

LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE - September 20, 2026 - Race 1

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred  
FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Claiming Price \$8,000. (NW2 L) **Claiming Price: \$8,000**  
**Distance:** Five Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (May B - 55.68 - May 1, 2016)  
**Purse:** \$15,000  
**Plus:** \$700 Other Sources  
**Available Money:** \$15,700  
**Value of Race:** \$15,700 1st \$9,000, 2nd \$3,000, 3rd \$1,800, 4th \$900, 5th \$500, 6th \$500  
**Weather:** Cloudy, 79° **Track:** Fast  
**Off at:** 1:02 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

| Last Raced                            | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey)                | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 3/16               | 3/8                | Str            | Fin                | Odds  | Comments               |
|---------------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------|-----|-----|----|-------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 13Sep26 <sup>7</sup> LRC <sup>5</sup> | 1   | Bitter Truth (Aguilar, Armando)    | 125 | L   | bf | 1 3   | 5 <sup>1/2</sup>   | 5 <sup>1/2</sup>   | 5 <sup>1</sup> | 1 <sup>Nose</sup>  | 3.40  | ins,swung5p,surged     |
| 13Sep26 <sup>7</sup> LRC <sup>6</sup> | 2   | Big Coin (Orduna-Rojas, Francisco) | 121 | L   | bf | 2 2   | 3 <sup>Head</sup>  | 4 <sup>3 1/2</sup> | 3 <sup>1</sup> | 2 <sup>1 1/4</sup> | 6.20  | ins,bpd/led late,naild |
| 23Aug26 <sup>1</sup> DMR <sup>6</sup> | 4   | Pride of Queens (Ayuso, Armando)   | 120 | L   |    | 4 5   | 6                  | 6                  | 6              | 3 <sup>Neck</sup>  | 1.80  | 2w,swung4w,willing     |
| 30Aug26 <sup>5</sup> LA <sup>3</sup>  | 6   | Dad's Bad Bunny (Payeras, Edgar)   | 125 | L   | b  | 6 6   | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>1</sup> | 4 <sup>3 1/2</sup> | 1.70* | stp slw,duel2w,bpd1/16 |
| 30Aug26 <sup>3</sup> LA <sup>1</sup>  | 3   | Despite (Bautista, Alfredo)        | 120 | L   | b  | 3 4   | 4 <sup>3</sup>     | 3 <sup>Head</sup>  | 4 <sup>1</sup> | 5 <sup>Nose</sup>  | 17.90 | chased2wd,no rally     |
| 2Aug26 <sup>1</sup> LA <sup>1</sup>   | 5   | Vashon (Vargas, Salvador)          | 115 |     | b  | 5 1   | 2 <sup>2 1/2</sup> | 2 <sup>2</sup>     | 2 <sup>1</sup> | 6                  | 20.50 | dueled inside, tired   |

**Fractional Times:** 21.82 45.89      **Final Time:** 58.80      **Time from Gate:** 1:02.13  
**Split Times:** (24:07) (12:91)  
**Run-Up:** 100 feet

**Winner:** Bitter Truth, Chestnut Filly, by Clubhouse Ride out of Royal Descendent, by Awesome Again. Foaled Feb 25, 2022 in California.  
**Breeder:** Legacy Ranch  
**Owner:** Steve P. Rusich  
**Trainer:** Valdez, Jose

**Claiming Prices:** 1 - Bitter Truth: \$8,000; 2 - Big Coin: \$8,000; 4 - Pride of Queens: \$8,000; 6 - Dad's Bad Bunny: \$8,000; 3 - Despite: \$8,000; 5 - Vashon: \$8,000;

**Total WPS Pool:** \$45,115

| Pgm | Horse           | Win  | Place | Show | Wager Type        | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool   |
|-----|-----------------|------|-------|------|-------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| 1   | Bitter Truth    | 8.80 | 4.40  | 2.20 | \$1.00 Exacta     | 1-2             | 12.60  | 25,332 |
| 2   | Big Coin        |      | 5.60  | 3.00 | \$1.00 Trifecta   | 1-2-4           | 38.70  | 21,435 |
| 4   | Pride of Queens |      |       | 2.60 | \$1.00 Superfecta | 1-2-4-6         | 70.80  | 18,067 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name      | Start | 3/16               | 3/8                | Str            | Fin                |
|-----|-----------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1   | Bitter Truth    | 3     | 5 <sup>5 3/4</sup> | 5 <sup>5 3/4</sup> | 5 <sup>4</sup> | 1 <sup>Nose</sup>  |
| 2   | Big Coin        | 2     | 3 <sup>2 1/2</sup> | 4 <sup>2 1/4</sup> | 3 <sup>2</sup> | 2 <sup>Nose</sup>  |
| 4   | Pride of Queens | 5     | 6 <sup>6 1/4</sup> | 6 <sup>6 1/4</sup> | 6 <sup>5</sup> | 3 <sup>1 1/4</sup> |
| 6   | Dad's Bad Bunny | 6     | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 1 <sup>1</sup> | 4 <sup>1 1/2</sup> |
| 3   | Despite         | 4     | 4 <sup>2 3/4</sup> | 3 <sup>2</sup>     | 4 <sup>3</sup> | 5 <sup>5</sup>     |
| 5   | Vashon          | 1     | 2 <sup>Head</sup>  | 2 <sup>Head</sup>  | 2 <sup>1</sup> | 6 <sup>5</sup>     |

**Trainers:** 1 - Valdez, Jose; 2 - Vallejo, Genaro; 4 - O'Neill, Doug; 6 - Thomas, Jamey; 3 - Haley, Gloria; 5 - Haley, Gloria

**Owners:** 1 -Steve P. Rusich; 2 -Lizbeth Medina; 4 - The Del Mar Group; 6 - Melder, Kevin, Smith, Troy J., Smolich, Rob and Thomas, Troy W.; 3 -Rozamund Barclay; 5 -Rozamund Barclay;

**Footnotes |** [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BITTER TRUTH ran far off the pace along the rail, swung into the five path near the quarter pole, surged through the final eighth and got up late for the photo. BIG COIN chased from the inside, advanced along the rail into the stretch, made bid near the eighth pole, bumped from outside as the early lead drifted past the sixteenth pole, and was nailed in the final strides. PRIDE OF QUEENS was unhurried at back of the field while two wide, swung four wide as they entered the lane and ran on willingly to grab the show spot. DAD'S BAD BUNNY was a step slow away from the gate, rushed up to duel on the outside, bumped the eventual runner-up past the sixteenth pole when he drifted in and was overtaken late. DESPITE chased the early leaders in the two path but failed to quicken through the lane. VASHON dueled for the lead from inside but tired in the final eighth.