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Tiznow Always in Season

Tiz Miz Sue won the Ogden Phipps Handicap (gr. I) May 27 and became the 10th grade I winner for her sire Tiznow. She's typical of his progeny in that she has improved with age. Stakes-placed at 2, Cresnar's homebred became a stakes winner at 3, a stakes winner and grade I-placed at 4, a grade III winner at 5, and a grade I winner this year at 6.

Tiznow was a later-developing horse, which is not surprising considering his size, maturing to 16.3 hands. Tiznow made his first start in April 2000 as a 3-year-old, finishing sixth, and broke his maiden in his third start at the end of May at Hollywood Park. By the end of the year, he had won five of nine starts, culminating in the Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I), a hard-fought neck win at Churchill Downs over the "Iron Horse," Giant's Causeway. That jewel earned him the Eclipse Award for 3-year-old males, over Kentucky Derby (gr. I) winner Fusaichi Pegasus.

Tiznow's 4-year-old campaign ended with another win in the Breeders' Cup Classic, this one by a nose over Sakhee in a dramatic post-9/11 moment at Belmont Park. He is the only horse to win back-to-back

Breeders' Cup Classics. He earned another Eclipse Award as champion older male and retired with eight wins in 15 starts and \$6,427,830, becoming the leading California-bred by earnings.

It was a calculated risk for WinStar Farm to take Tiznow on as a stallion for the 2002 season in Kentucky as he had a less than fashionable pedigree, but his racing credentials spoke volumes about his raw ability and will to win.

In retrospect, his pedigree wasn't all that bad either.

Tiznow was sired by Cee's Tizzy out of Cee's Song, by Seattle Song. His pedigree is a tribute to his breeder, Cecilia "Cee" Straub-Rubens, who purchased both sire and dam as yearlings. Cee's Tizzy, by Relaunch out of the winning Lyphard mare Tizly, was third in the Super Derby (gr. I) before going to stud in California. Besides Tiznow, he sired 38 other stakes winners including the 2001 champion older female Gourmet Girl and grade I winner Cost of Freedom.

Mated with Cee's Song (by Seattle Song—Lonely Dancer, by Nice Dancer), Cee's Tizzy struck gold, getting Tiznow, grade II winners Budroyale and Tizdubai, and stakes winner

Tizbud, now a successful sire replacing Cee's Tizzy at Harris Farms in California. The combination also produced the broodmare Tizzo, dam of grade I winner Paynter, grade III winner Tiz West, and stakes winner Tizakitty. Another full sister, Tizamazing, produced Awesome Patriot and Oxbow, winner of the Preakness Stakes (gr. I) and runner-up in the June 8 Belmont Stakes (gr. I).

Much of this was still unknown when Tiznow entered stud in 2002. He had to sell himself, and, fortunately, he had gained many fans who loved his courage. He was something of an extreme physically; a tall, long horse with tremendous bone. Tiznow's first yearlings were very much in his mold and few expected early results, so it was a great surprise when his first crop produced the 2005 champion 2-year-old filly Folklore.

Tiznow has been a raging success ever since. His first crop produced five stakes winners including Folklore and WinStar's Dubai World Cup Sponsored by Emirates Arline (UAE-I) winner Well Armed. Tiznow's second crop had nine stakes winners, including Canadian champion older female Bear Now, and graded winners Bullsbay (now standing at Northview Stallion Station in Maryland), Tough Tiz's Sis, Slew's Tizzy, Informed, Tizfiz, and Tiz Wonderful (stands at Spendthrift Farm near Lexington).

His third crop also has produced nine stakes winners including 2008 Belmont Stakes winner Da' Tara, Colonel John (stands at WinStar Farm), Tizway, Tizdejavu, and Tizaqueena. The honor roll continues with more recent grade I winners Morning Line, Gemologist (also stands at WinStar), and Tiz Miz Sue.

Tiznow has shown several favorite bloodline crosses. Cee's Tizzy was by Relaunch, a son of In Reality, and 10 of Tiznow's 44 stakes winners are inbred or linebred to In Reality, including Folklore, Bear Now, Tiz Miz Sue, and Tough Tiz's Sis. Two, Cash for Clunkers and Let's Go Cheyenne, are actually inbred to Relaunch. One more, Tizway, is inbred to Intentionally, the sire of In Reality.

Folklore was out of a mare by Storm Cat, and this line has provided Tiznow with nine stakes winners, including four out of daugh-

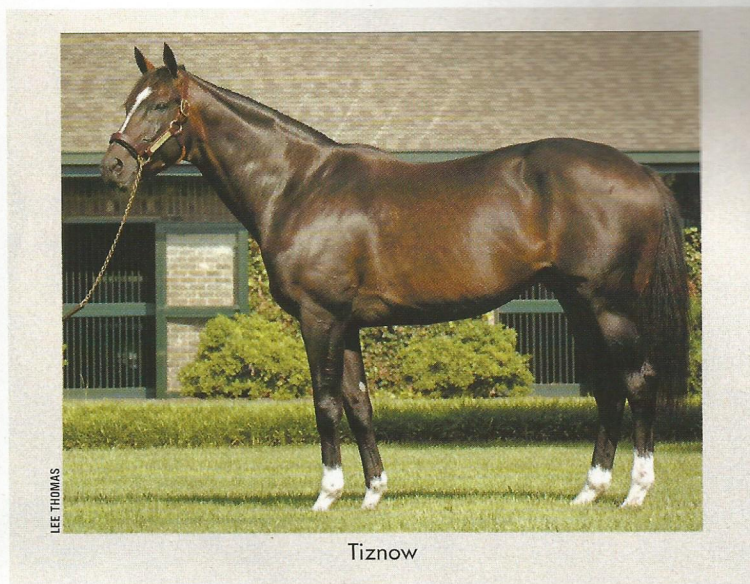
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CEE'S TIZZY, gr/ro, 1987	Relaunch, 1976 18s, SW, \$278,100 725 f, 89 SW, 2.66 AEI	In Reality, 1964 27s, SW, \$795,824 555 f, 81 SW, 3.18 AEI	Intentionally My Dear Girl
		Foggy Note, 1965 34s, SW, \$111,820 7 f, 7 r, 6 w, 4 SW	The Axe II Silver Song
TIZNOW b, h March 12, 1997	Tizly, 1981 6s, wnr, \$6,209 11 f, 9 r, 8 w	Lyphard, 1969 12s, SW, \$195,427 830 f, 115 SW, 3.18 AEI	Northern Dancer Goofed
		Tizna, 1969 57s, SW, \$650,263 7 f, 4 r, 3 w	Trevieres Noris
CEE'S SONG, dkb/br, 1986	Seattle Song, 1981 9s, SW, \$295,321 332 f, 23 SW, 1.75 AEI	Seattle Slew, 1974 17s, SW, \$1,208,726 1,050 f, 114 SW, 3.66 AEI	Bold Reasoning My Charming
		Incantation, 1965 34s, wnr, \$14,019 14 f, 12 r, 10 w, 2 SW	Prince Blessed Magic Spell
		Nice Dancer, 1969 20s, SW, \$154,825 471 f, 18 SW, 1.45 AEI	Northern Dancer Nice Princess
		Sleep Lonely, 1970 19s, wnr, \$8,140 14 f, 11 r, 10 w, 2 SW	Pia Star Sulenan

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ters of Storm Cat (Folklore, American Lion—standing at Darby Dan Farm— Golden Vivian, Kitty in a Tizzy) and three out of mares by Storm Cat's son Hennessy (Tiz Wonderful, Pescadero, Tiz Blessed).

Tiznow is inbred 4x4 to Northern Dancer through Lyphard and Nice Dancer (the broodmare sire of Cee's Song), and Storm Cat's sire Storm Bird adds another Northern Dancer cross to those nine stakes winners. Tiznow has seven stakes winners from other Northern Dancer-line mares, including four via Dixieland Band (Tizdejavu, Ellafitz, Golden Itiz, Cash for Clunkers). Northern Dancer-line mares are Tiznow's leading nick, with 16 stakes winners.



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Tiznow's next best cross by number is with Mr. Prospector-line mares, producing 12 stakes winners, led by graded winners Tiz Miz Sue (dam by Woodman), Bullsbay (by Lord Carson), Gemologist (by Mr. Prospector) and Lovely Lil (by Pentelicus).

Tiznow's leading earner is Well Armed, out of a mare by

Notebook, by Well Decorated, from the Bold Ruler line. Well Armed's second dam is by Gold Meridian, by Seattle Slew. Well Armed is one of four Tiznow stakes winners inbred to Seattle Slew, the sire of Seattle Song and Gold Meridian. The other three are Morning Line, Slew's Tizzy and Slew's Tiznow, all out of Seattle Slew-line mares.

There are few strains with which Tiznow has not had some success.

Tiznow has overcome the early prejudice against his pedigree, making him a fashion icon.

His story reminds us that whenever a horse wins back-to-back Breeders' Cup Classics, breeders will remember his name. BH



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— Chris Baker, WinStar Farm Manager

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