## \$200,000 Knicks Go presented by L&N Federal Credit Union (Listed)

4th Running – Saturday, May 3, 2025 (Spring Meet – Kentucky Derby Day)

Overnight Stakes for 4-Year-Olds & Up Which Have Not Won A Graded Sweepstakes in 2024-25 at One Mile on Dirt at Churchill Downs **Stakes Record - 1:34.42, Zozos (2023)** Course Record - 1:33.26, Fruit Ludt (2014)

Name Origin: Race is named for Knicks Go, the Churchill Downs-based horse who was crowned the 2021 Horse of the Year. Owned by Korea Racing Authority and trained by Brad Cox, Knicks Go earned \$9,258,135 from a record of 10-4-1 in 25 starts. In advance of winning the 2021 Breeders' Cup Classic (GI) at Keeneland, Knicks Go was a four-length winner of the \$400,000 Lukas Classic (GIII) beneath the Twin Spires. He won the Breeders' Futurity (GI) and was second to Game Winner in the 2018 Breeders' Cup Juvenile (GI) at age 2 for trainer Ben Colebrook. After a winless 3-year-old season (0-for-8), he was transferred to Cox as 4-year-old and he won each of his three starts including the 2020 Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (GI). His championship 5-year-old season included wins in the Pegasus World Cup (GI), Cornhusker Handicap (GIII), Whitney (GI), Lukas Classic (GIII) and Breeders' Cup Classic (GI). The Maryland-bred son of Paynter finished second to 2021 Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (GI) winner Life Is Good in his final career start – a defense of his Pegasus World Cup (GI) title on Jan. 29, 2022.

Year (Race No.)	Winner (Age/Sex)	Jockey (Weight)	Second	Time (Cond.)	Sire	Gross Purse-Gr.
Dis. (Starters)	Owner(s)	Trainer	Third	Odds (Margin)	Bred (Color)	Winner's Share-#
2025-May 3 (4th)	Liberal Arts (4c)*	Luis Saez (118)	Patriot Spirit	1:35.25 (sloppy)	Arrogate	\$196,568
1 Mile (12)	Evan Ferraro & Stephen Ferraro	Brad Cox	Kupuna	1.80-1 (3/4 length)	Kentucky (Gr or Ro.)	\$116,841—4
2024-May 4 (4th)	Strong Quality (5h)	Florent Geroux (123)	Kupuna	1:35.45 (good)	Quality Road	\$200,000
1 Mile (10)	Gary Barber & Kinsman Stable	Mark Casse	Five Star General	5.51-1 (½ length)	Kentucky (Dk B or Br.)	\$118,515—3
2023-May 6 (6th)	Zozos (4c)	Florent Geroux (118)	Kupuna	SR-1:34.42 (fast)	Munnings	\$171,536
1 Mile (11)	Barry & Joni Butzow	Brad Cox	Three Technique	3.71-1 (3/4 length)	Kentucky (Dk B or Br.)	\$103,108-2
2022-May 7 (6th)	Three Technique (5h)	Rafael Bejarano (118)	Injunction	1:35.48 (fast)	Mr Speaker	\$159,800
1 Mile (11)	David E. Miller	Jason Cook	South Bend	36.80-1 (1 length)	Kentucky (Dk B or Br.)	\$94,366—1

<sup>\*-</sup>Favorite

Most Wins, Jockey: 2, Florent Geroux (2023-24) Most Wins, Trainer: 2, Brad Cox (2023, '25) Most Wins, Owner: no owner with more than one win High \$2 Win: \$75.60, Three Technique (2022) Low \$2 Win: \$5.60, Liberal Arts (2025) Largest Win Margin: 1 length, Three Technique (2022) **Smallest Win Margin:** ½ length, Strong Quality (2024)

Largest Field Size: 12 (2025) Smallest Field Size: 10 (2024)

**Favorites Record:** 4-1-0-0 (Win=25.0%; ITM=25.0%)

Favorites who finished off-the-board: Best Actor (5th in 2024 at 1.72-1); Masqueparade (6th in 2023 at 3.31-1); Shared Sense (6th in 2022 at 3.00-1) Fastest Splits - 1/4-mile: :22.36, Strong Quality (2024)

Fastest Splits - 1/2-mile: :44.64, Strong Quality (2024) Fastest Splits - 3/4-mile: 1:09.19, Strong Quality (2024) Disqualifications: none Good (2024); Sloppy (2025) Off-tracks: