

PENN NATIONAL - June 7, 2025 - Race 2
STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO 40% PABF) FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$16,000 OR LESS AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$16,000 AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since May 7 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since April 7 Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$16,000 (Races Where Entered For \$12,500 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). (NW3 L) **Claiming Price:** \$16,000
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Sparticle - 1:07.68 - August 24, 2019)
Purse: \$21,000
Plus: \$3,728 PABF - Pennsylvania Bonus Program
Available Money: \$24,728
Value of Race: \$24,728 1st \$15,750, 2nd \$4,200, 3rd \$2,888, 4th \$1,260, 5th \$630
Weather: Cloudy, 75° **Track:** Fast (Sealed)
Off at: 2:31 **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
9May25 ⁴ PEN ⁴	5	Warrior's Defense (Rodriguez, Angel) VA CERTIFIED	120	L b	5	2	2 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ³	1 ⁵	1.30*	prompted 2w,drew away
21May25 ⁶ DEL ⁵	1	Ade (Torres, Jomar)	119	L b	1	4	3 ^{Head}	3 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{2 3/4}	3.10	2-3w,no match,2nd best
22May25 ⁶ PEN ¹	2	Iracebeth (Cora, David) VA CERTIFIED	121	L bf	2	3	4 ⁵	2 ^{Head}	3 ⁴	3 ^{6 3/4}	6.30	chase 3-4w,no rally
17May25 ⁵ PEN ²	3	Phabulous Phoebe (Beato, Inoel)	122	L b	3	5	5	5	4 ¹	4 ⁴	6.80	stumbled,no threat
17May25 ⁵ PEN ³	4	Diane's Merlot (Conner, Tyler)	123	L b	4	1	1 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	5	5	2.70	set pace to turn,faded

Fractional Times: 22.92 46.45 58.61 **Final Time:** 1:11.25
Split Times: (23:53) (12:16) (12:64)
Run-Up: 65 feet

Winner: Warrior's Defense, Bay Mare, by Warrior's Reward out of Defrock, by Blame. Foaled Mar 27, 2020 in Pennsylvania.
Breeder: Warrior's Reward LLC
Owner: Warrior's Reward LLC and Wire to Wire Racing, Inc.
Trainer: Kulp, Brandon

Claiming Prices: 5 - Warrior's Defense: \$16,000; 4 - Diane's Merlot: \$16,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$6,592

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Warrior's Defense	4.60	3.20	2.20	\$1.00 Daily Double	1-5	19.40	1,331
1	Ade		5.80	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	5-1	7.00	4,400
2	Iracebeth			2.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-1-2	23.80	2,432

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
5	Warrior's Defense	2	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ³	1 ⁵
1	Ade	4	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ³	2 ⁵
2	Iracebeth	3	4 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{7 3/4}
3	Phabulous Phoebe	5	5 ^{6 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	4 ^{8 1/2}	4 ^{14 1/2}
4	Diane's Merlot	1	1 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{9 1/2}	5 ^{18 1/2}

Trainers: 5 - Kulp, Brandon; 1 - Maldonado, Jonathan; 2 - Murillo, Ricardo; 3 - Kravets, Bruce; 4 - Kreiser, Timothy

Owners: 5 - Warrior's Reward LLC and Wire to Wire Racing, Inc.; 1 - High Schticking Thoroughbreds LLC; 2 - Ricardo Murillo Racing Stable; 3 -Tom Coulter; 4 - Bush Racing Stable;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

WARRIOR'S DEFENSE prompted the early pace from the outside, was given her cue while two wide passing the three-furlong pole, kicked clear into upper stretch then drew away under steady urging in the final furlong. ADE tracked the early pace from the inside, was well placed into the turn then spun two to three wide for the stretch drive, was no match for the winner past the furlong marker and was a clear second best. IRACEBETH tracked the early pace from the outside, was well placed to the turn then ran in pursuit three to four wide into upper stretch, lacked the needed response into the final furlong and was clear in the end for third. PHABULOUS PHOEBE stumbled at the start then was allowed to settle in the early stages, advanced two to three wide at the quarter marker, could not sustain that run into the stretch and did not threaten in the final stages. DIANE'S MERLOT broke alertly and set a prompted pace up the backstretch, led into the turn then was overtaken midway along the bend, chased from the rail into upper stretch and gave way in the drive.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred