# Media Alert



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## KENTUCKY OAKS, DERBY POST POSITION DRAWS TO BE HELD MONDAY 2-3 P.M.

## Both Draws to be Held in Aristides Lounge, Streamed Live on KentuckyDerby.com

What: The Post Position Draw for the 149th running of the \$3 million Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (Grade I) and \$1.25 million Longines Kentucky Oaks (GI) will be held Monday, May 1 at 2 p.m. ET in the Aristides Lounge on the second floor of Churchill Downs' Clubhouse.

Both post position draws are 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.

Preference to America's greatest race is given to the top point-earners on the "Road to the Kentucky Derby." Up to 24 three-year-olds may enter the 1 ¼-mile 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, 2023 at 9 a.m. ET.

Preference to the nation's premier race for 3-year-old fillies is given to the top point-earners on the "Road to the Kentucky Oaks." Up to 18 horses may enter the 1 1/8-mile 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, 2023 at 9 a.m. ET.

Where/When: Monday at 2-3 p.m. ET in the Aristides Lounge on the second floor of the Clubhouse.

Host: Churchill Downs' Track Announcer Travis Stone

Pill Pull: Vice President of Racing Ben Huffman and Assistant Racing Secretary Dan Bork

Kentucky Horse Racing Commission Chief Steward: Barbara Borden

Churchill Downs Racetrack President: Mike Anderson Churchill Downs Incorporated General Counsel: Neal Curtis

Bugler: Steve Buttleman

### Format:

- 2:03-2:06 p.m. Introduction (Buttleman Call to the Post / Stone)
- 2:06-2:09 p.m. KENTUCKY OAKS: Pill pull for 1-7
- 2:09-2:11 p.m. Brief interlude #1
- 2:11-2:14:30 p.m. KENTUCKY OAKS: Pill pull for 8-14
- 2:14:30-2:17 p.m. Brief interlude #2
- 2:17-2:19:30 p.m. KENTUCKY OAKS: TwinSpires.com Morning Line Odds by Mike Battaglia
- 2:19:30-2:22 p.m. Brief interlude #3
- 2:22-2:29 p.m. Welcome Back (Stone) / KENTUCKY DERBY: Pill pull for 1-10
- 2:29-2:31:30 p.m. Brief interlude #4
- 2:31:30-2:38:30 p.m. KENTUCKY DERBY: Pill pull for 11-20
- 2:38:30-2:41 p.m. Brief interlude #5
- 2:41-2:26 p.m. KENTUCKY DERBY: TwinSpires.com Morning Line Odds by Mike Battaglia / Outro (Stone)

**How to Watch**: The Kentucky Derby Post Position Draw will be streamed live on <a href="www.KentuckyDerby.com">www.KentuckyDerby.com</a> and televised live in Louisville by NBC affiliate WAVE-3 and other various other local and national outlets.

Video of the Oaks and Derby post position draws will be available on the Kentucky Derby News Feed: <a href="https://www.kentuckyderby.com/uploads/wysiwyg/assets/uploads/20230421">https://www.kentuckyderby.com/uploads/wysiwyg/assets/uploads/20230421</a> Kentucky Derby News Feed Alert.pdf