

A Diamond Jubilee Celebration at the Strawberry Hill Races Local Charities are the Real Winners



Thanks to all who participated in the 75th Running of the Strawberry Hill Races, April 14 at Colonial Downs in New Kent county. Thousands can be proud knowing their patronage of the Races and Race Week Events benefited the State Fair of Virginia Scholarship Program as well as AARF (Animal Adoption and Rescue Foundation), Cats Cradle, Children's Museum of Richmond, Circle Center Adult Day Services, PAL (Prevent A Litter), Friends of the Richmond Mounted Squad and Special Olympics.

Six races with 33 starters and \$75,000 in purses and awards made for a great day of horse racing. Winner of the feature \$30,000 Strawberry Hill Classic was Swimming River, owned by Long Lane Farm, trained by Paul Rowland and ridden by Paddy Young (Unionville, PA). Karen Gray (Lynnville, TN) and Katherine McKenna (Unionville, PA) tied for Leading Trainer. Winner of Leading Rider was Paddy Young (Unionville, PA) and Top Virginia Horse of the Day was Clorevia Farm's Udeman (Flint Hill, VA).

"Congratulations"

2007 Strawberry Hill Races Rail Space Competition Winners

Epicurean talents abounded as individual and corporate patrons celebrated the "Diamond Jubilee" theme during the 25th annual Rail Space Competition held at Colonial Downs. Impressing judges, comprised of John Bernier with WRIC TV-8 and SFVA Board of Directors and their spouses, winners included:

Individual Competition

Grand Award – Page & John George

First Place – The Book Club

Second Place – Kathleen Staley & Melanie Throckmorton

Third Place – Julie O'Kelly

Lindemann Trophy: Best Traditional Presentation – Karen & Jeff Rice

Corporate Competition

Grand Award – Phillips Cox

Judge's Choice – Pepsi-Cola



Individual First Place Winners: The Book Club



Delicacies from Corporate Grand Prize Winner: Phillips Cox



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