FIRST RACE

Fort Erie

JUNE 29, 2026

6 FURLONGS. (1.08) CLAIMING . Purse $15,300 (includes $3,060 Ontario Sired / Bred Breeders Awards) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE IN 2026 OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price $4,000 (Colts And Geldings Preferred) (*Plus Up To $540 Ontario Bred/Ontario Sired Breeders Awards). (Cloudy. 86.)

Value of Race: $13,668 (US $9,630) Winner $7,956 (US $5,606) ; second $2,652 (US $1,869) ; third $1,326 (US $934) ; fourth $612 (US $431) ; fifth $622 (US $438) ; sixth $500 (US $352) . Mutuel Pool $33,824.00 Triactor Pool $14,788.00 Exactor Pool $23,682.00 Superfecta Pool $11,103.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds $1
14Jun26 1FE5	Commander Joe	L bf	8	124	5	1	1hd	1hd	1½	1¾	Vanek H M	4000	3.40
14Jun26 1FE3	Cantucci	b	5	124	4	3	2 1½	24	22	25½	Cheyne B A	4000	5.70
14Jun26 8FE6	Where Is Essa	L f	7	124	2	6	3hd	31	31	31½	Crawford J	4000	0.70
21Oct25 7FE5	Thelonious	L f	7	124	1	4	42	41½	41½	42½	Alderson J I	4000	9.85
31May26 2FE6	Action Point	L	7	124	6	2	5½	5hd	5hd	5hd	David M	4000	8.55
3Mar26 4MVR5	Bongino	L b	6	124	3	5	6	6	6	6	Salles L	4000	17.15

OFF AT 4:35 Start Good For All But WHERE IS ESSA. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :23, :45³, :57³, 1:10 (:23.08, :45.69, :57.62, 1:10.19)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

5 – COMMANDER JOE	**8.80**	**5.30**	**2.60**
4 – CANTUCCI		**4.90**	**2.80**
2 – WHERE IS ESSA			**2.10**

20 CENT TRIACTOR 5–4–2 PAID $7.35 $1 EXACTOR 5–4 PAID $17.95 20 CENT SUPERFECTA 5–4–2–1 PAID $27.51

Ch. h, (Apr), by Giant Gizmo – Blonde Miss, by Langfuhr . Trainer Mileni Nick G Jr. Bred by Philip Healey & Donna Healey (Ont–C).

COMMANDER JOE set a pressured pace, had a slim lead on the turn and from the three path at the top of the stretch held sway. CANTUCCI forced the early pace, dueled from the inside on the turn and vied through the stretch but was second best. WHERE IS ESSA was off slow and hustled along on the turn but from the five path at the top of the stretch needed more. THELONIOUS was in touch and roused from the inside on the turn but was no real threat. ACTION POINT was unhurried early and raced evenly on the turn but from the four path at the top of the stretch was not a factor. BONGINO was off the pace and saved ground on the turn but had no impact.

Owners– 1, Mileni Nick G Jr; 2, Mathes David J; 3, Vetere Jim Green Michael Thomas and Ceccato Sharon; 4, Palmer Ashley; 5, Weymes Andrew V; 6, Schickedanz Bruno

Trainers– 1, Mileni Nick G Jr; 2, Mathes Julie; 3, Ceccato Sharon; 4, Smith Kenneth R; 5, Cathcart Steven; 6, Mileni Nick G Jr

Cantucci was claimed by Spin Bailey A; trainer, Newland George.