

OAKLAWN PARK - January 1, 2024 - Race 9

STAKES Smarty Jones S. Listed - Thoroughbred
THREE YEAR OLDS. By subscription of \$100 for The Smarty Jones or by subscription of \$750 on Saturday, December 16, 2023 for The Smarty Jones, The Southwest, The Rebel and The Arkansas Derby. \$1,500 to pass the entry box and \$1,500 additional to start. Supplementary nominations may be made by the closing time of entries at a fee of \$3,500 which qualifies to start. \$300,000 Guaranteed. After paying 2.5% of original purse to the owners of horses finishing 6th through last, 60% of the remaining purse will be paid to the owner of the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 6% to fourth and 4% to fifth. Weights: 122 lbs. Non-winners of \$60,000 twice allowed 3 lbs.; \$60,000 once 5 lbs. (Maiden and Claiming races not considered in allowances.) In Allowance Stakes starting preference will be given to horses that have accumulated the highest earnings. Starters to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. Certain finishing positions in this race will earn points to qualify for the 2024 Kentucky Derby, pursuant to the official rules for the Road to the Kentucky Derby published by Churchill Downs Incorporated. The Owner of the winner to receive a trophy. Nominations Closed Saturday, December 16, 2023 with 55 Nominations.
One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Heather ten - 1:40.20 - April 18, 1984)

Purse: \$300,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$300,000

Value of Race: \$300,000 1st \$162,000, 2nd \$54,000, 3rd \$27,000, 4th \$16,200, 5th \$10,800, 6th \$7,500, 7th \$7,500, 8th \$7,500, 9th \$7,500

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:23 **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
9Nov23 ⁸ CD ⁴	2	Catching Freedom (Torres, Cristian)	117 b	2	6	8 ⁴	7 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{2 1/2}	1.70*	steered 4w 1/4, surged
25Nov23 ⁹ CD ¹	7	Just Steel (Vazquez, Ramon)	119 b	7	4	3 ¹	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}	4.50	3w bid, no match late
25Nov23 ⁷ CD ³	1	Informed Patriot (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	117 --	1	7	5 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	4 ²	3 ^{Neck}	10.40	rail, movd out, missd 2nd
29Oct23 ¹⁰ CD ⁴	6	Gettysburg Address (Prat, Flavien)	117 --	6	8	9	9	8 ¹	6 ^{4 1/2}	4 ^{Neck}	5.50	jostled brk, angled 3w
25Nov23 ⁷ CD ⁵	4	Mystik Dan (Leparoux, Julien)	117 --	4	1	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	5 ^{1 1/4}	7.90	brk out, gave way btwn
25Nov23 ³ CD ¹	3	Lagynos (Rosario, Joel)	119 --	3	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	5 ¹	6 ^{4 1/2}	3.40	legit pace, faltered
13Nov23 ¹⁰ RP ¹	5	Mo Winning (Hernandez, Harry)	118 --	5	5	4 ^{Head}	5 ¹	6 ¹	7 ²	7 ^{4 1/2}	28.90	rank early, little left
30Nov23 ³ RP ¹	8	Chaperone (Asmussen, Keith)	117 b	8	9	7 ^{1/2}	8 ^{2 1/2}	9	8 ⁶	8 ⁹	47.20	4w 1st turn, no rally
9Nov23 ¹ IND ¹	9	Fidget (Chuan, Martin)	117 b	9	3	6 ¹	6 ^{1/2}	7 ^{Head}	9	9	32.70	4w turn, nothing left

Fractional Times: 23.02 47.01 1:12.20 1:38.34

Final Time: 1:44.59

Split Times: (23:99) (25:19) (26:14) (6:25)

Run-Up: 60 feet

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

Breeder: WinStar Farm, LLC

Owner: Albaugh Family Stables LLC

Trainer: Cox, Brad

Total WPS Pool: \$410,613

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Catching Freedom	5.40	3.20	2.80	\$1.00 Exacta	2-7	14.20	231,309
7	Just Steel		4.80	3.80	\$0.50 Trifecta	2-7-1	46.30	136,472
1	Informed Patriot			5.40	\$0.50 Pick 3	10-7/11/13/14-2 (3 correct)	77.40	34,999
					\$1.00 Daily Double	11-2	8.10	44,610
					\$0.10 Superfecta	2-7-1-6	43.47	101,762

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Catching Freedom	6	8 ^{4 1/4}	7 ^{3 3/4}	5 ^{2 1/2}	3 ¹	1 ^{2 1/2}
7	Just Steel	4	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ²	3 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{2 1/2}
1	Informed Patriot	7	5 ^{2 1/2}	4 ²	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{2 3/4}
6	Gettysburg Address	8	9 ^{8 1/4}	9 ^{6 1/4}	8 ^{4 1/4}	6 ^{5 1/2}	4 ³
4	Mystik Dan	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	5 ^{3 1/4}
3	Lagynos	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/2}
5	Mo Winning	5	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/4}	6 ³	7 ¹⁰	7 ⁹
8	Chaperone	9	7 ^{3 3/4}	8 ^{3 3/4}	9 ^{5 1/4}	8 ¹²	8 ^{13 1/2}
9	Fidget	3	6 ^{2 3/4}	6 ^{3 1/4}	7 ⁴	9 ¹⁸	9 ^{22 1/2}

Trainers: 2 - Cox, Brad; 7 - Lukas, D.; 1 - Asmussen, Steven; 6 - Cox, Brad; 4 - McPeck, Kenneth; 3 - Asmussen, Steven; 5 - Diodoro, Robertino; 8 - Moquett, Ron; 9 - Cox, Brad

Owners: 2 - Albaugh Family Stables LLC; 7 - BC Stables, LLC; 1 - Robison, J. Kirk and Robison, Judy; 6 - Siena Farm LLC and WinStar Farm LLC; 4 - Gasaway, Lance, 4 G Racing, LLC and Hamby III, Daniel; 3 - HRH Prince Sultan Bin Mishal Al Saud; 5 - Holleman, John and Howg, Randy; 8 - Gus King; 9 - Calumet Farm;

Footnotes

CATCHING FREEDOM raced unhurried early just off the inside, continued to track into the far turn just off the rail, steered out four wide late in that bend, lost some ground to the leaders into the stretch as a result, was set down when straightened for home, accelerated with a late surge out in the strip to win going away at the end. JUST STEEL light bump break, settled off the pace and the inside, three wide advance into a striking position through the second turn, bid into the lane on the outside, put a head in front a furlong out, proved no match for the winner late, held sway for the place. INFORMED PATRIOT raced in mid pack while toward the inside, moved slightly closer along the rail turning for home, moved to the outside, challenged for the place late, outkicked. GETTYSBURG ADDRESS jostled at the break to be back early, continued to trail, angled out three wide turning for home, mild interest, not enough for the show. MYSTIK DAN broke out, was straightened to pressure the leader off the inside, lodged a bid between horses second turn, briefly led between calls upper stretch, faltered from between horses. LAGYNOS took command after the start, set a legitimate pace toward the inside, gave way when headed turning for home. MO WINNING in a bit tight at the break, rank in the first turn when slow to settle, had little for the drive while just off the inside. CHAPERONE four wide through the first turn when four wide, continued outside, three wide second bend, failed to rally. FIDGET four wide through the turns, had nothing for the drive.

