

History of the Southern California Derby

Stakes Record: 400 Yards, :19.35, Hulapai; 440 Yards, :21.57, Kid O Dash

Most Wins By A Jockey: 3, Alejandro Luna Most Wins By A Trainer: 7, Paul Jones

Southern California Derby Highlights: 1989, Floozie Finder provides trainer Barry Woodhouse with his richest win in the \$187,342 Derby. 1991, Connie Hall becomes the first of two consecutive female trainers to capture the Southern California Derby when Kid O Dash rolls to a 440-yard stakes record clocking of :21.57. 1992, In one of the biggest upsets in quarter horse racing history, 121-1 longshot Royal Trips stops Corona Chick's bid to become the first horse to win 14 consecutive races, posting a head decision under jockey Joe Meier. Corona Chick finishes second. This was the only time the race was held at Hollywood Park. 1995, Coast Express defeats eventual 1995 Champion 3-Year-Old Filly Ah Sigh by a nose, giving trainer Jaime Gomez and jockey G.R. Carter their first Southern California Derby victories. 1996, Western Heart holds off Temerity Wrangler and Reckless Roula, giving jockey Kenneth Hart his second win in this event and trainer Bob Gilbert his first. 1997, Showoff Alibi gives trainer Paul Jones his first Grade 1 stakes win. 1998, Strawflyin Buds ends his career with a flourish by scoring an upset victory in the Southern California Derby. 1999, Dash To Chivato proved his PCQHRA Derby win was no fluke, defeating fastest qualifier Meddlin In Money in the Southern California Derby. The colt was then retired to stud after earning the title of California Champion 3-Year-Old Colt. 2000, Tiny First Down waited until the final start of her 3-year-old year to earn her first stakes win in the \$131,250 Southern California Derby. 2001, Tiny First Effort picks up her third stakes win of the year on the way to being named Champion Three-Year-Old Filly. 2002, Owned and bred by Joe Bettencourt, Agouti set a stakes record while also posting the meet's fastest time at 400 yards. 2004, Champion Hawkish made the final start of his career a winning one with a victory in the Southern California Derby. 2009, Hulapai scores his third stakes win of the year. 2010, Harems Last Dash, the sale topper at the 2008 Los Alamitos Equine Sale, showed his worth with a solid victory in the richest running ever of the Southern California Derby. 2011, Jockey Cruz Mendez picked up his first Grade 1 victory aboard El Aguila Real, who is owned by his sister-in-law, Bianca Mendez. 2012, It's derby win number two for Check My Thoughts. He had previously won the Golden State Derby. 2014, Nellie Delaney and Jabuti Eagle SA post the first dead-het in the history of this race. 2015, Quirky begins her winning streak of stakes races with a solid victory in this derby. 2016, Elena Andrade picks up her first graded stakes victory with Uno Corona Mas.

Year	Horse	Distance	Time	Purse	Jockey	Trainer	Owner
1988	Shawne Music Man	400	:20.00	\$199,374	James Lackey	Blane Schvaneveldt	George Aubin
1989	Floozie Finder	440	:21.84	\$187,342	Kenneth Hart	Barry Woodhouse	Swartz & Verner
1990	Strawfly Special	440	:21.69	\$156,980	Henry Garcia	Marshal Ferrell	Liston Brick Co.
1991	Kid O Dash	440	:21.57	\$128,968	Eddie Garcia	Connie Hall	Joe Muniz
1992	Royal Trips	400	:19.74	\$141,600	Joe Meier	Laura Pinelli	Abigail Kawanakoa
1993	Mega Dash	400	:19.71	\$90,500	Bruce Pilkenton	John Cooper	Paul Q. Reed
1994	Artesias Special Gal	400	:20.00	\$100,000	Eddie Garcia	Chuck Treece	I. William Stratmore
1995	Coast Express	400	:19.84	\$88,560	G.R. Carter	Jaime Gomez	Dutch Masters III
1996	Western Heart	400	:19.82	\$122,525	Kenneth Hart	Bob Gilbert	Hubbard & Allred
1997	Showoff Alibi	400	:19.77	\$113,855	Joe Badilla	Paul Jones	Azevedo & Boyles
1998	Strawflyin Buds	400	:19.68	\$119,567	Carlos Bautista	Dan Francisco	Double Bar S Ranch
1999	Dash To Chivato	400	:19.77	\$116,200	Joe Badilla	Danny Cardoza	Vessels Stallion Farm LLC
2000	Tiny First Down	400	:19.80	\$131,250	Sam Thompson	Donna McArthur	Marvin and Ellie Selig
2001	Tiny First Effort	400	:19.84	\$154,350	Sam Thompson	Donna McArthur	Henry E Brown
2002	Agouti	400	:19.40	\$163,450	Ramon Sanchez	Paul Jones	Joe Bettencourt
2003	Deefirst	400	:19.69	\$155,950	Alejandro Luna	Paul Jones	Anjora Corporation
2004	Hawkish	400	:19.50	\$130,950	Alex Bautista	Felix Gonzalez	EG High Desert Farms
2005	First Down Runner	400	:19.68	\$170,000	Saul Ramirez, Jr.	Paul Jones	Ed Calvert
2006	Spike It And Fly	400	:19.65	\$192,050	Alejandro Luna	Paul Jones	J.G. Kelly & N.Yearsley
2007	Trisk	400	:19.51	\$185,900	Ramon Sanchez	Paul Jones	Lucas Racing LLC
2008	Short Czech	400	:19.43	\$189,000	Alejandro Luna	Mario Loza	EG High Desert Farms
2009	Hulapai	400	:19.35	\$158,850	Rodrigo Aceves	Adan Farias	Carlos Romero
2010	Harems Last Dash	400	:19.70	\$202,500	Eduardo Nicasio	Adan Farias	Vessels Stallion F, Wood, et al
2011	El Aguila Real	400	:19.74	\$171,750	Cruz Mendez	Vince Smith	Bianca Mendez
2012	Check My Thoughts	400	:19.58	\$167,482	Eulices Gomez	James Glenn Jr.	Edward C. Allred
2013	Nellie Delaney (DH)	400	:19.85	\$160,850	Raul Valenzuela	Juan Aleman	J.G. Kelly & N.Yearsley
	Jabuti Eagle SA (DH)	400			Saul Ramirez, Jr.	Paul Jones	Gianni Franco Samaja
2014	Quirky	400	:19.75	\$145,850	Carlos Huerta	James Glenn Jr.	Edward C. Allred
2015	Forget It	400	:19.92	\$134,150	Eduardo Nicasio	Jaime Gomez	Dutch Masters III & J. Gomez
2016	Uno Corona Mas	400	:19.81	\$168,500	Jesus Rios Ayala	Elena Andrade	O. Andrade & S. Burns
2017	Mr Apolitical Dash	400	:19.84	\$175,300	Carlos Huerta	Juan Aleman	Rancho El Cabresto Inc.
2018	Black Fryday	400	:19.77	\$162,850	Eddie Garcia	John Cooper	Ron Hartley
2019	Mister Apolitical	400	:19.72	\$168,700	Jesus Rios Ayala	Terry Knight	Legacy Ranch
2020	Nomadic	400	:19.67	\$154,550	Oscar Andrade, Jr.	Scott Willoughby	Edward C. Allred



In 1992 was run at Hollywood Park and returned to the original 400 yard distance.

Dutch Masters III and Jaime Gomez's Forget It