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## **PRESS RELEASE - AJAX DOWNS**

### **Country Boy 123, Canada's Richest Quarter Horse Goes for 27th Win in Monday's Feature**



Country Boy 123 with owner/trainer Ruth Barbour, Sept. 2, 2020 - JOHN WATKINS PHOTO

**AJAX DOWNS, FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2020** - Quarter Horse racing continues Monday September 21 at Ajax Downs with a nine-race card including a \$13,000 allowance that has lured



Canada's all-time leading earner, **COUNTRY BOY 123**. The popular 7-year-old, currently on a four-race winning streak, recently went over the \$500,000 (Can) mark in career earnings to make him the richest Canadian-based Quarter Horse in history.

Owned and trained by Ruth Barbour of Hillsburgh, ON, Country Boy 123 goes for his 27th career win in Monday's 7th race at 300-yards, his final start before next month's Alex Picov Memorial Championship which he has won the last three consecutive years. Ajax Downs' leading rider Ed Walton partners Country Boy 123 from post four.

Among those facing the three-time Horse of the Year is short-distance specialist Carneros, a close second to Country Boy on Aug. 19 and Barbour's Chicksdigymoneybags, who finished third to his stablemate in the Distance series Leg 2 on Sept. 2.

The featured race is part of an intriguing **Pick 4 wager** combining races 6 through 9. Race 9 is a super 10-horse field of maiden 2-year-olds racing 300-yards for a purse of \$10,000. The Pick 4 wager is a 20-cent base wager requiring fans to pick the winners of the four races, often yielding a handsome payoff.

\* The popular Quarter Horse show **RACEVIEW NETWORK**, based in Oklahoma, recently did a short feature on **COUNTRY BOY 23**, you can watch it here - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IuhdtXa1Cvk>

\*Ajax Downs continues to hold live racing behind closed doors due to the CO-19 pandemic but all the races are live-streamed at [www.ajaxdowns.com](http://www.ajaxdowns.com) and fans can open an account to watch and wager on the afternoon at Horseplayer Interactive, [www.hpiwet.com](http://www.hpiwet.com).

Be sure to follow the Quarter Horses @**AjaxDowns** on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram for entries, results, news and updates.

The **Quarter Racing Owners of Ontario, Inc.** can help you get involved in owning your own Quarter Horse, contact them at [qrooi.com](http://qrooi.com).

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