

KENTUCKY DOWNS - September 7, 2026 - Race 11
STAKES Mint Franklin-Simpson S. Grade 2 - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS.



Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Ag Bullet - 1:14.19 - August 31, 2024)
Purse: \$1,500,000 Added
Includes: \$750,000 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund
Plus: \$63,750 Other Sources
Available Money: \$1,563,750
Value of Race: \$1,105,275 1st \$450,000, 2nd \$300,000, 3rd \$150,000, 4th \$75,000, 5th \$45,000, 6th \$13,425, 7th \$11,250, 8th \$13,425, 9th \$13,425, 10th \$11,250, 11th \$11,250, 12th \$11,250

Weather: Clear, 81° Track: Firm
Off at: 4:59 Start: Good for all except 10 Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
9Aug26 DEA ⁴	10	Take Charge Star (IRE) (Spencer, Jamie)	120 v	10	12	12	12	3 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 3/4}	2.30*	off slw,ins,circl'd,bst
9Aug26 ⁷ WO ¹	9	Two Out Hero (Hernandez, Rafael)	120 --	9	6	6 ²	5 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	26.20	ins,tip 5w1/4,duel 2nd
1Aug26 ⁹ CNL ³	6	Alpyland (Castellano, Javier)	120 --	6	7	7 ¹	6 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	3 ^{3/4}	4.08	2-3w,tip'd 6w,duel 2nd
16Aug26 ⁹ SAR ²	4	Oscar's Hope (Curtis, Ben)	120 --	4	10	10 ^{1 1/2}	10 ¹	7 ¹	4 ^{Neck}	14.89	bck 2w,angld in,imprvd
7Aug26 ⁹ SAR ²	8	Blinging It Back (Ortiz, Jose)	120 --	8	8	8 ^{Head}	9 ^{Head}	8 ¹	5 ¹	8.54	3w,swung 7w,need more
31Jul26 ⁹ SAR ³	12	Obliteration (Asmussen, Keith)	120 b	12	5	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	6 ^{3/4}	7.52	track 3-2w,btwn,wknd
16Aug26 ⁹ SAR ⁵	7	Learntodiscover (GB) (Gaffalione, Tyler)	120 b	7	11	11 ¹	11 ^{Head}	9 ¹	7 ^{1 3/4}	61.97	bck 3w,tip in/out,mild
19Jul26 ⁹ SAR ²	5	Throckmorton (Saez, Luis)	120 b	5	4	3 ^{1/2}	3 ²	6 ^{Head}	8 ^{Nose}	5.22	trck 2w-ins,4w1/4,fade
1Aug26 ¹² CNL ⁷	3	Honey Dutch (Ramos, Joseph)	120 b	3	3	1 ²	1 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{Head}	9 ³	26.59	clear pce 2w-ins,faded
27Jun26 ⁸ CD ²	1	Immortalised (FR) (Hernandez, Jr., Brian)	120 --	1	9	9 ¹	8 ^{Head}	10 ^{2 1/2}	10 ^{6 1/2}	27.47	ins,came out,no rally
25Jan26 ⁷ SA ²	2	Hey Nay Nay (IRE) (Rosario, Joel)	120 --	2	2	4 ¹	4 ^{Head}	11 ^{1 1/2}	11 ^{6 1/4}	9.56	chsd ins,tip 3-4w,fade
7Aug26 ⁹ SAR ⁷	11	Vasy (IRE) (Prat, Flavien)	120 --	11	1	5 ^{1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	12	12	23.17	stlkd 2w,4w,faded 1/4

Fractional Times: 22.05 44.23 1:07.90 Final Time: 1:15.45 Time from Gate: 1:15.45
Split Times: (22:18) (23:67) (7:55)
Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Take Charge Star (IRE), Bay Colt, by Starspangledbanner (AUS) out of Freedonia (GB), by Selkirk. Foaled May 02, 2023 in Ireland.
Breeder: Niarchos Family
Owner: Maribeth Sandford
Trainer: Murtagh, John

Scratched Horse(s): Creole Chrome (Also-Eligible), Later Than Planned (IRE) (Also-Eligible), Reb Five (Also-Eligible), Trouble Calling (Also-Eligible)

Total WPS Pool: \$594,912

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
10	Take Charge Star (IRE)	6.60	4.08	3.66	\$0.50 Pick 3	6-4-10 (3 correct)	70.04	149,576
9	Two Out Hero		17.70	9.70	\$0.50 Pick 4	4-6/15-4-10/(13-16) (4 correct)	936.31	226,200
6	Alpyland			3.58	\$0.50 Pick 5	9-4-6/15-4-10/(13-16) (5 correct)	3,763.42	383,694
					\$1.00 Daily Double	4-10	50.59	58,606
					\$1.00 Exacta	10-9	91.43	352,835
					\$0.10 Superfecta	10-9-6-4	465.28	83,771
					\$0.50 Trifecta	10-9-6	212.13	154,659

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
10	Take Charge Star (IRE)	12	12 ^{9 3/4}	12 ^{7 1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 3/4}
9	Two Out Hero	6	6 ⁴	5 ^{4 3/4}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 3/4}
6	Alpyland	7	7 ⁶	6 ^{5 1/4}	1 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 3/4}
4	Oscar's Hope	10	10 ^{8 1/4}	10 ^{6 1/2}	7 ¹	4 ^{2 1/2}
8	Blinging It Back	8	8 ⁷	9 ^{6 1/4}	8 ²	5 ^{2 3/4}
12	Obliteration	5	2 ²	2 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{3/4}	6 ^{3 3/4}
7	Learntodiscover (GB)	11	11 ^{8 3/4}	11 ^{7 1/2}	9 ³	7 ^{4 1/2}
5	Throckmorton	4	3 ²	3 ^{2 1/2}	6 ¹	8 ^{6 1/4}
3	Honey Dutch	3	1 ²	1 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{3/4}	9 ^{6 1/2}
1	Immortalised (FR)	9	9 ^{7 1/4}	8 ^{6 1/4}	10 ⁴	10 ^{9 1/2}
2	Hey Nay Nay (IRE)	2	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{4 1/2}	11 ^{6 1/2}	11 ¹⁶
11	Vasy (IRE)	1	5 ^{3 1/2}	7 ^{5 3/4}	12 ⁸	12 ^{22 1/4}

Trainers: 10 - Murtagh, John; 9 - Attard, Kevin; 6 - Casse, Mark; 4 - LaRose, Kinnon; 8 - Casse, Mark; 12 - Asmussen, Steven; 7 - Walsh, Brendan; 5 - Summers, Chad; 3 - Beckman, D. Whitworth; 1 - Walsh, Brendan; 2 - Sadler, John; 11 - Walsh, Brendan

Owners: 10 -Maribeth Sandford; 9 - Gold Square LLC; 6 - D. J. Stable LLC; 4 -Michael McLoughlin; 8 - Barber, Gary and Deutsch, Peter; 12 - Leland Ackerley Racing, LLC, Sherwood, James, Shupe, Jode and Cilia, John; 7 -Mark Dobbins; 5 - Gold Square LLC; 3 - Legion Racing and Awestrike Racing; 1 - Feld Family Racing and Starry Night Racing; 2 - Hronis Racing LLC and Iapetus Racing LLC; 11 - JDT Racing LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

TAKE CHARGE STAR (IRE) was off slow at the break and settled off the pace along the inside saving ground around the hill then snuck up the rail following OSCAR'S HOPE into the upper then tipped out slightly and circled it's rival while surging into the final furlong and drew ahead to prove best. TWO OUT HERO was up close at the break and settled back into the mid-pack while being along the inside then tipped out near the quarter pole to be about five wide entering the upper and dueling with ALPYLAND down the stretch after being passed up by the winner and just prevailed for the place award but was no match for the winner. ALPYLAND broke outwards at the start and raced through the mid-pack coming two to three wide around the hill then tipped out six wide off the bend circling a couple rivals and rallied into the upper dueling with TWO OUT HERO while being passed by the winner TAKE CHARGE STAR and dug in looking to obtain the place award but just missed and settled for the show award. OSCAR'S HOPE settled towards the back half of the pack in

the two path and angled along the inside heading towards the upper and snuck up on the rail making a big improvement but was short of the money. BLINGING IT BACK raced towards the back half of the pack three wide for most of the race then swung out coming into the upper about seven wide making a late rally from the outside gaining ground but just needed more in the deep stretch. OBLITERATION tracked the pace from the three to two path around the hill and kept on into the upper and vied briefly between rivals passing the furlong marker but weakened in the stretch. LEARNTODISCOVER (GB) settled back early on at the very back of the pack coming three wide around the hill then tipped towards the inside nearing the upper and tipped back out again snaking it's way between fading rivals and making a mild late gain. THROCKMORTON was up close after breaking with the front of the pack and tracked the pace from the two path while shifting along the inside then tipped out four wide continuing pursuit into the upper making a brief bid passing the final furlong but faltered and faded along side the pace setter. HONEY DUTCH set a clear pace shortly after the break while shifting from the two path towards the inside and kept clear all the way through the upper then faded after entering the stretch. IMMORTALISED (FR) saved ground along the inside towards the back half of the pack then came out slightly at the bottom of the hill heading into the straightaway but made no rally in the stretch. HEY NAY NAY (IRE) chased the pace along the inside through the hill then tipped out three to four wide at the very bottom before fading shortly after passing the quarter pole. VASY (IRE) followed the pace closely heading up the hill from the two path then settled back on the way down and came out about four wide off the bend then faded nearing the quarter pole.

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