

EMERALD DOWNS - August 30, 2026 - Race 3
MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES TWO YEARS OLD. Weight, 119 lbs. Claiming Price \$15,000, if for \$12,500, allowed 2 lbs. **Claiming Price:** \$15,000 - \$12,500
Distance: Five Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Starbird Road - 55.40 - October 1, 2006)
Purse: \$13,000
Includes: \$2,600 MITEC - Muckleshoot Tribal Contribution
Available Money: \$13,000
Value of Race: \$12,740 1st \$7,410, 2nd \$2,535, 3rd \$1,495, 4th \$650, 5th \$390, 6th \$260
Weather: Cloudy, 70° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 2:47 **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
16Aug26 ⁶ EMD ⁴	6	Melba's Gold (Orozco, Kevin)	119 bf	6	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ⁵	1 ⁶	3.18	set pace, widened
22Aug26 ³ EMD ³	3	Saint Indie (Nunnally, Blake)	119 b	3	6	6	6	6	2 ^{Neck}	1.26*	6-w, late rally
16Aug26 ⁶ EMD ³	2	Dragonella (Castillo, Pablo)	119 - -	2	5	5 ²	5 ³	5 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	4.02	5-w, mild rally
1Aug26 ⁴ EMD ⁴	1	Express Girl (Cruz, Alex)	119 b	1	3	4 ¹	4 ¹	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{Neck}	8.95	4-w, steady effort
1Aug26 ⁴ EMD ²	4	Jess Mo Money (Amador, Silvio)	119 - -	4	4	3 ^{1/2}	3 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}	5 ²	4.48	3-w, weakened
1Aug26 ⁴ EMD ⁵	5	Out Til Midnight (Morales, Allyssa)	121 b	5	2	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ¹	3 ^{Head}	6	24.79	prompted tired

Fractional Times: 21.97 45.59 **Final Time:** 58.76 **Time from Gate:** 1:00.87
Split Times: (23:62) (13:17)
Run-Up: 56 feet

Winner: Melba's Gold, Bay Filly, by Gold Rush Dancer out of Melba Jewel, by Cahill Road. Foaled Apr 11, 2024 in Washington.
Breeder: Mr. & Mrs. Frederick L. Pabst
Owner: Pabst, Frederick L. and Pabst, Debra S.
Trainer: Cooper, Kay

Claiming Prices: 6 - Melba's Gold: \$15,000; 3 - Saint Indie: \$15,000; 2 - Dragonella: \$15,000; 1 - Express Girl: \$15,000; 4 - Jess Mo Money: \$15,000; 5 - Out Til Midnight: \$15,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$29,217

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Melba's Gold	8.36	3.90	3.14	\$1.00 Exacta	6-3	10.19	12,731
3	Saint Indie		2.74	2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	6-3-2	13.80	12,217
2	Dragonella			2.74	\$0.10 Superfecta	6-3-2-1	6.42	8,015
					\$0.50 Pick 3	1-2-6 (3 correct)	11.85	3,926
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-6	12.63	1,816

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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6	Melba's Gold	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ⁵	1 ⁶
3	Saint Indie	6	6 ^{6 1/2}	6 ¹⁰	6 ^{6 3/4}	2 ⁶
2	Dragonella	5	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ⁷	5 ^{6 3/4}	3 ^{6 1/4}
1	Express Girl	3	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ⁶	4 ^{6 1/2}	4 ^{6 3/4}
4	Jess Mo Money	4	3 ³	3 ⁴	2 ⁵	5 ⁷
5	Out Til Midnight	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ³	3 ^{6 1/2}	6 ⁹

Trainers: 6 - Cooper, Kay; 3 - Gibson, Howard; 2 - Harwood, Ryland; 1 - Gibson, Vince; 4 - Bullock, Steve; 5 - Patino, Faustino

Owners: 6 - Pabst, Frederick L. and Pabst, Debra S.; 3 - Gibson, Howard and Leatherman, Ty; 2 - Erickson, Lee and Erickson, Connie; 1 - Haahr, Letha and Haahr, Steve; 4 - Lofton, Tony, Israel, David and Bullock, Steve; 5 -Kyrie Patino;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MELBA'S GOLD set the pace racing two-wide and increased her advantage. SAINT INDIE raced in the back of the field, swung out to come six-wide into the stretch and rallied late. DRAGONELLA was unhurried, came five-wide into the stretch and finished in a mild rally. EXPRESS GIRL saved ground while being allowed to settle angled out to come four-wide into the stretch and finished well in a steady effort. JESS MO MONEY was forwardly placed racing three-wide and weakened during the drive. OUT TIL MIDNIGHT prompted MELBA'S GOLD early from along the inside ad tired.