

# NINTH RACE Churchill

1½ MILES. (Turf) (226²) KEERTANAS. Purse \$250,000 (includes \$50,000 KTDF – Kentucky TB Devt Fund) FOR FILLIES AND MARES FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. (Rail at 12 feet).

MAY 23, 2026

Value of Race: \$209,000 Winner \$121,520; second \$39,200; third \$24,600; fourth \$12,300; fifth \$7,380; sixth \$2,000; seventh \$2,000. Mutuel Pool \$440,472.00 Exacta Pool \$225,395.00 Trifecta Pool \$116,304.00 Superfecta Pool \$58,952.00 Super High Five Pool \$22,068.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A. Wt	PP	¼	½	1	1¼	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
28Mar26	8GP2 Ayra Stark-Arg		6	118	2	1½	11	11	1½	11½	12¾	Ortiz J L 1.12
24Apr26	8Kee6 Venencia-FR		6	118	7	41	41½	4hd	3½	3½	2nk	Cheminaud V 11.46
24Apr26	8Kee3 Way to Be Marie		5	118	4	5½	5hd	61	4hd	2½	3nk	Saez L 4.66
24Apr26	8Kee2 Golden Sunshine	b	4	118	3	3½	3hd	31	51½	4½	43½	Torres J A 2.73
24Apr26	8Kee8 Virgin Colada		4	118	5	21	21	2½	21	52	51½	Gaffalione T 16.42
24Apr26	10Kee5 Awesomesauce		4	118	1	7	7	5½	61½	62	63¾	Ortiz I Jr 6.63
1May26	10CD8 QueensCommnd-Ire		7	118	6	64½	64½	7	7	7	7	Curtis B 33.15

OFF AT 4:57 Start Good. Won driving. Course good.

TIME :24.3, :49.4, 1:15, 1:40.2, 2:04.2, 2:27.4 ( :24.79, :49.94, 1:15.04, 1:40.50, 2:04.55, 2:27.89 )

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

3 – AYRA STARK-ARG	4.24	2.98	2.42
8 – VENENCIA-FR		10.24	5.04
5 – WAY TO BE MARIE			2.84

**\$2 EXACTA 3-8 PAID \$45.92 50 CENT TRIFECTA 3-8-5 PAID \$47.15 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 3-8-5-4 PAID \$14.98 \$1 SUPER HIGH FIVE 3-8-5-4-6 PAID \$688.53**

Ch. m, (Jul), by Cosmic Trigger – Delfia, by Exchange Rate. Trainer De Paz Horacio. Bred by Marovi SA (Arg).

AYRA STARK (ARG) showed the way along the inside, remained in hand while vying with an outer presser rounding the final turn, shook clear in upper stretch then held sway well. VENENCIA (FR) tracked two wide, shifted four wide and between horses into upper stretch, ran on among foes through midstretch, battled for place with her outer counterpart through the late stages and prevailed. WAY TO BE MARIE settled along the inside, pursued two wide and between horses down the backstretch, progressed swinging three to five wide into the lane, ran on to duel for place with an inner rival late but got outfinished. GOLDEN SUNSHINE stalked along the inside, moved to the three path to chase between rivals in upper stretch, stayed on but needed more for show. VIRGIN COLADA pressed outside of the eventual winner, vied rounding the final turn, but was turned away in upper stretch and faded. AWESOMESAUCE trailed along the inside, shifted out to the six path in upper stretch and failed to menace. QUEENS COMMAND (IRE) laid off of the pace two wide, then in the three path around the second turn, four path around the final turn then tired.

**Owners**– 1, Haymarket Farm LLC; 2, Miller Racing LLC; 3, Twin Oaks Bloodstock LLC; 4, Godolphin LLC; 5, Resolute Racing; 6, Engelhart Joseph M; 7, TEC Racing (Elliott S Logan)

**Trainers**– 1, De Paz Horacio; 2, Joseph Saffie A Jr; 3, Kenneally Eddie; 4, Harty Eoin; 5, Maker Michael J; 6, Sharp Joe; 7, Sharp Joe

**Scratched**– Sultana ( 28Mar26 8GP )

**\$1 Daily Double (6-3) Paid \$9.90 ; Daily Double Pool \$45,173 .**

**50 CENT Pick Three (3-6-3) Paid \$49.30 ; Pick Three Pool \$57,992 .**

**50 CENT Pick Five (1-3-3-6-1/3) 5 Correct Paid \$1,240.94 ; Pick Five Pool \$180,159 .**