

CHURCHILL DOWNS - September 19, 2026 - Race 2
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred
FOR MAIDENS, TWO YEARS OLD. Weight, 119 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For Less Than \$50,000).
Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Love At Noon - 1:14.34 - May 5, 2001)
Purse: \$120,000
Includes: \$47,200 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund
Available Money: \$120,000
Value of Race: \$0
Weather: Clear, 94° Track: Fast
Off at: 6:30 Start: Good for all except 5,6 Timing Method: Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)
[GPS Race Chart](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Comments
15Aug26 ⁸ SAR ⁴	10	Vukota (Hernandez, Jr., Brian)	119	b	10	1	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{4 1/4}	declared-no contest
---	3	Frozenknife (Gutierrez, Mario)	119	--	3	3	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ³	2 ^{11 1/4}	declared-no contest
---	7	Reinforcement (Bejarano, Rafael) 	119	--	7	5	4 ²	3 ³	3 ³	3 ^{7 1/4}	declared-no contest
---	1	Koivun (Torres, Jaime)	119	--	1	9	8 ^{1 1/2}	4	4	4	declared-no contest
---	9	Lutkenhaus (Torres, Cristian)	119	b	9	4	3 ¹	---	---	---	no contest, eq-amb
21Aug26 ⁹ ELP ⁷	8	Ritornello (Arrieta, Francisco)	119	--	8	2	5 ^{1/2}	---	---	---	declared-no contest
---	6	Midnight Rumble (Concepcion, Axel)	119	b	6	7	6 ¹	---	---	---	no contest, walked off
---	2	Shacklebolt (Rodriguez, Walter)	119	--	2	6	7 ^{1 1/2}	---	---	---	no contest, eq-amb
---	4	Steve Wood (Garcia, Martin)	119	--	4	8	9 ^{1 1/2}	---	---	---	declared-no contest
---	5	Industrious (Asmussen, Keith)	119	--	5	10	10	---	---	---	no contest, eq-amb

Fractional Times: 22.75 46.12 1:11.04 Final Time: 1:17.49 Time from Gate: 1:19.69
Split Times: (23:37) (24:92) (6:45)
Run-Up: 45 feet

Winner: Vukota, Bay Colt, by [Vekoma](#) out of A P Pepper, by A. P. Warrior. Foaled Feb 10, 2024 in Kentucky.

VEKOMA  Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: Roys Mansur
Owner: Roys Mansur
Trainer: LaRose, Kinnon

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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3	Frozenknife	3	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{4 1/4}
7	Reinforcement	5	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ⁴	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{15 1/2}
1	Koivun	9	8 ^{7 1/2}	4 ⁷	4 ^{7 1/2}	4 ^{22 3/4}
9	Lutkenhaus	4	3 ^{1 1/2}	---	---	---
8	Ritornello	2	5 ^{4 1/2}	---	---	---
6	Midnight Rumble	7	6 ⁵	---	---	---
2	Shacklebolt	6	7 ⁶	---	---	---
4	Steve Wood	8	9 ⁹	---	---	---
5	Industrious	10	10 ^{10 1/2}	---	---	---

Trainers: 10 - LaRose, Kinnon; 3 - Cox, Brad; 7 - Moquett, Ron; 1 - DeVaux, Cherie; 9 - Brisset, Rodolphe; 8 - Williams, Matt; 6 - Sharp, Joe; 2 - Harty, Eoin; 4 - Von Hemel, Donnie; 5 - Asmussen, Steven
Owners: 10 -Roys Mansur; 3 - Albaugh Family Stables LLC, West Point Thoroughbreds and Team Railbirds, LLC; 7 - Parthemore, Jeffrey W. and Sparks, William S.; 1 -Tami Bobo; 9 - Team Valor International LLC; 8 - Merano, LLC; 6 -Tom R. Durant; 2 - Godolphin, LLC; 4 -Robert H. Zoellner; 5 - Spendthrift Farm LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)
VUKOTA showed good early foot to set the pace and kept on under steady handling with a clean trip. FROZENKNIFE tracked the early leader and continued on with a clean trip, no contest. REINFORCEMENT narrowly missed fallen rival and kept on to the wire, no contest. KOIVUN inside run, no contest. LUTKENHAUS up close, injured and had to be loaded into the equine ambulance. RITORNELLO fell, over fallen rival, no contest. MIDNIGHT RUMBLE fell over fallen rival, no contest, was walked off. SHACKLEBOLT fell over fallen rival, no contest, transported by the equine ambulance. STEVE WOOD fell over fallen rival, no contest. INDUSTRIOUS fell over fallen rival, loaded into the equine ambulance, no contest.

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