FOURTH RACE

La. Downs

SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

6 FURLONGS. (1.08[2]) CLAIMING . Purse $8,600 (includes $2,000 Other Sources) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES OR WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE MARCH 22, 2026. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non–winners Of A Race Since July 22, 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price $5,000.

Value of Race: $8,660 Winner $5,160; second $1,720; third $946; fourth $516; fifth $318. Mutuel Pool $33,769.00 Exacta Pool $21,904.00 Superfecta Pool $9,679.00 Trifecta Pool $15,395.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds $1
31Jly26 [4]EvD[6]	Playing Hardball	L b	8	122	2	2	1[1]	1[2]	1[2]	1[4½]	Castillo I	5000	1.60
11Aug26 [1]LaD[5]	Castille	L b	5	117	4	1	2½	2[hd]	2½	2[2¼]	Alvarez M[5]	5000	5.20
24Aug26 [4]LaD[4]	Bandera Bling	L	5	122	3	3	3[1½]	3[3]	3[3]	3[1¼]	Lozada C	5000	5.30
4Sep26 [2]EvD[3]	Saint Peter's Bay	L bf	5	122	5	4	5	5	5	4[3½]	Barrera E J	5000	1.20
14Sep26 [4]LaD[6]	Order Up	L b	7	119	1	5	4[4]	4[4]	4[3]	5	Ramirez J Jr	5000	13.60

OFF AT 5:32 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :23, :46[1], :58[1], 1:10[4] (:23.18, :46.20, :58.25, 1:10.93)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

4 – PLAYING HARDBALL	**5.20**	**3.20**	**2.60**
6 – CASTILLE		**4.60**	**3.20**
5 – BANDERA BLING			**3.20**

$1 EXACTA 4–6 PAID $11.60 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 4–6–5–7 PAID $3.95 50 CENT TRIFECTA 4–6–5 PAID $15.45

Dk. b or br. g, (Feb), by Hard Spun – Pamona Ball , by Pleasantly Perfect . Trainer Wong Jonathan. Bred by Premier Thoroughbreds LLC (Cal).

PLAYING HARDBALL took command soon after the start, showed the way up the backstretch in the two path, shook off a pair of foes midway on the turn, not threatened through the lane while under steady handling. CASTILLE broke forwardly, relinquished the advantage to the winner soon after, chased that one up the backstretch and through the turn in the three path could not keep pace with the winner through the stretch, edged clear for the second spot. BANDERA BLING within striking distance outside, moved a bit closer along with the runner up while outside that one early in the turn then also could not keep up with the victor, fell back off the runner up to finish up best of the rest. SAINT PETER'S BAY broke back, trailed most of the way while racing off the inside, picked off a single tiring foe through the lane in making little impact. ORDER UP last away, moved up inside while being asked, fell back a bit early in the turn, angled out four wide late in the bend, tired in the run to the wire.

Owners– 1, Taboada Racing Stables LLC; 2, Nelson Eric D Jr; 3, Schlansky Desra and Smoak Julie; 4, Gonzalez Hiram J; 5, Wilcher Derek and Byram Ben

Trainers– 1, Wong Jonathan; 2, Nelson Eric D Jr; 3, Jacks Karen E; 4, Gonzalez Isai V; 5, Cano Juan M

Scratched– Hedge (13Aug26 [5]EvD[1]), Huey Duey (22Jul26 [6]LaD[7])

50 CENT Pick Three (3–6–4) Paid $70.60 .
50 CENT Pick Three (3–6–3) Paid $22.15 ; Pick Three Pool $5,484 .
50 CENT Pick Four (4/6–3–6–4) Paid $309.65 ; Pick Four Pool $14,574 .
$1 Daily Double (6–4) Paid $25.90 .
$1 Daily Double (6–3) Paid $9.30 ; Daily Double Pool $3,564 .