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## **Prairie Meadows Racing Club Purchases Runarounddancing for 2018 Season**

**Trainer Kelly Von Hemel Predicts a Competitive, Successful Season**

*June 29 – Altoona, IA.* Prairie Meadows Racing Club (the Club) returned to Prairie Meadows this year after a highly successful 2017 season. The Club offers its members a behind-the-scenes look at racehorse ownership. Members and Club trainer, Kelly Von Hemel, anxiously waited to find the right horse to purchase. On Monday, June 2, the Club purchased an impressive Thoroughbred, Runarounddancing, for the 2018 racing season.

“Runarounddancing has been competing very consistently at Prairie Meadows, often placing in the top three – that’s what initially intrigued me about this horse,” said Von Hemel. “He ran well in his debut race as the Club horse on June 23, and I hope we will have a successful season with a few wins.”

Runarounddancing is a gray gelding foaled in Arkansas in 2010 by prominent breeder Brereton C. Jones. His bloodlines include Thoroughbreds Funontherun, Dancingwithpassion, and Dancing Crown. The horse won his first race at Oaklawn Park under jockey Didiel A. Osorion. Runarounddancing’s lifetime victories also include four first place finishes at Prairie Meadows.

Prairie Meadows Racing Club offers many exclusive benefits including special events, viewings of the horse’s workout sessions, priority valet parking, special accommodations on race days, and more.

“I’ve had lots of fun so far this season and enjoy working and talking with our Club members – it’s been a real privilege to be a part of the Club this year,” said Von Hemel.

The racing season may have already begun, but the Club is still accepting members. For additional information, visit [www.prairiemeadows.com/racing-club](http://www.prairiemeadows.com/racing-club)

### **About Prairie Meadows Racing Club**

The Club began in 2017 as a not-for-profit social club with the goal of providing its members the opportunity to encounter the many aspects of Thoroughbred ownership through social and educational experiences, interactions, and events. After payment of all horse-related expenses and other club costs, all purse earnings or proceeds from the sale of the horse may be distributed to the members but will not exceed their membership fee. The remaining funds, if any, will be donated to a local charity.

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