



PEDIGREE PROFILE

Continued prosperity for Indian Blessing in Frizette Stakes

by Rommy Favershaw

Hal and Patti Earnhardt's homebred Indian Blessing left the rest of the field without much of a prayer as she rolled to a commanding 4½-length victory as the 0.65-to-1 favorite in the one-mile \$400,000 Frizette Stakes (G1) on October 6 at Belmont Park.



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It was the second victory in as many starts for the two-year-old Indian Charlie filly, who previously hinted at her potential when she captured a 6½-furlong maiden special weight race by 5¼ lengths in her debut on August 30 at Saratoga Race Course. Her earnings stand at \$277,200.

INDIAN BLESSING

The good-natured dark bay or brown filly became a leading contender for the \$2-million Grey Goose Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (G1) at Monmouth Park on October 27.

Bred in Kentucky, Indian Blessing is the first winner out of multiple Grade 3-placed stakes winner Shameful, by Flying Chevron. As a four-year-old, Shameful won the 2003 Pine Tree Lane Stakes at Santa Anita Park.

Indian Blessing represents the first stakes winner out of a Flying Chevron mare. Her dam's half brother, Little Matth Man, by Matty G., won the 2004 Whirlaway Stakes and later was Grade 2-placed.

Indian Blessing's fourth dam, Pia's Lady, also is the matriarch of Grade/Group 1 winners Cat's Cradle, Roamin Rachel, and her son, Japan's 2004 Horse of the Year Zenno Rob Roy.

Hal Earnhardt also is responsible for breeding and racing Indian Blessing's sire, the In Excess (Ire) stallion Indian Charlie, who stands at Airdrie Stud in Midway, Kentucky.

Winner of his first four starts, including the 1998 Santa Anita Derby (G1), Indian Charlie was injured when finishing

third as the favorite in the Kentucky Derby (G1). He is the sire of last year's champion older mare Fleet Indian as well as 2005 Juddmonte Spinster Stakes (G1) winner Pampered Princess.

It is interesting to note that a majority of Indian Charlie's best off-

Indian Blessing, dk. b. or br. f., 2005

Indian Charlie 95 363 fls, 32 SWs SI 2.17 DI=2.43	In Excess (Ire) 87 11 wins, \$1,736,733, SW 713 fls, 48 SWs SI 2.57 DI=5.00	Siberian Express 81 307 fls, 12 SWs SI 1.08 DI=2.05	Caro (Ire) 67 =Fortino II (Fr) 59 =Chambord (GB) 55 Warfare 57 La Morlaye 58	=Sing Sing (GB) 57 =Saulisa (GB) 63
	Soviet Sojourn 89 3 wins, \$270,110, SW 10 fls, 1 SW DI=2.29	Leo Castelli 84 404 fls, 25 SWs SI 1.05 DI=6.56	=Kantado (Ire) 76 13 fls, 1 SW DI=7.00	=Saulingo (GB) 70 =Vi (GB) 60
Shameful 99 2 fls, 1 SW DI=1.95	Flying Chevron 92 5 wins, \$383,610, SW 132 fls, 6 SWs SI 1.02 DI=2.23	Political Parfait 84 12 fls, 1 SW DI=1.55	Sovereign Dancer 75 Suspicious Native 72	Raise a Native 61 Be Suspicious 63
	Lady's Legacy 93 1 win, \$22,367, Spl 5 fls, 2 SWs DI=1.67	Carson City 87 1018 fls, 90 SWs SI 2.14 DI=2.86	Diplomat Way 64 Peach Butter 77	Nashua 52 Jandy 49 Creme dela Creme 63 Slipping Round 70
	Matchlite 83 241 fls, 18 SWs SI 0.64 DI=3.33	Fly Me First 75 16 fls, 1 SW DI=0.33	Mr. Prospector 70 Blushing Promise 82	Raise a Native 61 Gold Digger 62 Blushing Groom (Fr) 74 Summertime Promise 72
	Wavering Lady 86 8 fls, 0 SWs DI=1.37		*Herbager 56 Flying Fable 62	=Vandale (Fr) 43 =Flageette (Fr) 51
			Clever Trick 76 Light Up My Life 76	Dark Ruler 52 Jeannie C. 49
			Wavering Monarch 79 Pia's Lady 71	Iocapade 69 Kankakee Miss 67 Sir Ivor 65 Tusi Bella 66 Majestic Light 73 Uncommitted 74
				Pia Star 61 Plucky Roman 54

spring, including all three of his Grade 1 winners, are out of Mr. Prospector-line mares.

This is, perhaps, related to Indian Charlie's paternal grandsire, Siberian Express, who, like Mr. Prospector, descends in tail-female to the great matron Myrtlewood.

Finally, there is Myrtlewood's famous grandam, who came to serve as this race's namesake. Indeed, the everlasting influence of Frizette.

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