

FAIRMOUNT PARK - September 16, 2025 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs.
Non-winners Of A Race Since June 16 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$10,000 (Claiming Races For \$7,500 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). (NW3 L) **Claiming Price:** \$10,000
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Ye Country - 1:08.60 - November 26, 1977)
Purse: \$12,000
Plus: \$4,320 IOA - Illinois Registered Owner Award
Available Money: \$16,320
Value of Race: \$12,480 1st \$7,200, 2nd \$2,400, 3rd \$1,680, 4th \$720, 5th \$480
Weather: Cloudy, 82° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 3:57 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
26Aug25 ⁴ FP ²	5	Solomon Vandy (Santos, Ademar)	126	L f	4	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{2 1/4}	12.80	3w-pursuit1/4,kick clr
26Aug25 ⁴ FP ³	6	Skylane (Tavares, Javier)	124	L	5	1	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ³	4 ²	2 ²	12.40	4w1/8,rallied up place
19Aug25 ⁴ FP ⁵	3	Pontus (Gonzalez, Alex)	124	L b	2	4	3 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	3 ¹	61.00	saved ground,willingly
12Aug25 ⁵ FP ¹	2	El Peligro (Bendezu, Alexander)	126	L b	1	5	1 ¹	1 ¹	2 ¹	4 ^{1 3/4}	0.05*	pace,left-ld,faded str
26Aug25 ⁴ FP ⁵	4	Merlotti (Felix, Julio)	124	L	3	3	5	5	5	5	16.20	slow start, no threat

Fractional Times: 23.40 47.11 59.75 **Final Time:** 1:12.75
Split Times: (23:71) (12:64) (13:00)
Run-Up: 20 feet

Winner: Solomon Vandy, Bay Gelding, by [Temple City](#) out of Wichita, by Curlin. Foaled Feb 02, 2020 in Kentucky.

TEMPLE CITY Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift Farm

Breeder: Bryan Reed Hilliard
Owner: Mike Straub
Trainer: Straub, Marvel

Claiming Prices: 5 - Solomon Vandy: \$10,000; 6 - Skylane: \$10,000; 3 - Pontus: \$10,000; 2 - El Peligro: \$10,000; 4 - Merlotti: \$10,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Smooth N Silky (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$47,509

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Solomon Vandy	27.60	5.80	\$2.00 Exacta	5-6	95.80	17,541
6	Skylane		8.60	\$1.00 Trifecta	5-6-3	398.30	11,155
3	Pontus			\$1.00 Daily Double	3-5	40.00	3,323
				\$0.50 Pick 3	1-3-5 (3 correct)	48.00	1,345
				\$0.10 Superfecta	5-6-3-2	70.97	4,178

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
5	Solomon Vandy	2	2 ¹	2 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{2 1/4}
6	Skylane	1	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ²	2 ^{2 1/4}
3	Pontus	4	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ²	3 ¹	3 ^{4 1/4}
2	El Peligro	5	1 ¹	1 ¹	2 ^{Head}	4 ^{5 1/4}
4	Merlotti	3	5 ⁵	5 ^{6 1/2}	5 ⁴	5 ⁷

Trainers: 5 - Straub, Marvel; 6 - Randazzo, Jr., Frank; 3 - Plasters, Lori; 2 - Watkins, James; 4 - Wainwright, John

Owners: 5 -Mike Straub; 6 -Loren Diego; 3 -Everett Taylor; 2 - Basler, Thomas J. and Pohl, Dennis; 4 -Steven Howell;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SOLOMON VANDY tracked the pace setter three wide into the turn, in pursuit same three deep placing leaving the quarter pole, drew even outside the leader leaving the furlong marker, kicked away under steady guidance. SKYLANE broke a step slow, raced off the pace three wide around the bend, put to task four deep through the lane, rallied late for the place. PONTUS saved ground off the pace, clean rail bid started from the quarter pole, chased on willingly to nail down the show prize. EL PELIGRO quickly clear into the turn, collared by outside rival approaching the furlong marker, running on the wrong lead, faded through the final stages. MERLOTTI slow start, roused off the and off the rail into the lane, never threatened.