

HORSESHOE INDIANAPOLIS - October 3, 2026 - Race 4



TRIALS - Quarter Horse

FOR REGISTERED QUARTER HORSES, TWO YEARS OLD. Purse \$14,000. Weight: 124 lbs. Nomination and sustaining payments to be added to the Governors Stake purse of \$125,000 Added. The purse will be divided 55% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth, 2% to sixth, 1.5% to seventh and eighth and 1% to ninth and tenth. The top 10 fastest qualifiers in the trials will remain eligible to the Governors Stakes final on Saturday, October 24, 2026. This race will be run as many times as deemed necessary. The fields will be limited to 10 starters. An Assistant Starter will be provided for each Quarter Horse.

Distance: Four Hundred Yards On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Tommy the Train - 19.324 - July 8, 2017)

Purse: \$14,000

Available Money: \$14,000

[Video Race Replay](#)

Value of Race: \$13,720 1st \$7,700, 2nd \$2,800, 3rd \$1,400, 4th \$700, 5th \$420, 6th \$280, 7th \$210, 8th \$210

Wind Speed: 14 Wind Direction: Cross

Weather: Clear, 58° Track: Good

Off at: 12:13 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	Str 1	Str	Fin	Odds	Ind. Time	Sp. In.	Comments
3Sep26 ⁹ IND ²	7	Hammer Down Cartel (Quintero, Francisco)	129	L	bf	7 4	³ Neck	² Neck	¹ Neck	20.30	20.406	80	surging late
15Sep26 ⁹ IND ⁶	4	Texas Swagger 123 (Munoz, Martin)	125	b		4 1	¹ ¹ / ₂	¹ Head	² Head	2.30	20.436	79	led, caught
30May26 ² IND ²	8	The Heart Wont Lie (Morin, Fernando)	126	bf		8 7	² Head	³ ¹ ¹ / ₂	³ ³	7.90	20.447	79	always prominent
5Sep26 ⁴ SRR ²	2	Patrick D (Martinez, Luz)	131	b		2 6	⁴ ¹ / ₂	⁴ ¹ / ₂	⁴ Nose	8.20	20.938	67	no threat
29Aug26 ¹ IND ⁸	5	S R Kiss My Baby (Vazquez-Gomez, Giovani)	128	bf		5 3	⁶ Neck	⁵ ³ / ₄	⁵ ¹	32.40	20.945	66	never a menace
25Aug26 ⁹ IND ³	1	Ms Sweet Dynasty (Penaloza, Cristian)	124	bf		1 2	⁷ ⁴	⁶ ¹ ¹ / ₂	⁶ ⁷ ³ / ₄	12.60	21.124	62	no factor inside
30Jul26 ¹⁰ IND ¹	6	Favorite Lady 123 (Pina, Rolando)	131	L	b	6 5	⁵ Neck	⁷ ⁸	⁷ ¹⁴ ¹ / ₄	0.90*	22.439	29	bad stp,pull up,eq amb
6Sep26 ¹ SRR ⁷	3	Tw Political Witch (Villamil Bocanegra, Diego)	126	b		3 8	8	8	8	22.30	24.878	---	step slow st, far back

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Hammer Down Cartel, Bay Gelding, by Favorite Cartel out of Eye Agree, by Mr Eye Opener. Foaled Jan 16, 2024 in Texas.

Breeder: Paragon Farms Llc

Owner: Ezequiel Rodriguez

Trainer: Rodriguez, Ezequiel

Total WPS Pool: \$15,448

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
7	Hammer Down Cartel	42.60	12.20	7.60	\$2.00 Exacta	7-4	150.00	13,970	
4	Texas Swagger 123		3.00	3.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-4-8	167.25	8,942	
8	The Heart Wont Lie			5.80	\$0.10 Superfecta	7-4-8-2	160.56	6,017	
					\$0.50 Pick 3	3-4-7 (3 correct)	375.40	1,921	
					\$2.00 Daily Double	4-7	1,117.20	1,973	
					\$0.10 Super High Five	7-4-8-2-5		1,355	1,064

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	Str 1	Str	Fin
7	Hammer Down Cartel	4	³ ¹ / ₂	² Head	¹ Neck
4	Texas Swagger 123	1	¹ ¹ / ₂	¹ Head	² Neck
8	The Heart Wont Lie	7	² ¹ / ₂	³ Neck	³ Neck
2	Patrick D	6	⁴ ³ / ₄	⁴ ¹ ³ / ₄	⁴ ³ ¹ / ₄
5	S R Kiss My Baby	3	⁶ ¹ ¹ / ₂	⁵ ² ¹ / ₄	⁵ ³ ¹ / ₂
1	Ms Sweet Dynasty	2	⁷ ¹ ³ / ₄	⁶ ³	⁶ ⁴ ¹ / ₂
6	Favorite Lady 123	5	⁵ ¹ ¹ / ₄	⁷ ⁴ ¹ / ₂	⁷ ¹² ¹ / ₄
3	Tw Political Witch	8	⁸ ⁵ ³ / ₄	⁸ ¹² ¹ / ₂	⁸ ²⁶ ¹ / ₂

Trainers: 7 - Rodriguez, Ezequiel; 4 - Martinez, Ricardo; 8 - Arevalo, J.; 2 - Cunningham, Anthony; 5 - Vazquez, Jessica; 1 - Vazquez, Jessica; 6 - Eggleston, Tim; 3 - Perez, Natasha

Owners: 7 -Ezequiel Rodriguez; 4 - Whiting Ranch; 8 -Brisa Alia Ventura Hernandez; 2 -Argelia Betancourt Martinez; 5 -Darryl Murray; 1 -Roberto Chavez; 6 -Steve Zamler; 3 -Thomas Wylie;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

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