

EVANGELINE DOWNS - July 2, 2026 - Race 7

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
 (INCLUDES UP TO \$1,000 LTBASBF) FOR ACCREDITED LA BRED THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$20,000. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since June 2, 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since May 2, 2026 Allowed 4 lbs. (Claiming Races For \$15,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). (SNW2 X) **Claiming**

Price: \$20,000

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Tiger Bait - 1:15.77 - August 28, 2008)

Purse: \$42,000

Includes: \$37,200 Other Sources

Includes: \$1,800 LAVPF - Louisiana Video Poker Fund

Available Money: \$42,000

Value of Race: \$42,000 1st \$25,200, 2nd \$8,400, 3rd \$4,620, 4th \$2,520, 5th \$1,260

Weather: Cloudy, 83° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 8:03 **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
6Jun26 ⁴ EVD ¹	1	Cajun Coaster (Melancon, Jansen) 	124	L b	1	6	4 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	6.40	dueled, clear late
11Jun26 ⁶ EVD ¹	3	Astrologysprotege (Perez, Carlos)	124	L	3	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{2 1/4}	3.40	couldn't match strides
23May26 ⁶ EVD ³	8	Majority Opinion (Hernandez, Colby)	120	L	6	1	5 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	4 ²	3 ^{1 3/4}	3.70	steady close, earned 3d
6Jun26 ⁴ LAD ²	6	Deal With It Daddy (Mudd, Jamison)	120	L f	4	3	6 ^{2 1/2}	6 ²	5 ^{2 1/2}	4 ¹	11.10	improved position
19Jun26 ⁸ EVD ¹	9	Romeo Spikes (Castillo, Isaac)	124	L b	7	5	3 ¹	3 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/4}	1.50*	stalked, bid, empty
5Jun26 ⁶ EVD ⁴	2	Pineapple Willy (Batista, Alexis)	119	L	2	7	7	7	6 ⁴	6 ^{13 1/4}	13.90	no factor, outrun
2May26 ⁶ LAD ⁵	7	Otra Cosa (Hernandez, Harry)	120	L f	5	4	2 ^{1/2}	5 ²	7	7	9.50	through early, stopped


Fractional Times: 22.35 45.41 1:10.80

Final Time: 1:17.60 **Time from Gate:** 1:19.38

Split Times: (23:06) (25:39) (6:80)

Run-Up: 35 feet

Winner: Cajun Coaster, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by [Vekoma](#) out of Passion for Words, by Benchmark. Foaled Apr 13, 2022 in Louisiana.

VEKOMA  Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: Paul Pruet

Owner: Tag Stables LLC and Naukabena Farms LLC

Trainer: Landry, Allen

1 Claimed Horse(s): Astrologysprotege **New Trainer:** Randy Degeyter, Jr. **New Owner:** Todd Alfortish

Claiming Prices: 3 - Astrologysprotege: \$20,000; 7 - Otra Cosa: \$20,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Gem Buoy (Veterinarian), The Boss Soss (Re-entered)

Total WPS Pool: \$84,710

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Cajun Coaster	14.80	6.20	4.20	\$0.50 Pick 3	7-7-1 (3 correct)	180.90	7,090
3	Astrologysprotege		5.00	3.40	\$1.00 Daily Double	7-1	72.20	6,200
8	Majority Opinion			3.60	\$1.00 Exacta	1-3	33.20	46,140
					\$0.10 Superfecta	1-3-8-6	48.76	20,248
					\$0.50 Trifecta	1-3-8	73.45	28,382

Past Performance Running Line Preview


Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
1	Cajun Coaster	6	4 ²	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ¹
3	Astrologysprotege	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ¹
8	Majority Opinion	1	5 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{3 1/4}
6	Deal With It Daddy	3	6 ⁴	6 ⁶	5 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁵
9	Romeo Spikes	5	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	5 ⁶
2	Pineapple Willy	7	7 ^{6 1/2}	7 ⁸	6 ⁷	6 ^{8 1/4}
7	Otra Cosa	4	2 ^{1/2}	5 ⁴	7 ¹¹	7 ^{21 1/2}

Trainers: 1 - Landry, Allen; 3 - Larrosa, Juan; 8 - Johnson, Jr., Henry; 6 - Wilson, Shane; 9 - Degeyter, Jr., Randy; 2 - Journet, Jr., Albert; 7 - Wilson, Shane

Owners: 1 - Tag Stables LLC and Naukabena Farms LLC; 3 - Bankroll Racing Stable LLC; 8 -Greg Norman; 6 - Israel Flores Horses LLC; 9 - McBride Thoroughbreds, LLC; 2 - Calais Trucking, LLC; 7 - Israel Flores Horses LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

CAJUN COASTER moved up along rail, challenged into the turn, dueled to deep stretch and inched clear to prove best. ASTROLOGYSPROTEGE set the pace, responded when challenged, dueled through the stretch, couldn't match strides and yielded grudgingly. MAJORITY OPINION came out at the start, advanced inside on the turn, angled out for the drive, closed steadily and earned show while no threat to the top two. DEAL WITH IT DADDY was slow early, went widest in the drive and offered a mild bid to improve position. ROMEO SPIKES was pushed out at the start, stalked the pace while racing towards the outside, bid and came up empty. PINEAPPLE WILLY was not a factor. OTRA COSA pressed the pace while racing between horses, was through early, stopped and was not urged late.

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