

PENN NATIONAL - February 26, 2026 - Race 6

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO 40% PABF) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE SINCE NOVEMBER 26.

Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since January 26 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming

Price \$7,500 (Races Where Entered For \$6,250 Or Less Not Considered In Eligibility). (NW1 3MX) **Claiming Price:** \$7,500

Distance: One Mile And Seventy Yards On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Vault - 1:39.55 - November 6, 2019)

Purse: \$17,000

Available Money: \$17,000

Value of Race: \$17,000 1st \$10,200, 2nd \$3,400, 3rd \$1,870, 4th \$1,020, 5th \$510

Weather: Clear, 39° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 8:21 **Start:** Good for all except 8 **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
4Feb26 ¹¹ PRX ⁷	7	Striking Sparks (Hernandez, Julio)	122 L b	6	6	4 ¹	5 ²	2 ¹	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{3/4}	8.20	4w bid, stretch duel
24Jul25 ⁵ DEL ¹	2	Town's Warrior (Lopez, Carlos)	122 L bf	2	4	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}	2.00*	bid btwn, stretch duel
17Jan26 ¹ LRL ⁸	6	Gangly (Cruz, Angel)	122 L b	5	2	2 ¹	2 ¹	3 ⁴	3 ⁴	3 ³	7.50	pressed, 3w bid turn
10Feb26 ³ PRX ³	3	Balantyne (Haddock, Dexter)	122 L bf	3	5	6 ² 1/2	6 ³ 1/2	5 ¹	4 ¹	4 ⁶ 1/2	5.90	4w into lane, belated
10Jan26 ⁶ LRL ⁹	5	Ocala Dream (Beato, Inoel)	122 L	4	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	5 ¹	5 ^{1/2}	3.30	pace inside, faded
4Sep25 ⁴ PEN ²	8	Tubtimsiam (Ramos, Yabriel)	122 L b	7	7	7	7	7	7	6 ^{1/2}	57.80	reluctant, off slowly
4Feb26 ⁴ PRX ²	1	Wish for Peace (Chiappe, Ricardo)	122 L b	1	3	5 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	6 ⁴	6 ³	7	2.80	inside, faded

Fractional Times: 24.09 48.24 1:12.85 1:39.61 **Final Time:** 1:43.94

Split Times: (24:15) (24:61) (26:76) (4:33)

Run-Up: 70 feet

Winner: Striking Sparks, Chestnut Gelding, by Accelerate out of Gas Total (BRZ), by Sulamani (IRE). Foaled Apr 17, 2021 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Brownwood Farm

Owner: Jose S. Rodriguez

Trainer: Rodriguez, Jose

2 Claimed Horse(s): **Town's Warrior** New Trainer: Bruce M. Kravets New Owner: David B. Anderson
Wish for Peace New Trainer: Brandon L. Kulp New Owner: Kat Daddy Racing

Claiming Prices: 7 - Striking Sparks: \$7,500; 2 - Town's Warrior: \$7,500; 6 - Gangly: \$7,500; 3 - Balantyne: \$7,500; 5 - Ocala Dream: \$7,500; 8 - Tubtimsiam: \$7,500; 1 - Wish for Peace: \$7,500;

Scratched Horse(s): Curlington (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$50,047

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
7	Striking Sparks	18.40	7.80	5.40	\$0.50 Pick 3	3-3-7 (3 correct)	192.65	6,172
2	Town's Warrior		4.60	3.20	\$0.50 Pick 3	3-5-7 (3 correct)	577.20	0
6	Gangly			5.00	\$1.00 Daily Double	3-7	14.20	5,046
					\$1.00 Daily Double	5-7	51.80	0
					\$1.00 Exacta	7-2	44.20	35,365
					\$0.10 Superfecta	7-2-6-3	80.60	16,095
					\$0.50 Trifecta	7-2-6	140.10	21,837

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
7	Striking Sparks	6	4 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 3/4	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{3/4}
2	Town's Warrior	4	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{3/4}
6	Gangly	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹
3	Balantyne	5	6 ² 3/4	6 ³ 3/4	5 ⁵ 1/2	4 ⁵ 1/2	4 ⁴
5	Ocala Dream	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ⁵	5 ⁶ 1/2	5 ¹⁰ 1/2
8	Tubtimsiam	7	7 ⁵ 1/4	7 ⁷ 1/4	7 ¹⁰ 1/2	7 ¹⁰ 1/2	6 ¹¹
1	Wish for Peace	3	5 ² 1/2	4 ¹ 1/2	6 ⁶ 1/2	6 ⁷ 1/2	7 ¹¹ 1/2

Trainers: 7 - Rodriguez, Jose; 2 - Kreiser, Timothy; 6 - Kreiser, Timothy; 3 - Ramirez, Silvino; 5 - McClellan, Erin; 8 - Kravets, Bruce; 1 - Kravets, Bruce

Owners: 7 -Jose S. Rodriguez; 2 - Bush Racing Stable; 6 - America's Pastime Stables; 3 - S.G.R. Stables LLC; 5 -Kenneth T. Saul; 8 - Stevark Stable, Inc.; 1 - Stevark Stable, Inc.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

STRIKING SPARKS raced four wide early, stalked three wide, bid four wide on the far turn, dueled with TOWN'S WARRIOR passing the furlong marker, dug in gamely and prevailed late. TOWN'S WARRIOR tracked inside in the early stages, then two wide, bid between rivals entering the far turn, dueled with the winner in the stretch drive and dug in gamely inside to the finish. GANGLY pressed the pace, bid three wide on the far turn and dug in gamely outside in the final furlong. BALANTYNE raced two wide off the pace, chased two wide on the far turn, came four wide into the lane and closed belatedly. OCALA DREAM set the pace on the inside, dueled and faded. TUBTIMSIAM was reluctant to load, then off slowly, trailed and was outrun. WISH FOR PEACE raced off the pace inside, chased inside and faded.