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“FOLLOW THE VALOR” CONTEST TAKEN BY TOM FUREY WITH 57 WINNERS, CONNECTICUT/MARCO ISLAND RESIDENT IS THE ONLY ONE TO TAB TOTAL, FUREY TO CHOOSE 5 PERCENT OF ANY NEW 2010 HORSE UP TO \$1 MILLION



Tom Furey, a resident of Connecticut who winters on Marco Island in Florida, is the winner of the first “Follow the Valor” contest, patterned on an old promotional event pioneered by Barry Irwin more than 20 years ago when he campaigned partnership-owned horses as Clover Racing Stables.

The retired IBM software whiz correctly tabbed the number of winning races taken by the stable in 2009 at 57. He outlasted a group of contestants stuck on 58 wins to claim the first prize.

This season, Furey will be entitled to choose a 5 percent interest in any horse syndicated by Team Valor up to a value of \$1 million.

The race this year went right down to the final racing day of the year, when the contest runners-up had two chances to pull out the elusive 58th victory when Becrux and Golden Mexico ran in an optional claimer on December 31. They failed to hit the board at Santa Anita, giving Furey (right) the win.



Team Valor will offer the popular contest again this year and entries will close on the last day of January.

To enter the contest, any Team Valor partner that currently owns an interest in any horse owned by the stable (this includes horses in and out of training, stallion and broodmares) is eligible to participate in the “Follow the Valor” contest.

Simply send an e-mail to Amy Collingsworth at amy@teamvalor.com and state the number of races you predict the stable will win in 2010. Make sure to put your name on the e-mail so that Amy knows who sent it!

Ties will be broken by earnings, so contestants are asked to guess what the stable will earn in 2010. In case of a tie, the dollar amount closest to the correct total (whether above or below that figure) will be the winning one. To review the relevant statistics, go to the Team Valor website, select “Statistics” and check out the annual totals for wins and money earned by the stable.



Only one entry will be taken from each household, regardless of whether a husband or a wife may own horses separately with Team Valor. Entries received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Deadline for entries is the last day of January 2010.

First prize this year will be the same as last year.

“I think this contest really captured the imagination of our racing partners,” said Mrs. Collingsworth. “It was so close in the final couple of weeks that the excitement level became quite intense.”