

FAIRMOUNT PARK - September 12, 2026 - Race 8
ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD NON WINNERS OF A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, WAIVER, STARTER
OR STATE BRED OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$10,000. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A
Race Since June 12 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$10,000 (Claiming Races For \$20,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances).
(NW1 X) **Claiming Price:** \$10,000
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Ye Country - 1:08.60 - November 26, 1977)
Purse: \$19,000
Plus: \$6,840 IOA - Illinois Registered Owner Award
Available Money: \$25,840
Value of Race: \$19,760 1st \$11,400, 2nd \$3,800, 3rd \$2,660, 4th \$646, 5th \$209, 6th \$209, 7th \$209, 8th \$209, 9th \$209, 10th \$209
Weather: Clear, 90° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 4:45 **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
22Aug26 ⁶ FP ³	2	Excellent Empire (Martinez, Brody)	117	L b	2	8	7 ¹	6 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	1 ²	10.00	angled 4-5w,drove past
11Jul26 ⁵ FP ⁴	3	Jimmies Big Day (Baird, E.)	124	L bf	3	7	3 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	4 ²	2 ^{1/2}	4.80	rallied inside for 2nd
29Aug26 ⁹ FP ¹	8	Volodymyr Z (Arrieta, Reynier)	126	L	7	1	1 ¹	1 ²	1 ²	3 ^{Head}	3.60	pace off rail,no kick
22Aug26 ⁶ FP ⁵	1	River Ridge (Bailon, Victor)	124	L b	1	10	10	8 ³	5 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 3/4}	23.00	step slow,alter 8w1/16
22Aug26 ⁶ FP ¹	12	Chryso Alogo (Santos, Ademar)	124	L	10	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{3/4}	2.10*	stalk,3w turn,no kick
25Aug26 ³ FP ²	4	El Peligro (Bendezu, Alexander)	126	L b	4	5	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	6 ¹	6 ^{3/4}	4.40	bump 5/8, 2-3w turn
1Aug26 ⁹ FP ⁵	5	Strope (Diego, Javier)	124	L	5	6	8 ¹	9 ²	9 ⁵	7 ^{1 3/4}	75.30	inside turn/str,ran on
22Aug26 ⁷ FP ¹	10	Xavi (Tavares, Javier)	126	L b	8	4	6 ¹	7 ^{1 1/2}	8 ^{1/2}	8 ^{Head}	8.60	bmpd btwn 5/8,5w turn
4Aug26 ⁴ FP ¹	11	Takeitaway (Colon, Luis)	126	L b	9	3	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	7 ¹	9 ⁵	18.40	bump 5/8,4-8w,no bid
1Aug26 ⁶ FP ⁷	6	Weslan (Felix, Julio)	126	L b	6	9	9 ²	10	10	10	64.60	step slow, 3wd turn

Fractional Times: 22.32 45.42 57.98 **Final Time:** 1:11.15 **Time from Gate:** 1:12.23
Split Times: (23:10) (12:56) (13:17)
Run-Up: 20 feet

Winner: Excellent Empire, Bay Gelding, by Bravazo out of Colonial Empress, by Empire Maker. Foaled Jan 30, 2022 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Castle Oak
Owner: John Dant
Trainer: Martinez, Ralph

1 Claimed Horse(s): Chryso Alogo New Trainer: Harry E. Lynch New Owner: Mick Latham

Claiming Prices: 2 - Excellent Empire: \$10,000; 12 - Chryso Alogo: \$10,000;

Scratched Horse(s): City of God (Re-entered), Red Speedo (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$39,956

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Excellent Empire	22.00	7.80	4.60	\$1.00 Exacta	2-3	78.40	26,534
3	Jimmies Big Day		11.00	8.20	\$1.00 Trifecta	2-3-8	439.90	17,270
8	Volodymyr Z			5.80	\$1.00 Daily Double	3-2	108.20	2,892
					\$1.00 Pick 3	7-3-2 (3 correct)	602.00	1,366
					\$0.10 Superfecta	2-3-8-1	465.18	9,969

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Excellent Empire	8	7 ⁵	6 ⁴	3 ^{3 1/2}	1 ²
3	Jimmies Big Day	7	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	2 ²
8	Volodymyr Z	1	1 ¹	1 ²	1 ²	3 ^{2 1/2}
1	River Ridge	10	10 ⁹	8 ⁶	5 ^{5 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}
12	Chryso Alogo	2	2 ¹	2 ²	2 ²	5 ^{4 1/4}
4	El Peligro	5	4 ²	4 ^{3 1/2}	6 ⁶	6 ⁵
5	Strope	6	8 ⁶	9 ⁹	9 ^{8 1/2}	7 ^{5 3/4}
10	Xavi	4	6 ⁴	7 ^{4 1/2}	8 ⁸	8 ^{7 1/2}
11	Takeitaway	3	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/2}	7 ⁷	9 ^{7 3/4}
6	Weslan	9	9 ⁷	10 ¹¹	10 ^{13 1/2}	10 ^{12 3/4}

Trainers: 2 - Martinez, Ralph; 3 - Manley, Steve; 8 - Becker, Scott; 1 - Durham, Mike; 12 - Watkins, James; 4 - Higgins, Dennis; 5 - Wainwright, John; 10 - Randazzo, Jr., Frank; 11 - Boyce, Michele; 6 - Wainwright, John

Owners: 2 -John Dant; 3 -Merriit Hudson; 8 - Ritter, Charles W. and Becker, Scott; 1 -Jodie Durham; 12 - Clean Living Racing; 4 - Basler, Tom and Perniciaro, Jr., Ed; 5 -Sharon R. Morgan; 10 -Kathleen Barbeau; 11 - S. D. Brilie, Ltd. Partnership; 6 -Sharon R. Morgan;

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EXCELLENT EMPIRE settled off the pace, saved ground on the turn, angled four to five wide into upper stretch, rallied and drove past inside the final sixteenth. JIMMIES BIG DAY tracked in behind the leader, saved ground on the turn, rallied inside for the place. VOLODYMYR Z soon led, set the pace from off the rail, lacked the needed late kick and lost place late. RIVER RIDGE broke a step slowly, lacked early speed and switched out off the inside, went two to three wide on the turn, came into upper stretch four to five deep, altered out eight wide near the sixteenth pole while rallying to improve. CHRYSO ALOGO moved forward shifting in up the backstretch, stalked three wide on the turn, lacked the needed late kick. EL PELIGRO exchanged a bump after the opening furlong chasing in behind, went two to three wide on the turn, swung out six deep for the drive, failed to rally. STROPE lacked early speed, shifted in saving ground on the turn, ran on inside in the stretch. XAVI was bounced around between foes past the five-eighths, raced off the pace outside five wide through the turn, came into upper stretch seven deep, failed to rally. TAKEITAWAY bumped with a rival past the five-eighths, chased from about mid-pack four wide on the turn, swung out eight wide for the drive, made no late bid. WESLAN broke a step slowly, lacked early speed racing off the inside, went three wide on the turn, was not a factor.

