

SUMMER SOIREE BREEZES FAST AT KEENELAND, CHURCHILL DOWNS NEXT WORKOUT SCHEDULE UNDER THE TWIN SPIRES IS DETAILED BY G. MOTION ANIMAL KINGDOM, SUMMER SOIREE, MEISTERSINGER OFF TO LOUISVILLE

Summer Soiree, who will make her next start on May 6 in the \$1-million, Grade 1 Kentucky Oaks, had her first workout for Graham Motion and her first bit of serious work since romping in the Grade 3 Bourbonette Oaks 3 weeks ago at Turfway Park.

Working by herself, the War Front filly obviously had a lot of pent up energy, as she rattled off her initial half-mile in :46-flat. The bullet for a half was :46 3/5.

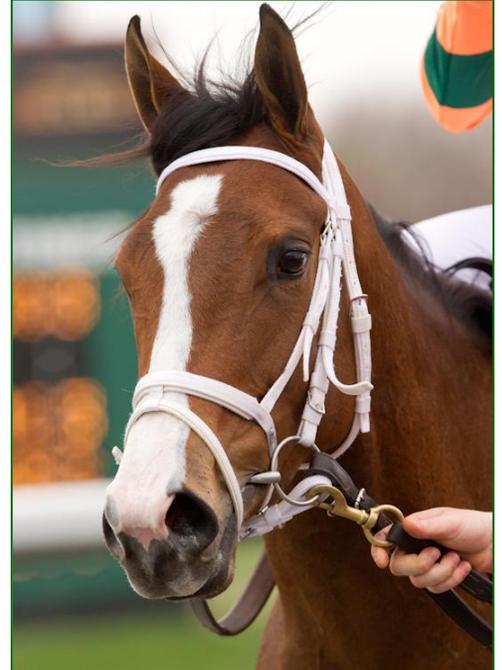
Coming down the lane, the filly's rider had her bent double and she looked to be cruising at just a high gallop, but Graham Motion clocked her final furlong in :12 3/5, giving her 5 furlongs in :58 3/5. The clockers, in business for themselves as usual at Keeneland, put down 1:00 2/5.

In order for her to have worked in 1:00 2/5, she would have had to breeze a final furlong in :14 2/5, which is a gallop out time, not a breezing time, which proves the 1:00 2/5 was erroneous.

"Obviously she went off too fast," said Motion. "But look at this watch—she finished up in :12 3/5. And you saw her...she was just galloping."

Barry Irwin saw the move and his reaction was the same as Motion. "She looks like she is 2-minute licking at best. She is very deceptive.

"Hey, we know the War Fronts have gas. And we know they can 2-turn. But what we have not yet seen is one of them carry its speed a mile and an eighth in top company, and Summer Soiree will face one of the strongest Oaks fields in memory."



Graham Motion is live in Louisville.

Motion later today will van Summer Soiree, Animal Kingdom and Meistersinger from Keeneland to Churchill Downs, where all three of them will gallop Thursday and Friday and breeze on the main dirt track on Saturday morning.

"That's if the weather cooperates, which is a big if around these parts of late," Motion pointed out. "If we miss Saturday, we can always go on Sunday. We can be flexible."

Summer Soiree will breeze 5 furlongs alone. She is too speedy and competitive to work in company.

Animal Kingdom, testing dirt for the first time this season, and Meistersinger, a possibility for the Grade 3 Derby Trial, will breeze 5 or 6 furlongs in company.

Motion plans to leave all 3 at Churchill Downs through the Kentucky Derby weekend and may leave Meistersinger in Kentucky for awhile to race at Churchill Downs.