

CHURCHILL DOWNS - May 30, 2026 - Race 3

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For Less Than \$50,000).

Distance: One And One Eighth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Gould's Gold - 1:47.26 - May 17, 2025)

Purse: \$120,000


Includes: \$32,400 KTFD - Kentucky TB Devt Fund

Available Money: \$120,000

Value of Race: \$118,686 1st \$68,496, 2nd \$24,000, 3rd \$9,000, 3rd \$9,000, 5th \$3,600, 6th \$1,531, 7th \$1,531, 8th \$1,528

Weather: Clear, 78° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:56 **Start:** Good for all except 6 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
2May26 ¹⁴ CD ⁴	7	Brave Pilot (Velazquez, John)	118 L	5	3	2 ¹ / ₂	2 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ² 1/4	2.69	3p,up 2p3/8,dugin,game
26Apr26 ⁸ CD ²	5	Direct Strike (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	118 L	3	1	3 ¹	3 ¹ / ₂	3 ¹	2 ⁷	2 ¹² 1/4	0.81*	2-3p,bid 2w,duel,repel
19Apr26 ⁴ KEE ³	6	Money Man (Graham, James)	125 L bf	4	8	8	8	7 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	3 ⁴ 1/4	21.13	off slw,6p1/4,duel shw
18Apr26 ⁷ GP ⁴	10	Oso de Oro (Gaffalione, Tyler) 	118 L b	8	7	7 ⁴ 1/2	6 ¹ 1/2	6 ¹ / ₂	4 ¹ / ₂	3 ⁴ 1/4	11.55	2wbw,ins shw bid,duel
19Apr26 ⁴ KEE ⁴	4	Reb (Morales, Edgar)	125 L b	2	2	6 ¹ / ₂	4 ¹ / ₂	4 ^{Head}	5 ²	5 ³	52.14	ins,vie shw 3p,yld btw
19Apr26 ⁵ KEE ⁹	8	Desert Fox (Alvarado, Junior)	118 L b	6	5	4 ¹ / ₂	5 ^{Head}	5 ¹	6 ⁴	6 ² 1/2	43.61	tracked 4p,gave way
2May26 ¹ CD ⁶	9	Bourbon Dream (Ortiz, Jose)	118 L bf	7	6	5 ^{Head}	7 ^{Head}	8	7 ⁵	7 ²⁵	5.07	step slw,5p,done early
2May26 ¹⁴ CD ¹¹	2	Boylston (Concepcion, Axel)	118 L b	1	4	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	2 ¹ / ₂	8	8	15.64	2p,ins winner,stopped

Fractional Times: 22.99 47.86 1:13.23 1:37.13

Final Time: 1:49.30 **Time from Gate:** 1:51.25

Split Times: (24:87) (25:37) (23:90) (12:17)

Run-Up: 50 feet

Winner: Brave Pilot, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Constitution out of Princess Karen, by Stay Thirsty. Foaled May 01, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Juddmonte

Owner: Juddmonte

Trainer: McCarthy, Michael

Dead Heats: 3rd place - # 6 Money Man
3rd place - #10 Oso de Oro

Scratched Horse(s): Silent Way (Trainer), Victory Corps (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$298,915

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payout	Pool
7	Brave Pilot	7.38	3.38	2.52	\$2.00 Exacta	7-5	15.76	216,194
5	Direct Strike		2.20	2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-5-10	12.31	123,510
6	Money Man			2.72	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-5-6	10.24	0
10	Oso de Oro			2.48	\$0.10 Superfecta	7-5-10-6	7.40	75,356
					\$0.10 Superfecta	7-5-6-10	7.63	0
					\$1.00 Daily Double	8-7	14.77	49,096
					\$0.50 Pick 3	2-8-7 (3 correct)	12.02	139,710
					\$0.50 Consolation Pick 3	2-5-7 (3 correct)	2.49	0
					\$1.00 Super High Five	7-5-10-6-4	363.31	13,074
					\$1.00 Super High Five	7-5-6-10-4	363.31	0
					\$2.00 Odd or Even	ODD	2.30	379

Past Performance Running Line Preview


Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
7	Brave Pilot	3	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ² 1/4
5	Direct Strike	1	3 ²	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ / ₂	2 ² 1/4
6	Money Man	8	8 ⁸ 1/2	8 ⁴ 1/4	7 ⁴	3 ⁷ 1/2	3 ¹⁴ 1/2
10	Oso de Oro	7	7 ⁴	6 ² 1/2	6 ³ 1/2	4 ⁷ 1/2	3 ¹⁴ 1/2
4	Reb	2	6 ³ 1/2	4 ²	4 ² 1/2	5 ⁸	5 ¹⁸ 3/4
8	Desert Fox	5	4 ³	5 ² 1/2	5 ² 1/2	6 ¹⁰	6 ²¹ 3/4
9	Bourbon Dream	6	5 ³ 1/2	7 ⁴	8 ⁴ 1/4	7 ¹⁴	7 ²⁴ 1/4
2	Boylston	4	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	2 ¹	8 ¹⁹	8 ⁴⁹ 1/4

Trainers: 7 - McCarthy, Michael; 5 - Cox, Brad; 6 - Heath, Destin; 10 - Walsh, Brendan; 4 - Fletcher, Kevin; 8 - Vaccarezza, Nicholas; 9 - Gutierrez, Fausto; 2 - Walden, William

Owners: 7 - Juddmonte; 5 - Qatar Racing LLC, Mountmellick Farm and Hunter Valley Farm; 6 - Everest Stables, Inc.; 10 - Calumet Farm; 4 - Quarter Pole Investments, LLC and Baulch, David; 8 -Marat Kusherov; 9 - Cypress Creek Equine and Ad Noir, LLC; 2 - OXO Equine LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BRAVE PILOT stalked the leader from the three to four path, bid and gained an advantage while tucking to the three path into the far turn, got collared by an outer challenger turning for home, dug in and dueled with that one into midstretch then gamely shook free with a sixteenth to go. DIRECT STRIKE came out at the start, stalked behind the leaders and from the two path, then the three path and between horses with five furlongs to go, progressed moving outside of foes into the far turn, ranged up to bid outside of the new leader turning for home, battled with that one through midstretch but was turned away in the final furlong and proved second best. MONEY MAN broke slowly, trailed along the inside early on, then in the three to four path and between horses around the far turn, advanced swinging to the six path entering the lane, ran on to bid for show in midstretch, dueled with an inner foe for that position thereafter and shared it at the wire. OSO DE ORO settled two wide and between horses, offered an inside bid for show in upper stretch, battled for that position with an outer counterpart through the final furlong and dead-heated at the wire. REB pursued from midpack along the inside, chased in the two to three path and between horses turning for home, vied for show entering the lane but yielded between horses in midstretch while hanging on his left lead. DESERT FOX tracked from the four path, chased around the far turn, floated to the five path entering the lane and gave way. BOURBON DREAM leaned outwardly and was off a step slow, raced off of the pace in the five path but faded in the six path turning for home and was done early. BOYLSTON showed the way in the two path, tucked to the inside while yielding to an outer presser into the far turn then readily stopped.

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