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Turbulent Descent Preparing for Breeders Cup Filly & Mare Sprint

Breeder's Cup World Championships

- 15 races - \$25.5 Million purses
- European horses ship to compete
- BC races generally decide yearly Eclipse award Champions
- 2011 BC at Churchill Downs, Louisville, KY
- Ladies Classic and BC Classic are signature races
- Coverage on ESPN and ABC on November 4th and 5th
- [Link to Breeder's Cup Schedule](#) (subject to change)

Turbulent Descent is on track for entry in the Breeder's Cup World Championships on November 4th at Churchill Downs. She is pointing toward the \$1,000,000 Filly and Mare Sprint to be run at 7 furlongs.

[Video of TD Workout](#)

TD has been preparing at Hollywood Park where she was moved to at the end of the Del Mar meet in September. Hollywood Park is her home stable where her trainer, Mike Puype, is working her on a 6 day schedule, most recently at 7 furlongs with a 1:23 3/5 move last

Thursday, Oct 13th. Her next work is scheduled for Oct 20th with one more prior to shipping to Louisville on Oct 31st.

[Possible Entries for the Sprint](#)

The Filly and Mare Sprint is for female horses 3 year-old and up and will be the first time that TD has faced older horses. The race is at 7 furlongs which is ideal for TD as she is undefeated at the distance in 3 tries. Churchill Downs has a dirt surface similar to Santa Anita and Saratoga where TD has recorded Grade 1 wins.



Turbulent Descent shown winning the Hollywood Starlet (G1) in December 2010 as a 2 year-old.

Winning the F&M Sprint would cement the 2011 Eclipse award for TD as the champion female sprinter.

Turbulent Descent Shipping to Louisville on October 31st



Tex Sutton's B727 customized for horse transport, sets up to offload Turbulent Descent to a van at Albany, New York.

Air transportation for horses is not only possible, it is common. In the U.S., H. E. "Tex" Sutton is credited with revolutionizing the horse transportation industry by shipping horses via plane. H. E. Sutton Forwarding Co. has never purchased its own planes, finding it more economical to lease them rather than have to hire full-time pilots and mechanics.

Initially, Sutton leased L-100 Electra four-engine prop planes and later switched to 727 jet aircraft. In 2010, the company upgraded to a Boeing 727-200 with high-performance engines.

Sutton has five professional groomers on the plane at all times to water, hang hay nets, and watch horses, but there are 14 seats available for trainers, groomers, and assistants. Racehorses are typically accompa-

nied by someone from their stable. In many cases, the trainer flies with the horse.

Pricing depends on the route, fuel costs, and stall size. The cost to fly a horse from Lexington to Ontario, California, located near Los Angeles, was about \$5,000.

While H. E. Sutton Forwarding does make the occasional flight to Canada, most horses fly within the continental U.S.

During the winter months, the majority of flights are between Kentucky, Florida, and California, although Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Louisiana are also frequent destinations. In the summer, flights tend to concentrate on the Northeast, as well as Baltimore, Chicago, Kentucky, and California.



Top stakes horses ship by air to compete in major races in North America.

Sutton's planes also fly in and out of Ocala, Florida to support the horse sales in that region.

Each horse handles the stress of air travel differently. Racehorses get more "keyed up" than show horses, especially those that have never flown before.

Harbor Wind Winning the Washington Thoroughbred Breeders and Owner's Association Sales Allowance Race

W.T.B.O.A Sales Purse
HARBOR WIND
Z Thoroughbred Racing Partners 1 - Owner
Frank Lucarelli - Trainer
Pedro Terrero - Jockey
Eileen A Saint - Second
Memphis Beach - Third
6 Furlongs in 1:09.4
Purse \$20,000 September 5, 2011

Harbor Wind Winner's Circle and race photographs!



Harbor Wind has been vanned to a farm in Stockton, CA to rest for his 3 year-old campaign. He was gelded in October at the farm and will commence jogging on a machine at the farm in November. He will be pointed races at either Golden Gate or Santa Anita in early 2012.



ZTR LLC Adds Perfect Soul Yearling to Stable



Perfect Soul yearling out of Danish Wildcat

Z Thoroughbred Racing has acquired an unnamed yearling colt by Perfect Soul out of the mare Danish Wildcat. He is currently at Jones Farm in Renton, WA where he will be broken.

The colt's sire is Perfect Soul who was the Champion Turf Male in Canada in 2003 and has earnings of \$1,528,000 and holds the course record at Keeneland of 1:33 2/5 in the G1 Keeneland Turf Mile in 2003.

The colt's dam is Danish Wildcat out of the champion mare Hollywood Wildcat. Hollywood Wildcat is a winner of three Grade 1 races with earnings of \$1,432,000 who won the Breeder's Cup Distaff in 1993 and was named American Champion 3 year-old Filly in that year. She is the dam of successful stallions - millionaire War Chant and Minister's Wildcat.

[Watch the thrilling stretch run of the 1993 Breeder's Cup World Championship Distaff.](#)



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See Harbor Wind's latest workouts and races.

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Z Thoroughbred Racing LLC was founded by Steve Zerda in 2010 to bring the opportunity for thoroughbred ownership to more racing fans in the Pacific Northwest and Arizona. Steve is formerly a successful airline executive whose interest in horse racing began back in 1978 when he calculated Beyer figures by hand for races at Santa Anita, Hollywood Park, and Del Mar. A follower of horses of that era such as Vigors, John Henry, and Flying Paster, Steve has studied pedigree analysis and conformation to enable the acquisition of quality stock for racing. Along with his company based in Renton, Washington, Steve owns a portion of the 3 year-old filly Turbulent Descent based at Hollywood Park, winner in 2010 of the Moccasin Stakes, the Grade I Hollywood Starlet, and an Eclipse Award finalist for 2010. In 2011, TD won the Test Stakes (GI) at Saratoga, the Santa Anita Oaks (GI) and the Beaumont Stakes (GII) at Keeneland and was 2nd in the Las Virgenes (GI) and Acorn (GI). She is 6-2-0 in 8 starts and has lifetime earnings of \$828,350.