

ARAPAHOE PARK - November 15, 2025 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred  
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD HORSES WHICH HAVE STARTED AT BALLY'S ARAPAHOE PARK 2025 MEET AND NOT FINISHED FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD AT THE MEET. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$2,500. (C) **Claiming Price:** \$2,500

**Distance:** Five And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Ultimate Question - 1:01.74 - August 12, 2011)

**Purse:** \$6,000

**Available Money:** \$6,000

**Value of Race:** \$6,000 1st \$3,600, 2nd \$1,200, 3rd \$600, 4th \$360, 5th \$120, 6th \$60, 7th \$60

**Weather:** Cloudy, 71° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 1:46 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Video Review



[Video Race Replay](#)

| Last Raced                            | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey)                | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 1/4                | 3/8               | Str                | Fin              | Odds  | Comments               |
|---------------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|-----|-----|----|-------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 11Oct25 <sup>1</sup> ARP <sup>4</sup> | 8   | My Buddy Mel (Medina, Jose)        | 124 | BL  | 6  | 6     | 6 <sup>1 1/2</sup> | 3 <sup>Head</sup> | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>2</sup>   | 1.10* | bid 3p 1/4, drew clear |
| 1Nov25 <sup>1</sup> ARP <sup>4</sup>  | 7   | Leap Day (Aguilar, Daniel)         | 124 | BL  | h  | 5     | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>Head</sup> | 2 <sup>3</sup>     | 2 <sup>4</sup>   | 7.60  | 2p, kept on, 2nd best  |
| 9Nov25 <sup>2</sup> ARP <sup>4</sup>  | 4   | Ridin Solo (Ironeyes, Jayden)      | 124 | BL  | b  | 3     | 4 <sup>Head</sup>  | 6 <sup>1</sup>    | 5 <sup>1/2</sup>   | 3 <sup>1/2</sup> | 4.80  | 3p,float8p str, up shw |
| 7Nov25 <sup>6</sup> ARP <sup>4</sup>  | 3   | Calculated Luv (Cardoso, David)    | 124 | BL  | bf | 2     | 4 <sup>Head</sup>  | 5 <sup>1/2</sup>  | 3 <sup>Head</sup>  | 4 <sup>2</sup>   | 6.20  | up close 2p, flattened |
| 1Nov25 <sup>1</sup> ARP <sup>7</sup>  | 2   | Bron and the Brow (Couton, Julien) | 124 | BL  | b  | 1     | 3 <sup>1/2</sup>   | 4 <sup>Head</sup> | 4 <sup>1/2</sup>   | 5 <sup>3</sup>   | 13.00 | prompted inside, wknd  |
| 7Nov25 <sup>3</sup> ARP <sup>4</sup>  | 9   | Nacho Grande (Banda, Carlos)       | 131 | BL  | f  | 7     | 7                  | 7                 | 7                  | 6 <sup>3</sup>   | 6.40  | trail 5p, never threat |
| 24Oct25 <sup>4</sup> ARP <sup>7</sup> | 6   | Pay Raise (Delorme, Larren)        | 124 | BL  |    | 4     | 5                  | 2 <sup>1/2</sup>  | 6 <sup>1 1/2</sup> | 7                | 6.50  | bid 3p turn, gave way  |

**Fractional Times:** 22.72 46.11 58.81 **Final Time:** 1:05.39

**Split Times:** (23:39) (12:70) (6:58)

**Run-Up:** 20 feet

**Winner:** My Buddy Mel, Bay Gelding, by [Tonalist](#) out of Tilde, by Swiss Yodeler. Foaled Feb 09, 2021 in Texas.

 Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

**Breeder:** Charles W Eddy & Myra Sue York-Eddy

**Owner:** Mark N. Hibdon

**Trainer:** Hibdon, Mark

**1 Claimed Horse(s):** **My Buddy Mel**      New Trainer: Temple D. Rushton      New Owner: Jarett Rushton

**Claiming Prices:** 8 - My Buddy Mel: \$2,500; 7 - Leap Day: \$2,500; 4 - Ridin Solo: \$2,500; 3 - Calculated Luv: \$2,500; 2 - Bron and the Brow: \$2,500; 9 - Nacho Grande: \$2,500; 6 - Pay Raise: \$2,500;

**Scratched Horse(s):** Grace's Hank (Stewards), J's Little Man (Veterinarian)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$2,191

| Pgm | Horse        | Win  | Place | Show | Wager Type        | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|--------------|------|-------|------|-------------------|-----------------|--------|------|
| 8   | My Buddy Mel | 4.20 | 2.40  | 3.00 | \$2.00 Exacta     | 8-7             | 13.40  | 749  |
| 7   | Leap Day     |      | 4.80  | 4.20 | \$2.00 Quinella   | 7-8             | 14.60  | 232  |
| 4   | Ridin Solo   |      |       | 4.60 | \$2.00 Trifecta   | 8-7-4           | 131.00 | 862  |
|     |              |      |       |      | \$2.00 Superfecta | 8-7-4-3         | 294.40 | 452  |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name        | Start | 1/4                | 3/8                | Str                | Fin                 |
|-----|-------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 8   | My Buddy Mel      | 6     | 6 <sup>1 1/4</sup> | 3 <sup>1/2</sup>   | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>2</sup>      |
| 7   | Leap Day          | 1     | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 2 <sup>Head</sup>  | 2 <sup>2</sup>      |
| 4   | Ridin Solo        | 4     | 5 <sup>1 1/4</sup> | 6 <sup>1 1/4</sup> | 5 <sup>3 3/4</sup> | 3 <sup>6</sup>      |
| 3   | Calculated Luv    | 2     | 4 <sup>1</sup>     | 5 <sup>3/4</sup>   | 3 <sup>3</sup>     | 4 <sup>6 1/2</sup>  |
| 2   | Bron and the Brow | 3     | 3 <sup>1/2</sup>   | 4 <sup>3/4</sup>   | 4 <sup>3 1/4</sup> | 5 <sup>8 1/2</sup>  |
| 9   | Nacho Grande      | 7     | 7 <sup>2 3/4</sup> | 7 <sup>2 1/4</sup> | 7 <sup>5 3/4</sup> | 6 <sup>11 1/2</sup> |
| 6   | Pay Raise         | 5     | 2 <sup>Head</sup>  | 2 <sup>Head</sup>  | 6 <sup>4 1/4</sup> | 7 <sup>14 1/2</sup> |

**Trainers:** 8 - Hibdon, Mark; 7 - Gray, Kirk; 4 - Mitchell, Chris; 3 - Arceo, Luiz; 2 - LaVanway, Dayson; 9 - Carlson, Jayce; 6 - Schindler, Jeff

**Owners:** 8 -Mark N. Hibdon; 7 -Tyrrill J. Tsosie; 4 -Chris Mitchell; 3 -Luiz Antonio Arceo; 2 -Maria T. Gonzalez-Delgadillo; 9 -Jayce Carlson; 6 -Jeff Schindler;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

MY BUDDY MEL chased, ranged up to bid under a drive in the three path passing the quarter, took the lead at the top of the lane, and drew clear in the final furlong. LEAP DAY set the pace, waited in the two path around the turn, was roused at the top of the stretch, and kept on but was second best. RIDIN SOLO tracked in the three path, was ridden around the turn, floated out to the eight path at the top of the lane, and finished evenly to get up for show. CALCULATED LUV raced up close in the two path, was coaxed along around the turn, but flattened in the stretch. BRON AND THE BROW prompted the pace inside but weakened down the lane. NACHO GRANDE trailed in the five path and never threatened. PAY RAISE stalked, bid in the three path around the turn, but gave way down the lane. This race had a timing discrepancy or malfunction and was re-timed using video technology to arrive at the most accurate final times.