

PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS - September 23, 2026 - Race 8

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred  
(PLUS UP TO 30% PABF) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE APRIL 23, 2026 OR WHICH HAVE NOT WON THREE RACES IN 2025 - 2026 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 23 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:** \$14,000

**Plus:** \$650 Starters Bonus

**Plus:** \$2,520 PABF - Pennsylvania Bonus Program

**Available Money:** \$17,170

**Value of Race:** \$17,170 1st \$10,920, 2nd \$2,800, 3rd \$1,400, 4th \$700, 5th \$350, 6th \$250, 7th \$250, 8th \$250, 9th \$250

**Weather:** Cloudy, 67° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 6:47 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

EQUIBASE

[Video Race Replay](#)

| Last Raced                            | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey)                                        | Wgt M/E | PP | Start | 1/4                | 1/2                | 3/4                | Str                | Fin                | Odds  | Comments               |
|---------------------------------------|-----|------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 15Sep26 <sup>6</sup> PID <sup>1</sup> | 8   | Goose Hunter (Martinez, Gaddiel) <span>VA CERTIFIED</span> | 125 L y | 8  | 1     | 6 <sup>2</sup> 1/2 | 6 <sup>1</sup>     | 5 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 5 <sup>1</sup>     | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  | 4.30  | closed w/rush          |
| 15Sep26 <sup>7</sup> PID <sup>8</sup> | 6   | Via Della Spiga (Ayala, Addiel)                            | 123 L y | 6  | 4     | 2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 2 <sup>Neck</sup>  | 31.70 | led late, caught       |
| 7Sep26 <sup>2</sup> PID <sup>4</sup>  | 2   | R Admiral (Allen, Mike)                                    | 123 L   | 2  | 2     | 3 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 4 <sup>2</sup> 1/2 | 3 <sup>Head</sup>  | 3 <sup>2</sup>     | 3 <sup>2</sup>     | 8.50  | grinding bid,nor enuf  |
| 25Aug26 <sup>6</sup> PID <sup>2</sup> | 3   | Driftwood (Rojas, Martina)                                 | 123 L b | 3  | 3     | 1 <sup>3</sup> 1/2 | 1 <sup>1</sup>     | 1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 2 <sup>1</sup>     | 4 <sup>Neck</sup>  | 3.70  | clear lead, weaken lat |
| 7Jun26 <sup>7</sup> FE <sup>1</sup>   | 5   | J P Hellish (Spieth, Scott)                                | 123 L b | 5  | 6     | 8 <sup>2</sup>     | 8 <sup>1</sup>     | 7 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 6 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 5 <sup>1</sup> 3/4 | 2.40* | good late interest     |
| 15Sep26 <sup>7</sup> PID <sup>5</sup> | 7   | Traveller (Kingsley, Taylor)                               | 116 L y | 7  | 8     | 7 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 7 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 8 <sup>2</sup>     | 7 <sup>2</sup>     | 6 <sup>3</sup> 4   | 24.90 | failed to menace,      |
| 10Aug26 <sup>6</sup> PID <sup>5</sup> | 1   | Frosty the Soldier (Gallardo, Antonio)                     | 123 L b | 1  | 5     | 4 <sup>1</sup>     | 3 <sup>Head</sup>  | 4 <sup>3</sup> 1/2 | 4 <sup>Head</sup>  | 7 <sup>1</sup>     | 7.60  | no response, faded     |
| 26Aug26 <sup>7</sup> PID <sup>5</sup> | 4   | Hard Mission (Rodriguez, Israel)                           | 123 L b | 4  | 9     | 9                  | 9                  | 9                  | 8 <sup>1</sup>     | 8 <sup>2</sup>     | 4.30  | no factor,             |
| 15Sep26 <sup>7</sup> PID <sup>6</sup> | 9   | Noble Star (Delgado, David)                                | 123 L b | 9  | 7     | 5 <sup>2</sup>     | 5 <sup>2</sup>     | 6 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 9                  | 9                  | 23.50 | mid-pack, gave way,    |

**Fractional Times:** 24.65 48.85 1:12.91 1:37.47

**Final Time:** 1:41.49

**Time from Gate:** 1:43.06

**Split Times:** (24:20) (24:06) (24:56) (4:02)

**Run-Up:** 40 feet

**Winner:** Goose Hunter, Bay Gelding, by Palace Malice out of Two Wonders, by Three Wonders. Foaled May 16, 2020 in Pennsylvania.

**Breeder:** Ron Clark

**Owner:** Rice Racing

**Trainer:** Rice, Kevin

**Claiming Prices:** 8 - Goose Hunter: \$5,000; 6 - Via Della Spiga: \$5,000; 2 - R Admiral: \$5,000; 3 - Driftwood: \$5,000; 5 - J P Hellish: \$5,000; 7 - Traveller: \$5,000; 1 - Frosty the Soldier: \$5,000; 4 - Hard Mission: \$5,000; 9 - Noble Star: \$5,000;

**Total WPS Pool:** \$42,040

| Pgm | Horse           | Win   | Place | Show  | Wager Type          | Winning Numbers         | Payoff    | Pool   |
|-----|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------|--------|
| 8   | Goose Hunter    | 10.60 | 5.60  | 3.80  | \$2.00 Daily Double | 1-8                     | 44.20     | 12,866 |
| 6   | Via Della Spiga |       | 28.40 | 13.40 | \$2.00 Exacta       | 8-6                     | 219.00    | 32,634 |
| 2   | R Admiral       |       |       | 7.20  | \$2.00 Trifecta     | 8-6-2                   | 1,854.80  | 23,393 |
|     |                 |       |       |       | \$2.00 Superfecta   | 8-6-2-3                 | 46,003.00 | 16,558 |
|     |                 |       |       |       | \$2.00 Pick 4       | 1-2-1/6-8 (4 correct)   | 816.00    | 26,560 |
|     |                 |       |       |       | \$2.00 Pick 3       | 2-1/6-8 (3 correct)     | 121.40    | 12,887 |
|     |                 |       |       |       | \$2.00 Pick 5       | 1-1-2-1/6-8 (5 correct) | 3,573.00  | 17,865 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name         | Start | 1/4                 | 1/2                 | 3/4                | Str                | Fin                |
|-----|--------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 8   | Goose Hunter       | 1     | 6 <sup>8</sup> 1/2  | 6 <sup>7</sup>      | 5 <sup>5</sup> 1/2 | 5 <sup>3</sup> 1/2 | 1 <sup>Head</sup>  |
| 6   | Via Della Spiga    | 4     | 2 <sup>3</sup> 1/2  | 2 <sup>1</sup>      | 2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 2 <sup>Head</sup>  |
| 2   | R Admiral          | 2     | 3 <sup>4</sup>      | 4 <sup>2</sup> 1/2  | 3 <sup>2</sup>     | 3 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 3 <sup>Neck</sup>  |
| 3   | Driftwood          | 3     | 1 <sup>3</sup> 1/2  | 1 <sup>1</sup>      | 1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2 | 4 <sup>2</sup> 1/4 |
| 5   | J P Hellish        | 6     | 8 <sup>11</sup> 1/2 | 8 <sup>9</sup> 1/2  | 7 <sup>7</sup> 1/2 | 6 <sup>4</sup> 1/2 | 5 <sup>2</sup> 1/2 |
| 7   | Traveller          | 8     | 7 <sup>11</sup>     | 7 <sup>8</sup>      | 8 <sup>8</sup>     | 7 <sup>5</sup>     | 6 <sup>4</sup> 1/4 |
| 1   | Frosty the Soldier | 5     | 4 <sup>5</sup> 1/2  | 3 <sup>2</sup> 1/2  | 4 <sup>2</sup>     | 4 <sup>3</sup> 1/2 | 7 <sup>5</sup>     |
| 4   | Hard Mission       | 9     | 9 <sup>13</sup> 1/2 | 9 <sup>10</sup> 1/2 | 9 <sup>10</sup>    | 8 <sup>7</sup>     | 8 <sup>6</sup>     |
| 9   | Noble Star         | 7     | 5 <sup>6</sup> 1/2  | 5 <sup>5</sup>      | 6 <sup>7</sup>     | 9 <sup>8</sup>     | 9 <sup>8</sup>     |

**Trainers:** 8 - Rice, Kevin; 6 - Barron, Rory; 2 - Fennessy, John; 3 - Pappada, Michael; 5 - Bush, George; 7 - DePasquale, Kimberly; 1 - Foley, Thomas; 4 - Arriagada, Juan; 9 - Reust, Megan

**Owners:** 8 - Rice Racing; 6 -Rory M. Barron; 2 -Clair Walker; 3 -Julie A. Pappada; 5 - ICON Racing Stables; 7 - Winterhawk Farm; 1 - Foley Bloodstock, LLC; 4 - Arriagada, Juan, Primpas, Nicholas and Catapano, Frank; 9 - Little Empire Racing Stables;

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

GOOSE HUNTER reserved in mid-pack while well in hand, raced along the fence saving ground to the quarter pole, angled seven wide to the clear at the top of the lane and closed with a rush to be up in time. VIA DELLA SPIGA prompted the pace to the far turn, edged up steadily to take command at the head of the stretch and finished well being caught in the shadow of the wire in a gallant effort. R ADMIRAL tracked the leaders to the five-sixteenths to be well placed and rallied with a grinding bid to miss while being best of the rest. DRIFTWOOD set the pace on a clear early lead, maintained control until the head of the lane and ran-on through the stretch weakening late. J P HELLISH unhurried to race well off the pace near the rear and showed good late interest to rally passed weaker in the stretch. TRAVELLER failed to menace. FROSTY THE SOLDIER was well placed in striking distance of the pacesetters midway on the final bend and faded coming home. HARD MISSION was not a factor. NOBLE STAR rated in mid-pack to the final turn and steadily gave way.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred

**Track Attendance:** 211

**Handle:** \$10,476

