

FAIR GROUNDS - February 19, 2026 - Race 1

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR ACCREDITED LA BRED MAIDENS, FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 117 lbs.:

 Older, 125 lbs. Claiming Price \$10,000. (S) **Claiming Price:** \$10,000

Distance: Five And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Cort's P. B. - 1:02.65 - March 25, 2007)

Purse: \$14,000

Includes: \$1,500 LTBA - Louisiana TB Breeders Association

Includes: \$8,000 Other Sources

Available Money: \$14,000

Value of Race: \$14,000 1st \$8,400, 2nd \$2,800, 3rd \$1,540, 4th \$840, 5th \$420

Weather: Cloudy, 81° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 12:48 **Start:** Good for all except 4,6 **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
---	4	Little Em (Vives, Sofia)	117	L bf	4	7	7	5 ³	1 ¹ 1/2	3.00	off slw,ins turn,surgd	
29Jan26	1FG ²	Naykesh (Murray, Erica)	125	L	7	3	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/4	6.80	pressd,clr 1/16,missed
29Jan26	1FG ³	Mary Claire (Hernandez, Colby)	125	L	3	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ⁴	3 ^{1/2}	8.00	pace, weakened 1/8
19Jan26	9FG ⁷	Obstacle Gal (Hernandez, Harry)	125	L	5	4	3 ²	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹	4 ¹⁰ 1/2	8.30	urged ins,5p uppr,even
29Jan26	1FG ⁴	Francesnfriends (McMahon, C.J.)	125	L	1	2	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	5 ¹	10.70	chased inside,weakened
---	6	Krafts Palace (Concepcion, Axel)	117	L b	6	6	6 ³	5 ¹	6 ²	6 ² 1/2	33.20	off slw,3-w trn,no bid
31Jan26	3FG ⁸	Mom's Hands (Gonzalez, Edwin)	125	L b	2	5	5 ¹	6 ²	7	7	1.00*	off stp slow,3-4w turn

Fractional Times: 23.52 47.44 59.91

Final Time: 1:06.59

Split Times: (23:92) (12:47) (6:68)

Run-Up: 54 feet

Winner: Little Em, Chestnut Filly, by Mendelssohn out of Crack Your Whip, by Stephen Got Even. Foaled Mar 12, 2023 in Louisiana.

Breeder: Thomas B. Early & George Messina

Owner: Early, Thomas B. and Messina, George

Trainer: David, Jr., Sam

Claiming Prices: 4 - Little Em: \$10,000; 7 - Naykesh: \$10,000; 3 - Mary Claire: \$10,000; 5 - Obstacle Gal: \$10,000; 1 - Francesnfriends: \$10,000; 6 - Krafts Palace: \$10,000; 2 - Mom's Hands: \$10,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$50,297

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Little Em	8.00	5.20	3.80	\$1.00 Exacta	4-7	20.10	35,641
7	Naykesh		6.80	4.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	4-7-3	42.20	20,722
3	Mary Claire			4.20	\$0.10 Superfecta	4-7-3-5	48.66	12,999

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin
4	Little Em	7	7 ⁷	7 ⁶ 1/4	5 ⁵ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/2
7	Naykesh	3	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2
3	Mary Claire	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	3 ² 3/4
5	Obstacle Gal	4	3 ^{1/2}	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ⁴	4 ³ 1/4
1	Francesnfriends	2	4 ² 1/2	4 ³	4 ⁵	5 ¹³ 3/4
6	Krafts Palace	6	6 ⁴	5 ³ 1/4	6 ⁸ 1/2	6 ¹⁴ 3/4
2	Mom's Hands	5	5 ³	6 ⁴ 1/4	7 ¹⁰ 1/2	7 ¹⁷ 1/4

Trainers: 4 - David, Jr., Sam; 7 - Ney, John; 3 - Thompson, Kevin; 5 - Wilson, Shane; 1 - Williams, Kevin; 6 - West, Patricia; 2 - Camejo, Jose

Owners: 4 - Early, Thomas B. and Messina, George; 7 - Cliff Blythe; 3 - David B. Moreau; 5 - Brittlyn Stable, Inc.; 1 - Glenn Michael Bailey; 6 - Fountain Grass Thoroughbred Farm LLC; 2 - Chris S. Aulds;

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LITTLE EM was off slowly, trailed early on after the poor start, saved ground through the far turn, angled five wide and surged clear late under steady pressure. NAYKESH pressed the early leader from the outside, was clear near the sixteenth pole and missed in a game effort. MARY CLAIRE showed good early foot to set the pace and weakened a bit the final eighth of a mile. OBSTACLE GAL urged along early from the inside, eased out five wide into the upper stretch and was even late with no closing run. FRANCESNFRIENDS chased the pace from the inside and weakened. KRAFTS PALACE was off slowly, raced three wide around the far turn and never threatened. MOM'S HANDS was off a step slow, raced three to four wide around the far turn and never menaced.