



STATELY VICTOR

THE HORSE

This son of 2004 Ghostzapper made history in the Toyota Blue Grass on the way to his date in the Kentucky Derby by posting the largest mutual payoff - \$82.20 – in the race's history. The win also put Kentuckian father-son team of Tom and Jack Conway in position to accomplish the ultimate in horse racing – winning the Kentucky Derby.

The colt, bought for \$250,000 as a 2-year-old in training in 2009, was named by Tom Conway in honor of Victor Perrone, a close friend of son Jack who was killed in an auto accident at age 23.



Trainer Mike Maker acknowledged that he had used some good vodka to encourage Tom Conway to “do something crazy” like enter the horse in the Grade I, \$750,000 Blue Grass with a record of only one victory. Jack Conway, Kentucky's attorney general and a Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate showed he is ever mindful of voter likes and dislikes by quipping, “I wasn't in on the decision ... and I wasn't in on the vodka either.

THE CO-OWNERS

Tom and Jack Conway

Tom Conway is a Louisville attorney and father of **Jack Conway**, who is Kentucky's attorney general and a Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate.

Tom Conway, who has not missed a Kentucky Derby since 1963, and his son are direct descendents of the first European settler in Kentucky, Dr. Thomas Walker, whose cabin is memorialized in the Dr. Thomas Walker State Park in Barbourville, Ky. Tom Conway, 72, was born on a family farm in Western Kentucky's Union County. He put himself through law school at night at the University of Louisville while teaching history during the day at Fairdale High School in Louisville.

Barbara Conway, Tom's wife and Jack's mother, was born in Louisville's South End, the daughter of a blacksmith.

Jack Conway, who took state office in January 2008, is the oldest of four Conway children and is a graduate of St. Xavier High School in Louisville. He holds an undergraduate degree in public policy from Duke University and graduated with honors from the National Law Center at George Washington University. Before leaving Washington, Jack worked with the U.S. Attorney's office on criminal justice issues and for the House of Representatives' Banking Committee.

Jack's family includes his wife, Elizabeth, and a daughter, Eva.

THE BREEDER

Adena Springs is owned by the Frank Stronach family. The main farm is located in Paris, Ky. Adena Springs also has farms in Ontario, Canada, and Florida.

Stallions standing in Kentucky: 2004 and 1998 Breeders' Cup Classic winners Ghostzapper and Awesome Again, respectively, Einstein, 2006 Kentucky Derby champion Giacomo, 2000 Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Macho Uno, North Light, 2000 Preakness winner Red Bullet, Showing Up, Singing Saint, Tiago, 1997 Belmont winner Touch Gold and 2004 Breeders' Cup Juvenile champ Wilko. Standing at the Canadian site are 1996 Breeders' Cup Classic winner Alphabet Soup, Giant Gizmo, Milwaukee Brew, Olmodavor, Silent Name and Sligo Bay.

Adena Springs won the Eclipse Award as America's leading breeder five years in a row, 2004-2008, and Stronach won in his name in 2000. Along with breeding honors, Stronach Racing Stables captured the Eclipse Award for top owner in 2007 and 2008, while Stronach, in his name, won for leading owner in 1998, '99 and 2000. In 2005 and '06, Adena Springs made history by not only winning the breeder Eclipse but also Canada's Sovereign Award as top breeder both years.

Stronach Stables and Adena Springs have bred and/or raced more than 200 stakes winners. The list is topped by Ghostzapper, Macho Uno, Perfect Sting and Phantom Light, and includes Red Bullet, Ginger Punch, Sugar Shake, Citronnade, Spun Sugar, Milwaukee Brew, Golden Missile and Collect the Cash.

Stronach was born Sept. 6, 1932 in Austria and makes his main home in Switzerland. He also has homes in Ontario, Canada, Florida, Colorado and Kentucky. His family includes his wife, Freda, son Andy and daughter Brenda.

Stronach's principal business is Magna International Inc., which specializes in electronic technology and the manufacture of auto parts. In addition, he owns several racetracks, including Gulfstream Park, Santa Anita Park and the Maryland Jockey Club's Laurel Park and Pimlico Race Course.