

**FAIR GROUNDS - February 26, 2026 - Race 5**

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OR THREE YEAR OLDS. Three Year Olds, 117 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since January 26 Allowed 3 lbs. Claiming Price \$15,000. ( C ) **Claiming Price:** \$15,000

**Distance:** Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Mountain General - 1:08.03 - November 28, 2002)

**Purse:** \$18,000

**Includes:** \$4,000 Other Sources

**Plus:** \$3,000 ALBSS-Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement

**Available Money:** \$21,000

**Value of Race:** \$18,000 1st \$10,800, 2nd \$3,600, 3rd \$1,980, 4th \$1,080, 5th \$540

**Weather:** Cloudy, 76° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 2:50 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
6Feb26 <sup>2</sup> DED <sup>4</sup>	3	Purple Heart (Graham, James)	122 L	3	5	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	2.90	tip out,vied btw,nod
31Jan26 <sup>2</sup> FG <sup>2</sup>	1	Matinee Idol (Ortiz, Jose)	122 L f	1	7	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	0.60*	bid 3w,vied,gamely
31Jan26 <sup>8</sup> FG <sup>1</sup>	2	Wizard of Yester (Castillo, Isaac)	125 L	2	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	10.60	pace,yielded late
6Feb26 <sup>5</sup> FG <sup>7</sup>	5	Il Cavallino (Rea, Hunter)	117 L b	5	4	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>6</sup>	7.70	attn'd pace 2w,weakened
24Jan26 <sup>9</sup> FG <sup>1</sup>	4	Bonafide (Concepcion, Axel)	122 L b	4	6	7	6 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	21.50	settled,by tired foes
5Feb26 <sup>1</sup> FG <sup>3</sup>	7	Express Line (Hernandez, Jr., Brian)	122 L b	7	3	6 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	7	7	6 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	15.00	swung 5wd,no rally
24Jan26 <sup>1</sup> FG <sup>7</sup>	6	Westeros (Vives, Sofia)	122 L b	6	2	4 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	7	33.00	tracked 3-4w,empty

**Fractional Times:** 22.35 46.31 58.05

**Final Time:** 1:10.48

**Split Times:** (23:96) (11:74) (12:43)

**Run-Up:** 74 feet

**Winner:** Purple Heart, Bay Gelding, by [Omaha Beach](#) out of Right to Rule, by Five Star Day. Foaled Apr 24, 2022 in Kentucky.



Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

**Breeder:** Rose Hill Farm & Thoroughbred Acadiana

**Owner:** Rose Hill Farms (Ocampo) and Thoroughbred Acadiana, LLC

**Trainer:** Desormeaux, J.

<b>3 Claimed Horse(s):</b>	<b>Matinee Idol</b>	New Trainer: Keith G. Bourgeois	New Owner: Single Malt Stable
	<b>Purple Heart</b>	New Trainer: Patti Turner	New Owner: Mark C. Scurria
	<b>Wizard of Yester</b>	New Trainer: Kevin K. Roberson	New Owner: Larry Lawley

**Claiming Prices:** 3 - Purple Heart: \$15,000; 1 - Matinee Idol: \$15,000; 2 - Wizard of Yester: \$15,000; 5 - Il Cavallino: \$15,000; 4 - Bonafide: \$15,000; 7 - Express Line: \$15,000; 6 - Westeros: \$15,000;

**Scratched Horse(s):** California Swag (Veterinarian)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$45,615

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Purple Heart	7.80	3.00	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	3-1	7.50	33,504
1	Matinee Idol		2.20	2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-1-2	13.05	23,327
2	Wizard of Yester			3.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	3-1-2-5	6.09	15,447
					\$0.50 Pick 3	3-2-3 (3 correct)	13.40	11,514
					\$0.50 Pick 4	1-3/6-2-3 (4 correct)	103.95	19,716
					\$0.50 Pick 5	1-1-3/6-2-3 (5 correct)	318.85	72,477
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-3	27.80	6,550

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Purple Heart	5	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>
1	Matinee Idol	7	5 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>
2	Wizard of Yester	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/4</sup>
5	Il Cavallino	4	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>4</sup>
4	Bonafide	6	7 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>10</sup>
7	Express Line	3	6 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	7 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	7 <sup>5 3/4</sup>	6 <sup>12 1/4</sup>
6	Westeros	2	4 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	5 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>15</sup>

**Trainers:** 3 - Desormeaux, J.; 1 - Sharp, Joe; 2 - Tracy, Tanner; 5 - Londono, Genevieve; 4 - Simpson, Daniel; 7 - Forster, Grant; 6 - Candelas, Blanca

**Owners:** 3 - Rose Hill Farms (Ocampo) and Thoroughbred Acadiana, LLC; 1 - Carlos Orantes; 2 - Chadwick Moede; 5 - Elkin Family Racing, LLC; 4 - Kristen Vass Rajan; 7 - Three Peaks Racing; 6 - Puro Candelas LLC;

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

PURPLE HEART rated nicely off of the early pace, was well placed while inside of runners heading into the turn, chased from the inside into upper stretch, shifted to the two path into the final furlong and vied for the lead between rivals into the final sixteenth, determinedly battled in deep stretch and got up in the final yards to prevail. MATINEE IDOL allowed to settle in the early stages, raced in traffic along the turn then found a seam while three wide to upper stretch, rallied into the final furlong then vied for the lead into the final sixteenth, fought gamely to the wire and just missed for the win, while besting the rest. WIZARD OF YESTER showed early speed and assumed command away from the start, set the pace from the inside into the turn, was pressed to the quarter pole then turned away IL CAVALLINO into upper stretch, led to the furlong pole then was all out past mid-stretch, yielded to the top pair in the final sixteenth and was clear of the rest for third. IL CAVALLINO raced close up to the early pace, stalked to the turn then pressed the pace two wide to the quarter marker, was turned away in upper stretch and weakened in the drive. BONAFIDE allowed to settle early on and trailed to the turn, swung two to three wide to upper stretch then angled to the rail and passed tiring rivals in the late stages. EXPRESS LINE allowed to settle in the early stages, coaxed five wide to upper stretch and lacked a late response. WESTEROS tracked the early pace from outside of rivals, ran in pursuit three wide into the turn, spun four wide to upper stretch and chased nearing the furlong marker, could not find more in the lane and came up empty late.

