

FORT ERIE - August 11, 2025 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE IN 2025 OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000, if for \$4,750, allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$4,000 Or Less Not Considered InEligibility)(Waiver Claiming Exempt) (Colts And Geldings Preferred)(*Plus Up To \$540 Ontario Bred/Ontario Sired Breeders Awards). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000 - \$4,750

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Set in Stone - 1:08.18 - June 15, 2010)

All money values represented in Canadian currency unless noted otherwise

Purse: \$15,750

Includes: \$3,150 Ontario Sired / Bred Breeders Awards

Includes: \$2,100 State Bred

Available Money: \$15,750

Value of Race: \$12,285 (US\$8,933) 1st \$7,560 (US\$5,497) , 2nd \$2,100 (US\$1,527) , 3rd \$1,365 (US\$993) , 4th \$630 (US\$458) , 5th \$630 (US\$458)

Weather: Clear, 86° C **Track:** Fast

Off at: 6:05 **Start:** Good for all except 3 **Timing Method:** Electronic

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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
21Jul25 ³ FE ³	2	Ernie's Martini (Husbands, Christopher)	124	L f	1	4	³ Head	² Head	² ¹	¹ ² 3/4	0.30*	bid str, kept to task
27Jul25 ⁴ FE ⁶	4	Inflation Nation (IRE) (Sanchez, Alexis)	122	L bf	3	1	¹ ¹ /2	¹ ²	¹ Head	² ¹ 1/2	12.85	3p str, failed to hold
22Jul25 ⁵ FE ⁴	6	Forester Humor (Salles, Leo)	124	L bf	5	3	⁴ ¹	³ ¹	³ ²	³ ² 1/4	9.80	angled out, evenly
15Jun25 ⁷ FE ¹⁰	5	Hicksy (Dennis, Matthew)	122	L bf	4	2	² ¹	⁴ ¹	⁴ ¹ /2	⁴ ¹ 1/2	5.20	stalked, no late kick
14Jul25 ⁶ FE ⁷	3	Gus's Gamble (Vandermeersch, Amanda)	122	L f	2	5	5	5	5	5	7.95	stmbled st, no impact

Fractional Times: 22.43 45.66 58.22

Final Time: 1:11.74

Split Times: (23:23) (12:56) (13:52)

Run-Up: 42 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: Buttigieg, Kevin and Snowden, Doug

Trainer: Buttigieg, Kevin

Claiming Prices: 2 - Ernie's Martini: \$5,000; 4 - Inflation Nation (IRE): \$4,750; 6 - Forester Humor: \$5,000; 5 - Hicksy: \$4,750; 3 - Gus's Gamble: \$4,750;

Scratched Horse(s): Fascination Street (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$52,240

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Ernie's Martini	2.60	2.10	2.10	\$0.20 Pick 3	2-4-1/2 (3 correct)	0.58	11,651
4	Inflation Nation (IRE)		5.50	3.20	\$0.20 Pick 4	2/5-2-4-1/2 (4 correct)	2.06	23,303
6	Forester Humor			2.70	\$0.20 Triactor	2-4-6	3.50	16,835
					\$1.00 Daily Double	4-2	2.10	6,312
					\$1.00 Exactor	2-4	6.55	24,207
					\$0.20 Superfecta	2-4-6-5	6.51	10,559

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Ernie's Martini	4	³ ¹ 1/2	² ²	² Head	¹ ² 3/4
4	Inflation Nation (IRE)	1	¹ ¹ /2	¹ ²	¹ Head	² ² 3/4
6	Forester Humor	3	⁴ ¹ 1/2	³ ²	³ ¹	³ ⁴ 1/4
5	Hicksy	2	² ¹ /2	⁴ ³	⁴ ³	⁴ ⁶ 1/2
3	Gus's Gamble	5	⁵ ² 1/2	⁵ ⁴	⁵ ³ 1/2	⁵ ⁸

Trainers: 2 - Buttigieg, Kevin; 4 - Husbands, Anthony; 6 - Humber, Joseph; 5 - Humber, Joseph; 3 - Albu, Ken

Owners: 2 - Buttigieg, Kevin and Snowden, Doug; 4 - Tara Horse Farm Inc.; 6 -Erin H. Rickman; 5 - Hayhoe Stables; 3 - Six Brothers Stable;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ERNIE'S MARTINI was in range, moved up from the inside on the turn and with a bid in mid stretch was kept to task. INFLATION NATION (IRE) set the pace and had a clear lead on the turn but from the three path at the top of the stretch failed to hold. FORESTER HUMOR was in touch, roused on the turn, angled out in mid stretch and finished evenly. HICKSY stalked the early leader but chased from between foes on the turn and had no late kick. GUS'S GAMBLE stumbled at the start, showed little and had no impact.