FOURTH RACE

La. Downs

MAY 12, 2026

1 MILE. (Turf) (1.34) MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT . Purse $23,000 (includes $3,000 Other Sources) FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For A Claiming Price Of Less Than $20,000). (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at 1 Mile and 70 Yards) (Rail at 20 feet).

Value of Race: $23,180 Winner $13,800; second $4,600; third $2,530; fourth $1,560; fifth $690. Mutuel Pool $79,892.00 Exacta Pool $54,005.00 Superfecta Pool $23,197.00 Trifecta Pool $34,959.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
18Apr26 ^{3}LS^{5}	Fast Connection	L	3	120	6	2	4^{1}	3^{1}	1$\frac{1}{2}$	1^{3}	1$^{3}\frac{1}{4}$	Williams R	0.50
11Apr26 ^{1}EvD^{3}	Classic Sensation	L b	4	126	9	9	7	7^{2}	7^{2}	4$^{2}\frac{1}{2}$	2$\frac{3}{4}$	Vargas J P	17.00
4Apr26 ^{2}EvD^{5}	Matching Funds	L b	3	120	1	7	6$^{3}\frac{1}{2}$	6^{4}	3$\frac{1}{2}$	2^{hd}	3^{nk}	Murray E M	3.10
2May26 ^{5}LaD^{2}	Ongoing Challenge	L	3	117	3	5	5$^{1}\frac{1}{2}$	4^{hd}	5$\frac{1}{2}$	3$\frac{1}{2}$	4$^{2}\frac{1}{4}$	Castillo A	24.60
17Apr26 ^{2}OP^{5}	Golden City Street	L b	4	126	8	8	9	8$\frac{1}{2}$	8^{5}	5^{1}	5^{5}	Lozada C	17.60
29Apr26 ^{3}EvD^{7}	Hillbilly's Heart	L b	5	123	2	4	3^{hd}	5$^{1}\frac{1}{2}$	6$\frac{1}{2}$	6^{1}	6$^{1}\frac{3}{4}$	Ramirez J Jr	111.30
12Mar26 ^{9}OP^{9}	Keokuk Kid	L	4	121	7	3	2^{1}	2$^{1}\frac{1}{2}$	4^{hd}	8^{3}	7$^{2}\frac{1}{4}$	Pena J^{5}	25.00
2May26 ^{5}LaD^{3}	Sunset Skip	L f	3	120	4	6	8^{hd}	9	9	9	8^{1}	Santiago E	30.70
2Jan26 ^{8}SA^{11}	La Motta Avenue	L b	3	120	5	1	1^{2}	1^{1}	2^{hd}	7^{hd}	9	Hernandez H	8.40

OFF AT 5:32 Start Good. Won driving. Course firm.

TIME :23, :47, 1:11^{2}, 1:23^{3}, 1:35^{3} (:23.08, :47.18, 1:11.50, 1:23.62, 1:35.74)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

6 – FAST CONNECTION	**3.00**	**2.20**	**2.10**
9 – CLASSIC SENSATION		**8.20**	**4.20**
1 – MATCHING FUNDS			**2.40**

$1 EXACTA 6–9 PAID $11.00 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 6–9–1–3 PAID $17.47 50 CENT TRIFECTA 6–9–1 PAID $15.05

B. c, (Mar), by Connect – Mrs McDougal, by Medaglia d'Oro. Trainer Foster Joseph M. Bred by Bass Stables LLC (Ky).

FAST CONNECTION tracked close up behind the pacesetters, slipped through an opening near the quarter pole to take the lead, and widened the margin through the stretch under steady handling. CLASSIC SENSATION was last to begin, settled well behind the main pack but ahead of a pair of trailing rivals, threaded around and through traffic from the far turn, made a good late bid along the rail to move up into second while never a threat to the winner. MATCHING FUNDS was not asked for speed from the break, then was held up in mid-pack, moved out to the three-path down the backstretch, advanced to be in range early on the far turn, swung five-wide into the stretch, and finished up well but got outfinished for second. ONGOING CHALLENGE settled off the pace three-wide, was behind horses on the far turn but took advantage of a big opening at the head of the stretch, put in a decent late bid but was not quite good enough. GOLDEN CITY STREET came away unhurried from the start, kept to task late, and improved. HILLBILLY'S HEART was prompted from the break but not fast enough to contest the early lead, settled in a tracking spot along the inside rail, hugged the rail through the far turn, then did not respond when asked to kick on in the stretch. KEOKUK KID got carried out to the middle of the track by LA MOTTA AVENUE going into the first turn, tracked close up down the backstretch, made a bid for the lead approaching the stretch, but once again got carried out wide by the same rival and was unable to recover the lost ground. SUNSET SKIP settled at the back, far behind the rest, and trailed throughout. LA MOTTA AVENUE jumped out to a clear early lead with the rider keen to temper the pace, went a bit wide into the first turn, came under a ride passing the three-furlong pole, tried to bolt on the last turn, and was eased to the finish and walked off.

Owners– 1, Tri-Star Racing LLC Boston Baylor Properties and Cimarron TTT Farms LLC; 2, Duke Steve; 3, Sutherland Patrice K; 4, Guidry Brooke; 5, Parnell Floyd; 6, Romero Chadwick; 7, Witt Karen; 8, Four Seasons Stables; 9, Slam Dunk Racing

Trainers– 1, Foster Joseph M; 2, Duke Steven; 3, Scherer Gary; 4, Noel Dane; 5, Dixon Tim; 6, West Henry Jr; 7, Witt II Ernie; 8, Hatcher Nathan D; 9, Wong Jonathan

50 CENT Pick Three (2–2–6) Paid $5.85 ; Pick Three Pool $8,047 .
50 CENT Pick Four (1–2/6–2–6) Paid $58.10 ; Pick Four Pool $19,677 .
$1 Daily Double (2–6) Paid $6.30 ; Daily Double Pool $5,799 .