

LAUREL PARK - October 9, 2026 - Race 2

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 15% MBF) FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$8,000 OR LESS IN THEIR LAST THREE STARTS OR CLAIMING PRICE \$12,500-10,000. Three Year Olds, 123 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since August 9 Allowed 3 lbs. Claiming Price \$12,500, if for \$10,000, allowed 4 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$8,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$12,500

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Top Line Growth - 1:34.07 - June 8, 2019)

Purse: \$26,320

Includes: \$280 Starters Bonus

Includes: \$2,520 MBF - Maryland Bred Fund

Available Money: \$26,320

Value of Race: \$26,320 1st \$16,560, 2nd \$4,800, 3rd \$2,760, 4th \$1,200, 5th \$1,000

Weather: Clear, 69° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 12:35 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

[GPS Race Chart](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
1Oct26 ¹ DEL ⁴	1	Always Forward (Hernandez, Jorge) VA CERTIFIED	119 L b	1	4	5	5	5	4 ^{Head}	1 ²	6.70	3w,shift in 1/8,drivng
30Aug26 ³ TIM ²	6	Ginger Girl (Cruz, Angel)	123 L b	5	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ⁴	1 ³	2 ¹	1.00	drifted out 1/8,stbbrn
1Oct26 ¹ DEL ⁶	4	Skip Thru Da Fire (Rabadan, Gerardo)	109 L b	3	5	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Neck}	34.60	bmp st,prss 3w,driftd
20Sep26 ⁷ LRL ⁶	5	Margaret P (Briceno, Leandro)	112 L b	4	2	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	11.60	4wd,floated out,empty
16Jul26 ⁷ DEL ⁹	2	Call Her Bluff (Rodriguez, Jaime)	123 L b	2	3	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	5	5	1.00*	brk out,bmp,ins,fade

Fractional Times: 24.36 48.23 1:13.27 1:26.34 **Final Time:** 1:40.55 **Time from Gate:** 1:42.01

Split Times: (23:87) (25:04) (13:07) (14:21)

Run-Up: 20 feet

Winner: Always Forward, Dark Bay or Brown Mare, by Atreides out of Requesting, by Giant's Causeway. Foaled Apr 17, 2020 in Maryland.

Breeder: Barak Farm

Owner: Joseph Murphy

Trainer: Murphy, Joseph

Claiming Prices: 1 - Always Forward: \$10,000; 6 - Ginger Girl: \$12,500; 4 - Skip Thru Da Fire: \$10,000; 5 - Margaret P: \$10,000; 2 - Call Her Bluff: \$12,500;

Scratched Horse(s): Gilda's Girl (PrivVet-Illness), Ineedyoubabe (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$29,581

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Always Forward	15.40	4.40	5.20	\$1.00 Daily Double	5-1	43.50	9,853
6	Ginger Girl		2.40	3.20	\$1.00 Exacta	1-6	18.90	24,581
4	Skip Thru Da Fire			15.00	\$1.00 Superfecta	1-6-4-5	268.50	11,123
					\$1.00 Trifecta	1-6-4	137.70	15,495

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
1	Always Forward	4	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ⁶	4 ^{3 1/2}	1 ²
6	Ginger Girl	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ⁴	1 ³	2 ²
4	Skip Thru Da Fire	5	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ⁴	2 ³	3 ³
5	Margaret P	2	4 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/4}
2	Call Her Bluff	3	3 ²	4 ²	3 ⁴	5 ^{3 3/4}	5 ^{3 1/4}

Trainers: 1 - Murphy, Joseph; 6 - Shankle, Joanne; 4 - Murphy, Joseph; 5 - Magana, Jose; 2 - Ness, Jamie

Owners: 1 -Joseph Murphy; 6 -Joanne Shankle; 4 -Joseph Murphy; 5 - Pepe Stable; 2 - Madison Avenue Racing Stable, Inc. and Kernan, Jr., Morris E.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ALWAYS FORWARD , off the pace and under asking outside a rival leaving the far turn, shifted inside nearing mid stretch and responded to right handed asking, wrested command with about seventy yards to go and drew clear. GINGER GIRL tapered in early and set a rated pace in about the two path, handed outer pressure then cleared past the three eighths, opened up when cued in upper stretch, wandered outward through the final furlong and gave way grudgingly. SKIP THRU DA FIRE , bumped at the break, regrouped and rushed up outside the leader to press three wide, drifted out with pursuit into the lane, straightened and finished evenly. MARGARET P , four wide stalking the pace, took closer order mid turn, was floated out entering the stretch and came up empty outside rivals. CALL HER BLUFF broke outward bumping a rival, straightened and edged up while saving ground, was under a ride leaving the far turn, angled out into the lane and faded.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred