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- The winner of the 2023 Woodbine Oaks Presented by Budweiser, Elysian Field, a daughter of Hard Spun, continues to up her game.
- "Coming into a race like this, some horses are thriving and getting better, and that would describe her. She had an extremely good work the other day. A bit quicker than I anticipated, but it shows how ready she is for The King's Plate," said trainer Mark Casse. He also describes her as "big, strong, and has a good mind," and that she is "a joy to train."
- Just 24 hours after she was purchased last fall at Belmont, Elysian Field dealt with some health issues.
- "She was in the clinic for a week, and it took her a long time to bounce back from that, but she's gotten better and better, and you can see that with her last performance, which was by far her best," said Casse, referencing her Oaks win.
- Ahead of The King's Plate, the first since 1951, Casse remarked, "Whether it's The King's Plate or The Queen's Plate, the significance is that it's the biggest race in Canada and it's deep in history. And I like to win it."

Trainer – Mark Casse

Mark Casse has won a record 15 Sovereign Awards as Canada's outstanding trainer: 2006-2008 and 2011-2022. The Indianapolis native has two U.S. Triple Crown wins: 2019 Preakness (G1) with War of Will and 2019 Belmont (G1) with Sir Winston. He also has five Breeders' Cup wins. Casse trained Eclipse Award winner Tepin who he sent to win the 2016 Queen Anne (G1) during the prestigious Royal Ascot meet in England. He was inducted into the U.S. Racing Hall of Fame in 2020 and the Canadian Horse Racing Hall of Fame in 2016. His North American career earnings exceed \$222 million, and he is closing in on 3,600 wins.

Jockey – Sahin Civaci

Multiple graded stakes-winning rider Sahin Civaci was born in Vancouver, and moved back to his native Ankara, Turkey with his family when he was 10. In his early teenage years, he enrolled in a course sponsored by the Turkish Jockey Club and quickly realized he wanted to ride thoroughbreds for a living. He made the move to Woodbine, and his first win at the Toronto oval came on June 5, 2019, aboard Phil's Glory. In 2019, he won 39 races in 363 starts. He had 92 wins in 2022 and is having another strong season. "The key for me is to always do better than the year before. That's what pushes me every time I go into the gate. Win or lose, I always give my best."

Owner – Gary Barber & Team Valor International

Former MGM executive **Gary Barber** is the co-founder of Spyglass Entertainment and CEO of Spyglass Media. Spyglass Entertainment produced such motion pictures as Seabiscuit, which was nominated for seven Academy Awards. Barber has executive-produced more than 50 films. The South African native has owned horses alone and in partnership with his brother Cecil and others. Tourist won the Breeders' Cup Mile in 2016 for a partnership that included Barber. Barber won two Canadian classic races in 2018 with Wonder Gadot and in 2019 won the Preakness with War of Will. Barber added another Breeders' Cup crown when Belvoir Bay won the Turf Sprint. **Team Valor**, run by CEO and lifelong racing fan Barry Irwin, forms partnerships with racing enthusiasts and members of the industry to compete at the major racing venues in the U.S. and abroad. Team Valor reached the pinnacle of racing glory in 2011 when Animal Kingdom won the Kentucky Derby. Other top runners in Irwin's syndicates include 1989 Breeders' Cup Turf-winner Prized, Grade 1 winner Unbridled Belle, and 2010 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf-winner Pluck.

Groom – Gareth Daniel





Jockey: Trainer: Sahin Civaci – 2 Mark Casse – 32 2021 – Go Take Charge (12th) 2022 – Hall of Dreams (2nd) 2020 – F F Rocket (12th) 2022 – Sir for Sure (3rd) 2019 – Federal Law (7th) 2019 - Skywire (11th) 2018 – Wonder Gadot (1st) 2018 – Telekinesis (5th) 2018 - Neepawa (10th) 2017 – King and His Court (7th) 2017 – State of Honor (8th) 2016 – Leavem in Malibu (6th) 2015 – Conquest Boogaloo (3rd) 2015 – Oakton (6th) 2014 – Lexie Lou (1st) 2014 – Matador (7th) 2014 – Majestic Sunset (15th) 2013 – Dynamic Sky (3rd) 2013 – Spring in the Air (4th) 2013 – Jagger M (5th) 2013 – Kaigun (9th) 2012 – Dixie Strike (3rd) 2012 – Making Amends (7th) 2012 – Golden Ridge (10th) 2011 – Hippolytus (2nd) 2011 – Enduring Star (9th) 2011 – Strike Oil (14th) 2009 – Tasty Temptation (4th) 2009 – Active Duty (12th) 2008 – Palmers (5th) 2008- Took the Time (8 $^{\rm th})$ 2007 – Marchfield (6th) 2004 – Kent Ridge (10th) 2004 - Long Pond (13th)



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