

PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS - September 9, 2025 - Race 8

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 30% PABF) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE MARCH 9, 2025 OR WHICH HAVE NOT WON THREE RACES IN 2024 - 2025 OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since August 9 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000 (Claiming Races For \$4,000 Or Less Not Considered In Estimating Allowances). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000
Distance: One Mile And Seventy Yards On The All Weather Track **Current Track Record:** (Carpenters Call - 1:38.97 - August 22, 2022)
Purse: \$16,000
Plus: \$180 Starters Bonus
Available Money: \$16,180
Value of Race: \$16,100 1st \$9,600, 2nd \$3,200, 3rd \$1,600, 4th \$800, 5th \$400, 6th \$250, 7th \$250
Weather: Cloudy, 73° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 6:44 **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
20Aug25 ⁶ PID ⁵	3	Secretary of War (Martinez, Willie) VA CERTIFIED	123	L	b	3 1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	4.40	duel str,determined
12Aug25 ⁸ PID ¹	1	Van (Gallardo, Antonio)	125	L	y	1 4	3 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	2 ^{2 3/4}	2.70	vied stretch,missed
27Aug25 ⁸ BTP ⁴	5	Maynard (Bays, Brooke)	116	L	bf	5 3	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{3/4}	6.30	kept-on,held show
11Aug25 ⁶ PID ³	4	Burning Leaves (Martinez, Gaddiel)	123	L	b	4 5	5 ⁵	4 ¹	4 ²	5 ²	4 ^{1 1/2}	2.10*	mid move, flattened
15Aug25 ³ PID ⁴	7	Keystone Hank (Morales, Pablo)	123	L	y	7 2	4 ^{1 1/2}	5 ³	5 ²	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{2 1/4}	16.10	tracked, no bid
19Aug25 ⁸ PID ¹	2	Grey Charmer (Rodriguez, Israel)	125	L	y	2 6	7	6 ^{1/2}	6 ¹	6 ³	6 ³	3.50	slow early, no threat,
2Sep25 ³ PID ⁵	6	Mr Tito's (Allen, Mike)	123	L		6 7	6 ^{Head}	7	7	7	7	34.60	no factor,

Fractional Times: 24.61 48.76 1:12.83 1:36.89 **Final Time:** 1:40.83
Split Times: (24:15) (24:07) (24:06) (3:94)
Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: Secretary of War, Bay Gelding, by [War Dancer](#) out of Toscanova, by Giant's Causeway. Foaled May 19, 2020 in New York.

WAR DANCER Winner's sire standing at Rockridge Stud

Breeder: Sugar Plum Farm LLC & The New Hill Farm
Owner: James Fisher
Trainer: Kintz, S.

1 Claimed Horse(s): Maynard New Trainer: Ralph N. Baez New Owner: Ralph Baez

Claiming Prices: 3 - Secretary of War: \$5,000; 1 - Van: \$5,000; 5 - Maynard: \$5,000; 4 - Burning Leaves: \$5,000; 7 - Keystone Hank: \$5,000; 2 - Grey Charmer: \$5,000; 6 - Mr Tito's: \$5,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$21,479

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Secretary of War	10.80	4.80	4.00	\$2.00 Daily Double	4-3	43.00	6,435
1	Van		4.40	4.80	\$2.00 Exacta	3-1	44.60	13,551
5	Maynard			3.40	\$2.00 Trifecta	3-1-5	180.40	8,115
					\$2.00 Superfecta	3-1-5-4	731.80	5,355
					\$2.00 Pick 4	3-6-4-3 (4 correct)	590.00	9,772
					\$2.00 Pick 3	6-4-3 (3 correct)	121.40	5,663
					\$2.00 Pick 5	3-3-6-4-3 (5 correct)	1,266.20	7,985

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Secretary of War	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}
1	Van	4	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}
5	Maynard	3	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ²	3 ^{2 3/4}
4	Burning Leaves	5	5 ⁴	4 ²	4 ³	5 ⁴	4 ^{3 1/2}
7	Keystone Hank	2	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ³	5 ⁵	4 ^{3 1/2}	5 ⁵
2	Grey Charmer	6	7 ⁹	6 ⁶	6 ⁷	6 ⁶	6 ^{7 1/4}
6	Mr Tito's	7	6 ⁹	7 ^{6 1/2}	7 ⁸	7 ⁹	7 ^{10 1/4}

Trainers: 3 - Kintz, S.; 1 - DePasquale, Kimberly; 5 - Wittek, Karyn; 4 - Russell, Randall; 7 - Girten, Tim; 2 - Rice, Kevin; 6 - Allen, Lisa

Owners: 3 -James Fisher; 1 - Winterhawk Farm; 5 -Paul G. Aguirre; 4 - Mine to Equine LLC; 7 - Five Guys and Fries; 2 - Magic Oaks; 6 - JGW Stables, Inc.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SECRETARY OF WAR set the pace on a well rated, well measured lead in hand, kicked away to be clear through the far turn, responded when called upon turning for home, dueled with the runner-up down the lane and prevailed in a determined drive. VAN stalked the pacesetter from the fence for three-quarters, tipped out three wide rallying at the quarter pole, vied with the winner in the stretch and could not get passed in a good effort. MAYNARD pressed the pace early, settled just off the leader to the far turn, was set to a drive nearing the quarter pole, could not close the gap and kept-on willingly in the lane to hold the show. BURNING LEAVES was in a clear pocket in mid-pack onto the backstretch, angled out with an early bid to be prominent five wide into the far turn and flattened out turning for home unable to sustain the rally. KEYSTONE HANK raced four wide in the first turn tracking the leaders, remained there to the far turn, angled in to save ground on the bend and lacked a closing response. GREY CHARMER was slow early to trail and never posed a threat. MR TITO'S was not a factor.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred

Track Attendance: 279 **Handle:** \$10,431
Off Track Wagering **Handle:** \$440,113

