

**MAHONING VALLEY RACE COURSE - February 18, 2026 - Race 8**  
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred  
FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES THREE YEARS OLD. Weight, 122 lbs.  
**Distance:** Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Altissimo - 1:08.63 - December 27, 2017)  
**Purse:** \$24,300  
**Plus:** \$15,000 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund  
**Available Money:** \$39,300  
**Value of Race:** \$24,300 1st \$14,580, 2nd \$4,860, 3rd \$2,430, 4th \$1,215, 5th \$729, 6th \$486  
**Weather:** Showery, 52° **Track:** Muddy (Sealed)  
**Off at:** 3:33 **Start:** Good for all except 5,6 **Timing Method:** Electronic



Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
21Dec25 <sup>4</sup> TP <sup>11</sup>	7	Academic Freedom (Rivera, Luis)	122	L b	6	2	4 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>9</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4.10	5wd bid, bothered late
---	3	Run On Candy (Oliveros, Charle)	122	L	2	6	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>10</sup> 3/4	6.60	bore out late, caught
23Aug25 <sup>7</sup> ELP <sup>12</sup>	5	Lady Midshipman (Batista, Luis)	122	L b	4	3	5 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/4	6.80	edgy, brush, ins rally
14Jan26 <sup>5</sup> MVR <sup>8</sup>	4	Olive On Top (Halдар, David)	122	L	3	1	3 <sup>3</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 2	3 <sup>1</sup> 2	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/4	36.60	forward, kept on
14Jan26 <sup>5</sup> MVR <sup>5</sup>	6	Scary Jerry (Weatherly, Bailey)	122	L b	5	4	6	6	6	5 <sup>3</sup> 4	13.70	lunge in, brush foe st
22Jan26 <sup>5</sup> TP <sup>11</sup>	1	Allatou (Bracho, Jose)	122	L b	1	5	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 2	4 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	6	0.40*	stalked turn, empty

**Fractional Times:** 23.34 47.81 1:01.11 **Final Time:** 1:15.14  
**Split Times:** (24:47) (13:30) (14:03)  
**Run-Up:** 10 feet

**Winner:** Academic Freedom, Bay Filly, by [Union Rags](#) out of Cafe Night, by California Chrome. Foaled Mar 04, 2023 in Kentucky.

Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

**Breeder:** Thor-Bred Stables, LLC  
**Owner:** Thor-Bred Stables LLC  
**Trainer:** McKeever, Andrew

**Scratched Horse(s):** Making Daisys (Veterinarian)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$49,501

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
7	Academic Freedom	10.20	5.00	3.00	\$2.00 Daily Double	3-7	118.00	7,390	
3	Run On Candy		7.80	3.60	\$2.00 Exacta	7-3	48.60	42,753	
5	Lady Midshipman			3.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-3-5	42.00	29,141	
					\$0.10 Superfecta	7-3-5-4	36.98	17,497	
					\$0.50 Pick 3	9-3-7 (3 correct)	101.85	9,177	
					\$0.50 Pick 4	5-2/9-3-7 (4 correct)	810.80	17,053	
					\$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot	3-7-5-2/9-3-7 (5 correct)	1,253.02	3,915	5,041
					\$0.50 Pick 5	7-5-2/9-3-7 (5 correct)	2,179.25	12,823	

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
7	Academic Freedom	2	4 <sup>5</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2
3	Run On Candy	6	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2
5	Lady Midshipman	3	5 <sup>9</sup>	5 <sup>11</sup> 1/2	5 <sup>8</sup>	3 <sup>12</sup> 1/4
4	Olive On Top	1	3 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>13</sup> 1/2
6	Scary Jerry	4	6 <sup>13</sup>	6 <sup>13</sup> 1/2	6 <sup>12</sup>	5 <sup>14</sup> 3/4
1	Allatou	5	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>4</sup> 1/2	6 <sup>15</sup> 1/2

**Trainers:** 7 - McKeever, Andrew; 3 - Reed, Eric; 5 - DaCosta, Jason; 4 - Radosevich, Justin; 6 - Reed, Eric; 1 - Kenneally, Eddie

**Owners:** 7 - Thor-Bred Stables LLC; 3 -Ted Reynolds; 5 - Brown, John, Latimer, Craig, Gordon, Craig and Holmes, Russ; 4 - Charlie J. Williams LLC; 6 -Jerry Jamgotchian; 1 - Snyder, Richard, Snyder, Connie and MNM Racing, LLC;

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ACADEMIC FREEDOM reserved early, commenced her bid on the turn, was swung five wide into the stretch, rallied determinedly, was bothered by the runner up in the last seventy yards but prevailed. RUN ON CANDY seized command from the outset, held well into stretch, dug in gamely, bore out late, brushed the eventual winner and was worn down. LADY MIDSHIPMAN edgy in the starting gate beforehand, was brushed at the start by the errant SCARY JERRY but managed belated inside bid along the rail. OLIVE ON TOP was forwardly placed, never reached contention but kept on for a minor share. SCARY JERRY lunged in at the start brushing a rival and displayed some late interest. ALLATOU chased the pacesetter along the inside, stalked around the turn but came up empty in the stretch. FOLLOWING THE RACE, THE STEWARDS CONDUCTED A BRIEF INQUIRY AND MADE NO CHANGES.

**Track Attendance:** 0 **Handle:** \$9,153  
**Off Track Wagering** **Handle:** \$1,024,586