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EYESA FREIGHTTRAIN B TAKES THE \$280,271 LADDIE FUTURITY AT DELTA DOWNS

KONNAN CARTEL PREVAILS IN THE \$40,000 VINTON STAKES

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs hosted the \$280,271 Laddie Futurity (RG2) for Louisiana-bred colts and geldings on Saturday night and the 330-yard showdown was won by Party Tyme Racing's Eyesa Freighttrain B under jockey Everardo Rodriguez.

Eyesa Freighttrain B came into the Laddie as the ninth fastest qualifier. The fastest qualifier, Aj Train, was a race day scratch from the field leaving Hijack a Train as the wagering favorite at odds of 9-5. After the gate opened Eyesa Freighttrain B and Hijack a Train proceeded to duel throughout the race before Eyesa Freighttrain B prevailed by $\frac{3}{4}$ of a length at the finish line. Apollitical Force was no threat to the top pair finishing another $\frac{1}{2}$ length back in third.

Eyesa Freighttrain B covered the distance of the Laddie in a time of 16.800 seconds while racing over a fast track. That time earned him a speed index of 90.

The win by Eyesa Freighttrain B marked the second of his two-race career as he broke his maiden in the Laddie trials on May 5. The winner's prize of \$140,136 raised his bankroll to \$146,136.

Bred in Louisiana by Jumonville Farm/Burnett Ranch, Eyesa Freighttrain B is a 2-year-old colt by Freighttrain B out of the Mr Jess Perry mare Eyejesslovelouisiana.

Sent off at odds of 7-1, Eyesa Freighttrain B returned \$16.60 to win, \$7 to place and \$6 to show. Hijack a Train paid \$3.60 to place and \$3.20 to show. Apollitical Force was worth \$6.20 to show.

The \$40,000 Vinton Stakes was contested on the undercard on Saturday. The 400-yard event was for 3-year-old Louisiana-bred runners and it was Dania Castellanos' Konnan Cartel who proved best by breaking fast from the gate and leading all the way to record a $\frac{3}{4}$ -length win under jockey Nestor Duran. The Josue Ponce trainee defeated Wild Train Fortune, who finished second, while One Dashing Dove finished another 1- $\frac{3}{4}$ lengths behind the runner-up. Even-money favorite Five Bar Jess Cartel stumbled at the start and was never in contention.



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Konnan Cartel covered the distance of the Vinton in a time of 19.915. The clocking equaled a speed index of 91.

Konnan Cartel came into the Vinton Stakes as the leading earner in the field of six. He added another \$24,000 to his total after the race which raised his career bankroll to \$166,727.

Bred in Louisiana by Luis Armando Castellanos, Konnan Cartel is a 3-year-old brown gelding by Five Bar Cartel, out of the Jet Black Patriot mare Jet Black Chiraq.

Sent off at odds of 3-1, Konnan Cartel paid \$8 to win, \$4.20 to place and \$3.20 to show. Wild Train Fortune was worth \$4 to place and \$3 to show. One Dashing Dove returned \$3.60 to show.

Delta Downs will race again next week Wednesday through Saturday. The first race Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be at 6:10 pm. There will be a special early post time on Saturday at 5 pm to accommodate a special event, as the track will host Exotic Animal races between live Quarter Horse races. Local jockeys will ride Camels and Zebras to entertain all the fans in attendance.

For more information about the season, visit the track's website at www.deltadownsracing.com.

[Delta Downs Racetrack Casino Hotel](http://DeltaDownsRacetrackCasinoHotel.com), a property of [Boyd Gaming Corporation](http://BoydGamingCorporation.com), is the premier racing and gaming entertainment venue in Vinton, LA. Named "America's Best Horse Racing Track" by readers of USA TODAY 10Best, Delta Downs features a six-furlong oval track, 15,000 square feet of casino space and more than 1,500 of the most popular slot machines. Amenities include two restaurants, chart-topping entertainment at the Delta Event Center and the FanDuel Sportsbook.

Delta Downs is located in Vinton, Louisiana, on Delta Downs Drive. From Lake Charles, take Exit 7 and from Texas, take Exit 4.