

# \$400,000 Matt Winn (Grade III)

28<sup>th</sup> Running – Sunday, June 8, 2025  
3-Year-Olds at 1 1/16 Miles on Dirt at Churchill Downs  
Stakes Record – 1:41.12, Gun Runner (2017)  
Track Record – 1:40.66, Fiercesness (2025)

**Name Origin:** The Matt Winn was named in honor of the famed Churchill Downs president that served as the driving force in the development of the Downs and his beloved Kentucky Derby. Winn, who was inducted into the National Museum of Racing's Hall of Fame as a "Pillar of the Turf" on Aug. 4, 2017, was a tireless promoter of the Derby, America's classic race for 3-year-olds. Winn was an innovative leader and initiated Derby traditions ranging from the Derby mint julep glasses to the singing of "My Old Kentucky Home" and the handmade Kentucky Derby trophy.

Year (Race No.) Dis. (Starters)	Winner (Age/Sex) Owner(s)	Jockey (Weight) Trainer	Second Third	Time (Condition) Odds (Margin)	Sire Bred (Color)	Gross Purse-Gr. Winner's Share-#
2025-June 8 (8th) 1 1/16 Miles (4)	East Avenue (3c)* Godolphin LLC	Luis Saez (123) Brendan Walsh	Burnham Square Coal Battle	1:42.12 (fast) 1.47-1 (½ length)	Medaglia d'Oro Kentucky (B.)	\$387,000-Gr. III \$247,000—28
2024-June 9 (8th) 1 1/16 Miles (8)	Society Man (3g) <small>Revere Thoroughbred Racers, West Penn Racers, GMP Stables, Carl &amp; Victor Properties</small>	Corey Lanerie (118) Danny Gargan	Who Dey* Next Level	1:42.33 (fast) 6.39-1 (2 ½ lengths)	Good Magic Kentucky (Ch.)	\$395,000-Gr. III \$240,525—27
2023-June 11 (Elp 9th) 1 1/8 Miles (7)	Disarm (3c)* Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Joel Rosario (118) Steve Asmussen	Verifying Bo Cruz	1:49.59 (sloppy) 1.12-1 (1/2 length)	Gun Runner Kentucky (Ch.)	\$400,000-Gr. III \$242,350—26
2022-June 12 (8th) 1 1/16 Miles (7)	Cyberknife (3c)* Gold Square LLC	Florent Geroux (123) Brad Cox	Howling Time Rattle N Roll	1:41.98 (fast) 0.50-1 (nose)	Gun Runner Kentucky (Ch.)	\$225,000-Gr. III \$136,520—25
2021-May 29 (9th) 1 1/16 Miles (7)	Fulsome (3c)* Juddmonte	Florent Geroux (120) Brad Cox	O Besos Hellium	1:42.88 (fast) 1.70-1 (3 ¼ lengths)	Into Mischief Kentucky (B.)	\$150,000-Gr. III \$91,140—24
2020-May 23 (10th) 1 1/16 Miles (10)	Maxfield (3c)* Godolphin LLC	Jose Ortiz (123) Brendan Walsh	Ny Traffic Pneumatic	1:43.05 (fast) 1.30-1 (1 length)	Street Sense Kentucky (Dk B or Br.)	\$150,000-Gr. III \$88,350—23
2019-June 15 (5th) 1 1/16 Miles (7)	Mr. Money (3c)* Allied Racing Stable LLC	Gabriel Saez (120) Bret Calhoun	Signalman Proverb	1:42.28 (fast) 0.60-1 (6 ¾ lengths)	Goldencents Kentucky (B.)	\$150,000-Gr. III \$91,140—22
2018-June 16 (5th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	King Zachary (3c) Thomas F. Conway	Robby Albarado (118) Dale Romans	Tiz Mischief Ax Man*	1:42.86 (fast) 12.30-1 (4 ¾ lengths)	Curlin Kentucky (Ch.)	\$100,000-Gr. III \$61,380—21
2017-June 17 (5th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	McCraken (3c)* Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC	Brian Hernandez Jr. (123) Ian Wilkes	Colonelsdarktemper Society Beau	1:42.84 (fast) 0.20-1 (2 ¼ lengths)	Ghostzapper Kentucky (B.)	\$100,000-Gr. III \$61,380—20
2016-June 18 (5th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	Gun Runner (3c)* Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Florent Geroux (123) Steve Asmussen	Gray Sky Texas Chrome	1:41.12 (fast) 0.10-1 (5 ¼ lengths)	Candy Ride-ARG Kentucky (Ch.)	\$100,000-Gr. III \$61,380—19
2015-June 13 (9th) 1 1/16 Miles (7)	Island Town (3g) <small>Six Column Stables, Randal Bloch, John Seiler &amp; David Hall</small>	Julien Leparoux (118) Ian Wilkes	Fame and Power* Private Prospect	1:43.46 (fast) 5.80-1 (1/2 length)	Hard Spun Kentucky (Ch.)	\$100,000-Gr. III \$60,760—18
2014-June 14 (6th) 1 1/16 Miles (7)	Tapiture (3c)* Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Rosie Napravnik (123) Steve Asmussen	Ulanbator Almost Famous	1:43.99 (fast) 1.00-1 (2 lengths)	Tapit Kentucky (Ch.)	\$109,400-Gr. III \$66,472—17
2013-June 15 (7th) 1 1/16 Miles (10)	Code West (3c)* Gary and Mary West	Rosie Napravnik (118) Bob Baffert	Uncaptured Abstraction	1:43.37 (fast) 2.10-1 (head)	Lemon Drop Kid Virginia (Dk. B. or Br.)	\$113,100-Gr. III \$66,616—16
2012-June 16 (5th) 1 1/16 Miles (5)	Neck 'n Neck (3c) A. Stevens Miles Jr.	Leandro Goncalves (118) Ian Wilkes	Stealcass Macho Macho	1:43.72 (fast) 4.00-1 (7 ¼ lengths)	Flower Alley Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.)	\$107,100-Gr. III \$66,402—15
2011-June 18 (10th) 1 1/16 Miles (7)	Scotus (3c) Peter Callahan	Alan Garcia (116) Kenny McPeck	Infrattini Joe Vann	1:44.12 (good) 8.20-1 (1 length)	Successful Appeal Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.)	\$138,500-Gr. III \$84,154—14
2010-June 12 (8th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	Colizeo (3c)* Wertheimer and Frere	Garrett Gomez (116) Todd Pletcher	Worldly Vow to Wager	1:43.60 (fast) 1.70-1 (neck)	Distorted Humor Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.)	\$136,375-Gr. III \$83,707—13
2009-June 13 (8th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	Successful Dan (3g) Mort Fink	Julien Leparoux (116) Charlie Lopresti	Warrior's Reward* Omniscient	1:43.30 (fast) 2.20-1 (head)	Successful Appeal Kentucky (B.)	\$108,900-Gr. III \$66,844—12
2008-June 14 (8th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	Pyro (3c) Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC	Shaun Bridgmohan (122) Steve Asmussen	My Pal Charlie Visionaire	1:43.53 (fast) 1.80-1 (1 ¼ lengths)	Pulpit Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.)	\$190,925-Gr. III \$117,345—11
2007-June 16 (7th) 1 1/16 Miles (8)	Chelokee (3c)* Centennial Farms	Ramon Dominguez (120) Michael Matz	Zanjero Sam P.	1:42.46 (fast) 1.00-1 (neck)	Cherokee Run Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.)	\$223,800-Gr. III \$135,525—10
2006-June 17 (7th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	High Cotton (3c)* Peachtree Stable	Garrett Gomez (122) Todd Pletcher	Simon Pure Sayhellotolarrv	1:43.33 (fast) 1.50-1 (1 ½ lengths)	Dixie Union Kentucky (B.)	\$220,400-Gr. III \$135,594—9
2005-June 18 (7th) 1 1/16 Miles (6)	Don't Get Mad (3c)* B. Wayne Hughes	Gary Stevens (120) Ron Ellis	Unbridled Energy Real Dandy	1:42.46 (fast) 0.90-1 (3 ¼ lengths)	Stephen Got Even Kentucky (B.)	\$217,400-Gr. III \$134,788—8
2004-June 12 (6th) 1 1/16 Miles (12)	Suave (3c) Jay Em Ess Stable	Rafael Bejarano (114) Paul McGee	J Town Ecclesiastic	1:44.50 (sloppy) 11.60-1 (3 lengths)	A.P. Indy Kentucky (B.)	\$232,400-Gr. III \$144,088—7
2003-June 14 (7th) 1 Mile (8)	Champali (3c)* Lloyd Madison Farms IV LLC	Pat Day (122) Greg Foley	Lone Star Sky During	1:34.69 (fast) 1.10-1 (2 lengths)	Glitterman Kentucky (B.)	\$111,100 \$68,882—6
2002-June 15 (8th) 1 Mile (7)	Danthebluegrassman (3c) Mike Pegram	Jerry Bailey (119) Bob Baffert	Stephentown* Sky Terrace	1:35.04 (fast) 4.50-1 (2 ½ lengths)	Pioneering Kentucky (Ch.)	\$109,500 \$67,890—5
2001-June 16 (8th) 1 Mile (10)	Compendium (3c) Ackerley Brothers Farm	Donnie Meche (114) Steve Asmussen	Meetyouatthebrig* Horrible Evening	1:34.78 (fast) 24.00-1 (1 ¼ lengths)	Notebook Florida (Ch.)	\$100,000 \$62,000—4
2000-June 17 (9th) 7 F (6)	Exchange Rate (3c) Padua Stables	Calvin Borel (119) D. Wayne Lukas	Jimie Son Ultimate Warrior	1:23.39 (sloppy) 2.80-1 (3/4 lengths)	Danzig Kentucky (Gr. or Ro.)	\$100,000 \$62,750—3
1999-June 12 (8th) 1 1/16 Miles (5)	Forestry (3c)* Aaron and Marie Jones	Jerry Bailey (116) Bob Baffert	Grits'n Hard Toast Fly Forever	1:42.88 (fast) 0.30-1 (1 ¼ lengths)	Storm Cat Kentucky (B.)	\$100,000 \$62,600—2
1998-June 13 (7th) 1 Mile (7)	Shot of Gold (3c)* Matt Young, George Jacobs et al	Shane Sellers (119) Bob Baffert	Souvenir Copy* Golden Missile	1:35.66 (fast) 0.50-1 (3 ½ lengths)	Jolie's Halo Florida (Dk. B. or Br.)	\$82,500 \$46,500—1

\*-Favorite . . . Race known as the Northern Dancer, 1998-2011 . . . Prior to 2002, the Matt Winn was an overnight handicap and was not part of the official stakes schedule. . . Race known as Matt Winn Presented by Emeriates Equestrian Federation in 2011. . . . Race was moved to Ellis Park in 2023.

**Most Wins, Jockey:**

3, Florent Geroux (2016, '21-22)

**Most Wins, Trainer:**

5, Steve Asmussen (2001, '08, '14, '16, '23)

**Most Wins, Owner:**

4, Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (2008, '14, '16, '23)

**High \$2 Win:**

\$50.00, Compendium (2001)

**Low \$2 Win:**

\$2.20, Gun Runner (2016)

**Largest Win Margin:**

7 ¼ lengths, Neck 'n Neck (2012)

**Smallest Win Margin:**

nose, Cyberknife (2022)

**Largest Field Size:**

12 (2004)

**Smallest Field Size:**

4 (2025)

**Favorites Record:**

28-17-6-1 (Win=60.7%; ITM=85.7%)

**Favorites who finished off-the-board:**

Right to Vote (4<sup>th</sup> in 2012 at 1.80-1); Wilburn (4<sup>th</sup> in 2011 at 1.90-1); Recapturetheglory (4<sup>th</sup> in 2008 at 1.10-1); Two Down Automatic (4<sup>th</sup> in 2004 at 2.40-1); Beach Bum (4<sup>th</sup> in 2000 at 1.00-1)

**Fastest Splits at 1 1/16-miles – ¼-mile:**

:23.53, Crimson Stag (2005)

**Fastest Splits at 1 1/16-miles – ½-mile:**

:46.80, Crimson Stag (2005)

**Fastest Splits at 1 1/16-miles – ¾-mile:**

1:11.35, Knicks Go (2019)

**Disqualifications:**  
**Off-tracks:**

none  
Sloppy (2000, '04, '23); Good (2011)