

PROMOTIONAL ANALYSIS: SWEET LULU

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Ch.f. 2010 by Mr. Greeley – Successful Outlook by Orientate

A winner of one North America's premier events for sprinting fillies, Sweet Lulu is by an internationally successful sire and broodmare sire out of a graded stakes winning mare. She is now offered for sale carrying her first foal, a son or daughter of one of the world's most sought-after sires.

Sweet Lulu captured her first three starts – all on all-weather surfaces at Hollywood Park and Del Mar – by a total of more than 10 lengths. For her fourth outing, however, she face a challenge of a wholly different magnitude. Shipping cross-country to Saratoga, she lined up to make her dirt and stakes debut against an accomplished field in the \$500,000 Test Stakes (gr. I), arguably the most important race of the year for three-year-old filly sprinters. Pressing the swift Baby J - winner of the Victory Ride Stakes (gr. III) on her most recent start - through a half in :44.95., Sweet Lulu took command at the head of the stretch, but was immediately challenged by graded stakes winner Wildcat Lily. Headed by that rival, and under pressure for the first time in her life, Sweet Lulu, responded with a remarkable display of physical and mental resilience, surging again to claim the day. Further back in this outstanding field of speedsters came grade one winners So Many Ways and Lighthouse Bay, and graded stakes winner My Happy Face. A courageous second to the Eclipse Award candidate, Close Hatches, when trying to stretch her speed over 8½ furlongs in the \$1,000,000 Cotillion Stakes (gr. II), Sweet Lulu concluded her career with a second in the La Brea Stakes (gr. I), conceding weight all round in a field that also included multiple grade one winner Executive privilege, and grade two scorer Madame Cactus, and My Happy Face.

Sweet Lulu's sire, Mr. Greeley, is one of the most successful stallion sons of Gone West. The sire of 62 stakes winners, Mr. Greeley has been represented by grade one winners on three continents. This includes El Corredor, Aruna, Whywhywhy, Nonsuch Bay, Celtic Melody and Western Aristocrat in the U.S., and in Europe, champion and dual classic winner Finsceal Beo, as well as Saoirse Abu, Reel Buddy and Crusade.

Mr. Greeley is also rapidly emerging as an important force as a broodmare sire. His daughters have already produced 26 stakes winners, including Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (gr. I) victress Ria Antonia; three-time grade one score Zazu; the highly-promising Ol' Man River, currently among the leading hopefuls for the 2015 Epsom Derby (gr. I); other grade two scorers Flashback, Guys Reward and Big Kick; and graded stakes winner and Kentucky Derby (gr. I) runner-up Closing Argument.

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Sweet Lulu is also bred for speed on the distaff side of her pedigree. Her dam, Successful Outlook, a daughter of a Champion Sprinter, started just three times, but left no room for doubt about her talent. A 5½ lengths winner at Belmont Park on her debut, she followed up with a victory in the Tempted Stakes (gr. III) on only her second start, and took third in the Demoiselle Stakes (gr. II) on her final outing. In addition to Sweet Lulu, Successful Outlook is also dam of Iron Fist, a two-year-old son of Tapit, who on his most recent start took third in the Del Mar Futurity (gr. I).

Successful Outlook's dam, Catch A Glimpse – a daughter of another Champion Sprinter in Gulch – was third in the Phoenix Stakes (gr. I) at two, beaten only 1¾ lengths by juvenile champion, Danehill Dancer. Catch A Glimpse's dam, the Blushing Groom mare, Spring to Light, was also group placed at two, and is out of the four-time stakes winner and graded stakes performer, Holiday Dancer.

Sweet Lulu is offered in foal on one cover to War Front. A son of Danzig, War Front has made a dramatic start to his stud career, his first five crops, all conceived at stud fees of \$15,000 or less, propelling him to a position as one of the world's most sought after sires. To date, those five crops have produced 32 stakes winners, 17 graded, including grade one winners The Factor, Declaration of War, Data Link, War Command, Summer Soiree and Peace And War, and millionaires Departing, Warning Flag and Lines of Battle. The mating is *TrueNicks* rated A+ on the basis of the Danzig/Mr. Greeley cross, and we can note that War Front has sired six graded stakes winners out of Mr. Prospector line mares, as here.

Sweet Lulu is a grade one winning mare who achieved that victory in the most courageous possible fashion. She is by a major international sire and broodmare sire; her dam is a graded stakes winner who is also dam of a current grade one juvenile performer; and her first four dams are all group or graded stakes performers. She is offered carrying her first foal – conceived on a single cover – a son or daughter of War Front. With this quality and her international background, she literally offers a world of opportunity.

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