

TAMPA BAY DOWNS - January 4, 2026 - Race 9

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred  
FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Once At A Mile Or Over Since November 4 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since October 4 Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$16,000 (Races Where Entered For \$12,500 Or Less Not Considered) (Condition Eligibility). (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at One Mile and Forty Yards.) (Rail at 22 feet). **Claiming Price:** \$16,000

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

**Purse:** \$29,000

**Includes:** \$2,500 FOA - Florida Owners Awards

**Includes:** \$3,500 Other Sources

**Available Money:** \$29,000

**Value of Race:** \$23,600 1st \$13,800, 2nd \$4,600, 3rd \$2,900, 4th \$1,380, 5th \$230, 6th \$230, 7th \$230, 8th \$230

**Weather:** Clear, 72° **Track:** Good

**Off at:** 4:43 **Start:** Good for all except 2,3,7 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
29Nov25 <sup>6</sup> TAM <sup>6</sup>	9	Starship Empire (Marin, Samuel)	121 L	7	4	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	5.90	bid4p3/8,inched ahead
20Oct25 <sup>7</sup> PID <sup>7</sup>	8	Extrasexybigdaddee (Montanez, Rosario)	119 L bf	6	6	7 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10.20	stymy2p far turn,4p1/8
5Dec25 <sup>9</sup> TAM <sup>10</sup>	5	Drama Chorus (Quinonez, Alonso)	119 L	3	1	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>4</sup>	6.80	sent, dug in, yld late
17Dec25 <sup>9</sup> TAM <sup>8</sup>	6	Jailhouse Justice (Rojas, Martina)	119 L b	4	5	4 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub> / <sub>4</sub>	27.10	3p5/16,5p lane,flatten
17Dec25 <sup>8</sup> TAM <sup>7</sup>	7	Syntactic (Gonzalez, Alex)	120 L b	5	7	8	8	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	32.50	slow st, 4p1/4, 6p str
19Dec25 <sup>8</sup> TAM <sup>2</sup>	3	American Unity (Feliciano, Ricardo)	119 L bf	2	3	6 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1.50*	bmp st, 4p5/16, no bid
23Oct25 <sup>6</sup> PID <sup>2</sup>	2	Artempus (Rodriguez, Ronaldo)	112 L b	1	2	3 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	8	7 <sup>3</sup>	7 <sup>12</sup>	2.70	bump st, ins, retreat
7Dec25 <sup>6</sup> WO <sup>4</sup>	11	Mad Dog N Joe (Marquez, Charlie)	119 - -	8	8	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8	8	7.10	vied3-2p,gateway btwn

**Fractional Times:** 23.58 47.45 1:13.38 1:40.44 **Final Time:** 1:42.89

**Split Times:** (23:87) (25:93) (27:06) (2:45)

**Run-Up:** 30 feet

**Winner:** Starship Empire, Gray or Roan Gelding, by Mission Impazible out of Starship Diva, by Eltish. Foaled Mar 23, 2017 in New York.

**Breeder:** Mustang Farms, Inc.

**Owner:** Ron G. Potts

**Trainer:** Potts, Ron

**Claiming Prices:** 9 - Starship Empire: \$16,000; 8 - Extrasexybigdaddee: \$16,000; 5 - Drama Chorus: \$16,000; 6 - Jailhouse Justice: \$16,000; 7 - Syntactic: \$16,000; 3 - American Unity: \$16,000; 2 - Artempus: \$16,000; 11 - Mad Dog N Joe: \$16,000;

**Scratched Horse(s):** Consultant (Off-Turf), Joe From Kiev (Also-Eligible), Old Flag (IRE) (Off-Turf), Overhaul (Off-Turf)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$152,370

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
9	Starship Empire	13.80	7.00	4.00	\$1.00 Exacta	9-8	47.80	127,311	
8	Extrasexybigdaddee		9.00	5.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	9-8-5	140.40	72,821	
5	Drama Chorus			4.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	9-8-5-6	150.92	55,226	
					\$1.00 Daily Double	6-9	11.70	18,082	
					\$0.50 Pick 3	5-6-9 (3 correct)	45.50	27,067	
					\$0.50 Pick 4	2-5-1/2/5/6-9 (4 correct)	459.85	44,662	
					\$0.50 Pick 5	11-2-5-1/2/5/6-9 (5 correct)	3,102.00	58,391	
					\$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot	8-11-2-5-1/2/5/6-9 (5 correct)	92.94	7,872	3,599
					\$0.50 Consolation Pick 3	5-1-9 (3 correct)	22.00	0	
					\$1.00 X-5 Super High Five	9-8-5-6-7		6,181	5,063

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
9	Starship Empire	4	5 <sup>3</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>
8	Extrasexybigdaddee	6	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup>
5	Drama Chorus	1	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> / <sub>4</sub>
6	Jailhouse Justice	5	4 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>3</sub> / <sub>4</sub>
7	Syntactic	7	8 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>8</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
3	American Unity	3	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>6</sup>	6 <sup>8</sup> / <sub>2</sub>
2	Artempus	2	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>6</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>9</sup> / <sub>3</sub> / <sub>4</sub>
11	Mad Dog N Joe	8	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>9</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub> / <sub>4</sub>

**Trainers:** 9 - Potts, Ron; 8 - Davis, Scooter; 5 - Padilla, Tim; 6 - Granitz, Anthony; 7 - Escobar, Martin; 3 - Rini, Anthony; 2 - Arriagada, Juan; 11 - Wright, Michael

**Owners:** 9 -Ron G. Potts; 8 - Long Shot Racing Stables, LLC; 5 -Peter D. Mattson; 6 -Anthony J. Granitz; 7 - Infinite Star Racing, LLC; 3 -David E. Wolfe; 2 -Juan Arriagada; 11 -Angela Rutledge;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

STARSHIP EMPIRE rated outside of rivals up the backstretch, ranged up to bid under a ride in the four path passing the three-eighths pole, kicked on to take the lead while in the three path going into the final furlong, and inched ahead late. EXTRASEXYBIGDADDEE tracked in the two path, got stymied between foes around the far turn, was roused passing the quarter, angled out to the four path passing the eighth pole, and ran on to get up for place late. DRAMA CHORUS got sent around the first turn to duel for the lead along the inside up the backstretch, came under a ride entering the far turn, dug in turning into the lane, but lost the lead passing the eighth pole, then yielded in the closing stages. JAILHOUSE JUSTICE stalked in the four path, bid between foes while under a drive in the three path midway around the far turn, swung from the five path into the stretch, but flattened. SYNTACTIC had a slow start, rated in the back of the pack from the three path up the backstretch, ranged up under a ride in the four path passing the quarter, got carried out to the six path at the top of the lane, then faded. AMERICAN UNITY bumped with an inner foe at the start, chased in the two path, came under a ride while

angling out to the four path midway around the far turn, but did not threaten. ARTEMPUS bumped with an outer foe at the start, raced up close along the inside but retreated around the far turn. MAD DOG N JOE vied for the lead in the three path up the backstretch but gave way between foes from the two path around the far turn.

<b>Track Attendance:</b> 2152	<b>Handle:</b> \$113,368
<b>ITW = intra-state wagering</b>	<b>Handle:</b> \$93,030
<b>ISW = inter-state wagering</b>	<b>Handle:</b> \$2,499,598