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## JESS PRETTY N BLACK QUALIFIES FASTEST FOR THE LASSIE FUTURITY AT DELTA DOWNS

**THE RICH FINAL WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, MAY 24**

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs hosted a special 12-race program on Wednesday night. Each race served as a qualifying heat for this year’s \$291,125 Lassie Futurity (RG2). The 10 fastest fillies from the trials will compete in the final, which will be run on Friday, May 24.

The fastest qualifier for the Lassie came out of the second race as Eleazar Martinez, Sr.’s Jess Pretty N Black (\$7.60) posted a winning time of 16.812 seconds for 330 yards. The win came after she finished third in her career debut at Louisiana Downs in the Mardi Gras Futurity trials on March 9. Her running time in the Lassie trials equaled a speed index of 92.

Jockey Luis Vivanco has ridden Jess Pretty N Black in both of her career starts. She earned \$6,000 for her win on Wednesday. She will shoot for a winning paycheck of \$145,562 in the Lassie Final. Each Lassie trial carried a purse of \$10,000 for the Louisiana-bred runners.

Bred in Louisiana by Grant Farms, LLC, Jess Pretty N Black is a 2-year-old black filly by The Louisiana Cartel, out of the Mr Jess Perry mare Jess Pretty In Black. She was purchased for \$33,000 as a yearling at the 2023 Louisiana Quarter Horse Breeders Association Sale.

Listed below are the 10 finalists for this year’s Lassie Futurity from the fastest time down.

	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Jockey</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	Jess Pretty N Black	Luis Vivanco	Raul Galvan	16.812
2	San Lorenzo Princess	Martin Osuna	Jeremy Derozin	16.822
3	Golden Answerr	Leonardo Rodriguez	Paul Leal	16.848
4	A Real Miracle	David Alvarez	Orlando Orozco	16.911
5	San Lorenzo Jezz	Martin Osuna	Raul Galvan	16.924
6	Ar La Bella Eagle	Juan Garcia, Jr.	Heath Taylor	16.941
7	Louisiana Blood	Sabino Reyes	Jose Espinosa	16.953
8	Rf Fast Dasn N Train	Victor Urieta, Jr.	Juan Diaz, Jr.	16.954



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9	Carters Cajun Queen	Yaidel Rodriguez	Hector J. Sanchez	16.960
10	Wish U Were Whiskey	Ubaldo Luna	Ray Mayo	16.967

Delta Downs will continue its second week of live Quarter Horse racing on Wednesday night with an eight-race program that kicks off at 6:15 pm.

For more information about the season, visit the track's website at [www.deltadownsracing.com](http://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" 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.

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