

TAMPA BAY DOWNS - January 23, 2026 - Race 9

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$8,000 OR LESS IN 2025 - 2026
OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$12,500. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since December 23 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race
Since November 23 Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$12,500 (Races Where Entered For \$8,000 Or Less Not Considered In
Allowances) (Registered Florida Breeds Preferred). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$12,500

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (It's Me Mom - 1:08.67 - April 7, 2012)

Purse: \$28,000

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

Includes: \$3,500 Other Sources

Available Money: \$28,000

Value of Race: \$23,200 1st \$12,980, 2nd \$5,600, 3rd \$2,200, 4th \$1,320, 5th \$220, 6th \$220, 7th \$220, 8th \$220, 9th \$220

Weather: Clear, 77° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:44 **Start:** Good for all except 4,5 **Timing Method:** Electronic

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[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
27Dec25 ⁸ TAM ⁶	7	Mor Spring Spirit (Montanez, Rosario)	119	L bf	7	1	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ⁴	1 ⁴ 1/4	9.20	duel 3p-ins,drew clear
27Dec25 ⁸ TAM ²	8	Secret Empire (Ferrer, Jose)	119	L b	8	3	5 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 3/4	1.70*	chased 5-4p, ran on
29Oct25 ⁶ FL ²	3	In Sky We Trust (Worrie, Andre)	119	L f	3	5	6 ^{Head}	7 ²	7 ³	3 ^{Neck}	6.30	3p turn,6p str,kept on
3Jan26 ⁷ TAM ¹	5	Paynted Warrior (Feliciano, Ricardo)	123	L b	5	6	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	4 ³ 4	4.10	bump st,ins-2p,flatten
3Jan26 ¹ TAM ²	2	Morning Cup (Mitchell, Richard)	119	L b	2	9	7 ¹	6 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 2	5 ³ 4	9.80	btwn3p,rail1/4,no bid
3Jan26 ⁷ TAM ²	6	Dundie (Quinonez, Alonso)	119	L b	6	2	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	4 ¹ 2	6 ² 3/4	3.40	up close 2-3p, faded
7Sep25 ⁸ PRM ⁵	9	Axel Steel (Ho, Wesley)	119	L bf	9	4	4 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 1/2	6 ¹ 1/2	7 ⁵ 1/2	30.60	prompted 4p, yield str
24Dec25 ⁵ TAM ³	4	My Man Woody (Rojas, Martina)	119	L b	4	8	9	8 ¹	8 ¹ 1/2	8 ² 1/4	76.90	bump st, 3p, no threat
11Oct25 ⁴ GP ⁴	1	Cross Haste (Meneses, Marcos)	119	L b	1	7	8 ¹ 2	9	9	9	16.10	wellback ins,no menace

Fractional Times: 22.29 44.82 56.98

Final Time: 1:09.92

Split Times: (22:53) (12:16) (12:94)

Run-Up: 50 feet

Winner: Mor Spring Spirit, Chestnut Gelding, by Mor Spirit out of Spring Rush, by Wild Rush. Foaled Apr 20, 2020 in Kentucky.

Breeder: BCS Thoroughbreds LLC

Owner: Samuel Klein, Jr.

Trainer: Davis, Scooter

1 Claimed Horse(s): Dundie

New Trainer: Gerald S. Bennett

New Owner: Mr Pug LLC and J.P.G. 2 LLC

Claiming Prices: 7 - Mor Spring Spirit: \$12,500; 5 - Paynted Warrior: \$12,500; 6 - Dundie: \$12,500;

Total WPS Pool: \$185,296

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
7	Mor Spring Spirit	20.40	7.40	5.00	\$1.00 Exacta	7-8	32.80	169,844
8	Secret Empire		3.40	2.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-8-3	180.80	96,160
3	In Sky We Trust			4.20	\$0.10 Superfecta	7-8-3-5	129.65	69,036
					\$1.00 Daily Double	6-7	41.00	36,011
					\$0.50 Pick 3	8-6-7 (3 correct)	84.45	30,470
					\$0.50 Pick 4	7-8-2/5/6-7 (4 correct)	152.05	54,996
					\$0.50 Pick 5	4-7-8-2/5/6-7 (5 correct)	575.55	89,314
					\$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot	5-4-7-8-2/5/6-7 (6 correct)	20,995.38	13,875
					\$1.00 X-5 Super High Five	7-8-3-5-2	2,073.50	5,058

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
7	Mor Spring Spirit	1	2 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ⁴	1 ⁴ 1/4
8	Secret Empire	3	5 ³ 1/4	3 ³	3 ⁴ 1/2	2 ⁴ 1/4
3	In Sky We Trust	5	6 ³ 1/4	7 ⁶ 1/4	7 ⁸ 1/2	3 ⁶
5	Paynted Warrior	6	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ⁴	4 ⁶ 1/4
2	Morning Cup	9	7 ³ 1/2	6 ⁴ 3/4	5 ⁶ 1/2	5 ⁷
6	Dundie	2	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ³	4 ⁶	6 ⁷ 3/4
9	Axel Steel	4	4 ¹ 3/4	5 ³ 1/4	6 ⁷	7 ¹⁰ 1/2
4	My Man Woody	8	9 ⁵	8 ⁸ 1/4	8 ¹¹ 1/2	8 ¹⁶
1	Cross Haste	7	8 ⁴ 1/2	9 ⁹ 1/4	9 ¹³	9 ¹⁸ 1/4

Trainers: 7 - Davis, Scooter; 8 - Bennett, Gerald; 3 - Englehart, Jeffrey; 5 - Feliciano, Benny; 2 - Simone, Michael; 6 - Becker, Scott; 9 - VanWinkle, David; 4 - Wasiluk, Jr., Peter; 1 - Damen, Daniel

Owners: 7 -Samuel Klein, Jr.; 8 - Winning Stables, Inc.; 3 - Englehart, Jeffrey S. and Trickler, Matthew; 5 -Douglas Labuda; 2 - AR Racing LLC (Marsh); 6 - Ritter, Charles W. and Becker, Scott; 9 - Seven Arms Stable; 4 - Dougherty, Raymond and Wasiluk, Jr., Peter; 1 -Daniel Damen;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MOR SPRING SPIRIT dueled for the lead in the three path, took command while in the two path passing the three-eighths pole, merged to the rail entering the lane, and drew clear. SECRET EMPIRE chased outside of rivals in the five path, was ridden in the four path around the turn, and ran on clearly be second best. IN SKY WE TRUST tracked in the two path, was driven in the three path around the turn, angled out to the six path at the top of the lane, and kept on to get up for show. PAYNTED WARRIOR bumped with an inner foe at the start, vied for the lead inside, lost ground while coming under a ride passing the quarter, and flattened in the two path down the stretch. MORNING CUP rated between foes in the three path, angled to the rail under coaxing passing the quarter, but lacked a final bid. DUNDIE raced up close in the two path, was pushed along while off the rail around the turn, tipped out to the three path in upper stretch, but faded. AXEL STEEL prompted the pace in the four path but yielded down the lane. MY MAN WOODY bumped with an outer foe at the start, trailed in the three path and did not threaten. CROSS HASTE was wellback along the inside and never menaced.

Track Attendance: 2542	Handle: \$127,571
ITW = intra-state wagering	Handle: \$164,189
ISW = inter-state wagering	Handle: \$3,624,249