

LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE - July 4, 2026 - Race 1



CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs.

Claiming Price \$6,250. (NW3 L) **Claiming Price:** \$6,250

Distance: Five And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Sweet Marini - 1:01.95 - December 11, 2014)

Purse: \$13,000

Plus: \$240 Other Sources

[Video Race Replay](#)

Available Money: \$13,240

Value of Race: \$13,240 1st \$7,800, 2nd \$2,600, 3rd \$1,560, 4th \$780, 5th \$500

Weather: Cloudy, 83° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:01 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Hand

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
20Jun26 ⁵ LRC ³	4	The Key Is Unity (Orduna-Rojas, Francisco)	126	L	bf	4 5	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	1 ^{Nose}	4.20	step slow,4w,rally,up
7Jun26 ¹ LA ²	2	James J. Braddock (Ramirez, Ricardo)	126	L		2 3	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ²	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}	1.90*	crowded erly,3-4w,miss
7Jun26 ¹ LA ³	5	Bet the Om (Escobedo, Adrian)	126	L		5 1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹	3 ^{2 3/4}	2.10	outsd,led,grudgingly
19Jun26 ³ LRC ¹	3	Sir Nano (Payeras, Edgar)	126	L	b	3 4	5	5	5	4 ^{Nose}	2.30	shuffled 2x early, ins
7Jun26 ¹ LA ⁵	1	What a Relief (Aguilar, Armando)	126	L	b	1 2	2 ²	2 ²	4 ³	5	15.90	duel inside,weakened

Fractional Times: 22.41 45.71 58.49

Final Time: 1:05.34 **Time from Gate:** 1:07.68

Split Times: (23:30) (12:78) (6:85)

Run-Up: 60 feet

Winner: The Key Is Unity, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Unified out of Cabbage Key, by A.P. Indy. Foaled Mar 29, 2019 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Doug Branham, Felicia Branham & Pippa's Hurricane

Owner: Zepeda Racing, Inc. and Magna Racing Stable

Trainer: Heredia, Oscar

Claiming Prices: 4 - The Key Is Unity: \$6,250; 2 - James J. Braddock: \$6,250; 5 - Bet the Om: \$6,250; 3 - Sir Nano: \$6,250; 1 - What a Relief: \$6,250;

Scratched Horse(s): Super Bill (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$58,642

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	The Key Is Unity	10.40	4.20	3.00	\$1.00 Exacta	4-2	17.90	30,177
2	James J. Braddock		3.00	2.60	\$1.00 Trifecta	4-2-5	34.80	24,101
5	Bet the Om			2.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	4-2-5-3	6.14	13,341

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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4	The Key Is Unity	5	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ²	3 ¹	1 ^{Nose}
2	James J. Braddock	3	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/4}	2 ¹	2 ^{Nose}
5	Bet the Om	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹	3 ^{Neck}
3	Sir Nano	4	5 ⁵	5 ^{4 1/4}	5 ^{4 1/4}	4 ³
1	What a Relief	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	4 ^{1 1/4}	5 ³

Trainers: 4 - Heredia, Oscar; 2 - Nunez, Jesus; 5 - Dial, Troy; 3 - Nunez, Jesus; 1 - Rodriguez, Francisco

Owners: 4 - Zepeda Racing, Inc. and Magna Racing Stable; 2 - Cesar A Navas; 5 - Dial, Troy and Haraga, Leonard; 3 - Desert Star Stables, LLC and Nunez, Jesus; 1 - Baseline Equine, LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

THE KEY IS UNITY broke a step slow, chased three deep then outside a rival, went four wide around the turn, five wide into the stretch, rallied widest in the lane, dug in three deep, lost the bob at the wire but still hit the wire first. JAMES J. BRADDOCK broke well, got crowded between rivals and steadied early, chased three wide around the turn, four wide into the stretch, rallied widest, dug in three deep late, won the bob but still lost the photo. BET THE OM dueled from outside, brushed with inner rival at the top of the lane, inched ahead, led into deep stretch under fire from a pair of rivals on the outside and yielded grudgingly in the end. SIR NANO suffered a mild shuffle early then a bigger one nearing the half-mile pole, trailed on the inside through the turn, kept trying down the lane but could not threaten for the major awards. WHAT A RELIEF dueled from inside up the backstretch and around the turn, fought to midstretch and weakened in the late stages. DUE TO A TIMER MALFUNCTION THE FIRST RACE WAS HAND-TIMED.