

TURFWAY PARK - December 27, 2025 - Race 9

STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred  
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$5,000 OR LESS IN 2024 - 2025. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 122 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Other Than Claiming Since November 27 Allowed 2 lbs. (Highweights Preferred). ( C ) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000 - \$0  
**Distance:** Six Furlongs On The All Weather Track **Current Track Record:** (Fatal Bullet - 1:08.03 - September 27, 2008)  
**Purse:** \$28,100  
**Includes:** \$5,400 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund  
**Available Money:** \$28,100  
**Value of Race:** \$27,530 1st \$16,132, 2nd \$5,239, 3rd \$2,079, 4th \$1,310, 5th \$786, 6th \$288, 7th \$272, 8th \$288, 9th \$288, 10th \$288, 11th \$288, 12th \$272  
**Weather:** Cloudy, 51° **Track:** Fast  
**Off at:** 9:57 **Start:** Good for all except 12 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
15Nov25 <sup>4</sup> CD <sup>3</sup>	4	Empire's Best (Rodriguez, Walter)	120	L b	3	3	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	2.13*	2wbtw,led1/4,held sway
29Nov25 <sup>9</sup> LRL <sup>6</sup>	6	Noble Jon (Carrasco, Victor)	120	L b	5	8	6 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	7 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	5.69	3pbtw,4-6p1/8,up place
6Oct25 <sup>4</sup> IND <sup>8</sup>	10	Looking Good Lewis (Ramos, Joseph)	120	L b	9	4	5 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	71.85	4-5p,left ld,naild plc
23Oct25 <sup>3</sup> IND <sup>2</sup>	8	Cut Glass (Contreras, Luis)	120	L b	7	1	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	8.18	press 3w-4p,vied,yield
10Dec25 <sup>4</sup> TP <sup>1</sup>	9	More Than Five (Diaz, Angel)	120	L bf	8	11	11 <sup>2</sup>	9 <sup>1</sup>	8 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	7.15	3-4p,ran on belatedly
15Oct25 <sup>8</sup> IND <sup>7</sup>	2	Unworkable (Garcia, Martin)	120	L bf	1	2	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Nose</sup>	5.62	ins pair,headd1/4,fade
6Dec25 <sup>9</sup> TP <sup>3</sup>	3	Liltonytwophones (Bays, Brooke)	113	L b	2	9	4 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	29.97	ins,chs 2-3p3/16,nobid
6Oct25 <sup>6</sup> BTP <sup>3</sup>	7	Swayback Jack (Lebron, Victor)	120	L b	6	7	7 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>2</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	16.97	saved ground,no avail
10Dec25 <sup>8</sup> MVR <sup>1</sup>	11	Illini (Saez, Gabriel)	122	L bf	10	5	8 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	8 <sup>2</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	9 <sup>2</sup>	9 <sup>4</sup>	7.12	4p,7p1/8,faded,left ld
11Dec25 <sup>4</sup> TP <sup>6</sup>	13	Grimes (Beschizza, Adam)	120	L	12	6	10 <sup>2</sup>	11 <sup>2</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	11 <sup>2</sup>	10 <sup>Neck</sup>	8.93	3p, no factor
6Dec25 <sup>9</sup> TP <sup>6</sup>	12	English Tide (Forde, Xarel)	115	L bf	11	12	9 <sup>Head</sup>	10 <sup>Head</sup>	10 <sup>Head</sup>	11 <sup>Neck</sup>	40.98	fidgeted/off slow,ins
6Oct25 <sup>6</sup> BTP <sup>5</sup>	5	Howdoyalikemenow (Curtsinger, Johnathon)	120	L b	4	10	12	12	12	12	81.19	trailed 4-5p, outrun

**Fractional Times:** 21.86 44.81 57.29 **Final Time:** 1:10.68  
**Split Times:** (22:95) (12:48) (13:39)  
**Run-Up:** 50 feet

**Winner:** Empire's Best, Bay Gelding, by Empire Maker out of Liberty Girl, by A. P. Warrior. Foaled Apr 04, 2020 in Kentucky.  
**Breeder:** Susan Casner  
**Owner:** Jimmy D. Roberts  
**Trainer:** Roberts, Joe

**Scratched Horse(s):** Lord Ante (Trainer), One for My Brother (Also-Eligible)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$121,637

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Empire's Best	6.26	4.12	3.34	\$2.00 Exacta	4-6	35.08	99,750
6	Noble Jon		6.38	4.74	\$0.50 Trifecta	4-6-10	575.43	67,014
10	Looking Good Lewis			21.98	\$1.00 Daily Double	2-4	42.74	18,057
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-6-10-8	954.62	40,393
					\$0.50 Pick 3	9-2-4 (3 correct)	68.80	33,166

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	Empire's Best	3	2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>
6	Noble Jon	8	6 <sup>2</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>3</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>3</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>
10	Looking Good Lewis	4	5 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>
8	Cut Glass	1	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>
9	More Than Five	11	11 <sup>7</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	9 <sup>8</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>4</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>4</sup>
2	Unworkable	2	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	6 <sup>5</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>
3	Liltonytwophones	9	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>2</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	7 <sup>5</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>
7	Swayback Jack	7	7 <sup>3</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	7 <sup>5</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>2</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>6</sup>
11	Illini	5	8 <sup>3</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	8 <sup>5</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>5</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	9 <sup>8</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>
13	Grimes	6	10 <sup>5</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	11 <sup>9</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>7</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>12</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>
12	English Tide	12	9 <sup>5</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>9</sup> 1/ <sub>4</sub>	10 <sup>7</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	11 <sup>12</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>
5	Howdoyalikemenow	10	12 <sup>9</sup> 1/ <sub>2</sub>	12 <sup>11</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	12 <sup>9</sup> 3/ <sub>4</sub>	12 <sup>13</sup>

**Trainers:** 4 - Roberts, Joe; 6 - Maldonado, Jonathan; 10 - Holden, Jay; 8 - Kranz, Amara; 9 - Rivera, Nestor; 2 - Acevedo, Israel; 3 - Moreno, Tito; 7 - Nocero, Carmino; 11 - Heath, Destin; 13 - Murphy, Conor; 12 - Hester, Haley; 5 - Barrett, Roddina

**Owners:** 4 -Jimmy D. Roberts; 6 -Gokmen Kaya; 10 -Arven P. Holden; 8 -Amara Kranz; 9 - Rivera Racing Stables (Nestor R. Rivera); 2 -Billy Hardin; 3 - Las Mercedes Stable; 7 -Carmino Nocero; 11 - Howard, Todd, Howard II, Todd, Woolum, Kristoffer and Serafini, Charles; 13 - Double O Racing; 12 -Haley Hester; 5 - Barrett, Roddina A. and Muller, Nancy;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

EMPIRE'S BEST prompted two wide and between horses, vied in the three path around the turn, led at the quarter pole, inched clear in the final furlong and held sway. NOBLE JON tracked in the three path and between horses, shifted out to the six path in midstretch, rallied while hanging on his left lead and gained place at the wire. LOOKING GOOD LEWIS tracked from the four to five path, ran on while hanging on his left lead to edge place at the sixteenth pole but got nailed by an outer bidder at the wire. CUT GLASS pressed the top pair from the four path, vied nearing the lane, chased between horses into the final furlong and yielded. MORE THAN FIVE lacked speed in the three to four path then ran on belatedly. UNWORKABLE set the pace inside of a pair of prompters, got headed with a quarter mile to go and faded. LILTONYTWOPHONES raced forwardly along the inside, chased in the two to three path into the lane, then lacked a bid. SWAYBACK JACK saved ground in midpack and lacked a bid. ILLINI pursued from the four path, got floated out to the seven path in midstretch and gave way while hanging on his left lead. GRIMES raced off of the pace in the three path and failed to factor. ENGLISH TIDE fidgeted just before the gates sprung and broke multiple lengths slow, saved ground off of the pace and failed to factor. HOWDOYALIKEMENOW trailed in the four to five path and got outrun.

