

KISS AND FLY IS FIFTH DESERT WARRIOR PROGENY TO VISIT WINNER'S CIRCLE IN SEPTEMBER – September 14, 2009

KISS AND FLY likes the Lakes! Since moving into trainer Chris Englehart's Finger Lakes stable the three-year old chestnut filly has raced six-times, winning twice and finishing second on three occasions. Her latest score came this afternoon in a \$22,600 Allowance/Optional Claiming event going a mile and 70-yards over the main track. Jockey John Davila Jr had the odds-on favorite in perfect position in the run down the backstretch before moving the daughter of Desert Warrior three-wide on the far turn. With each powerful stride, the determined filly gained on the leaders, taking command just inside the sixteenth pole and went on to win her fifth career victory by a length.

Bred by McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds LLC, Kiss and Fly is out of the Lord Carson mare Karakorum Kiss and today's victory elevated her lifetime earnings to \$122,340 of which over \$40,000 was banked at the "Lakes." As breeder of the stakes-placed filly, McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds earned 20% of the today's winners' purse (\$12,234) or \$2,446 from the lucrative New York Breeding and Racing Program.



Progeny of the McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds-based DESERT WARRIOR have been chalking up victories, of late, with five of them visiting the winner's circle in the first-half of September.

DESERT WARRIOR's progeny earnings have now surpassed \$1.6-million from three-crops of racing age, of which 52-are two-year olds of 2009.