FAIR GROUNDS - March 23, 2024 - Race 12

STAKES Twinspires.com Louisiana Derby Grade 2 - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS.

One And Three Sixteenth Miles On The Dirt Current Track Record: (Epicenter - 1:54.38 - March 26, 2022)

Purse: \$1,000,000 Guaranteed Available Money: \$1,000,000

Value of Race: \$1,000,000 1st \$600,000, 2nd \$200,000, 3rd \$100,000, 4th \$40,000, 5th \$20,000, 6th \$10,000, 7th \$10,000, 8th

\$10,000, 9th \$10,000

Weather: Cloudy Track: Fast

Off at: 5:49 Start: Good for all Timer: Electronic

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt M/E | PP | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|--|-----|--|---------|----|-------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| 17Feb24 ¹⁴ FG ³ | 5 | Catching Freedom (Prat, Flavien) | 122 b | 4 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 4 ^{Head} | 11 | 3.30 | 5-8p1/4,drove past |
| 17Feb24 ¹⁴ FG ⁵ | 7 | Honor Marie (Curtis, Ben) | 122 | 6 | 9 | 9 ^{1/2} | 10 ^{1 1/2} | 9 ^{Head} | 6 ^{1 1/2} | 2 ^{3/4} | 7.80 | 3-4p,7pupr,rally,outkk |
| 31Jan24 ⁷ GP ¹ | 11 | Tuscan Gold (Gaffalione, Tyler) | 122 | 10 | 6 | 6 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ¹ | 3 ^{3/4} | 11.20 | 4w,ask 2nd,kepton well |
| 17Feb24 ¹⁴ FG ² | 12 | Track Phantom (Rosario, Joel) | 122 | 11 | 1 | 1 ¹ | 1 ^{1/2} | 1 ^{1/2} | 1 ^{1/2} | 4 ^{1 1/2} | 2.00* | 3-2p,bestd 1/16,yieldd |
| 24Feb24 11OP2 | 10 | Common Defense (Hernandez, Jr., Brian) | 122 | 9 | 4 | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ¹ | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ¹ | 5 ^{Head} | 10.50 | press 4-3p, yielded btw |
| 17Feb24 ⁹ FG ¹ | 3 | Antiquarian (Velazquez, John) | 122 | 2 | 5 | 5 ^{Head} | 6.1/2 | 5 ^{Head} | 5 ^{Head} | 6 ^{Neck} | 16.90 | brk thru gt,3-5w,flatn |
| 10Feb24 ¹⁰ TAM ² | 4 | Agate Road (Ortiz, Jr., Irad) | 122 | 3 | 10 | 10 ¹ | 9 ^{Head} | 10 ^{1 1/2} | 7 ^{1/2} | 7 ^{3 1/4} | 5.40 | ins,wait 3p2nd,movd up |
| 24Feb24 ¹¹ OP ⁸ | 8 | Next Level (Riquelme, Jose) | 122 b | 7 | 7 | 7 ^{Head} | 8 ^{2 1/2} | 7 ^{1/2} | 10 ^{5 1/2} | 8 ^{3 3/4} | 132.30 | saved ground, no avail |
| 17Feb24 ¹⁴ FG ⁶ | 6 | Awesome Ruta (Murrill, Mitchell) @obs | 122 | 5 | 2 | 4 ^{1/2} | 5 ¹ | 6 ^{1 1/2} | 8 ^{1/2} | 9 ^{3/4} | 122.10 | 2wd btwn, faded |
| 17Feb24 ¹⁴ FG ⁷ | 2 | Hall of Fame (Santana, Jr., Ricardo) | 122 | 1 | 3 | 3 ^{Head} | 4 ^{Head} | 4 ^{1/2} | 9 ^{1 1/2} | 10 ³⁵ | 7.50 | stalked inside, wknd |
| 17Feb24 ¹⁴ FG ⁸ | 9 | Real Men Violin (Lanerie, Corey) | 122 | 8 | 8 | 8 ^{3 1/2} | 7 ^{Head} | 8 ¹ | 11 | 11 | 45.80 | 2wd, wknd, eased |
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Fractional Times: 23.49 48.33 1:12.54 1:37.38

(24:84) (24:21) (24:84) (18:78)

Split Times: Run-Up: 45 feet

Winner: Catching Freedom, Bay Colt, by Constitution out of Catch My Drift, by Pioneerof the Nile. Foaled Mar 08, 2021 in Kentucky.

Final Time: 1:56.16

Breeder: WinStar Farm, LLC

Owner: Albaugh Family Stables LLC

Trainer: Cox, Brad

Scratched Horse(s): Triple Espresso (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$1,721,206

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|------------------|------|-------|------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------|
| 5 | Catching Freedom | 8.60 | 4.40 | 3.20 | \$0.50 Pick 3 | 13-5-5 (3 correct) | 27.40 | 333,668 |
| 7 | Honor Marie | | 6.40 | 4.40 | \$0.50 Pick 4 | 1-13-3/4/5-5 (4 correct) | 229.70 | 663,217 |
| 11 | Tuscan Gold | | | 7.60 | \$0.50 Pick 5 | 10-1-13-3/4/5-5 (5 correct) | 1,289.20 | 1,164,627 |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Pick 5 | BAYOU BLUEGRASS | 8,782.40 | 227,316 |
| | | | | | | 1-10-5-10-5 (5 correct) | | |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Pick 6 | 2-10-1-13-3/4/5-5 (6 | 5,804.60 | 97,672 |
| | | | | | | correct) | | |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Pick 6 | 2-10-1-13-3/4/5-5 (5 | 72.30 | 0 |
| | | | | | | correct) | | |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Daily Double | 5-5 | 12.10 | 246,945 |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Exacta | 5-7 | 39.10 | 958,589 |
| | | | | | \$0.10 Superfecta | 5-7-11-12 | 138.97 | 327,697 |
| | | | | | \$0.50 Trifecta | 5-7-11 | 178.95 | 524,554 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin |
|-----|------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 5 | Catching Freedom | 11 | 11 ^{8 3/4} | 11 ^{7 3/4} | 11 ^{6 3/4} | 42 1/2 | 1 ¹ |
| 7 | Honor Marie | 9 | 9 ^{7 1/4} | 10 ^{6 1/4} | 9 ⁵ | $6^2 \frac{3}{4}$ | 2 ¹ |
| 11 | Tuscan Gold | 6 | 6 ^{2 1/4} | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ¹ | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ^{1 3/4} |
| 12 | Track Phantom | 1 | 1 ¹ | 1 ^{1/2} | 1 ^{1/2} | 1 ^{1/2} | 4 ^{2 1/2} |
| 10 | Common Defense | 4 | 2 ¹ | $2^{1/2}$ | $2^{1/2}$ | 2 ^{1/2} | 5 ⁴ |
| 3 | Antiquarian | 5 | 5 ² | 6^{3} | 5 ² | 5 ^{2 1/2} | 6 ⁴ |
| 4 | Agate Road | 10 | 10 ^{7 3/4} | | 10 ^{5 1/4} | 7 ^{4 1/4} | 7 ⁴ 1/4 |
| 8 | Next Level | 7 | $7^{3\ 3/4}$ | 8 ^{3 3/4} | 7 ^{3 1/2} | 10 ^{6 3/4} | 8 ^{7 1/2} |
| 6 | Awesome Ruta | 2 | 4 ^{1 1/2} | 5 ² | 6 ² | 8 ^{4 3/4} | 9 ^{11 1/4} |
| 2 | Hall of Fame | 3 | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 4 ² | 4 ^{1 1/2} | 9 ^{5 1/4} | 10 ¹² |
| 9 | Real Men Violin | 8 | 8 ^{3 3/4} | 7 ^{3 1/2} | 8 ⁴ | 11 ^{12 1/4} | 11 ⁴⁷ |

Trainers: 5 - Cox, Brad: 7 - Beckman, D. Whitworth; 11 - Brown, Chad: 12 - Asmussen, Steven; 10 - McPeek, Kenneth; 3 - Pletcher, Todd; 4 - Pletcher, Todd; 8 - Desormeaux, J.; 6 - Foster, Joseph; 2 - Asmussen, Steven; 9 - McPeek, Kenneth

Owners: 5 - Albaugh Family Stables LLC; 7 - Ribble Farms LLC, Eiserman, Michael H., Silver, Earl I., Fishbein, Kenneth E. and Fishbein, Daniel; 11 -Lawrence, William H., Walmac Farm and Stonestreet Stables LLC; 12 - L and N Racing LLC, Brewster, Clark O., Caroom, Jerry and Breeze

Easy, LLC; 10 - Bernsen, David A., Holmes, Tony, Holmes, Michael and Norevale Farm; 3 - Centennial Farms; 4 - Repole Stable and St. Elias Stables LLC; 8 - Don't Tell My Wife Stables; 6 - Tri-Star Racing, LLC and Cimarron TTT Farms LLC; 2 - Magnier, Mrs. John, Tabor, Michael B.,

Smith, Derrick, Westerberg, Gandharvi LLC and Smith, Brook T.; 9 - Tilted Shamrock Stables;

Footnotes

CATCHING FREEDOM rated back between hoses soon after the start, trailed, picked up stride in the five path around the far turn before swinging to the eight path entering the lane, rallied widest delaying his lead change until midstretch, sustained progress to bid entering the final sixteenth and drove past. HONOR MARIE laid well back in the three to four path, shifted out to the seven path entering upper stretch, rallied along with an outer foe to bid at the sixteenth pole, but got outkicked. TUSCAN GOLD tracked four wide, pursued under urging between horses around the far turn, sustained his chase through midstretch, but flopped back to his left lead while getting outkicked by an outer pair at the sixteenth pole, kept on well and edged show late. TRACK PHANTOM showed the way in the three to two path around the first turn, led from an outer prompter around the far turn, held sway into the final furlong, but was bested by wide bidders at the sixteenth pole and yielded. COMMON DEFENSE pressed the leader from the four to three path early on, vied around the far turn, chased his inner counterpart in upper stretch, but flopped back to his left lead at the furlong grounds and gave way between horses. ANTIQUARIAN broke through the gate pre-race, then bumped with his outer stable-mate at the start, pursued from midpack in the three path, chased five deep while attempting to creep closer around the far turn, but flattened out between horses in midstretch. AGATE ROAD bumped with an inner foe at the start, lacked speed along the inside, awaited racing room in the three path around the far turn, shifted four wide entering the lane and moved up. NEXT LEVEL saved ground off of the pace, but to no avail. AWESOME RUTA raced forwardly two wide and between horses, but faded through the lane. HALL OF FAME stalked along the inside but weakened through the lane. REAL MEN VIOLIN laid off of the pace two wide, weakened and was eased through the final furlong.

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