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THUNDERHEAD HAWKINS WINS MAIDEN CLAIMING RACE

CLAREMORE, Oklahoma—**Thunderhead Hawkins**, jockeyed by Mike Frederick was the game winner of a 350-yard \$10,000 Maiden Claiming Race on Friday, November 4th at Will Rogers Downs. The two-year-old Appaloosa gelding completed the race with a time of 15.845.

Thunderhead Hawkins was bred by Jack Wilkerson of El Reno, Oklahoma is currently owned by Gary Walker also of El Reno, Oklahoma. The two-year-old gelding was sired by Sweet First Down (AQHA) out of by **Dashing Clea** (ApHC). Closely following **Thunderhead Hawkings** was **Special Jessie** a two-year-old Appaloosa mare owned by John M. Haid, Jr. of Siloam Springs, Arkansas. **Special Jessie** finished game second with a time of 15.868.

Other Appaloosas featured in the race included **Up In Time, Full of Fastballs, and Cash An Flash**. For more information about Appaloosa Racing, please call the ApHC Racing Coordinator at (208) 882-5578 ext. 244 or visit www.appaloosa.com.

Appaloosa Racing

Appaloosas have long been an integral part of one of America's most popular spectator sports—horse racing. The Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) officially recognized the sport in 1962, beginning Appaloosa racing history with four races and 23 starters competing for \$12,000 in total purses. In 2010, 123 Appaloosas competed in 218 races for \$2.1 million in total purses.

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