



## Discreet Beauty shines in City of Anderson Stakes at Indiana Grand Racing & Casino

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SHELBYVILLE, Ind. (Sept. 12, 2018) – Discreet Beauty came into the 18th running of the \$100,000-added City of Anderson Stakes off a win in her only career start and proved she was the real deal for owner-breeder Bruce Murphy of Crawfordsville, Ind. The two-year-old daughter of Discreetly Mine rallied to the front from the starting gate and never looked back, scoring the win with jockey Marcelino Pedroza aboard.



Starting from the inside post three in the field of 10 was a perfect spot for Discreet Beauty. She had scored her first win in front running fashion and it appeared she would use the same strategy in her first stakes appearance. Fran's Salsa and Richard Bracho joined Discreet Beauty in the early stages and even got the call for the top spot in the early stages as they sat right to the outside, but at the halfway point of the six furlong contest, Discreet Beauty went on take over the top by herself.

By the time the field had reached the stretch, Discreet Beauty was on top by two and one-half lengths and placed a tall task on the late closers to get near her. In the end, she was a three-length winner over Can't Crosstraffic and DeShawn Parker who closed for second, just a head in front of Unbridled Brooke and Jesus Castanon on the far outside for third. The time of the race was 1:11.09.

"This filly will really do whatever you want her to do," said Pedroza, who was the 2017 leading rider at Indiana Grand. "I get on her in the mornings too and she has a lot of tactical speed, which gave me confidence in her today. I just wanted to get her to relax. She is still a little green but when I asked her she responded and got the job done."

The second choice of the field, Discreet Beauty paid \$8.60, \$5.20 and \$3.40 across the board. She is now two for two lifetime for trainer Genaro Garcia and has in excess of \$80,000 on her resume. Garcia, who has been a fixture on the Indiana racing circuit for the past 12 years, has always done well with fillies. His latest star gives him his third win in the City of Anderson Stakes, joining Lil Mai Tai (2007) and Queen of Tee (2008) when the race was held at Hoosier Park.

"Every time I'm in a stakes race like this, it brings up memories of the two fillies that were stakes winners (Lil Mai Tai and Queen of Tee) when I first came to Indiana," said Garcia. "This filly has always shown a lot of promise and she has been training very well. She showed a lot of class today and I'm really excited to have her in my barn. Mr. Bruce (Murphy) gives me that opportunity to have a nice, nice filly like this and I'm very grateful."



The 16th season of Thoroughbreds and Quarter Horse racing continues through Wednesday, Nov. 7. Racing is conducted Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 2:05 p.m. with Saturday racing beginning at 6:05 p.m.

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