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SUNLAND PARK - April 3, 2026 - Race 8

OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Quarter Horse

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE SINCE APRIL 3, 2025 OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$20,000. Three Year Olds, 126 lbs.; Older, 128 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000. (C)

Claiming Price: \$20,000

Distance: Four Hundred Yards On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Double Down Special - 18.613 - April 3, 2010)

Purse: \$29,300

Available Money: \$29,300

Value of Race: \$29,300 1st \$17,580, 2nd \$5,860, 3rd \$2,930, 4th \$1,465, 5th \$879, 6th \$586

Wind Speed: 12 **Wind Direction:** Tail

Weather: Clear, 80° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 3:45 **Start:** Poor **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	Str 1	Str	Fin	Odds	Ind. Time	Sp. In.	Comments
29Nov25 ⁸ ZIA ⁵	9	Magic Castle (Nieto-Saenz, Jorge)	128	L b	8	2	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	7.80	19.116	99	vied early,proved best
7Feb26 ¹¹ SUN ⁸	7	Eagle Aye (Flores Garcia, Luis Angel)	128	L bf	7	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	0.60*	19.190	97	battled,kept at bay
7Feb26 ⁵ SUN ⁴	5	Scary Flight (Enriquez, Jose)	126	L bfk	5	4	4 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ^{3/4}	3.40	19.475	90	hop st,crowded 1/8
7Mar26 ⁴ SUN ⁶	6	Nori (Andrade, Jr., Oscar)	128	L b	6	5	6 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 3/4}	6.30	19.584	87	off slow,came on late
10Oct25 ⁸ ALB ⁷	1	Love That Jess (Medrano, Gabriel)	128	L bfk	1	6	5 ^{1/2}	6 ³	5 ^{1 1/4}	27.20	19.847	81	showed speed,weakened
6Feb26 ² SUN ⁶	3	Thank U Next B (Gutierrez, Jr., Luis)	128	L bf	3	3	3 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	6 ^{1 1/2}	41.20	20.020	77	close early,gave way
13Feb26 ⁶ SUN ⁴	4	Nobby Walsh (Ortega, Raul)	128	L bk	4	7	7 ²	7 ^{2 1/2}	7 ^{2 3/4}	24.90	20.233	71	hop st,early traffic
21Feb26 ⁸ SUN ⁵	2	Hawkeyes Cartel (Martinez, Luis)	128	L bf	2	8	8	8	8	15.50	20.610	62	bad stumble start

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Magic Castle, Bay Gelding, by Favorite Trick out of Miss Racy Cartel, by Corona Cartel. Foaled Jan 02, 2021 in California.

Breeder: Paul C Jones & Thompson Racing

Owner: Javier M. Chavez

Trainer: DeHerrera, Jose

Claiming Prices: 4 - Nobby Walsh: \$20,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Meleros Tequila (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$21,807

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
9	Magic Castle	17.60	4.60	2.80	\$1.00 Exacta	9-7	17.30	25,370
7	Eagle Aye		2.20	2.10	\$1.00 Trifecta	9-7-5	48.00	18,003
5	Scary Flight			3.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	9-7-5-6	10.48	15,853

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	Str 1	Str	Fin
9	Magic Castle	2	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}
7	Eagle Aye	1	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}
5	Scary Flight	4	4 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/2}
6	Nori	5	6 ²	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/4}
1	Love That Jess	6	5 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{3 1/2}	5 ⁵
3	Thank U Next B	3	3 ^{1/2}	5 ³	6 ^{6 1/4}
4	Nobby Walsh	7	7 ³	7 ^{6 1/2}	7 ^{7 3/4}
2	Hawkeyes Cartel	8	8 ⁵	8 ⁹	8 ^{10 1/2}

Trainers: 9 - DeHerrera, Jose; 7 - Mendoza, Ramon; 5 - Dominguez, Jaime; 6 - Rodriguez, Manuel; 1 - Hinojos, Alvaro; 3 - Soto, Salvador; 4 - Grado, Jesus; 2 - Gomez-Barraza, David

Owners: 9 -Javier M. Chavez; 7 - Tungsten Racing Partnership and Howlet, Heysol; 5 - Tungsten Racing Partnership and Howlet, Heysol; 6 - MRB Racing LLC; 1 -Viridiana Duran Villegas; 3 - Texas Redd Equine Holdings, LLC; 4 -Sebastian Grado; 2 -Noe Amaya;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MAGIC CASTLE vied early, led past mid-stretch, dug in late, proved best. EAGLE AYE chased to mid-stretch, battled to deep stretch, held at bay late. SCARY FLIGHT hopped start, off step slow, showed speed, crowded mid-stretch. NORI off slow, off pace to mid-stretch, found best stride late. LOVE THAT JESS showed speed to mid-stretch, weakened deep stretch. THANK U NEXT B close up early, vied to mid-stretch, gave way. NOBBY WALSH hopped start, early traffic, shifted in, outrun deep stretch. HAWKEYES CARTEL stumbled badly start, trailed to mid-stretch, could not recover. THE JOCKEY OF EAGLE AYE LODGED AN OBJECTION AGAINST THE JOCKEY OF MAGIC CASTLE, CLAIMING INTERFERENCE AT MID-STRETCH. THE STEWARDS DISALLOWED THAT OBJECTION AND RULED THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE.