

LOUISIANA DOWNS - May 12, 2026 - Race 4

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For A Claiming Price Of Less Than \$20,000). (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at 1 Mile and 70 Yards) (Rail at 20 feet).

Distance: One Mile On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Oh My Aching Arch - 1:34.10 - May 28, 2023)

Purse: \$23,000

Includes: \$5,000 Other Sources

Plus: \$3,000 ALBSS-Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement

Available Money: \$26,000

Value of Race: \$23,180 1st \$13,800, 2nd \$4,600, 3rd \$2,530, 4th \$1,560, 5th \$690

Weather: Clear, 82° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 5:32 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

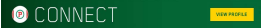
Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
18Apr26 ³ LS ⁵	6	Fast Connection (Williams, Rey)	120	L	6	2	4 ¹	3 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ³ 1/4	0.50*	cls,cmd1/4,held clear
11Apr26 ¹ EVD ³	9	Classic Sensation (Vargas, Juan)	126	L b	9	9	7 ¹ 1/2	7 ²	7 ²	4 ² 1/2	2 ^{3/4}	17.00	clever trip, ganed 2nd
4Apr26 ² EVD ⁵	1	Matching Funds (Murray, Erica)	120	L b	1	7	6 ³ 1/2	6 ⁴	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{Neck}	3.10	3p,5w upr,good fnsh
2May26 ⁵ LAD ²	3	Ongoing Challenge (Castillo, Alexander)	117	L	3	5	5 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ² 1/4	24.60	3w,wtd1/4,decent effrt
17Apr26 ² OP ⁵	8	Golden City Street (Lozada, Carlos)	126	L b	8	8	9	8 ^{1/2}	8 ⁵	5 ¹	5 ⁵	17.60	unhurried, improved
29Apr26 ³ EVD ⁷	2	Hillbilly's Heart (Ramirez, Jr., Julio)	123	L b	2	4	3 ^{Head}	5 ¹ 1/2	6 ^{1/2}	6 ¹	6 ¹ 3/4	111.30	svd grnd,no late bid
12Mar26 ⁹ OP ⁹	7	Keokuk Kid (Pena, Jonuelle)	121	L	7	3	2 ¹	2 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{Head}	8 ³	7 ² 1/4	25.00	carried out both turns
2May26 ⁵ LAD ³	4	Sunset Skip (Santiago, Edward)	120	L f	4	6	8 ^{Head}	9	9	9	8 ¹	30.70	trailed throughout
2Jan26 ⁸ SA ¹¹	5	La Motta Avenue (Hernandez, Harry)	120	L b	5	1	1 ²	1 ¹	2 ^{Head}	7 ^{Head}	9	8.40	bore out both turns

Fractional Times: 23.08 47.18 1:11.50 1:23.62 **Final Time:** 1:35.74 **Time from Gate:** 1:36.82

Split Times: (24:10) (24:32) (12:12) (12:12)

Run-Up: 155 feet **Temporary Rail:** 20 feet

Winner: Fast Connection, Bay Colt, by [Connect](#) out of Mrs McDougal, by Medaglia d'Oro. Foaled Mar 19, 2023 in Kentucky.



Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

Breeder: Bass Stables, LLC

Owner: Tri-Star Racing LLC, Boston Baylor Properties and Cimarron TTT Farms LLC

Trainer: Foster, Joseph

Total WPS Pool: \$79,892

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Fast Connection	3.00	2.20	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	6-9	11.00	54,005
9	Classic Sensation		8.20	4.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	6-9-1	15.05	34,959
1	Matching Funds			2.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	6-9-1-3	17.47	23,197
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-6	6.30	5,799
					\$0.50 Pick 3	2-2-6 (3 correct)	5.85	8,047
					\$0.50 Pick 4	1-2/6-2-6 (4 correct)	58.10	19,677

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
6	Fast Connection	2	4 ³	3 ² 1/2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ³ 1/4
9	Classic Sensation	9	7 ⁹	7 ⁹	7 ² 1/4	4 ³ 1/2	2 ³ 1/4
1	Matching Funds	7	6 ⁵ 1/2	6 ⁵	3 ^{1/2}	2 ³	3 ⁴
3	Ongoing Challenge	5	5 ⁴	4 ³ 1/2	5 ¹ 1/4	3 ³	4 ⁴ 1/4
8	Golden City Street	8	9 ¹⁰ 3/4	8 ¹¹	8 ⁴ 1/4	5 ⁶	5 ⁶ 1/2
2	Hillbilly's Heart	4	3 ³	5 ³ 1/2	6 ¹ 3/4	6 ⁷	6 ¹¹ 1/2
7	Keokuk Kid	3	2 ²	2 ¹	4 ¹	8 ⁸ 1/4	7 ¹³ 1/4
4	Sunset Skip	6	8 ¹⁰ 1/2	9 ¹¹ 1/2	9 ⁹ 1/4	9 ¹¹ 1/4	8 ¹⁵ 1/2
5	La Motta Avenue	1	1 ²	1 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	7 ⁸	9 ¹⁶ 1/2

Trainers: 6 - Foster, Joseph; 9 - Duke, Steven; 1 - Scherer, Gary; 3 - Noel, Dane; 8 - Dixon, Tim; 2 - West, Jr., Henry; 7 - Witt II, Ernie; 4 - Hatcher, Nathan; 5 - Wong, Jonathan

Owners: 6 - Tri-Star Racing LLC, Boston Baylor Properties and Cimarron TTT Farms LLC; 9 -Steve Duke; 1 -Patrice K. Sutherland; 3 -Brooke Guidry; 8 -Floyd Parnell; 2 -Chadwick Romero; 7 -Karen Witt; 4 - Four Seasons Stables; 5 - Slam Dunk Racing;

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FAST CONNECTION tracked close up behind the pacesetters, slipped through an opening near the quarter pole to take the lead, and widened the margin through the stretch under steady handling. CLASSIC SENSATION was last to begin, settled well behind the main pack but ahead of a pair of trailing rivals, threaded around and through traffic from the far turn, made a good late bid along the rail to move up into second while never a threat to the winner. MATCHING FUNDS was not asked for speed from the break, then was held up in mid-pack, moved out to the three-path down the backstretch, advanced to be in range early on the far turn, swung five-wide into the stretch, and finished up well but got outfinished for second. ONGOING CHALLENGE settled off the pace three-wide, was behind horses on the far turn but took advantage of a big opening at the head of the stretch, put in a decent late bid but was not quite good enough. GOLDEN CITY STREET came away unhurried from the start, kept to task late, and improved. HILLBILLY'S HEART was prompted from the break but not fast enough to contest the early lead, settled in a tracking spot along the inside rail, hugged the rail through the far turn, then did not respond when asked to kick on in the stretch. KEOKUK KID got carried out to the middle of the track by LA MOTTA AVENUE going into the first turn, tracked close up down the backstretch, made a bid for the lead approaching the stretch, but once again got carried out wide by the same rival and was unable to recover the lost ground. SUNSET SKIP settled at the back, far behind the rest, and trailed throughout. LA MOTTA AVENUE jumped out to a clear early lead with the rider keen to temper the pace, went a bit wide into the first turn, came under a ride passing the three-furlong pole, tried to bolt on the last turn, and was eased to the finish and walked off.

