

PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS - September 17, 2025 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 30% PABF) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS OR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since August 17 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$25,000 (Claiming Races For \$15,000 Or Less Not Considered In Estimating Allowances). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$25,000

Distance: One Mile And Seventy Yards On The All Weather Track **Current Track Record:** (Carpenters Call - 1:38.97 - August 22, 2022)

Purse: \$25,000

Available Money: \$25,000

Value of Race: \$24,375 1st \$15,000, 2nd \$5,000, 3rd \$2,500, 4th \$1,250, 5th \$625

Weather: Cloudy, 76° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:53 **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
3Sep25 ⁵ PID ³	2	Bartulia (Martinez, Willie)	123 L	2 4		¹ Head	¹ ¹ 1/2	¹ ¹ 1/2	¹ 1/2	¹ Head	4.50	held safe,determined
9Sep25 ⁶ PID ¹	4	D'oro Lemon (Morales, Pablo)	125 L w	4 5		5	5	5	3 ²	2 ¹ 1/2	5.30	rally inside, denied
2Sep25 ⁴ PID ²	1	Maximum Faith (Ayala, Addiel)	121 L y	1 2		2 ²	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 2	3 ² 1/4	1.90*	prompt,bid,loom,hung
3Sep25 ⁷ PID ⁴	3	Venik (Rodriguez, Israel)	119 L b	3 3		3 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹ 1/4	2.40	went evenly,no imapct
2Sep25 ⁴ PID ³	6	Runningforjoy (Gallardo, Antonio)	123 L bw	5 1		4 ¹	3 ²	3 ²	5	5	3.20	well held,bid, flatten

Fractional Times: 24.63 48.98 1:13.15 1:37.67 **Final Time:** 1:41.60

Split Times: (24:35) (24:17) (24:52) (3:93)

Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: Bartulia, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by [Creative Cause](#) out of Darling Sky, by Sky Mesa. Foaled Apr 04, 2019 in Kentucky.

 **CREATIVE CAUSE** Winner's sire standing at Marjorie Farms

Breeder: Namcook Stables, Paul Braverman &Tim Pinch

Owner: Brian Dougherty

Trainer: Valdez, Moises

Claiming Prices: 2 - Bartulia: \$25,000; 4 - D'oro Lemon: \$25,000; 1 - Maximum Faith: \$25,000; 3 - Venik: \$25,000; 6 - Runningforjoy: \$25,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Noble Force (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$10,694

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Bartulia	11.00	4.00	2.40	\$2.00 Exacta	2-4	49.80	5,993
4	D'oro Lemon		4.20	2.40	\$2.00 Trifecta	2-4-1	132.80	4,613
1	Maximum Faith			2.20	\$2.00 Pick 3	4-1-2 (3 correct)	233.60	1,366
					\$2.00 Daily Double	1-2	59.40	1,787
					\$2.00 Superfecta	2-4-1-3	358.60	2,090

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Bartulia	4	¹ Head	¹ ¹ 1/2	¹ ¹ 1/2	¹ 1/2	¹ Head
4	D'oro Lemon	5	5 ³ 1/4	5 ³ 3/4	5 ³ 3/4	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}
1	Maximum Faith	2	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 2	3 ¹ 1/2
3	Venik	3	3 ²	4 ³ 1/2	4 ³ 1/2	4 ³	4 ³ 3/4
6	Runningforjoy	1	4 ² 1/4	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	5 ⁴ 1/2	5 ⁵

Trainers: 2 - Valdez, Moises; 4 - Cheeks, Katy; 1 - Rice, Kevin; 3 - Rice, Linda; 6 - Hayes, Leland

Owners: 2 -Brian Dougherty; 4 -Katy Cheeks; 1 - Rice Racing; 3 -Linda Rice; 6 -Leland Hayes;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BARTULIA set the pace under early pressure, opened a clear lead through the far turn, responded well in the lane when challenged and dug-in determinedly to hold late in a game effort. D'ORO LEMON unhurried to be the trailer in the compact field to the far turn, saved ground through the turn, cut the corner turning for home, rallied willingly up the fence to battle the winner in the final sixteenth and was denied in a good try. MAXIMUM FAITH prompted the pace for three-quarters, rallied at the head of the lane to loom in mid-stretch and failed to get passed hanging in the final furlong. VENIK went evenly without impact. RUNNINGFORJOY stalked the pace from four wide to the final bend, rallied to threatened nearing the quarter pole and flattened out in upper stretch.