

FAIR GROUNDS - December 20, 2025 - Race 9

STAKES Buddy Diliberto Memorial S. Listed - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD.

Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Explosive Bid - 1:42.40 - January 13, 1983)

Purse: \$100,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$100,000

Value of Race: \$100,000 1st \$60,000, 2nd \$20,000, 3rd \$11,000, 4th \$6,000, 5th \$3,000

Weather: Clear, 74° Track: Firm

Off at: 4:47 Start: Good for all except 6 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
9Nov25 ⁷ CD ⁶	8	Idratherbeblessed (Pedroza, Jr., Marcelino)	124	L	6	2	¹ Head	¹ ¹	¹ ¹ 1/2	¹ ¹ /2	¹ ³ /4	17.60	pace, kept to task
7Nov25 ⁴ CD ¹	2	Kupuna (Curtis, Ben)	122	L b	2	6	⁴ ¹ /2	⁴ Head	⁶ Head	⁴ ²	² ¹ /2	1.70*	btw, press, need more
11Oct25 ⁴ BAQ ⁴	4	Sand Pipes (Lopez, Paco)	118	L	3	1	³ ¹ /2	³ ¹	² Head	² ¹	³ ¹	11.00	track, 3wbid, out fin
5Jul25 ⁹ EVD ¹	1	Point Proven (Thornton, Timothy)	124	L	1	3	7	⁶ ¹ /2	⁵ ¹ /2	³ Head	⁴ ⁵ 1/2	15.60	loom ins, flatten late
6Nov25 ⁸ RP ¹	9	Gigante (Ortiz, Jose)	124	L b	7	4	⁶ ¹	⁵ ¹	⁴ ¹	⁵ ¹	⁵ ¹ /2	2.70	tracked 4w, wknd
7Nov25 ⁴ CD ⁵	5	Emmanuel (Loveberry, Jareth)	124	L	4	7	⁵ Head	7	7	⁶ ¹	⁶ ¹ /2	6.20	trailed most
27Nov25 ⁸ FG ¹	6	Legalize (Hernandez, Jr., Brian) 	118	L	5	5	² ¹ 1/2	² ¹ /2	³ ¹ /2	7	7	3.20	bobble st, press, fade

Fractional Times: 23.57 48.11 1:12.45 1:35.41 Final Time: 1:41.50

Split Times: (24:54) (24:34) (22:96) (6:09)

Run-Up: 100 feet

Winner: Idratherbeblessed, Bay Gelding, by Unified out of Celestial Smile, by Tiznow. Foaled Feb 18, 2020 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Narola, LLC

Owner: JD Thoroughbreds LLC and Scherr, Wayne

Trainer: Hartman, Chris

Scratched Horse(s): Secret Chat (Stakes Scratch), Theismann (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$204,293

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
8	Idratherbeblessed	37.20	9.00	6.80	\$0.50 Pick 3	4-7-8 (3 correct)	996.25	40,082
2	Kupuna		3.80	3.00	\$0.50 Pick 4	5-4-7-8 (4 correct)	11,360.80	75,744
4	Sand Pipes			5.00	\$0.50 Pick 5	8-5-4-7-8 (5 correct)	19,324.25	90,945
					\$1.00 Daily Double	7-8	80.90	30,252
					\$1.00 Exacta	8-2	65.90	130,717
					\$0.50 Consolation Pick 3	4-7-7 (3 correct)	34.35	0
					\$0.10 Superfecta	8-2-4-1	237.08	50,804
					\$0.50 Trifecta	8-2-4	175.10	70,441
					\$1.00 Consolation Double	7-7	2.60	0

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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8	Idratherbeblessed	2	¹ Head	¹ ¹	¹ ¹ 1/2	¹ ¹ /2	¹ ³ /4
2	Kupuna	6	⁴ ²	⁴ ² 1/2	⁶ ³ 1/2	⁴ ¹ 1/2	² ³ /4
4	Sand Pipes	1	³ ¹ 1/2	³ ¹ 1/2	² ¹ 1/2	² ¹ /2	³ ¹ 1/4
1	Point Proven	3	⁷ ³ 3/4	⁶ ³ 1/2	⁵ ³	³ ¹ 1/2	⁴ ² 1/4
9	Gigante	4	⁶ ² 3/4	⁵ ² 1/2	⁴ ²	⁵ ³ 1/2	⁵ ⁷ 3/4
5	Emmanuel	7	⁵ ² 1/2	⁷ ⁴	⁷ ³ 3/4	⁶ ⁴ 1/2	⁶ ⁸ 1/4
6	Legalize	5	² Head	² ¹	³ ¹ 1/2	⁷ ⁵ 1/2	⁷ ⁸ 3/4

Trainers: 8 - Hartman, Chris; 2 - Casse, Norm; 4 - Schultz, Lindsay; 1 - Terre, David; 9 - Asmussen, Steven; 5 - Maker, Michael; 6 - DeVaux, Cherie

Owners: 8 - JD Thoroughbreds LLC and Scherr, Wayne; 2 - Flying P Stable; 4 - Brownwood Farm LLC; 1 -Norman C. Miller IV; 9 - L and N Racing LLC and Brewster, Clark O.; 5 - Paradise Farms Corp., Chambers, Case, Staudacher, David, Hui, Michael M. and Fugget About It Racing Stables; 6 - Twin Brook Stables, Belladonna Racing, LLC, Nice Guys Stables, West Point Thoroughbreds, lapetus Racing, Hornstock, S., Runnels Racing, Perrine Time Thoroughbreds, R T R Stables, LLC, Peppermint Stables, LLC and Manganaro Bloodstock;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

IDRATHERBEBLESSED took command of a pressured pace shortly after the start, held off challengers through the stretch to secure the win. KUPUNA found position between rivals around the middle of the pack, moved up to press the pace between foes at the sixteenth but had no closing bid. SAND PIPES sat behind the pace on the inside, made a three wide bid at the quarter to press the pace, out-finished by opponents. POINT PROVEN settled back to be trail through the first turn, loomed along the inside of the far turn to enter the stretch right behind the pace, flattened out late. GIGANTE tracked the pace four wide, weakened in the stretch. EMMANUEL trailed after the first turn, passed tired foe in the stretch. LEGALIZE bobbled slightly at the start, rushed up to press the pace, retreated in the far turn to trail after reaching the quarter.

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