

Dixiana Bourbon Stakes (G3)

Sponsored by Dixiana Farm

26th Running • Fall • 1 1/16 miles (turf) • 2-year-olds

The race is named for Bourbon County, home to some of North America's most productive Thoroughbred farms. The county is located north of Lexington and Paris is the county seat. Dixiana Farm of Lexington became the sponsor in 2014.



Milestones – Bourbon Stakes

2015 Purse: \$250,000

Fastest Time at Current Distance (1 1/16 miles): 1:42 2/5 (Haggin Course), Gateman (GB), 1999

Largest Straight Payoff: \$48.40, Poker Player, 2013

Smallest Straight Payoff: \$3.00, Stress Buster, 1991

Largest Field: 14, 2015

Smallest Field: 5, 1991; 2006

Largest Value to Winner: \$150,000, Lawn Ranger, 2014; Airoforce, 2015



Favored Airoforce won the Dixiana Bourbon (G3) and returned to finish second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf (G1) at Keeneland.



Winning Owner, John C. Oxley (center) and wife Debby with Trainer Mark E. Casse



Winning Jockey
Julien Leparoux

Bourbon Stakes History

Year	Winner/Owner	Jockey/Wgt./Trainer	2nd/Jockey/Wgt.	3rd/Jockey/Wgt.	Time	Margin
2015	Airoforce* John C. Oxley	Julien Leparoux (118) Mark E. Casse	Camelot Kitten Irado Ortiz Jr. (118)	Siding Spring Drayden Van Dyke (118)	1:44.12 yl Haggin Course	2 1/2
2014	Lawn Ranger Turf Stable LLC	Chris Landeros (118) Kenneth J. McPeck	Danny Boy Julien Leparoux (118)	Can't Happen Here Irado Ortiz Jr. (118)	1:44.41 fm Haggin Course	1/2
2013	Poker Player Gary and Mary West	Channing Hill (118) Wayne Catalano	Bashart John Velazquez (122)	Bon Accord Eddie Castro (118)	1:43.46 ft Polytrack	1
2012	Balance the Books* Klaravich Stables Inc. and William H. Lawrence	Julien Leparoux (122) Chad C. Brown	Brown Almighty Francisco Torres (118)	Sonofasamurai David Cohen (118)	1:45.15 fm Haggin Course	no
2011	Animal Spirits Klaravich Stables Inc. (Seth Klarman) and William H. Lawrence	Robby Albarado (118) Albert M. Stall Jr.	Coalport Junior Alvarado (118)	Lucky Chappy (IRE) Ramon A. Dominguez (118)	1:44.24 fm Haggin Course	1/2
2010	Rogue Romance* Catesby W. Clay	Julien R. Leparoux (118) Kenneth J. McPeck	Cozy Kitten Ramon A. Dominguez (118)	Ocasta Freddie Lenclud (118)	1:42.78 fm Haggin Course	2 1/2
2009	Interactif* Wertheimer and Frere (Alain and Gerard Wertheimer)	Kent Desormeaux (123) Todd A. Pletcher	Codoy Leandro Goncalves (117)	Family Foundation Junior Alvarado (117)	1:45.24 yl Haggin Course	1
2008	Bittel Road* James T. Scaturchio and John Iracane	Rajiv Maragh (121) Todd A. Pletcher	Driving Snow (GB) Robby Albarado (117)	Ninth Client Julien Leparoux (117)	1:44.29 fm Haggin Course	hd
2007	Gio Ponti Castleton Lyons Farm (Todd Renner and Shane Ryan)	Ramon Dominguez (117) Christophe Clement	Nownownow Julien Leparoux (121)	Cabernigh Robby Albarado (117)	1:45.92 fm Haggin Course	1 1/2
2006	Twilight Meteor Peachtree Stable (John Fort)	John Velazquez (116) Todd A. Pletcher	Marcavelly Edgar Prado (120)	Admiral Bird Julien Leparoux (116)	1:43.25 ft Polytrack	2 1/4
2005	Yankee Master* Team Power Play Racing (Lewis A. Mongelluzzo)	Rafael Bejarano (116) Linda Rice	Wedding Singer Mike Smith (116)	Desert Wheat Corey Lanerie (116)	1:43.85 gd Haggin Course	5

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2004	Rey de Cafe G. Watts Humphrey Jr.	Craig Perret (116) George R. Arnold II	Dubleo Christopher De Carlo (122)	Ready Ruler Mark Guidry (122)	1:42.90 gd Keeneland Course	nk
2003	Commendation Courtlandt Farm (Donald A. Adam)	Cornelio Velasquez (120) H. Graham Motion	Oncearoundtwice Corey Lanerie (116)	Grand Heritage Rene Douglas (120)	1:43.99 fm Haggin Course	2 3/4
2002	Rapid Proof Dolphus C. Morrison	Calvin Borel (116) Hal R. Wiggins	Zydeco Affair Robby Albarado (122)	Collateral Damage Jose Martinez Jr. (116)	1:46.45 yl Haggin Course	1
2001	Stage Call (IRE)* WinStar Farm LLC, Richard Nip and Gloria Gaines Callen	Mark Guidry (116) W. Elliott Walden	Daisyago Lonnie Meche (115)	Midwatch Jon Court (116)	1:45.85 fm Haggin Course	11 1/4
2000	Overview John C. Oxley	Mike Smith (115) John T. Ward Jr.	McHenry Co. Kid Donnie Meche (115)	Summarily Corey Lanerie (115)	1:43 fm Keeneland Course	nk
1999	Gateman (GB) Kennet Valley Thoroughbreds IV (Nick Robinson)	Pat Day (115) W. Elliott Walden	dh-Field Cat/Pay Ransom Mike Smith (119)/ Patricia Cooksey (115)		1:42 2/5 fm Haggin Course	1
1998	Pineaff* (1st) Joyce and Roy K. Monroe	Pat Day (113) Kenneth G. McPeck	Draupner Dean Sarvis (113)	Air Rocket Willie Martinez (113)	1:44 3/5 fm Haggin Course	nk
1998	Bold Caleb (2nd) Ann and Charles Patterson	Robby Albarado (116) Hal R. Wiggins	Phi Beta Doc Calvin Borel (113)	Dawn Flies By Randy Romero (118)	1:44 3/5 fm Haggin Course	hd
1997	Reformer Rally* Thomas M. Carey	Craig Perret (116) Peter M. Vestal	Heartland Hope Willie Martinez (113)	Magest Pat Day (113)	1:46 4/5 yl Keeneland Course	3 1/2
1996	Thesaurus* Charles J. Cella	Craig Perret (112) Peter M. Vestal	Letterhead Herbert McCauley (112)	Royal Strand Pat Day (112)	1:44 2/5 fm Haggin Course	nk
1995	Red Shadow Prestonwood Farm	Willie Martinez (112) Patrick B. Byrne	Never to Squander Randy Romero (114)	Officious Craig Perret (115)	1:46 3/5 sf Keeneland Course	3
1994	Claudius* Darley Stud Management (Mohammed Al Maktoum)	John Velazquez (115) William I. Mott	Hawk Attack Aaron Gryder (115)	Dixie Dynasty Robert Lester (115)	1:45 2/5 fm Keeneland Course	1 1/4
1993	Star of Manila* New Phoenix Stable (Gary Drake)	Shane Sellers (121) Burk Kessinger Jr.	Milt's Overture Donnie Miller Jr. (115)	Camptown Dancer Fabio Arguello Jr. (115)	1:43 1/5 fm Keeneland Course	1
1992	The Real Vaslav Gonzalo B. Torrealba	Shane Sellers (115) D. Wayne Lukas	Randi's Pleasure Jorge Velasquez (115)	Eight for Slew Brian Miller (112)	1:46 gd Haggin Course	5
1991	Stress Buster* G. Watts Humphrey Jr. and Sheila Pierce	Pat Day (112) Joseph H. Pierce Jr.	Rail Shane Sellers (115)	In My Footsteps Dean Kutz (115)	1:44 4/5 fm	2 3/4

* Winning favorite. Grade 3, 2008-present.

In 2013, rain forced the race off the turf course to be run on Polytrack.



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Facing 13 rivals, Airoforce (white bridled, yellow and blue silks) battled for the lead in the Dixiana Bourbon as the field rounded the final turn.