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## HALL OF FAMER D. WAYNE LUKAS ENTERS MR. Z IN THE \$1,000,000 DELTA DOWNS JACKPOT AND TAKE CHARGE BRANDI IN THE \$400,000 DELTA DOWNS PRINCESS ON SATURDAY

VINTON, LA. – Delta Downs' racing office saw a flurry of activity on Tuesday morning as final entries and post positions were drawn for Saturday's \$1,000,000 Delta Downs Jackpot (Gr. III). The 5-2 morning line favorite for the 12<sup>th</sup> running of the track's signature event is Mr. Z, from the barn of Hall of Famer D. Wayne Lukas. A total of 12 talented 2-year-olds, including two also eligibles horses, were entered for the 1-1/16 mile race.

The \$1,000,000 Delta Downs Jackpot is the centerpiece of an 11-race program that will feature eight stakes races, two graded stakes, and over \$2.3 million in total purse money.

The entire field for the \$1,000,000 Delta Downs Jackpot is listed below along with morning line odds for each horse.

Post #	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	$\mathbf{ML}$
1	Prime Engine	Russell Baze	Jerry Hollendorfer	8-1
2	Dekabrist	Jesus Rios	Gennadi Dorochenko	30-1
3	Mr. Z	Paco Lopez	D. Wayne Lukas	5-2
4	<b>Conquest Tsunami</b>	Shaun Bridgmohan	Mark Casse	4-1
5	Saratoga Heater	Joel Rosario	Al Stall, Jr.	15-1
6	<b>Golden Actor</b>	Jose Gallego	Ignacio Roncancio	7-2
7	Red Button	Tyler Baze	Mark Glatt	12-1
8	Wake Up Nick	Mario Gutierrez	Leandro Mora	10-1
9	Far Right	Corey Lanerie	Ron Moquett	10-1
10	Ocho Ocho Ocho	Mike Smith	James Cassidy	6-1
11 (AE)	Unblunted	Joe Talamo	Michael McCarthy	15-1
12 (AE)	Two Six Wins	Martin Pedroza	Michael Pender	20-1

The winner of Saturday's main event will earn a \$600,000 paycheck and 10 points toward a possible starting position in next year's Kentucky Derby by way of the 'Road to the Kentucky Derby' series. Since 2002, a total of nine horses have participated in the \$1,000,000 Delta Downs Jackpot before going on to compete in the

Kentucky Derby as 3-year-olds. The 2012 Jackpot produced a record number of three Kentucky Derby starters including Goldencents, Mylute and Itsmyluckyday.

Saturday's program will also feature the \$400,000 Delta Downs Princess (Gr. III). The one-mile race for 2-year-old fillies is headed by Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (Gr. I) winner Take Charge Brandi, who also hails from Lukas's barn and has been assigned morning line odds of 2-1.

Delta Downs will offer a special guaranteed \$200,000 all stakes Pick 4 on Jackpot Day. The wager has been available during each of the 11 previous editions of the Jackpot Day program. The record payoff for a \$2 winning ticket was \$22,225.80 in 2006. The minimum wager amount for the Jackpot Day Pick 4 is .50 cents.

There is a special early post time for the Jackpot Day program Saturday of 1:15 p.m. CST. Listed below is the entire Jackpot Day Pick 4 sequence of races, along with their scheduled post times.

Race 4	\$150,000 Louisiana Jewel	Post Time 2:44 pm CST
Race 5	\$200,000 Treasure Chest	Post Time 3:13 pm CST
Race 6	\$400,000 Delta Downs Princess (Gr. III)	Post Time 3:43 pm CST
Race 7	\$1,000,000 Delta Downs Jackpot (Gr. III)	Post Time 4:15 pm CST

For more information about the \$1,000,000 Delta Downs Jackpot visit <a href="www.deltadownjackpot.com">www.deltadownjackpot.com</a>. Additional information can also be found on the 'Delta Downs Racing' page on Facebook, and by following Delta Downs on Twitter with the account @deltaracing.

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