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BREEDERS' FUTURITY WINNER FORTE MADE 15-1 INDIVIDUAL FAVORITE IN POOL 1 OF KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE WAGER; 'ALL OTHER MALES' HEAVY 3-5 FAVORITE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022) – Fans will have their first of six opportunities to bet on the 149th running of the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (Grade I) Tuesday-Thursday where **Repole Stable** and **St. Elias Stable**'s Breeders' Futurity (GI) winner **Forte** was made the 15-1 individual betting favorite while the pari-mutuel field of "**All Other 3-Year-Old Colts and Geldings**" not listed within the 38 individual betting interests was tabbed as the heavy 3-5 choice.

The new three-day pool, which features \$2 Win and Exacta wagering, will open Tuesday at noon (all times Eastern) and close Thursday at 6 p.m. in advance of the Breeders' Cup World Championships' Future Stars Friday.

New for 2022, the Kentucky Derby Future Wager can have up to 40 betting interests. Pool 1 will have 38 individual horses, a betting interest for "All Fillies from the 2020 Foal Crop" and the popular "All Other Colts and Geldings from the 2020 Foal Crop."

Trained by Hall of Famer **Todd Pletcher**, Forte has won three of four career starts and is a two-time Grade I winner with his other score coming in the Hopeful (GI) at Saratoga. Forte is slated to compete in the \$2 million Breeders' Cup Juvenile (GI) Friday at Keeneland.

Other intriguing prospects that were included in the first pool of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager include Winchell Thoroughbreds' 9 ½-length maiden special weight winner and \$1.35 million purchase Extra Anejo; Rodeo Creek Racing's Champagne Stakes (GI) winner Blazing Sevens; and Spendthrift Farm, Steve Landers Racing, Martin Schwartz, Michael Dubb, Ten Strike Racing, Jim Bakke, Titletown Racing Stables, Kueber Racing, Big Easy Racing and Winners Win's Breeders' Futurity runner-up Loggins.

As was the case last year, Pool 1 will assume that horses under the care of trainers suspended from competing in the 2023 Kentucky Derby will not be under consideration. Instead, they will be included within the pari-mutuel field.

In total, 2021 Kentucky Derby-winning trainer **Brad Cox** has six of his trainees in Pool 1 of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager: **Hit Show, Instant Coffee**, Loggins, **Tapit's Conquest, Verifying** and **Victory Formation**.

Here is the complete field with morning line odds: #1 Andthewinneris (99-1); #2 Awesome Strong (99-1); #3 Blazing Sevens (30-1); #4 Congruent (99-1); #5 Curly Jack (99-1); #6 Cyclone Mischief (99-1); #7 Damon's Mound (80-1); #8 Echo Again (60-1); #9 Expected Value (99-1); #10 Extra Anejo (20-1); #11 Forbidden Secret (99-1); #12 Forte (15-1); #13 Frank's Honor (99-1); #14 Full Moon Madness (99-1); #15 General Jim (99-1); #16 Gulfport (80-1); #17 Hayes Strike (99-1); #18 Hit Show (99-1); #19 Hurricane J (99-1); #20 Instant Coffee (99-1); #21 Joking Way (99-1); #22 Loggins (30-1); #23 Lost Ark (50-1); #24 Mr. Ripple (99-1); #25 Ohana Honor (99-1); #26 Post Time (99-1); #27 Protégé (99-1); #28 Rocket Can (80-1); #29 Rudder's Men (60-1); #30 Signator (60-1); #31 Tapit's Conquest (99-1); #32 Ten Days Later (80-1); #33 Tres Soles (99-1); #34 Tuskegee Airmen (99-1); #35 Two Phil's (99-1); #36 Tyler's Tribe (99-1); #37 Verifying (60-1); #38 Victory Formation (80-1); #39 All Fillies from the 2020 Foal Crop (80-1); and #40 All Other Colts and Geldings from the 2020 Foal Crop (3-5).

All told, there are six Future Wager pools scheduled in advance of the 2023 Kentucky Derby: Nov. 1-3 (Pool 1); Nov. 24-27 (Pool 2); Jan. 20-22 (Pool 3); Feb. 10-12 (Pool 4); March 10-12 (Pool 5); and March 30-April 1 (Pool 6). The Kentucky Derby Sire Future Wager, which debuted in 2015 and requires bettors to wager on the winning sire for next year's Kentucky Derby winner, will be held concurrently with Pool 2 on Nov. 24-27. The lone Kentucky Oaks Future Wager will coincide with Kentucky Derby Future Wager Pool 5 on March 10-12.

A record total of \$2,060,691 was bet on future wagers for the 2022 Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks.

There are no refunds in the Kentucky Derby Future Wager. Should Churchill Downs officials determine during the duration of this week's four-day pool that one of the wagering interests has experienced an injury, illness or other circumstance that would prevent the horse from participating in the Kentucky Derby or Oaks, betting on the individual horse will be suspended immediately.

More information, Brisnet.com past performances and real-time odds on the Kentucky Derby Future Wager will be available before the pool opens Tuesday online at https://www.kentuckyderby.com/wager/future-wager.