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**LAUREL PARK - April 26, 2026 - Race 4**

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO 15% MBF) FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES THREE YEARS OLD. Weight, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$35,000, if for \$28,000, allowed 4 lbs. MD-Bred and/or MD-Sired horses may waive claiming price in this race. **Claiming Price:** \$35,000 - \$28,000

**Distance:** Five And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Siralfredthegreat - 1:02.20 - October 6, 2018)

**Purse:** \$41,370

**Includes:** \$3,260 Starters Bonus

**Includes:** \$1,110 MBF - Maryland Bred Fund

**Available Money:** \$41,370

**Value of Race:** \$41,370 1st \$22,200, 2nd \$8,510, 3rd \$3,700, 4th \$1,850, 5th \$1,110, 6th \$1,000, 7th \$1,000, 8th \$1,000, 9th \$1,000

**Weather:** Cloudy, 51° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 1:34 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
4Apr26 <sup>5</sup> LRL <sup>3</sup>	5	Cupid's Choice (Perez, Xavier) <small>VA CERTIFIED</small>	124 L	5	5	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>8</sup> <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2.20*	outs bid,eagr,mild drv
27Mar26 <sup>5</sup> LRL <sup>4</sup>	4	Butler Road (Boyce, Forest)	124 L	4	1	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	31.70	ins 5/16,angld,wllng
5Feb26 <sup>5</sup> TP <sup>7</sup>	9	Lighten (Hazlewood, Yedsit)	119 L b	9	9	5 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup>	2.80	brk in,bmp,ins trying
---	3	Kara M S (Ruiz, Jorge)	124 L	3	7	7 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>3</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	10.90	rate back,4w 1/4,wllng
---	1	Golden Ellie (Rowland, Madeline)	124 L	1	3	6 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	36.70	ins,angle 1/8,fin well
21Mar26 <sup>6</sup> LRL <sup>2</sup>	6	Maggie's Moon (Karamanos, Horacio)	124 L b	6	2	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>3</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>3</sup>	6 <sup>2</sup> <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7.20	3wd pursuit, faded
---	2	Check Ride (Cruz, Angel)	124 L	2	6	8 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>5</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8.60	off pace,4wd upr,empty
---	7	Weather Beater (Barbosa, Jeiron)	124 L	7	4	1 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>10</sup>	5.80	ins,hooked 5/16,wknd
20Mar26 <sup>2</sup> TP <sup>3</sup>	8	Belle of Liberty (Mena, Raul)	124 L b	8	8	9	9	9	9	6.20	bmp st,brush,5w uppr

**Fractional Times:** 23.34 47.36 1:00.05

**Final Time:** 1:07.03 **Time from Gate:** 1:08.99

**Split Times:** (24:02) (12:69) (6:98)

**Run-Up:** 55 feet

**Winner:** Cupid's Choice, Chestnut Filly, by [Cupid](#) out of J M R Fendi, by Old Forester. Foaled Apr 05, 2023 in New York.

**CUPID** Winner's sire standing at Atlanta Hall Farm

**Breeder:** Twin Oaks Bloodstock (Gunderson)

**Owner:** Mens Grille Racing

**Trainer:** Robb, John

**Claiming Prices:** 5 - Cupid's Choice: \$35,000; 9 - Lighten: \$35,000; 3 - Kara M S: \$35,000; 1 - Golden Ellie: \$35,000; 6 - Maggie's Moon: \$35,000; 7 - Weather Beater: \$35,000;

**Total WPS Pool:** \$98,226

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Cupid's Choice	6.40	3.40	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	5-4	42.00	101,425
4	Butler Road		17.00	6.40	\$1.00 Trifecta	5-4-9	212.00	62,673
9	Lighten			3.40	\$0.50 Pick 3	5-9-5 (3 correct)	42.50	8,217
					\$1.00 Daily Double	9-5	21.70	14,139
					\$1.00 Superfecta	5-4-9-3	1,674.60	38,086

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin
5	Cupid's Choice	5	2 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>8</sup> <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
4	Butler Road	1	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>6</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>8</sup> <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
9	Lighten	9	5 <sup>5</sup>	5 <sup>9</sup>	4 <sup>8</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>10</sup>
3	Kara M S	7	7 <sup>7</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>9</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>9</sup>	4 <sup>11</sup>
1	Golden Ellie	3	6 <sup>6</sup>	7 <sup>13</sup>	7 <sup>13</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>11</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
6	Maggie's Moon	2	4 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>5</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>10</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>12</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
2	Check Ride	6	8 <sup>7</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>13</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>16</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7 <sup>15</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
7	Weather Beater	4	1 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>4</sup>	8 <sup>20</sup> <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
8	Belle of Liberty	8	9 <sup>9</sup>	9 <sup>14</sup>	9 <sup>21</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9 <sup>30</sup> <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>

**Trainers:** 5 - Robb, John; 4 - Keefe, Timothy; 9 - Ness, Jamie; 3 - Mancilla, Carlos; 1 - Gorham, Michael; 6 - Dilodovico, Damon; 2 - Beattie, Todd; 7 - Salzman, Jr., John; 8 - Shankle, Joanne

**Owners:** 5 - Mens Grille Racing; 4 - Nancy Lee Farms; 9 - Madison Avenue Racing, Inc. and Kernan, Jr., Morris E.; 3 - Michael Scheffres; 1 - Old Coach Farm; 6 - Stormy Stable LLC; 2 - Larry Knight, Jr.; 7 - Gracie Mae Stables and Great Lake Stable; 8 - High Schticking Thoroughbreds LLC;

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

CUPID'S CHOICE edged up between foes early then angled out nearing the turn to track, went on the attack to the three wide outside the leader leaving the five sixteenths, asserted herself soon into the lane, opened up under solid left handed asks in mid stretch then continued to eagerly widened while flashed the crop through the final seventy yards. BUTLER ROAD broke on top despite a slight bobble, rated back off the outer speed then stalked inside, eased out for the drive, pursued the runaway winner past mid stretch and continued on with effort to hold down the place. LIGHTEN broke inward bumping with BELLE OF LIBERTY, moved up off the rail nearing the turn then dropped inside mid turn, eased out to go around a tired foe inside the furlong marker, shifted back in and churned on. KARA M S brushed with an outer foe when rated back nearing the half, angled out, made a nice four wide run into the stretch and continued on with willing chase to the wire. GOLDEN ELLIE drafted back while saving ground, eased out three wide into the stretch, worked further out in the track for the final furlong and finished with good energy. MAGGIE'S MOON was nudged up early to be forward into the turn, chased three wide past the five sixteenths, lacked a punch near mid stretch and faded. CHECK RIDE dropped back off the pace, came four wide for the drive and failed to menace. WEATHER BEATER sped clear early, set the pace towards the inner rail, was taken on by the winner mid turn, stayed on to about mid stretch then weakened. BELLE OF LIBERTY, bumped at the start, lacked speed, brushed with an inner rival nearing the turn, came five wide for the drive and weakened.

