

HAWTHORNE - August 28, 2025 - Race 8

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$15,000 (Horsemen entering Illinois-bred horses in open claiming races will be asked to declare their claiming price at time of entry). Illinois Bred Claiming Price \$22,500. In the event that this race is taken off the turf it will be contested at One Mile and Seventy Yards on the main track. **Claiming Price:** \$15,000

Distance: One Mile And Seventy Yards On The Dirt - Originally Scheduled For 1 Mile On Turf **Current Track Record:** (Soldat Bleu - 1:39.20 - July 27, 1988)

Purse: \$12,500

Plus: \$4,500 IOA - Illinois Registered Owner Award

Available Money: \$17,000

Value of Race: \$12,500 1st \$7,500, 2nd \$2,500, 3rd \$1,375, 4th \$750, 5th \$375

Weather: Cloudy, 72° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 6:22 **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	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
10Aug25 ⁴ HAW ⁴	5	Cool Lester Smooth (Felix, Julio)	120 L	3	1	¹ Head	¹ 1/2	¹ 1	¹ 4	¹ 11 1/4	0.70*	pressured pace,driving
10Aug25 ⁹ HAW ⁵	8	San Anton (IRE) (Bendezu, Alexander)	124 L	5	5	5	4 ³	3 ³ 1/2	2 ³	2 ^{Head}	2.70	waited room,chased on
10Aug25 ⁹ HAW ⁴	1	Black Russian (Esquivel, Valentin)	119 L b	1	4	4 ^{Head}	5	4 ² 1/2	3 ² 1/2	3 ¹⁵ 1/2	7.40	angled in1/8,rallied
10Aug25 ⁹ HAW ⁷	6	Cantarito (Colon, Luis)	120 L b	4	2	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ²	2 ^{Head}	4 ⁸	4 ¹⁵ 1/2	4.10	prompted2w,weakened
27Jul25 ⁷ HAW ⁴	2	Grand Festival (Giles, Emmanuel)	124 L b	2	3	3 ² 1/2	3 ¹ 2	5	5	5	43.40	track3w, gave way str

Fractional Times: 24.25 48.20 1:14.06 1:40.06

Final Time: 1:44.41

Split Times: (23:95) (25:86) (26:00) (4:35)

Run-Up: 38 feet

Winner: Cool Lester Smooth, Bay Colt, by [Candy Ride \(ARG\)](#) out of Mighty Eros, by Freud. Foaled Apr 18, 2022 in Kentucky.



Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

Breeder: Joseph Appelbaum & Town and CountryFarms, LLC

Owner: Town and Country Racing LLC

Trainer: Block, Chris

Claiming Prices: 5 - Cool Lester Smooth: \$15,000; 8 - San Anton (IRE): \$15,000; 1 - Black Russian: \$15,000; 6 - Cantarito: \$15,000; 2 - Grand Festival: \$15,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Cash App Mike (Off-Turf), Kiss My Charms (Off-Turf), Kuz I Can Man (Off-Turf)

Total WPS Pool: \$31,636

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
5	Cool Lester Smooth	3.40	2.40	2.10	\$0.50 Pick 3	3-3-3/4/5/7 (3 correct)	12.40	1,234	
8	San Anton (IRE)		3.60	2.10	\$0.50 Pick 4	1/5/8-3-3-3/4/5/7 (4 correct)	29.05	3,161	
1	Black Russian			2.10	\$0.50 Pick 5	1/5/7-1/5/8-3-3-3/4/5/7 (5 correct)	33.05	4,893	
					\$0.50 Pick 5	1/5/7-1/5/8-3-3-3/4/5/7 (4 correct)	0.95	0	
					\$1.00 Pick 6	1-1/5/7-1/5/8-3-3-3/4/5/7 (5 correct)	10.10	859	571
					\$1.00 Daily Double	3-5	11.30	2,837	
					\$1.00 Exacta	5-8	4.30	15,301	
					\$1.00 Place Pick 8	SEE BELOW (8 correct)	48.60	1,301	
					\$0.20 Superfecta	5-8-1-6	1.90	7,558	
					\$0.50 Trifecta	5-8-1	4.75	9,608	

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Cool Lester Smooth	1	¹ Head	¹ 1/2	¹ 1	¹ 4	¹ 11 1/4
8	San Anton (IRE)	5	5 ⁴ 1/4	4 ³	3 ¹	2 ⁴	2 ¹¹ 1/4
1	Black Russian	4	4 ⁴	5 ⁶	4 ⁴ 1/2	3 ⁷	3 ¹¹ 1/4
6	Cantarito	2	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 2	2 ¹	4 ⁹ 1/2	4 ²⁶ 3/4
2	Grand Festival	3	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ² 1/2	5 ⁷	5 ¹⁷ 1/2	5 ⁴² 1/4

Trainers: 5 - Block, Chris; 8 - Rosin, Coty; 1 - Perez, Manny; 6 - Rosas, Rigo; 2 - Perez, Manny

Owners: 5 - Town and Country Racing LLC; 8 - JL Racing LLC; 1 - Schmitt, Drew and Del Real Associates; 6 - Victory Stables LLC and Crystal Racing Enterprises; 2 - D J Equine LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

COOL LESTER SMOOTH away in good order set the pace under pressure into the far turn, shook free from outside foe around the second bend, clear leaving the quarter pole, churned in upper stretch while unable to switch leads, once on the proper lead, drew away driving through the wire. SAN ANTON (IRE) rated into the second bend, inside leaving the three eights waited room till leaving the quarter pole, found a seem three wide in upper stretch, chased on, no match for the winner saved the place award at the wire. BLACK RUSSIAN trailer down the backside, angled inside for the stretch run, rallied late just missed the place. CANTARITO prompted the pace two wide into the far turn, under urging leaving the quarter pole, weakened through the stretch. GRAND FESTIVAL tracked the pace three wide, gave way around the second bend. PLACE PIC 8 = 1/2-2/5-1/3-1/4/5/7-1/4/5/8-1/2/3/5/6/7-1/3-3/4/5/7/8/

Total Attendance: 0

Handle: \$426,714