

SARA TOGA - July 18, 2026 - Race 9

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred
(UP TO \$20,010 NYSBFOA) FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs.
(Non-Starters For A Claiming Price Of \$55,000 Or Less In The Last 5 Starts Preferred).

Distance: Seven Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Englishman - 1:20.40 - June 6, 2026)

Purse: \$115,000

Available Money: \$115,000

Value of Race: \$115,000 1st \$63,250, 2nd \$23,000, 3rd \$13,800, 4th \$6,900, 5th \$4,600, 6th \$863, 7th \$863, 8th \$863, 9th \$861

Weather: Hazy, 71° Track: Sloppy (Sealed)

Off at: 5:27 Start: Good for all except 6 Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
23Aug25 ⁶ SAR ⁵	3	Stimulate (Alvarado, Junior)	122	L	2	7	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{2 3/4}	2.79*	4w pursuit, edged clr
31May26 ⁸ CD ³	9	Gadget Play (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	122	L	8	1	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	4.04	pace 3-2w, willingly
5Jun26 ³ SAR ²	1	Criteria (Ortiz, Jose)	122	L	1	4	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{Neck}	3.26	light hold 2p, kept on
19Jun26 ⁵ BAQ ³	5	Mo the Merrier (Elliott, Christopher)	122	L	4	6	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ⁵	4 ^{4 3/4}	5.46	7w uppr, kept on
---	8	Ize a Runner (Davis, Dylan)	122	L	7	9	9	9	6 ¹	5 ^{2 1/2}	13.57	shied out st, improved
5Jun26 ¹ SAR ⁷	4	Dark Assault (Lezcano, Jose)	122	L	3	5	6 ¹	6 ^{1/2}	5 ¹	6 ^{2 3/4}	33.11	ins from 1/2, weakened
5Jun26 ³ SAR ⁴	10	Noble Edition (Franco, Manuel)	122	L b	9	3	7 ^{1/2}	7 ^{2 1/2}	7 ⁴	7 ^{9 1/4}	4.68	chased 5-4w, tired
29Nov25 ⁷ CD ²	6	Stirring Words (Rodriguez, Jaime)	122	- -	5	8	8 ^{3 1/2}	8 ^{1/2}	8 ⁵	8 ^{5 1/2}	23.05	brush gate, no impact
19Jun26 ⁵ BAQ ⁵	7	Ovechkin (Zayas, Edgard)	122	L b	6	2	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{Head}	9	9	39.58	chased 6-5w, faltered

Fractional Times: 22.50 45.47 1:10.21

Final Time: 1:23.33 Time from Gate: 1:25.13

Split Times: (22:97) (24:74) (13:12)

Run-Up: 35 feet

Winner: Stimulate, Gray or Roan Colt, by Tapit out of Elate, by Medaglia d'Oro. Foaled Mar 19, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Claiborne Farm & Adele B. Dilschneider

Owner: Claiborne Farm and Dilschneider, Adele B.

Trainer: Mott, William

Scratched Horse(s): Sidearm (PrivVet-Injured)

Total WPS Pool: \$839,738

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Stimulate	7.58	4.52	3.24	\$1.00 Exacta	3-9	18.86	600,929
9	Gadget Play		4.06	3.34	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-9-1	36.55	257,774
1	Criteria			3.12	\$1.00 Pick 3	1-2-3 (3 correct)	22.23	131,175
					\$0.50 Pick 4	1/6-1/5/7-1/2/7/8-2/3 (4 correct)	24.01	251,755
					\$0.50 Pick 5	3-1/6-1/5/7-1/2/7/8-2/3 (5 correct)	83.56	497,613
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-3	5.28	119,025
					\$0.10 Superfecta	3-9-1-5	19.87	119,528

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Stimulate	7	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{2 3/4}
9	Gadget Play	1	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{2 3/4}
1	Criteria	4	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	3 ^{3 3/4}
5	Mo the Merrier	6	3 ¹	4 ^{1 3/4}	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ⁴
8	Ize a Runner	9	9 ^{8 1/2}	9 ^{6 3/4}	6 ^{8 1/2}	5 ^{8 3/4}
4	Dark Assault	5	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ^{3 1/4}	5 ^{7 1/2}	6 ^{11 1/4}
10	Noble Edition	3	7 ^{4 1/2}	7 ^{3 3/4}	7 ^{9 1/2}	7 ¹⁴
6	Stirring Words	8	8 ⁵	8 ^{6 1/4}	8 ^{13 1/2}	8 ^{23 1/4}
7	Ovechkin	2	5 ²	5 ^{3 1/4}	9 ^{18 1/2}	9 ^{28 3/4}

Trainers: 3 - Mott, William; 9 - Stall, Jr., Albert; 1 - Brown, Chad; 5 - McPeek, Kenneth; 8 - Brown, Chad; 4 - McGaughey III, Claude; 10 - Cox, Brad; 6 - DeVaux, Cherie; 7 - Hennig, Mark

Owners: 3 - Claiborne Farm and Dilschneider, Adele B.; 9 - Spendthrift Farm LLC; 1 - Klaravich Stables, Inc.; 5 - Harold Lerner LLC, Nehoc Stables, AWC Stables and Team Stallion Racing Stable; 8 -Chester Broman, Sr.; 4 - Phipps Stable; 10 - Wathnan Racing; 6 - Lael Stables; 7 - Lewis, R. Lee and Lewis, Lexi J.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

STIMULATE got bumped after the break by CRITERIA, chased four paths off the inside down the backstretch and then four wide through the turn advancing on the leader to knock heads midway, swung six wide into upper stretch placed to a drive, seized command just inside the three-sixteenths marker and edged clear under a drive to score. GADGET PLAY established the front from the get go and showed the way three paths off the rail down the backstretch, tucked to the two path into the turn and came under increasing pressure from the top one through that bend and came under coaxing nearing the quarter pole in response, spun three wide into upper stretch, got collared just inside three-sixteenths to go and ran on willingly to safely preserve the place honors. CRITERIA came out slightly after the start and bumped STIMULATE, chased just off the inside under a light hold until put to urging with five-sixteenths remaining, tipped three wide into upper stretch and kept on to the finish. MO THE MERRIER chased five paths off the inside down the backstretch and then three wide through the turn coaxed along from the five-sixteenths pole, went seven wide into upper stretch, shied out under a left handed crop straightened away, then kept on to the wire. IZE A RUNNER shied out at the start in reaction to OVECHKIN breaking outwards, chased seven paths off the inside down the backstretch, tucked briefly three then two wide near the half mile pole and then tipped back out four wide through the remainder of the turn coaxed along from the seven-sixteenths pole, went eight to nine wide into upper stretch and improved position to the finish. DARK ASSAULT coaxed from the gate, chased three paths off the rail down the backstretch, tucked inside half a mile from home, came under encouragement with three furlongs to go, continued in the inside route into upper stretch and weakened. NOBLE EDITION chased five then four wide, came under urging briefly three wide at the three-eighths marker, angled five wide for home and tired in the stretch. STIRRING WORDS brushed the near side stall at the start, chased three wide coming under a ride midway on the turn, tipped four wide into upper stretch, made no impact. OVECHKIN broke out at the start and was corrected before making contact with IZE A RUNNER, chased six then five wide under a drive from the seven-sixteenths pole, went eight to nine wide into upper stretch and faltered in the

stretch.

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