

EVANGELINE DOWNS - May 22, 2026 - Race 9

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(INCLUDES UP TO \$500 LTBASBF) FOR ACCREDITED LA BRED THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000, For Each \$2,500 To \$15,000 2 lbs. (SNW2)

L) **Claiming Price:** \$20,000 - \$15,000

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

Purse: \$24,000

Includes: \$17,500 Other Sources

Includes: \$4,000 LAVPF - Louisiana Video Poker Fund

Available Money: \$24,000

Value of Race: \$24,000 1st \$14,400, 2nd \$4,800, 3rd \$2,640, 4th \$1,440, 5th \$720

Weather: Cloudy, 79° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 9:15 **Start:** Good for all except 9 **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
17Apr26 ⁴ EVD ¹	7	Pineapple Willy (Melancon, Jansen)	121 L	6 3		5 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{3/4}	0.60*	circled, edged ahead
29Mar26 ⁷ FON ²	4	Running Bayou (Barrera, Elio)	124 L b	4 4		3 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{3 1/4}	6.40	trk3w, bid3/8, yld late
6Mar26 ⁵ FG ³	1	He's Exaggerating (Fusilier, Casey)	121 L b	1 6		2 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Neck}	4.80	stdy1/2, wtd, need more
22Apr26 ¹ EVD ²	2	Blondate (Pompell, Thomas)	124 L f	2 1		6 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{4 3/4}	19.10	steadied7/16, outfnshd
7Mar26 ¹⁰ FG ¹	5	Shot Gun Shack (Roman, Kevin)	124 L	5 2		1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	5 ²	5 ¹	4.40	cleared, gave way late
24Apr26 ⁸ EVD ¹⁰	3	Blackberry Crown (Ramirez, Jr., Julio)	121 L f	3 5		4 ¹	6 ^{1 1/2}	6 ⁵	6 ¹⁴	22.40	trk btw, drop3/8, empty
8Mar26 ⁸ FG ¹	9	No Deal Or Deal (Thornton, Timothy)	121 L bf	7 7		7	7	7	7	27.30	poor star, lacked rally

Fractional Times: 22.02 45.54 58.49

Final Time: 1:11.92 **Time from Gate:** 1:13.94

Split Times: (23:52) (12:95) (13:43)

Run-Up: 35 feet

Winner: Pineapple Willy, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by El Deal out of Aife, by Paddy O'Prado. Foaled Feb 26, 2023 in Louisiana.

Breeder: Larry Romero

Owner: Larry J. Romero

Trainer: Landry, Allen

1 Claimed Horse(s): Pineapple Willy

New Trainer: Albert Journet Jr.

New Owner: Calais Trucking, LLC

Claiming Prices: 7 - Pineapple Willy: \$20,000; 4 - Running Bayou: \$20,000; 1 - He's Exaggerating: \$20,000; 2 - Blondate: \$20,000; 5 - Shot Gun Shack: \$20,000; 3 - Blackberry Crown: \$20,000; 9 - No Deal Or Deal: \$20,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Respectheconnect (Veterinarian), Seizethedaydude (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$67,773

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
7	Pineapple Willy	3.20	2.20	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	7-4	6.70	49,316
4	Running Bayou		4.20	2.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-4-1	10.85	28,644
1	He's Exaggerating			3.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	7-4-1-2	5.89	22,708
					\$0.50 Pick 3	5-10-7 (3 correct)	110.50	31,756
					\$0.50 Pick 4	1-5-10-6/7/8 (4 correct)	234.25	61,037
					\$1.00 Daily Double	10-7	23.10	24,075
					\$0.50 Pick 5	3/9-1-5-10-6/7/8 (5 correct)	458.65	31,802
					\$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot	7-3/9-1-5-10-6/7/8 (6 correct)	4,955.78	4,140
					\$0.50 Consolation Pick 3	5-10-6/8 (3 correct)	50.15	0
					\$1.00 Consolation Double	10-6/8	9.90	0

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
7	Pineapple Willy	3	5 ^{2 1/4}	3 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{3/4}
4	Running Bayou	4	3 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{3/4}
1	He's Exaggerating	6	2 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ¹	3 ⁴
2	Blondate	1	6 ^{2 3/4}	5 ²	3 ¹	4 ^{4 1/4}
5	Shot Gun Shack	2	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ⁹
3	Blackberry Crown	5	4 ^{1 1/4}	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ¹⁰
9	No Deal Or Deal	7	7 ^{4 1/4}	7 ⁵	7 ^{8 1/2}	7 ²⁴

Trainers: 7 - Landry, Allen; 4 - Gonzalez, Isai; 1 - Landry, Allen; 2 - Richard, Russell; 5 - Segura, Kearney; 3 - Breaux, Samuel; 9 - Castille, Carrol

Owners: 7 -Larry J. Romero; 4 -Larry Cascio; 1 -Allen Landry; 2 -Jose Salgado; 5 -Howard Romero; 3 -Clyde P. Moran, Sr.; 9 - Whispering Oaks Farm LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

PINEAPPLE WILLY broke well, then raced near the back to the half, circled the field through the turn, bid three-wide for the lead at the top of the stretch, gradually closed the gap on RUNNING BAYOU in the final furlong, and edged ahead in the final yards. RUNNING BAYOU broke well, tracked three-wide behind the early pacesetter, bid for the lead approaching the three-furlong marker, got a head in front past the quarter pole, held on gamely under strong handling and urging, but could not hold off the winner in the last jumps. HE'S EXAGGERATING hustled up after a tardy start, steadied off heels just past the half-mile pole, waited for room through the turn, finally got an opening at the eighth pole but lacked the needed response from that point. BLONDATE dropped to mid-pack after an even start, settled off the pace, steadied just past the seven-sixteenths marker, angled out four-wide late on the turn, then five-wide into the stretch, loomed a threat in upper stretch but was outfinished. SHOT GUN SHACK cleared the field early with several in close pursuit, dug in gamely in the stretch but weakened and gave way in the final furlong. BLACKBERRY CROWN got away well, tracked between rivals behind the pacesetter, dropped out at the three-furlong pole, and had little to offer in the stretch. NO DEAL OR DEAL got off to a poor start, chased the field to the turn, came out four-wide into the stretch and lacked a finish.

Track Attendance: 0
Off Track Wagering

Handle: \$19,862
Handle: \$2,041,048

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