

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



CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE APRIL 6. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.;

Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since March 6 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$4,000. (NW2 Y) **Claiming Price:** \$4,000

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

Purse: \$11,100

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

Available Money: \$12,100

Value of Race: \$11,100 1st \$6,660, 2nd \$2,220, 3rd \$1,110, 4th \$555, 5th \$333, 6th \$222

Weather: Cloudy, 45° **Track:** Good

Off at: 12:19 **Start:** Good for all except 4 **Timing Method:** Electronic

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|---------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|-----|------|----|-------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 23Jul25 ⁴ MNR ⁷ | 1 | Strike the Top (Haldar, David) | 124 | L b | 1 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 4 ² 1/2 | 1 ^{3/4} | 21.00 | long drive ins,got up |
| 19Mar26 ¹ MVR ⁵ | 4 | Mshindi (Greenidge, Elijah) | 124 | L bf | 4 | 5 | 3 ¹ | 1 ^{Head} | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ^{Nose} | 8.40 | sqzd st,ins-2p,bested |
| 10Mar26 ⁴ MVR ⁴ | 5 | Versatile (Yaranga, Yuri) | 124 | L b | 5 | 2 | 4 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ¹ 1/2 | 3 ^{Neck} | 4.50 | chase 4w,outkicked |
| 19Mar26 ¹ MVR ² | 3 | Florida Gator (Tapara, Brandon) | 124 | L bf | 3 | 4 | 1 ^{Head} | 2 ^{1/2} | 1 ^{Head} | 4 ⁷ 1/2 | 1.00* | duel btwn 2-3w,outkick |
| 19Mar26 ¹ MVR ³ | 6 | Exchange Day (Batista, Luis) | 124 | L b | 6 | 1 | 2 ^{Head} | 4 ³ | 5 ^{Head} | 5 ^{Nose} | 1.90 | press btwn 3w,gave way |
| 19Mar26 ¹ MVR ⁶ | 2 | Scratchoff (Gomez, Alejandro) | 124 | L b | 2 | 3 | 5 ⁵ | 5 ⁴ 1/2 | 6 | 6 | 14.20 | ins,angled out,no bid |

Fractional Times: 23.69 47.13 59.96

Final Time: 1:13.10 **Time from Gate:** 1:13.40

Split Times: (23:44) (12:83) (13:14)

Run-Up: 10 feet

Winner: Strike the Top, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Medaglia d'Oro out of Strike Softly, by Smart Strike. Foaled Feb 09, 2017 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Sam-Son Farm

Owner: LS Stables LLC

Trainer: Poole, Jami

1 Claimed Horse(s): Florida Gator

New Trainer: Johanna Urieta

New Owner: Urieta's Racing Stable and Romero, Juan

Claiming Prices: 1 - Strike the Top: \$4,000; 4 - Mshindi: \$4,000; 5 - Versatile: \$4,000; 3 - Florida Gator: \$4,000; 6 - Exchange Day: \$4,000; 2 - Scratchoff: \$4,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$27,757

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|
| 1 | Strike the Top | 44.00 | 19.60 | 20.80 | \$2.00 Exacta | 1-4 | 551.40 | 23,797 |
| 4 | Mshindi | | 7.60 | 7.60 | \$0.50 Trifecta | 1-4-5 | 1,263.95 | 16,053 |
| 5 | Versatile | | | 7.20 | \$0.10 Superfecta | 1-4-5-3 | 610.97 | 10,268 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | Str | Fin |
|-----|----------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Strike the Top | 6 | 6 ⁶ 3/4 | 6 ⁸ 1/2 | 4 ² | 1 ^{3/4} |
| 4 | Mshindi | 5 | 3 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Head} | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ^{3/4} |
| 5 | Versatile | 2 | 4 ¹ 1/4 | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{3/4} |
| 3 | Florida Gator | 4 | 1 ^{Head} | 2 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Head} | 4 ¹ |
| 6 | Exchange Day | 1 | 2 ^{Head} | 4 ¹ | 5 ⁴ 1/2 | 5 ⁸ 1/2 |
| 2 | Scratchoff | 3 | 5 ¹ 3/4 | 5 ⁴ | 6 ⁴ 3/4 | 6 ⁸ 1/2 |

Trainers: 1 - Poole, Jami; 4 - Faulkner, Rodney; 5 - Spiess, Shane; 3 - Bernardini, Jay; 6 - Mathes, Julie; 2 - Poole, Jami

Owners: 1 - LS Stables LLC; 4 - R and P Racing Stables LLC; 5 - Tracey Wisner Racing LLC; 3 - Bernardini, Jay P., Burnsworth, Richard and Buyea, Kristina; 6 - Bruno Schickedanz; 2 - Terry Staley;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

STRIKE THE TOP void of early speed, saved ground into the turn, came under coaxing midway through the turn, made a long drive into the stretch, loomed along the rail into the final sixteenth, took command in deep stretch and held for the win. MSHINDI squeezed at the start and off a bit slowly, rushed up between rivals in the early stages, disputed the pace from the inside heading to the quarter pole, dug in from the two path into the final furlong, was outfinished in deep stretch and just held for second at the wire. VERSATILE close up to the early pace, chased four wide into the turn, battled three then four wide into the stretch, was outkicked in the final sixteenth and just missed for second, while just holding for third in a good effort. FLORIDA GATOR hustled to dispute the early pace from between rivals, dueled two wide to the quarter pole, dug in gamely into the lane and vied between foes at the furlong marker, could not find more into deep stretch and was outkicked in the final yards. EXCHANGE DAY broke alertly, contested the early pace three deep and between rivals, lost ground nearing the quarter pole, could not keep pace into upper stretch and gave way. SCRATCHOFF rated just off of the early pace while inside of the leaders, took back into the turn, angled out then swung widest to upper stretch, could not muster the needed response into the drive and did not factor late.