

DELTA DOWNS - January 2, 2025 - Race 8

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Weight, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000.

(NW2 L) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Heitai - 1:18.04 - November 1, 2013)

Purse: \$13,000

Includes: \$9,000 Other Sources

Plus: \$2,000 ALBSS-Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement

Available Money: \$15,000

Value of Race: \$14,660 1st \$9,000, 2nd \$3,000, 3rd \$1,430, 4th \$780, 5th \$450

Weather: Cloudy, 58° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 8:04 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|-----|------|----|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 7Dec24 ⁵ DED ⁴ | 9 | Cool Ride (Rengifo, Johan) | 121 | L bf | 7 | 4 | 2 ⁵ | 1 ² | 1 ³ | 1 ^{1/2} | 5.50 | prsd,clr lead, lasted |
| 11Dec24 ⁶ DED ² | 1 | Yakety Yak (Santiago, Edward) | 116 | L bf | 1 | 3 | 3 ^{Head} | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 2 ^{1 1/2} | 2 ^{1 1/4} | 3.40 | wellplcd,laterun,2ndbs |
| 11Dec24 ⁶ DED ³ | 6 | Bobby Merlot (Magnon, Devin) | 124 | L b | 5 | 6 | 7 ^{1 1/2} | 7 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ¹ | 3 ^{2 3/4} | 8.20 | rail bid, late gain |
| 11Dec24 ⁶ DED ⁵ | 3 | Wicked Tough (Barrera, Elio) | 124 | L b | 3 | 1 | 4 ² | 5 ^{1/2} | 5 ² | 4 ^{Neck} | 20.90 | mild bid, evenly |
| 7Dec24 ⁵ DED ⁶ | 10 | Saucy Argument (Vargas, Juan) | 121 | L bf | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 6 ² | 5 ³ | 7.10 | passed tiring rivals |
| 11Dec24 ⁶ DED ⁴ | 2 | Out Making Treble (Rodriguez, Jose) | 124 | L b | 2 | 2 | 6 ^{2 1/2} | 4 ^{1/2} | 4 ^{Head} | 6 ⁵ | 47.00 | failed to sustain bid |
| 7Dec24 ⁴ DED ³ | 5 | Xy Face (Del-Cid, Vicente) | 124 | L b | 4 | 7 | 5 ^{1/2} | 6 ¹ | 7 ^{1/2} | 7 ^{7 1/2} | 1.10* | failed to menace |
| 5Dec24 ¹⁰ FG ⁸ | 8 | Tap On By (Birzer, Alex) | 124 | L b | 6 | 5 | 1 ^{1/2} | 2 ² | 8 | 8 | 12.00 | early lead, done |

Fractional Times: 23.36 47.51 1:14.79

Final Time: 1:22.16

Split Times: (24:15) (27:28) (7:37)

Run-Up: 38 feet

Winner: Cool Ride, Bay Gelding, by Takeover Target out of Candy Delicious, by Candy Ride (ARG). Foaled Mar 18, 2021 in Louisiana.

Breeder: Daniel Chicola

Owner: Donald Melancon

Trainer: Melancon, Donald

Claiming Prices: 9 - Cool Ride: \$5,000; 1 - Yakety Yak: \$5,000; 6 - Bobby Merlot: \$5,000; 3 - Wicked Tough: \$5,000; 10 - Saucy Argument: \$5,000; 2 - Out Making Treble: \$5,000; 5 - Xy Face: \$5,000; 8 - Tap On By: \$5,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Aller Vite (Veterinarian), Gold Capo (Also-Eligible), Lucas Zip It (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$22,351

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|--------------|-------|-------|------|---------------------|----------------------------|--------|--------|
| 9 | Cool Ride | 13.00 | 7.80 | 3.60 | \$1.00 Exacta | 9-1 | 31.20 | 15,436 |
| 1 | Yakety Yak | | 5.00 | 3.40 | \$0.50 Trifecta | 9-1-6 | 56.90 | 9,222 |
| 6 | Bobby Merlot | | | 3.00 | \$0.10 Superfecta | 9-1-6-3 | 65.02 | 8,216 |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Daily Double | 4-9 | 60.70 | 6,987 |
| | | | | | \$0.50 Pick 3 | 10-4-9 (3 correct) | 84.05 | 11,881 |
| | | | | | \$0.50 Pick 4 | 6-4/9/10-4-9 (4 correct) | 435.70 | 17,893 |
| | | | | | \$0.50 Pick 5 | 7-6-4/9/10-4-9 (4 correct) | 229.50 | 12,853 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | Str | Fin |
|-----|-------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 9 | Cool Ride | 4 | 2 ^{1/2} | 1 ² | 1 ³ | 1 ^{1/2} |
| 1 | Yakety Yak | 3 | 3 ^{5 1/2} | 3 ⁴ | 2 ³ | 2 ^{1/2} |
| 6 | Bobby Merlot | 6 | 7 ^{10 1/2} | 7 ^{7 1/2} | 3 ^{4 1/2} | 3 ^{1 3/4} |
| 3 | Wicked Tough | 1 | 4 ^{5 1/2} | 5 ⁶ | 5 ^{5 1/2} | 4 ^{4 1/2} |
| 10 | Saucy Argument | 8 | 8 ¹² | 8 ⁹ | 6 ^{7 1/2} | 5 ^{4 3/4} |
| 2 | Out Making Treble | 2 | 6 ⁸ | 4 ^{5 1/2} | 4 ^{5 1/2} | 6 ^{7 3/4} |
| 5 | Xy Face | 7 | 5 ^{7 1/2} | 6 ^{6 1/2} | 7 ^{9 1/2} | 7 ^{12 3/4} |
| 8 | Tap On By | 5 | 1 ^{1/2} | 2 ² | 8 ¹⁰ | 8 ^{20 1/4} |

Trainers: 9 - Melancon, Donald; 1 - Flugence, Henry; 6 - Magnon, Rylee; 3 - Cormier, Cardel; 10 - Breaux, Samuel; 2 - Mason, Gary; 5 - Sanchez, Amador; 8 - Birzer, Bonnie

Owners: 9 -Donald Melancon; 1 -Kevin A. Fontenot; 6 -Jason G. Grudzien; 3 -Ignatious Boxie; 10 - Teche Equine Stables LLC; 2 -Amber Denise Mason; 5 - Gelfenstein Farm; 8 -Jeff Claman;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

COOL RIDE pressed the pace from two wide around the first turn then took the lead near the half mile marker and pulled away at the three furlong marker and just lasted. YAKETY YAK was well placed settling off the pace down the backstretch then made a late run around the final turn but couldn't catch the leader and proved second best. BOBBY MERLOT was allowed to settle near the back down the backstretch then made a rail bid on the final turn for the late gain. WICKED TOUGH raced off the pace through the final turn and made a mild bid late but raced evenly. SAUCY ARGUMENT trailed the field to the top of the stretch and passed tiring rivals. OUT MAKING TREBLE saved ground while racing in the middle of the pack then made a mild bid on the final turn but failed to sustain that bid. XY FACE failed to menace. TAP ON BY hustled to the early lead from the inside around the first turn then pressed the pace to the three furlong marker and was done.

Track Attendance: 0

Handle: \$9,931

Off Track Wagering

Handle: \$994,929