

MAHONING VALLEY RACE COURSE - February 20, 2026 - Race 2

STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR REGISTERED OHIO BRED FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$10,000 OR LESS IN 2025 - 2026. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since January 20 Allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$8,000 Or Less Not Considered In Weight Allowances). (S C) **Claiming**

Price: \$10,000 - \$0

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Altissimo - 1:08.63 - December 27, 2017)

Purse: \$25,900

Includes: \$3,900 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$25,900

Value of Race: \$25,900 1st \$15,540, 2nd \$5,180, 3rd \$2,590, 4th \$1,295, 5th \$777, 6th \$518

Weather: Clear, 55° **Track:** Muddy (Sealed)

Off at: 12:50 **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	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
9Feb26 ⁷ MVR ²	3	Instigation (Bowen, Rocco)	124	L	3	4	4 ²	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ³	1.60	in 1/4, swung 6-w, drvng
22Jan26 ⁷ MVR ¹	2	Reasons We Drink (Bracho, Jose)	126	L	2	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	2 ²	2 ^{1 3/4}	1.00*	set pace, 2nd best
12Nov25 ⁸ MVR ²	5	Miesha (Rivera, Luis)	124	L	5	3	5 ^{Head}	5 ²	4 ²	3 ^{Head}	3.40	3-4w turn, fan wide upr
18Dec25 ² MVR ⁵	7	Mizzen the Point (Haldar, David)	124	L	6	5	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{4 3/4}	14.40	3-w 1/4, 7-w upr, even
9Feb26 ⁷ MVR ⁹	4	National Diamond (Diaz, Angel)	124	L	4	2	2 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	5 ⁸	5 ^{17 1/4}	27.90	pressed 2-3p, gave way
15Jan26 ³ MVR ⁴	1	Shanghai Delight (Rosendo, Irwin)	124	L	1	6	6	6	6	6	43.00	trailed

Fractional Times: 22.73 46.39 1:00.06

Final Time: 1:14.54

Split Times: (23:66) (13:67) (14:48)

Run-Up: 10 feet

Winner: Instigation, Dark Bay or Brown Filly, by Tom's d'Etat out of Startin Something, by Musical Dreamer. Foaled Feb 25, 2022 in Ohio.

Breeder: Blazing Meadows Farm & WinStar Farm, LLC

Owner: Michael A. Vales

Trainer: Pappada, Julie

Scratched Horse(s): Whiskey Diamond (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$32,776

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Instigation	5.20	2.40	2.10	\$2.00 Daily Double	5-3	12.00	5,547
2	Reasons We Drink		2.20	2.10	\$2.00 Exacta	3-2	11.60	26,252
5	Miesha			2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-2-5	5.70	16,814
					\$0.10 Superfecta	3-2-5-7	2.90	12,051

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Instigation	4	4 ²	2 ³	1 ^{Head}	1 ³
2	Reasons We Drink	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	2 ^{Head}	2 ³
5	Miesha	3	5 ⁴	5 ^{4 3/4}	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{4 3/4}
7	Mizzen the Point	5	3 ²	3 ³	3 ²	4 ^{4 3/4}
4	National Diamond	2	2 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3 1/4}	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{9 1/2}
1	Shanghai Delight	6	6 ^{4 1/4}	6 ^{6 3/4}	6 ^{12 1/2}	6 ^{26 3/4}

Trainers: 3 - Pappada, Julie; 2 - Radosevich, Justin; 5 - Rone, Penny; 7 - Overholt, Paul; 4 - Rivera, Nestor; 1 - Rone, Penny

Owners: 3 -Michael A. Vales; 2 - Annechino Racing, LLC; 5 -Leroy Jackson; 7 -Paul G. Overholt; 4 - Rivera Racing Stables, LLC.; 1 -Timothy A. Heinrichs;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

INSTIGATION dropped back early, ridden along the inside near the quarter pole, swung six wide into the upper stretch and finished well to edge clear under strong handling. REASONS WE DRINK set all the pace along the inside under moderated pressure, cleared off near the three eighths pole and wore down late to finish second best. MIESHA was allowed to settle early, raced three to four wide around the far turn, fanned wide into the upper stretch and moved up late. MIZZEN THE POINT raced three wide near the quarter pole, raced seven wide into the upper stretch and was even late with no closing run. NATIONAL DIAMOND pressed two to three wide and gave way. SHANGHAI DELIGHT trailed.