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PK PURE ROGUE WINS THE \$50,000 MISS POLLY CLASSIC AT DELTA DOWNS; TF JESS A EAGLE TAKES THE \$40,000 TITANIUM STAKES

RIOS DASHING SPIRIT QUALIFIES FASTEST FOR THE \$110,800 OLD SOUTH DERBY

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs kicked off its 2024 American Quarter Horse season on Friday night with a ninerace program featuring two stakes races and four qualifying trials for the \$110,800 Old South Derby.

The \$50,000 Miss Polly Classic (G2) was won by Pk Pure Rogue and the \$40,000 Titanium Stakes (RG2) was taken by Tf Jess a Eagle. The fastest qualifier from the Old South trials was Rio Dashing Spirit.

Pk Pure Rogue's win in the Miss Polly Classic came in dramatic fashion as the gelding rallied stoutly in the 400-yard showdown for older Louisiana-bred horses and just got up to defeat Relentless Coronado by a head at the wire. Gbh Fiscal Toni settled for third, another head behind the runner-up.

The final running time for Pk Pure Rogue was 19.885 seconds, The clocking earned him a speed index of 95.

Pk Pure Rogue was ridden to victory by jockey Rodrigo Vallejo and is trained by Guadalupe Tristan. The same jockey/trainer team that won the Titanium Stakes with Tf Jess A Eagle earlier in the program. Pk Pure Rogue is owned by Jose H. Rodriguez.

Bred in Louisiana by Phatt Kat Ranch, Pk Pure Rogue is a 5-year-old bay gelding by Heza Fast Rogue, out of the Agouti mare Kinky Boots.

Sent to the gate at odds of 4-1, Pk Pure Rogue paid \$10 to win, \$5.80 to place and \$4.80 to show. Relentless Coronado was worth \$8.60 to place and \$7.40 to show. Gbh Fiscal Toni returned \$5.80 to show.

The Titanium Stakes saw Tf Jess a Eagle (\$19.60) defeat C the Power by a head to claim victory. Caliente Operator finished third by just a nose in the 300-yard showdown for 3-year-old Louisiana-breds.

Tf Jess a Eagle covered the distance in a time of 15.282 seconds while racing over a fast track. The time equaled a speed index of 96.

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Tf Jess a Eagle has now won five of 22 career starts. Her win in the Titanium was worth \$24,000 and she now owns a career bankroll of \$116,520.

Bred in Louisiana by Tate Farms, Tf Jess a Eagle is a 4-year-old sorrel filly by One Dashing Eagle, out of the Sir Runaway Dash mare Tf Jess a Runaway.

The fastest qualifier for this year's Old South Derby was BM AQ Racing LLC's Rios Dashing Spirit, who won the third trial of the night with jockey Hugo Gutierrez in the saddle riding for trainer Paul Leal. Rios Dashing Spirit ran 330 yards in a time of 16.719 seconds, which equaled a speed index of 95.

The win by Rios Dashing Spirit was the second of her nine-race career. It also came in her first start of 2025.

Bred in Texas by her owner, Rios Dashing Spirit is a 3-year-old brown filly by Apollitical Spirit, out of the Heza Fast Dash mare Rios Dashing Patty.

Rios Dashing Spirit earned \$3,000 for the trial win and now has a career bankroll of \$24,250. She can add another \$55,400 to her total if she wins the final of the Old South Derby on May 16.

Listed below are the 10 qualifiers for this year's Old South Derby from the fastest time down.

	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Time_
1	Rios Dashing Spirit	Hugo Gutierrez	Paul Leal	16.719
2	Jj Jessa Dynasty	Ricardo Hernandez, Jr.	Jose Carrizales	16.743
3	The Legend of Corona	Leonardo Rodriguez	David Bustamante	16.766
4	Cc Valiant	Yaidel Rodriguez	Eduardo Morales	16.790
5	San Lorenzo Trump	Leonardo Rodriquez	Jeremy Derozin	16.856
6	Hy On Sweet Luck	Rolando Cabrera	Salvador Flores	16.870
7	Cowgirl Chick	Ricardo Hernandez, Jr.	Leonel Hernandez	16.878
8	Takillya Onthe Hocks	Ricardo Hernandez, Jr.	Jorge Valenzuela	16.906
9	Celebratingtheeagle	Yaidel Rodriguez	Janessa Lee Muniz	16.921
10	Jd Heza Paintedeagle	Rolando Cabrera	Fernando Lopez	16.929

Delta Downs will conclude its opening weekend of racing on Saturday night with a 10-race program starting at 6:15 pm. The action will include nine trials for this year's \$194,020 Old South Futurity.

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

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