

DELAWARE PARK - October 8, 2026 - Race 6

EQUIBASE

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 50% Other Sources) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$8,000 OR LESS IN 2025 - 2026 OR CLAIMING PRICE \$15,000 - \$12,500. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since August 8, 2026 Allowed 3 lbs. Claiming Price \$15,000, if for \$12,500, allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$10,000 Or Less Not Considered In Estimating Allowances). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$15,000
Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Stormin Monarcho - 1:34.85 - May 24, 2014)
Purse: \$25,000
Plus: \$1,500 Starters Bonus
Available Money: \$26,500
Value of Race: \$25,250 1st \$15,000, 2nd \$5,000, 3rd \$2,500, 4th \$1,250, 5th \$500, 6th \$500, 7th \$500
Weather: Clear, 76° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 3:35 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
18Sep26 ⁸ PRX ⁹	4	Striking Sparks (Rosario, Emanuel)	119 L bf	4 6		5 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	4 ¹	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	4.30	in close start,ins bid
12Sep26 ⁸ DEL ³	3	Masakado (Centeno, Daniel) VA CERTIFIED	124 L b	3 1		3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}	3.50	dueled, out finished
12Sep26 ⁸ DEL ¹	6	Stone Cold Flex (Batista, Jose)	124 L b	6 3		4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 3/4}	1.60*	4wd turns,6w upper
18Sep26 ⁸ PRX ¹⁰	8	Devil's Cay (Rodriguez, Jaime)	124 L b	7 4		2 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{7 1/4}	4.60	dueled outside,weaknd
19Sep26 ¹⁰ PRX ⁹	5	Martini Martin (Fernandez, Marvin)	114 L bf	5 7		7	7	7	7	5 ^{3/4}	26.90	bump start, wide
5Sep26 ⁸ DEL ³	2	Chance (Cruz, Angel)	121 L b	2 2		6 ⁴	6 ³	5 ^{1/2}	5 ³	6 ²	5.60	rail, gave way
12Sep26 ⁸ DEL ⁷	1	El Chispazo (Hernandez, Julio)	121 L bf	1 5		1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	6 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{1/2}	7	14.50	rail, gave way

Fractional Times: 24.15 47.61 1:12.61 **Final Time:** 1:39.19 **Time from Gate:** 1:41.63
Split Times: (23:46) (25:00) (26:58)
Run-Up: 56 feet

Winner: Striking Sparks, Chestnut Gelding, by Accelerate out of Gas Total (BRZ), by Sulamani (IRE). Foaled Apr 17, 2021 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Brownwood Farm
Owner: Victor J. Gutierrez
Trainer: Rodriguez, Jose

2 Claimed Horse(s): **Chance** New Trainer: Jose A. Gallegos New Owner: Amaty Racing Stables
Devil's Cay New Trainer: Esteban Padilla New Owner: JKK Racing

Claiming Prices: 8 - Devil's Cay: \$15,000; 5 - Martini Martin: \$12,500; 2 - Chance: \$15,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Catholic Guilt (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$73,701

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Striking Sparks	10.60	4.80	2.60	\$1.00 Exacta	4-3	21.70	67,587
3	Masakado		5.60	3.00	\$0.50 Trifecta	4-3-6	24.55	32,057
6	Stone Cold Flex			2.20	\$1.00 Daily Double	9-4	22.30	9,020
					\$0.50 Pick 3	2-9-4 (3 correct)	23.80	5,518
					\$0.50 Consolation Pick 3	2-1-4 (3 correct)	6.10	0
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-3-6-8	22.12	22,953

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	Striking Sparks	6	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{1 3/4}	4 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}
3	Masakado	1	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}
6	Stone Cold Flex	3	4 ²	4 ^{1 3/4}	3 ¹	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{3/4}
8	Devil's Cay	4	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	4 ^{3/4}	4 ^{2 1/2}
5	Martini Martin	7	7 ^{7 1/2}	7 ⁵	7 ^{5 1/2}	7 ^{6 3/4}	5 ^{9 3/4}
2	Chance	2	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ²	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/4}	6 ^{10 1/2}
1	El Chispazo	5	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	6 ³	6 ^{6 1/4}	7 ^{12 1/2}

Trainers: 4 - Rodriguez, Jose; 3 - Sillaman, Richard; 6 - Carrasco, Jr., Victor; 8 - Ness, Jamie; 5 - Rodriguez, Jose; 2 - Catalano, Jr., Michael; 1 - Bowersock, Maria

Owners: 4 -Victor J. Gutierrez; 3 -Larry Metz; 6 - Casa Blanca Stables LLC; 8 - Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc. and Kernan, Jr., Morris E.; 5 -Jose S. Rodriguez; 2 - Bing Cherry Racing, Inc.; 1 -Maria Bowersock;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

STRIKING SPARKS , caught in close quarters leaving the starting gate, rated behind horses around the far turn, left the turn in the three path, found ample room inside rivals in the stretch, closed nicely and was along in time. MASAKADO dueled between horses down the backstretch, raced inside rivals turning for home, drifted out in upper stretch and was out finished. STONE COLD FLEX , four deep both turns, was floated to the six path in upper stretch and flattened out. DEVIL'S CAY , four wide entering the first turn, disputed the pace outside horses to the stretch, was in range between horses in upper stretch and weakened. MARTINI MARTIN , bumped leaving the starting gate, raced wide in the stretch and failed to rally. CHANCE showed speed along the rail and gave way the far turn. EL CHISPAZO remained along the rail, showed speed and gave way.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred