

COLONIAL DOWNS - July 9, 2026 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 50% VBF) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over On The Turf Since June 9 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$10,000 (Races Where Entered For \$7,500 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). **Claiming Price:** \$10,000
Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Caldera - 1:33.27 - June 25, 2026)
Purse: \$25,000
Plus: \$3,550 Starters Bonus
Available Money: \$28,550
Value of Race: \$28,550 1st \$15,000, 2nd \$5,000, 3rd \$2,500, 4th \$1,250, 5th \$1,200, 6th \$1,200, 7th \$1,200, 8th \$1,200
Weather: Cloudy, 87° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 2:07 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
30May26 ⁴ DEL ⁴	3	Be Better (Lopez, Paco)	123	L	bf	3	7	² Head	² ¹	² ²	¹ Head	¹ ^{1/2}	2.70* press btw,duel2w,drvng
18Jun26 ⁵ CT ⁵	6	White Series (Barbosa, Jeiron)	123	L	b	6	1	¹ ^{1/2}	¹ Head	¹ Head	² ³	³ ^{3/4}	3.30 ins,dueled,outkicked
14Jun26 ¹ LRL ¹	8	Forrest City (Lyapustina, Tais)	123	b		8	3	⁴ ^{1/2}	⁶ ²	³ ¹	³ ¹	³ ¹	5.00 outside,4p turn,no bid
31May26 ⁶ LRL ⁸	1	Aztec (Vargas, Jose)	118	L	bf	1	8	⁶ ³	⁴ ^{1/2}	⁵ ² ^{1/2}	⁴ Head	⁴ ^{1/2}	17.50 saved ground, no punch
31May26 ⁶ LRL ⁴	2	Bigtonten (Sanchez, Mychel)	123	L	b	2	6	⁵ Head	⁵ Head	⁴ Head	⁵ ²	⁵ ¹	4.60 tracked btwn,faded 1/8
31May26 ⁷ LRL ⁵	5	Cut the Cord (Leon, Sonny)	123	L	b	5	4	⁷ ^{1/2}	⁷ ⁷	⁶ ¹ ^{1/2}	⁶ ⁹	⁶ ¹⁷ ^{1/2}	2.90 ins-2p,angled,no rally
25Jun26 ⁵ CNL ⁹	7	Noble Gentleman (Loveberry, Jareth)	123	L	f	7	5	³ ^{1/2}	³ ^{1/2}	⁷ ⁵	⁷ ³	⁷ ¹ ^{1/2}	20.00 prompted3w,5w1/4,tired
19Jun26 ⁵ GP ⁶	4	Al Ameerq (Fuenmayor, Luis)	116	L		4	2	8	8	8	8	8	33.80 brief speed,fell back

Fractional Times: 23.49 46.57 1:10.76 1:22.91 **Final Time:** 1:35.72 **Time from Gate:** 1:37.90
Split Times: (23:08) (24:19) (12:15) (12:81)
Run-Up: 55 feet

Winner: Be Better, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Uncle Mo out of Social Call, by Smart Strike. Foaled Apr 24, 2019 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Repole Stable, Inc.
Owner: SpergerWay Stables LLC
Trainer: Allen III, A.

Claiming Prices: 3 - Be Better: \$10,000; 6 - White Series: \$10,000; 8 - Forrest City: \$10,000; 1 - Aztec: \$10,000; 2 - Bigtonten: \$10,000; 5 - Cut the Cord: \$10,000; 7 - Noble Gentleman: \$10,000; 4 - Al Ameerq: \$10,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Speedy Alex (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$82,969

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Be Better	7.40	4.20	2.80	\$1.00 Pick 3	2-1-3/9 (3 correct)	157.00	6,024
6	White Series		4.20	3.20	\$1.00 Daily Double	1-3	31.90	10,578
8	Forrest City			3.80	\$1.00 Exacta	3-6	21.30	57,663
					\$0.10 Superfecta	3-6-8-1	68.01	23,568
					\$0.50 Trifecta	3-6-8	51.05	35,558

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Be Better	7	² ^{1/2}	² Head	² Head	¹ Head	¹ ^{1/2}
6	White Series	1	¹ ^{1/2}	¹ Head	¹ Head	² Head	² ^{1/2}
8	Forrest City	3	⁴ ¹	⁶ ² ^{1/4}	³ ²	³ ³	³ ⁴ ^{1/4}
1	Aztec	8	⁶ ¹ ^{3/4}	⁴ ¹ ^{1/2}	⁵ ³ ^{1/4}	⁴ ⁴	⁴ ⁵ ^{1/4}
2	Bigtonten	6	⁵ ¹ ^{1/2}	⁵ ²	⁴ ³	⁵ ⁴ ^{1/4}	⁵ ⁵ ^{3/4}
5	Cut the Cord	4	⁷ ⁴ ^{3/4}	⁷ ⁴ ^{1/4}	⁶ ⁵ ^{3/4}	⁶ ⁶ ^{1/4}	⁶ ⁶ ^{3/4}
7	Noble Gentleman	5	³ ^{1/2}	³ ¹	⁷ ⁷ ^{1/4}	⁷ ¹⁵ ^{1/4}	⁷ ²⁴ ^{1/4}
4	Al Ameerq	2	⁸ ⁵ ^{1/4}	⁸ ¹¹ ^{1/4}	⁸ ¹² ^{1/4}	⁸ ¹⁸ ^{1/4}	⁸ ²⁵ ^{3/4}

Trainers: 3 - Allen III, A.; 6 - Capuano, Phillip; 8 - Gaudet, Lacey; 1 - Allen III, A.; 2 - Capuano, Phillip; 5 - Gaudet, Lacey; 7 - Hester, Leanne; 4 - Lusk, Brian

Owners: 3 - SpergerWay Stables LLC; 6 - Ulman, Louis J. and Vieser II, Walter; 8 - Team Gaudet; 1 - Warwick Stable; 2 - Big Bertha Stable; 5 - Team Gaudet; 7 - Needham, George, Needham, Joanie and Hester, Leanne; 4 -Brian Richard Lusk;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BE BETTER pressed the early pace in between rivals, then went up to duel for command two wide entering the turn, then was sent down and had a long stretch drive and edged clear to prove best. WHITE SERIES set a pressured pace and then dueled on the inside and had a long drive but was out-kicked late and had to settle for being second best, good effort. FORREST CITY stalked the pace from the outside and was four wide on the turn but lacked the needed winning bid while besting the rest. AZTEC tracked the pace on the inside and saved ground throughout but had no punch in the drive while racing evenly. BIGTONTEN tracked the pace and was in between rivals on the turn but faded in the final furlong. CUT THE CORD was settled early and raced on the inside to the two path on the turn while under coaxing, angled out in the lane and had no rally while finishing willingly. NOBLE GENTLEMAN prompted the pace three wide, five wide by the quarter pole and tired. AL AMEEQ showed brief speed to chase the pace for a furlong and a half and then fell back on the inside and was not a factor.