



PRESS RELEASE - AJAX DOWNS

Twixt of Fate Headlines \$66,000 Ontario Bred Futurity Wednesday



TWIXT OF FATE (6) showed his inexperience but had the fastest time in the Trials for the Ontario Bred Futurity - New Image Media photo

AJAX DOWNS, MONDAY AUGUST 24, 2020 - Two-year-olds bred in Ontario chase big money Wednesday, August 26 at Ajax Downs in the **\$66,000 Ontario Bred Futurity** on the 12th day of the Quarter Horse racing season. The field of 10 is made up of the fastest qualifiers from two Trials held August 5 and both heats featured photo finishes involving multiple juveniles.

TWIXT OF FATE, owned by Richard Wincikaby of Englehart ON, won the fastest Trial in his career debut despite a rather eventful run to the finish. The grey gelding, who was a 31 to 1 longshot, veered out late in the race and almost lost jockey Ed Walton in the process.

"We knew he had some talent and was doing everything well going into his first start," said trainer Michelle Woodley of Bolton. "We were happy with the way he stood in the gate and



handled all the commotion. We like him a lot and hope that he has learned from his first start and will run a bit more professional and focused in the final."

Twixt of Fate posted an 82 speed index in winning his Trial by a neck over Countryfried Chicken, who edged Whisky James and Kool Castillo for second place. Walton and Twixt of Fate will start from post four in the 300-yard dash.

MEMORY OF GRIFFIN, owned and bred by Erik and Joyce Lehtinen of Uxbridge, won his Trial by a nose with a 76 speed index over a fast closing Had to Be Relentless, a half brother to 2019 Horse of the Year Had to Be Ivory.

Ramiro Castillo will ride Memory of Griffin and they will start from post six.

The August 26 afternoon of racing also includes a \$14,000 allowance race for fillies and mares at 300 yards pitting stakes winners **SHAKE IT TWICE** and **SHES SIZZLING** against **NOT WHISTLIN DIXIE**, who was recently second to champion Country Boy 123.

First race post time Wednesday is 12:55 p.m. You can watch and wager on the entire Ajax Dows card of racing at www.hpibet.com and follow a livestream of the day of racing at www.ajaxdowns.com.

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FIELD FOR THE ONTARIO-BRED FUTURITY RACE 7 POST TIME - 3:37 PM

**Purse \$66,000. For Ontario Bred (program Registered) Two Year Olds, Which Nominated To, And Qualified From, The Time Trials (if Necessary) On Wednesday, August 5/20 (10 Fastest Qualifiers).
Three Hundred Yards.**

PP	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Odds
1	Goodness Graceious	B Bell	C McIntyre	10/1
2	Kool Castillo	C Spataro	T D Dunlap	6/1
3	Kitsawinner	M Badal	P Garrison	15/1
4	Twixt of Fate	E Walton	M Woodley	3/1
5	Countryfried Chicken	H M Vanek	J Pascoe	7/2
6	Memory of Griffin	R S Castillo	E Lehtinen	8/1
7	Whisky James	C Jeschke	B Robertson	4/1
8	Had to Be Relentless	T Phillips	B Robertson	8/1
9	Sunday Quickie	L Desouza	B Wood	10/1
10	Bogie Wheels	I E Mosqueira	B Wood	12/1



Owners: 1 - Big Dog Racing Stable ; 2 - Rick Crispi ; 3 - Earl A. Foster ; 4 - Richard Wincikaby ; 5 - Milena Kwiecien ; 6 - Lehtinen, Joyce and Erik ; 7 - Robertson, Carol and Jaime ; 8 - Robertson, Carol and Jaime ; 9 - James Bogar ; 10 - James Bogar

Breeders: 1 - Big Dog Racing; 2 - Angelle Carter; 3 - Heste Sport Inc; 4 - Gary McNichol; 5 - Milena Kwiecien; 6 - Joyce And/Or Erik Lehtinen; 7 - Guylaine Paquin; 8 - Carol and Jaime Robertson; 9 - Steve Hunter; 10 - Four Leaf Racing