

MEADOWLANDS - October 3, 2026 - Race 1
MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 40% NJB) FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs.
Claiming Price \$16,000, For Each \$1,000 To \$14,000 1 lb. (Rail at 17 feet). **Claiming Price:** \$16,000 - \$14,000
Distance: One Mile On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Nantasket Beach - 1:33.38 - September 21, 2024)
Purse: \$17,150
Plus: \$600 NJB - New Jersey Bred Enhancement
Available Money: \$17,750
Value of Race: \$17,750 1st \$9,000, 2nd \$3,000, 3rd \$2,100, 4th \$750, 5th \$725, 6th \$725, 7th \$725, 8th \$725
Weather: Clear, 66° **Track:** Firm
Off at: 7:04 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
18Sep26 ⁶ MED ²	5	Berman (Sutherland, Chantal)	122	L b	5	6	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	3 ²	1 ^{Head}	1 ²	3.80	inside, rallied 3w
7Sep26 ⁴ CNL ⁸	3	Nostromo (Vargas, Jr., Jorge) VA CERTIFIED	125	L	3	4	8	7 ^{Head}	4 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	3.70	inside, bid 3w 1/8
22Aug26 ³ MTH ⁴	1	Navesink Pirate (Maragh, Christian)	119	L b	1	1	1 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 3/4}	1.30*	vied inside, dug in
18Sep26 ⁶ MED ⁴	6	Elusive Reward (Rivera, Kendry)	120	L b	6	5	5 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	5 ³	4 ¹	43.10	3w, belatedly inside
3Sep26 ⁶ DEL ⁷	8	Pujol (Cedeno, Carol)	125	L bf	7	8	7 ¹	8	7 ^{Head}	6 ⁴	5 ^{Head}	11.90	off bit slow, 3-2w
12Sep26 ⁴ LRL ⁵	9	Renovator (Adorno, Abner)	120	b	8	2	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	4 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{7 1/2}	3.60	vied 2w, tired
18Sep26 ⁶ MED ⁶	2	Pretty Sixxy (Ocasio, Luis)	123	L	2	7	6 ¹	5 ¹	8	7 ¹	7 ^{4 1/2}	62.10	between, faded
12Sep26 ¹ MTH ⁶	4	Giant Groove (Moya, Ramon)	122	L	4	3	3 ¹	3 ²	6 ^{2 1/2}	8	8	34.90	stalked 3w, gave way

Fractional Times: 24.10 48.99 1:13.34 **Final Time:** 1:38.45 **Time from Gate:** 1:39.97
Split Times: (24:89) (24:35) (25:11)
Run-Up: 32 feet **Temporary Rail:** 17 feet

Winner: Berman, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by War Dancer out of American Lass, by American Pharoah. Foaled Apr 23, 2023 in New York.
Breeder: Tee-N-Jay Farm
Owner: Tee-N-Jay Farm
Trainer: Hills, Timothy

Claiming Prices: 5 - Berman: \$16,000; 3 - Nostromo: \$16,000; 1 - Navesink Pirate: \$16,000; 6 - Elusive Reward: \$14,000; 8 - Pujol: \$16,000; 9 - Renovator: \$14,000; 2 - Pretty Sixxy: \$14,000; 4 - Giant Groove: \$16,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Told (IRE) (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$61,459

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Berman	9.60	5.20	3.20	\$1.00 Exacta	5-3	20.20	44,426
3	Nostromo		4.80	3.00	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-3-1	19.70	30,713
1	Navesink Pirate			2.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-3-1-6	48.96	22,439

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Berman	6	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ³	3 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ²
3	Nostromo	4	8 ^{6 1/2}	7 ^{4 1/4}	4 ³	3 ^{Head}	2 ²
1	Navesink Pirate	1	1 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	3 ³
6	Elusive Reward	5	5 ⁴	6 ^{4 1/4}	5 ⁴	5 ^{3 1/4}	4 ^{4 3/4}
8	Pujol	8	7 ^{5 1/2}	8 ^{4 1/2}	7 ^{6 3/4}	6 ^{6 1/4}	5 ^{5 3/4}
9	Renovator	2	2 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	4 ^{1 3/4}	6 ^{5 3/4}
2	Pretty Sixxy	7	6 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/4}	8 ^{6 3/4}	7 ^{10 1/4}	7 ^{13 1/4}
4	Giant Groove	3	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ¹	6 ^{4 1/4}	8 ^{11 1/4}	8 ^{17 3/4}

Trainers: 5 - Hills, Timothy; 3 - Hodsdon, Danielle; 1 - Owens, Jr., Eddie; 6 - Hawthorne, Bobbi; 8 - Deiter, Kelly; 9 - Boucher, Lilith; 2 - Grullon, Riquelvis; 4 - Huston, Rory

Owners: 5 - Tee-N-Jay Farm; 3 -Alexander Gordon-Watson; 1 - Holly Crest Farm; 6 -Andy J. Hawthorne; 8 - Birbal's Racing Stable; 9 - Why Not Racing LLC; 2 -Riquelvis Grullon; 4 -Hope H. Jones;

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BERMAN tracked on the inside, angled out at the quarter pole, rallied three wide into the stretch, responded when roused between rivals, turned back a bid from NOSTROMO and drew clear under urging. NOSTROMO raced off the pace inside, waited briefly while moving up inside on the far turn, angled out entering the stretch, bid outside rivals at the furlong marker, dug in gamely but second best. NAVESINK PIRATE vied inside for the lead, dueled on the far turn, dug in along the rail in the stretch drive and weakened late. ELUSIVE REWARD raced three wide off the pace, chased three wide on the far turn, angled in and closed belatedly inside. PUJOL was off a bit slow, raced three wide early, settled two wide off the pace and had no rally. RENOVATOR vied two wide for command, dueled on the far turn and tired. PRETTY SIXXY raced off the pace between rivals, chased on the far turn and faded. GIANT GROOVE stalked three wide, chased two wide on the far turn and gave way.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred