

**Saturday, Churchill Downs**

**NORTHERN DANCER BREEDERS' CUP S.-GIII,**

\$220,400, CDX, 6-17, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:43 1/5, ft.

1--**@HIGH COTTON, 122, c, 3, by [Dixie Union](#)**

**1st Dam: Happy Tune, by A.P. Indy**

**2nd Dam: Hum Along, by Fappiano**

**3rd Dam: Minstress, by The Minstrel**

(\$110,000 yrl '04 KEESEP). O-Peachtree Stable; B-W S Farish & O M Phipps (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher; J-G K Gomez; \$135,594. Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-1, \$356,044.

2--**Simon Pure, 116, c, 3, Silver Deputy--Life's Magic, by Cox's Ridge. (\$665,000 yrl '04 FTSAUG).**

O-Robert & Beverly Lewis Trust; B-Liberation Farm, Oratis Thoroughbreds & Cho LLC (KY); T-D Wayne Lukas; \$43,739.

3--**Sayhellotolarry, 116, c, 3, Victory Gallop--English Bay, by Williamstown. O/B-Frances Genter Williams (KY); T-Michael A Tomlinson; \$21,869.**

Margins: 1HF, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.50\*, 5.50, 25.80.

Also Ran: Admiral's Arch, Cielo Gold, Private Vow.

Scratched: Circle the World.

High Cotton concluded his juvenile campaign with a second to Private Vow (Broken Vow) in the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. over this surface Nov. 26, but the fortunes of both colts have gone in markedly different directions since. After being eased in his sophomore bow in a Gulfstream allowance Feb. 22, High Cotton posted a front-running tally in Turfway's Rushaway S. Mar. 25, but faded to ninth--with Private Vow third--in the GII Arkansas Derby Apr. 15. He rebounded with 5 1/2-length in the Sir Barton S. at Pimlico May 20 and was the slight favorite over his old rival. After exchanging bumps with Simon Pure at the start, the bay tracked Private Vow through fractions of :48.21 and 1:12.19 and moved up to challenge as they straightened into the stretch. The Peachtree colorbearer hit the front while keeping Simon Pure from finding a seam and drove home for his first graded win. Private Vow stopped badly in the lane to finish last.

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