

OAKLAWN PARK - December 26, 2025 - Race 2



CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE JULY 26, 2025. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since September 26, 2025 Allowed 3 lbs. A Race Since July 26, 2025 Allowed 5 lbs. Claiming Price \$12,500 (Races Where Entered For \$8,000 Or Less Not Considered In Eligibility And Allowances). (NW2 6MX)
Claiming Price: \$12,500
Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Heatherten - 1:40.20 - April 18, 1984)
Purse: \$32,000
Available Money: \$32,000
Value of Race: \$32,000 1st \$19,200, 2nd \$6,400, 3rd \$3,200, 4th \$1,600, 5th \$320, 6th \$320, 7th \$320, 8th \$320, 9th \$320
Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 1:01 **Start:** Good for all except 5 **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	
8Aug25 ² RP ¹	12	Apollo Rising (Vazquez, Ramon)	121	L	9	1	5 ² 1/2	5 ²	2 ¹	1 ²	1 ³	2.10*	stalked,bid,got out1/4	
13Dec25 ⁴ OP ⁵	4	Global Empire (Huckaby, Ronnie)	112	L	bf	4	5	4 1/2	3 ^{Head}	3 ¹	2 1/2	62.50	2nd flight btwn,up 2nd	
23Nov25 ⁵ CD ⁸	5	One Cool Dude (Esquivel, Emmanuel)	119	L	b	5	9	8 ⁶ 1/2	7 1/2	5 ¹	2 ¹	3 ^{Neck}	6.00	stumble brk,5w1/4,flat
13Dec25 ⁸ RP ¹	1	Sound of Victory (Asmussen, Erik)	124	L	b	1	3	6 ^{Head}	6 ^{Head}	6 1/2	4 ^{Head}	4 ²	4.50	4-5w 1/4, mildly
13Dec25 ⁴ OP ¹	11	Winter's Ghost (Arrieta, Francisco)	124	L	bf	8	4	2 ² 1/2	2 ³	1 ¹	5 ⁵	5 ⁷ 1/4	9.50	took over, faltered
23May25 ⁹ CD ⁷	10	Coppermaster (Mendoza, Amir)	112	L	f	7	8	9	9	9	7 ¹⁸	6 1/2	13.80	passed tiring rivals
29Nov25 ⁷ FG ⁷	2	Critical Threat (Bacon, Tyler)	124	L		2	2	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	7 ³ 1/2	6 ³ 1/2	7 ²⁷ 1/2	4.10	2nd flight rail,empty
3Nov25 ² MNR ¹	8	Runningforcash (Cedillo, Abel)	119	L	b	6	7	7 ¹ 1/2	8 ⁵ 1/2	8 ³	8 ⁶	8	12.40	back,4w 2nd,jogged in
13Dec25 ⁶ OP ¹⁰	3	Tahoe Sunrise (Torres, Cristian)	119	L	bf	3	6	1 1/2	1 ¹	4 ^{Head}	9	---	7.40	stopped, jogged in

Fractional Times: 23.19 47.13 1:13.00 1:39.18 **Final Time:** 1:45.71
Split Times: (23:94) (25:87) (26:18) (6:53)
Run-Up: 60 feet

Winner: Apollo Rising, Chestnut Gelding, by Karakontie (JPN) out of Spirit of Nike, by Invasor (ARG). Foaled Apr 04, 2019 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Sara Ann Kaniewski
Owner: End Zone Athletics, Inc.
Trainer: Ramirez-Rodriguez, Abel

2 Claimed Horse(s): **Critical Threat** New Trainer: Fermin Soto New Owner: Eleuterio Jose Altmirano
Sound of Victory New Trainer: Ike Green New Owner: James Keplin

Voided Claims: Apollo Rising(Vet)

Claiming Prices: 12 - Apollo Rising: \$12,500; 4 - Global Empire: \$12,500; 5 - One Cool Dude: \$12,500; 1 - Sound of Victory: \$12,500; 11 - Winter's Ghost: \$12,500; 10 - Coppermaster: \$12,500; 2 - Critical Threat: \$12,500; 8 - Runningforcash: \$12,500; 3 - Tahoe Sunrise: \$12,500;

Scratched Horse(s): Big Paper (Also-Eligible), Bolt At Midnight (Re-entered), Come Out Fighting (Also-Eligible), Hot Gunner (Veterinarian), Wartime Hero (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$123,985

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
12	Apollo Rising	6.20	4.00	3.00	\$1.00 Exacta	12-4	146.60	89,956
4	Global Empire		31.20	13.00	\$0.50 Trifecta	12-4-5	400.10	54,496
5	One Cool Dude			5.40	\$1.00 Daily Double	9-12	15.40	38,907
					\$0.10 Superfecta	12-4-5-1	485.09	32,358

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
12	Apollo Rising	1	5 ³ 1/2	5 ⁴ 1/2	2 ¹	1 ²	1 ³
4	Global Empire	5	4 ³	4 ⁴	3 ²	3 ³	2 ³
5	One Cool Dude	9	8 ⁷ 3/4	7 ⁶ 3/4	5 ² 1/4	2 ²	3 ³ 1/2
1	Sound of Victory	3	6 ⁶	6 ⁶ 1/2	6 ³ 1/4	4 ⁴	4 ³ 3/4
11	Winter's Ghost	4	2 ¹ /2	2 ¹	1 ¹	5 ⁴	5 ⁵ 3/4
10	Coppermaster	8	9 ¹⁴ 1/4	9 ¹² 3/4	9 ¹⁰ 1/4	7 ¹² 1/2	6 ¹³
2	Critical Threat	2	3 ³	3 ⁴	7 ³ 3/4	6 ⁹	7 ¹³ 1/2
8	Runningforcash	7	7 ⁶ 1/4	8 ⁷ 1/4	8 ⁷ 1/4	8 ³⁰ 1/2	8 ⁴¹
3	Tahoe Sunrise	6	1 ¹ /2	1 ¹	4 ²	9 ³⁶ 1/2	---

Trainers: 12 - Ramirez-Rodriguez, Abel; 4 - Haran, John; 5 - Blair, Jordan; 1 - Asmussen, Steven; 11 - Potts, Wayne; 10 - Garcia, Genaro; 2 - Tracy, Tanner; 8 - Martinez, Ralph; 3 - Casse, Norm

Owners: 12 - End Zone Athletics, Inc.; 4 -Emma Ramos; 5 -Todd Grantham; 1 -Steven M. Asmussen; 11 - Greentree Stables, LLC and Three Player's Stable; 10 - Southwest Racing Stables, Inc. and Wargel, William J.; 2 -Patrick Sullivan; 8 -John Dant; 3 - Turman, Frank and AJ Suited Racing Stable LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

APOLLO RISING raced in the second flight outside, advanced on the leaders three wide late in the second turn, challenged while getting out turning for home, clear upper stretch, slowly increased advantage to the wire under steady handling. GLOBAL EMPIRE in the second group while inside the winner and between horses, dropped to the inside late in the final turn, modest interest late to prevail for the place, no real threat to the winner. ONE COOL DUDE stumbled badly at the break to spot the field a couple of lengths, remained back, advanced three to four wide late in the final turn, carried out to the five path by the winner entering the stretch, chased that rival past the furlong marker, flattened out a bit late to be outkicked for the second spot. SOUND OF VICTORY lacked speed while off the inside, four to five wide into the lane when making a modest move, lost some ground into the lane, continued with mild interest to the wire. WINTER'S GHOST pressed the early leader in the three path, continued to prompt that one the middle half, took over far turn, faltered in the drive. COPPERMASTER fell back to trail after the start, continued to race sluggishly up the backstretch, steered out to be widest for the drive, passed

tiring rivals while not a threat. CRITICAL THREAT in the second flight along the rail while inside the top pair, continued to face forwardly second turn, had little for the drive. RUNNINGFORCASH lacked speed, four wide in the second turn when well back, gave way in the drive, jogged in well beaten. TAHOE SUNRISE moved up inside to show the way into the first turn, set the pace for almost six furlongs, stopped second turn, also stopped through the lane, jogged in as well far back.