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Racing Returns To Ruidoso Downs
With Stunning Victory By Catscape

RUIDOSO DOWNS, New Mexico (August 2, 2008) – Racing returned to Ruidoso Downs after a three race-day hiatus caused by the remnants of Hurricane Dolly with Catscape appressively winning the Grade 3, \$40,000 Mr Jet Moore Handicap with a stunning late run.

“We were dead last,” winning jockey Chris Zamora said in the winner’s circle. “The horse inside of us had us beat by more than a length and then my horse really came running.”

Catscape won by three quarters of a length with a :19.754 time for the 400 yards. Dr. Proctor, the 11-10 favorite, also made a late run to finish second, a neck in front of Heavenly trip. Harems legacy was the early leader and finished fourth.

The 8-year-old Catscape, trained by Jorge Valenzuela, has been on a roll since finishing a close third in the Grade 1 Bank Of America Texas Challenge at Sam Houston Race Park a year ago. This spring he qualified for the Grade 2 West Texas Maturity and then was third in the Grade 1 Bank of America Texas Challenge at Sunland Park.

“He’s a nice horse, just old. Get two old guys together and good stuff happens,” the veteran jockey Zamora quipped with a wry smile.

Dr. Proctor, trained by Carl Draper, was sent off as the solid favorite after winning the Higheasterjet Handicap over Heavenly Trip in his prior start. The 3-year-old gelding was challenging older horses in the Higheasterjet and Mr Jet Moore Handicaps and will now probably go against his own age division in the Hobbs America Derby at Zia Park this fall.

Ruidoso Downs ran an all-quarter horse card on Saturday afternoon. The storm did no damage to the quarter horse track while the thoroughbred oval sustained damage. There will be five thoroughbred races and five quarter horse races, including four stakes, on Sunday afternoon. “The quarter horse track is great. I have no problem riding on the

thoroughbred track. I'm ready," Zamora, who rides both quarter horses and thoroughbreds, said.