

TAMPA BAY DOWNS - January 28, 2026 - Race 8
EQUIBASE

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE JULY 28. Weight, 122 lbs. Non-winners

 Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since December 28 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000. (NWZ 6M) **Claiming Price: \$5,000**
Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Skippylongstocking - 1:41.20 - March 8, 2025)

Purse: \$19,500

Includes: \$500 FOA - Florida Owners Awards

Includes: \$1,000 Other Sources

Available Money: \$19,500

Value of Race: \$19,500 1st \$11,670, 2nd \$3,900, 3rd \$1,950, 4th \$1,080, 5th \$180, 6th \$180, 7th \$180, 8th \$180, 9th \$180

Weather: Clear, 56° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:01 **Start:** Good for all **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
3Jan26 ³ TAM ¹	10	Midnight Onyx (Gil, Cipriano)	122	L	9	4	6 ^{Head}	7 ^{Head}	3 ²	1 ^{1 1/2}	13 1/4	1.60*	bid3/8,5p2nd,kick clr
7Jan26 ³ TAM ³	5	Fort Charles (Camacho, Samy)	120	L b	4	5	4 ¹	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ³	2 4/3/4	2.10	track,4p2nd,chase on
16Oct25 ⁸ DEL ⁹	7	Scar (Marin, Samuel)	120	L b	6	9	9	9	7 ^{Head}	5 ^{1 1/2}	3 3/4	4.80	bmp brk,4p2nd,improved
2Jan26 ³ TAM ¹	9	Lucky Curlin (Feliciano, Ricardo)	122	L	8	7	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{1/2}	8 ⁴	4 ^{1/2}	4 1/2	6.30	bmp brk,3p,evenly
2Jan26 ³ TAM ⁷	2	Sargeant Barger (Hess, Sara)	120	L b	2	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	3 ¹	5 ^{2 1/2}	75.00	led,2p,wkn
24Dec25 ² TAM ⁹	4	Mr Tito's (Allen, Mike)	120	L	3	1	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	7 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{Neck}	34.70	stalk,2-3p,faded
2Jan26 ³ TAM ³	1	He's a Good Dancer (Ho, Wesley)	120	L bf	1	2	3 ^{1 1/2}	5 ¹	6 ^{Head}	6 ^{1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	14.80	chase,svd gnd,tired
2Jan26 ³ TAM ²	6	Funkenstein (Meneses, Marcos)	120	L f	5	6	5 ^{Head}	8 ¹	9	9	8 ³	12.70	bmp brk,svd gnd,empty
12Dec25 ³ TAM ⁸	8	Grey Charmer (Fernandez, Marvin)	111	L	7	8	8 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	8 ¹	9	34.90	bmp brk,3-4p,no bid

Fractional Times: 24.64 49.13 1:13.98 1:39.07

Final Time: 1:45.58

Split Times: (24:49) (24:85) (25:09) (6:51)

Run-Up: 45 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: Establo Heluce

Trainer: Avila, Juan

1 Claimed Horse(s): Midnight Onyx

New Trainer: Ralph N. Baez

New Owner: Alexis Ruiz-Beltran

Voided Claims: He's a Good Dancer(Vet); Fort Charles(Vet)

Claiming Prices: 10 - Midnight Onyx: \$5,000; 5 - Fort Charles: \$5,000; 7 - Scar: \$5,000; 9 - Lucky Curlin: \$5,000; 2 - Sargeant Barger: \$5,000; 4 - Mr Tito's: \$5,000; 1 - He's a Good Dancer: \$5,000; 6 - Funkenstein: \$5,000; 8 - Grey Charmer: \$5,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Major King (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$148,657

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
10	Midnight Onyx	5.20	2.80	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	10-5	7.40	142,304
5	Fort Charles		3.20	2.40	\$0.50 Trifecta	10-5-7	11.95	77,076
7	Scar			3.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	10-5-7-9	5.92	60,056
					\$0.50 Pick 3	3-7-10 (3 correct)	281.80	27,971
					\$1.00 Daily Double	7-10	112.20	26,891
					\$1.00 X-5 Super High	10-5-7-9-2	1,522.20	5,068
					Five			

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
10	Midnight Onyx	4	6 ⁴	7 ^{3 3/4}	3 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	13 1/4
5	Fort Charles	5	4 ³	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{3 1/4}
7	Scar	9	9 ^{4 3/4}	9 ^{4 3/4}	7 ^{3 1/2}	5 ⁶	3 ⁸
9	Lucky Curlin	7	7 ^{4 1/4}	6 ^{3 1/4}	8 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{5 1/2}	4 ^{8 3/4}
2	Sargeant Barger	3	1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{9 1/4}
4	Mr Tito's	1	2 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/4}	7 ⁸	6 ^{11 3/4}
1	He's a Good Dancer	2	3 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/4}	6 ^{3 1/4}	6 ^{7 1/2}	7 ¹²
6	Funkenstein	6	5 ⁴	8 ^{3 3/4}	9 ^{7 1/2}	9 ^{10 1/2}	8 ^{12 1/2}
8	Grey Charmer	8	8 ^{4 3/4}	4 ^{1 3/4}	4 ³	8 ^{9 1/2}	9 ^{15 1/2}

Trainers: 10 - Avila, Juan; 5 - Simone, Michael; 7 - Klesaris, Steve; 9 - Feliciano, Benny; 2 - Alessi, James; 4 - Allen, Lisa; 1 - Castillo, Michelle; 6 - Agostini, Arthur; 8 - Baez, Ralph

Owners: 10 - Establo Heluce; 5 - Paterpop Racing; 7 - Mandl, Leonard F. and Klesaris, Steve; 9 - Benny R. Feliciano; 2 - Kristina Gilbert; 4 - JGW Stables, Inc.; 1 - Albert P. Abdala III; 6 - Najeem Bartley; 8 - Ralph N. Baez;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MIDNIGHT ONYX raced in the three path around the first turn, continued up the backstretch off the pace on the inside, began a bid from the five path coming around the far turn and kicked clear in the stretch. FORT CHARLES raced in the two path early, tracked the leader between horses, challenged from the four path coming around the far turn and could not go with the winner late but chased on to the wire from there. SCAR bumped with the horses to either side leaving the gate, trailed the field from the two path around the first bend and up the backstretch, came around the far turn in the four path, began a bid entering the stretch and improved position to the finish. LUCKY CURLIN bumped with the horse to his inside at the start, raced in the three path around the first turn, settled in the middle of the pack between horses up the backstretch, continued around the second bend in the three path and finished evenly. SARGEANT BARGER raced in the two path around the first turn, led the way up the backstretch, came around the far turn in the two path and weakened in the lane. MR TITO'S raced in the three path early, stalked the leader on the outside up the backstretch, navigated the far turn from the two path and faded in the stretch. HE'S A GOOD DANCER saved ground around the first bend, chased the leader on the inside up the backstretch, dropped back while saving ground around the second turn and continued to tire from there. FUNKENSTEIN bumped with the horses to either side at the break, raced in the middle of

the pack on the inside through the opening half mile, continued to save ground around the far turn and was empty in the lane. GREY CHARMER bumped with the horses to either side leaving the gate, raced in the three path around the first turn, settled in the middle of the pack on the outside for the run up the backstretch, navigated the far turn from the four path and made no bid.

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