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LOCAL STAKES WINNER OPENING BUZZ WILL ATTEMPT TO LEAP BACK TO FORM IN \$125,000 WEBN FROG STAKES

FLORENCE, Ky. (Saturday, March 11, 2023) – **Tommy Town Thoroughbreds'** \$125,000 Wishing Well Stakes winner **Opening Buzz** tops a very competitive field of seven filly and mare sprinters that entered Friday night's \$125,000 WEBN Frog Stakes at Turfway Park.

The six-furlong WEBN Frog stakes is the featured event on the St. Patrick's Day program at Turfway Park that will go as Race 7 of 9 with a post time of 8:55 p.m. (all times Eastern). First post is 5:55 p.m.

Opening Buzz impressed two starts ago in the Wishing Well when rallied from more than five lengths off the early pace to defeat 10 rivals by one length. Trained by **Jonathan Wong**, Opening Buzz was the 6-5 favorite two weeks ago in the \$125,000 Wintergreen Stakes when she stretched out to one-mile in distance but tired late to finish sixth. The speedy daughter 4-year-old daughter of Stanford will be ridden by **Luan Machado** from the rail.

Also entered in the WEBN Frog Stakes is trainer **Paulo Lobo's** recent allowance winning duo of **Bronwood Farm's Quaria Comet** and **AMO Racing USA's Thunder Love**.

Quaria Comet, a 4-year-old daughter of Shackleford, prevailed by a neck over **Awesome Treat** in a Feb. 23 allowance event at Turfway Park. Quaria Comet has never finished worse than second on the Tapta surface at Turfway Park. She'll be ridden in the WEBN Frog Stakes by **Gerardo Corrales** from post No. 4.

One day after Quaria Comet's victory, her stablemate, Thunder Love, won a local allowance optional claiming contest by a half-length under jockey **Joe Talamo**. Thunder Love's most recent allowance victory was her second-consecutive score at Turfway. The 4-year-old daughter of Profitable (IRE) will be ridden Friday by Talamo from post 2.

Here is the complete field for the WEBN Frog Stakes from the rail out (with jockey and trainer):

1. Opening Buzz (Machado, Wong)
2. Thunder Love (GB) (Talamo, Lobo)
3. **Altered Shot** (Joe Ramos, Greg Foley)
4. Quaria Comet (Corrales, Lobo)
5. **Souper Munnings** (Chris Landeros, Ian Wilkes)
6. **Awesome Treat** (Malcom Franklin, Justin Wojczynski)
7. **Baby No Worries** (Manny Esquivel, Tim Girten)

The party at Turfway Park will start Friday at noon where fans can catch all the action of March Madness in the Event Center. Cincinnati's Rock Station, 102.7 WEBN, will be onsite hosting drawings to win concert tickets, free play and food comps plus the chance to participate in a stick pony race in the paddock. Guests who sign up for a Players Club Card can receive \$20-\$100 in Free Play and participate in a drawing where 30 winners will be selected for the chance to win up to \$100,000 cash.

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