

HAWTHORNE - April 23, 2026 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE SINCE NOVEMBER 23, 2025. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners of a race at a mile or over since March 23 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000 (Claiming races for \$4,000 or less not considered in eligibility and allowances) (Horsemen entering Illinois-bred horses in open claiming races will be asked to declare their claiming price at time of entry). Illinois Bred Claiming Price \$7,500. (NW1 6MX) **Claiming Price: \$5,000**

Distance: One Mile And Seventy Yards On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Soldat Bleu - 1:39.20 - July 27, 1988)

Purse: \$11,000

Available Money: \$11,000

Value of Race: \$10,670 1st \$6,600, 2nd \$2,200, 3rd \$1,210, 4th \$660

Weather: Cloudy, 82° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:12 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
18Oct25 ⁵ FP ⁵	2	Paynt by Letters (Reyes, Frank)	123	L bf	2 1	1 ³	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Neck}	3.80	bid bw,resurgent outs	
24Jan26 ⁶ TUP ³	1	Code Runner (Bendezu, Alexander)	123	L b	1 4	4	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{5 3/4}	0.80*	rail bid 3/8,duel,game	
30Oct25 ⁴ HAW ⁸	4	Sixwillberich (Cohen, David)	123	L b	4 3	2 ²	2 ¹	3 ³	3 ⁴	3 ⁷	2.20	bid 3deep,press,fade	
28Oct25 ¹⁰ FP ⁴	3	Highly Perfect (Felix, Julio)	123	L b	3 2	3 ²	4	4	4	4	6.80	angled 7/8,4wd,wknd	

Fractional Times: 24.98 49.51 1:14.10 1:39.19 **Final Time:** 1:43.33 **Time from Gate:** 1:44.94

Split Times: (24:53) (24:59) (25:09) (4:14)

Run-Up: 38 feet

Winner: Paynt by Letters, Bay Gelding, by Paynter out of Hard to Read, by Alphabet Soup. Foaled May 08, 2020 in Missouri.

Breeder: Greg Michalson

Owner: Jayson Velazquez

Trainer: Wilborn, J.

Claiming Prices: 2 - Paynt by Letters: \$5,000; 1 - Code Runner: \$5,000;

Scratched Horse(s): African Warrior (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$30,035

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Paynt by Letters	9.60	3.00	2.10	\$0.50 Pick 3	2-1-2 (3 correct)	18.45	0
1	Code Runner		2.40	2.10	\$1.00 Daily Double	1-2	26.50	1,153
4	Sixwillberich			2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	2-1	9.30	7,451
					\$0.50 Trifecta	2-1-4	6.45	5,435

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Paynt by Letters	1	1 ³	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Neck}
1	Code Runner	4	4 ⁷	3 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}
4	Sixwillberich	3	2 ³	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ⁶
3	Highly Perfect	2	3 ⁵	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/4}	4 ^{5 1/2}	4 ¹³

Trainers: 2 - Wilborn, J.; 1 - Rodriguez, Hugo; 4 - Cook, Brian; 3 - Quinonez, Maximino

Owners: 2 - Jayson Velazquez; 1 - Valls Thoroughbreds LLC; 4 - Florencio Perez; 3 - Aaron S. Reese Enterprises, LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

PAYNT BY LETTERS cleared early and set the pace under a light hold, saw the lead diminish into the far turn, dug in when confronted from both sides leaving the three eighths, emerged in a duel outside CODE RUNNER leaving the three sixteenths, lost the lead a furlong out then battled back under steady handling to prove best in the final yards. CODE RUNNER settled off the pace while saving ground, crept up into the far turn, moved through along the rail and joined outer foes three furlongs from the wire, went head to head with PAYNT BY LETTERS from the five sixteenths, gained a narrow lead under left handed asking near mid stretch, continued on with good effort but was unable to deny the winner. SIXWILLBERICH stalked three wide, took closer order near the half, bid three deep exiting the far turn, failed to kick on with the inner top pair leaving the three sixteenths and faded. HIGHLY PERFECT rated back off of a foe and angled out near the seven eighths, lost ground four wide, failed to respond past the three eighths and retreated.