

DELAWARE PARK - May 29, 2026 - Race 7

Ratings Handicap - Thoroughbred

FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE EARNED A RATING NUMBER OF 85 OR LESS AT TIME OF ENTRY. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since March 29, 2026 Allowed 3 lbs.

Winner Of This Race Is Not Considered An Allowance Victory. (If deemed inadvisable by management not to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at Five Furlongs) (Rail at 22 feet).

Distance: Five Furlongs On The Dirt - Originally Scheduled For 5 Furlongs On Turf **Current Track Record:** (Milky Way Gal - 56.20 - July 29, 1989)

Purse: \$37,000

Plus: \$5,550 Other Sources

Available Money: \$42,550

Value of Race: \$40,700 1st \$27,750, 2nd \$7,400, 3rd \$3,700, 4th \$1,850

Weather: Cloudy, 73° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 3:37 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 3/16 | 3/8 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|---------------------------------------|-----|---|-----|-----|----|-------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 20May26 ⁵ DEL ¹ | 7 | Sassafrassness (Lopez, Paco) | 125 | L | 3 | 2 | 2 ^{1/2} | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{1/2} | 1 ² 1/4 | 0.30* | 2-w, drew clear |
| 1May26 ⁸ CT ² | 3 | Drink This Cup (Hernandez, Julio) <small>VA CERTIFIED</small> | 122 | L | 2 | 1 | 1 ¹ | 2 ² | 2 ⁶ | 2 ⁶ 1/4 | 3.00 | set pace, 2nd best |
| 22Apr26 ⁵ TAM ³ | 8 | Bahamian Moon (Carmouche, Kendrick) | 122 | L b | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 ^{Head} | 6.10 | 4-w, no threat |
| 29Oct25 ⁷ CT ⁵ | 2 | Mudslide (Cedeno, Carol) | 122 | L f | 1 | 3 | 3 ³ | 3 ^{Head} | 3 ¹ | 4 | 13.00 | drifted out, no rally |

Fractional Times: 22.29 45.82

Final Time: 58.09 **Time from Gate:** 1:00.82

Split Times: (23:53) (12:27)

Run-Up: 48 feet

Winner: Sassafrassness, Bay Filly, by Unified out of Hartigan, by Include. Foaled May 06, 2022 in Maryland.

Breeder: Jagger Inc.

Owner: Kernan, Jr., Morris E. and Jagger, Inc.

Trainer: Ness, Jamie

Scratched Horse(s): Anaita (Off-Turf), Baby Blocks (Off-Turf), Flamingo Way (Off-Turf), Gift of Gab (Off-Turf), Obstreperous (Off-Turf), River Seine (IRE) (Off-Turf), Sugar Bee (Off-Turf)

Total WPS Pool: \$57,542

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|----------------|------|-------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| 7 | Sassafrassness | 2.60 | 2.10 | \$1.00 Exacta | 7-3 | 2.40 | 23,811 |
| 3 | Drink This Cup | | 2.10 | \$0.50 Trifecta | 7-3-8 | 1.85 | 13,002 |
| 8 | Bahamian Moon | | | \$1.00 Daily Double | 1-7 | 1.60 | 5,045 |
| | | | | \$0.50 Pick 3 | 8-1-7 (3 correct) | 1.75 | 5,501 |
| | | | | \$0.50 Pick 5 | 4-7-8-1-7 (5 correct) | 5.50 | 17,623 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 3/16 | 3/8 | Str | Fin |
|-----|----------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 7 | Sassafrassness | 2 | 2 ¹ | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{1/2} | 1 ² 1/4 |
| 3 | Drink This Cup | 1 | 1 ¹ | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ² 1/4 |
| 8 | Bahamian Moon | 4 | 4 ⁴ 1/2 | 4 ² 1/4 | 4 ⁷ 1/2 | 3 ⁸ 1/2 |
| 2 | Mudslide | 3 | 3 ¹ 1/2 | 3 ² | 3 ⁶ 1/2 | 4 ⁸ 1/2 |

Trainers: 7 - Ness, Jamie; 3 - Stidham, Michael; 8 - Simone, Michael; 2 - Deiter, Kelly

Owners: 7 - Kernan, Jr., Morris E. and Jagger, Inc.; 3 - Battle Born Racing Stable and Branch, William A.; 8 - Paterpop Racing; 2 - Policastro, Gordon and Deiter, Kelly Lynn;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SASSAFRASSNESS prompted DRINK THIS CUP from along the outside, took the lead nearing the quarter pole and gradually drew clear. DRINK THIS CUP saved ground setting the pace, was unable to resist the winner but was clearly second best. BAHAMIAN MOON raced in the back of the field, came four-wide into the stretch but failed to seriously threaten. MUDSLIDE saved ground while being allowed to settle, drifted out during the drive and lacked a rally.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred