

FAIR GROUNDS - March 21, 2026 - Race 9

STAKES New Orleans Classic S. Presented by Hagyard Grade 2 - Thoroughbred
 FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$500 by Saturday, March 7. \$2,500 to enter, \$2,500 additional to start.
 Supplemental nominations of \$10,000 will be accepted at time of entry which shall include all fees. \$500,000 Guaranteed of which
 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 4% to fourth, 2% to fifth and 1% to finishers sixth through ninth. Weight: 124 lbs.
 Non-winners of a Grade I or Grade II sweepstakes at a mile or over since December 21, allowed 2 lbs., Non-winners of a
 sweepstakes at a mile or over since September 21, allowed 4 lbs. Non-winners of \$85,000 at a mile or over since then allowed 6
 lbs. Starters to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. The New Orleans Classic Presented by Hagyard will be
 limited to fourteen (14) starters. Preference will be given in the following manner: graded or group winners in order (I, II, III), then
 highest lifetime earnings. Any horse excluded from running because of the aforementioned preference shall be refunded the entry
 fee or supplementary fee if applicable. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. Nominations closed Saturday, March 7,
 2026 with 12 nominations.

Distance: One And One Eighth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Touchuponastar - 1:46.84 - March 21, 2026)

Purse: \$500,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$500,000

Value of Race: \$465,000 1st \$300,000, 2nd \$100,000, 3rd \$50,000, 4th \$10,000, 5th \$5,000

Weather: Clear, 75° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:06 **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	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
7Feb26 ⁶ DED ¹	2	Touchuponastar (Pedroza, Jr., Marcelino)	122	L	2	1	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{1/2}	1.20*	repelled foes, dug in
19Feb26 ⁷ FG ¹	6	Corporate Power (Saez, Luis)	118	L	b	5	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{5 1/4}	5.20	angled out, gaining
24Jan26 ⁸ GP ³	4	Life and Times (Prat, Flavien)	118	L	3	3	3 ¹	3 ^{Head}	2 ¹	3 ⁶	3 ^{13 1/2}	1.70	loomed 3w, wilted
20Dec25 ⁸ FG ¹	5	Not This Boy (Ortiz, Jose)	122	L	f	4	4	5	5	4 ⁴	4 ^{20 1/4}	8.30	4w, failed to respond
31Jan26 ⁴ SA ¹	1	Westwood (Gaffalione, Tyler)	124	L	1	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	4 ^{Head}	5	5	6.70	contested pace, tired

Fractional Times: 22.77 46.40 1:09.96 1:34.14

Final Time: 1:46.84 (New Track Record)

Split Times: (23:63) (23:56) (24:18) (12:70)

Run-Up: 65 feet

Winner: Touchuponastar, Bay Gelding, by Star Guitar out of Touch Magic, by Lion Heart. Foaled Mar 21, 2019 in Louisiana.

Breeder: Coteau Grove Farms

Owner: Set-Hut LLC

Trainer: Delhomme, Jeff

Scratched Horse(s): Accelerize (Stakes Scratch)

Total WPS Pool: \$358,110

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Touchuponastar	4.40	2.80	2.10	\$0.50 Pick 3	9-1-2 (3 correct)	8.70	42,141
6	Corporate Power		4.40	2.60	\$1.00 Daily Double	1-2	4.00	49,594
4	Life and Times			2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	2-6	12.20	156,965
					\$0.10 Superfecta	2-6-4-5	5.64	28,659
					\$0.50 Trifecta	2-6-4	12.60	61,111

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Touchuponastar	1	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{1/2}
6	Corporate Power	5	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ³	2 ^{1/2}
4	Life and Times	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ²	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{3 1/2}	3 ^{5 3/4}
5	Not This Boy	4	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{9 1/2}	4 ^{19 1/4}
1	Westwood	2	2 ¹	2 ¹	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{13 1/2}	5 ^{39 1/2}

Trainers: 2 - Delhomme, Jeff; 6 - Asmussen, Steven; 4 - Pletcher, Todd; 5 - Cowans, William; 1 - Eurton, Peter

Owners: 2 - Set-Hut LLC; 6 - Courtlandt Farms (Donald Adam); 4 - Michael B. Tabor; 5 - Zimmer Ridge Ranch; 1 - C R K Stable, LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

TOUCHUPONASTAR came away in good order, controlled the pace off of the inside to the first turn, inched clear and dropped to the rail to dictate terms, met the challenge of LIFE AND TIMES on the second turn, shook off that one entering the stretch, widened the lead in the upper stretch, then dug in to preserve a diminishing advantage. CORPORATE POWER tucked in to save ground, crept into striking distance through the second turn, angled out inside the quarter pole to be clear, kicked on well but was unable to bridge the gap. LIFE AND TIMES staked the pace in hand three deep, moved up to engage TOUCHUPONASTAR midway through the second turn, was unable to go on with that one entering the stretch, weakened further and settled for the minor award. NOT THIS BOY was unhurried into stride, settled toward the tail of the field four wide, and lacked a response when called upon. WESTWOOD prompted the pace along the inside to the first turn, shifted out and continued to hound the leader from his outside down the backstretch, but came up empty between rivals and on the second turn and dropped out.