

DELAWARE PARK - September 19, 2026 - Race 2

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 50% Other Sources) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED IN A CLAIMING RACE OF \$25,000 OR LESS AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$25,000 AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR THREE YEAR OLDS CLAIMING. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since July 19, 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$25,000. Delaware Bred Claiming Price \$30,000. (C) **Claiming Price:** \$25,000
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Pisgah - 1:07.92 - April 25, 2006)

Purse: \$26,000

Available Money: \$26,000

[Video Race Replay](#)

Value of Race: \$23,400 1st \$15,600, 2nd \$5,200, 3rd \$2,600

Weather: Clear, 75° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:13 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
6Aug26 ¹ CNL ⁴	3	Rocketeer (Chuan, Martin)	123	L b	1	2	1 ⁴	1 ^{2 1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{Head}	1.80	opened up,
14Aug26 ¹ CNL ¹	4	Close the Gate (Rocco, Jr., Joseph) VA CERTIFIED	122	L b	2	3	3	3	3	2 ^{1 3/4}	0.30*	closing, just missed
3Sep26 ⁸ DEL ¹	5	Party On Rufus (Luna, Paul)	125	L f	3	1	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ²	2 ^{1/2}	3	7.20	4-w, empty late

Fractional Times: 23.42 46.88 59.57 **Final Time:** 1:12.49 **Time from Gate:** 1:13.17

Split Times: (23:46) (12:69) (12:92)

Run-Up: 20 feet

Winner: Rocketeer, Bay Horse, by Curlin out of Thirteen Arrows, by Indian Charlie. Foaled Feb 10, 2021 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Fifth Avenue Bloodstock & GlenwoodBreeding

Owner: Amaty Racing Stables

Trainer: Gallegos, Jose

Claiming Prices: 5 - Party On Rufus: \$25,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Richeztoo (PrivVet-Illness), Yes I Will (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$15,608

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Rocketeer	5.60		\$1.00 Daily Double	2-3	19.50	8,041
4	Close the Gate						
5	Party On Rufus						

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Rocketeer	2	1 ⁴	1 ^{2 1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{Head}
4	Close the Gate	3	3 ^{6 1/2}	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{3 1/2}	2 ^{Head}
5	Party On Rufus	1	2 ⁴	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ³	3 ^{1 3/4}

Trainers: 3 - Gallegos, Jose; 4 - Salzman, Jr., John; 5 - Rodriguez, Jose

Owners: 3 - Amaty Racing Stables; 4 - Bird and Grady, LLC; 5 -Victor J. Gutierrez;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ROCKETEER set a clear early pace while racing off the rail, opened up through the turn and held for the win. CLOSE THE GATE was void of any early speed, raced three wide into the turn, angled out in the drive, was closing fast and just missed. PARTY ON RUFUS followed the early pace, raced four wide through the turn and was empty late. AN OBJECTION WAS CALLED BY THE RIDER OF THE SECOND PLACE FINISHER FOR INTERFERENCE LATE BUT NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred