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VIGILANTY SCORES A BIG WIN IN THE \$297,965 LADDIE FUTURITY AT DELTA DOWNS

- CONAIR CARTEL WINS THE \$50,000 LADDIE STAKES -

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs hosted a pair of stakes races on Saturday night. Fans were treated to the \$297,965 Laddie Futurity (RG2) for 2-year-old Louisiana-bred colts and geldings as well as the \$50,000 Laddie Stakes, which served as a consolation race for the main event. Trials for the Laddie Futurity were held on May 1 with the 10 fastest times making it to the rich final.

This year's Laddie Futurity was won by Rene Perez's Vigilanty under jockey Victor Urienta, Jr. The Josue Ponce trainee break sharply from the middle of the starting gate before dueling with Sharpest Image through most of the 330-yard showdown. At the finish, Vigilanty reported home three-quarters of a length in front of late runner Apollitical Latino while Sharpest Image faded to third, another head behind the runner-up.

Vigilanty covered the distance over a fast track in a time of 16.604 seconds, while running over a sealed track listed as sloppy. The time equaled a speed index of 99.

Vigilanty has now won two-of-three career starts. He earned \$148,983 for the Laddie score and now owns a bankroll of \$156,383.

Bred in Louisiana by Boddy D. Cox, Vigilanty is a 2-year-old brown gelding by Freighttrain B, out of the Jess Good Candy mare Lethal Candy. He was purchased for \$55,000 at the 2025 LQHBA Yearling Sale.

Sent to the gate at odds of 11-1, Vigilanty paid \$24 to win, \$9.80 to place and \$6.80 to show. Apollitical Latino was worth \$4 to place and \$2.80 to show. Sharpest Image returned \$4.40 to show.

The Laddie Stakes was won by Luis Armando Castellanos' Conair Cartel (\$3.40) under jockey Victor Urieta, Jr. The Santiago Villaseca trainee was favored by the public and just edged out KJ Meduzza by a neck. While Inspirational finished third, another half length behind the top pair. Conair Cartel covered 330 yards in a time of 16.749, which equaled a speed index of 95.

The win by Conair Cartel was the third of his four-race career. His only loss came to Mc Blue Cartel in the \$431,000 Mardi Gras Futurity (RG2) on March 28. Mc Blue Cartel also won the \$302,000 Lassie Futurity at Delta Downs on Friday night. Overall, Conair Cartel has taken home \$113,538 in purse money after his \$30,000 first-place prize from the Laddie Stakes.

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Bred in Louisiana by Dennis Mills Partners LLC, Conair Cartel is a chestnut gelding by Five Bar Cartel, out of the Rakin In The Cash mare Miss Classy Perry.

Delta Downs will now head to the sixth week of its current season, which takes place next Wednesday through Saturday. First post time each night is set 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 Twitter.

[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.