

LAUREL PARK - October 9, 2026 - Race 8

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). (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race on the Turf course, it will be run on the maintrack at One Mile) (Rail at 70 feet). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$12,500

Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Two by Two - 1:40.22 - July 26, 2024)

Purse: \$29,800

Includes: \$5,800 Starters Bonus

Available Money: \$29,800

Value of Race: \$29,800 1st \$14,400, 2nd \$4,800, 3rd \$2,400, 4th \$1,200, 5th \$1,000, 6th \$1,000, 7th \$1,000, 8th \$1,000, 9th \$1,000, 10th \$1,000, 11th \$1,000

Weather: Clear, 75° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 3:49 **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
10Apr26 ¹ LRL ⁷	1	I'm a Sure Thing (Cruz, Angel)	122	L	bf	1 2	6 ¹ 1/2	7 ¹ 2	7 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹	1 ¹ 2	5.20	work bw,alter out,surg
19Sep26 ⁴ MED ⁵	2	Maximo Madness (Boyce, Forest)	123	L	b	2 3	8 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹	6 ¹ 2	4 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{Neck}	6.00	ins,angl 1/16,game btw
19Sep26 ⁷ DEL ²	10	Americandreammaker (Kingsley, Taylor)	121	L		10 8	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 2	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	3 ¹ 2	1.80*	4wd 7/8,duel outs,game
14Aug26 ⁸ CNL ¹	4	Don't Tell Deren (Perez, Xavier)	126	L	b	4 1	4 ²	4 ¹ 2	4 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 2	4 ¹ 2	5.10	bw,shft out,aim,outfin
18Jun26 ⁸ DEL ³	6	Lucky Esther (Sanchez, Mychel)	120	L		6 4	1 ¹ 2	2 ¹	2 ¹ 2	2 ²	5 ¹ 1/2	23.20	rebid ins,duel,stbbrn
25Sep26 ⁶ BEL ¹⁰	3	Can't Fool Me (Karamanos, Horacio)	123	L	bh	3 6	10 ¹ 1/2	9 ^{Head}	10 ²	7 ¹ 1/2	6 ^{Neck}	6.80	rated ins,angl,belated
16Sep26 ³ DEL ⁴	5	Classicals Finale (Centeno, Daniel)	119	L		5 5	5 ^{Head}	6 ¹	5 ^{Head}	6 ¹ 1/2	7 ¹ 1/2	38.50	4-5wd trip, faded
16Sep26 ³ DEL ¹	11	Cha Cha Chukka (Rodriguez, Jaime)	119	L	b	11 9	7 ¹ 2	8 ¹ 2	8 ^{Head}	8 ¹ 2	8 ³ 4	20.00	4wd,shift 6wd,empty
20Sep26 ⁸ LRL ¹⁰	9	Buzzaway (Marquez, Charlie)	119	L	b	9 11	11	11	11	11	9 ¹	42.50	rated,angled 7w,even
28Aug26 ⁵ DEL ⁴	7	Doesn'thurttoflirt (Toledo, Jevian)	123	L		7 10	9 ¹	10 ²	9 ^{Head}	9 ¹ 1/2	10 ² 1/2	6.90	3wd between,no bid
18Sep26 ¹ LRL ⁷	8	Instparty (Barbosa, Jeiron)	119	L	bf	8 7	3 ^{Head}	3 ¹ 2	3 ¹ 2	10 ¹	11	85.70	aim off duel 3wd,wknd

Fractional Times: 24.26 50.29 1:15.23 1:38.60

Final Time: 1:44.73

Time from Gate: 1:46.55

Split Times: (26:03) (24:94) (23:37) (6:13)

Run-Up: 40 feet **Temporary Rail:** 70 feet

Winner: I'm a Sure Thing, Bay Mare, by =Le Havre (IRE) out of Sea of Blue (IRE), by =Fastnet Rock (AUS). Foaled Apr 20, 2020 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Erik R. Johnson

Owner: Barry K. Schwartz

Trainer: De Paz, Horacio

3 Claimed Horse(s):	Americandreammaker	New Trainer: Phillip Capuano	New Owner: Ulman, Louis J. and Vieser II, Walter
	Can't Fool Me	New Trainer: Horacio De Paz	New Owner: Roger Cimbora, Jr.
	Lucky Esther	New Trainer: Richard P. Sillaman	New Owner: Scott Leavitt

Claiming Prices: 1 - I'm a Sure Thing: \$10,000; 2 - Maximo Madness: \$12,500; 10 - Americandreammaker: \$12,500; 4 - Don't Tell Deren: \$12,500; 6 - Lucky Esther: \$12,500; 3 - Can't Fool Me: \$12,500; 5 - Classicals Finale: \$10,000; 11 - Cha Cha Chukka: \$10,000; 9 - Buzzaway: \$10,000; 7 - Doesn'thurttoflirt: \$12,500; 8 - Instparty: \$10,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$76,426

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	I'm a Sure Thing	12.40	6.80	3.80	\$0.50 Pick 3	8-8-1 (3 correct)	119.45	6,436
2	Maximo Madness		7.20	4.00	\$1.00 Daily Double	8-1	14.70	7,734
10	Americandreammaker			2.80	\$1.00 Exacta	1-2	30.10	77,425
					\$1.00 Superfecta	1-2-10-4	363.30	32,689
					\$1.00 Trifecta	1-2-10	111.60	48,345

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
1	I'm a Sure Thing	2	6 ⁴ 1/4	7 ⁴ 1/2	7 ⁴	5 ⁴	1 ¹ 2
2	Maximo Madness	3	8 ⁶ 1/4	5 ² 1/2	6 ³ 1/2	4 ² 1/2	2 ¹ 2
10	Americandreammaker	8	2 ¹ 2	1 ¹ 2	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	3 ³ 4
4	Don't Tell Deren	1	4 ²	4 ²	4 ²	3 ²	4 ¹ 1/4
6	Lucky Esther	4	1 ¹ 2	2 ¹ 2	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	5 ¹ 3/4
3	Can't Fool Me	6	10 ⁸ 3/4	9 ⁵ 1/2	10 ⁵ 3/4	7 ⁶ 1/2	6 ³ 1/4
5	Classicals Finale	5	5 ⁴	6 ³ 1/2	5 ³ 1/2	6 ⁵	7 ³ 1/2
11	Cha Cha Chukka	9	7 ⁵ 3/4	8 ⁵	8 ⁵ 1/2	8 ⁸	8 ⁵
9	Buzzaway	11	11 ¹⁰ 1/4	11 ⁷ 1/2	11 ⁷ 3/4	11 ¹¹	9 ⁵ 3/4
7	Doesn'thurttoflirt	10	9 ⁷ 3/4	10 ⁵ 1/2	9 ⁵ 3/4	9 ⁸ 1/2	10 ⁶ 3/4
8	Instparty	7	3 ²	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	10 ¹⁰	11 ⁹ 1/4

Trainers: 1 - De Paz, Horacio; 2 - Kulp, Brandon; 10 - Foley, Barry; 4 - Robb, John; 6 - Matz, Michael; 3 - Geralis, Emanuel; 5 - Sillaman, Richard; 11 - Ness, Jamie; 9 - McMahon, Hugh; 7 - Stidham, Michael; 8 - Allen III, A.

Owners: 1 -Barry K. Schwartz; 2 -John F. Kolb; 10 - Green Valley Construction LLC; 4 -Erica Upton; 6 - Ceahorse Farm; 3 - Paterpop Racing and Penn, John B.; 5 - LBR Racing Stable and Leavitt, Scott; 11 - Kernan Jr., Morris E., Yo Berbs and Jagger, Inc.; 9 -Larry E. Rabold; 7 - Housatonic Stables, Oh Happy Days Stable, Crabtree, Steve and KMR Racing Stable LLC; 8 - Burning Daylight Farms, Inc.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

I'M A SURE THING saved ground around the first turn then eased out soon into the backstretch, gained between runners into and around the far turn, briefly paused near the five sixteenths, advanced between foes into the stretch, altered out near the sixteenth marker, closed sharply under a drive and was along in the final yards. MAXIMO MADNESS , off the early pace inside, pulled her way forward heading to the half, was patiently handled then edged up

behind the embattled leaders near mid stretch, worked outward in the final sixteenth and closed gamely between horses. AMERICANDREAMMAKER , four wide into the first turn, was eager to go and moved up to poke a head in front near the five eighths, sparred with an inner rival then briefly cleared past the three eighths, was re engaged from her inside into the stretch, dueled on a slim lead while switching over to the correct lead leaving the furlong grounds, fought on to deep stretch then gave way grudgingly. DON'T TELL DEREN stalked between rivals, took closer order in upper stretch, was guided outward near mid stretch, ranged up past the sixteenth marker, kept on trying but was outkicked. LUCKY ESTHER sped to the front and secured the inside, was joined by an outer foe then headed near the five furlong marker, prompted from the inside, rebid to be on near even terms in upper stretch, dueled past mid stretch then gave way stubbornly. CAN'T FOOL ME , rated along while saving ground, eased out in the final furlong and offered some late action. CLASSICALS FINALE , four wide within range through the backstretch run and final turn, circled five wide into the stretch and faded. CHA CHA CHUKKA , off the pace four wide, came six wide for the drive and lacked a rally. BUZZAWAY , rated off the pace, angled seven wide in upper stretch but failed to seriously kick on. DOESN'THURTTOLIRT , three wide between foes, failed to menace. INSTPARTY tracked the embattled leaders three wide, failed to kick on in upper stretch and weakened.