

NINTH RACE
Fair Grounds
NOVEMBER 23, 2023

6 FURLONGS. (1.08) THANKS GIVING CLASSIC S. Purse \$200,000 (plus \$50,000 ALBSS— Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement) **FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD.** By subscription of \$200 by Saturday, November 11. \$1,000 to enter ; \$1,000 additional to start. Supplemental nominations of \$3,500 will be accepted at time of entry which shall include all fees. \$200,000 Guaranteed (Plus \$50,000 For LA Breds From ALBSS) of which 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 4% to fourth, 2% to fifth and 1% to finishers sixth through ninth. Weight: Three Year Old – 122, Older – 124. Non-winners of a Stakes race in 2023, allowed 2 lbs. \$95,000 since August 23, allowed 4 lbs. \$80,000 since then allowed 6 lbs. Starters to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. The Thanksgiving Classic will be limited to fourteen (14) starters. Preference will be given in the following manner: graded or group winner in order (I, II, III), then highest lifetime earnings. Any horse excluded from running because of the aforementioned preference shall be refunded the entry fee or supplementary nomination fee if applicable. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. Closed Saturday, November 11, 2023 with 25 nominations.

Value of Race: \$194,000 Winner \$120,000; second \$40,000; third \$20,000; fourth \$8,000; fifth \$4,000; sixth \$1,000; seventh \$1,000. Mutuel Pool \$172,464.00 Exacta Pool \$78,821.00 Trifecta Pool \$53,498.00 Superfecta Pool \$38,315.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1	
4Nov23 10CD2	Miles Ahead	L	b	6	118	7	5	4 1½	31	1hd	14½	Talamo J	1.30
26Oct23 4DeD1	Super Ocho-Chi	L	f	5	118	5	1	12	11½	22½	21	Gutierrez R	1.60
7Oct23 6Kee10	Kavod	L	b	4	118	4	7	62	41½	32½	32¾	Murrill M	12.10
22Oct23 6LA1	Swift as I Am	L		5	118	3	3	7	7	7	4nk	Loveberry J	29.50
28Oct23 7Kee5	Chasing Time	L	b	4	118	1	6	51	51½	4½	56¼	Torres J A	4.00
13Oct23 4Kee4	Gilcrease	L	f	3	118	6	4	2hd	2½	5½	61	Pedroza M Jr	14.60
13Oct23 7DeD7	Machine Gun Man	L		3	116	2	2	31	61	61	7	McMahon C	32.50

OFF AT 4:08 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :213, :442, :561, 1:082 (:21.73, :44.56, :56.33, 1:08.49)

\$2 Mutuel Prices:

9 – MILES AHEAD _____ 4.60 2.80 2.40
7 – SUPER OCHO-CHI _____ 3.40 3.00
6 – KAVOD _____ 3.80

\$1 EXACTA 9-7 PAID \$6.30 50 CENT TRIFECTA 9-7-6

PAID \$14.85 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 9-7-6-3 PAID \$26.49

Dk. bor br. g, (Mar), by Competitive Edge – Jennie R., by Awesome Again. Trainer McGee Paul J. Bred by Nicholas M Lotz & Betsy Kelley (Ky).

MILES AHEAD rated off the top pair early from the outside, moved up through the far turn, took aim at Super Ocho into the upper lane four deep and finished strongly to edge clear under steady pressure. SUPER OCHO (CHI) was sent to clear uncontested early pace, dug in from the inside nearing the eighth pole but was no match in the final stages. KAVOD raced off the early pace, advanced three to four wide through the far turn and flattened out while racing from the outside. SWIFT AS I AM raced at the back of the pack early on, was two to three wide around the far turn and moved up to improve position while racing from the outside. CHASING TIME raced off the early pace, saved ground through the far turn, eased out through the upper stretch and weakened. GILCREASE tracked the early leader from the outside, hard ridden nearing the three eighths pole two deep and faded. MACHINE GUN MAN tracked early pace from the inside and gave way in the drive.

Owners– 1, Jay Em Ess Stable; 2, Matriarca; 3, Rogers James and Robinson Michael; 4, Hunsburger Joel B; 5, MyRacehorse; 6, Columbine Stable LLC; 7, J Patrick Lee Racing LLC

Trainers– 1, McGee Paul J; 2, Sanchez Amador M; 3, Hartman Chris A; 4, Tracy Tanner; 5, Asmussen Steven M; 6, Stall Albert M Jr; 7, Sanchez Juan C

Scratched– Cowan (27Oct23 8BAQ5), Minnesota Ready (20Oct23 9Kee3)

50 CENT Pick Three (2-10-9) Paid \$29.40 ; Pick Three Pool \$13,404 .

\$1 Daily Double (10-9) Paid \$17.80 ; Daily Double Pool \$13,462 .

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