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Team Valor, Barber buy Grade 3 winner Motovato

Team Valor International and Gary Barber have purchased Grade 3 winner Motovato from Michel Zerolo and the estate of Edmund Gann, who died last month.

The five-year-old Proud Citizen horse will remain in the care of trainer Marty Wolfson following the private transaction.

Motovato won the Kenny Noe Jr. Handicap (G3) on December 26 at Calder Race Course and finished a close third behind Munnings in the Gulfstream Park Sprint Championship Stakes (G2) on February 13.

“We have always liked him,” Team Valor Chief Executive Officer Barry Irwin said. “Marty understands him and seems to be able to exact tremendous performances out of him. Marty trains other runners for Team Valor, so this became an inevitable transaction once we learned that the estate of Edmund Gann planned to sell the horses.”

Motovato also won the Sumter and Primal Stakes at Calder last year.



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MOTOVATO