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ICICLES SHINES IN \$125,000 LIKELY EXCHANGE STAKES

FLORENCE, Ky. (Saturday, Jan. 13, 2024) – Amidst the chilly Saturday night air at Turfway Park, Dixiana Farms' aptly named Icicles scored an impressive 3 ½-length upset victory in the 26th running of the \$125,000 Likely Exchange Stakes.

Icicles, a 4-year-old filly by Frosted, not only earned \$74,814 for her victory but, in partnership with **Claiborne Farm**, earned a \$10,000 credit for a future stallion pairing at the farm as part of the "Make Your Mare Series."

Trained by **John Ennis**, Icicles was ridden to victory in the one-mile Likely Exchange by **Adam Beschizza**. The duo stopped the clock in 1:39.64.

It was a good start in the Likely Exchange Stakes as Beschizza hustled Icicles to the early advantage but was briefly joined to their outside by **Ghostly Gal** as they entered the first turn. However, midway through the turn, Icicles began to boldly extend the lead over her pace-pressing rival and spurted clear through an opening quarter-mile in a swift :23.36. Up the backside, Icicles continued to race clear of the rest of the field by 2 ½ lengths with a half-mile time of :46.95. As Icicles continued her lead around the far turn, South Florida invader **Silver Ticket** began to show her best stride, cutting the margin to about 1 ½ lengths. However, as Icicles reached the top of the stretch, she shrugged off Silver Ticket and powered home for a clear victory.

Silver Ticket, who was ridden by **Emisael Jaramillo**, held second by five lengths over **Lilac Girl**, who was followed by **Lexa**, **Bali Belle**, **Catiche**, Ghostly Gal and **Jag Warrior**.

Those sharp enough to back Icicles were rewarded with payouts of \$32.58, \$13.62 and \$6.60. Silver Ticket returned \$4.46 and \$3.38 while Lilac Girl paid \$3.40

The Likely Exchange Stakes was Icicles second-career victory from seven starts. Her overall earnings now improved to \$169,530.

The Likely Exchange Stakes was the final leg of the three-race "Make Your Mare" series that began with the Holiday Inaugural and My Charmer Stakes during the 2023 Holiday Meet. The Top 3 finishers from each race all received credit to Claiborne Farm on a \$10,000, \$5,000 and \$2,500 scale that can be used through the 2025 breeding season.

Racing at the Winter/Spring Meet is scheduled to continue Wednesday-Saturday with daily first posts of 5:55 p.m. For more information about live racing and gaming from Turfway Park, visit www.turfway.com.