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SUNLAND PARK - March 2, 2026 - Race 9

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR REGISTERED NEW MEXICO BRED MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$6,250. (S) **Claiming Price:** \$6,250

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Escape Clause - 1:34.00 - March 24, 2019)

Purse: \$12,200

Includes: \$2,500 NMHBA - New Mexico Horse Breeders Assoc.

Available Money: \$12,200

Value of Race: \$12,200 1st \$7,320, 2nd \$2,440, 3rd \$1,220, 4th \$610, 5th \$366, 6th \$244

Weather: Clear, 85° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:03 **Start:** Good for all except 5,7 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
16Feb26 ⁹ SUN ⁷	8	American Knight (Juarez, Jr., Alfredo)	124 b	8	2	5 ¹	5 ¹	6 ⁴	2 ^{1/2}	1 ² 1/2	12.60	5p,6p3/16,rally,cleard
8Feb26 ⁴ SUN ³	10	Bye Bye Russ (Valenzuela, Luis)	124 L b	10	3	9 ^{1/2}	7 ¹ 1/2	5 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	2 ¹ 3/4	2.20	6-5p,outkicked,rان on
9Feb26 ² SUN ²	5	Sgt Muskett (Vazquez, Jose)	124 L b	5	10	8 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ^{3/4}	8.90	stdy st,bid 4w,led,yld
9Feb26 ² SUN ⁷	1	Rail Runner (Sigala, Alfredo)	124 L b	1	9	10	10	9 ⁴	6 ^{1/2}	4 ¹ 3/4	5.20	2-4p,8p upr,willingly
16Feb26 ⁹ SUN ⁵	7	Torreado (Rodriguez, Luis)	124 L b	7	7	4 ¹	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	4 ²	5 ³ 1/2	2.00*	rank/steady st,rank1st
8Feb26 ⁴ SUN ⁵	2	Tinaja (Medellin, Erick)	124 L	2	6	6 ^{1/2}	8 ¹	8 ^{1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Neck}	21.00	no factor
16Feb26 ⁹ SUN ⁸	4	Awsome Charlie (Negron, Luis)	124 L b	4	5	1 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	4 ¹	5 ^{1/2}	7 ¹ 1/4	7.10	bid 3wd btw 3/8,faded
28Nov25 ⁵ ZIA ⁷	3	Here I Go Again (Perez, Miguel)	121 L b	3	4	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	8 ⁴	8 ⁵ 3/4	30.50	vied ins,stalked,faded
18Nov25 ⁵ ZIA ⁶	9	Slappy (Carmona, Kevin)	121 L f	9	8	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	7 ¹	9 ²⁰	9 ⁵⁹ 1/2	26.50	2p,chased,tired 2nd
8Feb26 ⁴ SUN ⁹	6	Feist (Jaime, Ricardo)	124 L b	6	1	3 ¹	9 ^{1/2}	10	10	10	27.40	track 4p,wknd btw 5/8

Fractional Times: 24.16 47.81 1:13.41 1:27.05 **Final Time:** 1:40.16

Split Times: (23:65) (25:60) (13:64) (13:11)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: American Knight, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by American Anthem out of Merlin's Jewel, by Drosselmeyer. Foaled Feb 10, 2022 in New Mexico.

Breeder: Warren Franklin

Owner: Lee J. Gutierrez

Trainer: Gonzalez, Andres

Claiming Prices: 8 - American Knight: \$6,250; 10 - Bye Bye Russ: \$6,250; 5 - Sgt Muskett: \$6,250; 1 - Rail Runner: \$6,250; 7 - Torreado: \$6,250; 2 - Tinaja: \$6,250; 4 - Awsome Charlie: \$6,250; 3 - Here I Go Again: \$6,250; 9 - Slappy: \$6,250; 6 - Feist: \$6,250;

Scratched Horse(s): American Secrets (Also-Eligible), Chino Mirage (Also-Eligible)

Total WPS Pool: \$37,192

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
8	American Knight	27.20	10.00	8.20	\$1.00 Exacta	8-10	38.50	27,558	
10	Bye Bye Russ		3.00	3.40	\$1.00 Trifecta	8-10-5	366.30	13,687	
5	Sgt Muskett			7.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	8-10-5-1	95.76	14,598	
					\$0.50 Super High Five	8-10-5-1-7	23.05	801	300
					\$1.00 Daily Double	9-8	31.10	8,276	
					\$0.50 Pick 3	2-9-8 (3 correct)	173.55	9,168	
					\$0.50 Pick 4	2/3-2-9-8 (4 correct)	213.20	14,015	
					\$0.50 Pick 5	8-2/3-2-9-8 (5 correct)	881.20	8,273	

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
8	American Knight	2	5 ³	5 ⁴ 1/2	6 ² 1/4	2 ^{1/2}	1 ² 1/2
10	Bye Bye Russ	3	9 ⁶ 1/2	7 ⁵ 1/2	5 ²	3 ¹	2 ² 1/2
5	Sgt Muskett	10	8 ⁵	4 ³	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ⁴ 1/4
1	Rail Runner	9	10 ⁷	10 ⁸ 1/2	9 ⁷ 3/4	6 ⁴	4 ⁵
7	Torreado	7	4 ²	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	4 ¹ 1/2	5 ⁶ 3/4
2	Tinaja	6	6 ⁴	8 ⁷	8 ⁷ 1/4	7 ⁴ 1/2	6 ¹⁰ 1/4
4	Awsome Charlie	5	1 ^{1/2}	3 ²	4 ¹	5 ³ 1/2	7 ¹⁰ 1/2
3	Here I Go Again	4	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹ 1/2	3 ^{1/2}	8 ⁵	8 ¹⁷ 3/4
9	Slappy	8	7 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁵ 1/2	7 ⁶ 1/4	9 ⁹	9 ²³ 1/2
6	Feist	1	3 ¹	9 ⁸	10 ¹¹ 3/4	10 ²⁹	10 ⁸³

Trainers: 8 - Gonzalez, Andres; 10 - Fincher, Todd; 5 - Gonzalez, Jose; 1 - Olguin, Ever; 7 - Barrios, Bernadette; 2 - Blea III, Anthony; 4 - Lambert, Casey; 3 - Green, Greg; 9 - Reynolds, Cody; 6 - Armstrong, Sherry

Owners: 8 -Lee J. Gutierrez; 10 - B4 Farms, LLC; 5 -Jorge L. Fernandez; 1 -Olga Toquinto; 7 - Verastegui Racing LLC; 2 - Tucumcari Thoroughbreds; 4 - St. Eligius Reserve; 3 - Greg Green Racing, LLC and Yarbar, R. Dwain; 9 -Elias Galindo; 6 -Bob Matney;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

AMERICAN KNIGHT pursued from midpack in the five path, tipped six wide into the lane, rallied to reel in the leader at the sixteenth pole and drew clear. BYE BYE RUSS raced off of the pace in the six path, progressed in the five path around the far turn, got outkicked by an outer rival in midstretch yet ran on to gain place. SGT MUSKETT broke a step slow then steadied at the start, lacked speed in the four path, progressed in the six path down the backstretch, bid four deep into the far turn, led turning for home, but got caught at the sixteenth pole and gave way. RAIL RUNNER broke a beat slow, lacked speed in the two to four path, fanned out to the eight path into upper stretch then ran on willingly. TORREADO got rank and steadied hard among foes soon after the start, got rank again among foes around the first turn, shifted out the pulled to the front at the eleven sixteenths pole, led in the two path approaching the far turn, got headed by an outer bidder at the five sixteenths pole then faded. TINAJA failed to factor. AWSOME CHARLIE vied in the three path early on, stalked an outer bidder down the backstretch, rebid three wide and between foes into the far turn but faded turning for home. HERE I GO AGAIN vied along the inside stalked down the backstretch, crept back into striking range inside of the leader entering the far turn but faded through the lane. SLAPPY pursued from the two path, chased then tired rounding the far turn. FEIST tracked in the four path but was done early.

