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SAN LORENZO PRINCESS TAKES THE FRENCH QUARTERS STAKES AT DELTA DOWNS

- APOLLITICAL JOY PREVAILS IN THE ESPLANADE STAKES -

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs conduct a pair of stakes races on Thursday night that included the \$28,400 French Quarters and the \$33,000 Esplanade. San Lorenzo Princess scored a narrow decision in the French Quarters and Apollitical Joy took the Esplanade.

San Lorenzo Princess's score in the 330-yard French Quarters came with Leonardo Rodriguez in the saddle as he got his mount away in good order and on the lead before fending off a late charge by Valiant Spit Curl, who finished second. The winning margin was just a head while Jrs Jeeses Cartel took the show spot, another $\frac{3}{4}$ of a length behind the runner-up.

San Lorenzo Princess, who is owned by Rogelio Marquez, Jr and trained by Juan C. Garcia, covered the distance over a fast track in a time of 16.711 seconds. The time equaled a speed index of 96.

The win by San Lorenzo Princess was the sixth of her 14-race career. She took home \$21,000 for the effort and now owns a bankroll of \$180,972.

Bred in Louisiana by Darrell Williams, San Lorenzo Princess is a 4-year-old sorrel filly by Apollitical Blood, out of the Corona Cartel mare Princess Of Torts.

Sent to the gate as the favorite at odds of even money, San Lorenzo Princess paid \$4 to win, \$3.60 to place and \$4.20 to show. Valiant Spit Curl returned \$4.60 to place and \$6.80 to show. Jrs Jeeses Cartel was worth \$5 to show.

The win by Apollitical Joy (\$7.40) in the Esplanade came with jockey Jorge Javier Garcia riding for owner/trainer Oswaldo Hernandez. The bay runner got away evenly with his six rivals in the 400-yard showdown before edging clear late to win by 1-1/2 lengths over Engine Victory. Leaving Coyame, the race favorite, settled for third another head behind the top pair. The winner covered the distance in a time of 19.763, which equaled a speed index of 99.

It was the fourth win from 14 career starts for Apollitical Joy. He bagged \$15,000 for the win and now has a bankroll of \$55,379.

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Bred in California by Rancho El Cabresto Inc., Apollitical Joy is a 4-year-old gelding by Apollitical Jess, out of the Walk Thru Fire mare Chalalita.

Delta Downs will continue the race week on Friday and Saturday. The Friday program includes six qualifying trials for the \$159,740 Big Easy Futurity. The entire nine-race Saturday card will be dedicated to trials for the \$561,054 Sale Futurity (RG1). First post time each night is scheduled for 6:15pm.

For more information about the season visit the track's website at www.deltadowns.com/race. Fans can also follow the track through social media on Facebook and X.

[Delta Downs Racetrack Casino Hotel](#), a property of [Boyd Gaming Corporation](#), is the premier racing and gaming entertainment venue in Vinton, LA. 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 Delta Downs Sportsbook.

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