

EVANGELINE DOWNS - April 18, 2026 - Race 1

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(INCLUDES UP TO \$1,200 LTBASBF) FOR ACCREDITED LA BRED THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$10,000. (SNW3 L) **Claiming Price: \$10,000**

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Mico Margarita - 1:08.37 - April 12, 2014)

Purse: \$19,000

Includes: \$13,100 Other Sources

Includes: \$2,700 LAVPF - Louisiana Video Poker Fund

Available Money: \$19,000

Value of Race: \$19,000 1st \$11,400, 2nd \$3,800, 3rd \$2,090, 4th \$1,140, 5th \$570

Weather: Cloudy, 82° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 5:34 **Start:** Good for all except 7 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
5Feb26 ² DED ⁴	4	El Dan (Melancon, Jansen)	124	L f	3	3	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	1 ¹	7.20	late bid, finished well
21Mar26 ⁵ FG ⁷	8	Bandido Deal (McMahon, C.J.)	124	L b	7	5	5 ^{1/2}	5 ²	3 ¹	2 ^{1 1/2}	0.90*	late bid, clear 2nd
26Feb26 ² FG ⁴	10	Coattails (Fusilier, Casey)	124	L	9	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	5.70	speed, no late kick
14Feb26 ⁸ DED ³	3	My Chulupa (Vargas, Juan)	124	L	2	6	6 ²	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{3/4}	18.10	steady, alter course
8Mar26 ¹ FG ³	5	Doolgaroux (Hernandez, Harry)	124	L b	4	9	9	9	9	5 ²	17.70	wide gain, no factor
6Mar26 ² FG ¹	9	Final Half (Pompell, Thomas)	124	L b	8	2	2 ²	2 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	6 ^{1 3/4}	6.90	came in, faded late
5Feb26 ² DED ⁵	7	Gabe's Possum (Roman, Kevin)	124	L b	6	8	8 ⁴	8 ⁴	6 ^{Head}	7 ²	9.90	awkward st, no threat
8Mar26 ² FG ²	6	Royal Hope (Dominguez, Joel)	124	L	5	4	4 ^{Head}	6 ²	7 ^{Head}	8 ^{3/4}	14.30	near middle, faded
14Mar26 ¹⁰ FG ¹	1	Star Apriority (Hernandez, Colby)	124	L bf	1	7	7 ²	7 ^{1/2}	8 ¹	9	27.60	showed little

Fractional Times: 22.14 45.72 58.48

Final Time: 1:12.05 **Time from Gate:** 1:13.94

Split Times: (23:58) (12:76) (13:57)

Run-Up: 35 feet

Winner: El Dan, Bay Gelding, by El Deal out of Mind Blowing, by Friends Lake. Foaled May 02, 2022 in Louisiana.

Breeder: Daniel R. Chicola

Owner: Gerard Perron

Trainer: Perron, Gerard

2 Claimed Horse(s): Bandido Deal
El Dan

New Trainer: Keith G. Bourgeois
New Trainer: Sarah Martinez

New Owner: Mark Fletcher Taylor
New Owner: BMS Racing Stable (Sarah Martinez) and D and F Horse Farms

Claiming Prices: 4 - El Dan: \$10,000; 8 - Bandido Deal: \$10,000; 10 - Coattails: \$10,000; 3 - My Chulupa: \$10,000; 5 - Doolgaroux: \$10,000; 9 - Final Half: \$10,000; 7 - Gabe's Possum: \$10,000; 6 - Royal Hope: \$10,000; 1 - Star Apriority: \$10,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Gypsy Squall (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$85,776

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	El Dan	16.40	5.60	4.00	\$1.00 Exacta	4-8	29.30	79,945
8	Bandido Deal		2.60	2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	4-8-10	107.05	61,445
10	Coattails			4.20	\$0.10 Superfecta	4-8-10-3	90.37	44,307

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	El Dan	3	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ¹
8	Bandido Deal	5	5 ³	5 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹
10	Coattails	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	3 ^{2 1/2}
3	My Chulupa	6	6 ^{3 1/2}	4 ²	5 ³	4 ⁴
5	Doolgaroux	9	9 ^{11 1/2}	9 ¹¹	9 ^{5 3/4}	5 ^{4 3/4}
9	Final Half	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	4 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{6 3/4}
7	Gabe's Possum	8	8 ^{7 1/2}	8 ⁷	6 ^{4 1/2}	7 ^{8 1/2}
6	Royal Hope	4	4 ³	6 ^{4 1/2}	7 ^{4 1/2}	8 ^{10 1/2}
1	Star Apriority	7	7 ^{5 1/2}	7 ^{6 1/2}	8 ^{4 3/4}	9 ^{11 1/4}

Trainers: 4 - Perron, Gerard; 8 - Calhoun, W.; 10 - Duhon, Paul; 3 - Larrosa, Juan; 5 - Husak, Gary; 9 - Brinkman, Brett; 7 - Alberto, Antonio; 6 - Foster, Joseph; 1 - Thomas, Lee

Owners: 4 - Gerard Perron; 8 - Mansfield Racing; 10 - Salli Foushee; 3 - Clyde P. Moran, Sr.; 5 - Jamal Zamin; 9 - John Kaiser; 7 - Alberto, Antonio and Cunningham, Bill W.; 6 - Amanuel Ortiz; 1 - Elite Thoroughbred Racing LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

EL DAN pressed the pace, forwardly placed throughout, made a late bid, took the lead and finished well. BANDIDO DEAL bumped at the start, raced within striking distance, came around the turn on the outside, made a late bid and was a clear second at the wire. COATTAILS went to the front, saved ground around the turn and lacked a late kick. MY CHULUPA raced within contention, steadied at the head of the lane, altered course and went to the wire evenly. DOOLGAROUX void of early speed, made a late wide gain, but was no factor. FINAL HALF broke in, pressed the early pace, came in slightly at the head of the lane and faded late. GABE'S POSSUM had an awkward start, raced in the back and was never a threat. ROYAL HOPE bumped at the start, raced near the middle of the field, moved up on the inside around the turn, angled out and faded down the lane. STAR APRIORITY lacked early speed and showed little. THE JOCKEY OF #3 MY CHULUPA LODGED A CLAIM OF FOUL AGAINST #4 EL DAN AND #9 FINAL HALF FOR INTERFERENCE AT THE HEAD OF THE LANE. AFTER VIEWING REPLAYS STEWARDS TOOK NO ACTION.