

GET TO KNOW TEAM VALOR 2-YEAR-OLDS AHEAD OF BREEDERS' CUP MEXIKOMA, STREET SAILING WILL CARRY GREEN, RED SILKS FOR 1ST TIME

Mexikoma – Breeders' Cup Juvenile

Ownership: Team Valor International bought the Birdstone colt privately from owner-trainer Michael Dilger, reaching a deal in principal less than a day after his 14 ½-length maiden win around 2 turns at Delaware Park on September 12.

Trainer: Rick Mettee, private trainer for Team Valor International. Mexikoma was transferred to Mettee's base at Fair Hill Training Center on September 19.

Bred: in Florida by Hickstead Farm. **Jockey:** Alan Garcia.

Training: Mexikoma worked 3 times under exercise rider Shav Aizpuru for Mettee before shipping to Santa Anita Park on October 26. In his most recent drill (the only one with blinkers), Mexikoma started off slowly with an opening quarter in :27 and proceeded with 5 more furlongs in 1:00 2/5 to get 7 eighths in 1:27 2/5. He galloped out a mile in 1:40. Steve Haskin of the *Blood-Horse* said this week that he was very impressed upon seeing the colt in the flesh at Santa Anita Park.



Videos:

[Workout](#), October 30, Santa Anita (Team Valor video)

[Workout](#), October 30, Santa Anita (HRTV, at 12:50 mark)

[Workout](#), October 22, Fair Hill dirt.

[Delaware Park maiden win](#)

[Breeze from OBS April sale](#)



Street Sailing – Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf

Ownership: Team Valor International bought a majority interest in the grey filly from breeder Bill Grube's Destiny Oaks of Ocala following her 6 ¼-length allowance win at Keeneland on October 9 in her first chance on turf. The Pennsylvania-bred daughter of Street Boss won a maiden race at Presque Isle Downs over 5 furlongs on July 24.

Trainer: Rick Mettee, Team Valor's private trainer.

Training: Street Sailing worked once at Keeneland following the acquisition, covering 3 furlongs in :36.20 from the quarter pole past the wire on the Polytrack on October 25. She was shipped to Santa Anita Park on October 26.

Videos:

[Keeneland allowance win](#)

[Presque Isle maiden win](#)