

GULFSTREAM PARK - February 21, 2026 - Race 7

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
 FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$12,500 OR LESS SINCE
 FEBRUARY 21, 2024 OR CLAIMING PRICE \$20,000. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races Other Than Maiden Or Claiming
 Since November 21 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since Then Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000. (C) **Claiming Price:** \$20,000
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Big Drama - 1:08.12 - January 15, 2011)

Purse: \$33,000

Includes: \$3,000 FOA - Florida Owners Awards

Includes: \$2,000 FBIF - Florida Bred Incentive Fund

Available Money: \$33,000

Value of Race: \$28,000 1st \$16,800, 2nd \$5,880, 3rd \$3,080, 4th \$1,400, 5th \$280, 6th \$280, 7th \$280

Weather: Clear, 82° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 3:25 **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	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
29Jan26 ⁵ GP ¹	2	Proud American (Karamanos, Horacio)	119 L b	2	4	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 3/4}	5.00	2-3wd, drove clear
7Jan26 ⁴ TAM ²	5	Alarik (CHI) (Ruiz, Jorge)	119 L b	5	6	5 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ¹	2 ^{Neck}	9.60	4wd, rallied
22Jan26 ⁸ GP ⁴	3	To the Eastside (Zayas, Edgard)	119 L b	3	5	6 ⁵	6 ³	5 ¹	3 ^{3/4}	2.10	4wd, angled in 1/8
30Jan26 ⁸ GP ²	6	Jimmies Big Day (Husbands, Micah)	119 L bf	6	2	3 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	4 ^{2 3/4}	1.50*	press 3p, led, wknd
20Dec25 ⁶ DED ³	4	Holy Stick (CHI) (Martinez, Carlos)	117 L b	4	7	7	7	7	5 ^{Neck}	22.70	failed to menace, 2wd
11Oct25 ¹⁰ GP ⁷	7	Zydeceaux (Morelos, Jose)	119 L b	7	1	1 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/2}	5.00	pace 2path, tired
26Dec25 ³ GP ¹	1	He Be Hoppin (Ocasio, Jonathan)	119 L f	1	3	2 ^{1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	6 ³	7	26.70	rail, empty

Fractional Times: 22.31 45.42 58.15

Final Time: 1:11.59

Split Times: (23:11) (12:73) (13:44)

Run-Up: 25 feet

Winner: Proud American, Chestnut Gelding, by American Pharoah out of Golden Award, by Medaglia d'Oro. Foaled Mar 24, 2022 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Summer Wind Equine LLC

Owner: Mary E. Eppler Racing Stable, Inc. and Bravman, Jack

Trainer: Eppler, Mary

Claiming Prices: 7 - Zydeceaux: \$20,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$206,257

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Proud American	12.00	5.40	3.40	\$1.00 Exacta	2-5	70.40	164,117
5	Alarik (CHI)		8.00	4.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	2-5-3	117.40	92,262
3	To the Eastside			2.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	2-5-3-6	52.44	52,348
					\$1.00 Daily Double	1-2	68.30	42,864
					\$1.00 Pick 3	11-1-2 (3 correct)	560.20	83,263
					\$0.50 Pick 4	2-11-1-2 (4 correct)	6,068.80	81,575
					\$0.50 Pick 5	6-2-11-1-2 (5 correct)	17,066.70	100,399

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Proud American	4	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ²	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 3/4}
5	Alarik (CHI)	6	5 ²	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{1 3/4}	2 ^{1 3/4}
3	To the Eastside	5	6 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{6 1/2}	5 ^{2 3/4}	3 ²
6	Jimmies Big Day	2	3 ¹	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	4 ^{2 3/4}
4	Holy Stick (CHI)	7	7 ^{7 1/2}	7 ^{9 1/2}	7 ^{6 3/4}	5 ^{5 1/2}
7	Zydeceaux	1	1 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	3 ^{Head}	6 ^{5 3/4}
1	He Be Hoppin	3	2 ^{1/2}	5 ⁴	6 ^{3 3/4}	7 ^{10 1/4}

Trainers: 2 - Eppler, Mary; 5 - Sanchez, Amador; 3 - Puckett, Andrea; 6 - Joseph, Jr., Saffie; 4 - Sanchez, Amador; 7 - Castro, Jose; 1 - Nunez, Eduardo

Owners: 2 - Mary E. Eppler Racing Stable, Inc. and Bravman, Jack; 5 - Super Super Stable; 3 - Jacobs, Robert Wayne and Puckett, Dwight E.; 6 - Shining Stables LLC and Mackel, Jaiden Monet; 4 - Claim To Fame Racing LLC; 7 - JC Racing Stable (Jose Castro); 1 - R and T Stable;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

PROUD AMERICAN raced off the pace two to three wide, split rivals in upper stretch, took over leaving the eighth pole and drove clear. ALARIK (CHI) raced off the pace four wide and rallied outside to gain the place late. TO THE EASTSIDE lacked early speed, raced in the four path around the turn, angled in leaving the eighth pole and rallied between foes. JIMMIES BIG DAY pressed the pace in the three path, took the lead nearing the the five-sixteenths marker, led past the eighth pole and weakened through the final furlong. HOLY STICK (CHI) failed to menace while racing two wide. ZYDECEAUX set the pace in the two path and tired in the final furlong. HE BE HOPPIN had early speed inside and came up empty in the drive.