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Team Valor Make the Right Investment with Twomey's Love



Loveisthehigherlaw (4/1) is now two from two after turning over odds-on favourite **Blenheim Palace** in the Killarney Racegoers Club Race. Victorious in the silks of Charles O'Callaghan 104-days back, Paddy Twomey's Kodiak filly now goes for the powerhouse American operation, **Team Valor International LLC**.

The three-year-old is obviously very talented as in the hands of Wayne Lordan she upstaged **Blenheim Palace** by a neck. In the five horse field they left **Fancy Feat** eight lengths back in third.

"She has good entries and is a nice filly but I didn't want to run her in a Stakes race on her second start and she has got physically stronger since her last run," said Twomey.

"We picked out this race quite a while ago and we'll feel our way with her and she won't run too many more times this year.

"She has the options but I don't know where she'll turn up. She'll be a better filly next year and maybe again at five - her mother won a Group 1 when she was four. She should be a Stakes filly whether it is this year or next year I'm not sure.

"She is the first horse I've run for Team Valor but I've sold them horses in the past - the last one I sold them, Pillar Mountain, is running in a Grade 1 at Saratoga on Saturday."

The Stewards interviewed D. O'Brien, rider of Blenheim Palace, concerning his use of the whip in the closing stages of this race. Evidence was heard from the rider concerned. Having viewed a recording of the race and considered the evidence the Stewards accepted that D. O'Brien was required to use his whip once for corrective purposes due to his mount jinking and as he was otherwise not in breach of Regulation 10 they took no further action.

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