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FILLY COLINDA DAWN WINS COLORADO DERBY, THREE OLIVES N SMOKE TAKES ROCKY MOUNTAIN FUTURITY

Aurora, CO (July 12, 2015) – The filly Colinda Dawn beat the colts and geldings in the 2015 Colorado Derby at Arapahoe Park on Sunday for her second stakes victory in one week. Ridden by jockey Dennis Collins for trainer Ty Garrett and owner Eleanor Stinson, Colinda Dawn led from start to finish in the 1 1/16-mile, \$40,000 derby for a nine-length domination in 1:47.84. The daughter of sire Lucks Mine out of dam Pirate’s Present defeated Prater Sixty Four and Dewey in a field of six that also included Arapahoe’s 2014 Gold Rush Futurity winner Passed Due and 2015 Inaugural Stakes winner Z Smoking Gun. One week prior, Colinda Dawn defeated 3-year-old fillies in the George Wafer Memorial at Arapahoe Park on July 5.

“She has yet to figure out how good she could be,” Collins said. “She’s going to be such a talented 4-year-old when she learns how to focus a little more.”

Also on Sunday at Arapahoe Park, Three Olives N Smoke captured his second Quarter Horse futurity of the 2015 season with a one-length victory in the 350-yard, \$148,950 Rocky Mountain Futurity in 17.89 seconds. The 2-year-old bay gelding bred by owner Margo Schares and trained by John Hammes won his fourth race in a row, having also taken the Cherry Creek Futurity for Colorado-breds earlier in the season.

“The horse ran his tail off,” jockey Stormy Smith. “He’s a good horse, and he’s a fun horse to ride.”