

MAHONING VALLEY RACE COURSE - February 1, 2026 - Race 6

EQUIBASE

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs.

Non-winners Of A Race Since December 26 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000. (NW3 L) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Who Da Boss - 1:34.95 - December 2, 2024)

Purse: \$12,200

Plus: \$1,000 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$13,200

Value of Race: \$12,200 1st \$7,320, 2nd \$2,440, 3rd \$1,220, 4th \$610, 5th \$366, 6th \$244

Weather: Clear, 15° **Track:** Frozen

Off at: 2:39 Start: Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
12Jan26	1	Valid Connection (Gomez, Alejandro)	124	L	1	2	5 ⁷	5 ⁶	3 ^{1/2}	1 ⁴	1 ^{3 1/4}	3.10	circled 6w1/4, rally clr
7Jan26	5	Electioneering (Tapara, Luis)	126	L bf	4	3	3 ^{1/2}	3 Head	4 Head	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{2 3/4}	1.40*	4w/btw1/4, chased on
12Jan26	8	Photo Hop (Weatherly, Bailey)	124	L b	6	1	4 ¹	4 ⁴	5 ⁵	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{4 1/4}	18.90	bid7w1/4, willingly str
7Jan26	2	Last U Turn (Salazar Becerra, Fernando)	124	L	2	4	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	5 ⁵	4 ³	5.00	3w-pursuit3/8, flattend
16Dec25	3	Breeze the Bayou (Skerrett, Jefferson)	119	L b	3	5	1 ²	1 ²	1 ⁴	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 3/4}	6.40	sent, pace, gave way str
12Jan26	7	Action Man (Bowen, Rocco)	124	L	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	3.40	trailed throughout

Fractional Times: 24.23 47.64 1:12.72 1:26.01

Final Time: 1:39.47

Split Times: (23:41) (25:08) (13:29) (13:46)

Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: Valid Connection, Chestnut Gelding, by [Connect](#) out of Bakken Baby, by Valid Expectations. Foaled Feb 20, 2022 in Kentucky.



Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

Breeder: Forever Spring Farm

Owner: JP Racing Stable

Trainer: Calderon, Ivan

Claiming Prices: 1 - Valid Connection: \$5,000; 5 - Electioneering: \$5,000; 8 - Photo Hop: \$5,000; 2 - Last U Turn: \$5,000; 3 - Breeze the Bayou: \$5,000; 7 - Action Man: \$5,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Soupersilverdollar (Stewards), Tie Breaker Lennie (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$25,158

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Valid Connection	8.20	4.00	2.40	\$2.00 Exacta	1-5	19.40	19,705
5	Electioneering		3.00	2.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	1-5-8	31.00	13,588
8	Photo Hop			3.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	1-5-8-2	21.23	9,607
					\$0.50 Pick 3	4-6-1 (3 correct)	80.60	7,217
					\$2.00 Daily Double	6-1	73.00	3,062

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
1	Valid Connection	2	5 ⁵	5 ^{7 1/2}	3 ⁵	1 ⁴	1 ^{3 1/4}
5	Electioneering	3	3 ^{3 1/2}	3 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{5 1/2}	2 ⁴	2 ^{3 1/4}
8	Photo Hop	1	4 ⁴	4 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{5 1/2}	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ⁶
2	Last U Turn	4	2 ²	2 ²	2 ⁴	5 ^{5 1/2}	4 ^{10 1/4}
3	Breeze the Bayou	5	1 ²	1 ²	1 ⁴	4 ⁵	5 ^{13 1/4}
7	Action Man	6	6 ¹²	6 ^{13 1/2}	6 ^{10 1/2}	6 ^{10 1/2}	6 ¹⁵

Trainers: 1 - Calderon, Ivan; 5 - Bernardini, Jay; 8 - Schuster, Robin; 2 - Atala, Jose; 3 - Skerrett, Jeffrey; 7 - DaCosta, Jason

Owners: 1 - JP Racing Stable; 5 - Varvaro, Vincent and Bernardini, Jay P.; 8 -Robin Schuster; 2 -Wilson Eduardo Colindres; 3 -Danielle Agnello; 7 -Jason DaCosta;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

VALID CONNECTION relaxed off the pace down the back stretch, sent to the attack leaving the three eighths marker, circled six deep into the lane, rallied with good energy for the victory. ELECTIONEERING saved ground off the pace down the backside, given the nod quickened between runners nearing the quarter pole, no match from the sixteenth post, chased on well to secure the place. PHOTO HOP rated well back off the rail into the far turn, put to task seven wide into the lane, finished willingly for the show. LAST U TURN broke alertly, three wide pursuit of the swift pace into the second bend, battled inside foes into the lane, flattened out through the final stages. BREEZE THE BAYOU hustled up into the first turn, set a swift solo pace into the second bend, collared turning into the lane, gave way through the stretch. ACTION MAN trailed throughout.

Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred