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## **FIERCENESS 5-2 FAVORITE IN KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE WAGER POOL 6**

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Saturday, April 6, 2024)** – Four weeks in advance of the 150<sup>th</sup> running of the \$5 million Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (Grade I), bettors made Florida Derby (GI) winner **Fierceness** the 5-2 favorite with Risen Star (GII) and Blue Grass winner **Sierra Leone** the 7-1 second choice in the sixth and final pool of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager (KDFW). Japan’s unbeaten **Forever Young (JPN)** was the 8-1 third betting choice.

The three-day pool closed Saturday at 4 p.m. ET in advance of the day’s three Road to the Kentucky Derby Championship Series races: the Wood Memorial (GI), Blue Grass (GI) and Santa Anita Derby (GI).

**Resilience** won the Wood Memorial and closed at odds of 76-1. **Stronghold** prevailed in the Santa Anita Derby and was 30-1 in the KDFW.

Horses in order of the public’s betting choice (with Pool 6 odds and \$2 Win will pays):

- #13 Fierceness (Todd Pletcher, City of Light, 5-2, \$7.64);
- #28 Sierra Leone (Chad Brown, Gun Runner, 7-1, \$17.62);
- #14 Forever Young (JPN) (Yoshito Yahagi, Real Steel, 8-1, \$18.88);
- #5 **Deterministic** (Christophe Clement, Liam’s Map, 12-1, \$26.52);
- #3 **Catching Freedom** (Brad Cox, Constitution, 12-1, \$26.78);
- #7 **Dornoch** (Danny Gargan, Good Magic, 12-1, \$27.62);
- #40 “All Other 3-Year-Olds” (22-1, \$47.40);
- #19 **Just a Touch** (Brad Cox, Justify, 22-1, \$47.94);
- #37 **Tuscan Sky** (Todd Pletcher, Vino Rosso, 24-1, \$51.84);
- #18 **Honor Marie** (Whit Beckman, Honor Code, 26-1, \$54.96);
- #30 Stronghold (Phil D’Amato, Ghostzapper, 30-1, \$62.64);
- #20 **Just Steel** (Wayne Lukas, Justify, 30-1, \$62.82);
- #24 **Mystik Dan** (Kenny McPeck, Goldencents, 35-1, \$72.98);
- #10 **Endlessly** (Michael McCarthy, Oscar Performance, 37-1, \$77.94);
- #6 **Domestic Product** (Chad Brown, Practical Joke, 40-1, \$82.60);
- #27 **Seize the Grey** (Wayne Lukas, Arrogate, 42-1, \$87.22);
- #1 **Be You** (Todd Pletcher, Curlin, 52-1, \$106.28);
- #36 **Track Phantom** (Steve Asmussen, Quality Road, 53-1, \$109.44);
- #9 **Encino** (Brad Cox, Nyquist, 63-1, \$129.14);
- #38 **Uncle Heavy** (Butch Reid, Social Inclusion, 72-1, \$147.42);
- #26 Resilience (Bill Mott, Into Mischief, 76-1, \$154.04);
- #35 **Top Conor** (Chad Brown, Twirling Candy, 80-1, \$162.16);
- #17 **Hades** (Joe Orseno, Awesome Slew, 92-1, \$186.22);

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#2 **Catalytic** (Saffie Joseph Jr., Catalina Cruiser, 99-1, \$201.10);  
#8 **El Grande O** (Linda Rice, Take Charge Indy, 117-1, \$236.26);  
#39 **West Saratoga** (Larry Demeritte, Exaggerator, 121-1, \$244.70);  
#31 **T O Password (JPN)** (Daisuke Takayanagi, Copano Rickey, 135-1, \$272.86);  
#12 **Evening News** (Mike Pino, Nyquist, 147-1, \$297.26);  
#11 **Epic Ride** (John Ennis, Blame, 156-1, \$314.26);  
#15 **Good Money** (Chad Brown, Good Magic, 157-1, \$316.52);  
#16 **Grand Mo the First** (Victor Barboza Jr., Uncle Mo, 179-1, \$360.46);  
#22 **Mc Vay** (John Shirreffs, Constitution, 194-1, \$391.18);  
#4 **Common Defense** (Kenny McPeck, Karakontie, 234-1, \$470.38);  
#25 **No More Time** (Jose D'Angelo, Not This Time, 277-1, \$557.16);  
#32 **Tapalo** (John Sadler, Tapiture, 294-1, \$591.90);  
#21 **Lat Long** (Kenny McPeck, Liam's Map, 322-1, \$647.66);  
#23 **Merit** (Saffie Joseph Jr., Mastery, 478-1, \$958.02);  
#33 **Tessuto** (George Papaprodromou, Munnings, 516-1, \$1,035.84);  
#29 **Society Man** (Danny Gargan, Good Magic, 793-1, \$1,588.18); and  
#34 **Timberlake** (Brad Cox, Into Mischief, Wagering Suspended).

Total handle for the April 4-6 KDFW pool – the final future wager pool in advance of the Kentucky Derby on Saturday, May 4 – was \$376,038 (\$268,996 in the Win Pool and \$107,042 in Exactas) vs. \$369,443 (\$271,230 in the Win pool and \$98,213 in Exactas) in 2023.

A total of \$2,052,391 was bet on Derby and Oaks future wagers this year, a 13% increase from last year's \$1,813,542.

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