

CHURCHILL DOWNS - June 21, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races Since April 21 Allowed 3 lbs. A Race Since Then Allowed 5 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000 (Races Where Entered For \$16,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). **Claiming**

Price: \$20,000

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Indian Chant - 1:07.55 - July 8, 2007)

Purse: \$60,000

Includes: \$5,600 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund

Available Money: \$60,000

Value of Race: \$56,264 1st \$33,824, 2nd \$10,880, 3rd \$6,000, 4th \$3,000, 5th \$1,632, 6th \$928

Weather: Clear, 80° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:17 **Start:** Good for all except 3 **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

[GPS Race Chart](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
24May26 ³ CD ³	1	Gardiner (Ortiz, Jose)	118	L b	1	3	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{3 1/2}	0.44*	ins pair-3p,kickd away
3Jun26 ¹ CD ⁶	7	Slim Slow Slider (Torres, Jaime)	118	L	6	1	3 ^{Head}	3 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{3/4}	27.73	frac,3w-5p,repel,kpton
16May26 ⁵ CD ¹	5	Slider (Concepcion, Axel)	120	L f	4	2	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{3/4}	3.21	2w-4pbtw,no mtch,yield
23May26 ⁸ CD ⁵	4	Miacomet (Bejarano, Rafael)	118	L b	3	4	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{3/4}	16.69	stalked ins-2p, no bid
31May26 ⁴ CD ⁷	6	Raising Kane (Asmussen, Keith)	118	L b	5	5	5 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	5 ¹	11.04	beat slow,3p,5-6p upr
31May26 ⁴ CD ³	3	Upturned Brim (Curtis, Ben)	118	L	2	6	6	6	6	6	8.29	off slow,ins,4p upr

Fractional Times: 22.65 45.63 57.36

Final Time: 1:09.96 **Time from Gate:** 1:11.79

Split Times: (22:98) (11:73) (12:60)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Gardiner, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Audible out of Ramdhaa, by More Than Ready. Foaled Mar 08, 2022 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Tuscan Bloodstock

Owner: Joseph E. Besecker

Trainer: Sharp, Joe

2 Claimed Horse(s): Slider

Upturned Brim

New Trainer: J. Kent Sweezy

New Trainer: Wayne M. Catalano

New Owner: Starry Night Racing

New Owner: Michael L. Reavis

Voided Claims: Gardiner(Vet)

Claiming Prices: 1 - Gardiner: \$20,000; 7 - Slim Slow Slider: \$20,000; 5 - Slider: \$20,000; 4 - Miacomet: \$20,000; 6 - Raising Kane: \$20,000; 3 - Upturned Brim: \$20,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Curlin's Gesture (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$129,429

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Gardiner	2.88	2.46	2.10	\$2.00 Exacta	1-7	32.12	77,692
7	Slim Slow Slider		13.78	5.16	\$0.50 Trifecta	1-7-5	27.51	40,921
5	Slider			2.30	\$0.10 Superfecta	1-7-5-4	25.28	22,562
					\$1.00 Daily Double	3-1	5.45	43,373

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
1	Gardiner	3	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{3 1/2}
7	Slim Slow Slider	1	3 ²	3 ^{Head}	3 ³	2 ^{3 1/2}
5	Slider	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{4 1/4}
4	Miacomet	4	4 ²	4 ^{2 1/4}	4 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁵
6	Raising Kane	5	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{3 3/4}	5 ⁶	5 ^{5 3/4}
3	Upturned Brim	6	6 ^{3 3/4}	6 ^{3 3/4}	6 ⁶	6 ^{6 3/4}

Trainers: 1 - Sharp, Joe; 7 - Atras, Rob; 5 - Lovell, Michelle; 4 - Esquivel, Gustavo; 6 - Asmussen, Steven; 3 - Shorter, Aaron

Owners: 1 -Joseph E. Besecker; 7 - JKX Racing; 5 - McLean Racing Club; 4 -Gustavo Esquivel; 6 -Steven M. Asmussen; 3 - North Shore Racing Group;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

GARDINER was sent to the front, led in the three path as an outer pair applied pressure around the turn, shook free reaching midstretch and kicked away. SLIM SLOW SLIDER was fractious in the starting gate and required backing out for a veterinarian exam before being cleared to go, stalked outside of the top pair and from the five path, ranged up to bid turning for home, got repelled in upper stretch yet kept on to edge place in the final sixteenth. SLIDER prompted the eventual winner from the four path, bid between horses around the turn but proved no match for the leader in midstretch and yielded place late. MIACOMET stalked near the inside, chased the top trio turning for home and lacked a bid. RAISING KANE broke a beat slow, raced off of the pace in the three path, moved out to the five to six path in upper stretch and failed to factor. UPTURNED BRIM broke slowly, raced at the rear near the inside, shifted to the four path into upper stretch and made little impact.