



PEDIGREE PROFILE

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Turbo Compressor runs on high-octane pedigree

Front-running four-year old Turbo Compressor was certainly firing on all cylinders as he cruised to a commanding 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -length victory in the \$505,000 United Nations Stakes (G1) on July 7 at Monmouth Park.

He won his first graded stakes in a rapidly improving career and earned a berth in the Breeders' Cup Turf (G1) at Santa Anita on November 3 as part of the "Win and You're In" Challenge Series.

Turbo Compressor has now won half of his 14 lifetime starts, accruing a bankroll of \$920,960.

A minor stakes winner on the dirt in 2011, he is a perfect three-for-three running on firm turf courses this season.

The bay Halo's Image ridgling was coming off a strong wire-to-wire effort that netted the Colonial Turf Cup on June 16.

Turbo Compressor and his success at the top level is a testament to the breeding acumen of late Florida horseman Arthur I. Appleton and his Bridlewood Farms in Ocala.

Accounting for all aspects of his proximate pedigree, Appleton is responsible for breeding Turbo Compressor, his sire, broodmare sire, and all of the immediate family including his first three dams.

Purchased for \$22,000 at the 2010 Ocala Breeders' Sales Co. April two-year-olds in training sale, Turbo Compressor is one of five winners from as many starters out of the Wild Event mare Dixieland Event who, like her dam Pleasant Dixie, was unraced.

Dixieland Event also is dam of Stormy Dixie, by Stormy Atlantic, who set a course record for 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles when capturing last year's Politely Stakes on the turf at Monmouth.

Most prominently, crossing our subject's sire, Halo's Image, with his grandam, Pleasant Dixie, produced Turbo Compressor's three-quarter brother, three-time Grade 1 winner and sire Southern Image.

Turbo Compressor's fourth dam, Jolie Jolie, was a foundation mare for Bridlewood, yielding four stakes winners, including our subject's third dam, Pleasant Jolie, and three-time Grade 1 winner and sire Jolie's Halo.



TURBO COMPRESSOR
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Turbo Compressor, b. rdlg., 2008

Halo's Image 91 545 fls, 22 SWs SI 1.34 DI=3.21	Halo 69 9 wins, \$259,553, SW 724 fls, 63 SWs SI 3.40 DI=2.14	Hail to Reason 58 308 fls, 43 SWs SI 4.40 DI=3.18	*Turn-to 51	*Royal Charger 42
			Noththirdchance 48	*Source Sucree 40
		Cosmah 53 15 fls, 4 SWs DI=1.36	Cosmic Bomb 44	Blue Swords 40
			Almahmoud 47	Galla Colors 43
Dixieland Event 01 5 fls, 2 SWs DI=4.00	Sugar's Image 81 18 wins, \$381,093, SW 11 fls, 1 SW DI=5.86	Valid Appeal 72 791 fls, 88 SWs SI 2.18 DI=2.79	In Reality 64	*Pharamond II 25
		Sugar Del 71 14 fls, 2 SWs DI=12.33	Desert Trial 63	Banish Fear 32
			Crozier 58	*Mahmoud 33
			Best Answer 62	Arbitrator 37
Wild Event 93 10 wins, \$937,274, SW 677 fls, 43 SWs SI 1.59 DI=3.36		Wild Again 80 943 fls, 88 SWs SI 2.38 DI=4.05	Icecapade 69	Intentionally 56
		North Of Eden (Ire) 83 14 fls, 4 SWs DI=2.14	Bushel-n-Peck 58	My Dear Girl 57
			Northfields 68	Moslem Chief 57
			Tree of Knowledge (Ire) 77	Scotch Verdict 60
Pleasant Dixie 95 Unraced 9 fls, 2 SWs DI=3.00		Dixieland Band 80 1304 fls, 117 SWs SI 2.23 DI=3.50	Northern Dancer 61	*My Babu 45
		Pleasant Jolie 88 13 fls, 1 SW DI=3.55	Mississippi Mud 73	Miss Olympia 52
			Pleasant Colony 78	My Request 45
			Jolie Jolie 80	Old Bess 48
				Nearctic 54
				Shenagans 63
				*Khaled 43
				*Dama II 50
				Northern Dancer 61
				Little Hut 52
				Sassafras (Fr) 67
				Sensibility 71
				Nearctic 54
				Natalma 57
				Delta Judge 60
				Sand Buggy 63
				His Majesty 68
				Sun Colony 68
				Sir Ivor 65
				Who's to Know 70

This appears to be a female family with an affinity for Halo-line stallions. As it stands, all four Grade 1 winners in Turbo Compressor's female family tracing back to his fifth dam, Who's to Know, are of a Halo sire line.

Turbo Compressor's broodmare sire, 1999 Early Times Turf Classic Stakes (G1) winner Wild Event, spent a couple of years standing at Bridlewood before he was moved to Brazil, where he has become a champion sire.

Halo's Image topped Florida stallions' progeny earnings in 2004 and 2006, but died of an apparent heart attack in 2010.

Turbo Compressor is the first winner of the United Nations to represent the Halo sire line since the mean-spirited breed shaper Halo, won the race in 1974 when it was run at Atlantic City Race Course.

A five generation outcross, Turbo Compressor's pedigree demonstrates the auspicious pattern of a Halo-line stallion crossed with a mare not only from a 'Halo-philic' family, but inbred, 4x3, to Halo's close relative Northern Dancer.

Such an approach and its inbreeding to Almahmoud certainly has worked well in Japan with Halo's most accomplished son, Sunday Silence.

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