

MAHONING VALLEY RACE COURSE - March 31, 2026 - Race 5

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE SEPTEMBER 30. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since February 28 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000 (Races Where Entered For \$4,000 Or Less Not Considered In Weight Allowances). (NW2 6M) **Claiming Price: \$5,000**

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

Purse: \$13,000

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

Available Money: \$14,000

Value of Race: 1st \$7,800, 2nd \$2,600, 3rd \$1,300, 4th \$650, 5th \$390, 6th \$260

Weather: Cloudy, 73° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 2:20 **Start:** Good for all except 4,5 **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
10Mar26 ⁴ MVR ¹	4	Ernie's Martini (Keiser, Chelsey)	126	L f	3	6	3 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³	0.40*	pinch st,circled4w,drv
13Mar26 ⁶ MVR ⁷	8	Mexitexafornia (Parker, Deshawn)	124	L	5	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	14.60	bid btw1/4,chased on
15Jan26 ² MVR ⁶	9	Royal Curlin (Batista, Luis)	124	L b	6	2	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	3 ³	3 ^{2 1/4}	9.20	roused3w1/4,lf-ld,tryn
27Oct25 ⁶ MVR ³	2	Ice Blast (Chavez, Alexander)	124	L f	1	5	6	5 ^{Head}	5 ²	4 ⁵	3.40	slw st,7w-up,late gain
10Mar26 ⁴ MVR ⁶	3	Charger (Salazar Becerra, Fernando)	124	L bf	2	3	1 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ²	50.70	pace ins,caught,faded
6Mar26 ³ MVR ⁵	5	Jenny's Beignet (Fernandez, Victor)	124	L bf	4	4	5 ^{2 1/2}	6	6	6	7.40	bmp,chase ins,weakened

Fractional Times: 23.21 46.78 59.50

Final Time: 1:12.84 **Time from Gate:** 1:13.30

Split Times: (23:57) (12:72) (13:34)

Run-Up: 10 feet

Winner: Ernie's Martini, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Sky Mesa out of Aquinnah, by City Place. Foaled Apr 16, 2020 in ON.

Breeder: Keith McClelland & Rachel McClelland

Owner: Kevin Buttigieg

Trainer: Buttigieg, Kevin

Claiming Prices: 4 - Ernie's Martini: \$5,000; 8 - Mexitexafornia: \$5,000; 9 - Royal Curlin: \$5,000; 2 - Ice Blast: \$5,000; 3 - Charger: \$5,000; 5 - Jenny's Beignet: \$5,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Don't Cross Jack (Stewards), Game Boy Benny (Stewards), Zaddy (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$52,176

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Ernie's Martini	2.80	2.20	2.10	\$2.00 Exacta	4-8	18.40	42,068
8	Mexitexafornia		6.80	4.40	\$0.50 Trifecta	4-8-9	21.95	25,108
9	Royal Curlin			2.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	4-8-9-2	8.92	18,182
					\$0.50 Pick 3	5-3-4 (3 correct)	74.85	12,204
					\$0.50 Pick 5	3-3-5-3-1/4/6/7 (5 correct)	651.60	45,234
					\$2.00 Daily Double	3-4	35.00	7,182

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	Ernie's Martini	6	3 ²	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³
8	Mexitexafornia	1	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ³
9	Royal Curlin	2	4 ²	4 ^{1 1/4}	3 ²	3 ³
2	Ice Blast	5	6 ⁵	5 ^{4 3/4}	5 ^{7 1/2}	4 ^{5 1/4}
3	Charger	3	1 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	4 ⁵	5 ^{10 1/4}
5	Jenny's Beignet	4	5 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{4 3/4}	6 ^{9 1/2}	6 ^{12 1/4}

Trainers: 4 - Buttigieg, Kevin; 8 - Crumley, Jevon; 9 - Silva, Juan; 2 - Rivera, Nestor; 3 - Galloway, Khadeem; 5 - Juarez-Mendoza, Rey

Owners: 4 -Kevin Buttigieg; 8 - Crumley Racing; 9 - Tijuana Racing Stables, Jeffrey M. Bloom And Jeffrey Tenenbaum; 2 -Michael J. Friedman; 3 -Khadeem Galloway; 5 -Rey Juarez-Mendoza;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ERNIE'S MARTINI bumped pinched back at the start, cruised up circled the field four deep around the turn, under strong handling, went clear for the victory. MEXITEXAFORNIA broke alertly, forwardly place two wide into the turn, bid between rivals upper, chased on well late, second best. ROYAL CURLIN pressed into the turn, roused hard three wide leaving the three eighths marker, loomed upper, running on the wrong lead through the stretch, stayed on willingly for the show. ICE BLAST broke slow, took aim seven wide into the lane, late interest leaving the furlong marker. CHARGER broke sharp, set the pace along the rail into the turn, collared leaving the quarter pole, faded through the stretch. JENNY'S BEIGNET bumped at the start, chased inside around the turn, under pressure leaving the quarter pole, weakened through the stretch.