

High Resolve's pedigree features clever cross of close relatives

by Rommy Faversham

In a fine display of speed and determination, front-running fouryear-old filly High Resolve held sway as she drew clear when asked through the Gulfstream Park stretch to chalk up a 2¹/₄-length victory



in the \$300,000 Hill 'n' Dale Sunshine Millions Filly and Mare Sprint on January 24.

Sent off at odds of 5.70-to-1 in a field of twelve that included three Grade 1 winners, High Resolve covered six furlongs, in 1:10.55 on a track rated as fast.

It was the fifth stakes triumph for the gray or roan Put

HIGH RESOLVE

It Back filly, who has captured seven of ten lifetime starts and earned \$426,270. All of High Resolve's victories have been on dirt at distances ranging from 5½ to seven furlongs. She has never off the board.

Bred in Florida by Steve Tucker and Bryan Tucker, High Resolve was purchased for \$135,000 at the 2007 Ocala Breeders' Sales Co. spring sale of two-year-olds in training.

She is one of six winners from eight starters out of the On to Glory mare Shari's Glory, a stakes winner in Pennsylvania at age two.

So far, daughters of On to Glory, a sire who never won a stakes race, have combined to produce 28 stakes winners, including 1996 Preakness Stakes (G1) winner Louis Quatorze.

High Resolve's fourth dam, White Lie, is the dam of 1973 French champion two-year-old filly Hippodamia. Her extended family is anchored by her seventh dam, the prominent Mahmoud mare *Boudoir II.

High Resolve hails from the third crop of the Honour and Glory stallion Put It Back, who stands at Bridlewood Farm in Ocala for \$8,500.

A Grade 2-winning sprinter, Put It Back has been spending the Southern Hemisphere half of the breeding season in Brazil, where he recently was recognized as that country's leading general and juvenile sire for 2008.

No matter his relative position to the equator or even the type of mare to which he has been bred, the large majority of Put It Back's best offspring have been dedicated sprinters.

High Resolve, gr. or ro. f., 2005				
Put It Back 98 308 fls, 21 SWs SI 1.75 DI=7.00	Honour and Glory 93 6 wins, \$1,202,942, SW 1580 fls, 51 SWs SI 1.16 DI=3.33	Relaunch 76 725 fls, 89 SWs SI 3.05 DI=3.00	In Reality 64	Intentionally 56 My Dear Girl 57
			Foggy Note 65	The Axe II 58 Silver Song 57
		Fair to All 86 10 fls, 1 SW DI=2.29	Al Nasr (Fr) 78	Lyphard 69 Caretta (Ire) 73
			Gonfalon 75	Francis S. 57 Grand Splendor 62
	Miss Shoplifter 91 3 wins, \$102,540 8 fls, 1 SW DI=15.00	Exuberant 76 597 fls, 24 SWs SI 0.99 DI=5.29	What a Pleasure 65	Bold Ruler 54 Grey Flight 45
			Out in the Cold 68	Beau Purple 57 Articana 60
		Articulate Robbery 80 7 fls, 2 SWs DI=4.09	No Robbery 60	Swaps 52 Bimlette 44
			Art Talk 71	Speak John 58 Tattooed Miss 60
Shari's Glory 88 8 fls, 1 SW DI=6.33	On to Glory 71 2 wins, \$13,000 540 fls, 32 SWs SI 1.24 DI=2.64	Bold Lad 62 405 fls, 28 SWs SI 2.52 DI=2.73	Bold Ruler 54	*Nasrullah 40 Miss Disco 44
			Misty Morn 52	*Princequillo 40 Grey Flight 45
		Shenanigans 63 6 fls, 3 SWs DI=2.00	Native Dancer 50	Polynesian 42 Geisha 43
			Bold Irish 48	Fighting Fox 35 Erin 27
	Number One Lark 80 Unraced 8 fls, 1 SW DI=10.00	Soy Numero Uno 73 296 fls, 11 SWs SI 0.91 DI=3.33	Damascus 64	Sword Dancer 56 Kerala 58
			Tasma 57	Crafty Admiral 48 Helene 44
		Laurel Lark 73 5 fls, 0 SWs DI=15.00	T. V. Lark 57	*Indian Hemp 49 Miss Larksfly 48
			White Lie 64	Bald Eagle 55 Etiquette 54

High Resolve's pedigree is highlighted by an auspicious 4x3 cross of What a Pleasure and his three-quarter brother Bold Lad, the former a two-time leading U.S. sire, the latter America's 1964 champion two-year-old male.

Inbreeding to the family of their common matriarch Grey Flight (family number 5-f) has been a valuable tactic in the production of exceptional runners (including previously noted Louis Quatorze) for several decades.

High Resolve inherited her silver coat from the "Grey Ghost", Native Dancer, who appears as On to Glory's broodmare sire. Interestingly, Native Dancer also descends from the family number 5-f clan. His dam, Geisha, and Grey Flight share the same grandam, the Sweep mare La Chica, thus providing High Resolve with a third deep strain from this influential family.

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