

# History of the \$100,000 Spencer Childers Handicap



2015 winner Moonist (top) will never be forgotten  
Owned by Spencer Childers, Be A Bono (right) won this race three times



Stakes Record: 19.06, Chivalry SR (2011)

Most Wins By A Jockey: 3, Carlos Bautista and G.R. Carter

Most Wins By A Trainer: 4, Connie Hall & Dan Francisco

Spencer Childers Championship Highlights: 1993, Trainer Connie Hall and jockey Eddie Garcia team up to win the inaugural running of this event with Chicks Got Pazzaz. 1995, Down With Debt equals the stakes mark of :19.70 in a powerful win for trainer Charles Bloomquist and jockey John Creager. 1996, Coast Express, coming off a second place finish in the All-Star jockey challenge at 350 yards holds off Mija Ja by a half length. 1997, Air Beduino wins his second stakes race of the year. The winning connections teamed up in 1993 to win this event with Chicks Got Pazzaz. Jockey Eddie Garcia, trainer Connie Hall and owners John and Kathie Bobenrieth each earn their second Spencer L. Childers victory. 1999, Vals Policy was moved up from second to first after a disqualification to win the Spencer Childers for owners James Azevedo and Charles Boyles. 2000, Longshot Express King, at odds of 11-1 when coupled with Kingman Kid, upset a top field that included World Champion Tailor Fit to win the Spencer Childers California Breeders Championship Handicap. 2001, World Champion A Ransom joins his dam, Chicks Got Pazzaz as winners of the Spencer Childers California Breeders Championship Handicap. The Bobenrieth also celebrated a record third stakes win in this stakes races. 2002, A Ransom became the first to win three-time winner on California Champions Night after beating eventual Co-World Champion Whosleavingwho. 2003, The anticipated rematch between Whosleavingwho and Catchmeinyourdreams lived up to the hype with Whosleavingwho outdueling his rival to claim victory. 2004, Be A Bono defeated older rivals to win the race named in honor of his owner, Spencer Childers. 2005, Be A Bono won for the second consecutive year, this time setting a stakes record. 2006, Be A Bono becomes the first three-time winner of this race and he does it on a genetically regenerated knee. 2007, Soul Of Silence defeats champions Catchmeinyourdreams & Apollitical Time. 2008, Bred by Spencer Childers, Ten Oclock Scholar outdueled Not A Full Moon. 2011, Chivalry SR scores a 1 1/2 length victory over World Champion Freaky and two-time Grade 1 winner Snitcher. 2012, Twelve Stepper outduels a quality field to give his connections their first Champions Night victory. 2013, Owner and breeder Edward C. Allred wins the Spencer Childers with Check My Thoughts and also has the runner-up, Once Over. 2014, One year after running second, Once Over wins the Spencer Childers. 2015, The great Moonist enjoys another memorable victory. 2019, He Looks Hot becomes the first multiple winner of this race in non-consecutive years.

| Year | Horse              | Distance | Time   | Purse     | Jockey           | Trainer            | Owner                           |
|------|--------------------|----------|--------|-----------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1993 | Chicks Got Pazzaz  | 400      | :19.70 | \$20,000  | Eddie Garcia     | Connie Hall        | John or Kathie Bobenrieth       |
| 1994 | Make Mine Bud      | 400      | :19.78 | \$40,000  | Henry Garcia     | Blane Schvaneveldt | Graham & Cox                    |
| 1995 | Down With Debt     | 400      | :19.70 | \$44,250  | John Creager     | Charlie Bloomquist | George N. Haddad                |
| 1996 | Coast Express      | 400      | :20.06 | \$43,350  | Joe Badilla      | Jaime Gomez        | Dutch Masters III               |
| 1997 | Air Beduino        | 400      | :19.86 | \$44,050  | Eddie Garcia     | Connie Hall        | John or Kathie Bobenrieth       |
| 1998 | Im Flyng Too       | 400      | :19.75 | \$44,300  | Alex Bautista    | John Cooper        | Double Bar S Ranch              |
| 1999 | Vals Policy        | 400      | :19.66 | \$82,650  | Jacky Martin     | Paul Jones         | James Azevedo & Charles Boyles  |
| 2000 | Express King       | 400      | :19.67 | \$163,795 | Carlos Bautista  | Kelly Lewis        | Edward C. Allred                |
| 2001 | A Ransom           | 400      | :19.73 | \$143,826 | Carlos Bautista  | Connie Hall        | John or Kathie Bobenrieth       |
| 2002 | A Ransom           | 400      | :19.66 | \$148,102 | Carlos Bautista  | Connie Hall        | John or Kathie Bobenrieth       |
| 2003 | Whosleavingwho     | 400      | :19.51 | \$159,100 | Joe Badilla      | Paul Jones         | Jim Geiler & Kim Kessinger      |
| 2004 | Be A Bono          | 400      | :19.73 | \$148,100 | G.R. Carter      | Dan Francisco      | Spencer L. Childers             |
| 2005 | Be A Bono          | 400      | :19.48 | \$153,514 | G.R. Carter      | Dan Francisco      | Spencer L. Childers             |
| 2006 | Be A Bono          | 400      | :19.39 | \$164,100 | G.R. Carter      | Dan Francisco      | Spencer L. Childers             |
| 2007 | Soul Of Silence    | 400      | :19.59 | \$164,100 | Saul Ramirez Jr  | Patricia Visscher  | D. Rau, M. South, & P.Visscher  |
| 2008 | Ten Oclock Scholar | 400      | :19.44 | \$165,650 | Raul Ramirez     | Dan Francisco      | Ed Allred & Tom Seibly          |
| 2009 | Freaky             | 400      | :19.19 | \$100,000 | Francisco Rubio  | Adan Farias        | Armando Aguirre                 |
| 2010 | A Tempting Dash    | 400      | :19.29 | \$100,000 | Juan Andrade     | Jose Flores        | Deleyco Racing Team             |
| 2011 | Chivalry SR        | 400      | :19.06 | \$100,000 | Rodrigo Aceves   | Adan Farias        | Stern Ranches                   |
| 2012 | Twelve Stepper     | 400      | :19.68 | \$100,000 | Gregorio Arriaga | Arnold Pulido      | Juan Humberto Moya              |
| 2013 | Check My Thoughts  | 400      | :19.60 | \$100,000 | Eulices Gomez    | James Glenn Jr.    | Edward C. Allred                |
| 2014 | Once Over          | 400      | :19.80 | \$100,000 | Rodrigo Aceves   | Scott Willoughby   | Edward C. Allred                |
| 2015 | Moonist            | 400      | :19.53 | \$100,000 | Cesar De Alba    | John Cooper        | Ron Hartley                     |
| 2016 | Flay               | 400      | :19.82 | \$100,000 | Oscar Peinado    | Paul Jones         | Thompson Racing, Inc. & P.Jones |
| 2017 | He Looks Hot       | 400      | :19.50 | \$100,000 | Rodrigo Aceves   | Scott Willoughby   | Ed Allred                       |
| 2018 | Heza Dasha Fire    | 400      | :19.54 | \$100,000 | Cruz Mendez      | Jose Flores        | S-Quarter K LLC                 |
| 2019 | He Looks Hot       | 400      | :19.62 | \$100,000 | Vinnie Bednar    | Scott Willoughby   | Edward C. Allred                |
| 2020 | Bail Czech         | 400      | :19.69 | \$100,000 | Jesus Rios Ayala | Jesus Nunez        | EG High Desert Farms            |
| 2021 | Circle City        | 400      | :19.65 | \$100,000 | Jesus Rios Ayala | Scott Willoughby   | Edward C. Allred                |