



FAIR GROUNDS RACE COURSE

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The 113th Running Of The  
TWINSPIRES.COM LOUISIANA DERBY EARLY-BIRD  
\$1,000,000 Guaranteed

(Grade II)

**FOR THREE YEAR OLDS** Early Bird Nomination Fee of \$500 due by Thursday, January 1, 2026, which includes nomination fee for The Lecomte Stakes (GIII) and The Risen Star Stakes (GII). Final nomination for The Louisiana Derby closes Saturday, March 7, 2026 by subscription of \$1,000. \$5,000 to enter, \$5,000 additional to start. Supplemental nominations of \$20,000 will be accepted at time of entry which shall include all fees. \$1,000,000 Guaranteed 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. Weights: Colts and Geldings - 122 lbs; Fillies - 117 lbs. Starters to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. The Louisiana Derby will be limited to fourteen (14) starters. Preference will be given in the following manner: First preference to graded or group winners in order (I,II,III), then to horses that have accumulated the highest lifetime earnings. Any horse excluded from running because of the aforementioned preference will be refunded the entry fee or supplementary nomination fee if applicable. For Three Year Olds entered under International Medication Protocol, Horses nominated or entered to compete shall not be eligible to receive furosemide less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to post time for this race. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. Certain finishing positions in this race will earn points to qualify for the 2026 Kentucky Derby, pursuant to the official rules for the Road to the Kentucky Derby published by Churchill Downs Incorporated. Points will be earned in the following manner: 100 to the winner, 50 to second, 25 to third 15 to fourth and 10 to fifth.

ONE MILE AND THREE SIXTEENTHS

TO BE RUN SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

ARABIA WILD	b.c.3	Sumaya U. S. Stables (Oussama Aboughazale)	Brad H. Cox
ARCTIC BEAST	dk b/c.3	Paradise Farms Corp., JP Racing Stable, Staudacher, David, Zilla Racing Stables and Rice, Jennifer	Michael J. Maker
BALBOA	b.c.3	SF Racing LLC, Starlight Racing, Madaket Stables LLC, Bashor, Dianne, Determined Stables, Golconda Stable, Waves Edge Capital LLC and Donovan, Catherine	Brittany T. Russell
BIG DOM	dk b/c.3	Greenwell Thoroughbreds, LLC and Asaro, Robert	Thomas M. Amoss
BLACKOUT TIME	dk b/c.3	Brookdale Racing, Inc., Gasaway, Lance and Magdalena Racing	Kenneth G. McPeek
BOCA BEACH CLUB	ch.c.3	Double Down Stables, Inc. (Richard Templar)	James P. DiVito
CANNONEER	b.c.3	St. Elias Stable and Stonestreet Stables LLC	Brad H. Cox
CARSON STREET	dk b/c.3	Ike and Dawn Thrash	Brendan P. Walsh
CHIP HONCHO	dk b/c.3	Leland Ackerley Racing, LLC (Lee Ackerley)	Steven M. Asmussen
COMMANDMENT	b.c.3	Wathnan Racing (Tameem Binhmad)	Brad H. Cox
CONFESSONAL	gr/ro.c.3	Steve Landers Racing, LLC (Steve Landers)	Brad H. Cox
COURTING	ch.c.3	Whisper Hill Farm, LLC, Stonestreet Stables, LLC and Windancer Farm	Todd A. Pletcher
CREOLE CHROME	ch.c.3	Three Diamonds Farm (Kirk Wycoff)	Joe Sharp
CROWN THE BUCKEYE	b.c.3	Paradise Farms Corp. (Peter Proscia), David Staudacher and Hooties Racing, LLC (Mark B. Moore)	Michael J. Maker
DOUBLE ENTENDRE	b.c.3	Belladonna Racing LLC, C R K Stable LLC and Twin Brook Stables	Cherie DeVaux
EASTERLY	dk b/c.3	Win Star Farm LLC (Kenny Troutt), CHC Inc. (Kit Ng), and First Go Racing LLC (Preston Troutt)	Brad H. Cox
EWING	gr/ro.c.3	D. J. Stable LLC, West Point Thoroughbreds and Freirich, Kenneth	Mark E. Casse
EXOSOME	b.c.3	NBS Stable (John Ballantyne)	Kelsey Danner
FANCY GENTLEMAN	dk b/c.3	Spendthrift Farm, LLC and Stephens, Terry L.	Danny Gargan
FIFTY FOUR YARDER	b.c.3	Albaugh Family Stables, LLC (Dennis Albaugh)	Kelly R. Von Hemel
FULLEFFORT	gr/ro.c.3	St. Elias Stable and Starlight Racing	Brad H. Cox
FURTHER ADO	ch.c.3	Spendthrift Farm, LLC (Eric P. Gustavson)	Brad H. Cox
GOLDEN TEMPO	b.c.3	Phipps Stable (Ogden Mills Phipps) and St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola)	Cherie DeVaux
GOLDEN TORNADO	b.c.3	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Gainesway Stable (Antony Beck) and Legendary Thoroughbreds	Danny Gargan
HERBS BOLT	dk b/c.3	Smith, Robert J., Powers, Robert, Edwards, Mark and Arcari, Dane	Joe Sharp
HICKMAN CREEK	dk b/c.3	Juddmonte (Prince Fahad bin Khalid)	Brad H. Cox
I DID I DID	b.c.3	Paradise Farms Corp., Staudacher, David, Turman, Frank and Skychai Racing, LLC	Michael J. Maker
LIBERTY NATIONAL	dk b/c.3	Brookdale Racing, Inc. (Nader Alaali) and Fern Circle Stables (Paul Fireman)	Kenneth G. McPeek
MARKET RUNNER	gr/ro.g.3	Double Down Horse Racing (Elza and Alex Mitchum)	Thomas M. Amoss
MESQUITE	b.c.3	LBD Stable, LLC (Paul Winandy)	Cherie DeVaux
MISTER PUNCH	b.c.3	Novogratz Racing Stables, Inc. (Joseph F. Novogratz)	Brad H. Cox
MOJACAR	gr/ro.c.3	Belladonna Racing LLC, C R K Stable LLC and Twin Brook Stables	Cherie DeVaux
MOR FORCE	dk b/c.3	Norman Stables, LLC (Robbie Norman)	Jayde J. Gelner
MY WORLD	gr/ro.c.3	Robert V. LaPenta and Madaket Stables, LLC (Sol Kumin and Jason Monteleone)	Brad H. Cox
NO JOKE JOE	ch.c.3	James M. Miller	Joe Sharp
OCELLI	b.c.3	Ashley Durr	D. Whitworth Beckman
OSCAR'S HOPE	b.c.3	Michael McLoughlin	Thomas M. Amoss
QUALITY MISCHIEF	b.c.3	West Paces Racing LLC (Larry Connelly) and Donegal Racing (Gerald W. Crawford)	Brad H. Cox
RANCHO SANTA FE	ch.c.3	Gary and Mary West	Brad H. Cox
REAGAN'S HONOR	dk b/c.3	West Point Thoroughbreds (Terrence Finley), David Ingordo and Gabriel Duignan	Cherie DeVaux
ROYAL CAUSEWAY	dk b/r.3	Gervais Racing, LLC (Lori Gervais)	Dallas Stewart
SCAR SHIP	b.c.3	Rebecca Farms, LLC (Richard A. Savoie)	Ricky Courville
SILENT TACTIC	b.c.3	John C. Oxley	Mark E. Casse
SILVER PRINCE	gr/ro.c.3	Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Randy Finegan and James M. Walderns	Ron Moquett
SLEEPINGONFREEDOM	dk b/c.3	Dream Big Racing, LLC (John Wade and Jan Adkinson)	Kenneth G. McPeek
SOCKDOLAGER	dk b/c.3	Tom R. Durant and Randall Hartley	Joe Sharp
SOLDIER N DIPLOMAT	dk b/c.3	St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola)	Steven M. Asmussen

<b>SPIRIT OF ROYAL</b>	b.c.3 Gervais Racing, LLC (Lori Gervais)	Dallas Stewart
<b>STOP THE CAR</b>	b.c.3 Trade Winds Farm (Tom D'Andra)	Brendan P. Walsh
<b>STRATEGIC RISK</b>	b.c.3 John C. Oxley	Mark E. Casse
<b>TALKIN</b>	b.c.3 Reeves Thoroughbred Racing, Pine Racing Stables, Legendary Thoroughbreds, Belmar Racing and Breeding, LLC and R. A. Hill Stable	Danny Gargan
<b>THUNDER BUCK</b>	b.c.3 Calumet Farm (Brad Kelley)	Brad H. Cox
<b>UNIVERSE</b>	b.c.3 4 G Racing LLC, Day, Gregg, Crain, Steven and Magdalena Racing	Kenneth G. McPeek
<b>VALIANT</b>	b.c.3 Grandview Equine, LNJ Foxwoods and Vester, Hubert	Brad H. Cox
<b>VERY CONNECTED</b>	b.c.3 Dream Big Racing, LLC (John Wade and Jan Adkinson)	Kenneth G. McPeek
<b>WAYMARK</b>	b.c.3 Windancer Farm Holdings, LLC	Brad H. Cox
<b>WHITE TIGER</b>	gr/ro.c.3 Twin Creeks Racing Stables, LLC (Randy Gullatt)	Brad H. Cox

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CLOSED SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026 WITH 57 NOMINATIONS\*

\*PENDING LATE MAIL

SCOTT L. JONES  
RACING SECRETARY