FORT ERIE - September 8, 2025 - Race 7

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE IN 2025 OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000, if for \$4,750, allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$4,000 Or Less Not Considered InEligibility)(Waiver Claiming Exempt) (Colts And Geldings Preferred)(Limited to 10 starters)(*Plus Up To \$540 Ontario Bred/Ontario Sired Breeders Awards). If deemed inadvisable by management to run on the turf, this race will be

run at a distance of Six and One Half Furlongs on the main track. (C) Claiming Price: \$5,000 - \$4,750

Distance: About Seven Furlongs On The Turf Current Track Record: (National Hero - 1:21.96 - June 3, 2007)

All money values represented in Canadian currency unless noted otherwise

Purse: \$17,550

Includes: \$3,510 Ontario Sired / Bred Breeders Awards

Includes: \$2,340 State Bred Available Money: \$17,550

Value of Race: \$16,904 (US\$12,218) 1st \$9,126 (US\$6,596), 2nd \$3,042 (US\$2,199), 3rd \$1,755 (US\$1,269), 4th \$913

(US\$660), 5th \$468 (US\$338), 6th \$400 (US\$289), 7th \$400 (US\$289), 8th \$400 (US\$289), 9th \$400 (US\$289)

Weather: Cloudy, 64° C Track: Firm

Off at: 6:06 Start: Good for all except 9 Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wg	t M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
26Aug25 3FE4	9	Hardware Gap (Salles, Leo)	122	Lb	9	9	8 ^{3 1/2}	8 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	18.45	off slow 6p drew clear
25Aug25 ⁷ FE ²	4	Boston Bay (Husbands, Christopher)	122	Lb	4	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	11/2	2 ^{Head}	10.75	vied str, good effort
26Aug25 3FE3	1	Gus's Gamble (Johnson, Kirk)	122	Lf	1	5	7 ¹	7 ¹	5 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 3/4}	3.30	unhurried, up for show
1Sep25 ² FE ⁵	3	Dot's Vision (Zenteno, Edgar)	122	L bf	3	1	4 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	4 ¹	7.75	bid str, outfinished
17Aug25 ⁴ FE ⁵	5	Bill Needle (Gaskin, Da-Sean)	122	Lb	5	4	2 ¹	2 ¹	3 ^{Head}	5 ^{1 3/4}	14.65	3-p str, weakened
1Sep25 ² FE ⁴	2	Redoute's Light (Mailhot, Pierre)	122	L bf	2	8	9	9	8 ¹ 1/2	6 ^{3/4}	48.50	7-p str, passed foes
25Aug25 ⁷ FE ⁴	7	Stormin Dave (Crawford, Juan)	124	Lf	7	6	5 ¹	5 ^{Head}	6 ^{Head}	7 ^{1 3/4}	1.30*	4-p str, leveled off
11Aug25 ⁶ FE ⁴	8	Dragon's Brew (Vandermeersch, Amanda)	122	L	8	7	6 ¹	6 ¹	7 ^{1/2}	8 ^{1 1/4}	4.55	5-path str, no kick
26Aug25 ³ FE ⁵	6	Prince for a Day (Pinto, Melanie)	122	Lb	6	3	3 ¹	4 ^{Head}	9	9	30.05	up close early, empty

Fractional Times: 23.87 47.62 1:12.37

Split Times: (23:75) (24:75) (12:73)

Run-Up: 235 feet

Winner: Hardware Gap, Chestnut Gelding, by Society's Chairman out of Knotty Pine (GB), by =Pivotal (GB). Foaled Apr 15, 2019 in ON.

Final Time: 1:25.10

Breeder: Spring Farm

Owner: Even Steven Stables, Ltd.

Trainer: Agostino, Roy

Claiming Prices: 9 - Hardware Gap: \$4,750; 4 - Boston Bay: \$4,750; 1 - Gus's Gamble: \$4,750; 3 - Dot's Vision: \$4,750; 5 - Bill Needle:

\$4,750; 2 - Redoute's Light: \$4,750; 7 - Stormin Dave: \$5,000; 8 - Dragon's Brew: \$4,750; 6 - Prince for a Day: \$4,750;

Scratched Horse(s): Fascination Street (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$48,045

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
9	Hardware Gap	38.90	15.90	8.00	\$0.20 Pick 3	1-2-9 (3 correct)	83.64	11,716
4	Boston Bay		9.40	4.90	\$0.20 Pick 4	3-1-2-9 (4 correct)	763.48	21,879
1	Gus's Gamble			3.30	\$0.20 Pick 5	1-3-1-2-9 (5 correct)	1,050.80	11,589
					\$0.20 Triactor	9-4-1	93.06	25,753
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-9	67.75	8,550
					\$1.00 Exactor	9-4	129.55	36,222
					\$0.20 Superfects	9-4-1-3	604 97	17 788

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
9	Hardware Gap	9	8 ^{6 1/2}	8 ^{4 1/4}	21/2	1 ¹
4	Boston Bay	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 1/2	2 ¹
1	Gus's Gamble	5	7 ^{5 1/2}	7 ^{3 1/4}	5 ²	3 ¹
3	Dot's Vision	1	4 ² 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹	4 ^{2 3/4}
5	Bill Needle	4	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	5 ^{3 3/4}
2	Redoute's Light	8	9 ¹⁰	9 ^{5 3/4}	8 ^{3 1/4}	6 ^{5 1/2}
7	Stormin Dave	6	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ²	6 ^{2 1/2}	7 ⁶ 1/4
8	Dragon's Brew	7	6 ^{4 1/2}	6 ^{2 1/4}	$7^{2 \ 3/4}$	88
6	Prince for a Day	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ²	94 3/4	9 ^{9 1/4}

Trainers: 9 - Agostino, Roy; 4 - Smith, Kenneth; 1 - Albu, Ken; 3 - Voyce, Jeff; 5 - Humber, Joseph; 2 - Smith, Kenneth; 7 - Cathcart, Steven; 8 - Agostino,

Roy; 6 - Humber, Joseph

Owners: 9 - Even Steven Stables, Ltd.; 4 - Radcliffe Racing Stable; 1 - Six Brothers Stable; 3 - Voyce, Robyn and Schuit, Malinda; 5 - Eleanor Toneguzzo;

2 - Radcliffe Racing Stable; 7 - Steven Cathcart; 8 - Michael Bellissimo; 6 - Robert A. Elkins;

Footnotes | View Glossary Of Terms

HARDWARE GAP was off a step slow, gained ground on the far turn and from the six path at the top of the stretch drew clear. BOSTON BAY set the pace, had a slim lead on the far turn and vied through the stretch in a good effort. GUS'S GAMBLE was unhurried early, had a mild gain on the far turn and was up for show. DOT'S VISION stalked the early leaders, raced evenly from the inside on the far turn and had a bid in mid stretch but was outfinished. BILL NEEDLE tracked the early leader and was a factor on the far turn but from the three path at the top of the stretch weakened. REDOUTE'S LIGHT was well back, closed the gap on the far turn and from the seven path at the top of the stretch passed tired foes. STORMIN DAVE was in touch and moved up on the far turn but from the four path at the top of the stretch leveled off. DRAGON'S BREW was in range and had a good position on the far turn but from the five path at the top of the stretch had no kick. PRINCE FOR A DAY was up close early but lost ground on the far turn and was empty.

EQUIBASE

Video Race Replay

Track Attendance: 0 Handle: \$23,524 Off Track Wagering Handle: \$791,167

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