



ARAPAHOE PARK

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### **ARAPAHOE PARK CLASSIC PURSE INCREASE PAYING OFF**

**Aurora, CO (November 19, 2013)** – Arapahoe Park’s increase of the purse of the Arapahoe Park Classic from \$50,000 to its richest level ever of \$100,000 in 2013 is paying dividends in terms of the quality of horses the race attracted. Three of the first four finishers will face off against each other again on Sunday in the 1 1/8-mile, \$150,000 Zia Park Distance Championship on Land of Enchantment Day at Zia Park in Hobbs, New Mexico.

No Spin won the Arapahoe Park Classic on August 11 over Treacherous. Red Lead finished fourth and will join No Spin and Treacherous in the Zia Park Distance Championship. No Spin has gone from winning \$15,000 claiming races in May to six-figure stakes races. He has been competitive in stakes on both dirt and turf surfaces.

“I think he’s running the best races of his life right now, and I hope he keeps going forward,” his trainer, Chris Hartman, said.

After finishing second in the Arapahoe Park Classic, Treacherous won two consecutive stakes races in New Mexico, the Ruidoso Downs Thoroughbred Championship at Ruidoso on September 2 and the New Mexico State Fair Handicap at Albuquerque on September 22. The Owen Bringham-trainee enters the Zia Park Distance Championship off a third-place finish in Zia Park’s Veterans Stakes, a prep race that produced six of the eight previous Zia Park Distance Championship winners.

Red Lead, who is also trained by Hartman, is a multiple-stakes-winning veteran who has earned nearly \$800,000 while competing in seven different states.