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Entrusted scores upset in \$100,000 Swifty Sired Stakes at Indiana Grand Racing & Casino

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SHELBYVILLE, Ind.; – May 23, 2018 – Having a great brood mare in one’s possession can be a great thing. The mare, Mor Trust just got a little more valuable to breeders Mike and Penny Lauer as her latest protégé, Entrusted, rallied home to a surprise win in the \$100,000 Swifty Sired Fillies Stakes Wednesday, May 23 at Indiana Grand.

Starting from post seven in the 10-Indiana sired filly lineup, Entrusted and jockey Marcelino Pedroza were one of the first names mentioned by Announcer Bill Downes as the duo moved into an early lead. Polarizing and Fernando De La Cruz held their ground on the inside and set the pace with Entrusted sitting to their outside. Ideal Sky and Jesus Castanon were able to find just enough room to squeeze through on the inside and get into position as the field moved into the turn.

When the field came out of the turn, it was all up to Entrusted and Polarizing, two longshots of the race, to fend off the rest of the field, and they both did just that. In the final strides it came down to the two fillies with Entrusted getting the edge late in the race to pull away to a three and one-half length victory over Polarizing, who held her ground along the rail. Ideal Sky maintained her positioning for third in the race timed in 1:10.82.

Owned by Christine and Vince Cagle and Penny Lauer, Entrusted earned a win in her first start of 2018 after taking the winter off following the 2017 racing season at Indiana Grand. It was her second trip to the winner’s circle in her fifth career try with her earnings moving up to just under the \$90,000 mark in her career. The daughter of Noble’s Promise was overlooked by the wagering public, paying \$19.00, \$10.40, \$6.00 across the board.



“This filly (Entrusted) has really matured and grown up,” said Lauer, who is the track’s all-time stakes winning trainer. “Everything that this mare (Mor Trust) has thrown has run. A few weeks ago we had a little ding and we backed off, but she ran very well today. It’s a great day of racing.”

Lauer also raced the mare, Mor Trust, during her career. She has proven to be one to keep in the brood mare ranks as Entrusted joins Evader, last year’s ITOBA Stallion Season Stakes winner, as a stakes winner for the Lauers. Although she had not started since early October 2017, Lauer knew he had potential and that confidence transferred over to Pedroza.

“I got on a lot bigger horse and a lot stronger horse today,” said Pedroza, who was Indiana Grand’s leading jockey in 2017. “For this being her first start of the year since last fall, she raced really well. You have to give credit to Mike (Lauer) for getting her ready to run off such a long layoff. This filly gave me all she had today and never gave up.”

The 16th season of Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse racing continues through Wednesday, Nov. 7. Racing is conducted Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 2:05 p.m. EST with Saturday racing beginning at 6:05 p.m. EST. Two special Thursday racing dates will be held July 19 and

Sept. 6 with a 2:05 p.m. EST post time.

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