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JULIAS DREAM MUCH THE BEST IN \$125,000 GOWELL STAKES

FLORENCE, Ky. (Saturday, Dec. 23, 2023) – Talla Racing's 2-year-old filly **Julias Dream** was able to withstand swift early fractions and drew off by 4 ¼ lengths to win Saturday's featured \$125,000 Gowell Stakes at Turfway Park Racing & Gaming.

Trained by **Michael McCarthy**, the lightly-raced **Julias Dream** improved her overall mark to three wins from just four starts. She was ridden to victory in the Gowell Stakes by leading rider **Luan Machado** and the duo completed six furlongs in 1:11.21.

In the early stages of the race, **Baraye** was fleet-footed from the rail under jockey **Gerardo Corrales** and was quickly joined to her outside by **Julias Dream**. The duo clipped through an opening quarter-mile in :22.15 and half-mile in :45.29. As the field entered the stretch, **Julias Dream** poked her head in front of her speedy rival and began to draw clear as they entered the final furlong. **Baraye** was able to hold the runner-up position by a neck over the fast-closing **Pipit**. They were followed in order by **Pinotslilgirl**, **Candi Girl**, **Trial**, **Edge of Town**, **Secret Glenda**, **Kerlo's Cause** and **Logistics**.

Julias Dream was bet down to the 5-2 post time favorite and paid \$2 mutuels of \$7.86, \$5.30 and \$3.16. **Baraye** returned \$5.70 and \$3.62 while **Pipit** paid \$4.16.

Julias Dream is a daughter of **Flameaway** out of the dam **Cinnamon Girl**. She was bred in Kentucky by **David Soblick**.

Racing will continue Wednesday-Saturday with daily first posts of 5:55 p.m. Saturday is the final day of the Holiday Meet and will offer mandatory payouts in all wagers. The 2024 Winter/Spring Meet will commence Jan. 3. For more information about racing and wagering from Turfway Park, visit www.Turfway.com.

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