

CHURCHILL DOWNS - May 24, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races At A Mile Or Over Since March 24 Allowed 3 lbs. Such A Race Since Then Allowed 5 lbs. Claiming Price \$32,000 (Races Where Entered For \$25,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). **Claiming Price:** \$32,000

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Fruit Ludt - 1:33.26 - November 21, 2014)

Purse: \$71,000

Includes: \$6,700 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund

Available Money: \$71,000

Value of Race: \$68,107 1st \$40,028, 2nd \$14,200, 3rd \$7,100, 4th \$3,550, 5th \$2,130, 6th \$1,099

Weather: Showery, 70° **Track:** Sloppy (Sealed)

Off at: 1:16 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

[GPS Race Chart](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
1Mar26 ⁵ OP ⁵	7	Systemic Change (Gaffalione, Tyler)	118 L b	7 3		4 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ²	1.75*	4-3p,bid5/16,up1/8,clr
29Apr26 ² CD ⁴	6	Real Macho (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	118 L bf	6 2		3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{6 1/4}	7.03	bid3p3/8,duel,2nd best
26Apr26 ¹ OP ⁴	5	Classic Legacy (Mendoza, Amir)	113 L b	5 1		6 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{1 1/2}	4 ²	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	3.54	chased 3-2p, flattened
25Apr26 ⁹ OP ⁵	1	Notary (Esquivel, Emmanuel)	118 L f	1 5		7	7	5 ³	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ⁵	7.73	bump st, 2-3p, no bid
19Mar26 ⁸ OP ⁵	3	Big City (Bejarano, Rafael)	118 L	3 6		2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	5 ⁷	5 ^{20 1/2}	2.82	bump st, 3p, weakened
7May26 ⁴ CD ⁶	2	Evening News (Villarreal, Oscar)	118 L bf	2 4		1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	6 ⁴	6 ²⁰	6	16.58	bump btwn st, 2p-rail
25Apr26 ¹⁰ CD ⁹	4	Curlin's Gesture (Saez, Luis)	118 L b	4 7		5 ^{1/2}	5 ¹	7	7	---	12.94	ins,wknd,pull up,walk

Fractional Times: 22.89 45.93 1:10.92 1:23.60

Final Time: 1:36.74 **Time from Gate:** 1:38.24

Split Times: (23:04) (24:99) (12:68) (13:14)

Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: Systemic Change, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Ghostzapper out of Majestic River, by A.P. Indy. Foaled Apr 06, 2019 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Adena Springs

Owner: Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David

Trainer: Maker, Michael

2 Claimed Horse(s): Big City	New Trainer: John Alexander Ortiz	New Owner: 4 G Racing LLC, Bogey's Bets LLC and Going The Distance LLC
Systemic Change	New Trainer: Linda Rice	New Owner: Linda Rice

Voided Claims: Classic Legacy(Vet)

Claiming Prices: 7 - Systemic Change: \$32,000; 6 - Real Macho: \$32,000; 5 - Classic Legacy: \$32,000; 1 - Notary: \$32,000; 3 - Big City: \$32,000; 2 - Evening News: \$32,000; 4 - Curlin's Gesture: \$32,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$165,200

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
7	Systemic Change	5.50	3.74	2.80	\$2.00 Exacta	7-6	25.04	111,497
6	Real Macho		5.90	3.44	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-6-5	28.40	57,926
5	Classic Legacy			2.94	\$0.10 Superfecta	7-6-5-1	25.95	30,513
					\$1.00 Daily Double	6-7	21.45	68,691
					\$2.00 Odd or Even	ODD	2.28	341
					\$1.00 Super High Five	7-6-5-1-3	582.94	11,047

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
7	Systemic Change	3	4 ²	4 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ²
6	Real Macho	2	3 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ²
5	Classic Legacy	1	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ⁴	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ³	3 ^{8 1/4}
1	Notary	5	7 ⁵	7 ^{5 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁴	4 ^{9 3/4}
3	Big City	6	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{5 1/2}	5 ^{14 3/4}
2	Evening News	4	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	6 ^{7 1/2}	6 ^{12 1/2}	6 ^{35 1/4}
4	Curlin's Gesture	7	5 ³	5 ³	7 ^{11 1/2}	7 ^{32 1/2}	---

Trainers: 7 - Maker, Michael; 6 - Sharp, Joe; 5 - Contreras, Cipriano; 1 - Hernandez, Armando; 3 - Ashford, Tristan; 2 - Andrade, Hugo; 4 - Jacobson, David

Owners: 7 - Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David; 6 - TEC Racing (Elliott S. Logan); 5 - Contreras Stable, Inc. and Coach's Stable LLC; 1 -Antonio Donato; 3 -Tom R. Durant; 2 - San Jose Racing Stable LLC; 4 -David Jacobson;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SYSTEMIC CHANGE stalked in the four path, loomed up to bid in the three path midway around the turn, was ridden passing the quarter, dueled with an inner rival from four path into the lane, took the lead passing the furlong grounds, and edged clear. REAL MACHO laid up close in the four path, loomed up to bid in the three path passing the three-eighths pole, received a right handed cue while holding a narrow advantage midway around the turn, battled gamely with an outer rival into the stretch, lost the lead passing the furlong grounds, but was clearly second best. CLASSIC LEGACY chased in the three path, was ridden in the two path around the turn, flattened in the final furlong, but was best of the rest. NOTARY bumped with an outer foe at the start, trailed in the two path, came under right handed urging in the three path midway around the turn, but lacked a final kick. BIG CITY bumped with an inner foe at the start, pressed between foes in the three path, lost ground under a ride along the inside approaching the quarter, and weakened down the lane. EVENING NEWS bumped between foes at the start, set the early pace in the two path, but yielded along the inside around the turn. CURLIN'S GESTURE tracked inside but retreated around the turn, was eased entering the lane, pulled up approaching the sixteenth, and walked off.