

MILES CITY - May 16, 2026 - Race 8

MAIDEN STAKES Thoroughbred Maiden S. - Thoroughbred

FOR 3 YEARS OLD AND OLDER THAT HAVE NOMINATED AND REMAIN ELIGIBLE. \$100 to Nominate, \$200 To Draw into Race. Weights: 3 Year Olds 122 lbs... Older 124 lbs. Must Nominate by 5:00 pm April 30, 2026. Horses Must Be A Maiden At Time of Nomination. Must Have at Least 5 Nominations. Enter To Run. Weights: Three Year Olds 122 lbs...Older 124 lbs.

Distance: Five And One Fourth Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Ima Trouble Maker - 1:02.20 - May 11, 2025)

Purse: \$9,500 Added

Available Money: \$9,500

Value of Race: \$9,500 1st \$5,225, 2nd \$2,090, 3rd \$1,140, 4th \$570, 5th \$238, 6th \$237

Weather: Cloudy, 69° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 7:11 **Start:** Good for all except 4 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	3/16	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
10May26 ⁷ MC ¹	2	Just a Hunch (Kellenberger, Kody)	117	BL b	2	2	1 ²	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{5 3/4}	1.50*	tk cmd 1trn,held sway
10May26 ⁷ MC ²	1	Essie's Edge (Bethke, Scott)	119	B	1	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ⁴	2 ⁵	2 ¹⁴	3.30	chsd winner,2nd best
13Mar26 ¹ FON ²	7	Making Mischief (Delorme, Larren)	119	B bf	6	1	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹	3 ²	3 ^{10 3/4}	4.30	drifted out 1st turn
2May26 ¹⁰ MC ⁷	3	Winhi (Banda, Carlos)	122	BL b	3	4	4 ³	4 ⁸	4 ⁶	4 ⁴	8.30	trkd3w,lacked finish
10May26 ⁴ MC ⁴	6	Sweet Music Man (Beetem, Brian)	124	B bf	5	6	5 ²	5 ⁵	5 ¹⁰	5 ^{18 1/4}	9.20	raced on outisde fence
10May26 ⁵ MC ⁵	4	Pharaonic Phoenix (Wood, Dakota)	119	BL	4	5	6	6	6	6	3.10	took up st, distanced

Fractional Times: N/A

Final Time: 1:04.00 **Time from Gate:** 1:04.00

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Just a Hunch, Bay Filly, by Oscar Nominated out of Santa Lucia, by Bandini. Foaled Mar 30, 2023 in California.

Breeder: Rusty Brown

Owner: James D. Christianson

Trainer: Nelson, Buckshot

Scratched Horse(s): Feist (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$6,415

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Just a Hunch	5.00	3.00	2.20	\$2.00 Quinella	1-2	12.40	590
1	Essie's Edge		4.60	2.60	\$2.00 Trifecta	2-1-7	37.80	1,444
7	Making Mischief			2.60	\$2.00 Exacta	2-1	10.80	485

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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2	Just a Hunch	2	1 ²	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{5 3/4}
1	Essie's Edge	3	3 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ³	2 ^{5 3/4}
7	Making Mischief	1	2 ²	3 ^{5 1/2}	3 ⁸	3 ^{19 3/4}
3	Winhi	4	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{6 1/2}	4 ¹⁰	4 ^{30 1/2}
6	Sweet Music Man	6	5 ^{6 1/2}	5 ^{14 1/2}	5 ¹⁶	5 ^{34 1/2}
4	Pharaonic Phoenix	5	6 ^{8 1/2}	6 ^{19 1/2}	6 ²⁶	6 ^{52 3/4}

Trainers: 2 - Nelson, Buckshot; 1 - Brewer, Jr., Stanley; 7 - Brewer, Jr., Stanley; 3 - Allery, Mark; 6 - Brewer, Jr., Stanley; 4 - Schaaf, Kristen

Owners: 2 -James D. Christianson; 1 -Stan Brewer Jr.; 7 -Stan Brewer Jr.; 3 -Mark Allery; 6 -Stan Brewer Jr.; 4 -Kristen A. Schaaf;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

JUST A HUNCH assumed command first turn, held sway late. ESSIE'S EDGE chased winner in second position. MAKING MISCHIEF angled to rail, led early, drifted wide first turn, chased. WINHI drifted wide first turn, tracked 3-wide, lacked a finish. SWEET MUSIC MAN bolted to the outside fence first turn, remained there throughout. PHARAONIC PHOENIX took up start, trailed far back, distanced.

Track Attendance: 0 **Handle:** \$67,152

ISW = inter-state wagering **Handle:** \$13