

**PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS - July 3, 2026 - Race 3**

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO 30% PABF) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$16,000 OR LESS IN 2025 - 2026 OR CLAIMING PRICE \$25,000. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since June 3 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$25,000 (Claiming Races For \$20,000 Or Less Not Considered In Estimating Allowances). ( C ) **Claiming Price:** \$25,000

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

**Purse:** \$25,000

**Available Money:** \$25,000

**Value of Race:** \$23,750 1st \$15,000, 2nd \$5,000, 3rd \$2,500, 4th \$1,250

**Weather:** Clear, 88° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 1:26 **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
20May26 <sup>5</sup> PID <sup>2</sup>	4	Willie Bird (Hazlewood, Yedsit)	123	L b	4	1	2 <sup>7</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	0.90*	vied lead,kick clear
20May26 <sup>5</sup> PID <sup>4</sup>	2	Rocket Dragon (Spieth, Scott)	123	L	2	3	3 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>7</sup>	3 <sup>8</sup>	2 <sup>3/4</sup>	3.70	stdy adv,up for place
10Jun26 <sup>4</sup> PID <sup>1</sup>	1	Diamond Dust (Rodriguez, Israel)	125	L	1	2	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>5</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>10</sup>	1.20	set fast pace, weaken
19May26 <sup>7</sup> PID <sup>4</sup>	3	Bartulia (Severino, Victor)	123	L f	3	4	4	4	4	4	24.30	no factor, outrun

**Fractional Times:** 22.01 44.94 57.22

**Final Time:** 1:10.39 **Time from Gate:** 1:12.81

**Split Times:** (22:93) (12:28) (13:17)

**Run-Up:** 48 feet

**Winner:** Willie Bird, Bay Gelding, by [Bucchero](#) out of Take Wing, by Pioneerof the Nile. Foaled Mar 18, 2021 in Florida.

**BUCCHERO** Winner's sire standing at Ironhorse Stallions

**Breeder:** Carolyn Wilson

**Owner:** Carolyn Wilson

**Trainer:** Rivelli, Larry

**Claiming Prices:** 2 - Rocket Dragon: \$25,000; 1 - Diamond Dust: \$25,000;

**Scratched Horse(s):** Fivefive Six Champ (Stewards)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$61,470

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Willie Bird	3.80	2.40	\$2.00 Exacta	4-2	11.40	36,392
2	Rocket Dragon		3.40	\$2.00 Trifecta	4-2-1	12.60	19,413
1	Diamond Dust			\$2.00 Pick 3	2-1-4/5 (3 correct)	158.80	11,755
				\$2.00 Daily Double	1-4	46.40	4,044

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	Willie Bird	1	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1 1/4</sup>
2	Rocket Dragon	3	3 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/4</sup>
1	Diamond Dust	2	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>
3	Bartulia	4	4 <sup>12 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>12</sup>	4 <sup>10</sup>	4 <sup>12</sup>

**Trainers:** 4 - Rivelli, Larry; 2 - Spieth, Aldana; 1 - Davis, Scooter; 3 - Valdez, Moises

**Owners:** 4 -Carolyn Wilson; 2 - Aldana Gonzalez Racing LLC and Ballou, Steve; 1 -Samuel Klein, Jr.; 3 -Brian Dougherty;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

WILLIE BIRD pressed the pace from the on-set, vied for the lead turning for home taking a short advantage, kicked away from the pacesetter inside the eighth pole and held the closer safe. ROCKET DRAGON tracked the dueling leaders from afar to the head of the lane, steadily closed the gap down the stretch and was up for the place in the final sixteenth. DIAMOND DUST set a quick pace while dueling for the lead through the turn, battled on in upper stretch to be coming back at the leader midway down the lane and weakened in deep stretch in a game effort. BARTULIA was outrun.