THIRD RACE

Monmouth

JULY 17, 2026

5 FURLONGS. (.56) MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse $41,000 (plus $1,640 NJB – New Jersey Bred Enhancement) (PLUS UP TO 40% NJB) FOR MAIDENS, TWO YEARS OLD. Weight, 117 lbs.

Value of Race: $42,040 Winner $24,600; second $8,200; third $5,740; fourth $2,050; fifth $725; sixth $725. Mutuel Pool $139,191.00 Exacta Pool $107,485.00 Trifecta Pool $54,220.00 Superfecta Pool $30,942.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	3/16	3/8	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
	Raku		2	117	1	3	2 2½	1½	1¹	1 3½	Lopez P	2.30
	Six Stitches		2	117	5	4	3 1½	3½	3hd	2 1¾	Ferrer J C	2.30
28Jun26 2Mth2	Even Up		2	118	3	1	1hd	2⁷	2 5½	3no	Vargas J A Jr	1.20
	Best Deal		2	117	2	6	6	6	4¹	4 3½	Martinez F	12.20
25May26 2Mth4	Vintage Wiz		2	115	4	2	4½	4hd	5³	5 5¾	Maragh C⁷	25.60
	Ready Inventor	b	2	118	6	5	5 1½	5½	6	6	Rivera L R Jr	22.40

OFF AT 3:09 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :22⁴, :46², :59 (:22.85, :46.51, :59.11)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

1 – RAKU	**6.60**	**3.60**	**2.10**
5 – SIX STITCHES		**3.40**	**2.20**
3 – EVEN UP			**2.10**

$1 EXACTA 1–5 PAID $9.90 50 CENT TRIFECTA 1–5–3 PAID $8.10 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 1–5–3–2 PAID $3.85

B. c, (Apr), by Kantharos – Retort, by Liam's Map. Trainer Breen Kelly J. Bred by Columbiana Farm LLC (Ky).

RAKU vied two wide for the lead, dueled with EVEN UP on the turn, led into the stretch, raced a bit greenly passing the furlong marker, then shook free at the sixteenth pole and drew clear under urging. SIX STITCHES chased the pace, chased on the turn, rallied outside in the final furlong and closed well for second. EVEN UP away alertly to the early lead on the inside, dueled with the winner on the turn, dug in on the rail in the stretch run and just held on for third. BEST DEAL was off a bit slow, raced off the pace inside, came two wide into the lane, rallied mildly and just missed for the show award. VINTAGE WIZ raced off the pace inside, chased inside on the turn and had no rally. READY INVENTOR raced off the rail, off the pace, three wide on the turn and did not factor.

Owners – 1, Conover Stable; 2, De Mora Julian Jr; 3, Holly Crest Farm; 4, Trin-Brook Stables Inc; 5, Thoroughbred Investment Fund and A R M Racing LLC; 6, Carole Star Stables

Trainers – 1, Breen Kelly J; 2, Avila Juan C; 3, Owens Eddie Jr; 4, St Lewis Uriah; 5, Margotta Anthony Jr; 6, Delgado Jose H

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50 CENT Pick Three (5–2–1) Paid $25.05; Pick Three Pool $30,249.

$1 Daily Double (2–1) Paid $26.30; Daily Double Pool $12,866.