

FORT ERIE - August 3, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE NOVEMBER 3. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$6,250, if for \$6,000, allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$5,000 Or Less Not Considered In Eligibility)(Waiver Claiming Exempt) (Colts And Geldings Preferred)(*Plus Up To \$540 Ontario Bred/Ontario Sired Breeders Awards). (NW2 9MX) **Claiming Price:** \$6,250 - \$6,000
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Set in Stone - 1:08.18 - June 15, 2010)
All money values represented in Canadian currency unless noted otherwise

Purse: \$24,375
Includes: \$4,875 Ontario Sired / Bred Breeders Awards
Includes: \$3,250 State Bred
Available Money: \$24,375
Value of Race: \$18,006 (US\$12,849) 1st \$9,750 (US\$6,957) , 2nd \$4,225 (US\$3,015) , 3rd \$2,113 (US\$1,508) , 4th \$1,268 (US\$905) , 5th \$650 (US\$464)
Weather: Clear, 68° C **Track:** Muddy (Sealed)
Off at: 12:49 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
20Jul26 ⁴ FE ⁶	2	Paperback Hero (Salles, Leo)	124	L b	2	5	5	5	¹ Head	¹ Neck	6.85	bid str, fought gamely
20Jul26 ² FE ³	6	Mia and Me (Reyes, Luis)	124	L b	5	1	³ ¹ 1/2	² Head	² Head	² ¹ 1/2	6.25	5-p str, outgunned
20Jul26 ⁴ FE ¹	3	Where Is Essa (Crawford, Juan)	122	L f	3	2	¹ 1/2	¹ Head	³ ¹	³ ¹ 3/4	3.80	3-path str, gave way
27Jul26 ² FE ¹	5	Kiddie Holiday (Mailhot, Pierre)	124	L	4	3	² 1/2	³ ¹ 1/2	5	⁴ ¹	1.85	6-p str, needed more
20Jul26 ² FE ⁴	1	Sea to Air (Mosqueira, Ismael)	124	f	1	4	⁴ ²	⁴ ¹	⁴ Head	5	1.55*	8-p str, no late kick

Fractional Times: 22.55 45.41 57.44 **Final Time:** 1:09.83 **Time from Gate:** 1:11.49
Split Times: (22:86) (12:03) (12:39)
Run-Up: 38 feet

Winner: Paperback Hero, Bay Gelding, by Speightster out of Page Dancer, by Hennessy. Foaled Apr 18, 2018 in Kentucky.
Breeder: C. Kidder, N. Cole & B. Kidder
Owner: Reginald Johnston
Trainer: Agostino, Roy

1 Claimed Horse(s): **Mia and Me** New Trainer: Sharon Ceccato New Owner: Vetere, Jim, Green, Michael Thomas and Ceccato, Sharon

Claiming Prices: 2 - Paperback Hero: \$6,250; 6 - Mia and Me: \$6,250; 3 - Where Is Essa: \$6,000; 5 - Kiddie Holiday: \$6,250; 1 - Sea to Air: \$6,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Ernie's Martini (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$60,538

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Paperback Hero	15.70	7.10	3.50	\$0.20 Triactor	2-6-3	30.85	21,453
6	Mia and Me		7.30	4.60	\$1.00 Daily Double	3-2	28.95	9,665
3	Where Is Essa			3.30	\$1.00 Exactor	2-6	42.00	37,495
					\$0.20 Superfecta	2-6-3-5	63.53	12,108

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Paperback Hero	5	⁵ ⁴ 1/2	⁵ ² 3/4	¹ Head	¹ Neck
6	Mia and Me	1	³ ¹	² Head	² Head	² Neck
3	Where Is Essa	2	¹ 1/2	¹ Head	³ Head	³ ¹ 3/4
5	Kiddie Holiday	3	² 1/2	³ Head	⁵ ¹ 1/4	⁴ ³ 1/2
1	Sea to Air	4	⁴ ² 1/2	⁴ ¹ 3/4	⁴ ¹ 1/4	⁵ ⁴ 1/2

Trainers: 2 - Agostino, Roy; 6 - Humber, Joseph; 3 - Ceccato, Sharon; 5 - Simms, John; 1 - Voyce, Jeff

Owners: 2 -Reginald Johnston; 6 -Robert A. Elkins; 3 - Vetere, Jim, Green, Michael Thomas and Ceccato, Sharon; 5 -John Simms; 1 - Voyce, Robyn, Schuit, Malinda and MG Stables;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

PAPERBACK HERO was in range, moved up from the inside on the turn and with a bid in mid stretch fought gamely for the win. MIA AND ME was up close and forced the pace on the turn but from the five path at the top of the stretch was outgunned for the win. WHERE IS ESSA set a pressured pace and had a slim lead on the turn but from the three path at the top of the stretch gave way. KIDDIE HOLIDAY stalked the early leader and dueled from between foes on the turn but from the six path at the top of the stretch needed more. SEA TO AIR was in touch and roused on the turn but from the eight path at the top of the stretch had no late kick. A CLAIM OF FOUL BY THE RIDER ON KIDDIE HOLIDAY AGAINST MIA AND ME FOR ALLEGED INTERFERENCE AT THE TOP OF THE STRETCH WAS NOT ALLOWED.