



ARAPAHOE PARK

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### **ARAPAHOE HORSE WINS FIRST ARABIAN RACE ON BREEDERS' CUP CARD**

**Aurora, CO (November 2, 2013)** – The first ever Arabian race contested on the Breeders' Cup card went to a horse that competed at Arapahoe Park this summer and represented Arapahoe Park's leading trainer for Arabian breeds. Trainer Scott Powell's So Big Is Better captured the \$150,000 Grade 1 President of the United Arab Emirates Cup over 1 1/16 miles on Friday at Santa Anita by 7 1/4 lengths.

"That's the ultimate feeling," Powell said. "You maximize everything, and what a win!"

The 9-year-old gray horse owned by Mark Powell, the trainer's brother, was more than 10 lengths behind in eighth place after the opening half-mile. He circled the field and took the lead less than a quarter-mile later. Jockey Luis Medina pumped his fist and raised his arm in the air in victory as the 11-1 shot crossed the finish line.

No Problem Al Maury, who shipped from France to California, took second. Powell's Ms Dixie finished third, as the two horses who were based at Arapahoe Park this summer defeated a field of 11 made up of some of the best Arabians in the world.

"We're promoting, pushing people and letting them know that we're putting all our time, money, and energy into Arapahoe Park to make it the premier Arabian meet in the country," Powell said.

So Big Is Better won the Crow Valley Ranch Classic, and Ms Dixie captured the Cobra Distaff Sprint in 2013 at Arapahoe Park. Powell said So Big Is Better will now be retired to stud. He finishes his career with 25 wins in 54 races with earnings of \$333,065.