



NOBLE'S PROMISE

THE HORSE

Noble's Promise sits second on the graded-earnings list so there's little question about his prospect for running in the Kentucky Derby, especially now that his cuts and nicks from the Arkansas Derby and the slight lung infection noted after the race are on the mend.

Expected to race off with the big prize in the Arkansas Derby, Noble's Promise was the biggest disappointment coming out of the race as he finished fifth.

But trainer Kenneth McPeck hasn't lost any respect for the Cuvee colt and looks forward to a major effort in the Kentucky Derby. McPeck will be sending his fourth Derby runner to the gate, with a runner-up effort by Tejano Run in 1995, the trainer's first prospect, being the top finish so far.



THE OWNER

Chasing Dreams Stable is a partnership managed by Robert Brewster, Ron Holmberg and Kelly Colliver and includes numerous other partners.

Brewster and Colliver live in Lexington, Ky., and Holmberg calls La Grange, Ky., home. Brewster operates Logo Xpress, a screen printing business in Lexington, Colliver is a real estate appraiser and Holmberg is an employee of the Army Corps of Engineers. They met while taking part in other racehorse syndicates.

Chasing Dreams Racing is a spinoff of the Livin the Dream Racing syndicate that campaigns Grade I winner Dream Empress, runner-up in the 2008 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.. A year later, the partners' Noble's Promise took the lead coming off the final turn and went on to win Keeneland's Breeders' Futurity and head into the Breeders' Cup Juvenile, where he finished third.

Of the group's success, Colliver has said, "It's not about the money; it's about enjoying the sport and the companionship. No matter what your percentage, everyone gets the same access to the horses."

CO-BREEDERS

Charles (Chuck) Kidder, Ben Kidder and Nancy Cole

Charles Kidder was born March 21, 1950 in Cleveland, Ohio, **Ben Kidder** on Feb. 7, 1978 in Lexington, Ky., and **Nancy Cole** on June 12, 1952 in Columbus, Ohio. They live on their 200-acre Corner Woods Farm, purchased in a family corporation in 1979.

Chuck and Nancy have been married since 1989. Ben is one of two sons Kidder has from a previous marriage. Ben lives and works on the farm, while his brother, Andrew, is an engineer in Denver. Chuck Kidder is a graduate of Ohio State University, Ben Kidder is a graduate of the University of Kentucky, and the University of Illinois is the alma mater of Nancy Cole.

The elder Kidder and Cole are veterinarians working with reproduction medicine in Thoroughbreds, primarily dealing with broodmares and foals through the yearling stage. In addition to their veterinary work, the two are breeders and pinhookers. They have about 70 broodmares in various partnerships. Kidder has been involved in the Thoroughbred industry for more than 35 years, while Cole relocated to Lexington in 1984.

In addition to their breeding operation, Kidder and Cole have 12 horses in training with another 20 yearlings headed for 2-year-old sales in 2010. They have been represented as owners by Stellar Jayne, who finished third in the 2004 Breeders' Cup Distaff, now the Ladies' Classic. The best horse bred by Kidder and Cole without partners is Informed Decision, winner of the 2009 Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint for George Strawbridge Jr.'s Augustin Stable.

The trio is also breeder of stakes winner Noble's Promise, who was third in the 2009 Breeders' Cup Juvenile and is a major prospect for the 2010 Triple Crown races.