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HOZTILE TAKEOVER SETS FASTEST TIME FOR DELTA DOWNS DERBY

THE \$137,415 FINAL TAKES PLACE ON CLOSING NIGHT, JULY 13

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs conducted two trials for this year’s Delta Downs Derby on its Thursday night program and the winner of the second trial, Hoztile Takeover, posted the fastest time for the final on July 13. Under jockey Ubaldo Luna, Hoztile Takeover stopped the timer at 19.705 seconds for 400 yards and earned a speed index of 99 while running over a muddy track.

Owned by Amanda St. Amant and Luis Armand Castellanos, Hoztile Takeover has now won six of 14 career starts. He placed another \$6,000 into his bankroll after the trial run and now has lifetime earnings of \$264,786.

Bred in Louisiana by Roland Frederick/Triple Lynn Farms, Hoztile Takeover is a 3-year-old sorrel gelding by One Sweet Jess, out of the Identity Theft mare Ms Pilot Id.

Listed below are all 10 finalists for this year’s \$137,415 Delta Downs Derby.

	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Time
1	Hoztile Takeover	Ubaldo Luna	Juan Diaz, Jr.	19.705
2	The Knockout Power	Leonardo Rodriguez	David Bustamante	19.895
3	Explosive Legend	Leonardo Rodriguez	David Bustamante	19.896
4	Trainarunnin	Luis Vivanco	Toby Keeton	19.907
5	Eyesa Freighttrain B	Sabino Reyes	Jose R. Espinosa	19.942
6	One Cool Corona	J. R. Ramirez	Bobby Martinez	19.958
7	Kp Paintmeasymphony	Arnulfo Gutierrez	Kenneth Roberts, Sr.	19.994
8	Heza Rip	Rene Hernandez	Brenda Foster	20.008
9	The Last Goodbye	Rolando Cabrera	Jose A. Garcia	20.035
10	Heylemmecallyouback	Everardo Rodriguez	Orlando Orozco	20.160

Delta Downs will host a special 12-race program on Friday starting at 4:45 pm. Each race on the card will serve as a qualifying trial for this year’s \$654,014 Lee Berwick Futurity (RG1), which will take place on closing night, July 13. The race week will conclude on Saturday with a nine-race program starting at the regular post time of 6:15pm.



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

[Delta Downs Racetrack Casino Hotel](#), a property of [Boyd Gaming Corporation](#), is the premier racing and gaming entertainment venue in Vinton, LA. Named “America’s Best Horse Racing Track” in 2023 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.