

PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS - July 3, 2026 - Race 2

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO 30% PABF) FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs.

Claiming Price \$7,500. **Claiming Price: \$7,500**

Distance: Six Furlongs On The All Weather Track **Current Track Record:** (Surly Furious - 1:07.77 - July 5, 2022)

Purse: \$14,000

Plus: \$40 Starters Bonus

Available Money: \$14,040

Value of Race: \$13,900 1st \$8,400, 2nd \$2,800, 3rd \$1,400, 4th \$700, 5th \$350, 6th \$250

Weather: Clear, 88° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:00 **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	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
23Jun26 ⁴ PID ⁴	1	Judy Chop (Martinez, Gaddiel)	120	L	by	1 1	2 ³ 1/2	2 ³	1 ³	1 ¹² 1/4	11.10	drew off,kpt to task
15Apr26 ⁵ TAM ⁸	6	Nicole's Will (Gonzalez, Edwin)	125	L		6 2	3 ⁶	3 ⁴	3 ²	2 ^{1/2}	1.20*	stdy gain for place
29Sep25 ⁸ FL ⁸	4	Frenchman James (Severino, Victor)	125	L	bw	4 3	4 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	5 ⁴	3 ^{Nose}	13.90	stdy early,late bween
23Jun26 ⁴ PID ³	5	Violin Fingers (Ayala, Addiel)	120	L	by	5 5	5 ^{1/2}	4 ²	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ⁴ 1/2	8.90	steady,mildly,
23Jun26 ⁴ PID ⁵	3	So Grand (Rojas, Martina)	125	L		3 4	1 ³	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	5 ⁸ 1/4	1.40	rushed clear, gave way
---	2	Home Opener (Barbosa, Carlos)	120	L		2 6	6	6	6	6	8.80	trailed, no factor,

Fractional Times: 22.09 45.67 58.63

Final Time: 1:11.75 **Time from Gate:** 1:14.37

Split Times: (23:58) (12:96) (13:12)

Run-Up: 48 feet

Winner: Judy Chop, Chestnut Gelding, by Curlin's Honor out of Samantha Samurai, by First Samurai. Foaled Jan 02, 2023 in Florida.

Breeder: Rebecca Ming

Owner: Ming, Donald L. and Rice Racing

Trainer: Rice, Kevin

Claiming Prices: 1 - Judy Chop: \$7,500; 6 - Nicole's Will: \$7,500; 4 - Frenchman James: \$7,500; 5 - Violin Fingers: \$7,500; 3 - So Grand: \$7,500; 2 - Home Opener: \$7,500;

Total WPS Pool: \$28,549

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Judy Chop	24.20	7.20	4.60	\$2.00 Daily Double	2-1	76.40	9,616
6	Nicole's Will		3.40	3.20	\$2.00 Exacta	1-6	76.80	19,338
4	Frenchman James			6.80	\$2.00 Trifecta	1-6-4	542.20	12,010
					\$2.00 Superfecta	1-6-4-5	1,157.00	7,428

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
1	Judy Chop	1	2 ³	2 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ¹² 1/4
6	Nicole's Will	2	3 ⁶ 1/2	3 ³ 1/2	3 ³ 1/2	2 ¹² 1/4
4	Frenchman James	3	4 ¹² 1/2	5 ⁹ 1/2	5 ⁷	3 ¹² 3/4
5	Violin Fingers	5	5 ¹² 1/2	4 ⁷ 1/2	4 ⁵ 1/2	4 ¹² 3/4
3	So Grand	4	1 ³	1 ^{1/2}	2 ³	5 ¹⁷ 1/4
2	Home Opener	6	6 ¹³	6 ⁹ 1/2	6 ¹¹	6 ²⁵ 1/2

Trainers: 1 - Rice, Kevin; 6 - Stokes, Lance; 4 - Miller, Jr., Henry; 5 - Rice, Kevin; 3 - Davis, Scooter; 2 - Kintz, S.

Owners: 1 - Ming, Donald L. and Rice Racing; 6 - KimDon Racing LLC; 4 -Timothy Tompkins; 5 - Rice Racing; 3 -David S. Romanik; 2 -James Dyess;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

JUDY CHOP stalked the pacesetter to the turn, steadily closed the gap on the bend, took control turning for home and drew off as much best while kept to task with intermittent reminders down the lane. NICOLE'S WILL tracked the leaders down the backside from afar in a clear pocket well ahead of the trailing group, rallied with a grinding bid under an early drive on the turn and kept-on to take the place. FRENCHMAN JAMES steadied shortly away from the gate to drop well off the lead at the head of the trailers and found best stride late to surge between rivals to gain the show. VIOLIN FINGERS took up leaving the gate to drop to the rear, moved up entering the turn to be mid-pack still well off the leaders and finished with mild interest without impact. SO GRAND rushed to the lead shortly from the gate to go clear early, had no answer when engaged leaving the quarter pole and gave way through the lane. HOME OPENER was never a factor.