## **News Release**



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## UNBEATEN FILLY SOCIETY TO MAKE TWO-TURN DEBUT IN MONOMOY GIRL

**LOUISVILLE, Ky.** (Wednesday, June 15, 2022) – Peter Blum Thoroughbreds' undefeated filly Society will make her two-turn debut in a compact field of five 3-year-old fillies that were entered in Saturday night's inaugural running of the \$160,000 Monomoy Girl Overnight Stakes at Churchill Downs.

The 1 1/16-mile Monomoy Girl will go as Race 5 of 11 with a post time of 7:57 p.m. (all times Eastern). First post for the Downs After Dark program is 6 p.m.

Trained by Hall of Famer **Steve Asmussen**, Society won on first asking in October at Keeneland. The Gun Runner filly was originally conditioned by **Wayne Mackey** before she was transferred to Asmussen's care where she won a first-level allowance event on Kentucky Oaks Day. Society will be ridden by leading rider **Tyler Gaffalione** from post position No. 2.

The other 3-year-old fillies that were entered in the Monomoy Girl were **Keith** and **Margaret Long**'s 7 ½-length maiden special weight winner **Miss Yearwood**; **Ikhana Farm**'s two-time winner **Imogene Malvina**; **Lou Dunn Diekemper Trust**'s stakes placed **Tap Dancing Lady**; and **Kathy Wallace**'s recent Belterra Park allowance winner **Glacken**'s **Cause**.

The Monomoy Girl is named after the stellar champion mare who was conditioned by **Brad Cox**. Monomoy Girl won six of seven starts at Churchill Downs including victories in the 2020 La Troienne (GI) and 2018 Longines Kentucky Oaks (GI).

Here's the complete field from the rail out (with jockey and trainer): Tap Dancing Lady (John McKee, Ron Kahles); Society (Gaffalione, Asmussen); Glacken's Cause (Rogelio Miranda, Pat Huffman); Imogene Malvina (James Graham, Ignacio Correas IV); and Miss Yearwood (Julien Leparoux, Ian Wilkes).

Racing on Wednesday and Thursday at Churchill Downs was cancelled because of excessive heat in the Louisville area. The action is scheduled to resume Friday at 12:45 p.m., although track officials will continue to monitor the forecast.

**DOWNS AFTER DARK RETURNS SATURDAY FOR A 'NEON NIGHT'** – Nightlife will meet thrilling racing as Downs After Dark returns Saturday to Churchill Downs for a "Neon Night" beneath the Twin Spires.

Guests are encouraged to wear bright, neon colors Saturday for the 11-race card. Gates will open at 5 p.m. and first post is 6 p.m.

**DJ** Grant Fisher will entertain fans on the Plaza Stage prior to the **NKG Dance Band**, who will get underway at 8:30 p.m. Fans throughout the facility will see local artists creating neon art and photo moments. The featured artists are **Braylyn** "**Resko**" Stewart and Shae Goodlett.

General Admission tickets are \$14, reserved seating starts at \$17 and reserved dining tickets are \$82. Saturday's featured race is the \$160,000 Monomoy Girl Overnight Stakes, which was carded as Race 5. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit <a href="https://www.churchilldowns.com/tickets">www.churchilldowns.com/tickets</a>.

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