

OAKLAWN PARK - March 26, 2026 - Race 4

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000 OR LESS OR CLAIMING PRICE

\$62,500. Weight, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since December 26, 2025 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since October 26, 2025

Allowed 4 lbs. (Horses Which Have Never Won A Race At A Mile Or Over Allowed 3 lbs.) Claiming Price \$62,500. **Claiming Price:**

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Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Whitebrush - 1:34.40 - March 10, 1984)

Purse: \$59,000

Available Money: \$59,000

Value of Race: \$59,000 1st \$35,400, 2nd \$11,800, 3rd \$5,900, 4th \$2,950, 5th \$984, 6th \$983, 7th \$983

Weather: Clear, 80° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 2:09 **Start:** Good for all except 8 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|----|-------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------|---------------------------|
| 26Feb26 ³ OP ¹ | 4 | Western Warrior (Vazquez, Ramon) | 124 | L b | 3 | 5 | 5 ² | 3 ^{Head} | 2 ^{Head} | 1 ³ | 1 ⁷ | 1.40* | bid btwn 2p5/16, clear |
| 26Feb26 ³ OP ⁶ | 3 | Highly Connected (Torres, Cristian) | 121 | L | 2 | 2 | 6 ^{Head} | 6 ^{1/2} | 5 ¹ | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ^{4 3/4} | 3.30 | 2p, swung 5p str, kept on |
| 27Dec25 ¹⁰ OP ³ | 5 | Perfect Audible (Asmussen, Keith) | 118 | L b | 4 | 3 | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 1 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{Head} | 3 ¹ | 7.80 | ins, weakened, held show |
| 29Jan26 ⁷ FG ¹ | 6 | Bird the Legend (Ortiz, Jr., Irad) | 121 | L | 5 | 4 | 4 ¹ | 5 ¹ | 6 ^{1 1/2} | 6 ⁴ | 4 ^{Neck} | 3.10 | chased 3p, no impact |
| 13Mar26 ¹ OP ¹ | 1 | Big Tech (Asmussen, Erik) | 121 | L b | 1 | 1 | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 4 ⁴ | 5 ⁶ | 10.30 | 3p, cue 5/16, gave way |
| 26Feb26 ³ OP ³ | 7 | Just Like Max (Mendoza, Amir) | 112 | L b | 6 | 6 | 3 ¹ | 4 ¹ | 4 ^{Head} | 5 ^{Head} | 6 ^{3 1/2} | 13.20 | 4-5p, driven 3/8, empty |
| 20Feb26 ⁵ OP ¹ | 8 | Timberline (Esquivel, Emmanuel) | 124 | L b | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 19.10 | slow st, trailed 4path |

Fractional Times: 23.50 47.59 1:13.36 1:26.40

Final Time: 1:38.96 **Time from Gate:** 1:40.84

Split Times: (24:09) (25:77) (13:04) (12:56)

Run-Up: 60 feet

Winner: Western Warrior, Gray or Roan Gelding, by Essential Quality out of Trophy Girl, by Warrior's Reward. Foaled Apr 28, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Tracy Farmer

Owner: Tracy Farmer

Trainer: Casse, Mark

Scratched Horse(s): Large Risk (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$171,395

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
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| 4 | Western Warrior | 4.80 | 2.80 | 2.10 | \$1.00 Exacta | 4-3 | 5.90 | 120,072 |
| 3 | Highly Connected | | 3.60 | 2.40 | \$0.50 Trifecta | 4-3-5 | 12.70 | 68,763 |
| 5 | Perfect Audible | | | 2.80 | \$1.00 Pick 3 | 1/6-1/5-2/4 (3 correct) | 14.10 | 20,066 |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Daily Double | 5-4 | 7.10 | 22,859 |
| | | | | | \$0.10 Superfecta | 4-3-5-6 | 10.23 | 41,424 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin |
|-----|------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 4 | Western Warrior | 5 | 5 ^{3 1/2} | 3 ^{2 1/2} | 2 ^{1/2} | 1 ³ | 1 ⁷ |
| 3 | Highly Connected | 2 | 6 ^{5 1/2} | 6 ^{4 1/2} | 5 ^{2 1/4} | 2 ³ | 2 ⁷ |
| 5 | Perfect Audible | 3 | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 1 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{3 1/2} | 3 ^{11 3/4} |
| 6 | Bird the Legend | 4 | 4 ^{2 1/2} | 5 ^{3 1/2} | 6 ^{3 1/4} | 6 ^{7 3/4} | 4 ^{12 3/4} |
| 1 | Big Tech | 1 | 2 ¹ | 2 ¹ | 3 ^{1/2} | 4 ^{3 1/2} | 5 ¹³ |
| 7 | Just Like Max | 6 | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 4 ^{2 1/2} | 4 ² | 5 ^{7 1/2} | 6 ¹⁹ |
| 8 | Timberline | 7 | 7 ^{5 1/2} | 7 ⁵ | 7 ^{4 3/4} | 7 ^{11 3/4} | 7 ^{22 1/2} |

Trainers: 4 - Casse, Mark; 3 - Williams, Matt; 5 - Asmussen, Steven; 6 - Cox, Brad; 1 - Asmussen, Steven; 7 - Garcia, Genaro; 8 - Williams, Matt

Owners: 4 - Tracy Farmer; 3 - Bennett and Wetzel Holdings; 5 - Mike McCarty; 6 - Madaket Stables LLC; 1 - Steven M. Asmussen; 7 - Southwest Racing Stables, Inc. and Murphy, Bruce; 8 - Bowen, Tyler and Williams, James T.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

WESTERN WARRIOR settled along the rail around the first turn, improved to track behind the pacesetter up the backstretch, split foes under a drive in the two path to bid midway around the far turn, took firm command from the three path turning into the lane, and kicked away. HIGHLY CONNECTED was unhurried in the two path, improved while being pushed along around the far turn, angled out passing the quarter, swung from the five path into the stretch, and kept on to clearly be second best. PERFECT AUDIBLE set the pace from just off the rail, was cued along the inside midway around the far turn, weakened down the lane, but held show. BIRD THE LEGEND chased in the three path, was coaxed along up the backstretch, but made no impact. BIG TECH laid up close in the three path, was asked for more run midway around the far turn, but gave way. JUST LIKE MAX stalked in the four path, came under a drive passing the three-eighths pole, but was empty from the five path at the top of the stretch. TIMBERLINE had a slow start, then always trailed from around the four path.