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SHINY COWGIRL TOP QUALIFIER FOR THE FIRECRACKER DERBY AT DELTA DOWNS

- THE \$149,670 FIRECRACKER DERBY FINAL TAKES PLACE ON SATURDAY, JULY 4 -

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs conducted three qualifying trials for this year's \$149,670 Firecracker Derby (G3) and it was Luis Armando Castellanos and Alfonso Rangel's Shiny Cowgirl (\$18.20) who came away with the fastest time of the night under jockey Jorge Javier Garcia. The Santiago Villaseca trainee won the second trial in a time of 17.587 seconds (97 speed index) while racing over a fast track.

The win by Shiny Cowgirl was the third of her eight-race career. She earned \$3,600 for the effort and now has a bankroll of \$37,915. She can add another \$74,835 to that total if she wins the Firecracker Derby final on Saturday, July 4.

Bred in Texas by Simmons Racing, Shiny Cowgirl is a 3-year-old black filly by Tempting Dash, out of the Apollitical Blood mare Rise N Shine Cowgirl.

Listed below are the 10 qualifiers for the Firecracker Derby in order of qualifying time.

	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Time
1	Shiny Cowgirl	Jorge Javier Garcia	Santiago Villaseca	17.587
2	Jj Jewelz	Ubaldo Luna	Josue Ponce	17.592
3	Ocho Rojo	Ubaldo Luna	Ramireo Aboytes-Suarez	17.597
4	Chilley	Jorge Javier Garcia	Josue Ponce	17.615
5	Won Salty Corona	Adrian Morales	Esau Hernandez	17.631
6	Aj Big Cash	Manuel Gutierrez	Viviane Hill	17.675
7	Cowboy Reason Mv	Adrian Morales	Esau Hernandez	17.679
8	Sheza a Whirlawaytoo	Donell Blake	Andre Brooks	17.707
9	Syms Sin Tacha	Rolando Cabrera	David Bustamante	17.719
10	Peacemaker Return	Jorge Javier Garcia	Jose A. Garcia	17.785

Delta Downs will conduct live racing next week, Wednesday through Saturday, with first post time on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday at 6:15pm. The \$200,000-added Lee Berwick Futurity trials will take place on Friday and there is a special early post time of 5:45pm on that night. There will be 11 Lee Berick trials on the card.

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