

GULFSTREAM PARK - March 16, 2024 - Race 12



MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred
FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For Less Than \$30,000 In Their Last 3 Starts)(If no three-year-olds are entered, older weight will revert to 122 lbs.). (If deemed inadvisable to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the Tapeta Course at One Mile and One Sixteenth) (Rail at 31 feet).
One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Inchcape - 1:38.10 - March 7, 2015)

Purse: \$89,000
Includes: \$14,000 FTTHA-FOA
Includes: \$5,000 FTBOA - FL TB Owner Brdr Assoc Fund
Available Money: \$89,000
Value of Race: \$70,000 1st \$42,000, 2nd \$14,000, 3rd \$6,300, 4th \$2,800, 5th \$700, 6th \$700, 7th \$700, 8th \$700, 9th \$700, 10th \$700, 11th \$700

Weather: Cloudy **Track:** Firm
Off at: 6:43 **Start:** Poor **Timer:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments	
18Jan24 ⁵ GP ³	1	Better Bet (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	125	L	1	4	8 ^{1/2}	8 ^{1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{2 1/2}	1 ^{Nose}	1.70*	rail, 5wd 3/16, surged	
18Jan24 ⁵ GP ⁴	9	Juan Valdez (Lopez, Paco)	125	L	8	6	4 ^{Head}	6 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/4}	5.90	rail, clear, nailed	
22Jun23 ⁹ ELP ⁸	5	St. Neots (Velazquez, John)	125	L	bf	4	2	6 ¹	5 ^{1/2}	4 ²	3 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	19.50	ins, bid btw, outkickd
9Aug23 ¹⁰ SAR ³	11	Union Trail (Saez, Luis)	125	L	b	10	8	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	4 ¹	11.40	bumped start, 3wd
15Feb24 ⁵ GP ⁴	4	Fly Right (Castellano, Javier)	125	L	b	3	3	3 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	5 ^{1 1/2}	2.30	keen 2wd, clear, wknd
29Apr23 ⁵ GP ⁸	6	Saint in the City (Alvarado, Junior)	125	L	b	5	1	1 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{Neck}	13.70	shoe repair,rail,2w5/8
11Jan24 ⁹ GP ⁵	3	Mohegan (Gaffalione, Tyler)	125	b	2	5	9 ^{1 1/2}	9 ²	9 ^{Head}	7 ^{1 1/2}	7 ¹	14.40	failed to menace, 2wd	
23Dec23 ⁸ TP ⁶	8	Be There (Panici, Luca)	125	L	7	11	11	11	11	11	8 ^{2 1/4}	7 ¹	41.00	broke in a tangle,2-3w
---	10	Copernicus (Zayas, Edgard)	118	L	9	10	10 ^{1/2}	10 ¹	10 ^{1 1/2}	8 ^{Head}	9 ^{6 3/4}	29.40	crowded start, inside	
23Jul23 ⁴ ELP ⁴	12	Stoke the Fire (Ortiz, Jose)	118	L	11	9	5 ^{1/2}	7 ^{Head}	8 ^{Head}	10 ^{Head}	10 ^{Nose}	13.80	broke in, bump st, 3wd	
10Dec23 ² GP ⁵	7	Wild Guess (Bravo, Joe)	125	L	b	6	7	7 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	6 ^{1 1/2}	9 ⁴	11	63.70	hit gate, 3-4wd

Fractional Times: 24.12 47.56 1:11.00 1:34.87 **Final Time:** 1:40.66

Split Times: (23:44) (23:44) (23:87) (5:79)

Run-Up: 23 feet **Temporary Rail:** 31 feet

Winner: Better Bet, Bay Gelding, by Justify out of Betterbetterbetter (IRE), by \$Galileo (IRE). Foaled Mar 23, 2020 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Whisper Hill Farm, LLC
Owner: Whisper Hill Farm, LLC
Trainer: Stormfelt, Julie

Scratched Horse(s): Malibu Springs (Re-entered), Paradise Perfect (Trainer), Scat Tu Tap (Re-entered), Swordofhonor (IRE) (Re-entered), Unit Economics (GB) (Re-entered)

Total WPS Pool: \$475,353

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
1	Better Bet	5.40	3.80	3.40	\$1.00 Exacta	1-9	20.80	381,424	
9	Juan Valdez		5.80	4.40	\$0.50 Trifecta	1-9-5	94.25	212,722	
5	St. Neots			7.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	1-9-5-11	138.39	149,169	
					\$1.00 Daily Double	1-1	26.30	114,745	
					\$0.50 Pick 3	5-1-1 (3 correct)	57.25	117,904	
					\$3.00 Pick 3	TROPICAL TURF PICK3:	191.40	83,644	
						7-5-1 (3 correct)			
					\$0.50 Pick 4	7-5-1-1/2/13/14/15/16 (4 correct)	200.90	285,713	
					\$0.50 Pick 5	5-7-5-1-1/2/13/14/15/16 (5 correct)	1,781.25	466,967	
					\$0.50 Pick 5	5-7-5-1-1/2/13/14/15/16 (4 correct)	21.20	0	
					\$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot	2-5-7-5-1-1/2/13/14/15/16 (6 correct)	2,045.72	303,095	315,411
					\$1.00 Super High Five	1-9-5-11-4	2,323.60	8,526	

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
1	Better Bet	4	8 ^{4 1/4}	8 ^{5 1/4}	7 ^{6 1/2}	6 ^{3 1/4}	1 ^{Nose}
9	Juan Valdez	6	4 ²	6 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Nose}
5	St. Neots	2	6 ^{2 3/4}	5 ³	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/4}
11	Union Trail	8	2 ¹	3 ²	3 ²	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1 3/4}
4	Fly Right	3	3 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	5 ^{2 3/4}
6	Saint in the City	1	1 ¹	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 3/4}	6 ^{4 1/4}
3	Mohegan	5	9 ^{4 3/4}	9 ^{5 3/4}	9 ⁷	7 ^{5 3/4}	7 ^{4 1/2}
8	Be There	11	11 ^{6 3/4}	11 ^{8 3/4}	11 ^{8 3/4}	11 ^{11 1/2}	8 ^{5 1/2}
10	Copernicus	10	10 ^{6 1/4}	10 ^{7 3/4}	10 ^{7 1/4}	8 ^{7 1/4}	9 ^{7 3/4}
12	Stoke the Fire	9	5 ^{2 1/4}	7 ⁵	8 ⁷	10 ^{11 1/4}	10 ^{14 1/2}
7	Wild Guess	7	7 ^{3 3/4}	4 ³	6 ⁵	9 ^{7 1/4}	11 ^{14 1/2}

Trainers: 1 - Stormfelt, Julie; 9 - McGaughey III, Claude; 5 - Oliver, Victoria; 11 - Tagg, Barclay; 4 - Abreu, Fernando; 6 - Mott, William; 3 - Walsh, Brendan; 8 - Abreu, Jorge; 10 - Brown, Chad; 12 - Pletcher, Todd; 7 - Tagg, Barclay

Owners: 1 - Whisper Hill Farm, LLC; 9 - West Point Thoroughbreds, Woodford Racing, LLC, Lane's End Racing, Phipps Stable, Langone, Ken and Hudson, Jr., Edward J.; 5 - St. George Farm Racing LLC (Banwell); 11 - Sackatoga Stable; 4 - Treadway Racing Stable; 6 - Curragh Stables; 3 - Trade Winds Farm; 8 - Boff, Joseph, Del Mastro, Daniel A. and Zito, Nicholas P.; 10 - Lawrence, William H. and Schermerhorn, Richard; 12 - Anita Ebert Racing LLC; 7 - Erdenheim Farm Thoroughbreds;

Footnotes

BETTER BET saved ground off the pace, swung five wide turning for home, surged outside and was up on the wire. JUAN VALDEZ saved ground off the pace, got through at the rail in upper stretch, took over leaving the eighth pole, drew clear soon after but was nailed. ST. NEOTS saved ground in range, split rivals turning for home, bid between foes but was outkicked. UNION TRAIL was bumped at the start, prompted the pace three wide and was one-paced through the lane. FLY RIGHT raced just behind the early, became keyed up early on the first turn, moved up between foes to take the lead late on the bend, drew clear down the backstretch, set the pace along the inside from there to midstretch then weakened. SAINT IN THE CITY had a shoe repair prior to the race, set the early pace along the rail, settled inside when a rival became intent on the lead, re-bid two wide around the far turn but faded in the drive. MOHEGAN failed to menace while racing two wide. BE THERE broke in a tangle, raced off the pace two and three wide and never threatened. COPERNICUS was crowded at the start, saved ground and made little impact. STROKE THE FIRE broke inwardly and bumped at foe at the start, had some speed three wide and steadily faded. WILD GUESS hit the starting gate, raced three and four wide and had no response.