



Breeders' Cup World Championships

Quotes for the \$1 Million Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (Grade I)

Friday, November 1, 2013

Rafael Bejarano (jockey, **Goldencents**, 1st) – “I wasn’t worried at all (about the fast fractions) because I know how good this horse has trained. He broke so good from the gate, but the six horse (Broadway Empire) wanted to go the lead and put pressure on me. I made sure (my horse) got clear and then at the three-eighths pole, I knew what he would do.”

Doug O’Neill (trainer, **Goldencents**, 1st) – “My only doubt was when they went a half in 44-and-change. But Raffi (jockey Bejarano) knew he was on the best horse and he rode him the easiest way to get in the winner’s circle. What a horse. We were really confident, but you never know.”

Joel Rosario (jockey, **Golden Ticket**, 2nd) – “I had a very good trip. I thought for a second the horse in front (Goldencents) was slowing down, but he just kept going. My horse ran real good, but he was just second best today.”

Ken McPeck (trainer, **Golden Ticket**, 2nd) – “He (jockey Joel Rosario) rode a good race and my horse ran a good race but like Ricky Bobby said ‘If you ain’t first, you’re last.’ No I’m just kidding. My horse ran great and I’m really proud of him.”

Alan Garcia (jockey, **Brujo de Olleros**, 3rd) – “Had a great trip and this horse was loaded all the way around. He ran a lot better for me today than he did in the Kelso the last time. Golden Ticket went by me at the half-mile pole and I just followed him, He ran hard all the way.”

John Velazquez (jockey, **Verrazano**, beaten favorite finished 4th) – “He got a horrible trip into the first turn and got banged around pretty good. He lost all chance.”

Todd Pletcher (trainer, **Verrazano**, 4th) – “It was just one of those things. This track is so speed favoring and everyone is just send, send, send. It changes everything.”

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