

EVANGELINE DOWNS - May 23, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000. (NW3 L) **Claiming Price: \$5,000**

Distance: Seven Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (School Spirit - 1:22.02 - May 22, 2014)

Purse: \$11,000

Includes: \$2,800 Other Sources

[Video Race Replay](#)

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

Available Money: \$13,000

Value of Race: \$11,000 1st \$6,600, 2nd \$2,200, 3rd \$1,210, 4th \$660, 5th \$330

Weather: Rainy, 76° **Track:** Sloppy (Sealed)

Off at: 6:10 **Start:** Good for all except 4 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
1May26 ⁷ FON ²	5	Hard Spirits (Barrera, Elio)	124	L	5	5	5 ¹ 1/2	6 ¹	2 ¹ / ₂	1 ¹ / ₂	9.10	angld 5w,surged late
1May26 ² EVD ⁴	7	Cheyenne Moon (Vargas, Juan)	124	L b	7	6	4 ¹	5 ¹ / ₂	1 ²	2 ⁵ 1/4	0.10*	bid 4w,clear,caught
18Feb26 ⁸ DED ⁸	4	Bikini Bottom (Arana, Kelvin)	119	L bf	4	7	7	4 ¹ / ₂	5 ¹	3 ¹ 1/4	29.50	off slw,swung 6w 3/16
18Apr26 ⁹ EVD ⁵	6	Mor Mor Music (Santiago, Edward)	124	L b	6	1	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ²	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{Neck}	30.60	press 3w,weakened
15Apr26 ⁶ EVD ¹⁰	1	Spicy Italian (Perez, Carlos)	124	L f	1	3	2 ¹ / ₂	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹ / ₂	5 ³ 1/4	13.00	rush btw 2w,gave way
9Apr26 ² EVD ⁵	3	Baby Jane (Fusilier, Casey)	121	L	3	4	6 ¹ / ₂	7	6 ⁵	6 ²⁸ 1/4	32.80	swung 7wd,no rally
29Apr26 ⁴ EVD ²	2	Nicely Unified (McMahon, C.J.)	121	L f	2	2	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ^{Head}	7	7	10.10	duel ins,eased stretch

Fractional Times: 23.16 46.72 1:12.15

Final Time: 1:25.82 **Time from Gate:** 1:27.62

Split Times: (23:56) (25:43) (13:67)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Hard Spirits, Bay Mare, by Mor Spirit out of Doin' Hard Time, by Hard Spun. Foaled Mar 07, 2020 in Iowa.

Breeder: DNAce Thoroughbreds, Ltd.

Owner: Isai V. Gonzalez

Trainer: Gonzalez, Isai

Claiming Prices: 5 - Hard Spirits: \$5,000; 7 - Cheyenne Moon: \$5,000; 4 - Bikini Bottom: \$5,000; 6 - Mor Mor Music: \$5,000; 1 - Spicy Italian: \$5,000; 3 - Baby Jane: \$5,000; 2 - Nicely Unified: \$5,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$141,262

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Hard Spirits	20.20	3.20	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	5-7	15.20	108,210
7	Cheyenne Moon		2.10	2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-7-4	53.60	72,740
4	Bikini Bottom			5.20	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-7-4-6	52.73	48,181
					\$1.00 Daily Double	1-5	15.50	17,609

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
5	Hard Spirits	5	5 ³ 1/2	6 ³ 1/4	2 ²	1 ¹ / ₂
7	Cheyenne Moon	6	4 ² 1/2	5 ² 3/4	1 ²	2 ¹ / ₂
4	Bikini Bottom	7	7 ⁵ 1/2	4 ² 1/4	5 ³	3 ⁵ 3/4
6	Mor Mor Music	1	3 ¹	3 ^{Head}	4 ³	4 ⁷
1	Spicy Italian	3	2 ¹ / ₂	2 ^{Head}	3 ² 1/2	5 ⁷ 1/4
3	Baby Jane	4	6 ⁵	7 ⁴ 1/4	6 ⁴	6 ¹⁰ 1/2
2	Nicely Unified	2	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ^{Head}	7 ⁹	7 ³⁸ 3/4

Trainers: 5 - Gonzalez, Isai; 7 - Woodley, Carl; 4 - Broussard, Jr., Vincent; 6 - West, Jr., Henry; 1 - Govea, Cesar; 3 - Perron, Gerard; 2 - Journet Jr., Albert

Owners: 5 -Isai V. Gonzalez; 7 - Workman Ranch; 4 -Paul Edmond Boutte; 6 -Lisa S. Diggs; 1 - L and G Racing Stables; 3 -Gerard Perron; 2 -Rhonda Burleigh;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

HARD SPIRITS settled off of the early pace, saved ground into the turn, angled five wide to upper stretch, responded well in the drive, surged in the final sixteenth and was up in time. CHEYENNE MOON rated off of the early pace while never far back, roused four wide nearing the quarter marker, took command to upper stretch, drew clear into the final furlong, was all out into the final sixteenth, got nailed for the win in the final strides and was well clear of the rest for second. BIKINI BOTTOM hopped then threw her head at the start and was off slowly, made a steady gain between rivals into the turn, angled six wide to upper stretch, could not keep pace with the top pair into the final sixteenth, ran on late and held for third at the wire. MOR MOR MUSIC forwardly raced away from the start, went up to press the pace three deep into the turn, vied for the lead nearing the quarter marker then outkicked to upper stretch, ran in pursuit to the final sixteenth, weakened late. SPICY ITALIAN rushed up to contest the early pace, pressed the pace between foes into the turn, outkicked to upper stretch then chased to the furlong marker, could not find more to the final sixteenth and gave way late. BABY JANE allowed to settle early on, trailed into the turn, swung seven wide to upper stretch and did not rally late. NICELY UNIFIED hustled away from the start, vied for the early lead then took a narrow advantage along the backstretch, dueled from the inside heading into the turn, overtaken to upper stretch, was eased through the final furlong and walked off.