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Prairie Meadows Racing Club Purchases Racehorse, How About Him

Trainer, Kelly Von Hemel, Has High Hopes for a Successful Season

May 23 – Altoona, IA. Prairie Meadows returned this racing season with a behind-the-scenes look at racehorse ownership with the launch of the inaugural Prairie Meadows Racing Club (the Club). The Club selected its horse, How About Him, this month at Prairie Meadows' racetrack.

With the racing season kicking off on April 27, the Club was anxiously waiting to find the right horse to purchase. On May 12, Club trainer, Kelly Von Hemel claimed How About Him following an impressive race by the horse. How About Him will compete as the Club's horse for the first time on Saturday, May 27. He will run in the ninth race at Prairie Meadows.

"He got back on the track that Tuesday and Wednesday morning and galloped well. He's eating well, he's good around the barn, and I expect him to run competitively next time he races," said Von Hemel.

How About Him is a gray/roan gelding foaled in Kentucky in 2012 by prominent breeder Brereton C. Jones. His bloodlines include Triple Crown champions Seattle Slew (1977) and Secretariat (1973).

How About Him won his first race in April of 2015 at Keeneland, finishing first by 7 lengths. Following a victory at Oaklawn Park in January of 2016, the horse was claimed by Cloud Nine Racing. He also went on to win a race at Remington Park in September of 2016. He ran 14 times under Cloud Nine Racing before the Club claimed him. How About Him's lifetime record includes 22 starts, three wins, two second place finishes, one third place finish, and earnings of \$74,013.

Prairie Meadows introduced the inaugural Prairie Meadows Racing Club in February. The 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.

While racing season has already begun, you can still join the Club. For additional information, visit prairiemeadows.com/racing/live-racing/prairie-meadows-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.

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