

PENN NATIONAL - October 9, 2026 - Race 1
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 40% PABF) FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 123 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs.
Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Johnny Jump Up - 1:35.64 - October 27, 2017)
Purse: \$36,000
Available Money: \$36,000
Value of Race: \$34,920 1st \$21,600, 2nd \$7,200, 3rd \$3,960, 4th \$2,160
Weather: Clear, 84° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 5:55 **Start:** Good for all **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	
18Sep26 ⁶ DEL ⁴	6	Mr. Handsome (Cora, David)	123	L	4	4	4	4	3 ¹⁰	2 ⁵	1 ^{1 3/4}	4.00	settled, wore down foe	
8Mar26 ⁷ GP ⁶	2	Cavallini (Ramos, Yabriel) 	123	L	b	1	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{2 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{7 3/4}	1.50	pace, pressed, caught
16Sep26 ⁸ DEL ³	5	Undertaker (Rodriguez, Angel)	123	L	bf	3	2	3 ²	3 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ⁸	3 ¹³	0.70*	4wd bid, flattened out
27Aug26 ¹ PEN ⁴	4	Katishuo (Flores, Emilio)	125	L	b	2	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	4	4	4	15.70	chased for 1/2, faded

Fractional Times: 24.26 47.77 1:12.67 1:25.87 **Final Time:** 1:39.15 **Time from Gate:** 1:40.81
Split Times: (23:51) (24:90) (13:20) (13:28)
Run-Up: 70 feet

Winner: Mr. Handsome, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by More Than Ready out of Blazinbeauty, by Tale of Ekati. Foaled Feb 20, 2023 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Linda Merritt & More Than ReadySyndicate
Owner: Linda Merritt
Trainer: Lawrence II, James

Scratched Horse(s): Shorty Gray (PrivVet-Illness), Sippnsummerspirits (RegVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$32,306

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Mr. Handsome	10.00	4.60	\$1.00 Exacta	6-2	21.10	29,611
2	Cavallini		3.00				
5	Undertaker						

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
6	Mr. Handsome	4	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	3 ³	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 3/4}
2	Cavallini	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{2 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 3/4}
5	Undertaker	2	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	2 ^{2 1/2}	3 ⁵	3 ^{9 1/2}
4	Katishuo	1	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	4 ¹³	4 ¹³	4 ^{22 1/2}

Trainers: 6 - Lawrence II, James; 2 - Wolfe, Jr., Robert; 5 - Ramos, Ben; 4 - Shea, Lydee

Owners: 6 -Linda Merritt; 2 -Marcia L. Wolfe; 5 - Ramos, Juan O. and Ramos, Benjamin; 4 - Shea, Lydee, Cassel, Cleon S. and Seven Hills Racing;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MR. HANDSOME raced five wide into the first turn then settled before ranging up to rally while four wide and battled through the long drive, wearing down CAVALLINI in the final sixteenth. CAVALLINI was rushed up along the inside and set the early pace while pushed along by KATISCHUO early then put that one away but faced a fresh challenge in the second turn from MR. HANDSOME before drifting out at the 1/8 pole then was caught late. UNDERTAKER chased the early pace while three wide then was urged to challenge nearing the 1/2 pole and made a four wide bid in the second turn but flattened out in the stretch. KATISCHUO got away alertly and stalked the early pace then chased through the opening half mile before fading into the second turn.

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