

GULFS TREAM PARK - June 20, 2026 - Race 9



CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since March 20 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$10,000. **Claiming Price:** \$10,000

Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The All Weather Track **Current Track Record:** (Fighter in the Win - 1:39.91 - February 4, 2024)

Purse: \$29,000

Includes: \$1,800 FOA - Florida Owners Awards

Includes: \$6,200 FBIF - Florida Bred Incentive Fund

Available Money: \$29,000

Value of Race: \$21,880 1st \$12,600, 2nd \$4,200, 3rd \$2,770, 4th \$840, 5th \$210, 6th \$210, 7th \$210, 8th \$210, 9th \$210, 10th \$210, 11th \$210

Weather: Clear, 91° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:27 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

[GPS Race Chart](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
5Jun26 ⁷ GP ¹	6	Bettera (Maragh, Rajiv)	123	L b	5	4	4 ^{Head}	4 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Neck}	15.10	pullld,3w bid,duel,game
30May26 ¹¹ GP ⁷	10	Corta Fuego (Gonzalez, Edwin)	123	L b	9	7	8 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	6 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	8.00	cut corner,bid,outkckd
9May26 ⁹ GP ⁴	4	Honesto (Vasquez, Miguel)	121	L b	3	8	11	10 ¹	8 ¹	9 ²	3 ^{Neck}	28.30	5w2nd,willing,too late
30May26 ¹¹ GP ³	11	Maktub (Herrera, Diego)	121	L b	10	11	9 ²	7 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Neck}	16.90	5w 1st,4w 2nd, mildly
16Apr26 ⁸ GP ³	9	Navy Cross (Torrealba, J.G.)	123	L bf	8	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	2 ²	2 ^{Head}	5 ¹	4.60	grudgingly til late
15May26 ⁹ GP ¹⁰	12	K. C. Chief (Perez, Edgar)	121	L	11	5	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ¹	6 ¹	6 ^{Head}	3.50	gave way btwn foes 2nd
30May26 ¹¹ GP ⁴	1	Rock the Stars (Morelos, Jose)	121	L b	1	2	6 ^{Head}	9 ^{1/2}	9 ^{1 1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	7 ^{2 1/4}	12.00	improvd,no reat threat
9May26 ⁹ GP ⁵	8	Steelin Bases (Pena, Pedro)	116	L b	7	6	5 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	8 ^{1/2}	50.50	early move 3w,falterd
17May26 ⁷ GP ¹	7	Giftedbydesign (Rojas, Renzo)	123	L b	6	10	10 ^{1/2}	11	11	10 ^{1 1/2}	9 ^{3 3/4}	37.70	broke back,4w 2nd
30May26 ¹¹ GP ²	5	Space Launch (Reyes, Leonel)	121	L bf	4	9	7 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	8 ^{1/2}	10 ^{2 1/4}	3.30*	gave way inside
22May26 ³ GP ⁵	3	Ruse (Camacho, Samy)	121	L b	2	1	3 ^{Head}	8 ^{1/2}	10 ^{1/2}	11	11	4.10	finished after half

Fractional Times: 24.01 47.87 1:11.70 1:37.51

Final Time: 1:44.30 **Time from Gate:** 1:46.70

Split Times: (23:86) (23:83) (25:81) (6:79)

Run-Up: 60 feet

Winner: Bettera, Bay Gelding, by Blame out of Riley's Choice, by Distorted Humor. Foaled Mar 17, 2020 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Upson Downs Farm & Louie W. Wright

Owner: Starry Night Racing

Trainer: Sweezey, J.

Claiming Prices: 6 - Bettera: \$10,000; 10 - Corta Fuego: \$10,000; 4 - Honesto: \$10,000; 11 - Maktub: \$10,000; 9 - Navy Cross: \$10,000; 12 - K. C. Chief: \$10,000; 1 - Rock the Stars: \$10,000; 8 - Steelin Bases: \$10,000; 7 - Giftedbydesign: \$10,000; 5 - Space Launch: \$10,000; 3 - Ruse: \$10,000;

Scratched Horse(s): New Plex (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$212,607

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Bettera	32.20	14.40	9.60	\$1.00 Exacta	6-10	113.10	178,149
10	Corta Fuego		8.40	6.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	6-10-4	1,310.15	87,690
4	Honesto			15.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	6-10-4-11	1,374.60	65,057
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-6	60.80	20,446
					\$1.00 Pick 3	4-2-6 (3 correct)	148.20	21,124

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
6	Bettera	4	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ²	3 ^{2 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Neck}
10	Corta Fuego	7	8 ^{4 1/2}	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ⁴	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}
4	Honesto	8	11 ^{7 1/2}	10 ^{6 1/4}	8 ^{4 3/4}	9 ^{4 1/4}	3 ^{1 3/4}
11	Maktub	11	9 ⁵	7 ^{3 3/4}	5 ⁴	5 ^{1 3/4}	4 ²
9	Navy Cross	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	5 ^{2 1/4}
12	K. C. Chief	5	2 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	4 ³	6 ^{2 1/4}	6 ^{3 1/4}
1	Rock the Stars	2	6 ^{4 1/4}	9 ^{5 3/4}	9 ^{5 3/4}	7 ^{3 1/4}	7 ^{3 1/4}
8	Steelin Bases	6	5 ^{2 3/4}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Neck}	8 ^{5 1/2}
7	Giftedbydesign	10	10 ⁷	11 ^{7 1/4}	11 ^{7 3/4}	10 ^{6 1/4}	9 ⁶
5	Space Launch	9	7 ^{4 1/4}	5 ³	7 ^{4 1/4}	8 ^{3 3/4}	10 ^{9 3/4}
3	Ruse	1	3 ^{2 1/2}	8 ^{5 1/4}	10 ^{7 1/4}	11 ^{7 3/4}	11 ¹²

Trainers: 6 - Sweezey, J.; 10 - Fawkes, David; 4 - Budhoo, Steve; 11 - Abreu, Fernando; 9 - Garcia, Jr., Pedro; 12 - D'Angelo, Jose; 1 - Dobles, Elizabeth; 8 - Regalbutto, Frank; 7 - Hurtak, Daniel; 5 - David, Carlos; 3 - Ramsey, Nolan

Owners: 6 - Starry Night Racing; 10 - Haulin Oats Racing Stable and Siskin, Jeffrey; 4 - Steve Budhoo; 11 - Pirela Family Racing Stable; 9 - San Francisco Group Stable LLC; 12 - David A. Bernsen, LLC and Leon King Stable Corp.; 1 - Imaginary Stables; 8 - Jeffrey S. Crooks; 7 - Daniel C. Hurtak; 5 - Auricchio and Jacobson LLC/Radon; 3 - Mad Dog Racing Stable;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BETTERA settled behind the first flight toward the inside through the first turn, continued to stalk that lead pack up the backstretch while firmly in land along the rail, moved out, ranged up to challenge three wide exiting the final bend, gained the advantage, dueled past the furlong marker and proved best in a determined effort. CORTA FUEGO lacked early foot, continued to race mid pack and between horses second turn, dropped inside to cut the corner into the stretch, challenged, dueled, outkicked in the late going, held the place. HONESTO void of early foot out in the strip, five wide through the final turn, staged a willingly rally down the middle of the strip to be up for the show. MAKTUB broke back, raced off the pace while well wide in the five path into the first turn, moved a bit closer backstretch while continuing outside, four wide through the second bend, improved position late with some mild interest. NAVY CROSS vied up front while closest to the inside, continued to do battle into and through the final turn, came out a bit midstretch, gave ground grudgingly to the wire

until giving up a couple of positions late. K. C. CHIEF away well from the outside, dueled into the first turn in the three path, continued to set or force the pace the next half mile, gave way from between horses second turn. ROCK THE STARS void of any early foot, came three and in some traffic into the stretch, improved position a bit without posing a serious threat. STEELIN BASES in the second group first turn in the three path, made an early move to challenge on the outside before a half, vied through the second turn, held a slight advantage late in that bend then faltered in the drive. GIFTEDBYDESIGN broke back, lacked speed, four wide through the second turn, failed to muster a rally. SPACE LAUNCH settled in the main group, saved ground far turn, began to give way soon after. RUSE was finished after a half.