

EVANGELINE DOWNS - June 12, 2026 - Race 8

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR
 STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$12,500. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124
 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since May 12, 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. (Claiming Races For \$15,000 Or Less Not Considered In
 Allowances). (NW1 X) **Claiming Price:** \$12,500

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

Purse: \$33,000

Includes: \$22,800 Other Sources

Plus: \$8,000 ALBSS-Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement

Available Money: \$41,000

Value of Race: \$33,000 1st \$19,800, 2nd \$6,600, 3rd \$3,630, 4th \$1,980, 5th \$990

Weather: Clear, 83° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 8:52 **Start:** Good for all **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
24Apr26 ⁷ EVD ²	5	Purple Heart (Nieves, Emanuel)	122	L f	4	4	4 ²	3 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	4.90	closer 4p,long drive
30Apr26 ² EVD ¹	7	Pretty Fast (Barrera, Elio)	122	L	6	2	3 ²	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1.50*	vied,brush,missd btwn
15May26 ⁷ EVD ⁵	6	Briterdayzahead (Mudd, Jamison)	124	L	5	1	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹	3 ²	3 ^{6 1/4}	8.70	drifted,brush,stubborn
11May26 ⁶ LAD ¹	1	Baron of the Nile (Perez, Carlos)	122	L f	1	6	6	5 ²	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{Neck}	4.40	steered widest,mildly
23May26 ⁷ EVD ²	4	String Theory (Magnon, Devin)	122	L bh	3	5	2 ^{Head}	4 ²	5 ³	5 ^{3 1/4}	9.10	vied rail,1st to blink
10Apr26 ⁶ EVD ⁴	3	Guanare (Pompell, Thomas)	122	L b	2	3	5 ¹	6	6	6	2.70	remained back


Fractional Times: 22.41 45.59 58.04

Final Time: 1:11.09 **Time from Gate:** 1:13.22

Split Times: (23:18) (12:45) (13:05)

Run-Up: 35 feet

Winner: Purple Heart, Bay Gelding, by [Omaha Beach](#) out of Right to Rule, by Five Star Day. Foaled Apr 24, 2022 in Kentucky.

 Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: Rose Hill Farm & Thoroughbred Acadiana

Owner: Mark C. Scurria

Trainer: Turner, Patti

Claiming Prices: 6 - Briterdayzahead: \$12,500; 1 - Baron of the Nile: \$12,500; 3 - Guanare: \$12,500;

Scratched Horse(s): To the Chief (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$35,132

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Purple Heart	11.80	4.20	4.20	\$1.00 Exacta	5-7	17.20	23,528
7	Pretty Fast		2.80	2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-7-6	50.55	13,631
6	Briterdayzahead			4.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-7-6-1	43.50	7,585
					\$0.50 Pick 3	1-6-5 (3 correct)	49.35	6,029
					\$1.00 Daily Double	6-5	38.00	6,840

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
5	Purple Heart	4	4 ^{2 1/4}	3 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}
7	Pretty Fast	2	3 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}
6	Briterdayzahead	1	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}
1	Baron of the Nile	6	6 ^{5 1/4}	5 ⁴	4 ^{2 1/4}	4 ^{6 1/2}
4	String Theory	5	2 ^{Head}	4 ²	5 ^{2 1/4}	5 ^{6 3/4}
3	Guanare	3	5 ^{4 1/4}	6 ⁶	6 ^{5 1/4}	6 ¹⁰

Trainers: 5 - Turner, Patti; 7 - Cano, Juan; 6 - Fuselier, Jonah; 1 - Cano, Juan; 4 - Magnon, Rylee; 3 - Bourgeois, Keith

Owners: 5 -Mark C. Scurria; 7 -Juan Munoz Cano; 6 - BTO Racing Stables; 1 - Cano, Juan Munoz and Louisiana Rocks Racing Stable LLC; 4 -Jason G. Grudzien; 3 - Single Malt Stable;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

PURPLE HEART behind the lead pack while off the inside up the backstretch, moved closer in the four path late in the turn, engaged the leaders from the outside when straightened for home, long, spirited drive to the wire, narrowly best under brisk handling. PRETTY FAST with the early pace three wide, continued vie through the turn, vied between horses and inside the winner nearing the furlong grounds, brushed when in a bit tight, dug in and fought to the end to just miss in game fashion. BRITERDAYZAHEAD broke well, set or forced the pace four a half between foes, battled with the top two while closest to the inside, drifted out to brush with the runner up in deep stretch, proved stubborn to the end to also narrowly miss. BARON OF THE NILE lacked speed for a half, steered out widest for the drive, displayed some modest interest out in the strip while not a threat to the top three. STRING THEORY away well, vied up front closest to the inside for a half, first to blink entering the stretch. GUANARE failed to menace in remaining always back.