 | Speedway Stable LLC (Peter Fluor & K.C. Weiner) | Bob Baffert | \$218,000 |
| 11. | Abel Tasman | 10 | Clearsky Farms (Bernard & Eamonn Cleary) | Simon Callaghan | \$180,000 |
| 12. | Tequilita | 10 | Dorothy Alexander Matz | Michael Matz | \$179,040 |
| 13. | Lockdown | 10 | Juddmonte Farms Inc. (Prince Khalid Abdullah) | Bill Mott | \$60,000 |
| 14. | Libby's Tail | 9 | M. Dubb, E. Taylor, D. Simon, E. Loftus & Bethlehem Stables LLC | Rudy Rodriguez | \$125,000 |
| 15. | Valadorna | 8 | Stonestreet Stables LLC (Barbara Banke) | Mark Casse | \$340,000 |
| 16. | American Gal | 8 | Kaleem Shah Inc. | Doug O'Neill | \$240,000 |
| 17. | Mopotism | 6 | Reddam Racing LLC (J. Paul Reddam) | Doug O'Neill | \$76,000 |
| 18. | Ever So Clever | 6 | Clearview Stable (Bernard Cleary) | Steve Asmussen | \$66,750 |
| 19. | Pretty City Dancer | 4 | John C. Oxley | Mark Casse | \$237,300 |
| 20. | With Honors | 4 | LNJ Foxwoods (Larry, Nanci & Jaime Roth) | Keith Desormeaux | \$132,000 |
| 21. | Jamyson 'n Ginger | 4 | Magic Cap Stables | Rudy Rodriguez | \$120,000 |
| 22. | Cajun Delta Dawn | 4 | Curtis G. Mikkelsen | David Fawkes | \$117,105 |
| 23. | It Tiz Well | 4 | Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC | Jerry Hollendorfer | \$40,000 |
| 24. | Wicked Lick | 4 | Lee Mauberret | Brendan Walsh | \$30,428 |
| 25. | My Sweet Stella | 4 | Zayat Stables LLC (Ahmed Zayat) | D. Wayne Lukas | \$27,000 |
| 26. | Gris Gris | 3 | Naveed Chowhan | Bernie Flint | \$35,300 |
| 27. | Fun | 2 | Dennis Farkas | Ian Wilkes | \$89,500 |
| 28. | Bling On the Music | 2 | Keene Thoroughbreds LLC (Danny Keene) | J.R. Caldwell | \$84,200 |
| 29. | Flatter Up | 2 | Wayne Sanders & Larry Hirsch | Bret Calhoun | \$69,800 |
| 30. | Colorful Charades | 2 | Michael J. Ryan | Rudy Rodriguez | \$40,000 |
| 31. | Zapperkat | 2 | J K Racing LLC & Bruce Chandler | Richard Baltas | \$36,000 |
| 32. | Torrent | 2 | Westrock Stables LLC (Scott & Joe Ford) | Ron Moquett | \$32,500 |
| 33. | Bonita Bianca | 2 | Michael Dubb, Bethlehem Stables LLC & Michael Imperio | Rudy Rodriguez | \$30,000 |
| 34. | Brahms Cat | 2 | Bluestone Thoroughbreds LLC | Larry Bates | \$26,475 |
| 35. | No Sweat | 2 | Starlight Racing (Jack & Laurie Wolf & Donald & Barbara Lucarelli et al) | Todd Pletcher | \$10,000 |
| 36. | Miss Southern Miss | 1 | Peter L. Cantrell | Keith Desormeaux | \$143,000 |
| 37. | Nonna Mela | 1 | St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola) | Todd Pletcher | \$140,000 |
| 38. | Caroline Test | 1 | Edward A. Seltzer & Beverly S. Anderson | Ben Colebrook | \$106,900 |
| 39. | Lovely Bernadette | 1 | James M. Miller | James DiVito | \$61,851 |
| 40. | Tapped | 1 | LNJ Foxwoods (Larry, Nanci & Jaime Roth) | Jerry Hollendorfer | \$33,000 |
| 41. | Dream Dancing | 1 | John C. Oxley | Mark Casse | \$23,600 |
| 42. | Summer Luck | 1 | Gary Barber | Mark Casse | \$19,500 |
| 43. | Princess Karen | 1 | Jeff Bonde, Edward J. Brown, Jr. & Karen Norton | Jeff Bonde | \$12,000 |
| 44. | Summertime Sky | 1 | John C. Oxley | Mark Casse | \$6,000 |
| 45. | Frank's Folly | 1 | George E. Hall | Kelly Breen | \$5,000 |

Bold = Update from previously published Leaderboard ... Strikethrough = Sidelined, inactive, appears to be no longer under serious Kentucky Oaks consideration.

TIEBREAKERS – If two or more horses have the same number of points, the tiebreaker is earnings in non-restricted stakes races. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lifetime earnings. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lot (aka a "shake").

DEAD-HEATS – In the event of a dead-heat (tie) in a "Road to the Kentucky Oaks" race, those horses will divide equally the points they would have received jointly had one beaten the other.

ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY POINTS VS. MALES – If a filly wants to run in the Kentucky Derby she can, but she'll have to earn her way into the field by accumulating points against open company just like the rest of the colts and geldings. Additionally, any points earned by a filly in the "Road to the Kentucky Derby" series against open company will be credited to her point total in the "Road to the Kentucky Oaks" series.

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SPLIT DIVISIONS – In the event a “Road to the Kentucky Oaks” race is split into divisions and each division awards its originally published purse money, points will be awarded as scheduled for each division. If the originally published purse is halved for each division, points will be halved as well.

NOMINATIONS – Fillies born in 2014 can be made eligible to run in the 2017 Longines Kentucky Oaks with a \$200 early payment due by Feb. 18, 2017. A late period for nominations at \$1,500 each will close Wednesday, April 12, 2017. A supplemental nomination of \$30,000 may be made at the time of entry. In addition to the Oaks nomination fee, owners must pay \$5,000 to enter the Oaks by 10 a.m. ET on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, and an additional \$5,000 to start.

POST POSITION DRAW – The Longines Kentucky Oaks post position draw – a traditional “pill pull” in which horses’ entry blanks are pulled simultaneously with a numbered pill to determine what stall a horse will break from the starting gate – will be held in The Parlay Media Briefing Room on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at 11 a.m. ET. Up to 18 horses may enter the race and four horses can be listed as “also eligible” and would be ranked in order accordingly; they could draw into the field should any horse(s) be scratched before scratch time on Friday, May 5, 2017 at 9 a.m. ET.

PRIZE MONEY – The Kentucky Oaks winner will receive a silver trophy plus an estimated \$564,200 payday. A total of \$182,000 will be awarded to the runner-up, \$91,000 to third, \$45,500 to fourth; \$27,300 to fifth; and \$10,000 each to sixth through last.

BACKGROUND – Churchill Downs abandoned the graded stakes earnings criteria for the 2013 Longines Kentucky Oaks (used from 1986-2012) and proactively adopted a tiered point system to determine which horses would have preference for the 1 1/8-mile race. Today, a sliding scale of points is awarded to the Top 4 finishers in select races, and at the series’ end, the Top 14 point earners nominated to the Longines Kentucky Oaks get first crack to start in the Kentucky Derby’s sister race.

2016-17 ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY OAKS

30 Races

Kentucky Oaks Prep Season (15 races)

| Date | Race | Racetrack | Distance | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th |
|----------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Sept. 17 | Pocahontas | Churchill Downs | 1 1/16 Miles | Daddys Lil Darling (10) | Ever So Clever (4) | Bling On the Music (2) | Dream Dancing (1) |
| Oct. 1 | Chandelier | Santa Anita | 1 1/16 Miles | Noted and Quoted (10) | With Honors (4) | Zapperkat (2) | Champagne Room (1) |
| Oct. 7 | Alcibiades | Keeneland | 1 1/16 Miles | Dancing Rags (10) | Daddys Lil Darling (4) | Fun (2) | Caroline Test (1) |
| Oct. 8 | Frizette | Belmont Park | 1 Mile | Yellow Agate (10) | Libby's Tail (4) | Colorful Charades (2) | Nonna Mela (1) |
| Nov. 5 | BC Juvenile Fillies | Santa Anita | 1 1/16 Miles | Champagne Room (20) | Valadorna (8) | American Gal (4) | Daddys Lil Darling (2) |
| Nov. 19 | Delta Downs Princess | Delta Downs | 1 Mile | Shane's Girlfriend (10) | Cajun Delta Dawn (4) | Flatter Up (2) | Chanel's Legacy (1) |
| Nov. 26 | Demoiselle | Aqueduct | 1 1/8 Miles | Miss Sky Warrior (10) | Jamyson 'n Ginger (4) | Bonita Bianca (2) | Libby's Tail (1) |
| Nov. 26 | Golden Rod | Churchill Downs | 1 1/16 Miles | Farrell (10) | Daddys Lil Darling (4) | Ever So Clever (2) | Gris Gris (1) |
| Dec. 10 | Starlet | Los Alamitos | 1 1/16 Miles | Abel Tasman (10) | American Gal (4) | Mopotism (2) | Tapped (1) |
| Jan. 8 | Santa Ynez | Santa Anita | 7 Furlongs | Unique Bella (10) | It Tiz Well (4) | Shane's Girlfriend (2) | Princess Karen (1) |
| Jan. 15 | Busanda | Aqueduct | 1 Mile 70 Yards | Lockdown (10) | Libby's Tail (4) | No Sweat (2) | Frank's Folly (1) |
| Jan. 21 | Silverbulletday | Fair Grounds | 1 Mile 70 Yards | Farrell (10) | Wicked Lick (4) | Gris Gris (2) | Summertime Sky (1) |
| Feb. 4 | Forward Gal | Gulfstream Park | 7 Furlongs | Tequilita (10) | Pretty City Dancer (4) | Brahms Cat (2) | Summer Luck (1) |
| Feb. 5 | Las Virgenes | Santa Anita | 1 Mile | Unique Bella (10) | Mopotism (4) | Champagne Room (2) | Miss Southern Miss (1) |
| Feb. 11 | Martha Washington | Oaklawn Park | 1 Mile | Chane's Legacy (10) | My Sweet Stella (4) | Torment (2) | Lovely Bernadette (1) |

Kentucky Oaks Championship Series (15 races)

| Date | Race | Racetrack | Distance | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th |
|----------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Feb. 23 | UAE Oaks | Meydan Racecourse | 1 3/16 Miles | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| Feb. 25 | Rachel Alexandra | Fair Grounds | 1 1/16 Miles | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| Feb. 25 | Busher | Aqueduct | 1 1/16 Miles | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| March 4 | Davona Dale | Gulfstream Park | 1 Mile | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| March 4 | Santa Ysabel | Santa Anita | 1 1/16 Miles | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| March 11 | Honeybee | Oaklawn Park | 1 1/16 Miles | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| March 25 | Bourbonette Oaks | Turfway Park | 1 Mile (S) | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| March 26 | Sunland Park Oaks | Sunland Park | 1 1/16 Miles | (50) | (20) | (10) | (5) |
| April 1 | Fair Grounds Oaks | Fair Grounds | 1 1/16 Miles | (100) | (40) | (20) | (10) |
| April 1 | Gulfstream Park Oaks | Gulfstream Park | 1 1/16 Miles | (100) | (40) | (20) | (10) |
| April 8 | Ashland | Keeneland | 1 1/16 Miles | (100) | (40) | (20) | (10) |
| *April 8 | Gazelle | Aqueduct | 1 1/8 Miles | (100) | (40) | (20) | (10) |
| April 8 | Santa Anita Oaks | Santa Anita | 1 1/16 Miles | (100) | (40) | (20) | (10) |
| April 9 | Beaumont | Keeneland | 7 Furlongs | (10) | (4) | (2) | (1) |
| April 14 | Fantasy | Oaklawn Park | 1 1/16 Miles | (100) | (40) | (20) | (10) |

* Race dates and distances to be announced by host track; date based on previous year's placement. Schedule subject to change.

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