

FAIRMOUNT PARK - July 28, 2026 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs.
Non-winners Of A Race Since April 28 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$15,000 (Claiming Races For \$10,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). (NW4 L) **Claiming Price:** \$15,000
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Ye Country - 1:08.60 - November 26, 1977)
Purse: \$14,500
Plus: \$5,220 IOA - Illinois Registered Owner Award
Available Money: \$19,720
Value of Race: \$14,500 1st \$8,700, 2nd \$2,900, 3rd \$1,450, 4th \$870, 5th \$580
Weather: Cloudy, 92° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 2:53 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
4Jul26 ⁸ FP ¹	3	Shortstop (Aranguren, Johanis)	119	L b	3	4	4 ² 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ /2	1 ⁵ 1/2	0.90*	rail trip, mild urging
21Oct25 ⁷ FP ⁴	6	Smooth N Silky (Arrieta, Reynier)	124	L b	5	3	3 ^{Head}	3 ²	3 ² 1/2	2 ^{Neck}	8.80	mild bid, up late 2nd
30Jun26 ⁷ FP ²	2	Warrior of Gold (Lara, Victor)	117	L	2	2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	2 ²	3 ⁶ 3/4	1.80	led to turn, empty late
14Jul26 ⁵ FP ⁵	1	God Guns N Guts (Tavares, Javier)	124	L	1	5	5	5	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ³ 1/2	17.10	passed tiring rival
2May26 ⁴ FP ²	5	Larry the Poet (Giles, Emmanuel)	124	L	4	1	2 ³	4 ² 1/2	5	5	4.10	bore out turn, gave way

Fractional Times: 22.66 45.75 57.93 **Final Time:** 1:10.39 **Time from Gate:** 1:11.07
Split Times: (23:09) (12:18) (12:46)
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: 3 - Shortstop: \$15,000; 6 - Smooth N Silky: \$15,000; 2 - Warrior of Gold: \$15,000; 1 - God Guns N Guts: \$15,000; 5 - Larry the Poet: \$15,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Cog (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$26,161

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Shortstop	3.80	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	3-6	10.30	16,040
6	Smooth N Silky		5.40	\$1.00 Trifecta	3-6-2	21.30	9,440
2	Warrior of Gold			\$1.00 Daily Double	7-3	4.30	2,917
				\$2.00 Pick 3	1-7-3/4 (3 correct)	32.80	1,245
				\$0.10 Superfecta	3-6-2-1	4.49	4,512

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Shortstop	4	4 ⁴ 1/2	2 ¹	1 ¹ /2	1 ⁵ 1/2
6	Smooth N Silky	3	3 ⁴ 1/2	3 ² 1/2	3 ² 1/2	2 ⁵ 1/2
2	Warrior of Gold	2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	2 ¹ /2	3 ⁵ 3/4
1	God Guns N Guts	5	5 ⁷	5 ⁷	4 ⁵	4 ¹² 1/2
5	Larry the Poet	1	2 ¹ 1/2	4 ⁴ 1/2	5 ⁶ 1/2	5 ¹⁶

Trainers: 3 - Watkins, James; 6 - Wiese, John; 2 - Watkins, James; 1 - Rodriguez, Jose; 5 - Rodriguez, Jose

Owners: 3 - Let's Roll With It, LLC; 6 -Kyle Weber; 2 - Watkins, James M., Stein, Martin and Stein, Brock; 1 - J and N Thoroughbreds LLC; 5 - J and N Thoroughbreds LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SHORTSTOP advanced along the rail to the turn, assumed command and drew off past the eighth pole under mild urging. SMOOTH N SILKY settled off the pace, swung wide entering the stretch and offered a mild bid to get up late for place while no threat to the winner. WARRIOR OF GOLD moved up inside to set a pressured pace to the turn, dropped back, came up empty late and settled for show. GOD GUNS N GUTS was off a step slowly, trailed the field and passed a tiring rival. LARRY THE POET broke out while getting away well, led early, pressed the pace to the turn, dropped back, bore out and gave way.