



PEDIGREE PROFILE

Despite modest pedigree, modest price, King of the Roxy rules

King of the Roxy was all the rave when scoring his first stakes victory in the \$250,000 Futurity Stakes (G2), a seven-furlong race Saturday at Belmont Park.



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The improving two-year-old Littleexpectations colt was previously runner-up to Chace City in the Saratoga Special Breeders' Cup Stakes (G2). His career mark now stands at two wins from four starts with earnings of \$226,400.

King of the Roxy, an \$8,000 purchase at the 2005 Keeneland September yearling sale, may be modestly bred but his pedigree is not without nuance.

KING OF THE ROXY
Bred in Ohio by Deborah Kopatz, King of the Roxy is one of five winners, and the first stakes winner, out of the winning Bold Forbes mare Marrakesh. His immediate family is anchored by his third dam, General Store. This is the clan of European classic winners Haafhd and Al Bahathri, as well as Grade 1-winning grass fillies Spanish Fern and Mea Domina.

King of the Roxy is from the first crop of the Valid Appeal stallion Littleexpectations, who stood this year for \$3,500 at Q6 Ranch in Salado, Texas. Littleexpectations will be moved to Ro Parra's Millennium Farms Kentucky in Lexington for the 2007 season. No stud fee has been announced.

Littleexpectations was best at age two, winning all four of his starts, including a pair of six-furlong stakes races at Fair Grounds. He is a full brother to three other stakes winners, including multiple Grade 3 winner and 2001 leading freshman sire Valid Expectations.

Even though In Reality-line stallions make up less than 5% of the total population, they have become an increasingly familiar source of successful juvenile runners. The accompanying chart shows that tail-male descendants of In Reality have led the North American freshman sires list in four of the last six years. This year, the list is currently headed by Officer, another paternal descendant of In Reality.

King of the Roxy is a five generation outcross. From relatively few opportunities, Valid Appeal and his sons have done well with the daughters of Bold Forbes, uniting to yield at least three other stakes winners, including Grade 3 winner Jolies Appeal.

King of the Roxy, dk. b. or br. c., 2004

Littleexpectations 97 31 fls, 1 SW SI 3.18 DI=3.40	Valid Appeal 72 8 wins, \$201,733, SW 789 fls, 88 SWs SI 2.18 DI=2.79	In Reality 64 555 fls, 81 SWs SI 3.72 DI=2.40	Intentionally 56	Intent 48 My Recipe 47
		Desert Trial 63 13 fls, 4 SWs SI 1.35	My Dear Girl 57	Rough n Tumble 48 Ittis 47
	Mepache 81 5 wins, \$173,470, SW 16 fls, 4 SWs DI=3.00	Iron Constitution 74 274 fls, 9 SWs SI 1.06 DI=4.14	Moslem Chief 57	*Alibhai 38 Up the Hill 38
			Scotch Verdict 60	Alsab 39 Glen Arvis 47
Marrakesh 89 7 fls, 1 SW DI=1.50	Bold Forbes 73 13 wins, \$546,536 Champion 460 fls, 29 SWs SI 1.86 DI=2.29	Never Bend 60 Obedient 45	Hail to Reason 58 Hillbrook 57	
		Water Cress 68	Apache 39 Corn Likker 43	
	Foreign Store 81 Unplaced, \$300 6 fls, 0 SWs DI=1.00	Nowmepache 64 10 fls, 1 SW DI=1.40	Hangover 51	Tom Fool 49 *Cudrilla 43
			Fool-Me-Not 58	*Nasrullah 40 Miss Disco 44
	Distant Land 72 294 fls, 13 SWs SI 0.95 DI=1.04	Irish Castle 67 530 fls, 32 SWs SI 1.21 DI=3.67	Bold Ruler 54	*Tulyar 49 Longford 55
			Castle Forbes 61	Bull Lea 35 Early Autumn 34
General Store 65 9 fls, 3 SWs DI=2.00	Comely Nell 62 13 fls, 1 SW DI=0.88	Commodore M. 51	*Blenheim II 27 Nellie Flag 32	
		Nellie L. 40	*Ribot 52 Flower Bowl 52	
Heartland 65	To Market 48	Flower Bowl 52	Bold Ruler 54 Equal Venture 53	
		Generals Sister 60	Market Wise 38 Pretty Does 44 Count Fleet 40 Cigar Maid 49	

Interestingly, King of the Roxy's 11th dam, the great matriarch *Fairy Gold, was imported to America by August Belmont II. She produced Racing Hall of Famer Fair Play, who ultimately became King of the Roxy's eighth generation paternal sire.

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Recent leading North American freshman sires and their sire lines

Year	Sire	Sire line
2005	Tiznow	In Reality
2004	Successful Appeal	In Reality
2003	El Corredor	Mr. Prospector
2002	Distorted Humor	Mr. Prospector
2001	Valid Expectations	In Reality
2000	Honour And Glory	In Reality