

FAIRMOUNT PARK - July 4, 2026 - Race 8

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs.

Non-winners Of A Race Since April 4 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$15,000 (Claiming Races For \$10,000 Or Less Not Considered

In Allowances). (NW3 L) **Claiming Price:** \$15,000

Distance: One Mile And Seventy Yards On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Rocket Professor - 1:39.80 - July 19, 2014)

Purse: \$14,000

Plus: \$5,040 IOA - Illinois Registered Owner Award

Available Money: \$19,040

Value of Race: \$17,158 1st \$9,900, 2nd \$3,300, 3rd \$2,310, 4th \$924, 5th \$181, 6th \$181, 7th \$181, 8th \$181

Weather: Clear, 92° **Track:** Muddy

Off at: 4:36 **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
16Jun26 ⁵ FP ²	6	Shortstop (Aranguren, Johannis)	117	L b	4	2	² Head	² 1	¹ 1/2	¹ 2 1/2	¹ 9	6.60	2-3w,bid 1/2,drew away
30May26 ³ FP ⁶	10	Bilderberg (Lara, Victor)	119	L b	8	7	⁵ Head	⁵ 3	² 1 1/2	² 3	² 3 1/2	9.20	advance 4-5w,no match
16Jun26 ⁵ FP ⁵	2	Steve (Tavares, Javier)	124	L	2	1	⁴ 2	⁴ 1/2	⁴ 2	³ 1 1/2	³ 3 1/4	14.30	fanned 8w,evened out
23May26 ⁴ FP ⁴	1	Grandsonsam (Stanley, Angel)	124	L b	1	8	⁷ 1 1/2	⁷ 2	⁷ 2	⁶ 1	⁴ 2 1/2	17.50	came out, improved
16Jun26 ⁷ FP ⁴	5	Arky Road (Bendezu, Alexander)	124	L b	3	6	⁶ 2	⁶ 4	⁶ 4	⁵ 2	⁵ 2 1/4	5.70	off rail, no menace
16Jun26 ⁵ FP ⁴	9	Cutlass King (Felix, Julio)	124	L b	7	5	³ 2	³ 1 1/2	³ 1 1/2	⁴ 1	⁶ 13 3/4	22.30	stalked 3-4w, faded
16Jun26 ⁵ FP ³	8	Nations Dream (Orm, Cory)	124	L f	6	4	8	8	8	8	⁷ 5	12.20	4wd early, no threat
9Jun26 ⁴ FP ¹	7	W W Star (Santiago, Victor)	120	L b	5	3	¹ 1 1/2	¹ 1/2	⁵ Head	⁷ 1	8	0.60*	stdy 6-1/2,retreat7/16

Fractional Times: 23.97 47.95 1:14.33 1:41.52

Final Time: 1:45.89 **Time from Gate:** 1:47.15

Split Times: (23:98) (26:38) (27:19) (4:37)

Run-Up: 20 feet

Winner: Shortstop, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Blame out of Julerette, by Successful Appeal. Foaled Feb 26, 2020 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Mike Ball & Katherine Ball

Owner: Let's Roll With It, LLC

Trainer: Watkins, James

Claiming Prices: 6 - Shortstop: \$15,000; 10 - Bilderberg: \$15,000; 2 - Steve: \$15,000; 1 - Grandsonsam: \$15,000; 5 - Arky Road: \$15,000; 9 - Cutlass King: \$15,000; 8 - Nations Dream: \$15,000; 7 - W W Star: \$15,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Heavens Hound (Veterinarian), Recause (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$21,418

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Shortstop	15.20	4.80	3.20	\$1.00 Exacta	6-10	45.10	8,559
10	Bilderberg		6.20	6.00	\$1.00 Trifecta	6-10-2	447.00	5,664
2	Steve			7.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	6-10-2-1	211.75	2,548
					\$1.00 Daily Double	7-6	19.50	2,548
					\$2.00 Pick 3	2-7-6 (3 correct)	102.20	1,092
					\$2.00 Pick 4	1-2-7-6 (3 correct)	88.40	1,352

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
6	Shortstop	2	² 1 1/2	² 1/2	¹ 1/2	¹ 2 1/2	¹ 9
10	Bilderberg	7	⁵ 5 1/2	⁵ 3 1/2	² 1/2	² 2 1/2	² 9
2	Steve	1	⁴ 3 1/2	⁴ 3	⁴ 3 1/2	³ 5 1/2	³ 12 1/2
1	Grandsonsam	8	⁷ 7 3/4	⁷ 10 1/2	⁷ 9 1/2	⁶ 10	⁴ 15 3/4
5	Arky Road	6	⁶ 5 3/4	⁶ 6 1/2	⁶ 5 1/2	⁵ 8	⁵ 18 1/4
9	Cutlass King	5	³ 1 1/2	³ 1 1/2	³ 2	⁴ 7	⁶ 20 1/2
8	Nations Dream	4	⁸ 9 1/4	⁸ 12 1/2	⁸ 11 1/2	⁸ 12	⁷ 34 1/4
7	W W Star	3	¹ 1 1/2	¹ 1/2	⁵ 5 1/2	⁷ 11	⁸ 39 1/4

Trainers: 6 - Watkins, James; 10 - Durham, Mike; 2 - Straub, Marvel; 1 - Durham, Mike; 5 - Becker, Scott; 9 - Lynch, Harry; 8 - McEwen, Billy; 7 - Becker, Scott

Owners: 6 - Let's Roll With It, LLC; 10 -Jodie Durham; 2 -Mike Straub; 1 -Jodie Durham; 5 - Ritter, Charles W. and Becker, Scott; 9 - Lynch's Racing LLC; 8 -Melody Higdon; 7 - Ritter, Charles W. and Becker, Scott;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SHORTSTOP settled in behind the leader into the first turn stalking two to three wide, bid at the half, drew away in the stretch. BILDERBERG broke a step slowly, was caught about five wide through the first turn, advanced outside rivals up the backstretch reaching contention on the far turn, came in a bit in upper stretch and was no match for the winner but held the place. STEVE got away well and was up close heading into the first turn, switched out and stalked from off the pace, was forced wider on the far turn fanning eight deep into upper stretch and gaining some but evened out in the lane. GRANDSONSAM lacked early speed bringing up the rear, swung wide leaving the far turn, passed tired rivals. ARKY ROAD was kept off the rail racing about mid-pack in the three path into the first turn, moved in and out heading to the far turn, failed to menace running one-paced. CUTLASS KING was up close stalking three to four wide, dropped back and faded. NATIONS DREAM was caught four wide into the first turn, dropped off racing last but one and kept removed from the inside, was never near enough to threaten. W W STAR moved clear and shifted in to set the pace from off the rail into the first turn, steadied slightly appearing to step awkwardly about the six- and one-half, continued with a pressured pace up the backstretch, retreated at the seven-sixteenths after appearing again to take an awkward step around standing water.