

KENTUCKY DOWNS - September 7, 2025 - Race 1

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

For Auction Maidens, Fillies Two Years Old Weight, 119 lbs.(For Horses Which Have Sold Or Were RNA for 65,000 Or Less In their Most Recent Auction).

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (In Our Time - 1:13.32 - September 10, 2025)

Purse: \$100,000

Includes: \$25,000 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund

Plus: \$9,600 Other Sources

Available Money: \$109,600

Value of Race: \$109,600 1st \$60,000, 2nd \$20,000, 3rd \$10,000, 4th \$6,950, 5th \$4,950, 6th \$1,285, 7th \$1,285, 8th \$1,283, 9th \$1,283, 10th \$1,282, 11th \$1,282

Weather: Clear, 75° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 12:32 **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
31Jul25 ² SAR ²	3	Valala (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	119 b	1 1	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/4}	3.17	2-3path,ask 3/16,held
---	14	Struck At Midnight (Ortiz, Jose)	119 --	11 10	11	10 ^{1/2}	5 ^{Head}	2 ^{3/4}	16.81	5w1/4,alter in,gaining	
5Jul25 ⁶ SAR ⁵	9	Gorrano Ranch (Saez, Luis)	119 --	7 2	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/4}	2.87*	stalk winner,3-4wide	
8Aug25 ² GP ³	6	Miss Soothsayer (Geroux, Florent)	119 --	4 4	3 ^{1/2}	4 ²	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3/4}	4.80	rated,2p,came out 5wd	
3Aug25 ² ELP ²	7	Don'tmindifido (Concepcion, Axel)	119 b	5 7	4 ²	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{2/2}	5 ^{2/4}	12.59	stalked 3-4w,6w str	
13Aug25 ⁹ SAR ⁶	10	Lexico (Ramos, Joseph)	119 b	8 3	6 ¹	6 ³	6 ¹	6 ²	10.66	mid-pack, 3-4w, evenly	
23Aug25 ⁷ ELP ⁶	8	Oh My Darling (Asmussen, Keith)	119 --	6 9	7 ¹	7 ^{1/2}	8 ²	7 ^{Neck}	28.12	moved out, one-paced	
---	5	Desperate Dreams (Velazquez, John)	119 --	3 5	5 ¹	5 ^{Head}	7 ¹	8 ^{1/4}	3.85	inside, no rally	
10Aug25 ¹ ELP ⁴	13	Tactical Command (Machado, Luan)	119 --	10 8	10 ¹	11	10 ^{1/2}	9 ^{Neck}	27.06	outside,swung 7wide	
---	12	Loving Mischief (Morales, Edgar)	119 --	9 6	9 ^{1/2}	9 ^{1/2}	9 ^{Head}	10 ^{1/4}	41.58	3-4w,swung 6w,no rally	
---	4	Denise Says No (Rosario, Joel)	119 --	2 11	8 ^{1/2}	8 ^{Head}	11	11	48.20	awkward brk, inside	

Fractional Times: 22.51 46.01 1:09.49

Final Time: 1:15.74

Split Times: (23:50) (23:48) (6:25)

Run-Up: 15 feet

Winner: Valala, Chestnut Filly, by [Vekoma](#) out of Bellazzeria, by Henny Hughes. Foaled Apr 20, 2023 in Kentucky.

VEKOMA SPENDTHRIFT Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: Joshua M. Smith & Colt Pike

Owner: Carl R. Moore Management LLC

Trainer: Sharp, Joe

Scratched Horse(s): Baytown Munny (Trainer), Dragon Navy (Also-Eligible), Pedital (RegVet-Unsound), Screeded In (Also-Eligible), Toast the Star (RegVet-Unsound)

Total WPS Pool: \$270,698

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Valala	8.34	4.82	3.10	\$1.00 Exacta	3-14	46.59	203,993
14	Struck At Midnight		13.54	7.52	\$0.10 Superfecta	3-14-9-6	102.95	79,887
9	Gorrano Ranch			3.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-14-9	149.46	98,589

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Valala	1	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/4}
14	Struck At Midnight	10	11 ^{10/2}	10 ^{9/4}	5 ⁶	2 ^{1/4}
9	Gorrano Ranch	2	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ²
6	Miss Soothsayer	4	3 ²	4 ²	3 ³	4 ^{3/4}
7	Don'tmindifido	7	4 ^{2/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3/2}	5 ^{4/2}
10	Lexico	3	6 ^{5/2}	6 ⁴	6 ⁶	6 ^{6/3/4}
8	Oh My Darling	9	7 ^{6/2}	7 ⁷	8 ⁸	7 ^{8/3/4}
5	Desperate Dreams	5	5 ^{4/2}	5 ⁴	7 ⁷	8 ⁹
13	Tactical Command	8	10 ^{9/2}	11 ^{9/3/4}	10 ^{10/4}	9 ^{10/3/4}
12	Loving Mischief	6	9 ⁸	9 ^{8/3/4}	9 ¹⁰	10 ¹¹
4	Denise Says No	11	8 ^{7/2}	8 ^{8/2}	11 ^{10/3/4}	11 ^{12/4}

Trainers: 3 - Sharp, Joe; 14 - Sharp, Joe; 9 - Ward, Wesley; 6 - Casse, Mark; 7 - Casse, Mark; 10 - Beckman, D. Whitworth; 8 - Asmussen, Steven; 5 - Lobo, Paulo; 13 - Troiani, Niccolo; 12 - Asmussen, Steven; 4 - Moger, Jr., Ed

Owners: 3 - Carl R. Moore Management LLC; 14 - Foster, Randall, Nestor, Matthew, Rachiele, Sam and KPR Four Stables, LLC; 9 - Hat Creek Racing; 6 - Gary Barber; 7 - Blue Crevalle Racing and Quintessential Racing Florida LLC; 10 - Calumet Farm; 8 - Kaleem Shah, Inc.; 5 - Miller, Joseph and IEE Racing; 13 - P B and J Stable; 12 - Heiligbrodt, L. William and Corinne; 4 - Moger, Inc., Morris, Randy and Riley, Mark;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

VALALA was quick to take the lead, set the pace from off the rail in the two to three path, was challenged at the top of the stretch, asked for more past the three-sixteenths and responded shaking free of pursuers, held. STRUCK AT MIDNIGHT settled at the raer inside, angled five wide in upper stretch, began rallying strongly diving to the inside in mid-stretch, was gaining well but too late. GORRONO RANCH stalked the eventual winner from outside three to four wide, was asked past the five-sixteenths drawing nearly even, could not kick on with the top ones but was best of the rest. MISS SOOTHSAYER rated in behind the leaders just off the fence, came out five wide in upper stretch, ran on. DON'TMINDIFIDO stalked from outside the second flight three to four wide, moved out six wide in upper stretch, ran on. LEXICO pursued from mid-pack off the inside three to four deep, went evenly. OH MY DARLING settled toward the back off the inside in the two to three path, tipped out in upper stretch and kept on one-paced. DESPERATE DREAMS pursued from inside mid-pack, failed to rally. TACTICAL COMMAND was outside at the rear, swung seven wide, was never a threat. LOVING MISCHIEF raced off the pace three to four wide, swung out a bit for the drive, failed to menace. DENISE SAYS NO broke awkwardly, saved ground inside toward the back, was not a factor.

