

SANTA ANITA PARK - June 5, 2026 - Race 6

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR CALIFORNIA BRED OR CALIFORNIA SIRE MAIDENS, FILLIES AND MARES THREE, FOUR, AND FIVE YEARS OLD.

Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Claiming Price \$12,500. (S) **Claiming Price: \$12,500**

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Ruhlmann - 1:33.40 - March 5, 1989)

Purse: \$16,000

Plus: \$680 Other Sources

Available Money: \$16,680

Value of Race: \$16,680 1st \$9,600, 2nd \$3,200, 3rd \$1,920, 4th \$960, 5th \$500, 6th \$500

Weather: Clear, 84° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 3:35 **Start:** Good for all except 4,6 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
8May26 ⁷ SA ³	1	Bitter Truth (Aguilar, Armando)	126 L bf	1	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{2 1/2}	1 ²	1 ⁴	1.50	speed,awkwrđ step late
17Apr26 ¹ SA ⁷	7	By the Moonlight (Gonzalez, Ricardo)	126 L b	6	1	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ²	2 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}	5.50	2wide,drifted bit uppr
18Apr26 ¹ SA ⁸	4	Kitty Mac (Berrios, Hector)	120 L	3	6	5 ²	5 ²	3 ^{1/2}	3 ⁴	3 ¹¹	1.40*	hesitated/off slow
16May26 ⁸ SA ⁶	2	Dame It Dani (Frey, Kyle)	120 L	2	2	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	4 ⁴	4 ⁶	4 ⁹	6.30	pulled,inside,faded
8May26 ⁷ SA ⁴	6	Sky At Sunrise (Escobedo, Adrian)	120 L b	5	5	6	6	6	5 ³	5 ^{12 1/2}	13.50	bad stumble,4w,angl in
16May26 ⁶ SA ⁶	5	Palace Mischief (Herrera, Cristobal)	126 L b	4	4	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	6	6	37.20	mild bid 3deep, tired

Fractional Times: 23.79 48.42 1:13.43 1:27.36 **Final Time:** 1:40.57 **Time from Gate:** 1:45.62

Split Times: (24:63) (25:01) (13:93) (13:21)

Run-Up: 180 feet

Winner: Bitter Truth, Chestnut Filly, by Clubhouse Ride out of Royal Descendent, by Awesome Again. Foaled Feb 25, 2022 in California.

Breeder: Legacy Ranch

Owner: Steve P. Rusich

Trainer: Valdez, Jose

1 Claimed Horse(s): Kitty Mac

New Trainer: Edwin G. Alvarez

New Owner: Edwin G. Alvarez

Claiming Prices: 1 - Bitter Truth: \$12,500; 7 - By the Moonlight: \$12,500; 4 - Kitty Mac: \$12,500; 2 - Dame It Dani: \$12,500; 6 - Sky At Sunrise: \$12,500; 5 - Palace Mischief: \$12,500;

Scratched Horse(s): Gogotiz (Veterinarian), Waiting for My Cue (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$121,755

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Bitter Truth	5.00	2.80	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	1-7	18.70	66,372
7	By the Moonlight		6.20	3.20	\$1.00 Trifecta	1-7-4	42.90	36,798
4	Kitty Mac			2.20	\$0.10 Superfecta	1-7-4-2	10.48	27,915
					\$2.00 Daily Double	1-1	17.40	16,258
					\$1.00 Pick 3	1-1-1 (3 correct)	59.50	44,248

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
1	Bitter Truth	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{2 1/2}	1 ²	1 ⁴
7	By the Moonlight	1	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ²	2 ⁴
4	Kitty Mac	6	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ³	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ⁴	3 ^{5 1/2}
2	Dame It Dani	2	4 ³	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ⁵	4 ⁸	4 ^{16 1/2}
6	Sky At Sunrise	5	6 ^{6 1/2}	6 ⁵	6 ^{9 1/2}	5 ¹⁴	5 ^{25 1/2}
5	Palace Mischief	4	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ¹	5 ⁹	6 ¹⁷	6 ³⁸

Trainers: 1 - Valdez, Jose; 7 - Baltas, Richard; 4 - Blacker, Dan; 2 - Marquez, Alfredo; 6 - Gomez, Ruben; 5 - Bautista, Jorge

Owners: 1 - Steve P. Rusich; 7 - Newfield Farm; 4 - Integrity Thoroughbred Racing LLC, ITR LLC, The Ellwood Johnston Trust, Santiesteban, Felix B. and Visser, Mitch; 2 - Wayne E. Swisher; 6 - Pedro Rangel; 5 - Paradox Stable;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BITTER TRUTH showed the way from inside, kicked away on the far turn under coaxing, continued clear into the final furlong, took an awkward step over the tracks past the sixteenth pole and held safely. BY THE MOONLIGHT chased in the two path around the first turn, was closest in pursuit to the top of the lane, drifted out a bit in upper stretch and held second. KITTY MAC hesitated and came away slow at the start, traveled along the inside then moved off the rail around the first turn, chased four wide early on the far turn, angled down to the two path and ran on for a clear third. DAME IT DANI pulled early while tossing her head, settled down on the backstretch, lost ground around the far turn and faded in the drive. SKY AT SUNRISE stumbled badly at the start, trailed four wide around the first turn, remained wide up the backstretch, angled in on the far turn and was never a factor. PALACE MISCHIEF chased three wide early, put in a mild bid three deep on the backstretch, dropped back on the far turn and tired in the lane.