

TAMPA BAY DOWNS - January 3, 2026 - Race 3
EQUIBASE

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE SINCE JULY 3. Four Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 123

 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000. (NW1 6M) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000

Distance: One Mile And Forty Yards On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Golden Juan - 1:38.14 - March 21, 2025)

Purse: \$19,000

Includes: \$500 FOA - Florida Owners Awards

Includes: \$1,000 Other Sources

Available Money: \$19,000

Value of Race: \$18,700 1st \$11,200, 2nd \$3,500, 3rd \$1,900, 4th \$1,050, 5th \$175, 6th \$175, 7th \$175, 8th \$175, 9th \$175, 10th \$175

[Video Race Replay](#)
Weather: Cloudy, 72° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:37 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments	
28Nov25	3	TAM ⁵	8	Midnight Onyx (Camacho, Samy)	123	L	8 2	6 ²	6 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2.60*	bid4p1/4, led1/8, held
17Dec25	4	TAM ²	3	Paynter's Prodigy (Ho, Wesley)	123	L bf	3 7	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	4.10	2p, dug in, held place
12Dec25	3	TAM ³	7	Political Riot (Santos, Ademar)	123	L	7 5	3 ¹	3 ^{2 1/2}	4 ³	3 ³	3 ^{2 1/4}	15.10	4p,bid btw3/16,kept on
13Dec25	8	TAM ²	2	Downtown Connector (Feliciano, Ricardo)	123	L b	2 10	10	8 ^{1/2}	6 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{4 1/4}	3.60	unhurried4-5p,improved
17Dec25	4	TAM ³	1	Cox Canyon (Gonzalez, Cesar)	116	L	1 8	9 ^{1/2}	9 ^{1/2}	10	10	5 ¹	19.00	ins-3p,pass tired foes
17Dec25	4	TAM ⁴	4	Ghost Stalker (Hess, Sara)	123	L b	4 6	2 ⁴	2 ^{3 1/2}	3 ^{Head}	5 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{Neck}	39.50	prompted3-2p,yield str
17Dec25	4	TAM ⁶	5	Holiday Fantasy (Mejias, Kleiner)	116	L bf	5 9	5 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	8 ²	6 ^{1/2}	7 ^{3/4}	22.20	rated2p-rail,no factor
13Dec25	8	TAM ¹⁰	6	Belts 'n Brooks (Gil, Cipriano)	123	L	6 4	8 ^{1 1/2}	10	9 ²	8 ^{1/2}	8 ^{1 3/4}	58.90	2p, fan7p lane, no bid
17Dec25	4	TAM ⁴	10	Le Griffon (Leon, Sonny)	123	L	10 1	4 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	7 ¹	9 ¹	3.60	chased 4-2p, weakened
5Dec25	4	TAM ⁴	9	Street Glide (Marin, Samuel)	123	L	9 3	7 ^{Head}	7 ^{2 1/2}	7 ¹	9 ^{1/2}	10	8.10	off pace 3p, no menace

Fractional Times: 23.86 47.43 1:12.65 1:38.52

Final Time: 1:40.79

Split Times: (23:57) (25:22) (25:87) (2:27)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Midnight Onyx, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Black Onyx out of Moonlight Salsa, by Two Step Salsa. Foaled Apr 14, 2020 in Florida.

Breeder: Joseph R. Waugh

Owner: Estabulo Heluce

Trainer: Avila, Juan

Claiming Prices: 8 - Midnight Onyx: \$5,000; 3 - Paynter's Prodigy: \$5,000; 7 - Political Riot: \$5,000; 1 - Cox Canyon: \$5,000; 4 - Ghost Stalker: \$5,000; 5 - Holiday Fantasy: \$5,000; 6 - Belts 'n Brooks: \$5,000; 10 - Le Griffon: \$5,000; 9 - Street Glide: \$5,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Lino's Kid (Also-Eligible), Out Work'n (Also-Eligible)

Total WPS Pool: \$132,158

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
8	Midnight Onyx	7.20	4.00	4.00	\$1.00 Exacta	8-3	14.10	112,204	
3	Paynter's Prodigy		5.00	4.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	8-3-7-2	61.41	38,393	
7	Political Riot			10.00	\$0.50 Pick 3	4-6-8 (3 correct)	177.30	33,331	
					\$1.00 Daily Double	6-8	97.10	13,125	
					\$0.50 Trifecta	8-3-7	68.60	62,400	
					\$1.00 X-5 Super High Five	8-3-7-2-1	948	766	

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
8	Midnight Onyx	2	6 ⁷	6 ^{7 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}
3	Paynter's Prodigy	7	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}
7	Political Riot	5	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{4 1/2}	4 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}
2	Downtown Connector	10	10 11 1/4	8 ^{11 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{2 3/4}
1	Cox Canyon	8	9 10 3/4	9 ¹²	10 ^{10 1/2}	10 ⁸	5 ⁷
4	Ghost Stalker	6	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	3 ¹	5 ⁴	6 ⁸
5	Holiday Fantasy	9	5 ⁷	4 ⁷	8 ^{6 1/2}	6 ^{5 1/2}	7 ^{8 1/4}
6	Belts 'n Brooks	4	8 ^{9 1/4}	10 ^{12 1/2}	9 ^{8 1/2}	8 ⁷	8 ⁹
10	Le Griffon	1	4 ^{5 1/2}	5 ^{7 1/2}	5 ⁴	7 ⁶	9 10 3/4
9	Street Glide	3	7 ⁹	7 ⁹	7 ^{5 1/2}	9 ^{7 1/2}	10 ^{11 3/4}

Trainers: 8 - Avila, Juan; 3 - Castillo, Michelle; 7 - VanWinkle, David; 2 - Feliciano, Benny; 1 - Wasiluk, Jr., Peter; 4 - Waltke, Jr., Thomas; 5 - Padilla, Tim; 6 - Bagwandeen, Pernel; 10 - Avila, Juan; 9 - Arnett, Jon

Owners: 8 -Estabulo Heluce; 3 -Albert P. Abdala III; 7 -Taylor Van Winkle; 2 -Controversial Racing; 1 -Brice Bowerman; 4 -Thomas E. Waltke, Jr.; 5 -Tim P. Padilla; 6 -Bagwandeen Thoroughbreds, Inc.; 10 - De Luca and Sons Stable; 9 -William W. Guess;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MIDNIGHT ONYX raced in midpack in the five path, was coaxed along in the four path around the far turn, bid passing the quarter, took the lead passing the eighth pole, and held safe. PAYNTER'S PRODIGY showed the way in the two path, was ridden around the far turn, dug in down the stretch, lost the lead passing the eighth pole, but held place. POLITICAL RIOT tracked in the four path up the backstretch, was roused midway around the far turn, bid between foes at the top of the lane, and kept on for show. DOWNTOWN CONNECTOR was unhurried in the four path early, coaxed along around the far turn, swung from the five path into the lane, and improved. COX CANYON was wellback along the inside, ridden from the rail around the far turn, and passed tired foes in the three path down the lane. GHOST STALKER prompted the pace in the three path but yielded in the two path down the stretch. HOLIDAY FANTASY rated in the two path, was driven from the rail around the far turn, but did not factor. BELTS 'N BROOKS was wellback in the two path, fanned out to the seven path turning into the stretch, and never threatened. LE GRIFFON chased in the four path, merged into the two path while coming under a ride entering the far turn, but weakened in the four path down the lane. STREET GLIDE raced off the pace in the three path but never menaced.

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