

GULFSTREAM PARK - June 26, 2026 - Race 1

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Claiming Price \$12,500. **Claiming**

Price: \$12,500

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Normandy Invasion - 1:33.13 - February 22, 2014)

Purse: \$28,500

Includes: \$1,900 FOA - Florida Owners Awards

Includes: \$3,600 FBIF - Florida Bred Incentive Fund

Available Money: \$28,500

Value of Race: \$28,335 1st \$16,550, 2nd \$6,480, 3rd \$3,135, 4th \$1,480, 5th \$230, 6th \$230, 7th \$230

Weather: Clear, 91° **Track:** Muddy (Sealed)

Off at: 12:27 **Start:** Good for all except 3,4,6 **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
---	5	Better Then Lotto (Perez, Edgar)	126 L b	5	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ²	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{3/4}	11.70	ins,duel,bmpd,prevail
29May26 ⁶ GP ⁶	4	To Joey (Vasquez, Miguel)	120 L b	4	3	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ⁶	2 ⁵	4.30	bmpst,3p,bid,bmp,game
23May26 ⁵ GP ⁷	3	Action Delight (Pena, Pedro)	113 L b	3	4	6 ²	5 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ⁸	1.70*	bmpst,ins-4p,clear 3rd
23May26 ¹ GP ⁶	1	Girvin's Gambit (Figueroa, Heriberto)	120 L f	1	6	7	7	7	5 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	43.90	brk outward, willingly
13Jun26 ¹¹ GP ⁸	7	My Mom Forever (Thomas, Anthony)	120 L b	7	1	2 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	4 ⁴	4 ^{1/2}	5 ⁸	5.50	forward4w,no response
5Jun26 ⁵ GP ²	2	Cadenced (Camacho, Samy)	120 L b	2	5	5 ¹	4 ¹	5 ^{Head}	6 ^{1 1/2}	6 ¹⁰	3.00	bmp btw,5p,faded turn
5Jun26 ⁵ GP ³	6	Awegod (Herrera, Diego)	120 L b	6	7	4 ^{1/2}	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ^{Head}	7	7	5.60	hop,outs,showed little

Fractional Times: 24.28 47.81 1:12.84 1:25.82

Final Time: 1:39.37 **Time from Gate:** 1:39.37

Split Times: (23:53) (25:03) (12:98) (13:55)

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Better Then Lotto, Bay Colt, by First Dude out of Simmerette, by El Prado (IRE). Foaled Mar 29, 2022 in Florida.

Breeder: Frank Hopewell

Owner: Francis Hopewell

Trainer: Gonzalez, Donald

Claiming Prices: 5 - Better Then Lotto: \$12,500; 4 - To Joey: \$12,500; 3 - Action Delight: \$12,500; 1 - Girvin's Gambit: \$12,500; 7 - My Mom Forever: \$12,500; 2 - Cadenced: \$12,500; 6 - Awegod: \$12,500;

Total WPS Pool: \$106,420

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Better Then Lotto	25.40	17.80	9.60	\$1.00 Exacta	5-4	65.40	79,495
4	To Joey		6.80	4.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-4-3	96.20	49,237
3	Action Delight			2.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-4-3-1	139.00	36,497

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Better Then Lotto	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{3/4}
4	To Joey	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{3/4}
3	Action Delight	4	6 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	3 ²	3 ^{6 1/2}	3 ^{5 3/4}
1	Girvin's Gambit	6	7 ^{5 1/2}	7 ^{6 1/2}	7 ^{6 1/2}	5 ^{8 1/2}	4 ^{13 3/4}
7	My Mom Forever	1	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	4 ^{2 1/4}	4 ⁸	5 ^{15 1/4}
2	Cadenced	5	5 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{6 1/4}	6 ^{9 1/2}	6 ^{23 1/4}
6	Awegod	7	4 ²	6 ³	6 ^{6 1/4}	7 ¹¹	7 ^{33 1/4}

Trainers: 5 - Gonzalez, Donald; 4 - Fawkes, David; 3 - O'Connell, Kathleen; 1 - Davey, Kathryn; 7 - Alter, Happy; 2 - Casse, Mark; 6 - Nunn, Douglas

Owners: 5 - Francis Hopewell; 4 - Monarch Stables, Inc.; 3 - Kathleen O'Connell Racing Stable, Inc. and Patterson, Bruce; 1 - K.D. Racing, Inc.; 7 - Alter's Racing Stable, Inc.; 2 - Gabe Grossberg; 6 - Douglas Nunn;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BETTER THEN LOTTO was off alertly to show the way along the inside in the early stages, faced pressure from TO JOEY entering the turn, continued to battle that foe down the stretch bumping repeatedly but emerged as the winner. TO JOEY bumped inner foe at the start, gave chase from the three path up the backstretch, began to apply pressure in the turn before contesting the lead at the top of the stretch, fought with BETTER THEN LOTTO through contact but was ultimately bested. ACTION DELIGHT bumped outer foe at the start, was quick to find an inside rating just behind the pace, backed off in the turn to swing out into the four path entering the stretch and brushed into MY MOM FOREVER but was no match for the top two, clear of the rest for the show award. GIRVIN'S GAMBIT broke outward into rivals, trailed for most, passed tired foes in the stretch. MY MOM FOREVER was forwardly placed four wide in the early stages, brushed with ACTION DELIGHT midway around the turn, lacked the response needed in the stretch. CADENCED was caught between foes at the start but held position well, angled out into the five path to advanced into a tracking position, retreated through the turn. AWEGOD hopped slightly at the start, angled to the far outside for the run up the backstretch, retreated in the far turn, showed little in the stretch. OBJECTION WAS LODGED BY THE TRAINER OF TO JOEY CLAIMING FOUL ON BETTER THEN LOTTO FOR INTERFERENCE IN THE STRETCH. THIS OBJECTION WAS DISALLOWED BY THE STEWARDS AND NO CHANGE WAS MADE.