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## FAIR GROUNDS - February 21, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR ACCREDITED LA BRED FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Weight, 124 lbs.

Non-winners Of A Race Since January 21 Allowed 3 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000. (SNW3 L) **Claiming Price: \$5,000**

**Distance:** One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Kitwe - 1:35.94 - March 26, 1998)

**Purse:** \$14,000

**Includes:** \$1,500 LTBA - Louisiana TB Breeders Association

**Includes:** \$8,000 Other Sources

**Available Money:** \$14,000

**Value of Race:** \$14,000 1st \$8,400, 2nd \$2,800, 3rd \$1,540, 4th \$840, 5th \$420

**Weather:** Cloudy, 82° **Track:** Fast

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

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments	
4Jan26 <sup>1</sup> FG <sup>3</sup>	5	Saucy Argument (Castillo, Isaac)	121	L	bf	2	5	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	7.40	chsd, bmp, duel late	
25Nov25 <sup>2</sup> DED <sup>3</sup>	3	Midnight Halo (Rea, Hunter)	116	L	b	1	1	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup>	3.10	bbld, pace, gamely	
22Jan26 <sup>1</sup> FG <sup>2</sup>	6	Mr. Ronnie (Graham, James)	121	L		3	2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/4	1.40*	press, bmp, chsd on	
4Jan26 <sup>1</sup> FG <sup>4</sup>	8	Contraband Early (Nieves, Emanuel)	121	L	b	5	4	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	3 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	6.30	tracked 4w, no close	
12Feb26 <sup>1</sup> FG <sup>3</sup>	9	Tap the Tequila (Ortiz, Jose)	121	L	b	6	3	5 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	5 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	6	6	3.10	btw, trail, gain ins	
7Feb26 <sup>11</sup> DED <sup>8</sup>	7	Little Warrior (Loveberry, Jareth)	121	L	b	4	6	6	6	5 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	6	15.10	trailed most

**Fractional Times:** 24.56 49.62 1:14.88 1:27.42

**Final Time:** 1:40.35

**Split Times:** (25:06) (25:26) (12:54) (12:93)

**Run-Up:** 66 feet

**Winner:** Saucy Argument, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Closing Argument out of Sauce, by Great Divide. Foaled Mar 26, 2019 in Louisiana.

**Breeder:** Teche Equine Stables, LLC

**Owner:** ZOOM Racing

**Trainer:** Zenon, Sr., Shelton

**Claiming Prices:** 5 - Saucy Argument: \$5,000; 3 - Midnight Halo: \$5,000; 6 - Mr. Ronnie: \$5,000; 8 - Contraband Early: \$5,000; 9 - Tap the Tequila: \$5,000; 7 - Little Warrior: \$5,000;

**Scratched Horse(s):** Girlie's Max (Veterinarian), Hard Kings (Veterinarian), Night Stick (Veterinarian)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$79,682

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Saucy Argument	16.80	6.00	3.80	\$1.00 Exacta	5-3	35.70	57,606
3	Midnight Halo		4.40	3.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-3-6	45.60	27,400
6	Mr. Ronnie			2.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-3-6-8	24.30	17,125
					\$1.00 Daily Double	5-5	22.70	16,543

### Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Saucy Argument	5	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>Head</sup>
3	Midnight Halo	1	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>Head</sup>
6	Mr. Ronnie	2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	3 <sup>1</sup>
8	Contraband Early	4	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup> 1/4	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/4
9	Tap the Tequila	3	5 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	6 <sup>2</sup> 1/4	6 <sup>2</sup> 3/4	5 <sup>2</sup> 1/2
7	Little Warrior	6	6 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	6 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	6 <sup>2</sup> 1/2

**Trainers:** 5 - Zenon, Sr., Shelton; 3 - Foster, Joseph; 6 - Duhon, Joe; 8 - Wilson, Shane; 9 - Gelner, Scott; 7 - Gomez, David

**Owners:** 5 - ZOOM Racing; 3 - Reunited Racing and Farm LLC and Joey Foster Racing and Farm LLC; 6 -Stacey Moak; 8 - Brittllyn Stable, Inc.; 9 - Gelner, Scott and Cassidy, Allen; 7 -Maxie Wayne Kitchings, Jr.;

### Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SAUCY ARGUMENT was rated along the inside, chased the pace up the backstretch and far turn, attempted to shift out into the three path in the upper stretch but bumped into MR. RONNIE and was forced to reposition back along the inside, reeled in the leader and just held. MIDNIGHT HALO bobbed at the start but quickly recovered to take early command, set a pressured pace up the backstretch and far turn, began driving in the upper stretch with left handed encouragement before allowing passage for SAUCY ARGUMENT along the inside, began clawing back late but missed the bob for a gamely finish. MR. RONNIE applied pressure to the pace in the three path, shifted in slightly in the upper stretch in response to right handed urging to bump into SAUCY ARGUMENT, continued to stalk the pace down the stretch. CONTRABAND EARLY tracked the pace four wide, encouraged from both sides down the stretch but could not close. TAP THE TEQUILA was rated between rivals, trailed momentarily in the far turn, gained a position along the inside of the stretch. LITTLE WARRIOR was unhurried at the start, saved ground in the first turn, angled out five wide up the backstretch, improved briefly before finishing last.